

 Crowding. "Schools which had major disruptions in the late '60s and early '70s often had many more students than they were designed to serve."
The shift from local

schools to huge emporia of education. "Large schools have a higher incidence of and more serious crime and disruption than smaller schools. School spirit is difficult if not impossible to develop in large, urban secondary schools which have 4,000 to 5,000 students."

* Victims of attack and robbery in high schools "are more likely than nonvictims to be offenders themselves."

* Suspension of offending students rarely makes a difference. ''Staff members often comptain about the unavailability of adequate counseling or psychiatric help.''

* School crime and violence are low where principals are dynamic,

and where students have access to and can identify with teachers.

Could it be that when we abandoned "the little red schoolhouse'' and leaped through "con-solidation" to huge schools enrolling thousands, we gave up more than we got? In the old-style smaller school there was no place for troublemakers to hide, because the principal knew usually each student -- and his or her family. Some of today's schools are so large that not only do principals and teachers not know all their students, but they cannot distinguish students from outsiders who peddle dope, steal lunches and purses, foment violence and otherwise create a climate of fear.

There surely is no single or simple panacea for the problem of violence in the schools. But we ought to explore seriously the question of whether we can reverse the trend and limit enrollment in our schools to a level where there can be some meaningful relationship between teachers and students.

Las Vegas SENTINEL Nov. 6, 1980 NLV LIBRARY OPEN HOUSE



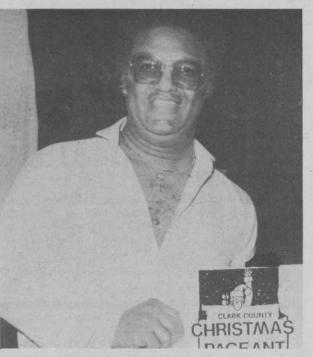
OPEN HOUSE — for the West Las Vegas Library washeld on Saturday, Nov. 1. Guest speaker for the occasion was Alfred Greghorn of the Las Vegas Chapter, NAACP (center). Also present were Ruby Duncan, Executive Director, Operation Life (left) and Charles Hunsberger, Director, Clark County Library District.

CHECK OUT BOOKS



GOOD TURNOUT — There was a good attendance at the Open House for the West Las Vegas Library as shown by the picture above. The library is used extensively throughout the community.

Photos By Bob Morgan



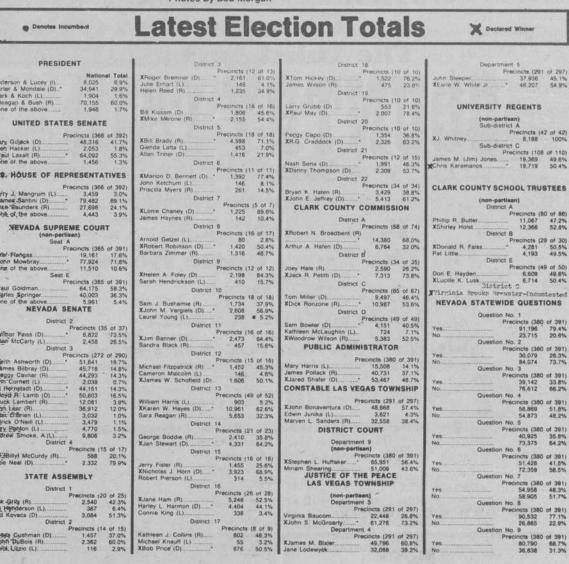
The Fourth Annual Clark County Christmas Pageant will be held in the Crown Jewel Room of the Dunes Hotel, Sunday December 21, starting at 2 PM.

As in the past, this event is a family-get-together program of beautiful Christmas Holiday Music.

Reverend Prentice Minner (above) is the Musical Director and he will be featuring the renowned "Love-All-People" Youth Musical Group. He will also have several other musical groups performing.

The Annual Clark County HUMANITARIAN AWARDS will also be presented to outstanding southern Nevada Citizens.





The above tabulations are not complete at press time. However, the actual winners in each race are denoted with an "X".

From the black community, the following candidates were successful in their quest for the offices indicated: Nevada State Senate, District 4 — Joe Neal; Nevada State Assembly, District 6 — Marion Bennett; State Assembly, District 7 — Lonie Chaney; Clark County Commission, District D — Woodrow Wilson; Justice of Peace, Las Vegas Township, Department 5 — Earle W. White, Jr.; University Regents, Sub-District A, June Whitley and Clark County School Trustees, District C — Virginia Brooks Brewster.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL THE WINNERS AND OUR APPRECIATION TO THOSE WHO DID NOT WIN BUT WHO PUT UP A VALIANT FIGHT FOR THEIR IDEAS, ISSUES AND PRINCIPLES.

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