

COUSINS APPREHENDED IN STORE ROBBERY

After allegedly robbing a Safeway market at 3255 Las Vegas Blvd. North, two cousins were captured by police Monday, shortly before 11 a.m.

Arrested were Leonard McGee, 24, and his teenage cousin, whose identify was withheld because of his age.

McGee was identified

by police as an alleged drug salesman for the notorious West Las Vegas Willson Gang, which specializes in street corner sales of PCP (angel dust). He was arrested by police at gunpoint as he hid behind some cardboard boxes in a residence carport on Alto Drive near the store. Police reported that a pistol

allegedly used in the holdup and cash taken in the holdup were seized from McGee. Officers went to the Alto address following a telephone call to police by a woman, who reported that a man was hiding in her carport.

The unarmed teenage cousin was chased down by officers several blocks away after he allegedly ran from the store into the surrounding desert.

The two cousins, with McGee holding the gun, allegedly robbed three cash registers as the store checkers stood back with their hands in the air.

AASK CORPORATE PROGRAM UNDERWAY!

Somehow it doesn't seem fair that homeless children cannot be helped without money ... but that's the way it is. Aid to Adoption of Special Kids (AASK), has been operating as a licensed, private, non-profit adoption agency in Nevada since 1976. AASK's basic premise is that no child is unadoptable. Children who are physically, emotionally or intellectually handicapped, who are older, have siblings or who are members of a minority

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BLACK MINERS KILLED IN AFRICAN GOLD MINE RIOTS

Eight black miners were killed Saturday during riots at two South African gold

mines. At least six of them were killed by police.

Sparked by pay disputes, the rioting erupted when South Africa's Chamber of Mines decided to give a 12 percent pay hike to black underground workers but only an 11 percent increase to surface workers.

Six of the black miners were killed when police were called to help control the riots at the West Driefontein and Grootvlei gold mines.

The violence had begun on Thursday when black miners at the West Driefontein mine smashed windows and stoned cars belonging to white mine employees, authorities said.

Police estimate that about 13,000 miners were involved in the riots.

Unlike the white miners, the country's 500,000 black miners have no labor union.

WAITING CHILDREN

Shawking, a four-year-old black boy, is a lovable and happy child with a huge, bright smile. Although somewhat shy at first, once he knows you, he is friendly and talkative. Like most four-year-olds, he is a very active and mobile child. Yet, Shawking lacks a family of his own which is unlike most children you see around you.



and trucks, and games like hide and seek. Shawking's foster family recently acquired a swing set which has become Shawking's favorite place to play.

Shawking desperately needs security, stability and a great deal of love. An adoptive family which could meet these needs and also encourage Shawking to reach toward his fullest potential would be the ideal family for this child. Shawking has been waiting four years for such a family. How much longer will you make him wait for a family of his own?

HOW YOU CAN ADOPT

The children described in this column are waiting for adoption. Nationwide, there are over 300,000 children who, for various reasons, have not found permanent parents. Some have physical, mental or emotional handicaps; some are of mixed racial background; some are older; others are siblings.

The Las Vegas SENTINEL, working with AASK (Aid to Adoption of Special Kids) hopes to find homes for these children. AASK is looking for people who can give love and nurturing to hard-to-place children. Prospective parents may be single or married.

Subsidies (payments to the adopting family each month and medical expenses) are available for many of the children. Subsidies depend on the financial situation of the adoptive family.

If you'd like more information on how to adopt a special child or how you can help financially support the AASK program, please call 876-7420 or write AASK Adoption Agency, 3305 W. Spring Mountain Road, Suite 92, Las Vegas, 89102.

Adoption is a specific legal matter, and the Las Vegas SENTINEL can answer no questions concerning the children.

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