

L.V. Skycaps Aid Delta Airlines Project



in Las Vegas, on Mar. 1, 1983. The Skycaps in McCarran have also challenged all skycaps in the Airline industry to participate towards the Delta project. Pictured above are, left to right: Delta Agent Lynda Shapiro; Skycap O. Pippins; Skycap Captain R. McKinney; Delta Manager, Las Vegas, F. Gipson; Skycap Union Representative R. Blankes; Delta Project 767 coordinator L. Yates; and Skycap J. Brantley.

In their effort to show their appreciation to Delta Airlines, the Allied Skycaps at McCarran International Airport decided to participate with Delta employees in raising the amount needed to purchase their company a 767 aircraft. The Skycaps felt that Delta has been a long-standing carrier operating in Las Vegas and as such, it has helped the welfare of many employees in this community. A check for \$402 was presented to F. Gipson, Manager of Delta

Harris sues federal agencies

Otis Harris, economic development director for the Minister Alliance, filed a lawsuit Thursday in U.S. District Court against two federal agencies.

Harris asked the court for a settlement of more than \$20,000 for loss of employment and economic loss.

The suit claims the Department of Commerce and the Economic Development Administration and several of its officials entered into a conspiracy to deprive him of a former federal grant and "to embarrass, disgrace and hold him up to public ridicule." The amount of the grant was not revealed.

The suit states when Harris was director and president of the Southern Nevada Economic Development Council, a non-profit organization formed to bring businesses into the black community, the agency was awarded a

long-term economic deterioration implementation grant Sept. 6, 1979, by the EDA.

However, between that time and March 15, 1982, the defendants entered into a conspiracy to terminate the grant and to embarrass him.

The suit claims an audit report of Harris' defunct agency accused him of misuse of funds, but the officials of the two agencies "knew the findings were inaccurate, incorrect, false and misleading."

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Briare to seek third term

Mayor Bill Briare announced Thursday he will seek re-election to a third term as chief executive of Las Vegas.

Briare's announcement, which had been expected, was made just before St. Patrick's Day downtown parade, which he led on foot wearing greenery and carrying his shillelagh.

He said he will officially file for office next week. Filings open March 24 and close April 1. The primary election is May 3; the general June 7.

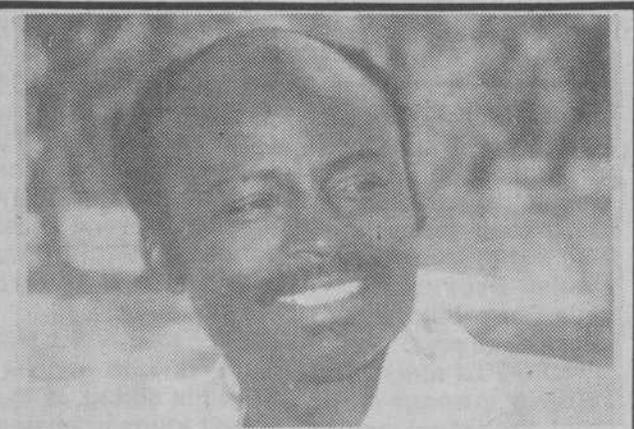
"I intend to tell our Las Vegas residents of the remarkable progress the city has made in the last eight years," he said, "and how the city commissioners and I hope to continue our efforts, notwithstanding national and local economic problems, to provide the best possible services at an affordable cost to our taxpayers."

Briare said he was optimistic for an early upturn in the Las Vegas tourism business, and supported intensified efforts to promote industrial diversification on a statewide as well as a local level.

He served in the State Assembly in 1960 and served one term. He then served two terms, from 1962-70, as a county commissioner but did not seek a third term. He ran unsuccessfully for mayor in 1971 before winning election in 1975.

Briare, 52, and his wife, Jo, have six children.

He worked as an insurance broker before becoming a full-time mayor. He has been at the forefront of many activities since holding the mayoral chair, including numerous development projects, promoting the return of the Amtrak Desert Wind train to Las Vegas, and leadership of the still pending proposal for a 250-mph super-speed train from Los Angeles to here.



William E. Robinson, respected resident of North Las Vegas, is seeking election to the City Council. Robinson cited the need for unity and cooperation between the private sector and city government. "Unity and cooperation will create the kind of climate in our community that is needed to solve pressing social and economic problems," he said. "I am strongly in favor of an intensified, aggressive campaign to attract business and industry to NLV."

Robinson is currently Chairman of the Library, Parks and Recreation Advisory Board, Who's Who Outstanding Men of America, and a Honorary Director for the North Las Vegas Chamber of Commerce. He has served on many community and civic organizations for the improvement of life in North Las Vegas. Robinson is past president and a lifetime member of North Las Vegas Jaycees. He served on the State Gaming Policy Committee from 1973 to 1981.

"I plan to utilize the experience in the area of human relations that I have gained while working for Clark County School District. Unity and cooperation is the key to a working relationship within the community. It is vitally important to be responsive and in tune with community needs," Robinson stated.

Robinson attended Mississippi Valley State University, majoring in political science, with a minor in social science. He resides at 1400 Pontiac in North Las Vegas, with his wife Estella and their two children; Jacqueline and William E., II.

Robinson will work for increased industrial and business development, better housing for seniors, increased protection for North Las Vegas citizens, and creation of a new Department of Employment and Economic Development to help create new jobs.

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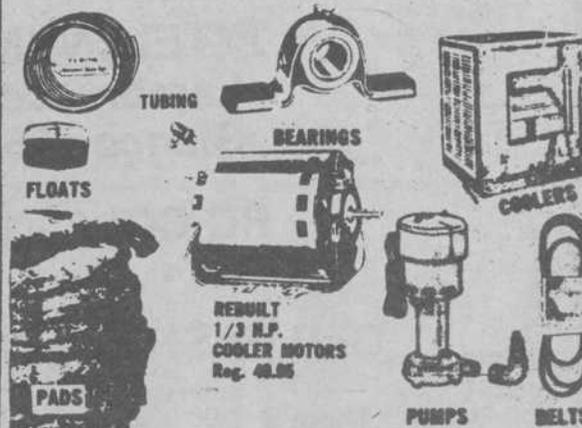
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