

## "Cannon" Shannon Irks Prosecutor

A deputy district attorney Monday accused former light heavyweight boxer Willie Lee Shannon of having his "whores" testify to contradict testimony in a prior rape case and possibly the one pending in District Court.

Prosecutor Bill Henry's accusations were part of his argument against a defense motion asking for the medical and criminal records of the victim, criminal records of witnesses and the statements of witnesses in the case.

Judge Donald Mosley granted the motion.

However, he told Henry to have the 29-year-old victim to submit to a medical examination to determine if she has or recently had a venereal disease, and to turn the results over to the court.

The record will be ex-

amined in the judge's chamber.

Shannon is scheduled to go on trial Feb. 27 on the charges of battery with intent to commit a crime, first degree kidnapping and sexual assault.

He is free on a \$35,000 bond.

## Murder Victim Identified Monday

The body of a murder victim discovered in the desert north of Las Vegas over the weekend was identified Monday as Telisa Harris, 22.

An autopsy showed the Las Vegas woman was bludgeoned with a blunt instrument and later dumped in a desert area near Craig Road and Highland Drive.

A citizen walking through the desert discovered the body Saturday.

## Wham Suspect Set For Trial

A writ asking for the dismissal of murder charges against John Oliver Snow, accused of the Feb. 13, 1983, contract-killing of nightclub owner Harry Wham, was denied Monday in District Court.

Judge Donald Mosley did not agree with Snow's attorney's argument that the state did not have enough evidence to detain his client, who has been held in the Clark County Jail since he was extradited Nov. 7 from New Jersey.

Attorney Joe Houston contended the state's only evidence against

his client was the name which was written on a piece of paper in the possession of Doug Parker, who has been convicted of hiring someone to kill Wham for his wife Peggy.

Sally Cook, the sister of Peggy Wham, testified at her sister's trial that she saw Snow's name written on a piece of paper that Parker had and that Parker said he was the hit-man. She also said Parker said the killer was from the East. Parker is serving two life terms with the possibility of parole for his part in the crime.

Snow is scheduled to go on trial March 26.



Pictured, left to right, as they enjoyed "Black Women: Achievements Against the Odds," are Sammie Lancaster, Bobbie Troutman and Gayle Hawkins.

In attendance at the opening of the exhibit were, left to right, Sonya Davis, Charles Troutman, Porter Troutman and Cherise Sullivan.

Shown discussing the exhibit are Shirley Barber, left, and Dorothy Ritnour, Director, Nevada Humanities Committee for Southern Nevada.

## M&M Products To Sponsor Black History Month Competition

(ATLANTA, Ga.) — Competition for AFRICAN JOURNEY 1984 will be part of the nation's observance of Black History Month.

February is Black History Month, and an Atlanta-based hair care products company will give consumers an opportunity to visit Africa at company expense in recognition of Black History.

A & M Products Company is sponsoring its second annual trip to Africa, this time to Kenya. In 1983 the company sent five families to the Ivory Coast where family members studied their cultural heritage in African villages and museums and saw much of French West Africa's emerging growth. The first trip was made during Thanksgiving week 1983. AFRICAN JOURNEY II is scheduled for ten days to include Thanksgiving week 1984.

The competition is being launched this month across the coun-

try and will be targeted to more than 95% of the nation's black consumers.

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## "Black Women: Achievements Against the Odds" Exhibit A Huge Success

Some two hundred friends and families gathered recently at the Historic Westside School to preview the traveling exhibit "Black Women: Achievements Against the Odds."

The exhibit is a set of 20 posters prepared for exhibition by SITES, the Smithsonian Institution Traveling Exhibition Service, featuring black

women and their contributions to American history, culture and society.

This exhibit is available to local schools, groups and organizations through Afro American Cultural Services and the Clark County Library District.

The program is funded through a grant from the Nevada Humanities Committee.

## Urban League Prexy To Visit Westside

John Jacobs, president of the national Urban League, will meet Feb. 2 with about 100 residents of the black community to discuss formation of a local chapter of the organization.

The meeting will take place at 6 p.m. at the New Town Tavern Nightclub, at "F" Street and Jackson Avenue.

On Feb. 3, Jacobs also will attend a fundraiser at Caesars Palace to raise money for the Las Vegas chapter.

Jacobs and Herb Lister, chairman of the board of Allstate Insurance, will be the speakers at the event, scheduled to take place in the Emperor Room. Television star Brock Peters will be master of ceremonies.

## Operation Life Hosts Reunion

Operation Life is co-sponsoring with Welfare Rights for a Grand Reunion Feb. 11 at the Holiday Inn Mid Strip, and would like for all past and present members to please attend.

After 5 p.m. call Stella Nelson, 647-4389; Eddie Jean Finks, 646-3963; Nina Brazil, 646-0513 for information.

Ruby Duncan is president of Operation Life.

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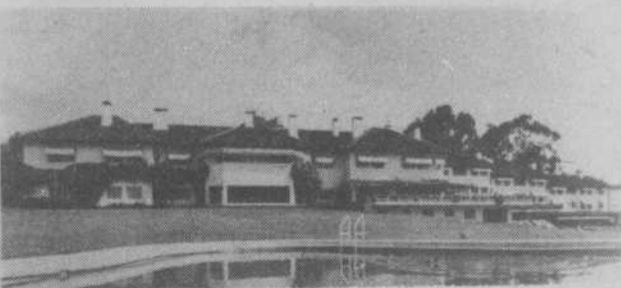
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## AFRICAN JOURNEY WINNERS WILL VISIT LUXURIOUS MT. KENYA SAFARI CLUB

(Atlanta, Ga.) — Competition for AFRICAN JOURNEY 1984 will be a part of the nation's observance of Black History Month. M & M Products Company, an Atlanta based manufacturer of ethnic hair care products, is sponsoring its second annual trip to Africa, this time to Kenya. Contest winners will spend ten days enjoying the sights of Brussels, Belgium and Nairobi, Kenya including a three-day vacation at the luxurious Mt. Kenya Safari Club. The contest is being launched during January and will run throughout February, Black History Month. Subject to contest rules, consumers can enter the contest by purchasing Sta-Sof-Fro® and Sof N' Free (TM) products manufactured by M & M Products, but no purchase is required.