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Brownie Scout Tanla Smith and Mary Mathews, a resident of the North Las Vegas Care Center, enjoy a moment together during a recent afternoon get-together. Tanla and other members of her troop, under the leadership of Cheryl Bernard, Pamela Vowell and Yvette Thompson, entertained the residents and gave them puppets that they had made at troop meetings. The project was part of the Girl Scouting emphasis on community service. Photo by Kate Butler.

MINORITY ARCHITECTS HELP DESIGN LOS ANGELES AIRPORT

LOS ANGELES, CA — It was nearly 30 years ago when nationally recognized black architect Paul R. Williams became part of the joint venture that was to design one of the world's first jet age airports in Los Angeles.

Taking place in the late 1950's, when blacks had yet to crack racial barriers to many professional fields—particularly in the construction industry — Williams' achievement was highly unusual. Yet, even as Paul Williams himself served as a role model for hundreds of aspiring black architects, his collaboration on the design of Los Angeles International Airport was also the fore-runner of current participation in large municipal airport projects by black architects and engineers.

Benito Sinclair, Bob Kennard, Norma Sklarek, John D. Williams and his son Doss Williams, each prominent in their own fields, are key black figures in one of the most ambitious projects ever undertaken in the public sector. All are working on design and construction of various facets of the \$700 million renovation of Los Angeles International Airport — the third busiest air transportation facility in the world. To be completed in mid-

1984 prior to the Summer Olympic Games, the "New LAX" will feature some of the latest innovations in transportation technology and design.

Architect Williams and structural/civil engineer Sinclair are part of the joint venture (Pereira, Dworsky, Sinclair, Williams) for the new \$124 million international West Terminal. Nearly a million square feet in size, the massive terminal will serve at least 36 international airlines and will have the capacity to handle approximately 7 million passengers annually, or 6,000 to 7,000 passengers and visitors per peak hour.

Holmes-Coetzee Fight For LV Not Quite Set

Phil Hevener in his Tuesday Las Vegas Sun column said, "Talk of a Vegas heavyweight title fight between Larry Holmes and Gerrie Coetzee is a heckuva fine idea, but according to Steve Wynn, whose Golden Nugget Casino has been linked with the concept, the talk is premature."

Wynn confirms that he is discussing the fight, but insists there are a number of hurdles to cross before it can be considered definite. A recent news story about the fight coming to Las

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predictable. Congress is being asked to weaken the wage base of all workers without any proof that it would indeed create new jobs for disadvantaged youth. And minority youngsters could become stigmatized as second-rate workers earning second-rate wages.

The proposal before Congress would also allow a subminimum for people up to age 22, although many have family responsibilities and even the \$3.35 per hour minimum provides below poverty level wages for year-round workers.

Before jumping into so sweeping an action, Congress should replace the bill with a small, tightly controlled pilot experiment. A few cities could be selected for a test in which the subminimum would go into effect for teenagers.

The young workers should be further protected by exemption from taxes and social security payments, so that some of the gap between what their employer pays them and what he would have had to pay them under the standard minimum wage would be replaced.

But the purpose of the experiment would be to study what happens in the labor market where a youth subminimum is in effect. This temporary experiment must precede any permanent change in the law.

Vegas was apparently leaked by sources in the Larry Holmes camp.

This does not mean it won't come to pass. Wynn says, "We do have suitable dates and we are talking about Thomas and Mack for September. Without Thomas and Mack there is nothing, but beyond this Wynn won't discuss he ground that must still be covered."

There was widespread disappointment in Strip executive suites when Caesars Palace lost the fight. The fight had been a long anticipated special event."