

Officers elected to MLK Committee

On Saturday, Apr. 20, the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Committee of Las Vegas installed new officers for the next two years, as well as inducting nine new members.

The newly installed officers were Gwen Amie, President; Vera Sampson, Vice-President; Nedra C. Scott, Treasurer; and Wendell P. Williams, Public Information and Public Rela-

tions Officer.

Newly inducted members were Carol and Assemblyman Morse Arberry, Patricia Bell, Veronica Edwards, Ola Jones, Al Serrials, Gwyn Walker, Delbert Whittington, and Brenda Young.

For information concerning the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Committee of Las Vegas, contact the committee at 646-1018.

Ray Daines files for re-election to NLV Judicial bench

Former North Las Vegas Municipal Judge Ray Daines has filed to be returned to the Judicial position he held for 4 1/2 terms during which "people respected the court, but did not fear it".

Daines, who left the bench to serve as Mayor, pledges to return respect and dignity to the court. "The North Las Vegas Municipal Court has gotten too far away from the fact that the Municipal Courts are to be the People's Courts", he said. "When I am re-elected, you will once again be 'innocent until proven guilty' is North Las Vegas. No one appearing in the North Las Vegas Municipal Court, while I am your Judge, will be told that the fine will be greater, or that jail time will be imposed for entering a plea of not guilty."

Being a former law enforcement officer, Daines understands and believes in the need for a separation between the judicial and law enforcement branches

of the government. "A Judge is supposed to be a neutral mediator. This neutrality is lost when the police have too much influence with the court. This separation will be returned upon my re-election", he said.

"I firmly believe the Municipal Courts should pay their own way; however, I do not believe the Court should be used to swell the general fund of the City. Convicted repeat offenders, drunk drivers and the more serious offenders should, and will, foot the bill."

Daines is a long time member of several local service organizations, was a founder and president of the Nevada Judges Association, and has extensive judicial education and experience. He is presently serving on the Judicial Legislative Committee for The North Las Vegas Chamber of Commerce.

A North Las Vegas resident for 30 years, Ray and his wife Jean have four (4) children and 11 grandchildren, all residing in Clark County.

Daines Campaign Headquarters are located at 2030 Las Vegas Blvd. North. Phone 642-1412.

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The following is an article from the *Crisis Magazine's* Publisher's Forward, by Benjamin L. Hooks:

Over the past decade we have witnessed a profound change in the workplace of America. The shoe industry, long a mainstay of New England, has died a slow and painful death. Additionally, the automobile industry and its ancillary suppliers have lost hundreds of thousands of workers as a result of the oil embargo of 1973 by the OPEC nations, high interest rates and competition from both Japan and Europe. It has been estimated by GM executives that by 1988, or two years from now, 90% of their production machinery will be operated by robots. Therefore, the prospects for additional growth in entry level positions in the automobile industry looks bleak at best.

The textile industry has also suffered from foreign competition. According to the U.S. Department of Labor. Since 1975 there have been 13,175 plant

closings, with 1,500 of these closings occurring in the apparel, auto, rubber, steel, and textile industries.

In substance, the whole complexion of the labor market and manufacturing has been drastically altered. In rural America, mechanization has eliminated a vast number of jobs formerly held by the unskilled. Huge tractors, cotton pickers, potato harvesters, etc., have drastically reduced the necessity for field farmers and agricultural engineers. Between 1950 and 1983 alone, approximately one-third of farm workers' jobs were eliminated.

Since it is estimated that over 80% of all new jobs created in the last two decades were created by small businesses, the NAACP's Fair Share program and other efforts to ensure that minority vendors receive an opportunity to provide goods and services to the private sector becomes more important than ever. Then America must reorder its industrial policy to facilitate true economic recovery. Something is wrong with an economic policy that reduced the nation that invented radio and TV to being importers of radio and TV and electronic components. The economic policies which have made America one of the largest importers of steel, when, at one time, we supplied the world with steel, needs restructuring.

Simply put, it is apparent that our nation will face increased competition from foreign markets for the foreseeable future. It is, therefore, necessary to develop a national posture and approach that is both fair and equitable to the American worker, while taking into consideration the changing global economic environment in which we live.

The task before us is not an easy one, but with work, cooperation, and renewed commitment, we can make significant progress over the next decade.

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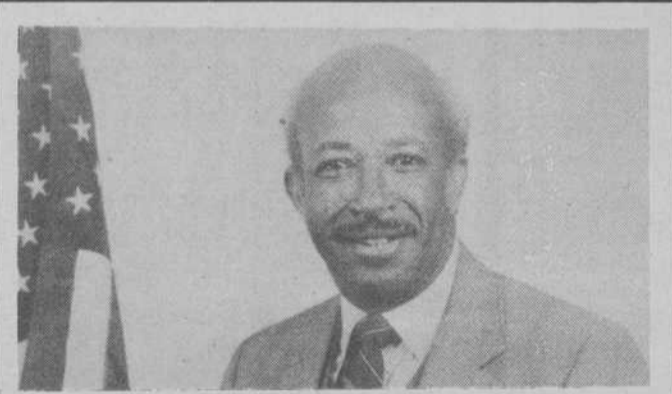
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