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While the number of black

members of Congress fell by

one, the number of black

mayors increased by 31 to

286. Nearly half the elected

blacks held municipal of-

The number of black

women holding elective office

rose by 99, to 1,358, it said. Eddi N. Williams,



issues affecting black Americans. Blacks still hold only 1.2 percent of the 490,800 elective offices in the United States, said the Joint Center for Political Studies, and black elected officials continue to be concentrated in districts with black majorities.

The center, releasing its annual census of black officeholders, said there were 5,700 elected blacks in January 1984, after increasing 1.7 percent in the previouis year. Eighty-five percent of last

year's increase came in the South, where 53 percent of the nation's blacks live and were 63 percent of nation's black elected officials are located, the survey said.

In that region, Alabama had a net gain of 6l, followed by South Carolina, 47; Georgia, 39 and Louisiana, 37

Louisiana, with 475. Next is Mississippi, with 444, the center said.

NLV Upset Over School District Plan-

Officials from the North Las Vegas Chamber of Comdiminishing population from merce, the City Council and crowded Jim Bridger, Roy the PTA are upset about a school district plan for a 9th Martin and Von Tobel junior grade center they say would highs, they say, will put four adversely affect economic different gangs together, and academic quality in that

creating an explosive poten-

Filtering 9th graders into tial for violence and J.D. Smith Junior High's retaliation tactics.

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Under the plan, J.D. Smith's population would contain about 48 percent minority students this fall after busing some 200 Bridger students to the facility

Revitalization Committee Met

Members of Nedco's Neighborhood Commercial Revitalization Project advisory committee met Tuesday to discuss a videotape on plans for West Las Vegas renovation.

The 13-minute tape will travel with NCR director Sam Head and various city representatives to Atlantic City, Miami, St. Louis, New

Orleans, Kansas City, Memphis and Atlanta as part of presentations to potential real estate investors.

NCR officials are looking for money to rebuild West Las Vegas, particularly near Jackson Avenue. The city of Las Vegas allocated Nedco \$20,000 in block grant funds for travel expenses, Head said



The Clark County School District will hold a public auction of obsolete personal property on Saturday, May 18, beginning at 9 a.m. in the sale yard located behind the warehouse building at

tured in the 3900 block of Westwood Street.

James Nelson, 31, is in the custody of Metro Police officer Rod Jett

minutes after a Valley Bank branch at Spring Mountain and Industrial roads was robbed Monday afternoon. A man who loitered at a table and then demanded all the \$10 and \$20 bills from a teller, saying he

had a gun, was chased with his loot by bank employees and then by

a Metro officer responding to a silent alarm. The suspect was cap-

School District To Hold Public Auction

4212 Eucalyptus Avenue. The property includes assorted vehicles, student desks and chairs, office furniture, typewriters, office machines, projectors, record players, tape recorders, kitchen ranges and refrigerators, shelving, auto shop machines, metal lockers, chalkboards, miscellaneous furniture. scrap metal and many more items too numerous to list.

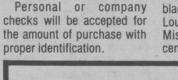
Bank suspect nabbed

Sale items may be viewed Monday through Friday, May 13-17 from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. and on Saturday, May 18.

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