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"I'm opposed to economic violence, where you can work all day and still need food stamps. I'm opposed to educational violence, where some teachers don't believe we can be educated, and I'm opposed to political violence, where both Republicans and Democrats forget about us (African-Americans) after election day".

"But this is a new day. We're now moving on to a new city called Freedom.

Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere, he said in closing.

Governor Bob Miller and Jim "Mudcat" Grant, the first Black pitcher to win 20 games in the American League, also spoke at the rally, which was labeled, "a rally for dignity and justice."

SUMMIT

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Other activities of the conference will include: media workshop, youth mini-conference, education seminar, Malcolm X Luncheon (charge), and arts and crafts market. The AFRICAN-AMERICAN SUMMIT COMMITTEE (AASC) was organized in 1990 by a group of conscientious individuals who recognized the need for a "Black Agenda" in the State of Nevada. Committed to the innovative and creative change that AASC members see must take place to improve the quality of life for minority and poor people in the state, the Committee has already targeted social, political and economic issues to investigate. The AASC is open to any individual or organization willing to work toward a unified effort of empowering the minority and poor of our community. Its mission is to serve as an umbrella organization comprised of talented volunteers from various organizations and agencies. Through this union of talents, disciplines, interests and needs, a united and more effective effort can now be made to educate and stimulate the community on issues. Through this development of social interdependence and responsibility, AASC is developing program of fiscal empowerment through corporative economics and political awareness.

Grant, who Hooks called, "The Hank Aaron of the fight for justice," said he was working on a program to make all ballplayers of color members of the NAACP, which was a common practice during his playing days in the 50's and 60's.

On the other hand, Governor Miller expressed that the unfortunate fact of the matter was, and still is that racism is very much alive and well in America.

Quoting statistics from a recent nationwide poll, Miller told how 3 out of 4 whites polled felt that African Americans, in general, were lazy, less intelligent, more prone to violence, and preferred to live off of welfare.

"Education is the most effective way to break the cycle of racism," Miller said, adding that jobs and more Black elected

officials were also areas where more improvements were needed.

Miller did add, however, that it was the communities Black elected officials that showed him, Mayor Jan Jones and others, that sending the National Guard into West Las Vegas, where the majority of the violence occurred on April 30, was not the right thing to do.

"The police department was prepared to control the violence, however, we were educated during the unrest by the local Black elected officials, and we need more of that. But we also need to have role models from every culture in all levels of government," Miller said before stating, "We're here to rebuild more than a building, we're here to rebuild relationships."



Left to Right: Jim Arnold, secretary-treasurer of the Culinary Workers Union, Local 226, Hattie Canty, president of Local 226, Benjamin Hooks, executive director of the NAACP, Jesse Scott, president of the Las Vegas NAACP. Photos by Savoy/LVS-Voice

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and sells health care products that are specifically designed for African-Americans. These products, called ProMelanin 2000, are based on a wide range of research on the properties and characteristics special to African Americans as reflected by our higher incidence of melanin in our body chemistry.

Willie Johnson who is 74-years-old and who is the Chief Executive Officer of Khem-Sci and Charles Johnson who is Oakland born and bred and who is the director and spokesperson for the company are making history in having produced what they call "ethno-nutritional products based on the biochemical and bio-medical assets of African people in a Eurocentric nutritional world of normalcy." A mouth full, certainly, but a mouthful that deserves further explanation.

The public is invited to learn more about the subject during the Malcolm X Luncheon, sponsored by the African-American Summit Committee on Saturday, May 23 at the UNLV Student Union.

Charles Johnson will speak on "Melanin, The Afrocentric Treasure," at the Luncheon which begins at noon. Admission will be \$20.

ARRINGTON FILLS NEW SCHOOL DISTRICT PERSONNEL POSITION

Yolanda Arrington has been named director of Recruitment, Selection and Retention for the Clark County School District, said Dr. Georgeann Rice, assistant superintendent, Personnel Services Division.

According to Rice, Arrington's new responsibilities include recruiting and selecting licensed personnel.

The veteran educator began her career as a support staff employee. She attended UNLV where she earned a Bachelor of

Science degree in special and elementary education and a Master of Science degree in Educational Administration.

Arrington has been a teacher, a special education consultant, a high school dean of students, a junior high school assistant principal and an elementary school principal.

Prior to being selected to fill this new post, Arrington was director of Teacher Placement and Assignments in the Licensed Personnel Division.

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

THURSDAY - MAY 21

Indian Springs Prison
Speaker: NEELY FULLER, JR.
Author/Lecturer

FRIDAY - MAY 22

WRIGHT HALL, UNLV: 6PM - 10PM
Speaker: NEELY FULLER, JR.
Author/Lecturer

SATURDAY - MAY 23,

WRIGHT HALL, UNLV: 10AM - 5PM
Seminars/General Assembly

STUDENT UNION BUILDING, UNLV: NOON - LUNCHEON, \$20.

Speaker: CHARLES D. JOHNSON
Co-Founder: Melanin Conference
Scientist/Lecturer

FRANK HAWKINS CELEBRITY SPORTS LOUNGE: 8PM - UNTIL RECEPTION

SUNDAY - MAY 24

WRIGHT HALL, UNLV: 1PM - 2:30
Taking A Stance: Youth Speak
3:30 - 5PM
WRAP UP SESSION

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