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Issue of Race," he pursued one of his major themes, his perception that the Black American agenda has moved away from emphasizing politics to one of economic empowerment. "Poverty," he says, "is the primary problem facing Blacks." Discrimination in hiring, he says, will damage the nation's economic future when our competitive survival depends upon hiring the best employees from a work force that is increasingly non-white.

In addition to commemorating the end of racial segregation in Las Vegas casinos and showrooms, the program is held in conjunction with the opening of a new exhibit at the Nevada State Museum and Historical Society in Lorenzi Park which depicts the Moulin Rouge Hotel and Casino during it's heyday in 1955 as an elegant inter-racial resort, the first of it's kind in the country.

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community to do what we have the ability to do ourselves? Building new supermarkets and new banks on the Westside does nothing at all except create a more beautiful community of comatose people. Rather than focusing on rebuilding the community physically, we need to strive towards rebuilding the Afrikan mentality to the point where all of us realize that the power to do any and everything lies within our own hands. To know is to grow.

Bimkubwa B. Khalfani.

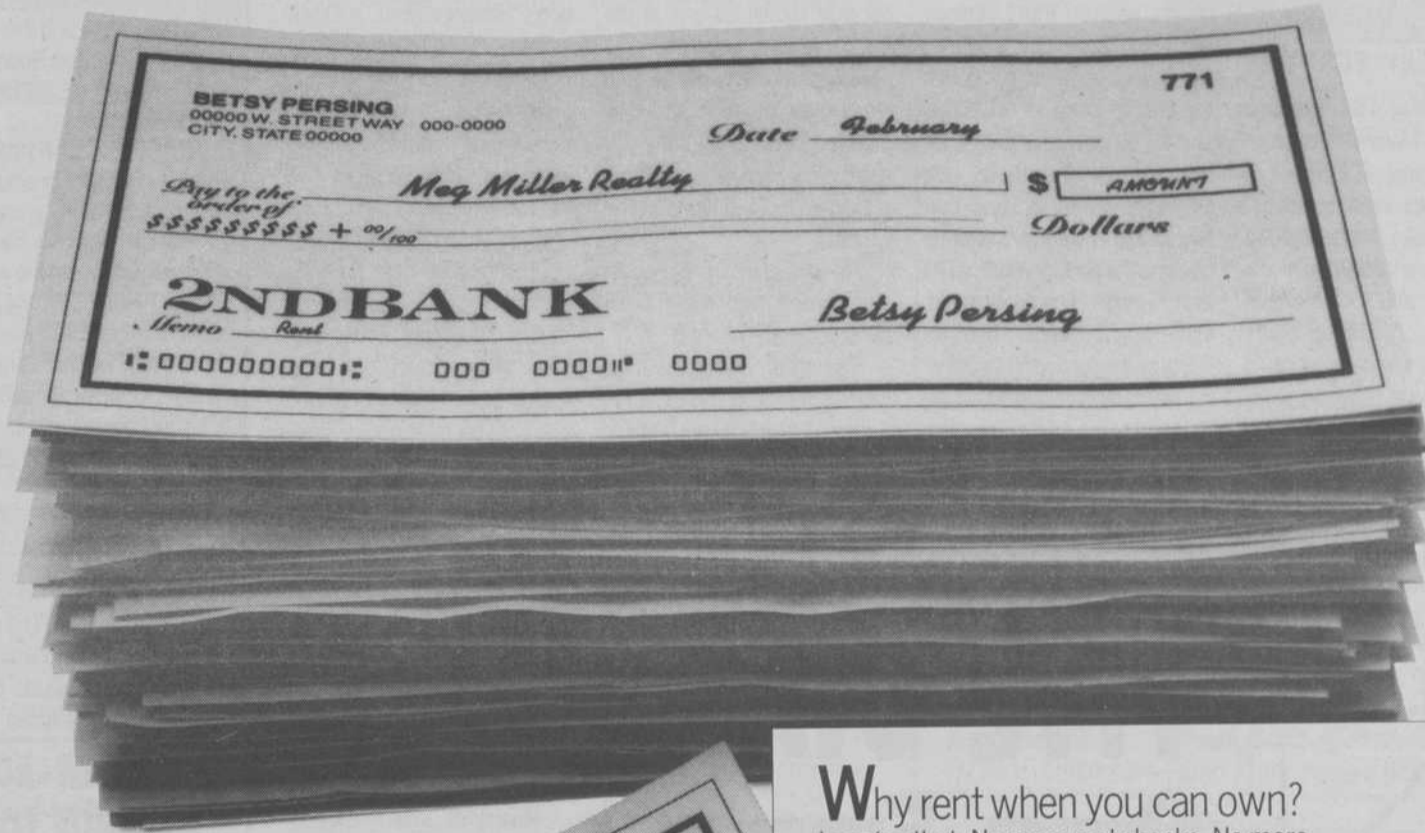
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Dear Editor,

This letter is to give attention to our youth in Las Vegas and the penal system. In Nevada there are 4 prisons and 99.3% of those housed are black. Indian Springs Prison which now has approximately 16,000 inmates and is over crowded to the point of them placing 3 to a room when they can. The inmates are treated as if they were meat instead of human beings. The least thing an inmate does, he is shipped to Ely Maxima and if there are any problems the inmates are beat. Why is there so much racism within this system and why hasn't the community gotten involved? I am sure there are a great number of community persons with loved ones in the penal system. Do we as a people not care? Did you know that every time a inmate is transported up North just for the transportation it cost the tax payers \$2,000? Nevada

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