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John E. Jacob, Executive Director of the San Diego Urban League, announced today that Bill Golden has been employed as an Evaluator for the Vocational Evaluation/Work Adjustment Project.

Mr. Golden was born in Columbus, Miss., is married and the father of four children.

Jacob continued, "Bill Golden brings to us a background of varied work experiences beginning in childhood, which has been an asset in gaining his vocational credentials. He retired from the Marine Corps as a M-Sgt. on July 9, 1971. He had achieved the position of Heavy Equipment Chief. His experience also includes teaching at Mira Costa College in Oceanside and in Barstow, California."

The Vocational Evaluation/Work Adjustment Project is based on the premise that Rehabilitation techniques used with persons who are physically handicapped can also be used effectively by those persons who are handicapped as a result of social and economic deprivation. What the process means is simply that with our staff we will attempt to look at the whole person, and attempt to determine what he is capable of doing, physically, socially and emotionally. The process may take up to three weeks.

Oft-times persons have not been successful in jobs due to physical limitations which have not been diagnosed, such as impaired vision or hearing. On the other hand success has escaped the person because he did not have the manual dexterity to perform a specific type of job and is therefore written off, when a thorough evaluation could point up

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the areas wherein he could succeed.

This program does not provide jobs for the people who are evaluated, but referrals are made to the League's O.J.T. project.

Mrs. Donalda Campbell is the project director. She states that they have received referrals from a variety of agencies in the community. She added, "We do have a small amount of money to assist a person with transportation, food, etc. while he is going through the evaluation process."

The project offices are located at 6181 Imperial Avenue - Phone 262-8607. Mrs. Campbell urges anyone to call if further information is desired.

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