

# Quiet Arthur Miller Manages

## A&P Central Plaza Store

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He quietly stalks the aisles of the Central Ave. A&P store, watching, studying and listening to the sounds of the anxious buyers as they wander through the store with their buggies...squeezing the produce and choosing their grocery items for the week. As manager of the A&P store, Arthur Miller observes people, not just because it is a

part of his job, but because he feels that he possesses the ability to see the personalities of individuals just by studying their facial expressions...whether they are shopping in the store, or just walking down the street. "I don't believe a person has to do a lot of talking in order for you to know his personality. I enjoy observing people and guessing what they are really like," Mr. Miller said.

Mr. Miller began working at the A&P supermarket about 20 years ago as a bagger-store clerk. After 20 years of hard work and dedication to the store, he was made manager, a position which he has held for nearly four years. He is presently the only black manager of the Charlotte A&P store.

"I've learned that two of the most important things in earning a position regardless of what the position is, is to work hard and be honest in your work. I believe that too many people waste their time mixing play with work. There is a time and a place for both.



ARTHUR MILLER  
...Had humble beginning

When a person is working, he should be serious about what he is doing. That, to me, is one of the most valuable secrets of success at any job."

Arthur Miller is a native Charlottean, and a graduate of Plato Price High School. He is a down-to-earth man whose idea of the good life is living

comfortably, simply, and keeping in mind that there is no such thing as a "little man". He seems to believe that "Fate is the hunter" that directs many lives. Therefore, each man has the chance to find his niche in the world.

Although he has had no college training, Mr. Miller's alert mind and sensitivity towards his fellow man has rewarded him with a comfortable life, and enjoyable occupation, and an honest outlook of the future.

## City To Celebrate 4th In Grand Style

The City of Charlotte will celebrate our nation's 200th birthday in style.

The Bicentennial celebration will get off to an early start on July 2 with a "Sing Out Downtown" celebration on Friday.

Winnie Cash, President-Elect of the Independence Council of Telephone Pioneer's, sponsors, said the "Sing Out" will occur from 11:40 a.m. until 1:45 p.m. at Jefferson First Union Plaza.

The U.S. Marine Corps Co-

lors Guard will raise the flag in the opening ceremony as everyone sings the "Star Spangled Banner."

Other featured songs will be "The Battle Hymn of the Republic", "Yankee Doodle", "America the Beautiful", and "America".

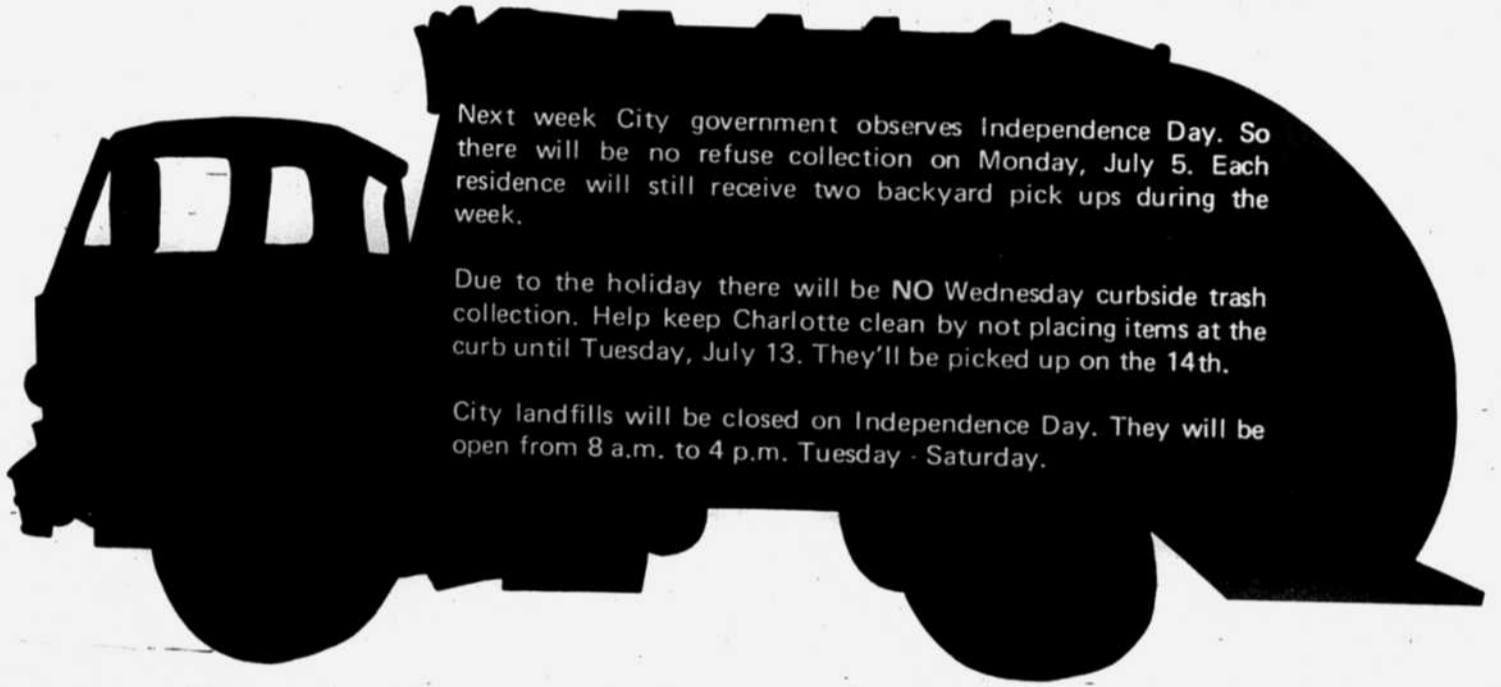
After a prayer from Rev. John A. Luddy of McGee Presbyterian Church, the Sounds of Celebration will sing directed by Jerry Jessen. The 100 member choir will sing a patriotic package of songs.

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## No Curbside Next Week



Next week City government observes Independence Day. So there will be no refuse collection on Monday, July 5. Each residence will still receive two backyard pick ups during the week.

Due to the holiday there will be NO Wednesday curbside trash collection. Help keep Charlotte clean by not placing items at the curb until Tuesday, July 13. They'll be picked up on the 14th.

City landfills will be closed on Independence Day. They will be open from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday - Saturday.

Remember! No curbside trash collection Wednesday, July 7.

## 15 Million Blacks Can Vote

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 that Presidential election. That is a whopping 80 percent of all those black registered to vote.

This figure startled a lot of people when it was released that year. However, authorities-tell us that it is not unusual for registered voters to turn out 70-80 percent in Presidential election years.

The in-between years, the off-Presidential year elections, is when voter interest woefully lags. In the 1974 congressional races for example, blacks eligible to vote numbered 14,174,000.

But only 4,786,000 of the registered 7,778,000 actually turned out to vote. This was a miserable 34 percent of the total black eligible vote. I am indebted to John Britton of the Joint Center for Political Studies for some of those figures. Some of them were issued by the BLS, which the JCPS also

uses. Using the BLS elible black voter projection, what can we expect the voter turnout to be this year? BLS is forecasting a low 55 percent black voter registration this year.

That means only 8.25 million blacks will register to vote. But if BLS Presidential election figures are correct, 80 percent of this voter complement, or 6.6 million black will cast their ballots for President.

History has shown that blacks, as other races and ethnic groups will vote for those politicians we believe will do the most for us - or those, at any rate, who promise or in some way signal they will do the most for us.

This is acting in what one perceives to be self interest. And no one should fault that. For it will not be a vote against white folks, or any other folks, but a vote for blacks and our urgent needs.

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