

What's Happening!

By Bob Johnson

BOXING RIP...Recently I was charged up with the idea of witnessing my first closed circuit T.V. boxing match at the Charlotte Coliseum. Running late as usual I met my partners around 9 p.m. and scooted on out to the place eagerly anticipating the color and excitement of such a spectacle.

After stumbling around in the dark Coliseum, I finally reached one of the few good seats left. When my eyes focused on the screen, I was hit with an immediate disappointment. There was no color, the screen was dark and out of focus and the sound was very inaudible. So, for the next 2 1/2 hours, I sat very dejected trying to figure out what was going on, and thinking of a number of other places I could have been. I also thought of many other things I could have done with my \$12.50.



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Some of the other grumbling boxing fans were Jimmy Teeter, Charlie Harris, Timothy Conway, Richard Clark, Charles Hodges, Curtis Ardrey, Melvin Duncan, Sammy Sullivan, Byrum Phillips, Eugene Grier, Monty Simmons, Calvin Crowell, Marvin Baxter, Sonny White, Steve Harrison, Otis Watson, Columbus Johnson, Terry Adamson, Joe Howell, Andrew Markly, Jimmy Strands, Bill Fullson, Jerry Sullivan, Hazel Black, Stoney Morris, Harold Harrison, Richard James, Bobby Kirksey, Lee Hutchinson, Barry Suggs, and Tony Washington.

Upon investigating the why's and wherefores, I found that now-a-days for 10 and 12 dollar tickets you get the cheapest audio and visual equipment available, in order for the promoters to pay their overhead plus make a mint. Now what was that you said about learning something everyday???

ANNIVERSARY JAM...It rained pretty good last Friday night, but after those brave and wet souls put their feet on Jimmy McKee's dry carpet it was forgotten for awhile. I am making reference to the group of people that helped Brother McKee celebrate the 32nd anniversary of his very popular Excelsior Club.

Believe me it was an occasion to remember. Aaron Smith acted as M.C. and Bingo caller, and his candid wit kept the first part of the evening rolling along on a very light note.

After the Bingo segment, Jimmy McKee took the microphone and before long the entire audience was hilariously involved in a game of "Let's Make A Deal."

Many prizes were given away during the evening and grand theft fun was had by Minnie McKee, Mr. and Mrs. James Evans, Mr. and Mrs. Hazel Ellis, Steve Hayes, Ray Ezell, Mr. and Mrs. James Stuart, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Foster, Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Smith, Sheddick Williams, Clyde Brown, William Cunningham, Charles Dannelly, Mr. and Mrs. James Dixon, Adrian Hampton, Bill McCombs, Harold Winston, Mr. and Mrs. C.J. Whaley, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Cox, Otis Barnett, Otis McClurkin, Earl Brown, Professor Lino, Jean and Lois, Woody Woods, Charles Rushin, Arthur Goodman, Gary Chambers, James Majors, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Booker and many others.

RECORD TIME...When you are riding down the avenue, listening to the radio, and a lovely voice like Joan Graham's tells you about a popular soul disc, I wonder how many of you ever stop to think of what goes into making that record. Personally, I hadn't thought much about it until I talked to a friend, Curtis (Brother) Robinson last week.

This untiring dude has written, produced, arranged, played and sang on a record he just released.

The record, which is Curtis's first shot, is getting air play around town right now, and is well worth getting into. How many times did you record, "I But Woulda, Coulda, Shoulda" before.

AWARD WINNING MUSICAL...Saturday, October 9, at 8 p.m. Owens Auditorium will come alive to the sights and sounds of the award winning Broadway musical "Don't Bother Me, I Can't Cope."

The show's 12 person cast sings and dances its way through gospel, jazz, rock and soul music. It holds attendance records in New York, Philadelphia, Chicago, Cleveland, and Los Angeles.

Written by Micki Grant, the show won four Tony Awards, four Los Angeles Drama Desk Awards, two Outer Circle Critics Awards, two Obie Awards and a Grammy for its cast album. Tickets are \$7.50, \$6.50, \$5.50 and are available at the Coliseum ticket office, 2700 E. Independence Blvd.

For more information call Owens Auditorium 372-3600 between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday.

HAPPINESS...To attain happiness in another world we need only to believe something, while to secure it in this world we must need do something.

Two Charlotte Seniors Among 1,500 Semifinalists

By Sidney Moore Jr.
Post Staff Writer

Two Charlotte high school seniors are among 1,500 semifinalists in the 13th annual National Achievement Scholarship Program for Outstanding Negro Students, a project of the National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC).

Karen M. Blount, 17, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Horace Blount of No. 8, 4516 Roseridge Place, said she feels "very honored" to be named a semifinalist.

Vanna M. Manigault, 17, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nathaniel L. Manigault of 6315 Hidden Forest Drive, said, "I'm happy to receive it and I'm going to try to get a scholarship."

About 1,200 semifinalists will compete for some 550 scholarships next spring, said a statement from NMSC. To qualify, three additional requirements must be met by semifinalists.

Each student must be "endorsed and recommended for scholarship consideration by their high school principals, supply biographical and academic information," and make a suitable score on a second exam.

Semifinalists were chosen from more than 55,000 black students who took the 1975 qualifying test. Black students with the highest scores on this test from several U.S. geographic regions were named semifinalists. Each region has the number of students proportional to its percent of the total Negro population, said the statement.

Karen Blount is a senior at Olympic High School. She belongs to Future Teachers of America, National Honor Society, Track Team, Nascene Literary Staff and the student Red Cross.

The young scholar is a member of Prince of Peace Lutheran Church and a creative dancer at the Community School of the Arts.

She has hopes of studying electrical engineering at Boston University.

Vanna Manigault is a senior at Charlotte Catholic High School. She is a member of the French Club, Bowling League, Hiking Club, Yearbook Staff, Student Red Cross and the National Honor Society.

She is a member of St. Patrick's Cathedral, where she is active with the youth group.

Ms. Manigault said too many students fail to take national merit tests seriously and thereby miss what sometimes is a good opportunity. She thinks the purpose of such tests should be more widely publicized.

At least 325 of the awards to



MISS KAREN M. BLOUNT
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be offered in 1977 will be National Achievement \$1000 Scholarships that provide a single payment of \$1000 to the winner. Some 225 Achievement Scholarships will be renewable four-year awards, worth up to \$1,500 per year (or \$6,000 for four years of college undergraduate study). In the twelve annual Achievement Scholarship competitions completed (1965-76), nearly 4,400 black students have won awards valued at more than \$12.5 million. Currently over 1,800 of these Achievement Scholarship winners are enrolled in some 300 U.S. colleges.

Achievement Scholarships are financed by grants from some 150 program sponsors and contributions from Achievement Program donors. Most of the sponsors are business firms, corporations, and corporate foundations; about 40 colleges and universities also offer Achievement Scholarships for black students who plan to attend their institutions.

Winners of two types of awards - one-time National Achievement \$1000 Scholarship and the York Road Class - are announced individually through mid-June in 1977.

The York Road High School classes of 1959 thru 1966 will meet Sunday, October 10, at 6:30 p.m. in the Greenville Neighborhood Center located at 1330 Spring Street.

A reunion is in the planning stage.

Happiness Through Health Fat Infants Become Fat Adults

By Otto McClarrin
Special To The Post
Chubby infants often grow up to be fat adults, researchers say, and it is possible to predict when they are six months old which ones will have this problem. The doctors say their findings suggest that parents should not force their babies to eat too much too soon.

"It looks as if by six months of age we can identify a proportion of people who will be obese adults," said Dr. Evan Charney, who directed the study at the University of Rochester.

Doctors have suspected for several years that there is a link between early childhood weight and adult obesity, but this is the first study that traced development from birth to the third decade of life and shows a direct correlation, the report said.

The research team found that the 10 percent of children who were fattest at six months were 2.6 times more likely to be overweight when they reached their 20s. They also found that underweight babies tended to become skinny adults. And they discovered that the fattest adults are most often the ones with the least education or who come from the lowest social classes.

The doctors said they were not sure why some children put on the extra weight early in life. "Whether any of this is amenable to change and whether altering diet can make a difference isn't clear," Dr. Charney said in an interview. "Maybe it's all determined by

genetics." However, he added that the results show rapid weight gain in children - something that is prized by some parents - may not be particularly healthy for the infants.

Cancer Study Backs Post-Surgery Drugs

Injection of a drug after surgery for cancer of the colon or rectum has doubled the cure rate in patients who would ordinarily face a three-in-four chance of dying of their disease, two Long Island physicians reported recently.

The finding, involving the country's second leading cancer killer, after lung cancer, supports the growing belief among cancer experts that a significant dent can be made in the death rates associated with the country's major forms of cancer. These rates have remained essentially stable for several decades des-

pite improvements in surgery. The report offers another example of how such cancers, once thought to be relatively resistant to anti-cancer drugs, or chemotherapy, can be halted if, in addition to surgery, the right drugs are used at the right time in the right way.

Earlier this year, Italian researchers reported that chemotherapy after surgery for breast cancer delay recurrence of the disease in women who face a high risk of developing metastases, or spread of the cancer to other parts of the body.

Dr. Min C. Lee and Stuart T. Ross of Nassau Hospital in Mineola, Long Island, said that, based on their study of 213 patients, the curability of more advanced colorectal cancer could be dramatically increased using an old cancer drug in a new way, to wipe out possible hidden colonies of cancer cells.

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