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What's happening!

TENNIS ANYONE?...That very popular phrase is used throughout the nylon and cat gut circuit to commercialize a game that has grown by leaps and bounds over the last decade.

BATCH (Black Association for Tennis in Charlotte) is an aggregation formed a few years ago to promote tennis in this area, especially among the young people.

The Southeast Racquet Association held their second annual open tennis tournament in Charlotte recently. BATCH hosted the two-day event. The games were played on the courts at Hornet's Nest Park under a beautiful April sun.

The players represented were from these member cities: Greenville, South Carolina, Winston-Salem, Durham and Charlotte, North Carolina; along with Norfolk, Virginia. Two guest cities, Raleigh and Gastonia, North Carolina were also represented by top players.



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Winner of the men's singles competition was Calvin Dobbins. Winners of the men's doubles competition were Calvin Dobbins and Chuck Whitley. Mixed double winners were Frento Burton and Brenda Slade.

In the 35 year and older bracket William Sinclair from Raleigh won the men's singles competition. The doubles matches were won by James Grace and Leon Kay from Winston-Salem.

The junior boys' singles competition was easily won by Stan Law. Brian Murphy was the winner in the 14 year old and under group.

Some of the other participants in this tournament which, by the way, was the largest BATCH-hosted tournament yet, were James Cuthbertson, Bernard Reeves, Floyd Young, Robert Hicks, Charles Parker, Dee Dee Adams, Cynthia Stroudia, Latish McCown, Cina Mack, Ron Johnson, Eric Berry, Drew Berry and Shirley Crisco.

POLITICAL ROAST...Everybody has watched television at one time or another and have been entertained by the jokes and satirical remarks heaped upon their favorite celebrity. However, that was on television.

The Friends for Better Government are sponsoring, live and in color, a Political Roast and Dance, Saturday, May 3, at the Radisson Plaza Carrousel Room.

The fun begins at 8 p.m. and the candidates to be roasted are Dr. Raleigh Bynum (D), Mecklenburg County Commission; Dr. Bertha Maxwell (D), North Carolina State House; Judge T. Michael Todd (D), Mecklenburg District Court; and Mr. Phil Berry, Mecklenburg County School Board.

So for an evening filled with good natured humor and disco dancing, join the candidates and the Friends for Better Government at the Radisson Plaza.

THE LADY'S PERFORMANCE...Wood burns because it has the proper stuff in it; and a person becomes famous because they have the proper stuff in them. Lena Horne has all the proper stuff.

Watching Lena perform is like birdieing eight straight holes and having a 2 foot putt on the 9th for a birdie. No matter how you putt you're a winner.

The lady that time forgot dazzled the audience at Ovens Auditorium last Sunday night for 60 minutes with songs that spanned several generations.

Ms. Horne's confident radiance - that quality that comes with talent very few people possess, was evident when she walked onto the stage dressed in a sleek mauve low cut shoe-length dress, with a purple floating thin coat lightly covering it.

This classy lady's act was full of expression and energy. She would stalk like a panther while belting out some of her songs. Yet others were sung with the pouting seductivity of a kitten wanting to be pampered. During her entire performance, she never was stingy with the energy.

Willie Tylie and Lester, a ventriloquist act opened the show which kept the crowd laughing with a unique brand of comedy.

Some of the people present at this landmark event sponsored by DST Telecommunications were Gene Blakeney, Carol Duncan, Fran Farrer, Ann Gaither, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Spears, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Anthony, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Norman, Dr. Bertha Maxwell, Councilman and Mrs. Charley Dannelly, Mr. and Mrs. Phil Hatchett, Raymond Mason, Carolyn Moragne, Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Harrison, and Mr. and Mrs. Danny Whitsell.



Drs. Joyce Davis and Elbert E. Waddell were married recently at Gethsemane AME Zion Church where Rev. George Battle officiated. The bride wore a white satin gown with beaded pearls and lace trim. Matrons of Honor were Mrs. Elizabeth Randolph and Mrs. Spencer Durante. The Best Man was Dr. Spencer Durante Sr. of Johnson C. Smith University.

Roberts Celebrate 50th Wedding Anniversary

Edney and Pearl Roberts celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary March 7 at their home in Cherryville. Granddaughter Cynthia Bankhead of Charlotte, along with many other family members attended the celebration.

"All the family went there for dinner and photos," Ms. Bankhead began. "We presented them with a plaque and celebrated at their home in Cherryville."

J.C. Smith

Choir Will

Present Concert

The Johnson C. Smith University Choir will present its Spring Concert Sunday, May 4, at five o'clock in the University Church located on the campus. The choir will offer a concert of varied choral selections.

The Johnson C. Smith University Choir has recently completed an extensive Spring Tour including appearances in Niagara Falls, New York; the Bronx, New York City; Hastings-on-the Hudson, New York; Hempstead, New York; Wyandanch, New York; Paterson, New Jersey; and Philadelphia, Pa. Two appearances with the folksinger, Odetta, and concerts in Greenville and Charleston, South Carolina have made this a busy and exciting year for the choir.

The public is cordially invited to attend this concert.

Demise Of The Educational System

continued from Page 2 technology being able to handle the mechanized chores of the labor force, it is no longer necessary to continue the educational system as it exists today. The constant turmoil we witness daily about the inability of the system to educate our kids is the result of this fact. Parents are no longer accepting the traditional educational values established over a century ago. Technology has freed our bodies so that we have more time to reason with our minds. Hence, a crumbling of the educational system is imminent. The headlines simply reinforce this fact.

The educational system is a direct consequence of the industrial revolution. Its demise is just another clue to substantiate the end of the industrial revolution.

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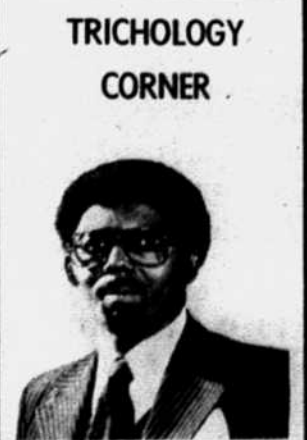
The couple is now retired and has worked in the church all of their lives.

Among some of the family members in attendance were Rev. Joseph Roberts, a son who resides in Smithville, Va.; Rena Ship, daughter, her husband Charles and son, Chales Jr. of Tappahannock, Va.; Mildred Stokes, another daughter, and her son Thomas, both from New York; John T. Roberts, a son from Shelby and his daughter Cynthia Bankhead of Charlotte. Two other grandchildren, Renee Roberts and Terri Roberts also came to the celebration.

Women's Club

The Charlotte Club of the National Association of Negro Business and Professional Women's Clubs, Inc. will commemorate its Founders' Day on Sunday, May 4. The Club will worship at 11 a.m. at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, 3001 Beatties Ford Rd., Charlotte, N.C. Rev. Bryant E. Clancy is minister.

The Club will present its most coveted award, The Sojourner Truth Award, to Sarah Belle Stevenson, during the morning service. The public is invited to share in the presentation. For further details, contact Anna M. Hood, chairperson of Founders' Day Committee at 1-867-0740 or 333-4685 after 5:30 p.m. Shirley Smalls is President of the Charlotte Club of NANBPW.



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First Class Scout

Monica Reid Attains Highest Rank

By Teresa Burns Post Staff Writer

Completing a challenge was what Monica Reid wanted to accomplish and that is exactly what she did. "It was harder than I thought it would be and you have to be dedicated," Ms. Reid revealed. But the challenge of becoming a First Class Girl Scout, the highest possible rank, is now behind her.

"I went to Camp Ocnee Chee to complete my four challenges and six badges. I completed seven challenges in all," she stated. "You do a lot of activities. I took the traditional plan."

Among the activities completed in Ms. Reid's seven challenges included: Knowing Myself; Inter-

national Understanding; Out-of-doors; Social Dependency; Emergency Preparedness; Active Citizenship; and Girl Scout promise.

Receiving this award just wasn't a notion for Ms. Reid. "I thought of it in 1976. I saw how proud others were to get the First Class Award," she admitted. "I wanted to face the challenge to see if I could finish it."

Ms. Reid, a ninth grade student at Piedmont Middle School, has been in the Girl Scouts since 1967. "I've been a Girl Scout since I was a Brownie in the first grade," she remarked. Presently she is a member of Our Lady of Consolation Troop. Ms.

Johnson is the troop leader. Ms. Reid is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Min Reid of 5309 Dayan

Junior Usher Board. Her hobbies include piano playing, reading and backgammon.

The award of First Class a special recognition. Ms. Reid during a special awards dinner. But is not the only prestigious Girl Scout award Ms. Reid has coveted. She also in the leadership award the Girl Scouts in 1978 again in 1979.

An active member in Piedmont Middle School's Politics, Ms. Reid serves as president of the Student Council. She is a member of the PTSA Advisory Board at Piedmont also. As a member of Moore's Sanctuary AME Church she is a member of the

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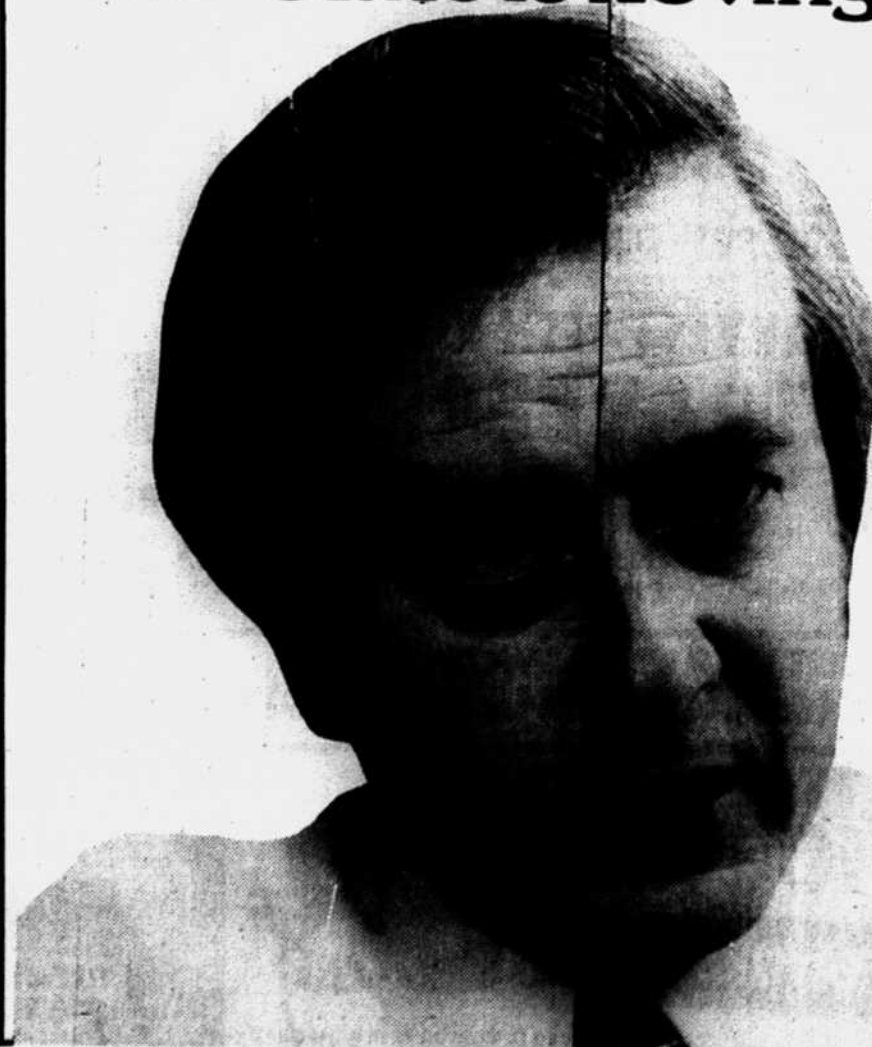
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