There was a time when the ownership of an MBA and a few suits by Valentino and Brook Brothers were just about all you needed to begin the corporate ladder ascent. Search the arsenal of today's career-oriented individual, however, and you are likely to find, right next to John Molloy's How to Dress for Success, Jim Fixx's book, The Complete Run-

John Naisbitt, author of the best seller, Megatrends, described America as a nation of clerks, 72% of whom process information, This was indeed a far cry from the 19th century farmer who worked from "can't see in the morning" to "can't see at night" with virtually no need for extra exercise. The food our foreparents ate came fresh from their own fields and the present practice of injecting cattle with antibiotics was unheard of.

With the futherance of technology, Americans became paperpushers and saw the blue-collar factory days of the 1900s replaced by the white-collar jobs of the 1950s. It was during this period golf reigned as the most popular way to exercise and received the seal of approval by someone who played the game often - Dwight D. Eisenhour, President of the U.S.

While many business deals are still negotiate on golf courses, jogging tracks are gaining in popularity as places suitable for corporate networking.

Jogging has not always been in Yogue. In fact it was Frank Short-'er's marathon (26.2 miles) victory in the 1972 Munich Olympic games that signaled the official beginning of the running boom in the U.S. Many heretofore sedentary individual flocked to the tracks, roads, and bridle paths in droves in an attempt to pummel flabby bodies and often flabbier minds into something called shape.

Sweating, a biological process long associated with citizens of the lower working class, was suddenly found to be in vogue among the nobility. The three-martini lunch,

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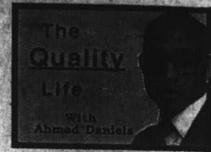
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long a standard among business persons, was now being chal-lenged by health conscious groups that would discuss business while

Many corporations have come to the realization that employees who exercise have less absenteeism, are more productive, have fewer illnesses, and possess high energy levels. Research has shown persons who exercise regularly have:

- a lower percentage of body

- -- weigh less
- live longer -- suffer fewer heart attacks
- demonstrate better tolerance to stress, to name a few.

So if you are working your way up the economic ladder, don't become so preoccupied with making money that you forget to find time to exercise. To be perfectly honest, I think work and exercise would go quite well together; you know, like horse and carriage, love and marriage, Valentino and Reebok.

Note: On Sunday, July 12, 4 p.m., the first meeting of the Char-lotte Running and Walking Society will convene in the Blue Room at McDonald's Cafeteria located on Beatties Ford Rod. For additional information, call 393-5475.



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