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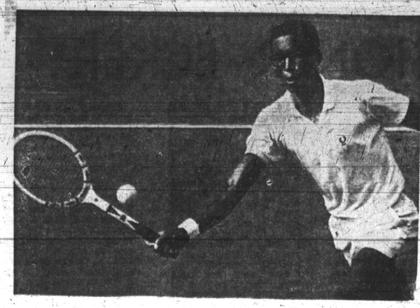

ARTHUR ASHE

Ashe, first net champion, asserts his rights role

CHESTNUT HILLS, Mass. — Arthur Ashe, reflecting his new one-of-the- boys attitude, made a public acknowledgment of his civil rights obligation one of his first pronouncements following Sunday's acquisition of the U.S. national singles tennis championship.

He discussed at length his feelings over being both the first colored men's singles champion and the first U.S. citizen to win the American crown in 15 years.

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HE SAID that from a "racial standpoint, there was more pressure on me now. I'm the only colored player here and since I've won, I suppose I'm ex-officio spokesman for the black people.

"But I can't sit back and let the world go by. I can't sit in my ivory tower. I have to use the influence of my position. I'm still the only black person in this tournament so whether I like it or not, I sit in the chair of power.

"And whether some people like it or not, I'll have to use my influence the way I feel it should," the young army officer said.

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IN RESPONSE to questions, Ashe explained that he would have played for the U.S. Davis Cup squad against the South African team had the schedule called for it but added that it was his advice that matches between the two nations be played in South Africa rather than the United States.

He said he reached that decision after a four-hour discussion with U.S. Lawn Tennis Association president Robert Kelleher and added that "the best way to maintain any influence I might have is to play tennis."

The Virginian made his comments after accepting the most important tennis trophy of his career, a huge silver cup emblematic of the national singles crown, from Navy Secretary Paul R. Ignatius.

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THE TALL, slender athlete noted that he was winning the crown in his ninth appearance in the national tournament and said the victory "gives me as much pleasure as I hope bringing back the Davis Cup will in December."

Lutz, nearly speechless during the first few minutes after his 6-4, 3-6, 10-8, 0-6, 4-6 stunning loss, recovered to call the tournament his "wonderful week" and added he was "not ashamed" to lose to the top-seeded Ashe.

Youth games

Mayor Thomas J. D'Alesandro addressed delegates last week who left for the second annual U.S. Youth Games in St. Louis.

The mayor stressed that the best use should be made of "God-given talents" and reminded youngsters to be good leaders as well as winners.

Also speaking to the delegates were John G. Williams, Bureau of Recreation; Miss Deborah Lanier, chosen from the delegates to express their thanks; and Mrs. Frances Lucas, representing the parents of the delegates.

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THE REVEREND VERNON DOBSON concluded the ceremony with a benediction.

The program is part of the over-all project devised by Mayor John Lindsay of New York City, in which youths— particularly inner city youths — are encouraged to participate in competitive recreational activities (basketball, bowling, and track) for the national meet.

summer, culminating in a national meet.

ADC checks

Because there will be no mail delivery on Labor Day, Mon., September 2nd, Baltimore City Department of Social Services officials announced today that checks to persons receiving assistance in the Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC) category will be mailed on August 29th.

Enrollment rises for Tenn. State

NASHVILLE — With workshop, retreat, and planning sessions and meetings involving students, staff, and faculty on its pre-fall quarter schedule, Tennessee State University will be ready for freshmen and new students Monday, Sept. 16.

Carl Crutchfield, dean of admissions, anticipates an increase in the enrollment. He says the 1968-69 enrollment should reach approximately 5,000.

With the recent election of Dr. Andrew P. Torrence, an alumnus, as the third president of the 56-year-old Land-Grant university, and the expansion of academic programs and facilities continuing to climb, the outlook is bright, according to Dr. William N. Jackson, dean of faculty, and Finance Director Arthur W Danner, who make up the Interim Administrative Committee. Dr. Torrence will address the faculty at its Annual Banquet on Thursday, Sept. 12.

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THE FRESHMEN-NEW Student Convocation will be held at 10 a.m. Monday, Sept. 16, in the University Auditorium. Registration for freshmen and new students, Tuesday-Wednesday, Sept. 17-18; Upperclassmen will register Thursday-Saturday, Sept. 19-21; evening school students, 5:30-7:00 p.m., Thursday-Friday Sept. 19-20. Classes begin at 8:00 a.m. Monday, Sept. 23.

The pre-fall quarter schedule at the university includes Halls of Residence Workshop, Friday-Saturday, Sept. 6-7; the Women's Advisory Board (students) planning sessions, Monday-Wednesday, Sept. 9-11; University Counselors (students) Leadership-Retreat, Wednesday-Saturday, Sept. 11-14; meeting for new faculty and faculty banquet, Thursday, Sept. 12; general and school faculty meetings, Friday, Sept. 13.

INSIDE NEW DETROIT

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Diggs Jr. (Dm.) now srving

Congrssman Charles C. Diggs Jr. (Dem.) now serving his 7th term was nominated. Congressman John R. Conyers Jr. (Dem.) was unopposed. Thus, Mr. Conyers, who is serving his 2nd term, is expected to return to office after the November general election.

Robert Tindell polled 24,042 votes to place him among the four out of 45 that were nominated in the race for common council candidates. Two will be elected in November to fill council vacancies.

Mr. Tindell, 38, of 1898 Harwell is executive secretary of the Detroit Branch of the NAACP and is a graduate of Savannah State College.

Robert L. Evans who polled 22,342 votes was nominated for candidacy for the Recorder Court Judge.

Julian F. Rodgers received 5,750 votes for Common Pleas Judge nomination.

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ELECT TO the Board of Education were Mrs. Jessie M. Dillard, 30,732 votes, and Andrew W. Perdue, 53,668 votes.

Newspaperwoman Nelis J. Saunders' nomination for Democratic State Representative virtually assures Michigan to again be the only state to have three colored women house members.

Mrs. Saunders defeated the Wonde Thomas W. White who is now serving his 2nd term in the 11th District.

In 166 Jackie Vaughn, III, unseated 23rd District Rep. Mrs. Maxine Young.

The other two women Representatives are 6th District's Rosetta Ferguson, who received 2,928 votes, and Daisy Elliott of the 22nd District, who won 2,87 votes.

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OTHER DEMOCRATIC Representatives are:

James Bradley, 231 votes; David Holmes, 2,262; George H. Edwards, 1,61; Raymond Wood, 3,705; Jackie Vaughn, III, 6,608; James Tait—Big, 2,434; and Matthew McNeely, 4,000.

Four elected to the office of Wayne County Supervisors are: Joseph Young, 4th District, 1,561 votes; Freddie C. Burton, 5th District, 1,98 votes; Frederick Yates, 6th District, 1,673; and William Dunbar, 10th District, 1,008.

Two-year-old David Rowden suffered severe head injuries when hit by a car while crossing Van Dyke near Mark

Cards and letter should be mailed to David Rowden at Children's Hospital, 3224 St. Antoine, Detroit, Mich. 48201.

David is the son of Mrs. Rita Rowden. His brothers, Nathaniel, John and Melvin are AFRO carrier salesmen on Detroit's eastside.

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DETROIT'S 112 colored New Careerists are joining Human Resources Development white administrators on the "front line" battles in their War On Poverty.

Dissatisfied with "weak promises" that they will be hired at the end of their training program, Aug. 31, the New Careerists recently held a five-day conference at the Youth Adult Center, 2000 East Canfield.

The group obtained a state charter in the name of the National Association of New Careerists, Detroit Chapter No. 1.

Mrs. Margaret Flemming is chairwoman.

At a Wednesday night meeting in the International Masonic Hall, Gratiot and St. Aubin, the conference participants asked for:

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Existing agencies "must" hire New Careerists.

Federal government to assume full responsibility for hiring of New Careerists for funded programs.

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THE WEDNESDAY night meeting was attended by Congressman John C. Conyers and several civil rights leaders.

Pledging his support to the Careerist, Conyers congratulated the group for their show of unity.

Dr. Joseph C. Paige encouraged the group and outlined a step-by-step program for accomplishing their goals.

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DR. PAIGE, director of the Urban Adult Education Institute in Detroit and Prof. Frank Reimann (white) of New York University are co-chairmen of the newly organized National New Careers Council.

Richmond banks set 'pool' loans

RICHMOND, Va. — A "money pool" is being created by 10 Richmond area banks in order to lend funds to colored businessmen.

This announcement came after a meeting between the head of the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) and representatives of Richmond banks.

Howard J. Samuels, SBA administrator, told the bankers the federal government sought to gain the support of private financial concerns in making loans available to the colored economic community. Bankers felt a pool arrangement would be the most effective method of accomplishing this.

Baltimore team finishes second in United States Youth Games

LONG JUMP SILVER—Haeum Smith of Baltimore, registered a second in the long jump of the United States Youth Games at St. Louis last weekend. He annexed a silver medal for his effort. The young Baltimore team was second to New York in basketball and in over-all team competition.

ST. LOUIS (UPI) — A powerful New York contingent rolled to the city's second straight victory in the UnUited States Youth Games this weekend in St. Louis.

Mayor Alfonso J. Cervantes presented the Mayor's Cup which New York retained decisively with first place performances in basketball, track and field and bowling.

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IN THE last event of the games, New York defeated Baltimore 64-53 for the basketball crown. Earlier New York had finished first in track and field with 188 points, 14 points ahead of runner - up Detroit.

In Bowling, New York had 49 points to Baltimore's 29.

NEW YORK wound up with a maximum 60 team points. Baltimore had 30, Detroit and Washington 20 each, Louisville and St. Louis 7½ each, and Miami, 5.

Pittsburgh, Boston, Birmingham, Ala., Paterson, N.J., and San Juan, P.R., received no team points, awarded to the top four squads in each of the three areas of competition.

SOME 900 boys and girls 10 through 15 for the 12 some 900 boys and girls 10 through 15 from the 12 cities competed in the three-day games.

The games were sponsored for inner-city youths by New York Mayor John Lindsay's Urban Action Task Force and by the American Machine and Foundry Co.

The first games were last year in New York.

Burke, Champ head, wins citizens' praise

Patrolman Allen Burke, of the Baltimore Police Department's Youth Division, was the recipient last week of an award at a ceremony highlighting an open house in Lafayette Square by Operation Champ.

Operation Champ is the result of an idea Officer Burke had in 1962 when he was attending Morgan State College while working as a police officer.

It is a fully mobile recreation program, conceived as a way of bringing recreation to youngsters, who would otherwise play in the streets.

Now totaling three equipment trucks and a flat-bed band trailer, "Champ" is able to serve several areas simultaneously.

The procedure is to roll into a neighborhood without sufficient recreation facilities, and break out such gear as trampolines, shuffle boards, volleyballs and nets — and energetic young men running about in neat, monogrammed T-shirts who, by their coolness, channel the energies of the neighborhood youngsters into wholesome and constructive activities.

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FORMED IN 1966, "Champ" now has a salaried staff of 54, with another 100 workers from other agencies whose services are used from time to time.

Funds come from the Office of Economic Opportunity, through the local Community Action Agency.

The ceremony featured remarks by Mayor Thomas J. D'Alesandro, Ofield Dukes, Fred Nims, Parren Mitchell, and Everett D. Saunders of the St. James Episcopal Church (a local benefactor of "Champ").

In addition a congratulatory telegram from Presidential candidate Hubert H. Humphrey was read.

The Rev. Vernon Dobson gave the invocation and Miss Kitty Broady narratted the program.

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Crownsville head sees gains in illness fight

Dr. George McK. Phillips, superintendent of Crownsville State Hospital, in an open invitation to citizens to visit the institution, underscored the hospital's progress in the battle with mental illness.

Meaningful progress, often concealed by "outmoded buildings" on the premises and an "outmoded public attitude" toward mental illness, is easily discernable when visitors become acquainted with the institution and its programs, Dr. Phillips declared.

The text of his letter of invitation follows:

"At Crownsville, we attempt to make available to patients and their families every modality of treatment and rehabilitation proven to be of merit at our hospital and elsewhere.

"We also encourage and provide the opportunity for all employees regardless of position, title or status to render services beyond their traditional job requirements, after a brief period of orientation and training when necessary.

"The large, outmoded buildings with their thick, drab walls prominently located on the hospital grounds, as well as the still highly-prevalent archaic attitudes about the hospital and about mental illness in general, give a false picture to the casual looker and obscure the hospital's progress.

"For example, remaining relatively obscured is the fact that in recent years the average daily in-patient population has declined to a point that the hospital is now 300 beds below capacity.

"This decline has taken place since 1965. At the same time, there was an increase in the yearly admission rate of over 1,500 persons.

"Since 1955, the daily average in-patient population has declined by 1,200, and the yearly admission rate increased by 3,000.

"The open door policy of admissions of persons with a drinking problem is partly responsible for the increased admission rate over the past three years.

"As an integral part of our orientation, we recognize the importance and stress the value of volunteers, always seeking more and more persons to join the hospital voluntary manpower force.

"We are constantly looking for more ways and means to give the taxpayers as much as possible for their money.

"The public is invited to call the Permeleb Office, Ext. 206, to arrange for a tour. Come and learn in depth about your hospital's functions, its progress, its limitations."

THE SUPERINTENDENT

MUND ELECTION — Participants and supervisors of the first election of members of the board of directors of the Model Urban Neighborhood Development observed the normal procedures of election during day-long activities at Howard Education Center Saturday.

Ladies Guild backs Mitchell

"Parren J. Mitchell is the most exciting Congressional candidate this city has seen in many a year, and the Democratic Ladies' Guild is proud to endorse his candidacy," Mrs. Gathering (Kitty) Mueller, president of the Guild, declared last week.

Mrs. Mueller, speaking to more that 200 members, also announced the group's endorsement of State Sen. Joseph Curran for Congress from the Fourth District, Joseph C. Howard, Judges Robert I. H. Hammerman, and Edwin Wolf for the Supreme Bench and Archie B. Williams for the People's Court.

"Mr. Mitchell's experience as executive secretary of the Human Relations Commission and executive director of the Community makes him uniquely qualified to deal with the overriding issues which will confront the Congress and the nation in the years ahead: race relations, poverty, and the urban crisis," Mrs. Meller said.

"His opponents might be equal to the lesser demands quieter times, but they simply cannot match Mr. Mitchell's experience, his understanding of the urban problem, his quick intelligence, his unbounded drive, and his unquestioned integrity. Parren J. Mitchell is the man for this season, "the Guild president said.

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Local firm ordered to $3,343 to 14 employees

Harris Auto Supply, Inc., of 1515 Fleet St., has been ordered by U.S. District Court to pay 14 of its employees $3,343.81 overtime compensation which the firm improperly withheld under the Federal Fair Labor Standards Act.

Also named in the judgment obtained by U.S. Secretary of Labor Willard Wirtz is William C. Harris Sr., of 1620 Aliceanna Ave., president, of the firm which is engaged in the wholesale sale of automobile parts and the repair of engines.

The defendants were also charges on the payments, totaling $318.65, as well as court costs. The judgment requires that the defendants comply with the Federal labor law, including the payment of proper overtime rate of pay.

COURT ACTION followed an investigation by the Baltimore field office of the U.S. Department of Labor's Wage-Hour and Public Contracts Divisions, under the supervision of Hillard Curland.

The defendants are subject to the labor law because they are an enterprise engaged in interstate commerce and also because their employees repair vehicles driven in interstate commerce and handle goods received from out-of-state sources.

N.C. boycott having effect

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (UPI) — Community leader Howard Fuller, Sunday said a boycott pressuring Durham businessmen to work for benefits to the city's colored people is having a significant effect.

But Fuller said a month-long boycott's sucess has not been publicized because the "white news media is covering up the boycott."

The Shaw University teacher told a group meeting in the central YMCA here that a 16-page list of complaints was presented to the Durham Chamber of Commerce and the Durham Merchants Assocation for action because no progress was made on any of the requests after three years of talks with city ficials.

"City officials are just messenger boys anyway," Fuller said. "The businessmen are the people who seeks an efective employ-

The group Fuller heads seeks an effective employment program, better housing and a beter educational system.

Friedel hails business aid

Cong. Samuel N. Friedel who has consistently supported the strongest possible civil rights legislation, expressed pleasure this week that the Small Business Administration has taken a number of positive steps to promote minority ownership of businesses in inner city.

"As an advocate of minority interests and as a member of Congress who fought for all civil rights legislation, I wish to take this opportunity to commend the Small Business Administration," said Mr. Friedel, "for its recent actions to promote minority ownership of businesses in the inner city or so-called ghetto areas."

Congressman Friedel stated that such actionin-clude:

1. The Development of guidelines for programs to promote minority ownership of businesses.

The SBA funds were provided by the Office of Economic Opportunity under Section 406 of the Economic Opportunity Amendments 1967 which Congressman Friedel actively supported.

2. The launching of a new "Government-business partnership effort" aimed at speeding up the formation of minority owned businesses.

"Only through the vigorous participation and leadership of the private sector can full solution of the plight of the disadvantaged citizens in the inner cities be achieved," he declared.

He added that in Maryland a start has been made in this direction. The Delmarva Economic Development Company of Salisbury is helping to finance, with SBA's assistance, a $3,227.83 colored owned shopping center.

3. The SBA has just licensed the first small business investment company in the nation organized primarily to aid the development of minority-owned businesses in the inner city.

"This is a step of real significance," according to Congressman Friedel, "for the colored minority to participate more actively in the free enterprise system, and I welcome it very much."

Back-to-school hop Thursday

The A.O.P. Society Club reports that its back-to-schoolhop is to be held 9 to 1 Thursday, at St. Gregory's Hall at Baker and Gilman Sts.

The occasionwill feature Henry Sampson,the roving disk jockey. Tickets can be obtained at 1701 Presstman St. or by calling 669-0208.

Officers of the club are: Officers of theclub are: Delish Epps, president; Parcell Ball, secretary; Paulette Alexander, treasurer; and Sharon Anderson, business manager.

HU grad to do Broadway hit

NEW YORK —Harold Wheeler, a newcomer to the Broadway scene, will do the dance music arrangements for "Promises, Promises," the new David Merrick musical production which will have a Burt Bacharach-Hal David score, a Neil Simon book, and which will be choreographed by Michael Bennett and directed by Robert Moore.

It will open on Broadway in late November at the Shubert Theatre after preliminary dates in Boston and Washington.

WHEELER IS a 1965 cum laude graduate of Howard University where he won the Outstanding Achievement Award, the Department of Drama Award. He also took the First Ranking Student Award, the 1961 Composition Contest, and the David N. Shepherd Award given by the National Association of Negro Musicians.

Citizens group likes inner city

Whenever the inner city is discussed, it seemes, that crime, narcotics, poor housing, overcrowded conditions are always the topics that come to mind, maybe the inner city has another side, a spokesman for the west side housing committee said this week.

In the area bordered by Pennsylvania Avenue, Laurens Street, Dolphin Street and Fremont Avenue are eated to improvisg their neighborhoods.

The Westside Housing Committee is one of these small organization dedicated to the improvement of living conditions in their area, according to Mrs. Helen Hunter, president. She added:

"This group of neighborhood people have banned together to form a social action force committed to challenging the maintenance of the status quo.

"This group of people cannot believe that the neighborhood has to have poor housing, poor sanitary conditions, no recreational facilities or play areas.

"Their motto is, 'dreams come true through deeds,' that no man's dreams come true if he sits and waits."

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THIS SMALL organization believed in its motto and set as two of its goals—a playground on Argyle Ave. and a Community House, the president said. The group knew that this would mean a multiplicity of tasks, beginning with the people in the neighborhood and ending at City Hall.

"The playground will open in the 1600 block of Argyle Ave. this week."

In Sept. 4 the Committee will "kick off" its annual Clean-up Campaign.

To the residents of the area, committee officials said "we are interested in helping the community—please support us —join us and make the neighborhood and community a better place to live.

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