David B. Mitchell named Provident general counsel

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Provident Hospital officials recently announced the appointment of the law firm of Mitchell and Lee, managed by David B. Mitchell, as the hospital's gneeral counsel.

Mitchell is a graduate of the Columbia University School of Law and also received a B.A. degree from Fisk University with department honors.

A general counsel for Provident Hospital, he will be responible for all egal matters, representation and counsultation.

Mitchell has been a partner in the Mitchell and Lee law firm since 1973. He is also a member of the advisory board on Paralegal Programs for Dundalk Community College; a member of the board of directors of the Federal Pre-trial Release Agency; the Maryland State Bar Association; the American Association of Trial Attorney's and the Monumental City Bar Association.

Mitchell resides in the Baltimore area with is wife.

Thomas W. Chapman, president of Provident Hospital, said, "We are delighted to have Mr. Mitchell and his firm available and involved in providing legal expertist to Provident Hospital. His experience and ability will definitely enhance our growth."

RED CROSS VOLUNTEER — Michael Davis, a junior at Lake Clifton High School, is a Red Cross Blood Services volunteer. He said he "was tired of just sitting around in front of the TV on Saturdays," so he went to the Red Cross to offer his services. Michael registers donors, prepares plastic blood containers and works in the canteen area where donors receive refreshments after giving blood.

City cab fares increase

Getting a taxi in Baltimore is going to cost a little more, following a new ruling by the Public Service Commission.

The Commission ruled Wednesday that taxi drivers can start adding 20 cents to every fare in an effort to offset the rising cost of gasoline.

Testimony presented by the cab owners indicated gas prices rose from an average of 46 cents a gallon in September 1976 to 76.5 cents a gallon in March. Insurance costs rose about 70 percent during that time, the owners said.

The 30-cent hike was granted as temporary relief until the board acts on a request by cab owners for a permanent rate increase. The owners called Baltimore's cab rates "outrageously cheap" when they asked for the increase last month.

Commissioner William Badger, who voted for the temporary increase, said Baltimore has the lowest cab fares of the nation's 15 largest cities.

City cabs charge 60 cents for the first one-fifth mile and 10 cents for each additional one-fifth mile. Under the proposal being considered by the PSC, the rates would go up to $1 for the first one-seventh mile and 10 cents for each additional one-seventh mile.

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Man, 103, fined $100 for hitting roommate

EASTON, Md. — James "Buzzard" Fair celebrated his 103d birthday the same day a judge fined him $100 and gave him a fuspended sentenced for beaning his roommate with a metal pipe.

Kent County District Judge William Gould imposed the sentence Wednesday on Fair and also ordered him to stop living with his roommate, Randolph Smith.

Fair hit Smith during an argument.

Ms. Hattie L. Pinder was a school teacher

Funeral services for Ms. Hattie L. Pinder were held May 30 in Darby, Pa. Ms. Pinder, a retired Baltimore city public school teacher, died May 28.

A native of Cambridge, Md., Ms. Pinder received her B.A. degree from Temple University and her Master's degree in reading from the University of Pennsylvania.

Ms. Pinder also took courses at New York University, University of California, University of Maryland, Morgan, Loyola College and Oxford University.

She taught for several years in Pennsylvania before accepting a teaching position in Baltimore in 1947. Her first position was at Booker T. Washington Junior High School where she taught math and reading.

Ms. Pinder also taught at Dunbar, Harlem Park Junior High, Houstin Junior High, Lemmel, Cherry Hill Junior High and Lombard Junior High.

When Ms. Pinder retired in 1971, she was head of the English department at Herring Run Junior High School. She was an active member of the National Council of Teachers of English; PSTA; Maryland State Teachers Association, Urban League and the NAACP.

While living in Baltimore, Ms. Pinder attended Grace United Presbyterian Church.

She is survived by one sister, Mrs. Mae Robinson.

Ms. Hattie L. Pinder

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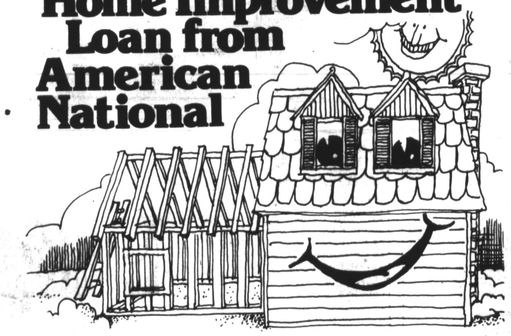

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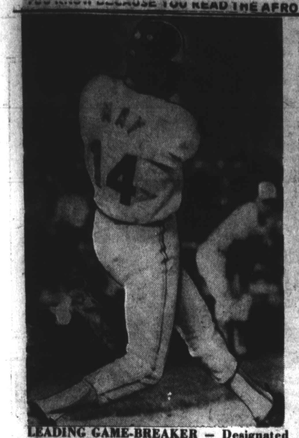

LEADING GAME-BREAKER — Designated hitter Lee May took over the lead in game-winning hits Wednesday, the same night the Orioles regained first place in the American League East. May's 4th inning double to score teammate Rich Dauer was his 10th game-breaking blow of the campaign.

Local talent scores in handicapped meets

Nine participants in the tack and field and swimming programs at the League for the Handicapped recently returned home from the Pennsylvania Wheelchair track and field meet in Ambler, Pa., with a total of five gold medals, one silver and 10 bronze.

Dick Fry, of Harford County, captured gold medals in both the 100-meter free-style and 100-meter backstroke while competing in the Class V men's division.

Patrice Dunaway, in the Class V women's group, placed first in the 1500-meter run, 100-yard dash, and in table tennis. She earned bronze medals in the javelin, discus, and shot-put.

Larry Toler, a member of the Baltimore Ravens wheelchair basketball team, won a silver medal in the slalom event and placed third in both the shot-put and table tennis. Lik Fry, Toler completed in the Class V Men's bracket.

Steve Kreisber, also a member of the Raven's squad, took the bronze medal in weightlifting in the light featherweight division.

Pat Williams, in the Class IV group, placed third in the 800-meter dash and in table tennis. Craig, the third Raven to win at least one medal, earned a bronze in the Class V slalom event.

Jennie Levine, competing in the women's class III division, earned a bronze medal in the 440-meter dash.

Arthur Alston and Larry Crawford also represented the league in the games. A total of 200 disabled men and women participated in the two-day event.

Contestants must compete in regional meets in order to qualify for the national games. Except for swimming competition, all athletes participate in wheelchairs.

Don King says network boycott won't stop WBC title fight

Larry Holmes will defend his World Boxing Council heavyweight crown on June 22, despite the refusal of all three networks to televise the bout, according to promoter Don King.

King is promoting the fight at Madison Square Garden.

"It would be against all my principals; all the things I have fought to overcome for me to cancel this bout and deny young Mike Weaver, a shot at the heavyweight crown," King told a Monday press conference at his New York offices.

"That has been the story for too long already and I refuse to be a part of it."

"Who regarded a young Muhammad Ali, then known as Cassius Clay, a ghost of a chance against the devastating Sonny Liston?" he asked.

"Not many," he answered.

"Who gave a green upstart George Foreman a prayer against the awesome and punishing Joe Frazier?" he asked. "Not many," he answered again quickly. "Can we forget how completely Foreman overwhelmed Frazier?"

Don King

King reminded all that Weaver is rated 8th in the world by the WBC and 10th by Ring Magazine.

King then read a short passage from Boxing Illustrated, a boxing magazine. The article said: ". . . in watching him train in the gym, Weaver is the personification of grace. He is smooth, slick, totally under control, and above all he is good.

"He is one of the many fighters around today that are so good nobody will fight them. So they grow stale in the gym — grow old, waiting for the big break that never comes, while some kid with less talent, that no one fears, comes along and strikes it lucky . . ."

King announced that the fight card would be carried by closed circuit into some forty locations.

He also announced that Jimmy Young will be on the card facing tough Wendell Bailey.

"Jimmy Young is a world contender and a great guy," King said. "I can't throw him to the wolves simply because he lost a fight. Jimmy deserves the chance to fight his way back."

Also on the card is a slugging confrontation between Roberto Curan and Carlos Palomino which is "a certainty to end in a knockout."

"This is my 'Fair Opportunity' crusade," King said. "Nobody dictates to me when I'm right. I may lose my shirt by doing this without the big TV bucks but I'll be satisfied that I've been a man."

BY THE WAY...

By Joe Black

The past two decades have added to the vocabulary [illegible] and dictionaries. We've had expressions such as: "right on"; "cool"; "dig"; "what's happening"; "get down" "back lash"; and "brother." But in Black America, I believe the strongest articulations were: "freedom"; "Black Power"; "I'm Black and I'm Proud"; and "I have a dream." When we utter these words, do we take the time to wonder what we are saying, or do we merely use an expression so that others will think that we are "hip"?

I know that many of us have used the greeting: "hello brothers and sisters", but do we really treat one another as a brother or sister? While you are pondering that question, let me suggest a way that we can help one another. In April, 1980, the U.S. Census will again count the number of people living in this country. Every Black person must be counted and should encourage their friends and neighbors to give honest answers to the Census takers. Sure, I know that some of the questions make you think that the government is being super "nosey", but we must remember that the government is made up of several agencies that provide money for many of the programs that were created to help the minority group communities and less fortunate citizens. Remember! If you aren't counted, you may be the reason why your state does not have enough money for job training projects, adequate low cost housing, health care services, day care centers, emergency food and medical aid, or welfare assistance. Let's all promise to be our "brother's brother."

Joe Black
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Are the Birds for real?

Scribe finds some believe, some don't

By Samuel Davis

There are some interesting thoughts floating around Memorial Stadium at this time.

For example, there are a couple of male fans who expect to see the 1970 and '71 World Series years repeated. There's another who wants to get rid of Steve Stone, then there are some who feel there won't be much of a change in the final standings of the American League East from last season.

"The Orioles have the strength up the middle and they have good pitching," said 33-year-old Jesse Pittman. "I think they'll win the American League title and go on to defeat Cincinnati in the World Series."

William Carter, a 20-year-old student at the Community College of Baltimore agrees that the Birds will win the penant, but he predicts a repeat of the 1971 confrontation with the Pirates. Only this time, the Orioles win.

"The Yankees' owner has brought all of those players, and they just have better pitching and hitting than us. But we will finish second," declares Mr. Carter.

Of course, taking this couple seriously might not be good advice. Who ever heard of William (Bill) and Roslyn Carter anyway? And if President Jimmy knew they were at the game together he might not like it.

Listen to a couple who agrees, like Donald and Mignon Wratchford. They feel the O's are on top to stay and will go all the way, but they're not too sure about w[illegible] play.

Boston doesn't have the pitching, and there's to much dissension on the Yankee club," said Wratchford.

So there it is, the Wratchford prediction and that's one that should be able to be believed. Who wouldn't trust two people who say they've been to every home game this season, work together at Social Security and are over 40 years of age?

"With regard to the future of the Orioles, here's one for you. Mr. Hoffberger: Roberta Soeed thinks you're *ourring* about selling the club.

"I think it's just a publicity stunt, because the games I've been to have had good-sized crowds."

"And another thing," Roberta says, "the Orioles' being on top in the east is no surprise to her.

"They've done better before, all they needed were a few personnel changes."

Maurice Burton feels that the loss of Al Bumbry was a major reason for last season's fourth place finish and he, too, isn't surprised.

"They have a much better chance this year because Bumbry's healthy. When he got hurt in '78, the outfield was in terrible shape."

Now about Mr. Stone: Dennis Barmore is the man who wants to send Steve to the showers — permanently.

"The Birds are lacking a good pitcher, and Stone just isn't working out. He's just a hole in the staff that causes problems."

Three innings after Barmore's statement on Tuesday, Stone had been rapped for six hits, two runs and was on his way to the showers. Six more innings passed and he picked up his fifth loss.

"Like Earl Weaver said, he's just in a slump. Dennis Martinez had the same problem last season," said Carter in defense of Stone.

So, like the man said: Some do and some don't.

The Maryland Commission on Physical Fitness is making an effort to keep the citizens of Maryland aware of physical fitness and its effect on health.

To reinforce this effort, the commission has put together a weekly column consisting of a series of self tests to determine strengths or weaknesses which may lie in a particular muscle group. In addition to the self tests, a series of exercises are given that can be performed by the reader to help improve the muscle area tested.

Here are the first two exercises, offered by the AFRO as an aid to the commission program:

LEG RAISED — To determine strength in the abdominal and upper leg area:

Sit on the floor and lean back to rest on forearms. Keeping legs together and straight, raise the legs about six inches and hold the position for about 30 seconds.

If you can do this with no real difficulty chances are your abdominal and upper leg strength are good. If you are finding problems however, here are a few simple exercises to strengthen the areas tested.

BENT KNEE SIT UPS: Lie on your back with the knees bent and place your hands behind your head. Sit up, slowly, and touch your elbows to your knees. Start at 10 daily and eventually progress until you can do 30 fairly easy.

To vary this exercise a little, alternate the left elbow to the right knee, and vice versa.

Do these simple exercises daily, and retest yourself periodically until you find you are able to pass the test with little, or no difficulty. Once you have achieved this continue to work at it to maintain that fitness level you have achieved.

For more information on Physical Fitness and Health related activities contact: Maryland Commission On Physical Fitness 201 W. Preston St., Balto. Md. 21201 or call (301) 383-4040.

Sports faces of the week

BAYLOR-BUSTER — In his effort to make up the slack caused by Rod Carew's injury, former Oriole Don Baylor had 35 hits including 9 homers for a .354 May average. The busting California Angel was named Al Player-of-the-monty.

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Cage clinic

The University of Maryland Baltimore County will be hosting the UMBC Basketball School, July 9-13 and from July 16-20.

The school will be under the direction of UMBC head coach Bill Jones and assistant coach Jim Smith.

THUMBED OUT — Ligament damage to the right thumb will keep Rod Carew out of the California Angels lineup for an estimated four weeks. The 7-time AL bat champ will be in a cast at least 3 weeks.

SO TAKE THAT! — Left off the ballot for the All-Star Game voting, Lou Brock stuck it to those who ignored him by winning the honor as NL Player-of-the-month for May. He had 29 hits in 67 at bats for a .433 average for the month.

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