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Two Air Force Cadets Complete Flight Instruction Program

Cadet Major Louis M. Bell, electrical engineering major from Weldon, and Cadet Captain Will A. Croom, Jr., architectural engineering major from Kinston, recently completed the Flying Instruction Program (FIP).

Bell and Croom were among 1,500 Senior AFROTC Cadets who took to the air last fall for nearly 50,000 hours as the Flying Instruction Program got under way at 160 colleges and universities through-

out the country,

The Flying Instruction Program, an integral part of the AFROTC curriculum for all seniors who have applied and qualified for Air Force pilot training, is designed to provide a screening and motivation device which will identify those who lack the basic aptitude or desire for Air Force pilot training upon graduation and commissioning.

This is the fifth straight year the Air Force has enrolled its cadets in the FIP. Air Training Command, the major Air Force command charged with pilot training programs for the Air Force, strongly endorses the program.

Cadets who have been through the AFROTC FIP prior to entering the Air Force pilot should have, on the average, been twice as successful in completing the training as those cadets who have not been exposed to similar training.

Use of the FIP as a screening device has constituted a considerable savings in terms of the cost of having to drop a cadet from the

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pilot training program after completion of part or nearly all of the extremely expensive process. Early identification of lack of aptitude or desire is the key to this savings.

Cadets Bell and Croom flew a total of 36% hours in a single engine Piper-Colt 22 with a horse-power rating of 108 operated by the Piedmont Aviation Incorporation at Smith-Reynolds Airport, Winston-Salem.

These two cadets received twenty hours of dual instruction by instructor pilots of Federal Aviation Agency approved flying instruction schools, and 15 hours of solo. The remaining one and one-half hours were used in flying a final flight check given by a Federal Aviation Agency Inspector.

In addition to the actual flying program, all cadets receive a minimum of 30 hours of ground school instructions taught by Air Force-officers who are assigned as members of the AFROTC detachment staff. The school includes instruction in weather, navigation, and Civil Air Regulations.

Cadet Bell advanced an extra step by passing the FAA written examination and, thereby, qualifying for private pilot's license.

Both Bell and Croom will enter Air Force pilot training soon after receiving their commissions.

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Army Wins

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manded by Reginald Mitchiner, the well-polished squad defeated a similar sized unit from the Air Force by a score of 68.2 to 53.1.

Not discouraged by the Army's success, the Air Force produced its first winner in the flight-platoon event. Earl Brown commanded the Air Force flight which defeated an Army platoon under the command of Bobby Miller.

The Army was still dominating things, however; and when the company-squadron's eventwas completed, the Army appeared well on its way to its unprecedented second win in two years. Wylie Harris' "Lightning" Company A defeated the Air Force's Squadron 601 under the command of Louis Bell.

By winning the last two events, the Air Force salvaged some of the trophies and prevented the Army from completely dominating the competition.

When the bands representing the two units competed, the Air Force musicians were victorious.

Everyone had anticipated the contest between the two nationally ranked drill teams, the Army's Pershing Rifles Drill Team and the Air Force Raiders; for a long rivalry has existed between the two groups. The Pershing Riflemen, who defeated the Raiders in last year's competition, are currently rated third in the nation by virtue of their performance in the Cherry Blossom festival earlier this spring. The Air Force unit was rated fifth at the same festival.

After the two units had performed, the Raiders had redeemed last year's defeat by taking a 92 to 89.1 victory. The Raiders were commanded by Wesley Brown while Willie Skinner called the cadence for Army unit.

Judges for Saturday's competition came from the Naval R.O.T.C. at Duke University and the local Naval Reserve.

Demonstrations

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to sing songs and have a prayer

service for those in prison.

Although, the students who are imprisoned were not permitted to join the freedom singing, integration demanding group on the outside, they led some of the songs for the group from inside the small rooms in which they are confined

during their stay in prison.

According to reports received from the prisoners, in a room approximately 20x40, there are 63 people with two beds and two baby cribs to sleep on or in. In another room approximately the same size, there are 75 persons reported to be sharing five beds.

When asked if they were ready to leave the confining quarters, one of the prisoners replied, "No, just bring us some cigarettes, magazines and some changing clothes and we will stay here until freedom comes."

One of the young ladies, detained at the Poilo Hospital, informed the persons that had an opportunity to converse with her that the matrons treat them very nice but they would like to have some playing cards because they have read their textbooks so many times that they are able to recite many passages from them by heart.

It was pointed out by one of the young ladies that although only, a little more than 700 of them are currently in jail, they expect their friends and roommates to join them. They urged persons visiting them to inform people that they are not to be worried about because, although they have no beds or bedclothing either for that mater, they are not worried and are willing to stay in jail as long as it is necessary.

When asked about the regularity with which they are fed, one of the fellows in jail at the same location said. "The food is O.K. when we get it; but you see we have been here twenty-eight hours and we have received only two meals.

Following the march out to the Polio Hospital, the group of singing demonstrators marched back to the Trinity AME Zion church where they attended a mass meeting with several thousand members of the Negro and white communities.

Commencement

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Later that afternoon, a joint concert by the A&T College Choir and Symphony Band has been scheduled for the Dudley Lawn, beginning at 5:00 o'clock, and the President's Reception for graduates, alumni and friends of the college will follow at Benbow Hall, beginning at 7:30 o'clock.

Other events call for the annual Alumni Dinner on Friday, May 31, beginning at 6:30 P. M., and the annual national meeting of the Association, beginning at 9:00 A. M., on Saturday, June 1.

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The annual Art Exhibit, a showing of productions by students, set for the H. Clinton Taytor Art Galleries in the F. D. Bluford Library, opens on May 24 and extends through June 1.

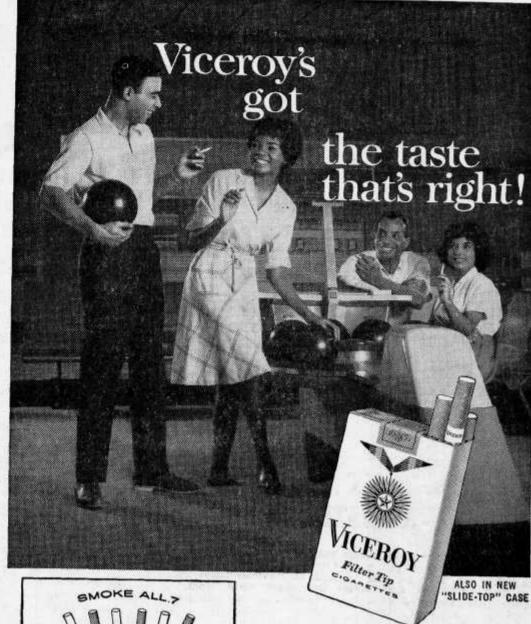
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African Officers Visit Campus

A group of agricultural officers Kenya, Sierra Leone and the Re-and home economics agents from public of Togo, all in Africa, re-cently arrived in this country, was welcomed at a dinner meeting at A&T College.

The group, here under the auspices of the U. S. Agency for interpices of the U. S. Agency for inter-national Development, will study agricultural practices in North Carolina at A&T College and in several localities about the State during the next six-weeks. Appearing on the program were Dr. L. C. Dowdy, acting president

Dr. L. C. Dowdy, acting president of the college; Waldo C. Falkener, former Greensboro city council-man; and Rev. Cecil Bishop, pres-ident, Greensboro Ministerial Fellowship.

Speaking on behalf of the visi-tors were Miss Grace Wagema and Lukio Olingo Denga, both of Ken-ya; Wilfred J. Bangurah of Sierra Leone and Raphael Amedzor of

the Republic of Togo.

R. E. Jones, State agent, in charge of the A&T College Extension Service, presided.

"Mother Of The Year"

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sacrifices made by the family to send all the children to school.
"She never lost faith; she continued to pray, to work hard, and to encourage us to continue in school even though it was a great sacrifice to the whole family." He continued by saying that she has always fought for equal rights, and that she is one of the people who go to the County Board of Education requesting things for the ucation requesting things for the school. Her desire is to see all her

children grown into adulthood and established in their home.

Although she did not complete her formal education, Mrs. Brown has become educated through reading observation. ing, observation, and community work. She has always encouraged praying. She says, "Pray and then live in such a way that you deserve

an answer to your prayers."

Activities for Mothers Day included morning worship in Harrison Auditorium, where Mrs. Brown was presented an award by the Jones County Club; review of the ROTC units, at which Mrs. Brown received a bound of the Royal and the second of the second of the Royal and the second of the Royal and the second of the received a bouquet from the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity; and a "Mother of the Year Luncheon."

The speaker at the Morning Worship Exercises was Mrs. Elreta Melton Alexander, attorney at law in Greensboro, and Alumna of A&T College.



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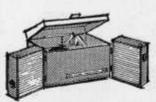
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