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The Air Force and Army ROTC detachments at North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University have been chosen for the 1969-70 academic year.

By Albert L. White

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It is quite a sad situation when man gets to the stage that causes him to no longer act like a man but instead to act like some savage animal.

This is exactly what happened in Winston-Salem Friday night when our basketball team met the Rams of Winston-Salem State University. During most of the game, it seemed as if the Winston-Salem team had the game all "towed up in a bag" until the threads were loosened with less than one minute to go in the regular game. After one overtime the Rams suddenly realized defeat.

It was a defeat that the Rams as well as the Aggies will remember for many years, for in the wake of this defeat, one Aggie was murdered and four others wounded seriously.

The incident that occurred in front of the Winston-Salem Coliseum was totally unexpected. Aggies and Rams fans were of extreme disharmony among Winston-Salem fans after the game, but what happened after this "moving" game was a senseless act of violence committed by beings that should not be allowed to dwell among man.

This is the second time this year that students of A&T have been viciously assaulted by fans of opposing teams. This type of violence makes it unsafe for our team to even play games with certain schools. How much longer will this type of thing go on before action is taken to stop it?

Such incidents continue to happen, it is doubtlessly serious if the CIAA will continue to exist much longer as an athletic conference.

It Began A Decade Ago

There has been a lapse of ten years since the sit-in type of demonstration began to spread across this nation. The tenth anniversary of this type of protest by blacks should be of particular interest to students enrolled here.

The "sit-in" as a form of protest against unequal rights, was begun in Greensboro, N.C., on February 1, 1960. Not only was the sit-in initiated in Greensboro, but four freshmen students at A&T conceived of the sit-in as a form of protest, believing that too many people talk but never act. These freshmen entered the downtown Woolworth's five and dime store and sat themselves at the lunch counter while patronizing other counters and attempted to place orders. The white waiters simply shook their head in refusal to work for these black freshmen and forcibly took them out at the counter until the store closed, refusing to move.

Thus began a form of protest by black people against discrimination in public accommodations that spread rapidly across the country. It should be noted that this form of non-violent protest has accomplished immense gains in areas of public accommodations. Since the initiation of sit-ins, men and women of all ages have been refused service in lunch counters that formerly served only whites, eating in cafeterias that formerly admitted only whites, housing themselves in hotels and motels that rented rooms only to whites.

Such accomplishments, hailed then as "An Idea whose Time Has Come" and now a matter of history, the names of those who initiated the sit-ins Ezell Blair, Jr. and David Richmond of Greensboro; Franklin McCain, Washington, D.C.; and Joseph McNeil. Wilmington have been forgotten now, but these four freshmen have given impetus to a movement that undoubtedly led to a greater emphasis on Blacks and Black Awareness.

Surely they are to be congratulated for their bravery, their endurance, and their foresight.

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Let Yourself Go!!

Take That Pen Or Pencil Up Off That There Desk And Scribble A Few Lines To Y’All’s Editor And I Wants To Thank You.
The members of BOSS pose in Barnes Hall for an organizational snapshot. They are (from left to right) Arnold Gaskins, Bernard Chambers, Ulysses Lane, Eric Cox, Bernard Graham, and Alon Loveett, (back row) Verone Moore, Jerry Montgomery, John Craft, Ralphson, Vincent Thompson, Armon Joe, Earl Martin, Corbett Johnson, Ervin Simmons, and Gerald Smith.

Dowdy Urges Country To Keep Black Colleges Open

One of the crucial problems of higher education in the 1970's is the ending of speculation about the future of predominately black colleges and universities, according to Dr. Lewis C. Dowdy, president.

"Why should we even talk about the possible decline of those great social institutions that have meant so much to us," said Dr. Dowdy. "These are the institutions that should be utilized to help us realize the American dream.

Dr. Dowdy was speaking last Thursday afternoon at the weekly Lunchcheon Club meeting at the Hayes-Taylor YMCA.

In the seventies," he added, "higher education must receive its rightful place. We must continue to go upward because we are just about at 50 percent level. I mean that about 50 percent of those college age are now in college. We must continue to improve on this figure.

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A recent study reveals that 79 percent of all blacks who received baccalaureate degrees in 1968, he said, received them from black institutions. That also goes for 70 percent of the black federal judges in this country and 87 percent of all black engineers.

"These institutions," said Dowdy, "have been denied the kind of funding they should have had. Why should we even talk about discarding them. Instead, they should be designated as national resources and funded by the federal government because of contributions they are making. The United States would not be so great as it proposes to be had it not been for the contributions of these institutions."

Dean's Office Releases 33 Names For Who's Who

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Clayton; Nancy Owens, Political Science, Columbia; Thomas G. Sherman, Jr., Electrical Engineering, Orangeburg, S.C.; Betrys Sherrod, Nursing School, Greensboro; and Robert E. Woods, Mechanical Engineering, Raleigh.

Bay E. Johnson, Agricultural Education, Reidsville; and Inez Perry, Nursing, Raleigh, were also chosen and will graduate in August.

Nominations for Who's Who were made by students, faculty members, and administrative officers. It was also possible for a student to nominate himself.

Each school dean, division director and governmental chairman could also make nominations.

RCA On Campus Interviews

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Lord Of Lords

By Dick Gregory

The recent ten day occupation of the First Spanish United Methodist Church in New York City's East Harlem by a group of young Puerto Ricans known as the Young Lords is just one more example of what is in store for the institutional church during the 1970's. Some time back another Lords group in Chicago pulled off the same maneuver, curiously also at a Methodist Church.

The Young Lords of East Harlem reflected the rhetoric of the church in action—much better than most churches themselves are doing. They conducted a free breakfast program for hungry children of the East Harlem community. They distributed free clothing for those in need. They provided volunteer medical service, both highlighting and meeting the need for health services in communities of the poor. They did all those things churches talk about doing but somehow seldom get around to putting into practice.

Of course, the institutional church hierarchy and the local congregation put an end to the takeover of the church after awhile. An injunction was obtained to have churchmen who have long been identified with the church renewal movement (Steve Rose, Harvey Cox, Will Campbell, Malcolm Boyd and others) who speaks of disestablishing the institutional church, becoming poor with the poor Jesus in the name of God so that church rhetoric is not continually blasphemed by investment budgets to date.

While that is the case, we can see and feel the church hierarchy—denominational executives, mission boards, trustees, and the like—with the demand for reparations to the black community. For those who challenged the institution to recognize and admit the wealth to the have-nots and our society, Forman took the institutional church bureaucracy seriously, recognized who was really in control of church resources, and focused his attack upon that structure.

The Young Lords in New York City and elsewhere is quite different from the Forman approach, but the effect upon the institutional church structure is the same. The Young Lords did not take the church seriously, indeed they acted as though it did not exist. The Young Lords are a teaching moment. They taught us that the institutional church is in real trouble, unless, of course, it is really able to hear the instruction of Jesus of Nazareth, the poor Jesus in the name of God so that church executive in a world-wide engineering outfit that offers a stimulating professional environment and the opportunity to put “theory and practicality” into action for fast career growth.

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