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Eyewitnesses Give Account Of Gerald Beattie's Death

By Vernice Wright
Associate Editor

"What did I hit?" was the response of state patrolman James A. Helms to the question of three Black students, "Do you know you hit somebody?" The "somebody", being referred to was Gerald Vincent Beattie, an A&T freshman, who had just been struck and killed on U.S. 29 early Monday morning.

Present at the scene of the fatal accident were Kenneth Harris, Thomas Green, and Joseph St. Claire, freshmen companions who were with the victim on their return from a party off O. Henry Blvd. when Beattie slipped and fell as he attempted to cross the two-lane highway.

"We looked down to see if any traffic was coming," St. Claire muttered as he rehashed their crossing the medium to the west side of the highway, "and we saw one vehicle quite a distance down the road. So, we

immediately began to cross."

Pausing momentarily to collect himself, St. Claire continued, "By this time he was sitting up in a sitting position with his back towards the car...All of a sudden out of the corner of my eye, I saw the car approaching and...and..."

Father Of Slain Aggie:

Account By Patrolman Is 'A Preposterous Lie'

"A preposterous lie!" was the label William Beattie, sr., a mortician and father of the deceased, Gerald V. Beattie, gave to James A. Helms' allegation that he was driving 45 mph on U.S. 29 southbound when young Beattie was struck and killed Monday morning at approximately 1:30 a.m.

The slain Aggie and three of

his freshman companions were coming from a party off O. Henry Blvd. when the fatal incident occurred. Beattie reportedly slipped and fell when he attempted to cross from the medium to the west side of the highway.

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Beattie, sr., who was contacted Wednesday night stated, "He dragged my boy 104 feet after he struck him, and shook him loose at that point, and continued 240 feet from where he struck him."

The composed-sounding father further said, "No attempt by Helms was made to go around my son although there was no southbound, nor northbound traffic."

Further clarifying his statement calling Helms a liar, he explained, "From the skid marks which started after my son was struck, Investigator Jones estimated Helms auto was going 55 mph to 59 mph immediately after impact."

Moreover, Beattie, sr. said, "The impact of my son's body of more than 300 pounds would have slowed the light Ford at least 15 to 20 mph" - an indication that the patrolman could have been traveling as fast as 85 mph.

Funeral services were held yesterday at 4:00 p.m. at Mount Pisque Presbyterian Church in Rocky Mount.

A congregation of approximately eighty students were in attendance at the funeral services. Among those paying respect were students in the 13-College Curriculum Program, and members of the Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity and its interest group, of which Beattie was a member.

Rev. Cleo McCoy, director of the chapel, expressed remarks on behalf of the A&T family.

A memorial service for Beattie will be conducted Sunday at 4 p.m. in Harrison Auditorium.



DR. JAMES FARMER, FOUNDER'S DAY SPEAKER

Blacks Urged To Assert New Affirmative Action

By Patrice Dunn

"New affirmative action" was the main assertion by Dr. James Farmer, founder and former director of the Congress of Racial Equality, in a speech honoring a coordinated Founders Day - New Careers Conference.

After assessing the decade of the 60's with its many victims, he encouraged his audience not to overlook the failures. He indicated the significance of this period through the following analogy - "a little progress like a little food, does not satisfy the appetite, but whets it." The shortcomings of this decade were highlighted as the challenge of the present one.

The challenge encompasses such affirmative action as the elimination of the color-blind theory practiced by many companies that claim to be unprejudiced, but hire no blacks; the creation of new careers for the poor, and the realization that real growth lies in human services. Farmer feels that some five million jobs can be created in the areas of education, health, and welfare.

Failure, thus far in not reaching these goals, was directly linked to our failure to provide "upward mobility to blacks who have little skill, training or education."

Farmer warned his listeners not to ignore the influence of industry or government though he foresaw very little potential growth in industry.

Continuing, he stated that his recent resignation as assistant secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare did not represent a rejection of Blacks in government.

He advised Blacks not to return to the ghetto because they would only add to the number already unemployed. He suggested, instead, that wherever they are employed they can help by remembering who they are and whom they represent.

Farmer stated that he envisioned no possibility of a massive migration to Africa. No country in Africa, except South Africa, is economically solvent enough to accommodate American Blacks, and furthermore, no country in Africa has invited American Blacks.

Mr. Farmer was introduced by Dr. L. C. Dowdy, president of A&T.

Other program participants were Dr. George Gay, Jr., pastor of St. Stephen United Church of Christ; Matthew Simpson, president of SGA; Lane Miller, North Carolina Fellow; W. I. Morris, director of the Placement Center; and Rev. M. McCoy, director of the chapel.

In addition were the choir, directed by Dr. Howard T. Pearsall, and the band, directed by Walter J. Carlson, Jr.

Special guests included high school students, new career consultants who represented approximately forty firms, and some recruiters.

Ellis F. Corbett Succumbs; Rites Scheduled Tomorrow

A Requiem mass will be celebrated for Ellis F. Corbett, associate director of planning and development, 11:00 a.m. tomorrow in the Holy Trinity Episcopal Church on North Greene Street.

Mr. Corbett died Wednesday morning in L. Richardson Hospital following an extended illness. He was 61 years old.

A member of the class of 1931 and editor of The Register for two terms, Corbett worked approximately twenty years for the Norfolk Journal and Guide as a traveling representative. In 1951, he returned to A&T as its director of public relations and executive secretary of the alumni association.

In paying tribute to Mr. Corbett, Dr. L.C. Dowdy, president of A&T, said, "Mr. Corbett's untimely passing is a tremendous loss to the entire A&T family and especially to the fine alumni of our institution.

"He was a prime mover in developing the finest alumni program the university has ever witnessed in its long history. His death leaves a void in the administration that will be difficult to fill."

A native of Danville, Va., Corbett served as director of public relations 16 years, before being named associate director of



ELLIS F. CORBETT

planning and development. He also formerly served as national president of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Sallie K. Corbett; daughter, Mrs. Thomasine Brown of Prairie View, Tex.; sisters, Mrs. Margaret Melvin of Roanoke Va., and Mrs. Verly Tucker, of Washington, D.C.; and Jethro Corbett of Greensboro.

Blind Justice

The tragic end of the life of Gerald Vincent Beattie early Monday morning and the so-called investigation that has ensued has once again demonstrated to even the most casual observer that so-called justice in this country is that justice which is most favorable to the white man.

The "investigation" that followed this tragic occurrence was initiated only as a matter of formality - for the innocence of the patrolman was already established because he had "only hit a nigger".

Beattie was no "nigger", but a Black youth of tremendous value to the Black people. The "niggers" (and other words I can think of) are the patrolman, Helms, and all of the other perpetuators of this so-called justice.

Anyone familiar with the facts behind this incident (not accident) would know (as do the investigators) that this incident was avoidable.

White officials have attempted to write this off as an occurrence that resulted because of no street lights on U.S. 29. This is just as incorrect as the patrolman's assertion that he was traveling only 45 m.p.h.

Obvious proof has been given from the facts that the so-called law enforcement officer was violating the laws he was supposed to be enforcing; that he was speeding anywhere from 70 to 80 m.p.h. in a 55 m.p.h. zone; that his headlights were sufficient to illuminate Beattie who had tripped and fallen in the road; and that no attempt was made to avoid hitting the Black student.


Even if he did not see Beattie, as he claimed, he is guilty of looking off the highway while operating a vehicle (as he admitted) and this is nothing but reckless driving resulting in death to an individual. If the case had been reversed and Helms had been in Beattie's position, Beattie would have been as good as convicted by now.

Moreover, the cause of this incident is much deeper than the above mentioned facts. It was caused by a white-dominated society in this country that has two standards of justice - one for whites and one for Blacks. It was just as much the white society behind the wheel of that car as it was Helms. As he approached this Black youth, he knew that the society in which he was raised had taught him that to kill a Black is not a crime, no more than it is a crime to kill a cat that might have wandered onto the highway.

If Helms goes free (and it is apparent that he will), it is only an incentive for others to "not avoid hitting" a Black person and then ask "What did I hit?" They too will be set free, perhaps not as free as Helms because he is a cop, but set free in some form.

But one day, blind justice will gain her sight and the white man "will have a taste of his own medicine."

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-The Editor

Fraternal Organizations Using Dogmas Of The Past

Editor of The Register:

As a sophomore and member of a Greek letter organization, I have discovered a vast assortment of opinions about sororities and fraternities.

Many students have made a simple check-out of the reality of these fraternal organizations; and, for a few brief moments, they have considered joining and then changed their minds. Why?

To many girls, joining a sorority conjured up pictures of warm friendships, of sisterhood, of belonging. One student said that a simple check-out made her change her mind. "What it really amounts to is how much embarrassment you can take."

"And if you can't answer very cleverly the questions asked of you at the interviews, you are relegated to 'dead beat' file."

"The whole process makes you feel as if you have been born to a life of degradation."

Many guys are totally turned off by rushing. A few said that they came to their senses when they were made to feel "unacceptable". How could they prove their worth with such meager and nonsensical tasks to perform!

Let's take a good look at ourselves and see if we, the "already-made" Greeks, are not being snobbish and exceedingly discriminating, rather than guides for inspiration, friendship, sisterhood, and brotherhood.

Let's shape up and ship out the paraphernalia that can be canned as dogmas of the past. Then, and only then, will we not flinch when someone says "Who has ever heard of a

"Black-Greek?"

Let's carry the weight of principle, even if the purpose is only social.

Andrena Virginia Bratton

Instructors Rapping Too Much

Editor of The Register:

Last week, The Register carried one or two articles concerning problems with the faculty on campus. I am all for helping the Political Science Club with their endeavors, and I am sure that more people should help with this crusade to iron out problems with the faculty.

It is a growing concern each day to communicate with your instructors, but how can you communicate with them, when there is such a gap? I am not

necessarily concerned with a generation gap, but with the mere fact that the instructors are failing to relate to their students. They are unable to get across the main idea to the students although they are forever walking back and forth across the room rapping to us; the notes continuously flow in one ear and out the other.

Let's join in and support the proposals made by the Political Science Club. Maybe then, we'll learn a little more - huh?

Jaunita Hollingsworth

Browsing Room Hours

Editor of The Register:

Wouldn't it be wonderful if we could enjoy relaxing by reading books and magazines during weekends?

I am of course referring to reading in the browsing room of Bluford Library on the only free days - Saturdays and

Sundays—that I have.

I am certain that many other students would also enjoy having access to this facility if only for half a day on Saturdays and Sundays.

A Saturday and Sunday Reader,
Doris Jackson

Driver's Program Attacks Number 1 Domestic Problem

By Linda Merritt and
William Johnson

"The aim of the Driver's Education Program is to prepare competent safe drivers and driver's education teachers for the public school system with the idea of attacking the number one domestic problem, which is the preservation of young people," says Dr. Isaac Barnett. The driver education courses at A&T have the most effective teacher education program in North Carolina. He stated that we have automobiles and a simulation process which was donated by the Alstate Insurance Company.

On February 6, the first Conference of the North Carolina Driver and Traffic Safety Education Association was held here. In the keynote address Governor Scott stated, "For the past nineteen years, A&T has been a leader in the training of driver education teachers. This university has certified nearly 2,000 such teachers, and the program here has served as a model for many colleges and universities in the southeast. I commend A&T for this leadership in this most important area of teacher education."

"There are many fields in

driver education or professional opportunities such as commercial proprietorship, government safety programs, and industrial safety experts," says Dr. Barnett. He commented that the emphasis on the program is more attitudinal than will.

The major emphasis is placed on the attitude and behavior as a product of knowledge. We find that people have a limited knowledge of the rules of safe driving and physical limitations. "The Driver's Education Program attacks the matter psychologically," says Dr. Barnett.

The staff consists of two faculty members. They are M.L. Cousins, who is assistant professor and part time teacher of industrial technology and Dr. Barnett. Cousins works with basic students in driver's education and he is in charge of the simulation complex. Dr. Barnett has been with the program since its infancy. He received his doctorate degree in Highway and Traffic Safety from Michigan State University.

"We hope that we can develop a traffic safety complex here to utilize the simulation molition in other technological advancements in driver's education," says Dr. Barnett.

Conflicting Reports Given By Police And Eyewitnesses

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parts of the body...He was just completely mutilated!"

Conflicting reports persist as to whether Helms could have avoided the fatal accident.

"He won't be charged. The wreck was ruled unavoidable...It wasn't his fault. He couldn't help it," declared an unidentified highway patrol spokesman. When asked, "Was there a thorough investigation to determine this?" he replied, "I don't know mad'am. You will have to check with the Greensboro police. They were investigating it."

St. Claire angrily bellowed, "He had time enough to go around Gerald because there was no other southbound traffic at that moment."

"It did not appear that he tried to hit his brakes at all," interrupted Green.

"Prior to Beattie's being hit, the three of us dashed across the road. If you see three figures going across the road...Ordinarily, you are going to slow down and be more cautious. But he kept going at the same speed," inserted Harris.

Although the city manager has requested street lights for this particular highway, Harris feels that Helms had no visual problems because of the extra bright lights on any patrol car.

According to the police, an investigation is being conducted and only following the inquiry would warrants be issued, if the

investigating officers deemed it necessary. Moreover, they have issued the statement that Helms was traveling at 45 mph in a 55 mph zone, despite the eyewitnesses' allegation that Helms was traveling at a much faster rate

Damage to the patrol car was estimated at \$600. This included a demolished grille.

Without regard for any type of police procedure, the eyewitnesses were questioned at the police station before the suspect, Helms. Helms was questioned in privacy.

The young men reported that they were relentlessly cross-examined as to their use of alcohol. None of the students had been drinking.

Tuition Rise Only Rumor Says Ziegler

Reported rumors circulating around campus of a tuition rise for 1971-72 of \$400 for out-of-state students and \$200 for in-state students were denied by John Ziegler, university business manager, when The A&T Register checked it out.

Ziegler clearly stated that there was no truth in the rumor of increases in tuition. Also, he stated that the fee for 1971-72 would be reported at a later date.



Students Using Driving Simulator

(Staff Photo By Larry Lewis)

Teacher Education Majors To Study Inner Urban Problems At Rutgers

By Vickie Davis

A program of field experience in inner urban problems in teacher education for A&T in co-operation with Rutgers--the State University, Graduate School of Education, will take place again this year.

The program will extend from March 22 through April 23. The objectives are as follows:

--To provide an opportunity for senior teacher education students at A&T to learn about the distinctive problems of urban life and education in an urban setting through facilities of Rutgers University.

--To foster in students some competence in dealing with urban problems in education.

--To provide a means of evaluating the Teacher Education Program at A&T with regard to the preparation of teachers for urban teaching through the performance and "feedback" of the students participating in the project.

--To help develop materials and resources for a course or seminar in urban education at A&T. (Hopefully to be used by Rutgers students and Camden teachers.)

--To provide an opportunity for Camden City and the Graduate School of Education to

evaluate with an objective towards studying and possibly experimenting with the present student teaching program.

--To foster interest and effort in planning a teacher-education program with Camden City.

--To encourage currently assigned student teachers in Camden High to participate in the many field experiences provided in this program.

Presently five A&T students are being selected for this program. Criteria for selection of students are interest in teaching in an urban community, adaptability, scholarship, recommendation from academic department, health, background, and parental approval. Students are selected by a departmental committee of faculty members and students.

At Rutgers, the students will observe; have field excursions and experiences to metropolitan agencies; have student teaching experiences in schools; attend official meetings of urban deliberative and decision making bodies and community organization; visit public schools; and engage in evaluative sessions and independent study.

The participants are expected

to keep a record of events, reactions and analyses; to be responsible for the readings; to devote full attention to an experience in a school for ten days; and to develop in writing some summary statements and recommendations.

Visitations will be made in such areas as Camden, Philadelphia, Willingboro, and Pennsauken. The students will have the pleasure of meeting in conferences the Mayor and City Council Chairman, Police Captain

(Holmes), BPUM & BSUM (Ashley), Civil Rights (Peel), Welfare (Streng), Business and Industry involvement (Daunch), and Urban Church involvement chairman (Dr. Menking).

After this five-week period A&T students will return to Greensboro where they will report to their student teaching assignment. Students are then asked to share their experiences with other student teachers.

Co-ordinators for the program are Dr. Dorothy Prince, who is initiator for A&T Department of Education, and Dr. Rosalia Cioffi, who is from Rutgers Graduate School of Education. Dr. S. O. Jones is adviser and director of Teacher Education at A&T.

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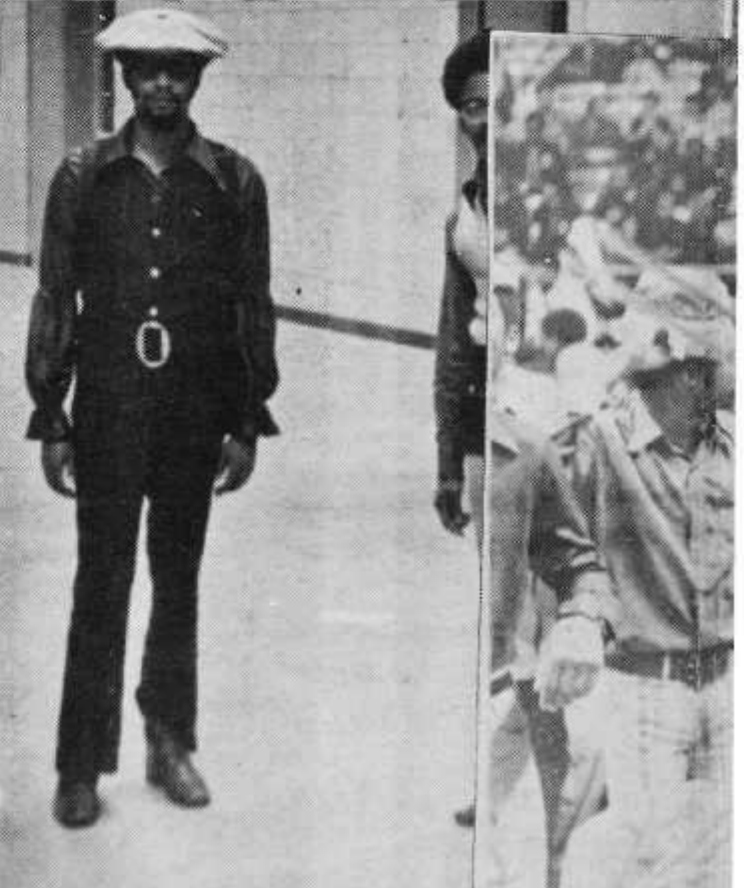
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Universities In Africa Chosen As Sites For African Studies Program

Dr. C. Eric Lincoln, President of the American Forum for International Study, announced today that universities in Ghana and Nigeria would be the sites for the fourth consecutive African Studies programs sponsored by the American Forum.

The African Studies programs will begin July 3 and conclude August 5, and will carry six academic credits from the University of Massachusetts. The faculty for the programs will be drawn exclusively from the African Studies specialists of the Institute of African Studies, University of Ghana, and the University of Ibadan (Nigeria).

Dr. Lincoln said that the Ghana program, in addition to 60-75 hours of lectures, would include field study trips to Kumasi, Elmina, Tema, and other historical sites. Special programs of dance, music and the arts will be included as part of the program. The National Dance Company of Ghana led by Mr. A. M. Opoku will perform for the participants.

The program in Nigeria will be centered in Ibadan and have as its theme Comparative African Cultures. Lectures will be provided by leading scholars from the University of Ibadan and field trips will be made to Lagos, Ife, Abeokuta, and the Muslim North. American teachers will be given the

opportunity to collect and develop materials for use in their U. S. Classrooms.

As in all American Forum programs, Ghanaian and Nigerian students will participate in the programs.

The American Forum has pioneered on-the-scene programs in African studies for American students and teachers. Since its founding in 1968 as a private, non-profit educational organization, the American Forum has taken over

500 Americans to Africa for summer study and field work.

The executive director of the American Forum, Dr. Melvin Drimmer, Chairman of the History Department at Spelman College in Atlanta, spent a week in West Africa in mid-February completing arrangements for the Forum's 1971 programs.

Information about the Forum's 1971 programs may be obtained by writing Dr. Melvin Drimmer at 86 Forsyth Street, N.W., Atlanta, Georgia, 30303.

Adult Tutorial Program In Dire Need Of Tutors

A tutorial program for adults is in dire need of tutors for remedial reading and basic mathematics. Students from A&T and other schools in the area are being solicited as tutors for the classes.

The major objective of this community program, under the auspices of the Greensboro Technical Institute, is to train its adult students in basic reading in order for them to enroll in courses at GTI and also to acquire better jobs.

Mrs. Karen Gruendler, co-ordinator of the project and spouse of a mathematics

professor at A&T, says the program is in desperate need of tutors, especially college students. Students in any area of concentration or major can be used as tutors.

At the present there are approximately ten adults in the program. The small number of potential students, according to Mrs. Gruendler is due to a lack of tutors. She also explains that tutors are presently teaching three or more students whereas individual attention is needed.

Classes are being held at the Old Central School at the corner of Spring and Washington streets from 6 to 9 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Students, groups, fraternities or sororities interested in tutoring should contact Dr. Joseph Gruendler in room M109 Merrick Hall or call campus extension 286 or 294-3546. Transportation arrangements will be made for volunteers who may need it.

Two Aggie Coeds Receive Kappa Delta Pi Awards

By Drusilla Dunn

Sylvia Johnson, a junior English major from St.

Petersburg, Florida, and Diane Bell, a senior mathematics major from Concord, were recipients of a scholarship from Kappa Delta Pi, an honorary Society in education.

The scholarship, which amounted to \$250, was the first of such to be awarded by Kappa Delta Pi. The funds were matched from the A&T Foundation and distributed through the financial aid office.

Sylvia and Diane both possess evidence of scholarship in that Sylvia has a 3.60 grade-point average and Diane has a 3.80 grade-point average. But this alone was not the criterion for the receipt of the scholarship. Aside from having a grade-point average of 3.0 or above, one must be of sophomore classification, or above, a member of professional and service organizations, an active participant in university activities, a pledgee to or member of the society, and show evidence of need. Having made an application indicating the above criteria, one must successfully pass an interview.

Funds for the scholarship were received from personal contributions from student and faculty members of Kappa Delta Pi. Individual contributions ranged from \$1.00 to \$35.

The society hopes to continue the scholarship for another year.

Physics Dept. Giving Series Of Lectures

The Physics Department here will present the "Messenger Lectures", by Richard Feynman, nobel laureate, on Monday afternoons from 4 to 5 p.m. in room 203 Cherry Hall.

The series consists of seven one-hour lectures done by Dr. Feynman. The lectures cover the general topic of "The Nature of a Physical Law" and were originally produced for general audiences at Cornell University.

Films will be presented each Monday thru April 5. The films to be presented are "An Example of a Physical Law", "The Relation of Mathematics to Physics", "The Great Conservation Principle", "Symmetry in Physical Law", "Distinction of Past and Future", "Probability and Uncertainty", and "Seeking New Laws", respectively.

This Week In History

February 28

Phyllis Wheatley, famed Black poetess, visited General George Washington on her birthday. 1776

March 1

Peter Ogden granted charter from England to organize Negro Odd Fellows. 1893

House of Representatives introduced bill to ammend 1850 Fugitive Slave Law. 1861

March 2

Howard University, Washington, D.C., chartered by act of cngress. 1867

Wilt Chamberlain, basketball star, scored 100 points against the New York Knickerbockers. 1962

March 3

Jefferson F. Long, Congressman from Georgia. Born (1836-1900)

Freedom's Bureau established to assist former slaves. 1865

March 4

Myrtilla Miner. Founder of Miner Teacher's College. Born (1815-1866)

March 5

Black seaman Crispus Attucks was first to shed blood for American independence in Boston Massacre. 1770

March 6

Dred Scott decision by Supreme Court denied Blacks the right to citizenship. 1857

Southern Christian Leadership Conference organized in New Orleans with Martin Luther King, Jr., as president. 1957

Distinguished Looking Headwraps Popular With Style Minded Coeds

By Jacqueline Corpening Fashion Editor

It has been said that what you wear on your head is an indication of how much you know. Everyone knows that this is not true, but the African headwrap is very popular with the young ladies on campus. Why the headwrap is popular among young ladies can only be answered by them.

Yvonne Hawkins, a sophomore from Washington, D.C. likes the headwrap because "They're real slick and I would wear one if I knew how to wrap it."

Bertha Davis, a sophomore from Aikens, S.C., likes the headwrap because "They accent your outfit that you're wearing and it makes the individual look distinguished."

Debbie Adams, a freshman from Kings Mt., N.C., likes the headwrap because "I just like them and sometimes they do

something for some people.

Shelia Phifer, a freshman from Mooresville, N.C., does not prefer them for herself, but she likes them on other people.

Micheline Huntley, a freshman from Manhattan, N.Y., likes it because "It helps to

identify the Black woman".

Shelia Fort, a sophomore from Raleigh, N.C., likes the headwrap because "it's very becoming and it's popular on A&T's campus and other campuses.

The stylish headwrap is evidently popular with the young ladies on this campus. How long it will last will be determined only by the ladies who wear them, and it is evident enough that it will be around for a long time.



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Aggies Upset Guilford For NAIA Berth - 3rd In CIAA

Aggie Cagers Edge Vikings To Come In Third In CIAA

By Jacqueline Glisson

wanted the sweet taste of victory.

The CIAA Consolation Game was a repeat of history Saturday night as A&T and Elizabeth City met on the court again as they did last year, except this time A&T walked away as Consolation Winner with a 81-78 win. It was a game of who had the stronger strength and offense as A&T's All-CIAA Elmer Austin and William Harris led their team against Elizabeth City's CIAA Player of the Year, Michael Gale, and the Vikings. The last few minutes of the game brought forth hot competition between the two teams, as both

A&T's starting lineup included Blackmon who replaced injured Al Carter. The scoring was continuously close throughout the first half as the score tied 26 all. Then the Vikings made headway and led the scoreboard up to halftime with 46-42.

As the second half went into action, the Aggies went to work on Elizabeth City by Austin putting in two baskets which were later followed up by Glover with a tap-in that knotted the score at 50 all. The Vikings went

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SPORTS

A&T Surprises Quakers In Brilliant Comeback

Aggies surprised the Quakers of Guilford College, as well as many others who had doubted the strength of the Irvin Cagers, by upsetting Guilford's team 71-63 last night in NAIA play-offs in Winston-Salem's Memorial Coliseum.

Held scoreless by the Quakers for more than five minutes as the game started, the Aggies fell behind by a score of 19-4 with 11 minutes showing on the clock in the half. The Quakers climbed to a 16-point lead shortly afterwards as the scoreboard showed 21-5.

It was at this point that the big upset began. Led by freshman player Henry Price and Elmer Austin, the Aggies began to cut down on the Quaker lead. With Guilford leading 27-26 just before the half, the Aggies made good a five-point play and ended the half leading 31-29.

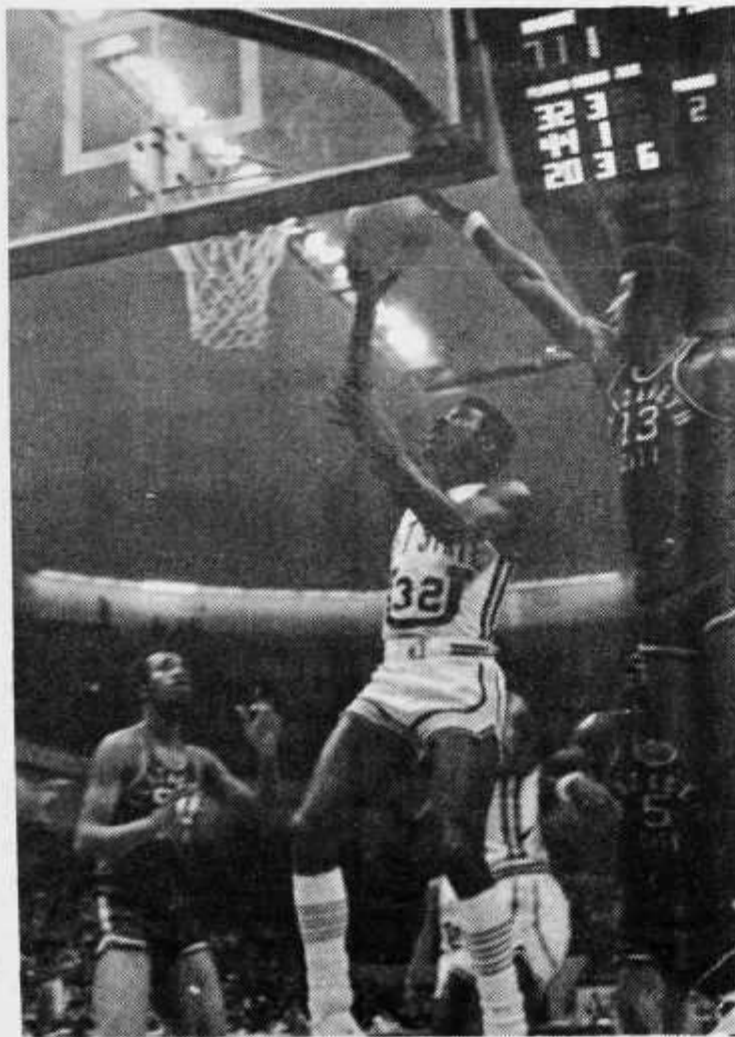
The second half was dominated by the Aggies while Guilford made an unsuccessful

effort to stage a comeback. The win last night assures A&T of a berth in National NAIA Finals in Kansas City next week.

While both teams were considered strong, each team having been sharp in opening victories, some sports writers had given the edge to the Quakers. Guilford was considered to have a tremendous inside advantage with David Smith, M.L. Carr, and Tom Ennis. A&T, on the other hand, had William Harris and Elmer Austin.

The night before in the opening round, A&T had knocked off Elon 66-55, and Guilford had defeated Gardner-Webb, 98-90.

Last year in a similar playoff match between Guilford and A&T, Guilford won 80-72 and went on to fourth place finish in Kansas City. The Aggies, with proper ball handling, should advance as far as Guilford and further in NAIA finals.



Harris Has Shot Blocked By Gale

Spartans Rally Over Shaw 74-68 To Become Champions Of CIAA

By Jacqueline Glisson

Saturday night at 9 o'clock in the coliseum, occurred the game of anticipation as a record-breaking crowd of 13,881 witnessed undefeated Norfolk gain victory over the Shaw Bears for the championship.

The Norfolk Spartans not only maintained their undefeated record, but received the 1971 CIAA Championship Trophy also. The Spartans' victory gave

the Bears the CIAA Runner-up Trophy and the first time in CIAA history that Shaw made it past the first round of the tourney. As the game ended with the victorious score of 74-68 win, the Norfolk fans shouted, "We are number one, and you are number two!"

The first half was a hare-playing competitive game of basketball in which both teams knew what they were after - The CIAA Championship. The last 90 seconds of the game

played an important part in the winner's behalf because the loser would be the one with the most errors. Shaw was the unfortunate team as they sent Norfolk to the free line twice and allowed them an extra basket in those precious seconds.

Norfolk captured the lead shortly after the game started; but then the Bears pulled up to a strong first half performance. The game was nip and tuck, until Shaw's Utley made a breath-taking shot just before the buzzer to edge by Norfolk 34-33.

Norfolk's Peele got the second half moving as he made a 2 pointer and both teams began rolling again. Suddenly Shaw exploded as Haskins went up twice for 4 quick, superb points, followed by a back-over-head tap-in by teammate Moore who cleared the scoreboard at 44-40 for Shaw. They moved on to lead the Spartans again at 50-47. The Bears competition had gained stamina which caused the Spartans to tighten their defense and press Utley and Moore of Shaw. It was quite effective, for it held Shaw's high scoring Utley to only 11 points.

Meanwhile, Shaw was not able to hold such an effective defense on Norfolk's Morrell James with 23 points.

In the last two minutes it all happened. Shaw's fouls and errors took them under as Norfolk came out on top with the championship victory.

The Spartans' high scorer, James, was followed up by Leroy Jones and Ronid Wilson with 15.

CIAA Scoreboard

First Round Of The Tourney

Day	
88 Shaw	Elizabeth City 94
84 Howard	Virginia State 73
Night	
117 A&T	Norfolk 83
105 Maryland (E.S.)	N.C. Central 82

Semi-Finals

86 Shaw	Norfolk 100
84 Elizabeth City	A&T 86

Consolation Game

A&T 81
Elizabeth City 78

Championship Game

Norfolk 74
Shaw 68

Turnovers And Errors Cause Of Aggie Defeat By Norfolk

By Jacqueline Glisson

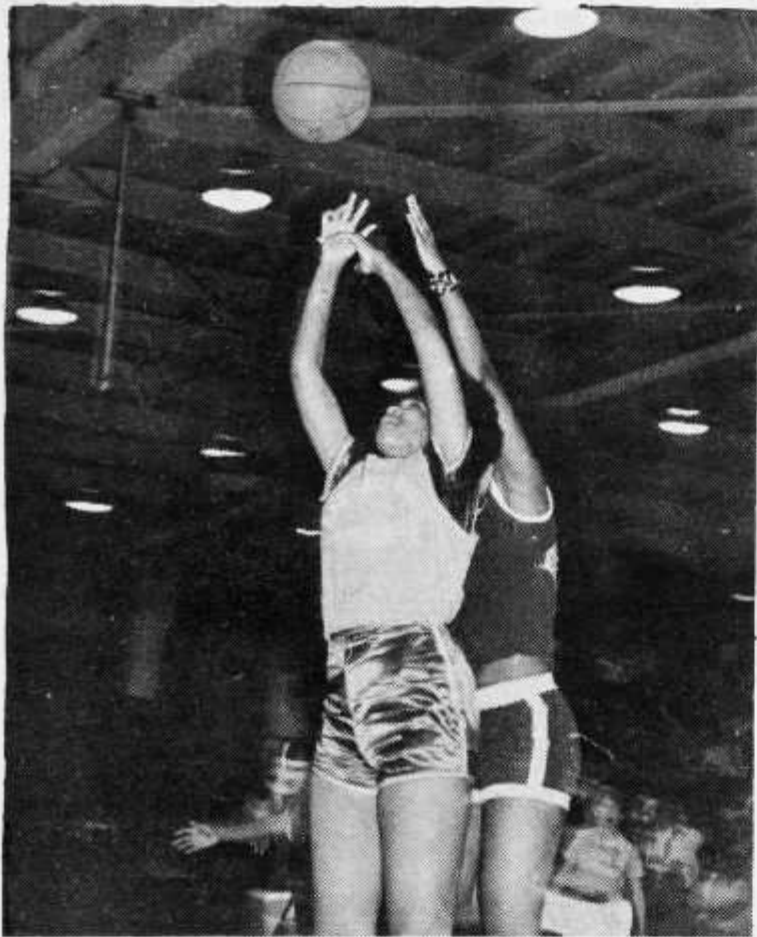
A&T experienced the bitter taste of defeat in CIAA competition from the Norfolk Spartans in a 100-86 thriller before a bewildered crowd of 11,407. The crowd was bewildered because A&T did not play its usual game of fastbreaks, accurate shooting, and good defense. The overall Aggie spirit was shattered as they suffered many turnovers and errors in the coliseum, Friday night.

For Norfolk, it was not bewilderment, but relief to use the Aggies' errors to build on their winning game. There were a few opportunities in the second half for A&T to come through, but their spark never kindled into that well-known burning

Aggie action.

At 1:13 remaining, the vocal crowd went into silence after A&T's sophomore guard, Al Carter, went crashing to the floor in an effort to block a Spartan's shot. He was unconscious and was rushed to L. Richardson Memorial Hospital. He contributed 9 points for the Aggies and was the leading high scorer the previous night.

Within 2 minutes after the game started, the Spartans got hot and dumped in 4 baskets. Parks put A&T on the board when he made a 3 pointer. A&T began making headway when Harris sank one in to give the Aggies their first lead of 16-15. As both teams were really working out, the rebounding of (See STIFF DEFENSIVE, Page 8)



(Staff Photo By Larry Lewis)

Aggiettee Shoots Points For Team

Aggies Enjoy Revenge For Last Year's EC Loss

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sizzling down the court to gain 10 points to again lead the board at 60-54. Matching with Gale's score gaining shots, A&T caught up with the Vikings to tie at 65-65 with 9 minutes remaining. The game then followed a nip and tuck momentum until Anderson's 2 pointer gave A&T a 77-76 lead and Harris added 2 points at the foul line. The Aggie fans were

excited as Elizabeth City called time out with 1 second remaining as the scoreboard read 81-78 in A&T's favor. A&T's revenge on Elizabeth City from last year's defeat gave them the ownership of the CIAA Third Place Trophy. Elizabeth City's Michael Gale and A&T's Elmer Austin both came out even with 26 points each. Adding to the Aggies' victory were Thomas Blackmon and William Harris with 16 points each.

Roller Skating Becoming Popular Student Activity

By Mae Best

Recently, Moore Gymnasium has been the scene of much interest and activity. Roller skating is this activity that has captured and held the interest of the students.

Many students flock to the gym to participate in this growing sport. They pay only a small rental fee of thirty-five cents to enjoy themselves for at least two hours.

There are only one hundred pairs of skates available to the students at the present; however, the program is geared toward two-hundred pairs of skates so that more people will have a chance to skate.

This program is expected to be year round, including summers. This will enable summer school students to enjoy themselves even more. Repair stations are in the process of being established to repair the skates. Skating contests are also in the program for the future.

J. J. Harris, one of the monitors, explained that roller skating originated with the students' interest. The idea was

to have something constructive that the students would be interested in doing. So far, roller skating is working very well.

"We do have a few problems concerning attitudes," explained Harris when asked about the problems in roller skating. "Many students aren't courteous enough. The majority of the guys and a few girls are too wild. I feel that, if students would think more of safety instead of acting like 'heathens in a gold rush', skating would be more enjoyable. If the students keep on abusing the privileges, as far as wild skaters are concerned, we're going to have to be stricter and throw them off the floor."

So far, there have been only two accidents. Of these two, only one was considered serious. According to Harris, the accident was through the young lady's own negligence.

In the opinion of many students, roller skating is one of the best activities A&T has offered its students. It gives the students a chance to express themselves and to rid themselves of all their anxieties and animosities.

Aggiettes Lose To Bennett Belles In Explosive Extramural Thriller

By Jacqueline Glisson

The first extramural women's game on A&T's campus this year was played in Moore Gym Monday night before a large turnout as the Bennett Belles trimmed the A&T Aggiettes in a 43-39 action-packed thriller. It was quite a game as the Aggiettes' sharpshooter, Gary Blackwell, collected 24 points, while Bennett's Denise Johnson was the main source of Bennett College's attack in collecting 17 points.

Bennett gained a 2-0 lead from Johnson's basket that was scored after three minutes of playing time. The dazzling shot by A&T's Blackwell got the team off and running hard to soon

capture the scoreboard with a 6-5 lead from a tap-in by Yvonne Miller. Bennett's Johnson went down court on a fastbreak drive to narrow A&T's lead to 8-7. In the last few seconds of the first quarter, Blackwell made a free throw thrusting the Aggiettes to a 9-8 advantage.

Opening up the second quarter, A&T's Arimenta McKie made a fast move up the court to put in a quick 2 pointer. Like an explosion, both teams were sizzling when Bennett College's Ruth Plant made a successful side shot, followed by Blackwell who went up agilely for an Aggiettee basket. Before the Belles could enjoy a 3 pointer by Johnson, Blackwell raced down court for 2 more points for A&T. It was a running and shooting battle of competition between Blackwell and Johnson as they rapidly collected points for their respective teams, resulting in a 24-19 Aggiettee lead at halftime. Plant's 2-point opener led the

way to a brief nip-and-tuck style as the scores tied at 25 and then 28 all. The momentum of the Aggiettee's action changed as Mae Burn's basket gave Bennett the advantage to maintain the lead throughout the rest of the game. The end of the third quarter, found the Aggiettes trailing 33-29 with a 4 point deficit.

Blackwell's return to the court in the fourth quarter boosted the Aggiettes offensive strength. In less than a 2-minute span, Blackwell nimbly made several baskets to hold down the scoring of Bennett Belles. In a final effort, Bonnie Crawford, Joan Goode, and Gary Blackwell 5 points together gave the Aggiettes its final score of 39 points. Led by the performance of Denise Johnson and Connie Law, the Bennett Belles edged by A&T with a 43-39 victory.

The A&T Aggiettes will travel to Guilford College on March 9 to play the women's team in another exciting, competitive display of basketball action.

Angel Flight Receives Area Merit Award

Lt. Col. Robert O. Thornton, Professor of Aerospace Studies at the local detachment, has announced that the Angel Flight of AFROTC Detachment 605, is the recipient of the Area B-2 Angel Flight Academic Excellence Award for 1970-1971.

The announcement of the award was made during the Annual Area B-2 Conclave held at Virginia Polytechnic Institute, Blacksburg, Virginia, on February 19-21.

The presentation of the award took place during the banquet and awards ceremony and accepting the coveted plaque for AFROTC Detachment 605 was the Angel Flight Commander, Patricia Harrison. The detachment's Angel Flight members received the award by compiling a grade point average of 3.1 on a 4 point scale. This marked the second time since 1968 that the detachment's Angel Flight has won the Academic Award in competition with six other universities in the North Carolina and Virginia area.

Cold, Stiff Defensive Play Contributes To Aggie Defeat

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Glover gave A&T the ball enough to clinch a 31-35 lead.

The Spartans began tightening up allowing the Aggies only a 4-point advantage at halftime of 47-43. A&T's Bobby Parks collected 13 points, while Norfolk was led by Morrell James with 11 points.

As second half started, Aggie fans realized the momentum of the team slumped as Norfolk made 2 fast baskets to tie at 47 all. Then the game was nip and tuck for 4 minutes, until the turning point came.

Norfolk captured a 55-53 lead on A&T and maintained the lead throughout the rest of the game. The two technicals called on Norfolk's coach, Robert Smith, allowed "June" Harris to collect 3 successful freethrows.

Still A&T's defense and inside court play was cold and stiff as the Spartans capitalized on the Aggies' mistakes successfully. Austin got hot and made several shots worth 20 points in this half to crack down on the Spartan's lead. When Norfolk's James made the basket giving them a 15 point advantage, the Aggies' hope for victory slowly faded away. At 32 seconds remaining, the Spartans marked the century score to claim the victory and privilege to play for the championship, while the Aggies would compete in the consolation game.

Most damaging to the Aggies was Norfolk's Rudy Peele with 32 points. High for the Aggies was Elmer Austin with 24 points along with "June" Harris and Bobby Parks with 15 and 14 points, respectively.

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