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SGA Prexy Plans Progressive Year For University Students

By Janet Jones

An active and progressive year were the words used to describe the type of year expected by the A&T student government leaders.

In a Thursday night interview, Ronald Ivey, president said "Our main purpose is to leave a working body for next year." This body would consist of freshmen, sophomore and juniors who are concerned and willing to carry on the work of the SGA."

The SGA's program of work includes participation in saving Black schools, reorganization of Black Institutions and improvements in electoral policies. "Other projects are

planned, but cannot be mentioned at this time," stated Ivey.

Ivey expressed his concern for reuniting the student body. He emphasized that more organization on the part of the student body and the administration is needed.

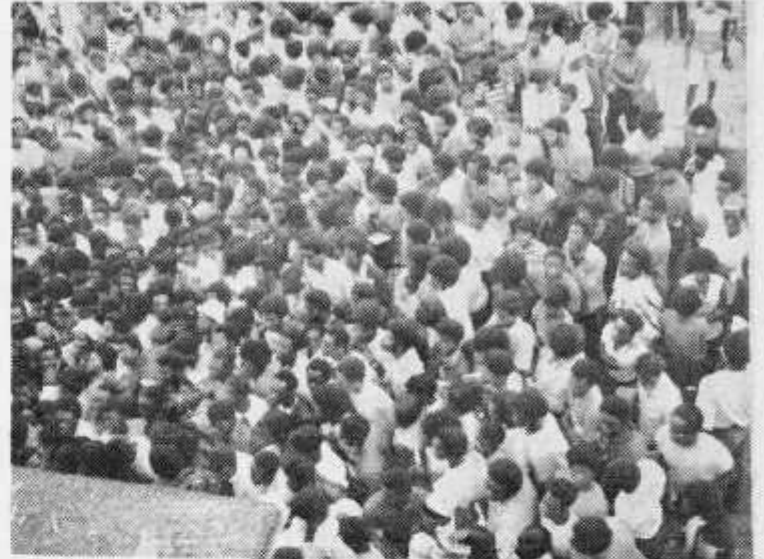
Commenting specifically on the student body, Ivey stated, "I want us as a student body to reunite and begin to understand the basic elements which must become a functional part of us in order to make this year a prosperous one. Those essential elements are cooperation, participation, understanding, and hard work."

Ivey further stated that we must practice these principles if

we are to make this university function so as to meet the needs of Black students and the Black communities.

Expressing his concern about the freshman election, Ivey stated that capable people are needed if freshmen are to be well represented. Freshman elections are to be held September 16. Officers to be elected are president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer, and Miss Freshman. Elections will be held during the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Ivey welcomes all new students to the Aggie family and encourages the help and cooperation of all students in building up the SGA.



(Photo by Larry Lewis)

Registration last year was like this. This year's was a little different. See story on page 5.

Nelson Johnson Speaks To Freshman Students

Noted National SOBU chairman and A&T alumnus Nelson Johnson delivered an igniting message to the freshmen Thursday night in Harrison Auditorium.

The meeting was originally called by the Student Government Association to introduce student leaders to new students.

"What's happening to Black people today?" was the theme of Johnson's speech. He further expressed his concern for students and their purpose.

"We must decide whom we are working for. One of our main problems as Black people is that

we do not understand how to analyze the struggle of our people," stated Johnson.

Citing incidences of our struggle, Johnson criticized the main purpose of Black people during the 50's. "Our struggle then was to become equal with the white man and to achieve equality in a society."

Johnson then asked, "Equal to what? and why? Black people suddenly became more aware of what was going on. A new mood known as Black Power came into being. We began to change our goals."

"I propose the question to you. Whom are you preparing to work for?" asked Johnson. "We have made progress in the sophistication what white people have imposed upon us."

"I don't know which is worst to be controlled by the KKK or the police or a white woman," Johnson further stated, "Which is the least evil to a Black man? At least with the KKK and the police, a Black man is dead, dead."

But with a white woman, he is living dead, Johnson thinks.

Johnson then shifted his speech to the principles involved in the Black struggle. "The basis for the struggle of Black people has been the love for our people. We must unify if we are to overcome the white power structure. We must have cooperation and self alliance among our people."

In closing, Johnson stated that we must develop a new political structure. He then challenged the freshman class to become a part of the struggle.

Construction Worker Charges Company With Numerus Contract Discrepancies

Editor's Note: The following is the complete text of an article which appeared yesterday in the Greensboro Record.

A \$500,000 state-financed project to put electric cables underground on the A&T State University campus has become short-circuited in a cloud of controversy. A 23-year-old Black construction worker, Jerome Triplin of Greensboro, has contacted state officials and A&T administrators claiming he was fired last month by the project contractor after pointing out numerous "discrepancies" in the half-completed project.

Triplin contends the discrepancies could cause a life-endangering explosion once the high voltage electric cables becomes operative. He is threatening to let go with a barrage of assistance-seeking letters to distinguished A&T alumni, including famed civil rights leader the Rev. Jesse Jackson, if steps are not taken to insure the projects completion strictly in accordance with design specifications

Project contractor, Bryant Electric Co. of High Point, tacitly admits some discrepancies have been uncovered. But it contends no construction project is without faults and that repairs and adjustments have and are being made, and that the A&T project will be completed to meet specifications. The

contractor denies there is danger of an explosion.

Furthermore, Bryant denies Triplin was fired, claiming instead he quit rather than accept a transfer to an out-of-town job site.

Bryant's position is basically backed by the state electrical inspector, by the state's project control officer and by LBC&W Associates of Greensboro (formerly Watson Engineers), the project's designer and state-appointed inspection agent.

The A&T administration has not taken sides in the controversy, saying only that the project is being watched closely.

Triplin, who worked on the A&T project about three months, contends one of the most serious discrepancies is the absence, in some places of steel reinforcing rods in the concrete, which is encased around the plastic ducts in which electrical cables are to be installed. The rods are designed to strengthen the concrete against possible breakage.

Triplin also claims the contractor detoured from specifications by not putting in steel "elbows" to reinforce the ducts in places where there are curves and angles.

More importantly, he alleges no industrial glue or cement was

used to permanently join the separated plastic ducts. Because of this he said moisture could slip into the ducts through the unjoined sections, causing an explosion in the high voltage wires.

Contacted about Triplin's allegations, Bryant vice president W.E. Davis issued a prepared statement, part of which reads as follows:

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(Photo by Larry Lewis)

Coeds listen attentively to speeches in Harrison Auditorium last night.

Worker Charges Violations Made In Wiring

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"Our company has been in business since 1924 with the major portion of our work being in the southeastern United States...We have been doing the type of work that is being installed at A&T State University in about all of these states and have never had any serious problems. We were instrumental in doing one of the largest projects that our country has undertaken at Oak Ridge, Tenn. (work on atom bomb in 1945).

"Our reputation has been at stake on all of these projects and because of our reputation we have grown through the years. When a contract is entered into between two parties, it necessarily has to outline the work to be done and the way it is to be installed. It is always our intention to install the work in

accordance with the contract which includes the plans and specifications that are prepared by a competent engineer.

"Since our work has to be done with a varied number of employees, it is always possible for one of these, through ignorance or negligence to make an error, and of course this is what the inspection given by our own personnel, the engineers and the inspection authorities is for - to see that these things are not left, but corrected before the project is complete.

"In the case of the project at A&T State University, there is no way this job can be unsafe to the citizens of our state or to the personnel at the A&T State University," Davis said. In his statement Davis made no specific reference to any of Triplin's allegations.

Triplin said after discovering the specification discrepancies he notified his superiors, but no corrective action was taken. He said he then contacted A&T President Dr. Lewis Dowdy and the school's dean of administration Dr. J.M. Martena and business manager John Zigler. He said they promised to look into the matter.

Next, he said he went to officials at LBC&W Associates, the projects designer and inspection engineer, and pinpointed on blueprints the locations of the alleged discrepancies.

Dr. John Watson, president of LBC&W of North Carolina, told the **Record** that acting on Triplin's complaints parts of the project were unearthed and "some minor discrepancies" were found.

"We are not too disturbed that there have been some minor omissions," said Dr. Watson. "The engineer inspects the work from contract requirements. But when deviations are discovered it is the contractor's obligation to tear out unsatisfactory work and replace it in strict accordance with specification requirements.

"At A&T some minor discrepancies have been uncovered and these are being repaired at the contractor's expense. When the job is completed it will constitute a hazard to no one."

Dr. Watson said the unearthing revealed the omission of steel reinforcing rods in

places, as Triplin had alleged. He said "steel elbows" also were missing in places, but that the angles and curves from which they were missing were solidly encased in concrete, and thus protected.

"This is an acceptable alternative," Dr. Watson said.

As for the lack of industrial glue in the ducts, he said there is no way this can be determined until tests are made just before the electric cables are installed.

Dr. Watson said Bryant Electric Co. is one of the country's most reputable companies and that the discrepancies found on the A&T project are no more out of the ordinary than those found on any other project by any other contractor.

"Any contractor or engineer will tell you there is no such animal as a perfect construction job," said Dr. Watson.

Bill Johnson, LBC&W engineer in charge of the A&T project, had this to say about Triplin's allegations:

"It is true that some deviations from the drawings and specifications have been found in the installation. Where the seriousness of these deviations warrant, the defective areas are being removed and replaced at the contractor's expense. Where other deviations occur and in the professional opinion of the engineer these deviations do not impair the safety, operation, or function of the system, these deviations will be handled in

accordance with the requirements of the installation contract for such work.

"The entire installation will be completed in accordance with the plans and specifications and the contract documents for the project."

Johnson said charges that the project is unsafe are "completely erroneous and false."

"The system is completely shielded and enclosed with all locations where high voltage components are accessible under lock and key," he said. "Only through very strenuous efforts on the part of an individual could live and dangerous components become accessible."

State Electrical Inspector Richard Boyd and State Projects Control officer Sidney Beam both told the **Record** they inspected the project after being contacted by Triplin. Both said they noticed some minor discrepancies, but are satisfied these have and are being corrected by the contractor.

"We are satisfied the project will be completed correctly and that the state will get its money's worth," said Boyd.

Triplin, however, is not satisfied that the necessary corrections have been made.

"Sure they may have made some corrections, but there's still a lot that hasn't been corrected. You can't see it now because all of it has been covered by the dirt. A few corrections have been made and they are going to let the rest slide by," said Triplin who now drives a taxi.

A&T And UNC-G Launch New Coop Arrangement

A&T and the University of North Carolina at Greensboro have launched a cooperative program which makes possible the exchange of faculty members and provides for free access to courses on either campus by students from the two institutions.

Joint announcement of the agreement, which will be effective this fall, was made last Wednesday by A&T President Lewis C. Dowdy and UNC-G Chancellor James S. Ferguson.

"We welcome this timely opportunity to share the facilities and the professional talent with UNC-G," stated Dr. Dowdy. "This cooperative arrangement should have a concomitant effect in that it will raise the quality of education at both institutions. It will be similar to the kind of arrangement we have had for several years with Bennett College."

Under the program, degree-seeking students officially registered by either university may enroll in courses on the other campus without additional charge, when such offerings are not available at their home institution. Credits earned in such a manner will be transferred to the students' parent university. No fee will be charged for open access to courses at the host institution, except in cases where special course costs, such as laboratory fees, are involved.

The terms of the agreement also state that students must meet the regular requirements for the course set by the host university. Further, when enrollment in any course exceeds the space available, students of the host institution will have priority in admission, according to the arrangement.

Also provided in the agreement is free access to the library and other facilities normally utilized in the course in which the student is registered.

The cooperative program also establishes procedures by which the two institutions may arrange for exchange of faculty, when student needs make it desirable to do so.

According to the agreement, a member of the faculty at either institution can accept a teaching assignment on the other campus in his or her area of specialization. The teaching responsibility on the other campus would be part of the professor's normal teaching load, and his or her salary would be paid by the parent institution.

The procedure for implementing the faculty exchange is as follows:

The senior academic officer (dean or division director) who needs the service of a faculty member will submit a formal request to his counterpart on the other campus. The senior academic officer on that campus will contact the chairman of the department to which the faculty member is assigned to ascertain his or her availability.

If the faculty member is available, the senior academic officer will arrange for him or her to include the off-campus assignment as part of the normal teaching load.

The faculty exchange program represents an expansion of an initial beginning last year. At that time, Dr. Frank White, chairman of the A&T Department of History, taught a course in Afro-American history at UNC-G, and Dr. Richard Bardolph, Jefferson Standard professor and head of the UNC-G Department of History taught an American history course at A&T.

Alumnus Participates In Confab Of African-American Churchmen

The Reverend Mr. Gilbert H. Caldwell, Jr. of New York City is participating in a conference of African and American churchmen in Tanzania, East Africa.

An A&T alumnus and a native of Greensboro, Rev. Caldwell was recently elected to the General and Jurisdictional Conferences of the United Methodist Church by the Southern New England Conference.

Mr. Caldwell was the first ministerial delegate elected, and thus he has the responsibility of leading the conference delegation to both Conferences. He becomes the first Black Clergyman elected to head a New England delegation, and at the age of 37 is one of the youngest Clergymen in Methodism to head a conference delegation to the General Conference.

Rev. Caldwell is the Executive Director of the Ministerial Interfaith Association of Harlem, New York City, national chairman of Black Methodists for church renewal, and treasurer of the National Committee of Black churchmen. He was formerly

District Superintendent of the Boston District of the New England Conference.

Mr. Caldwell is the son of the late Reverend Mr. G.H. Caldwell, Sr., who served 53 years in Methodism as a minister and an educator, and Mrs. J. B. Caldwell, a secretary here.

He graduated from A&T in 1955 and completed his theological work at Boston University School of Theology, with additional study at Harvard Divinity School. At A&T, Mr. Caldwell served as managing

editor of **The Register**, as president of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity and of the Fellowship Council, as Sunday School

teacher, and as a member of Kappa Phi Kappa Forensic Society, YMCA, and on several other committees. In addition, he was elected to **Who's Who**.

He is married to the former Grace E. Dungee of Greensboro, and they are the parents of two sons - Dale Gilbert, 11 years of age, and Paul Douglass, eight years of age.

**Be Active In Student Life
Join A Campus Organization**

West African Tour Acclaimed As Tremendous Success By Director

By Patrice Dunn

The West African Tour sponsored this summer by the University has been acclaimed a "tremendous success as a initiatory venture" by Dr. Frank H. White, acting chairman of the History Department and director of the excursion.

The tour began when the local party led by Dr. White left for a rendezvous with 11 other

participants in New York on July 9.

In addition to Dr. White the local group included Mrs. Valena Harris, F.D. Bluford library; Miss Jean Marie Bright, Department of English; Miss Gail Thomas, vice president SGA, 1970-71; Mrs. Betty Sherrod, nursery school; Leroy Holmes, chairman of Art Department; Benny Mayfield, assistant to the dean of student affairs; and Father

Nathaniel Porter of Durham. White has described the group as feeling privileged that they could at long last "behold the land of our celestial home." He noted that when the plane landed everyone appeared overjoyed to get the feel of African soil under his foot.

The safari lasting from Joully 11 to 25 included visits to the five West African countries of (See TOUR, Page 5)

New Administrative Appointments Announced By President Dowdy

Dr. Lewis C. Dowdy, president of A&T State University Sunday announced 12 administrative changes to become effective at the University Sept. 1.

Dr. Theodore Mahaffey, formerly chairman of the Division of Business, has been appointed Dowdy's administrative assistant. Atty. Marquis D. Street, a recent graduate of the University of Iowa's Law School, was named special assistant to the president.

Named dean of the new

School of Business was Dr. Herbert N. Watkins, who holds the doctoral degree from the University of Wisconsin.

In another administrative change, Dr. Rudolph D. Artis has been appointed director of registration and records. Artis holds the Ed. D. degree from Cornell University.

Other new appointments are Dr. Barbara Gravelly, university physician; Sullivan A. Welborne Jr., acting director of the Memorial Student Union and director of student activities; Dr.

Amarjit Singh, acting chairman of the Department of Political Science; Dr. Albert Smart, chairman of the Department of Business Administration; Paul E. Parker, assistant to the dean of

the School of Engineering; Dr. Sureah Chandra, chairman of the Department of Mechanical Engineering; Dr. Willie Ellis, associate dean of academic affairs; Mrs. Lucille Piggot, associate dean of student affairs; and Lt. Col. William Goode, associate dean of student affairs.

Joe Williams Named Associate Director of Alumni Affairs

Joseph D. Williams, Sr., who served last year as athletic director at Atkins High School in Winston-Salem, has been named associatedirector of planning and development for alumni affairs.

Williams, 46, will assume his new duties at the University on Sept. 1. He replaces the late Ellis F. Corbett.

Williams' appointment was announced by Dr. Lewis C. Dowdy, president of A&T. "We welcome the addition of Joe Williams to this important position," said Dowdy. His success in the many other ventures he has undertaken indicates that he will apply leadership and dedication to our vital alumni program. This has

been one of our most encouraging channels of support in recent years." In his new role, Williams will assist Marshall H. Colston, newly appointed director of planning and development.

Williams, a native of Winston-Salem, was a star football tackle here in the late 1940s, earning All-CIAA honors three seasons and Black All-America honors one year.

During World War II, he served for three years as a platoon sergeant in the U. S. Marines.

Prior to going to Atkins, Williams had directed the athletic program and coached basketball for 10 years and football for five years at Carver High School also in Winston-Salem.

He also served as head football and basketball coach at Southside High in Danville, Va., for one year, and was an assistant football coach at Kentucky State University for two seasons.

At 6-3 and 240 pounds, Williams still resembles the active athlete. He is married to the former Fannie Murrell of Winston-Salem. The Williamses have a son, Joe Jr., who will enter college this fall.

Williams holds the master's degree in education from the University of Michigan. He has served as president of the A&T Alumni chapter in Winston-Salem, and he is a member of the Masons, Shriners, and Omega Psi Phi Fraternity.

Expanding Evening School Offers Many New Courses

New courses in city planning and urban design, digital computer programming and agricultural economics will be featured in the expanded Evening School program this fall.

"A total of more than 49 different courses will be offered in all," said Sampson Buie, director of adult education and community services. "We want to make it possible for persons to work toward a degree while maintaining gainful employment."

Buie said regular evening class students must meet the same entrance requirements as other university students. He said graduation from high school with an acceptable transcript are required.

At present, courses are scheduled in the Evening School in engineering, business and business education, education,

physical education and recreation, political science, biology, economics, English, French, mathematics, guidance and chemistry.

The new courses in city planning and urban design will be taught in the School of Engineering as a part of the federally-funded Transportation Institute. The courses will be offered on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6 to 7:30 p.m. in Cherry Hall.

Two courses to be offered in blacks studies include "The Politics of Developing Nations" on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 6 p.m. and "Black Writers in American Literature." Both courses will be offered on Tuesday and Thursday at 6 p.m.

Registration for the Evening School began on August 26 in Moore Gym.

This Week In History

August 22

Benjamin Lundy, Colonization and abolitionist. Died (1793 - 1839)

August 23

African Methodist Episcopal Church incorporated. 1796

August 24

More than 775 Negroes served under General Washington. 1728

August 25

The Gazette, Negro newspaper in Cleveland, Ohio, first published. 1883

August 26

William L. Dawson, Congressman and first Negro to be Vice President of the Democratic National Committee. 1943

August 27

W. E. B. DuBois died in Accra, Ghana. 1963

August 28

March on Washington for jobs and freedom led by Martin Luther King, Jr. 1963

CS Center Redoing Last Semester Grades

"Grades have been redone" was the message relayed by George Beatty, Director of the Computer Science Center. He explained that the production of incorrect class rosters by a member of his staff, that is no longer working for him, was the beginning of a chain-reaction of errors.

Beatty continued by stating that the error caused instructors to incorrectly fill out the rosters and they were received in this incorrect form by the computer center. Unfortunately, the discovery of the error was after the time that many instructors and students had left. Beatty

indicated that his office had either the alternative of waiting until later to process grades or processing what they could with plans of redoing grades later. His department chose the latter option.

Director Beatty explained that the error occurred while he unexpectedly attended a five-week summer school session. The system's manager who had been assigned to attend the institute resigned.

Beatty's final words were that students could expect to receive grades soon since all reprocessing has been completed.

VIOLATION CHARGES

A fine and the cost of the book will be charged students who fail to return textbooks at the end of the semester. No credit will be given for books not returned by May 30 of any year. A damage fee may be charged for pages torn from books or deliberate mutilation of any textbook in your possession. Charges for any violation will be added to your account in the Cashier's Office.

The New SGA

The new academic year is here, and with it a new student government takes office. Early indications point to a "Prosperous" and "progressive year".

However, early indications always point to "prosperous" and "progressive" years. In the past, SGA's prosperity has been null; its progressiveness turned to stagnation. This has been in no way entirely the fault of past student leaders, but more the fault of an apathetic student body, and poor communication with the administration.

Our new student government leaders will be facing seemingly heartbreaking problems. Poor attendance at SGA meetings, pressure from groups both on campus and off campus to control SGS policy, opposition from faculty and administrations - all these have marred the records of past SGA administrations, and the environment in which they thrive still exists.

The solution to these problems must come from the SGA itself. The apathy of the student body must be treated as a cancer that eats away the life source of the university, its students. This cancer, apathy, must be removed swiftly by bold and radical programs which will capture the imagination of the students. Only then can the student government function as it should.

The new student government is aware of this and is preparing to combat the situation. New programs are being mapped out, but their success depends on SGA's ability to overcome the mistakes of the past.

This SGA has only one year to improve the university; then it will be up to some one else. It is our hope that this year's programs will have some long-range effect on the university.

To the new SGA - good luck. It's a long time between September and May.

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SOBU Reports On Black Schools

By Ronald Topping
 Editor - in - Chief

The Student Organization for Black Unity (SOBU) has compiled an impressive report on Black higher education in North Carolina. The report, part of SOBU's Save-the-Black-Schools program, is entitled *A Report On the Crisis of Higher Education in North Carolina*.

Written for the "average working man and youth," the report is not intended to be "highly scholastic." Its purpose, according to its authors, is to present some information on the state of public higher education in North Carolina with emphasis on Black higher education.

The authors urge Black students and youth to keep in clear perspective changes which appear to improve their situation. The authors feel that these "changes" may be part of calculated long-range strategy to control the consciousness of Black people.

"The future," they state "will be determined by our understanding of our situation as a people, our belief in our worth, and our determination to fight for our belief."

The report, compiled from newspapers, the North Carolina Institute of Government, the Board of Higher Education, The Southern Regional Education Board, and the Carnegie Commission on Higher Education, makes some bold contentions.

The report contends that an extreme lack of adequate financial support for Black institutions has brought about limitations in facilities and personnel. Also the report states that the present crisis is directly related to the history of political maneuvering which has resulted in a misguided placing of priorities, at the expense of Black education.

The report follows the development of North Carolina higher education from the early sixties until now. The report also examines the creation of the

Regional University (A&T is a regional university). budget appropriation for all state

The authors, through their analysis of the development of public higher education, attempt to support their "political maneuvering contention.

"The Present Crisis"

From the data compiled, SOBU has viewed the "present crisis" in light of the fact that 15% of all students attending public institutions in the state attend one of the predominantly Black institutions. However, these institutions receive approximately 12% of the total

supported schools. Even though the money for higher education is distributed on the basis of enrollment, this discrepancy exists.

Along with financial problems Black institutions are now faced with the question: What effect will the proposed organization of higher education have? This, the report states, will depend on the consciousness and determination of Black people.

Copies of this report can be obtained in the Student Government Office in the Student Union. There is NO charge.

To The Freshmen

It is a frustrating condition that most of you freshmen and transfer students feel presently. The books, bills, and registration have made many of you almost ready to pack your luggage and head for home. Well, "keep your cool." It might be comforting to know that this happens during every orientation-registration period.

Admittedly A&T lacks perfect organization and good polices for swift handling of large numbers of students. But wait before criticizing too much. You might be able to help.

What this university needs is workable ideas. Ideas for improvement. Unfortunately, the many preceding students have not been able to provide necessary ideas, so conditions continue. Your presence brings a flame of renewed hope.

Therefore, search among yourselves, to seek out those who can help. Upperclassmen along with administration would be appreciative of a new fast-moving, highly efficient system.

There will be many callings during your stay here. This is your first. Remember that you have chosen A&T. It is your duty to help in developing it into a strong, prestigious, well-organized power.

The time is now, the last call has been made so stop, think and prepare to help A&T.

Patrice Dunn
 Managing Editor

If you feel turned off about something, write a letter to the editor you might get turned on again.

Registration 1971 A Change For The Better

By Ruth James

Registration for the 1971-72 school year was officially listed on the university calendar for Thursday, Friday, and Saturday. As one entered Moore Gym during Thursday's registration saw that there was not the usual enormous crowd of students huddled around the door to push their way in to hurry up and sign up for classes. One could walk right inside to pick up their registration cards and sign up for their classes without a large mass of confusion and headache.

This order of registration taking place seemed a lot better compared to last year's chaotic registration which was made up of mass confusion, pushing and frustration for many students. These problems were certainly enough to make any student give up the struggle and come back another day and some did do just that—give up the whole thing!

Thursday's registration seemed to be much more smoother and quick for those who pre-registered and their schedule came through. For others, their work was cut out for them. Some students had to go to the class roster stations to sign up for a particular class. Further confusion and frustration came to many freshman students. Registration is a new thing for them and they had to go through the trying experience of registration.

But registration 71-72 can be said to be less chaotic than last year. But there can still be more improvement in registration procedure in the future.



(Photo by Larry Lewis)

Registration This Year. What a Change!



(Photo by Larry Lewis)

Coed Wait To Get Those Cards!!

West African Tour Acclaimed As Tremendous Success By Director

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Senegal, Liberia, Ivory Coast, Ghana, and Nigeria. Covering these countries gave group members an opportunity to meet a cross-section of Africans from all positions of life, plus the chance to enhance their historical and cultural insight of these areas.

Though most experiences were confined to the modern cities, some journeys were made to the interior villages. The two scenes provided a pleasant blending of the traditional and the modern. Each showed evidence of a rapidly-developing economy.

Especially impressive were the university libraries which offered many books by Black African writers. Also quite noteworthy were the museums of which the Ifan Museum with its 25,000

artifacts reveals magnificently the history and development of the Ivory Coast. The museum is located in the capital of Ivory Coast, Abidjan.

White emphasized the fact that the tour extended his knowledge and he sees it as being fundamental in helping him communicate his observations in classes on campus. He mentioned that plans for a "mini-exhibition" of West African art forms, books, slides, photographs, newspapers, and some African fashions will be given sometime during the year. The exact date at this time is not known.

Regretfully only a small number were able to participate in the excursion; however, the tour was not canceled since the members felt that any number that attended would aid in getting the tour "off the ground" and would help in its future success. White remarked that he did not know what could be done to make the homage financially more available to a large segment of the campus.

White concluded that the overall result was that "it (the tour) adds another dimension to the African-Afro-American program at the university". He anticipates a bigger and better voyage for 1972.

Urinalysis Used To Spot Drug Users Entering N.C.C.U.

Durham - Urinalysis, an effective means of detecting drug use, is a standard part of admission procedure for freshmen and transfer students at North Carolina Central University here.

A university spokesman said the urine checks were begun on a standard basis at the start of the 1970-71 school year "due to the tremendous increase in illegal drug traffic and drug abuse nationwide."

A paragraph from NCCU's orientation brochure states: "The university is instituting a policy under which each freshman and new student will be screened to determine the use of illicit drugs."

"The screening will be provided during our routine physical examinations by

competent medical personnel. The results will be entirely confidential with the exception that parents of those students identified as drug users will be notified immediately by our director of medical services."

NCCU's David Witherspoon of the news bureau said that discovery of a student using illegal drugs is "not necessarily a cause for dismissal. The only action the university generally takes is to notify the parents."

Students found to be using the illicit drugs are strongly encouraged, but not required to undergo treatment. It is university policy not to release even statistics on what the urinalysis examinations have turned up in the way of percentages of students using illegal drugs.

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Blue - Gold Game

The A&T family can get its first look at the Aggie football team at the first annual Blue-Gold Intrasquad game to be played Saturday September 4 at 7:30 p.m. at the Greensboro Memorial Stadium.

The game is being sponsored by the A&T Athletic Department, with assistance from the Aggie Boosters and the Boosterettes.

Athletic Director, Cal Irvin also announced that the high-stepping A&T Marching Band and the cheerleaders will perform during the game.

"We want this to be a real family affair," said Irvin. "This will be a full-fledged football game with all the thrills and spills of a regular conference game."

Student admissions for the game will be twenty five cents. Tickets are on sale at the Memorial Union information desk.

Campus Fashions Vary From Hot Pants, To Midis, To Maxis

By Jacqueline Corpening
Fashion Editor

It's that time of the year again when new fashion fads will spring up. Whether or not the fashions that were popular in '70-'71 survive, will be up to the buyer. The hot pants undoubtedly the hottest fashion in '71, will certainly see more action this fall.

This fashion fad which started in London and caught on like wild fire in America has many more fashion seasons to go. It was very popular with young people, but the older generation as well, enjoy showing their pretty, slender legs.

The fashions here on campus may vary considerably. From hot pants back to Midi's, to mini's back to maxi's. It's really hard to say what fashions to expect because so many people will be doing their own thing - fashion wise.

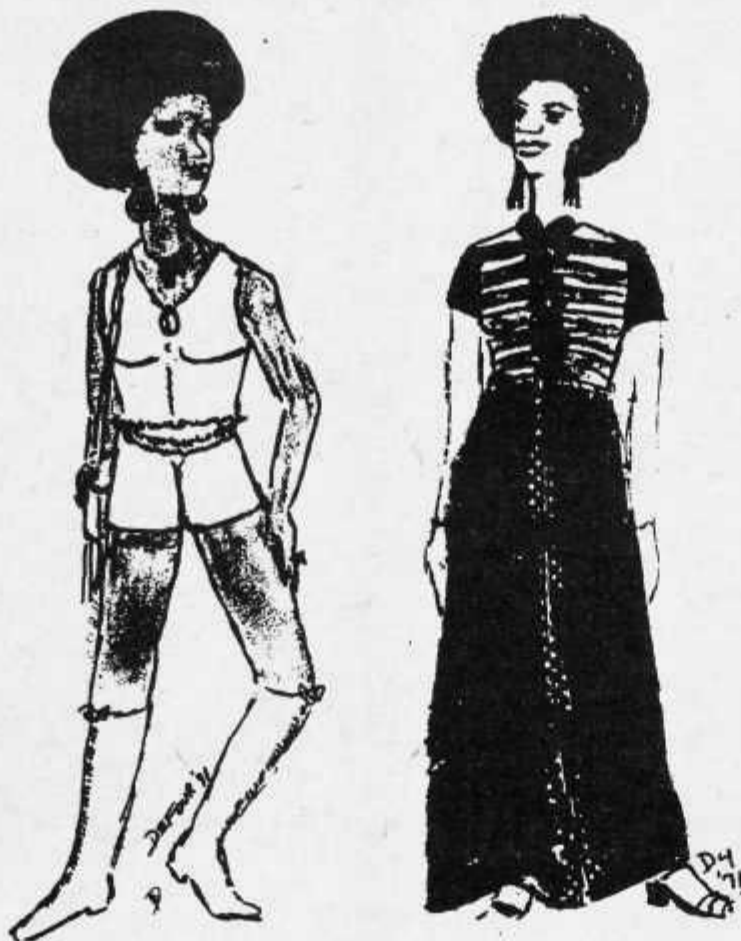
You'll probably see the return of the Midi. Which is just a return to a longer and therefore more soft - elegant side of fashion. Knickers will have their place just like the Gaucho, which is the return of the Mexican cowboys.

Knits also haven't lost their place. The pure wool sweaters

that give you complete fashion freedom to stretch, to dance or to do your own thing.

Another well-known fashion to look for is the Folklore fashions. We owe the Folklore Fashion to the midi. It has given the fashion establishment a shot

of aspiration, and it has sent it along all avenues of creative design. It's not a costume; sometimes it's a do-your-own-thing look. Whatever it is, clothes this season are drawing colorful inspiration from almost every ethnic culture.



Lack Of Public Confidence Major Problem Of Public Schools

This nation faces several critical school problems, but the major woe is a lack of public confidence in the schools, a University of Wisconsin professor said in Greensboro last Wednesday.

"The biggest job is building confidence in the public," said Dr. Vernon F. Haubrich, a professor and senior researcher for "Wisconsin's Institute for Research on Poverty." "Many people in the middle class are beginning to wonder what the schools are all about."

Haubrich made his remarks in an interview prior to presenting the weekly summer lecture at A&T State University.

"One way we can begin to build confidence in our schools," said Haubrich, "is the preparation of leaders in the school to effect a middle ground."

Haubrich said that in many cases, the schools have just about completely shut out the lower classes and minorities.

"We need to educate teachers who can talk to all segments of our society," he said.

In his remarks, Haubrich also called for more federal financing for the schools. "The federal government," he said, "has been paying out inordinate sums of money to the schools, something like five or six percent. It is time we had an equal partnership

between the federal, state, and local governments."

Haubrich said the Southern school systems have been put under extreme pressure because of the desegregation problems.

"The southern systems have been criticized because of having more dual school systems," he said, "but obviously you have as

Haubrich said the school

problems can be lessened with the employment of teachers equipped to deal with minorities and lower classes.

"These kind of teachers are a distinct minority," said Haubrich. "Without the proper training, teacher won't do this. We need teachers who will take a student from where he is to where he might go."



Coeds In Cooper?



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"I wonder who has my room!"

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SPORTS

By Jacqueline Glisson
Sports Editor

Aggies To Look Strong In New Sports League

Even before the newly formed Mid - Eastern Athletic Conference (MEAC) gets underway this fall, it has generally been labeled "a football conference."

With such small-college powers as Morgan State, A&T, North Carolina Central as the nucleus of the league, the early prediction could turn out to be true.

At any rate, MEAC will unveil, in September, with S. C. State, Delaware State, Howard University, the University of Maryland at Eastern Shore being the other members of the league.

The race for MEAC's initial football title should be a hot one, with Morgan, A&T and NCC all apt contenders.



Ben Blacknall

anchored by junior defensive end William Wideman (6-4, 275), senior tackle Ben Tatum (6-1, 235) and sophomore defensive end Reggie Strickland (6-3, 250).

The Aggies' talented corps of linebackers will include massive senior Ralph Coleman (6-3, 210) and senior Ben Blacknall (6-2, 210). Both of these players are already highly regarded by the pro scouts. Coleman could easily be our next Little All-American.

Offensively last season, the Aggies' hindrance was the lack of a seasoned quarterback. Charles Middleton performed admirably for part of the season, but Middleton is really a premier running back and flanker.

Howell won't be caught short this time, as he has rounded up at least three talented signal callers. Ironically, the best of the lot seems to be Leonard Reliford, a 6-4, 210 pound freshman from Macon, Ga. About Reliford, Howell says: "There is no doubt that in two years he will be the best quarterback in this area. And he is good enough to play right now."

Backing Reliford will be senior Maurice Williams, who also doubles as a defensive back and another freshman, Paul McKibbens (6-3½, 190) from Atlanta.

Cal Irvin Takes On Double Duty As Athletic Director And Coach

If likeable Cal Irvin, A&T's new athletic director, had gone on to medical school as he wanted to do, this nation would have been denied one of its top basketball coaches.

Looking for his 400th coaching win sometime during the 1971-72 season, Irvin doesn't regret the turn of events that sent him into coaching.

"I didn't have a job," said Irvin, coach for the past 17 years at A&T. "I majored in biology in college, but I didn't have money to go to medical school, so when I was offered a coaching job at Johnson - C. Smith, I took it."

Irvin's impressive coaching record of 383-142 in 21 seasons, ranks him approximately 16th among the nation's winningest coaches.

Like his brother, Monte Irvin, assistant to Baseball Commissioner Bowie Kuhn, Cal was quite a baseball player and playing with a semi-pro team in Raleigh when he received the basketball coaching offer.

Irvin, one of 13 children in the family, was born in Hailsburg, Ala., but was reared in Orange, New Jersey.

After graduating from high school, he starred in football, baseball and basketball at Morgan State College, before transferring to the University of Illinois where he earned his bachelor's degree.

At Johnson C. Smith, Irvin compiled a 53-17 record in four years, then left Smith for Atkins High in Winston - Salem.

He coached Atkins to a 23-2 record and a state championship his first season; then the offer came from nearby A&T.

Irvin's teams have won their own conference tournament title five times in a 10-year period.

His teams have also won 10 of 14 games in the rugged NCAA College Division playoffs. In



Cal Irvin, New Athletic Director

March, A&T advanced to the quarterfinals of NAIA playoffs in Kansas City.

A topnotch recruiter, Irvin has enjoyed excellent success in developing pro basketball players. He can count among his former stars such notables as Al

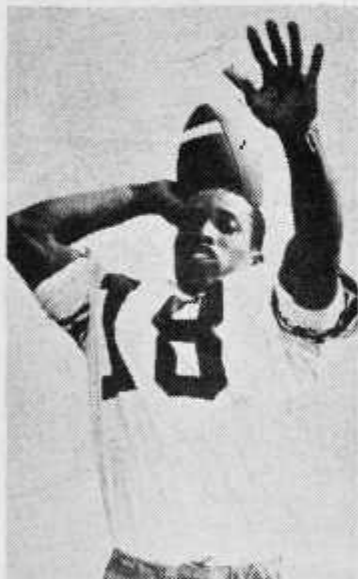
Attles, head coach of the San Francisco Warriors; and Warren Davis, Maurice McHartley and James Staggs, formerly players in the American Basketball Association.

Irvin's teams have never suffered a losing season. He finds

it difficult to explain his coaching success.

"I think whatever success I have enjoyed as a coach," said Irvin, "is due mainly to an ability to make on-the-spot adjustments. I think this may have come about as a result of some of my own athletic experiences. Also, I must admit I have been fortunate in being able to get some outstanding players."

Irvin holds a master of science degree in physical education from Columbia University and serves as associate professor of physical education.



Charles Middleton

After suffering his first losing season last year A&T's head football coach, youthful Hornsby Howell has taken positive steps to guard against a repeat of that kind of performance this year.

"We should be much better in all areas except defensive backs, and running backs," said Howell.

"We are working very hard on those positions."

Howell's task will be made a little easier by the fact that A&T will open the season with 32 lettermen, including probably the most solid defensive line and linebackers in the conference.

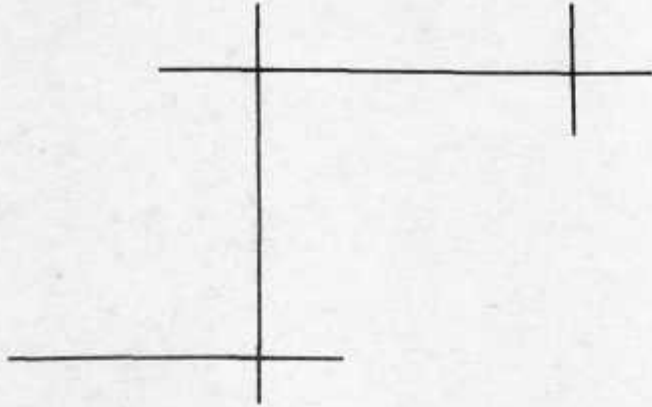
This veteran defensive line,



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