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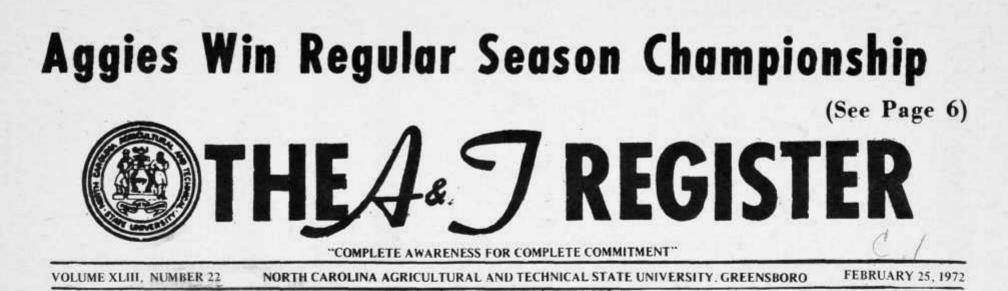
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RON IVEY Speaks To Small Audience

Trustees Approve Programs In Business And Urban Affairs

The Board of Trustees Wednesday approved the establishment of the university's first endowed chair in urban affairs, to be named in honor of Dr. Frederick A. Williams, late director of Planning and Development.

In announcing the new chair, Dr. Lewis C. Dowdy, president of A&T, said funds for initiating the project will come from a \$20,000 grant provided by a group of 31 national firms associated with A&T.

"We are extremely pleased with the fact we are now ready

to begin the operation of this distinguished chair at A&T," said Dowdy, "We view this as another opportunity for this university to make its contribution toward solving some of the concerns of our complex society."

It was Williams, who served A&T as director of planning and development, who was instrumental in establishing the alliance between A&T and national firms. Prior to his death, he envisioned the establishment of the endowed chair in urban affairs.

The board also gave approval to Dowdy's plans for establishing a Center for Economic and Business Development to assist black - owned businesses with some of their technical problems.

Dr. Alice Kidder, professor of economics, told the board that the new center will assist the businesses in generating proposals for securing funds for minority development.

"We shall have both the involvement of our faculty and experienced business men in the area," said Dr. Kidder. "She pointed out that firms such as Burlington Industries have already shown an interest in assisting minority enterprises.

In his report, Dowdy stated that A&T has witnessed an enrollment increase of 17.2 per

cent, the highest increase of the state's public colleges. He stated, full time enrollment for the first semester was 4,000 students,"

He said the university is somewhat concerned about the increase in out - of - state tuition scheduled for next term, as well as the new state law requiring an advanced payment of \$100 by all new students. There will also be a \$50 fee to reserve space for continuing students. However, Dowdy suggested that \$75, for \$100 application desposits, and \$25 for reserving space by continuing students, be waived, depending on information gained after reviewing students' W-2" forms.

The honoree, Williams, who served A&T in various capacities from 1937 to 1970, is credited with helping the university raise over \$1 million for its development efforts.

The board also gave its approval to five proposed changes in the Student Government's constitution with the stipulation of approval by the University Council. Presented by SGA president Ronald Ivey. the changes call for the election of all standing committees. The changes would also permit the SGA's treasurer and vice president to serve for two years, instead of one.

For Buses To MEAC Tournament

SGA Threatens To Drop Plans

By Cassandra Wynn

Approximately thirty members of the student body came out Thursday night for a student body meeting. The meeting's purposes were three: first, to discuss the State Black ring in Raleigh Caucus Satu ond, to discuss Sr He ... ons; and, third, to ag buses for the ...ng in Durham next week end.

Ronald Ivey, president of the Student Government Association,

explained that the State Black Caucus is for the purpose of electing representatives to National Black Caucus.

In a state YOBU meeting at Livingstone College attended by Ivey and Jimmy Hill, vice president of the SGA, YOBU decided that each of the five Black state supported colleges would have thirty three student representatives at the State Black Caucus. Three students are to represent each of the eleven districts which consist of North Carolina counties. The aim of

this step by YOBU is to involve Black youth in Black politics. With these students involved, YOBU will push resolutions to be passed concerning the state's restructuring of higher education and certain national affairs such as welfare and housing.

Only students from North Carolina are to attend the State Caucus. Five o' clock Friday is the deadline for signing to go to Raleigh. Students sign for the Raleigh trip at the SGA office. A

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Food Service Trying To Make Cafeterias Better

By Betty Holeman

Lawrence Munson, head of

One must be mindful of the fact that there have not been any improvements made recently in

building.

continuation of the come before the cafeteria lines beautification program, plans

students can come in out of the "The above has been in cold or rain if they happen to

to do it.

In continuation of the

the Food Service Department, has reported that A&T cafeterias have been neglected in terms of atmosphere in the dining rooms and elsewhere.

"What we are doing, really, is trying to beautify our eating places and make them more appealing to the eyes of the clientele," he stated.

He feels that, if we have beautiful and attractive places to dine in, the students and other clientele will feel more relaxed and can socialize and and enjoy their food better. In addition, Munson feels that there is a better chance for social interaction.

Murphy or Brown Halls, It is time that some consideration be given to the physical site of the cafeteria both inside and outside. For the outside, Munson has

requested that a screen to take care of all the trash behind Murphy Hall be built, and he has discussed the replacement of some of the old doors.

With respect to Brown Hall, he and J. M. Marteena, dean of administration, have talked about the repair of the sidewalk. They are planning to construct outdoor bulletin boards for both cafeterias. This will eliminate signs being tacked up and taped on the walls, mirrors, glass doors, and on other parts of the

beautification program which we started in 1971. The Food Service Department's beautification program started along with the other departments' beautification programs and we plan to continue it until we cease to be a Food Service Department," said Munson.

In Murphy Hall, a floor-care machine has been purchased which cost \$3,000 to take care of the terrazzo tile; gold curtains have been added along with paintings, rubber plants, two sets of table cloths and, center pieces for each table to break the drab appearance of Murphy Hall, Also a lobby has been added where

are opened. Control lines have been added too to prevent pushing and shoving when students crowd at the door.

In Brown Hall rubber plants have been purchased, two sets of table cloths, centerpieces for the tables, three planters for extra flowers and, walnut paneling has been constructed around the entire dining area for the dining-like appearance.

The Food Service Department does not like to disclose future plans because the execution of the plans depends upon the availability of funds. They would feel pretty badly if they said they were going to do something and then not be able have been made to do twice as much as has been done in Murphy and Brown Halls. "Our

objective," inserted Munson, "is to make the cafeterias so appealing that all students and clientele will be proud of their school Food Service."

When asked why so many improvements were being made in the cafeterias since a new cafeteria was going to be constructed, Munson responded that he felt it would be at least two years or more before there will be a new structure for dining purposes and until such time that it is ready he wants to improve both Murphy and Brown Halls.

Final Straw

Last night the Student body provided the straw that broke the SGA's back. About 30 people showed up for an "emergency" student body meeting and Ron Ivey, SGA president, was to say the least, upset.

Much has been said and written about student apathy recently, but last night was ridiculous. Political awareness on this campus must be at its lowest levelsince the school was founded. It appears students are not interested in anything they can't smoke, drink, shoot - up or date.

It also seems childish for SGA to have to threaten to cancel plans to provide transportation to a basketball tournament to get people to come to meetings. But then what is SGA dealing with?

Ron Ivey (God bless him) has not given up hope (as some of us have); he plans another meeting for Sunday afternoon. If attendance is poor at this meeting, then SGA will carry out its threat.

Go to this meeting, the race you save may be your own. Besides, Ron Ivey is beginning to think it's his breath.

By the way how are you getting to Durham next weekend?

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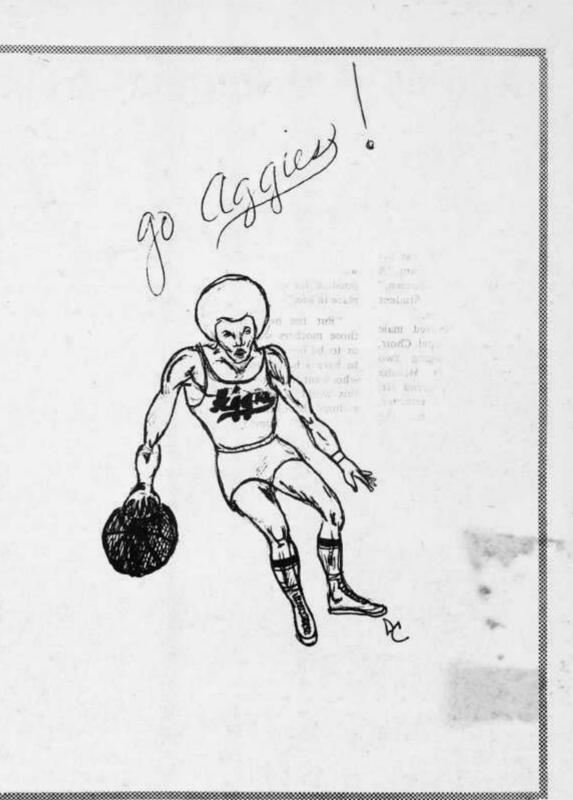


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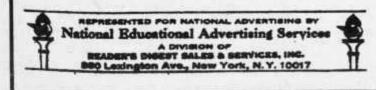
Unofficial Host

Sports casters call 1972 the year of the CIAA without A&T; yet unless one knows where to look, the CIAA weekend follows, true to form, here at Aggieland. The crowds are still evident, the Union parking lot is once more a scene of welcoming visitors and returning Aggies (and whatever else takes place there), and the social events are keyed to the partying fans.

Although A&T is no longer a part of the CIAA, Greensboro is still the scene of the tournament games; and, to some of the fans, Greensboro without A&T is not Greensboro. As such is the case, we Aggies must serve as hosts for a party we had no part in giving.

There is no doubt about the reception the planned

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cabarets and dances will receive from the participants in the CIAA, but evidently ours is a role that goes further than a social outlet. As unofficial hosts, we should portray ourselves as more than a partyin' place. Make sure the A&T the CIAA fans see is the one you want seen.

Fashion Show, Sponsored By Gate City Alumni Scholarship Fund At The Ambassador Club Of The Hilton Inn, February 27, 9:00 - 10:30 p. m. Tickets

\$2.00. From Members Of Gate City Chapter or University Bookstore.

SGA Salutes Black Women In Student Memorial Union

By Ruth James and **Marvin Hamilton**

The Union Ballroom was the scene for Sunday's program "A Salute To Black Women," sponsored by the Student Government Association.

The program involved male singers from the Gospel Choir, Delores Mosley singing two songs in salute to Mahalia Jackson, and the Reverend Mr. Lloyd Dees, campus minister, who was speaker for the program.

Rev. Dees' message was on the importance of liberation to the Black race as a whole, especially to Black women. He said, "It is altogether fitting and proper to pay tribute to Black women,

women who have given themselves constantly in the liberation of Black people . . . such women as Mary Bethune, Phyllis Wheatley, Rosa Parks, who were trying to make it possible for us to have a better place in life."

"But the best tribute is to those mothers who worked for us to be here attending college to have a better way of life and who want us to be somebody in this world. They have suffered, endured hostilities and rebukes. of all kinds, hoping that there would be a change for a new and better day."

Art Gallery, a rock group from A&T, opened the program with their rendition of N.J., an instrumental by Kool and the

Gang, in a salute to Black women.

Wendell Graham, Teddy Flowers, and Paul Belcher, male members of the A&T Gospel Choir, saluted Black women with their harmonious renditions of "Lift Every Voice and Sing" and "Ebony Eyes."

Delores Mosley, a senior music major, in a salute to the late Mahalia Jackson, sang "Without God I Could Do Nothing," and "What a Friend We Have in Jesus."

Ronald Ivey, president of the Student Government Association, said, "There are a lot of "bloods" talking about the nation's building, but there can be no viable Black nation without the Black women."



DELORES MOSLEY Plays Piano In Salutes To Black Women Program Sunday

G-Boro Blacks Form Corporation To Serve The Community

by Deborah McRae

In July of 1970, the Uhuru Corporation of Greensboro was formulated. The purpose of the autographed patrons personal copies.

On February 19, between the hours of 2 and 4 p.m., prominent history, social sciences, and author and editor, Orde Coombs appeared in behalf of the store. Coombs is from St. Vincents Island, West Indies, but is now residing in New York. His writings include numerous articles and essays on the experiences and problems of Black people today. Among his literary accomplishments are co-author of, Eastern Religions in the Electric Age ; editor of What We Must See: Young Black Story Tellers, an anthology of short stories; and We Speak as Liberators: Young Black Poets, an anthology of poetry . Also in the December 1971 issue of Essence magazine is example of

his work.

The bookstore features reading material on art, poetry,

This Week In History

February 20

Frederick Douglass. Orator, journalist, crusader for freedom. Died in Washington, D. C. 1895.

February 21

Malcolm X. Much admired militant Negro leader. Assassinated in New York. 1965.

February 22

Negroes sailed with Balboa seeking new lands. 1513.

February 23

Tuskegee Negro Conference organized. 1892.

William E. B. DuBois. Author, educator, and historian. Born (1868-1963).

February 24

Daniel A. Payne. Reformer and educator. Born (1811-1893).

February 25

Hiram R. Revels. First Negro senator. Took oath of office. 1870.

February 26

15th Amendment proposed in Congress giving right to vote to former slaves. 1869.

It's Styling Time

By Doreen Green **Fashion Editor**

Stylin' is a term that is used to describe a person when he or she is exquisitely attired.

During this weekend and next many of us will be stylin' back with newly-purchased rags, that we feel we look hip in.

Yes, for the games, the late evening shows, and the cabarets many of us will go all out!

Before you buy an expensive outfit, make sure it fits; make sure it is durable; make sure it becomes you.

If what you are buying meets up to all these qualifications, by all means buy it.

Don't kid yourself; if what

Ivey Upset Over Meeting

you buy doesn't fit when you buy it, it certainly won't fit when you want to look good for that special occasion.

Be sure that what you buy is durable. Make sure that it will stand up to a night of dancing. Some beautiful clothes will wilt after they are exposed to heat or a lot of action.

Lastly, be sure that what you buy makes you look good. Don't be pressured into buying simply because you need something to wear! Buy because you like what you are buying and because you are satisfied that what you are buying is of quality.

Style on in good taste and have great CIAA and MEAC weekends!!

corporation is to serve the economic, social, and cultural aspects of the Black community. Controlling the corporation are low income individuals who make all decisions, purchases, and investments.

Out of the corporation has come the Uhuru Bookstore, located at 412 E. Market Street. The bookstore is designed to sell books and periodicals. However, it is also envisioned as a means of promoting positive cultural programs and products to the surrounding community.

At the opening, Uhuru featured poet Don Lee. Lee read some of his poetry and

current fiction. It also carries artwork and curios from local artists and national distributors. It is projected that reading clubs will be developed and that books will be available on loan to groups for a very minimal fee. Teachers may also borrow books for classroom use.

In general, the Bookstore is designed to be a profit-making venture, but its overriding purpose is to enhance reading and to promote cultural understanding in the community.

Profits from the store will be used to support projects in the community such as day care facilities, recreation, and other projects.

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bus will leave for Raleigh seven a.m. Saturday from the Union parking lot. Ivey, somewhat frustrated because the meeting was poorly attended, maintained that even though the decision to hold elections the last two weeks in March has been approved, it is possible that they could be held later because of a lack of interest on the part of students.

Ivey mentioned the possibility of securing buses to the MEAC for next week end. There will be another student body meeting in the Union Ball Room Sunday at two o' clock and lvey warned if a sufficient number of students do not attend this meeting, the idea of securing buses to the MEAC will be dropped.

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* All Kinds Of Transgressions Portrayed In 'Green Pastures

By Ruth James Fine Arts Editor

"Green Pastures," one of the most successful Broadway plays of all times, has been staged this week in the Paul Robeson Theatre.

This drama is about how God creates a world, saves Noah and his family and later leads the children of Israel out of Egyptian bondage.

The play begins as a Sunday school teacher Mr. Deshee reads from the book of Genesis to a group of children.

After creation of the world "De Lawd" later visits the earth in the shape of a natural man. After he sees all the kinds of sin, transgression, and evils on earth, He is deeply disturbed until He meets Noah and sees that he is a good man. So he asks Noah to build an ark. Noah obeys De Lawd's request and his family is saved.

De Lawd is a dignified person who has a voice that would make one jump to his orders. His voice has that kind of authority to make him sole ruler of the universe.

The drama continues when Moses leaves home and travels to Egypt and confronts the Pharoah to let his people go. Later he does lead the children out of Egypt.

De Lawd is still disturbed that the people on earth keep on sinning. He finally decides not to deliver mankind anymore. But He later asks "Must I find mercy thru suffering?

A cast of 50 persons including the University choir appeared in the production. Dr. Wendell Jones and Frank Wallace should be commended for their performances as De Lawd, Gabriel and Moses respectively. Other star performances of the play are Sandra Slade, Sharon Smith and James McMillan. Dr. John Stevenson played the role of Dr. Deshee, the Sunday school teacher.

Despite the time element, "Green Pastures" is an extraordinary drama for the Aggie family to see.



A Scene From 'Green Pastures'

Sly And The Family Stone A Dynamite Group Puts On A Fire Cracker Performance

By Ronald P. Topping

A dynamite show, but a firecracker explosion, best describes the Sly and the Family Stone Show. The show was held last Saturday in the Greensboro Coliseum.

Sly, who has a reputation for not showing up for appearances, made it on time to the coliseum, dressed all in black with a yellow yarn vest sipping a grape soda. He gobbled and grunted his salutations as he tediously made his way to the dressing room.

Ken Roberts, the group's road manager, reports that Sly has missed only two out of 37 appearances and grossed \$2 million at the box office. The group filled Madison Square Garden in New York to capacity six times last year and sold close

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Campus Haps

Pay Movie - "Splendor In the Grass" Friday, February 25 at 6:30 p.m. in Harrison Auditorium. Admission is \$.50.

"The Family Affair" featuring The Blenders, at the Hilton Inn's Ambassador Lounge. Friday, February 25, at 9:00 p.m. Tickets are \$2.50. Sponsored by Groove Phi Groove and Swing Phi Swing.

Midnight Dance and Show Festival featuring "Jerry Butler, Brenda Lee Eager, The Three Peaches, and The Big Jerry Butler Band," Friday, February 25 at Moore Gymnasium. Doors open at 11:30 til 4:00 a.m. Students Advance tickets with I. D. cards are \$3.50. General Admission is \$3.75, at door \$4.00. Tickets on sale usual places. Host: A&T Student Government Association.

Pay Movie - "Play Misty For Me," Saturday, February 26, at 6:30 p.m. in Harrison Auditorium. Admission \$.50.

Talent Hunt will be Sunday at 4:00 p.m. in Harrison Auditorium. Sponsored by Omega Psi Phi.

Gospel Program will be Sunday, February 27 at 6:00 p.m. in Harrison Auditorium, featuring the Greensboro Community Choir, The Esquires and The Fellowship Gospel Choir. Sponsored by the Greensboro Community Choir.

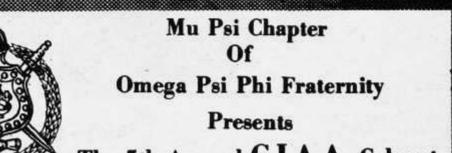
CIAA Car Wash - Saturday, February 26 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in Sockwell Hall. Price: \$2.00. Sponsored by Ag. Ed. Association.

Delta and Kappa present "The Maggot-Brain, Inc." February 26, 9:00 p.m. until. Live music at Statler Hilton Ballroom, 830 W. Market Street. Greensboro. Advance tickets are \$2.00, at door \$2.50.

The Richard B. Harrison Players presents "Green Pastures" February 21-26 at 8:15 p.m. in Paul Robeson Little Theatre, Communications Building. Tickets can be obtained at the Box Office 9-5 daily, or call 379-7500 (Ext. 204). Admission: Students \$1.50, General Admission \$2.50 and Children \$1.00

Math Tutorial Session - Thursday, February 24, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in Merrick Hall, Room M112.

The Deadline date for dropping courses for spring semester is MARCH 7, 1972. Drop materials are available at the Offices of the Department Chairmen.





SLY Plays Away On Organ



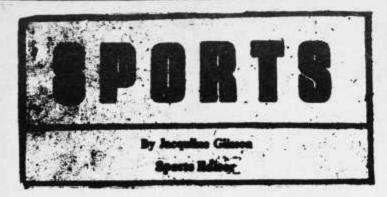
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Aggies Down Bears In Well-Fought Victory

Jeffrey Briscoe began hitting

from the key. They slashed away

at the team's lead, but it was all

in vain when "June" Harris

floated to the line for four

chances at the basket to pick up

a three pointer. Harris was fouled

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By Jacquline Glisson

When the Morgan State Bears visited A&T last Friday night, they received a nice reception until the Aggies cut their fun short on the court with a 77-69 thrilling victory. Striving to keep up their winning streak, the hustling Aggies gave the home fans a crowd-pleasing game in a well-fought victory.

The victorious outcome of the game advanced the T-Men to a 9-2 conference record.

The Aggies didn't possess a until commanding lead several minutes after the game started. From then on, the A&T team was the dominant leader in the game. The game began with the Bears' growling up a quick lead at 4-3. The Aggies were rather cool, but not for long before "ever-reliable" Elmer Austin got the team's show on the road. In a splendid display of agility, Austin leaped above the Bears' towering 6-10 center, Marvin Webster, for a quick lay-up. Through this display, he was fouled and picked up two more points at the line.

Moving from one superstar to the next, Harris went into action to break the 7-7 tie by an assist to Walt Anderson. The Bears came back strong to knot the board at 17-17. Somehow it appeared that 17 was a magic number that had the team bursting at its seams. Immediately releasing their full explosive attack on the Bears, A&T blasted the baskets for 14 rapid points in a matter of three minutes. The team began to dance to the tune of "June" Harris' hustling music as he continuously committed highway robbery on the Bears' passes. Increasing on his percentage of assists, Harris was also feeding the ball to his teammates nearest the basket to keep the scoreboard hot.

The Bears' attempt to growl

Aggies, First MEAC Champs, Hope For Sweep In Tourney

North Carolina A&T's speedy basketball team won the first regular season title of the new Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference (MEAC) and will try to make a clean sweep at the league's three-day tournament, which gets underway in Durham, March 2.

The Aggies, coached by veteran Cal Irvin, were declared champions when rejuvenated Morgan State upset Howard University, 64-60, Wednesday night in the two teams' final game of the season.

By winning the title, A&T also earned a first round berth in the tournament. The Aggies, paced by sensational Little All-American candidate Elmer Austin, June Harris and James Outlaw, are also eyeing a berth in the forthcoming District 26 NAIA playoffs.

The Mid-Eastern Tournament this year shapes up as a thriller, the way the seven teams have knocked each other off during the regular season.

Although A&T and Howard led in the standings most of the season, the most improved teams in the conference have been S. C. State and Morgan.

The other pacesetter in the conference has been the University of Maryland at Eastern Shore, which finished just behind A&T and Howard. Even North Carolina Central and Delaware State, which have had their problems during the season, are expected to be fired up for the tournament.

Although the newest of this area's college tournaments, officials in Durham predict that nearly 25,000 fans will attend the tournament in Cameron Indoor Stadium on the Duke University campus.

Besides Austin, who was voted the league's "Player of the Year," fans and pro scouts will be especially interested in players like Harris of A&T, talented 6-10 Bob Webster of Morgan and others.





We're trying to fix it, but we need your help.

ferociously and claw at the boards on the court were all futile as dazzling guard Harris' magical playmaking converted their growls to mere whimpers. Morgan State could hardly bear the strain of combatting the deadly duo of Austin and Harris as the Bears lagged behind at 43-27 at halftime. Austin showed the Bears' lanky center that height didn't make that much difference, as he collected only three rebounds less than Morgan's tree-height player.

The Bears entered the second half determined not to allow the Aggies an easy victory, as Morgan's Ronald Moss and The cities are in trouble. You know it. And we know it.

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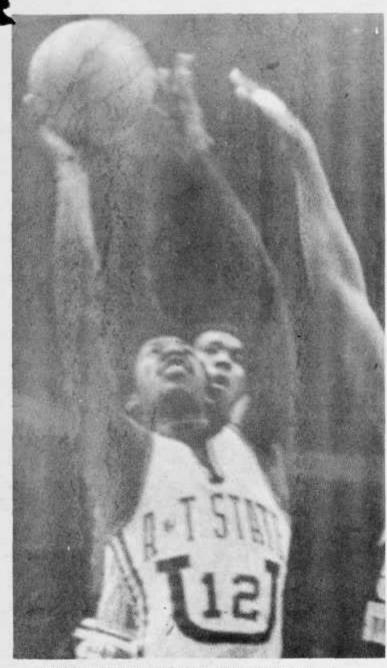
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ELMER AUSTIN MEAC's 'First Player Of The Year'

Aggies Chop Down Morgan's Tall Trees

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by the Bears' Briscoe who also had a technical foul called too. Capitalizing on it, Morgan's coach, Nat Frazier, whipped up two techs also. Likewise, Harris took advantage of that situation to top a 63-49 lead.

Harris handed the magic baton to superstar Al Carter, his guard partner. Carter scored practically all of his 16 points on the floor and at the basket. With less than three minutes in the game, Carter connected to James Outlaw for a secure 73-59 lead.

Blazing the trail for the A&T crew was Elmer Austin, with 19 points, followed by "June" Harris and Al Carter with 17 and 16 points respectively. Lloyd Glover pumped in 10 points.

Sly Explodes With A Dynamite Show

(Continued From Page 5) to four million records. All that success did not help Sly much

Saturday night.

push them back. Sly who gazed down from the stage stopped the police action with, "Man, don't do that; let 'em stand up."

And so the show be People stood, people danced, people screamed, people fainted, and people tried to see the show. After about 15 minutes, the show ground to a halt as the sound system failed to project Sly's murmurs. The show started again after Sly had made a few nasty comments about the equipment, and sound engineers had scurried over the stage like ants. Sly gave his 50 minutes; and, for those who really dug Sly and the Family High, it was "the greatest." But for regular fans it was like a non-flying kite, a useless thing. Perhaps it is because we know nothing about aerodynamics.

Elmer Austin Named MEAC's 'Player of the Year' in Basketball

There will be many stars in the upcoming Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference Tournament scheduled for March 2,3, and 4 in Durham, N. C., but A&T's Elmer Austin will stand a step above his peers.

Austin has been named MEAC's first "Player of the Year" in basketball.

When Austin came to A&T three years ago, he wasn't the most confident athlete on campus by any means.

"I liked football in junior and senior high school," he said, but some of my friends, relatives and coaches coerced me into basketball."

"I used to just stand in the corner and shoot," he added.

Only 10 colleges showed genuine interest in him, even though he averaged better than 20 points throughout his prep career. However A&T's Head Coach Cal Irvin saw a "Sleeper" in Austin and approached the shy lad in a low-key manner that easily won his confidence.

Very few freshmen are starters on Aggie teams, but Austin refused to sleep or even nod as he got a chance to play in a preseason scrimmage against rival Elon College. He impressed Irvin so much that the soft spoken and always cool natured 6-4, 185 pounder started A&T's first game against Akron.

He scored 24 points and has been in the first five ever since.

Austin hit the hardwood in 32 games last year and led the Aggies in scoring, 19.1, and rebounding, 12.7. His .560 field goal efficiency was also the team's highest.

These accomplishments, along with outstanding play in the Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association (CIAA) Tournament and the NAIA playoffs in Kansas City, earned him the team's most Valuable Player Award, a CIAA All-Tournament Team spot, and All-CIAA league honors.

This year Austin pushed himself to loftier heights.

Two national magazines found him worthy of recognition. Basketball News chose Austin as one of their preseason All-American candidates while Basketball Weekly carried a feature sotry on him as the "Moses" of the Aggies.

On the state level, Austin was named "Player of the Week" by the Greensboro Daily News and by the MEAC.

"He is a joy," Coach Irvin said after a local newspaper named Austin the state's "Athlete of the Week."

"Against Delaware State we were having trouble with their 1-4 offense, but Austin knew

what to do, "

"He overplayed his man toward the ball, came up with a couple of steals and turned the game around. I didn't even have to call a time out."

The theme in Aggieland is "To The Mountain ... Into the Promised Land!" Elmer Austin has already proven to be the team's Moses.

Seventy-four outstanding basketball players' names have been placed on the ballot of The Pizza Hut's first All-Star College. Basketball Classic, and North Carolina A&T's Elmer Austin is in the running.

The Greensboro native must, however, get enough votes from patrons of the Pizza Hut to go to Las Vegas, Nevada, on Saturday, April 15. The nominees will be listed on a ballot to be distributed at Pizza Hut's 832 outlets for six weeks ending March 25. The voting will determine the top eight places on the team.

Heart Breaking Overtime Smashes Home Record

By Jacquline Glisson

"Into each life some rain must fall," and this was evident as the winning Aggies suffered their first defeat on the home court last Saturday night. At the hands of conference rival, the Howard Bisons, they made the unbelievable happen when they picked up the conference win on a 77-75 edge in a smashing heartbreaking overtime. A&T

Aggies Hope to Make NCAA Playoffs

The commissioner of the new Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference (MEAC) said Thursday that the league has not abandoned its efforts to have one of its teams win an at-large berth in the forth coming NCAA university-division playoffs of the National Invitational Tournament.

"We'd still like to see A&T gain an at-large berth," said Dr. Leroy Walker. "A 17-5 record is pretty good, when you consider that the No. 3 ranked team has lost three games. It may be a little late for this year, but we are confident for next year." Recently, the seven-member conference was approved for membership in the NCAA's university division. tournament, Walker just oozes with confidence.

The MEAC tournament will be palyed in the 8,800-seat Cameron Indoor Stadium on the Duke campus on March 2-4.

"Tickets are going really well for the tournament," said Walker, "and the caliber of basketball we have exhibited all year, assures of an exciting event." stands as number one in the MEAC Conference Championship prior to tournament time, with an impressive 9-3 record in the conference and 18-6 overall.

The tense game was climaxed when "always dependable" Elmer Austin went up to the hoop for the precious two points that knotted the game at 76-76 as the buzzer ended the regulation game. It was a close call for the team, as it came back out on the court for a cliffhanging overtime. Even though foul trouble put Howard's two guards out of action, they used the five minutes to their advantage.

With less than 30 seconds remaining, the Bisons possessed a 77-73 lead. Putting fire into the remaining seconds, Lloyd Glover paced down the court for a "sure" lay-up and continued on to make a jump-ball call resulting in his performance.

With two of the MEAC's top guards out the game, A&T's reserve unit came to the aid of Elmer Austin to keep up the Aggie's momentum. By this time, Howard's starting five had clinched a 10-point gap for a 64-54 lead with 3:51 remaining. The reserve unit was playing like the starters with Bobby Parks, Lloyd Glover, Al Carter, and Bobby Goodwin joining with Austin to tie the game at the end of regulation time. Setting the hustling pace for the Aggies was high scoring guard Al Carter with 21 points. "June" Harris drove in 16 points, while Elmer Austin collected 15' points. All Aggie fans should be at the MEAC Tournament in Durham because the "hustling, determined" Aggies have a mountaintop to reach and a championship they want to win.

Even though the Family Stone was on time, the show was still late getting underway. The warm-up group which preceded Sly did not get its equipment to the Coliseum.

Roberts states that Sly always performs for 50 minutes to an hour and never appears before 10:00 p.m. His lateness, according to Roberts, is a building mechanism for establishing rapport with his audience. This rapport was evident when the group stepped on stage and hundreds of fans swarmed to sit at its feet. At the first chord, the people began to stand, and the police began to

Walker said the NCAA's new guidelines, which call for selecting the eight top teams for at-large berths next season, will give the MEAC an even better chance at getting one of the berths.

Although facing the mammoth task of constructing a brand new basketball Walker told reporters that the conference has already arranged for two promotional football games, which should net MEAC additional funds.

He said that the Atlanta Braves will promote a game between the conference football champion and powerful Tennessee State in Atlanta on September 15.

Walker will complete negotiations next week for a post-season game in New Orleans between winner of the MEAC and the Southwest Conference, featuring such teams as Grambling, Southern, and Alcorn.

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