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# Aggie Cagers Reach The Prized Mountain Top



(Photo By Larry Lewis)

## The Nets Come Down

Aggie cager WILLIAM HARRIS cut down the nets after the buzzer sounded last Saturday night in Duke's Indoor Stadium. The Aggies had just won an impressive 71-62 victory over Howard taking the first MEAC championship.

## But Winning Reaps No Rewards

Human nature often indicates that people love to knock off a giant.

At the beginning of the 1971-72 basketball season North Carolina A&T State University was chosen the team to beat in the first year of the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference and several of their players would undoubtedly dominate the league.

Like other giants in sports, the Aggies were placed at the top

where every team in the league threw its most gallant efforts for victory. A&T, true to form, withstood the pressures and won the MEAC's regular season championship.

Then at the MEAC tournament in Durham this past weekend, A&T had to win it all over again and did, beating two strong teams soundly in spite of a two week schedule layoff. The University of Maryland-Eastern Shore succumbed 88-67 Friday

night and Howard University could do no better than number two Saturday in biting the dust 71-62.

The Aggies' success story parallels that of another giant, Wilt Chamberlain. Upon becoming a giant in the NBA, Wilt was expected to do everything well and he did, leading the league in scoring, rebounding and assists year after year. But the press went with the

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# THE A&T REGISTER

"COMPLETE AWARENESS FOR COMPLETE COMMITMENT"

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## Nobody To Take The Weight

## Shortage In SGA Elections Seen

By Cassandra Wynn  
Ethel Morrison

Once again, the SGA is faced with a shortage in candidates for numerous offices.

The shortage of candidates is in SGA positions and class positions.

The campaign period is expected to begin March 15, followed by elections on March 24.

In reflecting on situations where candidates will be uncontested, Ron Ivey, president of the student body, commented that "If students are afraid to take responsible leadership positions, what will happen when

they leave the academic setting and must face other realities which require responsibility?"

Ivey went on to say that A&T is the most politically-active campus of the five Black state supported colleges, but the level of political activity by Aggies is not what it should be.

Ivey believes that many people in this university have become passive since the 1968 riots because they fear that federal funds will be cut if there is too much activity in the political arena. The student body president also feels some students are not willing to take time out of social or academic schedules to help the SGA take care of

business.

Those students who do work with the SGA are sometimes overworked in matters concerning politics. Ivey noted three students who work actively with the SGA were chosen to go to Gary, Indiana, to represent their districts in the National Black Caucus. These students include Ethel Evans, Virginia Hill, and Larry Hinton with Larry Galloway as alternate!

Ivey admits that some of the gripes expressed by students in last week's paper were legitimate, but he maintains that some students who complain fail to even come by the SGA office to find out what is happening.

## Court Rules No State Aid To NCCU Paper

U. S. Middle District Judge Eugene Gordon has ruled that North Carolina Central University, the State of North Carolina or any of its agencies may not now or in the future support a campus newspaper at NCCU "by any means and from any source of funds, direct or indirect."

The Monday ruling ended a court battle which had been raging since October between Johnnie E. Joyner, editor of the campus paper, and Dr. Albert Whiting, president of the Durham school. The controversy arose when Whiting cut off funding to the student paper for its opposition to the increasing number of whites and other non-Black students on the campus. The paper also refused to run white advertising.

Joyner, along with Harvey White, NCCU SGA President, filed suit against Whiting in U. S. Middle District Court.

In his ruling Judge Gordon ruled that, since NCCU is a state-supported school, it is indirectly an agency of the state and "therefore, indirectly, of the state itself." With this point, it was noted that, no state or agency of that state may discriminate on the basis of race, color or national origin, this practice having been deemed

unconstitutional.

The court then ruled that The *The Campus Echo* agency of the State of North Carolina, did consistently and intentionally attempt to discourage the attendance of persons of non-Negro race from attending the North Carolina Central University by a program of harassment, discourtesy and indicia of unwelcome."

In the ruling, Gordon stated that, "The State of North Carolina may no more lawfully require the financial support of *The Campus Echo* than it may lawfully contribute to forms of symbolic free speech by the Ku Klux Klan.

The court also ruled that a student newspaper, such as *The Campus Echo*, is part of the press, and is, therefore entitled to the protection of the constitution under the First Amendment. The court also ruled that the state nor its agencies may not impose any censorship on such a newspaper or its editors.

Faced with the violation of two constitutional provisions the court finally ruled that: "The press, student or otherwise, must be free to crusade for integration, segregation, Black power, white supremacy, Pan-Africanism, or repatriation, but it must do so without the financial aid of North Carolina."

## NCCU Ruling

## Student Leaders Not Satisfied

By Brenda Crowder

On October 1, 1971, Johnnie Edward Joyner, Editor-in-Chief of *THE CAMPUS ECHO*, and Harvey Lee White, president of the Student Government Association, filed suit seeking to enjoin Dr. Albert N. Whiting, president of North Carolina Central University, from failing to support, financially, *THE CAMPUS ECHO*.

Harvey Lee White, a political science major from Tarboro, said the verdict proves his "lack of faith and discontentment with the American system, especially the local one".

White stated, "The true question was did President Whiting have the right to cut off the funds for the paper." However, this question was not answered by the judge to his

satisfaction.

Before Joyner and White decided to take such adverse action, they polled the campus organizational presidents, with the voices of their members behind them, and the entire student body of NCCU had their say so. Ninety-five per cent of the total student population was in favor of the action.

Johnnie Joyner, who is known as Joe, is a junior elementary education major from Rocky Mount. He wants *THE CAMPUS ECHO* to have a "Pro Black Stand" on all articles. The phrase, All Black University, All Black Staff and Ads from only Blacks, plus articles "expressing some considerable dissatisfaction at and opposition to the increasing number of whites and other non-Negro students enrolled at NCCU," is

what started heads to turn.

Joyner is "tired of us always proving something to the white man. It's time they proved a few things to us, like is the law for all or just a select few."

President Whiting issued a memorandum in which he expressed disagreement with the policies of *THE CAMPUS ECHO* and stated in part that NCCU "...will not extend recognition to or knowingly affiliate with and condone any group, organization or association, espousing policies which discriminate on such bases."

Joyner wanted to become editor-in-chief of *THE CAMPUS ECHO* because he felt "the paper has never done the kind of things it can do."

When he tried to meet this

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# Are They Ready ?

One of the most controversial issues facing the MEAC officials is a home for the new tournament.

Certainly, after attending the tournament in Durham, one is bound to ask, "Are they ready?" or "Will they ever be ready?" To even consider Durham is to create even more problems for the MEAC tournament.

There should be certain hospitalities offered by the hosting town and hosting schools. But evidently, the city of Durham and NCCU are not aware or have not been informed of these certain courtesies. Directions to the tourney and other information concerning dining areas and resting areas are surely to be among the first complaisances offered to visitors. But this was not the case during the MEAC tourney in Durham last week.

This situation may even make one question if Durham knew the tournament was to be held there. Since actions speak louder than words, it was certain to be seen that only the visiting schools and fans were the most ready prepared for this gaiety.

One may even wonder if the MEAC and its thousands of fans were welcomed or even wanted in Durham. Nevertheless, it was held there. But hopefully, the city of Durham will not have to tolerate the MEAC another year.

Janet Jones,  
News Editor



**input...**

Are signatures really so important? Does one signature carry so much weight that a student is unable to add or drop a course without two or three signatures?

If a student has decided that it would be more to his advantage to drop a course, why can't he just go to the Registrar's office, inform a competent secretary, and let her do the rest, including notifying the instructor that the student has dropped the course?

Do you have any idea of the average leg work the student who is adding or dropping a course must perform?

To add or drop a course, the student must first locate the slip. Secondly, he must locate the instructor who is teaching the course. This step alone may take days, especially if the student is carrying a full load and hesitates to cut one class at the sacrifice of getting the required signature.

In addition to his debate on whether or not to cut a specific class, the student knows, from experience, his chances of catching the instructor are extremely slim.

Obtaining the instructor's signature is not the final step in adding or dropping a course. The head of the student's department must verify that he approves of what the student is doing.

Are these signatures necessary? Aren't students adult enough and the Registrar's office competent enough to drop or add a course?

Aren't students responsible enough to manage this simple affair without instructors and department heads? Can't students decide if they are old enough to do a little less leg work and a little more responsible management?

The obvious answer to these questions ought to be yes.

Deloise Williamson

"MEAC? YOU MEAN THE MODERN EVOLUTION OF AMERICAN CATHOLICS? HOW 'BOUT... METHODIST ELDER'S AND CHAPLAINS? MAYBE YOU MEAN..."



# Did We Really Win ?

By Gail Ross

After sitting through a very disillusioning award presentation at the MEAC, it is not difficult for an Aggie to wonder whether or not A&T really won the MEAC tourney.

Statistics show that ninety-five per cent of the coaches who win tournaments usually are the most outstanding coaches of tournaments. The MEAC tourney evidently must be a member of the five per cent who would rather fight than switch.

The outstanding coach is selected on how well he has geared his team to play during the tournament. At the MEAC, A&T played, in the semi-finals,

one of the best teams, Maryland State. Also A&T, unlike the other teams, won decisive victories by at least twenty points.

If Howard's coach had geared his team to beat A&T before, it is evident that he could have geared his team to beat us once again.

This leads to the question of who did the voting for the awards? At most tournaments, the press selects the most outstanding coach and player, but not at the MEAC. The coaches from each participating school voted and the results caused one to have certain suspicions. No one seems to know the actual votes, except perhaps, the commissioner.


Suspicions mounted when

Robert Lewis from Howard was selected as the outstanding player in the tournament. Statistics from the game certainly seem to point to the real most outstanding player.

The statistics used here are from the A&T - Maryland game, the Howard - Morgan game and the Howard - A&T game. For both games, Austin made 19 out of 28 field goals; 7 out of 17 free throws; 20 rebounds, 2 assists, 45 total pints and 7 turnovers. Outlaw made 19 out of 29 field goals, 8 out of 13 free throws; 8 rebounds and 6 assists; 46 total points and 4 turnovers.

Lewis made 9 out of 23 field goals; 11 out of 20 freethrows; 16 rebounds; 4 assists; 29 points; 14 turnovers.





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## Long Awaited Clean Up Campaign Goes Into Full Operation

By Blannie Bowen

The long awaited clean-up campaign has finally gotten into full swing on both sides of the campus.

The fraternities and sororities are cleaning and painting their plots, Buildings and Grounds is pruning the shrubs, and the Agronomy Club, of the School of Agriculture, is doing a complete landscape renovation of Reid Greenhouse, Ward Hall, and Carver Hall. These groups compose the functioning organizations which are doing some type of major clean-up project. Numerous other groups are planning projects but have not initiated them yet.

The fraternities and sororities started their projects the first of March, and they will be continuous until the Easter break. Several fraternities have already painted their insignia and are now in the process of sowing grass and pruning their trees. The sororities are right in line with the fraternities with their painting, but they have

tentative plans to expand their project into a campus-wide paper pick-up campaign.

Buildings and Grounds is cutting the old shrubbery with the rapidity of a pulp wooding operation. They have already pruned the areas around the Library, Graham Hall, and Murphy Hall.

Last Wednesday they sowed some more grass in the area between Crosby, and Merrick Halls. They have plans for the completion of the grass sowing this week in the areas around the Union. They are also going to provide temporary walkways to keep the students off the grass until it germinates completely.

Marvin Graeber, director of the Physical Plant, remarked about the campaign: "Good housekeeping is a part of education, and all we are trying to do is change the attitudes of the students. We are asking that the students use the trash receptacles and walk only on the walkways. We are not asking for the students to work; just don't litter."

The Agronomy Club has also

started a landscaping project which will last until the areas around Ward and Carver Halls and the Reid Greenhouse are fully completed. Their project was initiated the middle of February. They have already edged the walkway between the buildings, pruned the large shrubbery, and planted several smaller shrubs.

They are working daily with strictly voluntary help and are asking any students who want to work to come over in the afternoons. George Summers, a Plant Science major from Brown Summit, feels very optimistic about the Agronomy Club's project in stating, "The landscaping project was and will be successful in all of its objectives. It is bringing out a new interest in the improvement of our campus."

These projects are working well, and all true Aggies should join the clean-up campaign. This specific project has been long awaited, and now the students can help. There can be only one beautiful "AGGIELAND."

## Aggies Working To Help Find A Remedy To Foster Home Shortage

A&T students, along with other college students in the city, are working with the Children Home Society of Greensboro in an effort to remedy the shortage of Black foster homes in the Guilford County Area.

There is an urgent need for foster homes to house children who have been put up for adoption.

Attempts to solve this problem have also been made in the Durham-Chapel Hill area, Raleigh, Salisbury and Winston-Salem.

At the present, there are nineteen foster homes in Greensboro, but only one of

these homes is Black. As a consequence, Black children are being placed in white foster homes.

In 1971, only sixty-two children were placed in foster homes.

The Children Home Society in Greensboro is one of the few projects that have taken on nation wide recognition.

Dr. John Marshall Stevenson, professor of Speech and Theatre Arts, is head of the State Advisory Committee of Concern for the placement of Black Children.

Foster homes are desperately needed in the Greensboro area because all children that are

taken in the care of this society must come into Greensboro for medical check-ups and other examinations.

Some qualifications must be met by foster homes before they can be approved by the Children's Home Society.

The home must be inspected to insure that the child will have all of the necessary conveniences and to insure safety.

The Children Home Society welcomes the help of any interested person. Meetings are held every Thursday night.

Further information can be obtained from Mrs. Anne Dawson at 274-1538 or Lena Currie at 272-9491.

## This Week In History

March 5

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

March 6

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

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

March 7

First Selma to Montgomery march led by Martin Luther King, Jr., halted by state troopers brandishing clubs, whips, and tear gas. 1965.

March 8

Heroes who died in Boston Massacre interred in one tomb. 1770.

Phyllis Mae Dailey. First Black nurse sworn into the Navy Nurse Corps. 1945.

March 9

Massachusetts ratified 15th amendment. 1869.

Clifton R. Wharton sworn in as Ambassador to Norway. 1961.

March 10

Harriet Tubman. Famed patriot and conductor of the underground railroad. Died (1823-1913).

March 11

W. E. Scott. Talented painter from Indianapolis, Indiana. Born 1884.

U. S. Supreme Court ruled for first time that racial segregation in jails and prisons is unconstitutional. 1968.

## Editor Can't See NCCU Paper Dying

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end, his friends were cut off and the lease on the equipment was terminated, meaning all work would have to be done by hand.

However, a lack of funds did not stop the newspaper from getting out on time. Joyner kept it going by donating his salary so bills could be paid. The unused portion of the money for the paper was returned to the students. Eighty-nine cents was credited to each student's account each semester.

However, President Whiting's action was backed by the Constitution. It states that North Carolina directly or indirectly refrain from supporting any activity designed and intended to cause or continue discrimination... or to re-establish a dual system of state supported institutions of higher education in N.C.

NCCU is a state supported school, thereby, being an agent of the state, the newspaper is an agent of the state and the editor-in-chief of THE CAMPUS ECHO is a salaried official of the state.

Therefore, the editor is subject to the law that, "No state or agency of a state may discriminate upon the basis of race, color, or national origin."

Since Joyner is going to maintain his ideas about the situation during his editorship, compulsory student funding to THE CAMPUS ECHO has been suspended or rather cut off completely.

Joyner "can't see the paper dying and will not see it dying as long as I'm around."

There will be an appeal, but neither White nor Joyner will be there when it comes about.

# Faculty Art Exhibit Opens

By Ruth James  
Fine Arts Editor

The faculty members of the Art Department are currently sponsoring their annual Faculty Art Exhibit in the Taylor Art Gallery. Reception for this affair was Monday night and the exhibition will continue until March 24.

The media used by the artists range from collage, oil paint, acrylic and texture paints.

Some noted art pieces by Leroy Holmes are "Exultation" "Roller Coaster," and several named "Untitled" are on exhibition. The untitled works are totally abstract, mostly centered around optics and the optical illusion. The untitled pieces are printed on plexi-glass.

James McCoy, another noted member of the Art Department, has several pieces done in acrylic and texture print. "Lovers and Landscape" encompasses the beauty of love between two people to the beauty of landscape. A very sensitive person would love this painting. It captures the moment of deep love. "Broken Hearts" displays the anger and hurt that make a couple begin to quarrel with each other. Another impressive work is "The Gossipers." It gives the impression that people, especially women are constant gossipers. The medium for these paintings is a heavy base paint similar to plaster of Paris.

Mrs. Eva Miller's "Leda Waiting for the Swann" shows the use of curving lines and color. "Meditation Wall" is a 4 paneled piece which shows the various lines, colors and the amount of abstraction throughout the painting.

Francis Baird has presented

some very impressive work pertaining to the sit-ins during the early 60's. "Reverend Amen" refers to the leaders who led in the sit-ins and picketings to fight for equality. These leaders, as we know, were preachers. Others are "Overcome; Call No. 1." These are two paintings combined as one showing students in jail. This is all a part of the early days when the people began to fight for civil rights and equality. Baird's paintings are very impressive

with the use of no facial features, just bare faces of people.

Free-hand style is expressed by Charles Joyner. His outstanding paintings "Life Unchanged" and "Freedom Three" show a continuous movement about them. The line and color seem to flow about as he uses monochromatic color in his works.

Students, faculty, and administrators should attend this exhibition by our talented art faculty members.



(Photo By Mike Braye)

## Self Portrait

This self portrait of James McCoy, member of the Art Department faculty, is on display at Taylor Art Gallery.

# Campus Haps

By Marjorie Strong

**Pay Movie** - "Tomb of Ligeia," Friday, March 10, at 6:30 p.m. Admission is \$.50. Harrison Auditorium. Sponsored by the Alpha Phi Alpha.

**Basketball Tournament** - "The Elizabeth S. Dowdy Women's Invitational Basketball Tournament," Friday, March 10, at 7:00 p.m. Admission \$1.00 for both nights, March 10 and 11.

**Pay Movie** - "Tales of Terror," Saturday, March 11 at 6:30 p.m. in Harrison Auditorium. Admission \$.50. Sponsored by the Sunday School.

**Pay Dance** - Saturday, March 11, at 8:00 p.m. in Moore Gymnasium. Sponsored by the Freshman Class. Admission to be posted.

**Reverend Richard R. Hicks** will be here Monday, March 13 to speak to the Aggie family at 7:00 p.m. in the Student Union, Room 213. Sponsored by the Baptist Student Union. Refreshments will be served.

**YCCM Speaker** - Mrs. Lois Browne Evans (leader of her political party in Hamilton, Bermuda.) In Harrison Auditorium, March 14 at 8:00 p.m.

**Society of Lady Engineers Meeting** - Thursday, March 16, at 6:00 p.m. in Cherry Hall, Room 206.

**Free Movie** - For members of the Men's and Women's Councils. Thursday, March 16, at 6:30 p.m. in Harrison Auditorium. Title will be posted.

**March Meeting of the Student Chapter of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers** will be held at 6:30 p.m., Wednesday, March 15, in Room 104, Graham Hall. This meeting will be followed by a meeting of mechanical engineering faculty and students at 7:30 p.m. All mechanical engineering students and faculty are urged to attend.

**EFFECTIVE MARCH 15, 1972** - The Cashier's Office will discontinue cashing all personal checks. Personal checks will be accepted as payment on students accounts only. All students are requested to advise their parents or guardians to remit money for personal expenses in the form of a cashier's check, certified check, or postal money order made payable to the student.

# Black Court 'Convicts' G-Boro Police Of Brutality

Agencies and agents of Greensboro City Government, indicted on charges of police brutality, were "found guilty on all charges" at a public trial conducted by the Black People's Court last Sunday at Hayes-Taylor YMCA.

Approximately 400 people, a cross-section of young and old and working people, were present for the trial proceedings.

Specific "indictments" were brought against the Greensboro Police Department, the Greensboro City Council, the Human Relations Commission, and the City Solicitor, Douglas Albright. The indictments were brought forth after a series of well-publicized meetings and community hearings which found evidence to substantiate the charges that individuals of the Black community had been brutalized by the police and that

other agencies had contributed to the perpetration of such acts of police brutality.

The evidence included legitimate documents, affidavits, official reports, death certificates, witnesses and the testimony of victims of police brutality and of malpractice by public officials. The facts brought out in the cases "proved conclusively that serious injustice had been wrought upon the Black residents of Greensboro."

The cases considered, showed a "continuous pattern of police misconduct and failure to act to prevent it on the part of city officials dating back at least for a four year period."

During the course of the People's Court, evidence, in the form of certified letters, was presented attesting to the fact that all the indicted city agencies

had been invited to send representatives to answer to charges against them. None of these agencies appeared. Their failure to appear indicates their lack of respect for the Black community and their lack of concern for the problems of Black people until a crisis and explosive situation is developing according to BCCPB. It also points out to Black people that they must employ more effective measures to gain just responses to our problems.

Black Citizens Concerned with Police Brutality is composed of 16 organizations representing cross-segments of the Black community.

The trial in Black People's Court was an instructive vehicle. Once the proceedings on Sunday were adjourned, it was clear to BCCPB what the resolve would be. After the verdict was given, a

sentence was not the important matter. Of importance was the fact that brutality on the part of those convicted does exist. The resolve was for Black people to renew their efforts to combat the injustice with which Black people are confronted.

Now that the trial is completed BCCPB will not cease its efforts. First of all, BCCPB strongly supports the establishment and implementation of a community police review board. It will continue to work towards that end. "Such a review board should be developed after consultations and meetings in the Black community with the people most affected by police malpractice having direct inputs into its structure and operation."

It supports the concept of a review board, which has been advanced by Henry McCoy. But,

it feels that, to insure its effectiveness and meaning for Black people, the community must make its inputs.

Secondly, BCCPB reports it has substantial evidence to file suits for damages against the appropriate agencies and such proceedings are being seriously contemplated.

A third development growing out of these particular activities of the BCCPB is the establishment of an on-going information center. This center should establish a permanent number to call to report cases of police malpractice as well as to provide a clearing house for legal and civil information of use to Black people.

THINK ABOUT IT!

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# THE MEAC IN PICTURES

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# SPORTS

By Jacqueline Glisson  
Sports Editor

## Aggie Bowlers Split With NCCU Team

A&T's Southern Intercollegiate Bowling Conference team won and lost a match to arch-rival North Carolina Central. The score in both matches was 59-31. A&T whipped NCC in the SIBC match held at NCC's student center on February 26.

The match is comprised of five games with a total of 90 possible points. In the first and second games, NCC led the scoring with a 15-1 and 13-1 advantage. In the third round, A&T whitewashed opponents at 16-0. Continuing on their success, the A&T team won the fourth and the fifth games at 14-2 and 15-1.

The high game scorer for A&T was James Cradle with 212 points in the third game. This sparked the team to life for the win. For NCC, the high game scorer was John Snyder with 204

points. When NCC came to A&T last Saturday afternoon, they were on the revenge in the Student Union. The high game for A&T was 973 in the second game, while NCC had 879 points in the third and fifth games. The high game scorer for A&T was James Cradle with 215 points, while Harold Hinton of NCC was high scorer with 222 points. A&T lost in a fighting struggle on the battle of the bowling lanes.

A&T's team is coached by Roger McKee, the assistant director of the Student Union. Members of the team are captain, Charles Delaney; James Cradle, Glen Turner, Warren Richardson, and James Correll.

On the point system, a player gets two points for beating his opposite man. The winning team gets six points per game.

## Aggies Slaughter Howard Bisons For MEAC Championship Crown

By Jacqueline Glisson

In the blazing countdown of "5-4-3-2-1," on March 4, in the Cameron Indoor Stadium, the victorious Number One North Carolina A&T Aggies zoomed to the first historic Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference Championship. The triumphant hustling Aggies could not be held back from their prized mountaintop as they swamped the Howard Bisons in a 71-62

championship thriller.

The Aggies' theme had been fulfilled as they reached the glorified mountaintop in making several great milestones. The A&T team proudly represented Aggeland as they received the First MEAC Visitation Award and individual trophies and especially the First MEAC Championship Trophy and individual awards.

Individualwise, the Aggies' Elmer Austin received the First

MEAC Player of the Year Trophy. Among the All-MEAC Team members receiving awards were A&T's William "June" Harris, James Outlaw, and Elmer Austin. Outlaw and Austin made the All-Tourney first team, while Harris made the second team.

What led to the Aggies' great accomplishments in the MEAC was this championship game between A&T and the second-seeded Howard Bisons. In  
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## Winning Reaps Few Rewards For Aggies

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underdog. Bill Russell, and Wilt always remained the ugly giant.

What Chamberlain did for the NBA, A&T did for the MEAC tournament, but neither reaped his due rewards.

The opening round crowd was scarce in A&T's absence due to the Aggies' opening round bye. However, on Friday and Saturday nights, A&T brought the crowd and the excitement that set the affair on its feet.

Not only did people from Greensboro buy the most tickets, but Coach Cal Irvin, by winning his 400th college victory in the semi-finals, brought the league national attention as reporters from Jet Magazine, NBC Sports, the wire services and numerous other communications media gathered to soak in one of sport's greatest success stories.

But A&T's basketball players were the most beautiful giants of all.

In their first game against Maryland, William Harris was intentionally knocked to the floor, after which he went to the dressing room for medical care. He returned later to help the Aggies regain their superiority in

a lop-sided game. James Outlaw was hit in the head severely but kept playing and Elmer Austin took a nasty tripping spill. But the Aggies remained "cool".

What fanfare occurred after Irvin won his 400th victory would never have taken place without the loyal A&T delegation present.

So the giants rolled into Saturday's contest before 8700 spectators in Duke's Cameron Indoor Stadium and went on to control nearly 40 minutes of play against the Howard Bisons.

But after winning championship style, A&T suffered through last place honors. The Most Valuable Player award and the individual Sportsmanship Trophy went to Howard's Robert Lewis, who hit three of 11 shots from the field in the finals. Howard Coach Marshall Emery was named the tournament's outstanding coach and Howard also walked away with the team sportsmanship and Decorum Awards. Coach Irvin was visibly upset after the voting was announced.

"I don't know who did the

voting and I don't care, but I do know the results are indications of small minds," he said.

"If there is some vindication against me, I don't want anyone to take it out on my players," he related without questioning. "They played a tremendous game and deserved recognition they didn't get."

"I just can't stand to see my players taken advantage of in such fashion. Sure we were favored, but we also deserved our just reward."

After answering several questions about the final game's strategy, Irvin dismissed himself and the press room, which temporarily quieted to Irvin's entrance, set itself about writing how the giants earned a championship.

But, after 18 winning seasons for Coach Irvin at A&T, the story of "giant killing" was nothing new. To his players who poured out every ounce of energy and some blood from their sleek athletic bodies, a 20-6 campaign and the championship had ended in joy mixed with momentary horror.

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**Maryland First To Fall In Durham**

The Number-One seeded Aggies entered the semi-finals of the first MEAC Basketball Tournament last Friday night and walked away with a smashing 86-67 win over the University of Maryland E.S. Hawks and a bid for the MEAC championship. History was made in Cameron Indoor Stadium in Durham as the Aggies' thrilling win rewarded A&T's Coach Cal Irvin with his 400th win.

In climaxing the victory, Dr. Lewis Dowdy, A&T's president, presented Coach Irvin with a gold watch inscribed "Our All-American Coach, 400". The winning A&T team proudly presented its winning coach with a silver cup trophy. With a winning coach of 400 games and the winning MEAC regular conference team as a combination, there was no question as to why the Hawks lost by a 19 point deficit.

With the Aggies coming into the game as the favorite team to win, the crowd was eager to see the Aggies and the Hawks in action. The game began with the Hawks getting the ball on a grab at the basket, A&T's Elmer Austin

took the ball down court for a two pointer. In a matter of seconds, Walter Anderson got the rebound and passed to William Harris for a basket. Maryland at last came into the game when Robert Kearney was at the line for one shot.

At 18:05, the Aggies were leading at 4-3, but that was when the T-men began to release their deadly style and strategy on the Hawks—the running game.

In a matter of four minutes, A&T had whizzed to a 19-3 lead, putting a stationary spell over the bewildered Hawks. A&T was hitting from the floor, making the charity points, and grabbing the rebounds. Austin, James Outlaw, and Milt Nunnally were leaders of the attack. The Hawks finally came to life to score again, but the damage had been done; the Aggies had their dominating security lead.

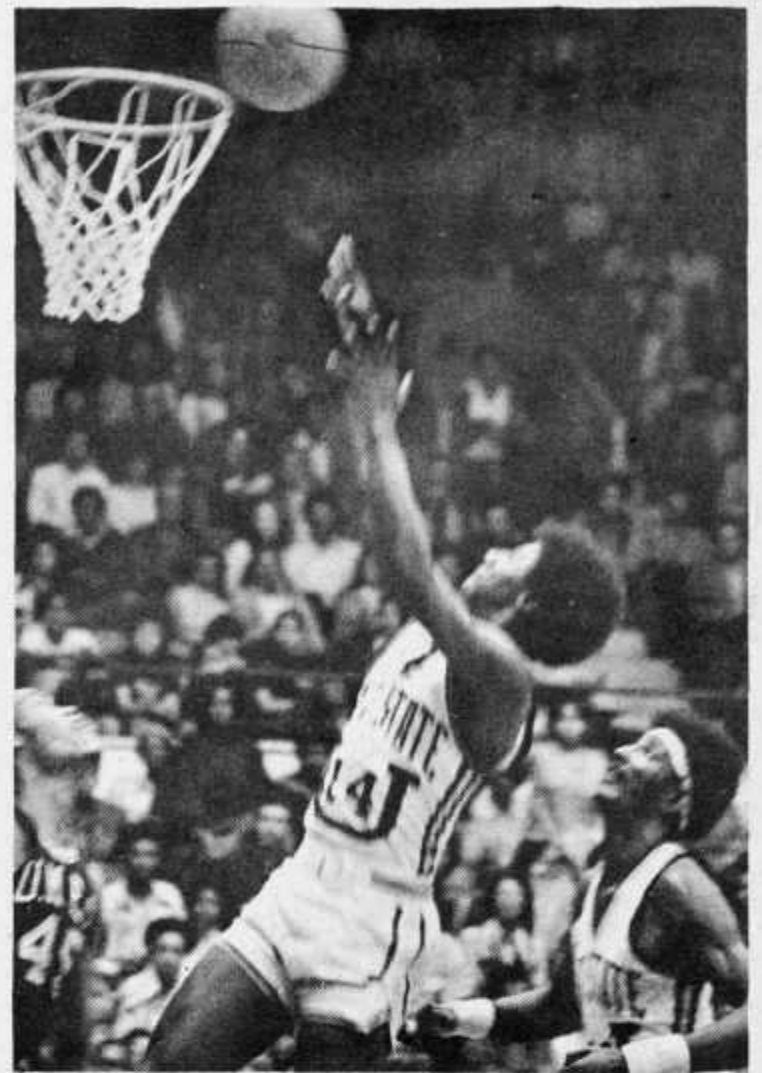
The Hawks entered the second half, getting the ball to the basket from the free-throw line. On a travelling call, Maryland gave the ball up to A&T. Immediately, the Aggies' dazzling Outlaw hustled for a three pointer and continued his

stinging attack on another trip to the basket for a superb and fantastic lay-up shot at 55-37, only to baffle the Maryland Hawks more, the A&T squad went into one of its dazzling set-up rallies in an Austin-to-Nunnally and back to Austin for the basket. Outlaw sailed to the hoop for a 66-45 lead at 14:55. A&T's June Harris experienced a hard fall to the floor. The crowd was silent as one of A&T's star players went to the sideline.

His absence was taken advantage of as Maryland's Jackie Bryant got the opportunity to bring in four more points and was cooled down when A&T's Anderson went to the line on a foul by Kearney. It got sizzling again as his two pointer at 11:46 closed the gap into 13 points at 68-55. The crowd roared as Harris returned to the game.

June Harris made his presence felt on the court again when he went to the basket on two trips and was followed up by Austin on a three-point play.

Highlighting the game were Elmer Austin with 28 points and James Outlaw with 27 points. June Harris scored 10 points and brought in numerous assists. Jackie Bryant led the Hawks with 15.



(Photo By Larry Lewis)

**Howard Finds Aggies 'Too Hot To Handle'**

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the first two minutes of play, the game went nip and tuck as A&T's "June" Harris scored the first basket followed by a quick trip to the hoop by the Bisons. Elmer Austin made a lay-up and a jump ball call was made at 19:03. Howard got the ball as Dave Kennedy made a basket to knot the score at 4-4.

By the time 17:54 came around, the T-Men had advanced to 9-4 on a Milt Nunnally shot and on an Austin three pointer. The Aggies soon enjoyed an 8 point margin, but Howard's Robert Lewis' charity point reduced the gap to 3 points at 14:47. Lloyd Glover and Walt Anderson got A&T rolling again, followed by an Outlaw jumper for a 20-12 advantage. Howard's Larry Eato and Lewis went down court for two straight baskets, in less than the following 60 seconds, A&T's outstanding guards, Harris and Outlaw, flew to the hoop by 9:24 for 26-18. At 8:34 the Aggies spellbound the crowd in an unbelievable play that Austin passed to Harris who flipped the ball over his shoulder to Anderson on a fake shot. Anderson went up for the basket.

A&T slowed the tempo down gradually for the strategy of making percentage shots. Harris made the last basket for the Aggies, while Hollins drove in for the last score before the half. Halftime score was 37-31 in the T-Men's favor. The Aggies had an advantage of a 57.7% at the line.

Harris and Austin led with 11 and 10 points, respectively, while Hollins had 12 for Howard. Climaxing the halftime, University of Maryland-E.S. received the third-place trophy followed by the fourth-place trophy being presented to Morgan State.

The second half got underway with the Bisons' Henry Rhodes at the line. Both baskets were good. Rhodes fouled Glover who scored two charity points. Outlaw set the Aggies' pace on a steal and passed to Austin for his famous lay-up to the hoop. Among Austin, Outlaw, and Harris, the Aggies' driving lead was maintained. With 7:16 remaining the T-Men soared to a 16-point gap at 63-47. Howard's Eato, Hollins, and Lewis made trips to the basket but not enough to overcome the Aggies' potent offensive action on the court.

With the score at 69-60 and 28 seconds on the board, Harris went to the line for two charity points. After this, the Aggie fans rose in the stands as the remaining seconds ticked away. As the final buzzer sounded, Aggie fans rushed onto the court, while shouts of "We are Number One" and chants of "To Be, To Be, To Be an Aggie" were heard. As the scoreboard read 71-62, the victorious Aggie players cut the nets down in their moment of glory.

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