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Stevenson Lashes Out: Blasts Yearbook And Campus Indifference

By Janice E. Smith

A professor in speech communication and theater arts telephoned The A&T Register office Monday to voice his concern over apparent conditions on campus he termed as "awful."

Dr. John M. Stevenson noted the poor voter turnout for freshman elections, the campus book shortage, and conditions existing in Cooper Hall from the Friday, Sept. 14, issue of The Register.

Stevenson also criticized the yearbook's selection of groups for color pictures this year. The article stated that the color pictures will be taken of the senior class, band, football and basketball teams, some entertainers and personalities on campus.

He said that the scope of last year's yearbook did not include such departments as engineering

and agriculture. "There wasn't a damn thing in that yearbook that indicated that this was a university," he stated.

Stevenson continued, "Many people, students and faculty, express concern that A&T may be lost as a Black institution and that we must band ourselves together to see that it is not taken over by forces antagonistic to Black aspirations. If the state of the institution, student body, building and grounds, academic status, faculty morale and overall indifference to real progress existed as indicated, The A&T Register and I know it to be, I feel it ought to be closed down."

He also charged the alumni with indifference and said, "The only thing we hear about is the tinsel of education rather than the substance. If the alumni were as powerful as they claim, they would do something about

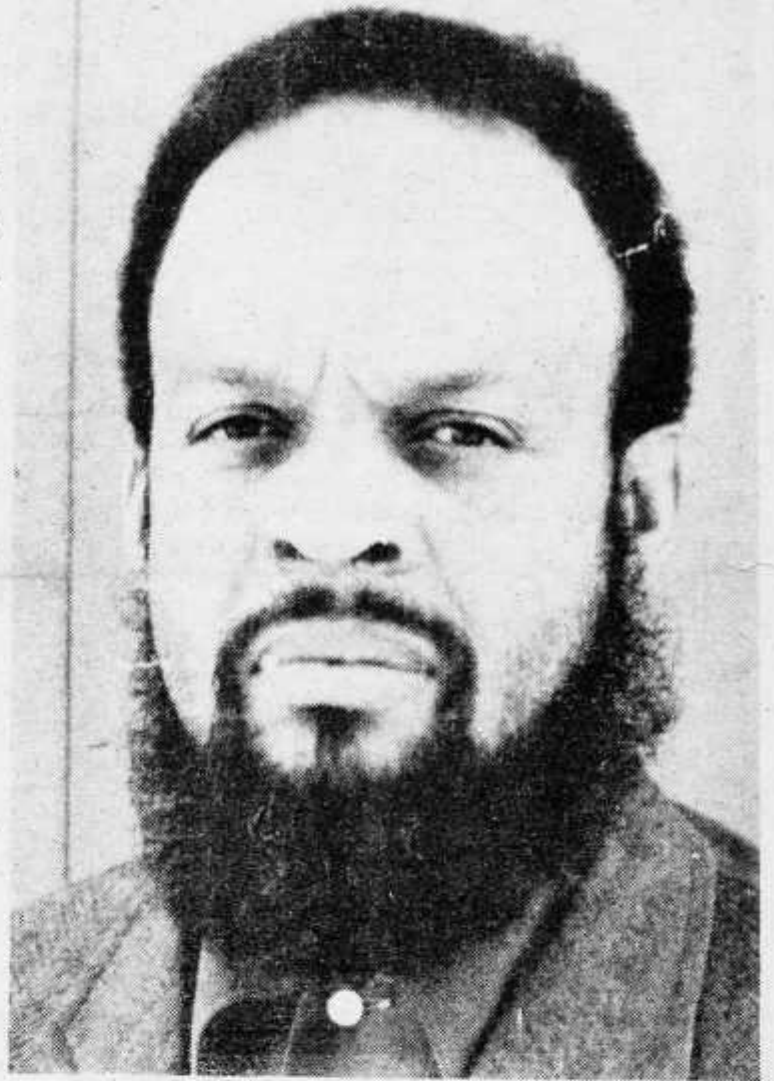
changing conditions at the University."

"I say all this out of love and concern for this university. I am willing to argue and fight with anyone who wants to do so, in terms of debating," he added.

Stevenson said he had three daughters and he was of the opinion that any place he taught was good enough for them to go to school, but he said firmly, "I would be hesitant about sending my daughters to A&T if conditions are as they seem, and nobody seems willing to grab the bull by the horns to correct the situation."

He said, if the freshman election was an indicator, "We do not have something to look forward to for the next four years."

"I am concerned. Something is wrong at A&T," he repeated from the earlier part of the conversation.



Dr. John M. Stevenson, owner and editor of The Carolina Peacemaker, in a photo taken last year.

Drug Regulations Call For Clean Reputations

By Patricia Everett and Evans

Because a memorandum, which was obtained from SGA Attorney General Clarence Jones, students and personnel can be made aware of the University's regulations on drugs and narcotics. These regulations are the following:

Students or personnel who are drug users or drug addicted persons should report their illness to the Infirmary at once. Such persons will be treated as ill persons or referred for treatment.

When routine medical attention, clinic interviews, etc., may reveal evidences of drug use or addiction, further screening will be made by a university physician. If screening establishes drug use or addiction, not previously reported, persons will be dismissed immediately.

This memorandum establishes immediate warning to all personnel acquiring reputation or recognized as dealing or using

drugs, or constantly associated with or consorting with known pushers or users in trafficking or in any activities connected with the sale or use of drugs. Dismissal will be immediate unless cause can be shown why dismissal should be set aside.

Any students or personnel caught pushing, selling or using drugs (marijuana, heroin, cocaine, LSD, uppers, downers, etc.) will be summarily dismissed from the University. Reinstatement will not be considered or granted until the expiration of one school year (two semesters).

When a student is caught by the campus police for dealing or possessing what is suspected to be drugs, the captured contents would be sent to Raleigh to be analyzed and to be proven as a drug. If the contents are proven to be drugs, the matter will then be handled by the Greensboro city police.

Some students were selected at random and questioned about their feelings on the drug regulations. Comments on certain parts of the policy ranged from its not being fair to being good.

One female student who wished to remain anonymous said, "The policy is too strict, especially for marijuana. Marijuana is the thing on all college campuses."

Another student who wished to remain anonymous commented that, "Some things about the policy are good. Students who can come to class, however, should be able to say that he or she will not use drugs. It's their own thing."

"I don't think it's fair to be

A&T Gets National Visibility

By Betty Holeman

Black Expo, the largest annual event for Black people in this country, will be held at Chicago's International Amphitheatre from September 19 - 23.

This event is being sponsored by PUSH (People United to Save Humanity), the movement spearheaded by Dr. Jesse Jackson, an A & T alumnus.

"Save the Black Colleges" is the theme chosen for this year's exhibit

According to Benny Mayfield, assistant director of admissions, A&T will have a display in Black Expo.

Mayfield stated that it would be in the form of a collage. This university will feature three graduates of A & T who are now presidents of other universities.

These individuals are Dr. J. Archie Hargraves, president of Shaw University; Dr. Wilbert Greenfield, president of Johnson C. Smith; and Dr. Harold McNeil, president of West Virginia State.

Other aspects of the art form, stated Mayfield, include the listing of all majors presently offered on campus, brochures on all schools and departments and Jesse Jackson.

In addition newspaper articles will be sent on behalf of activities which have occurred here, he

stated.

Mayfield added that a projector and 300 slides will be carried which will depict the varied aspects of social and academic life.

Tylea Dalton, admissions counselor; Benny Mayfield, assistant director of admissions; and Miss A&T, Delores Mitchell, will represent the school.

According to Mayfield, A&T's exhibit should give the University national visibility and exposure. He also stated that it would give A&T a divine opportunity to work with one of

its most noted graduates (Dr. Jesse Jackson).

Mayfield said, "I hope this kind of exposure will bring about greater recognition on the part of the large community as to the importance of these schools, their capabilities and the necessity of their existence."

"It will also point out that the quality of our programs is as good as other schools with similar budgets," he said.

He said A&T's representatives will visit the high schools for recruitment purposes while in Chicago.

Freshmen Say They Didn't Know Enough To Vote On Candidates

By Rosie A. Stevens

The freshman elections held last Thursday produced only a small turnout of voters. The elections committee attributed the small turnout to "poor publicity" and apathy, at the time the announcement of the winners was made. The reporter decided to interview some of the freshmen to find out their reasons for failing to show at the polls on Thursday

Jack Davis, a business administration major, said "I just wasn't interested. I didn't know the candidates and I didn't know who would be better qualified. In a way, it wouldn't be fair."

Another student, Derrick McLean, stated "I really hadn't heard too much about it."

One student, Derrick Nobles explained "I was working in the library." He gestured toward a folder of materials he was carrying "Thursday," the day of

elections, "is my only freeday." Nobles is an industrial technology major.

Other students seemed to agree with Davis. Janice Crisp said, "The reason I didn't vote was because I didn't know the people. What's the use of voting when you don't know whom to vote for."

Glen Norris, an industrial technology major, simply stated "I didn't know the people."

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Surprise Everybody

Concern becomes an actuality when one makes a move whether to class or to the polls to vote for class officers. The President of the SGA has termed the less-than-10 percent turnout for freshman elections as disappointing, but it's more than disappointing.

The poor turnout at the polls showed indifference which is worse because it revealed that approximately 1300 freshmen apparently did not really care what happens to them as a class their first year on campus.

And it also indicated that either they do not feel that class officers have any influence in campus activities or they fail to realize just what part a class officer plays.

If the trend holds true, as it has in the past, by the senior year, one may be able to count the number of voters in the class of 1977 on his fingers and toes with an additional ear or two.

Staying away from the polls is not being cool; "it is being out of it", out of deciding what will be happening to you during the next months.

But it will be even worse, if on top of not voting, you do not support your elected officers. The election, since Thursday, is history; however, the question must remain. How much do you care and if you do, why not show it?

So do something different, class of 1977; become involved and surprise everybody who said you wouldn't.



University Senate?

By Rosie A. Stevens

It was interesting to discover that, though students are represented in the University Senate, very few students know the function of this body, or even what it is. Awareness of the activities that go on in this body is extremely minimal, and this state of affairs seems to suggest some very important implications and inferences to be drawn.

One very important consideration is the lack of communication between the student body and its faculty and student representatives. Student representatives do not, for instance, meet with other students for the purpose of discussing the proceedings of any given session of the senate meetings. We may add that this has also been true of other student organizations. As a result, the communications process does not exist in this respect.

Another aspect of the situation is the paralysis of awareness of process. For initiation of co-education visitation policy, students consult with the SGA, with on-campus housing authorities, with the men and women's council, with the University Senate, and the other authorities. The appropriate process is followed. But where does the student go when he complains that a course is not justified in number

of credit hours given as compared to time required to be spent in class? Does he complain and hope someone will do something or is he aware that there is an appropriate means of airing his complaints, and of obtaining effective action? Since many students are not aware of this part of the governing and policy-making organ of the system, then it is apparent that students are not aware of the appropriate process of initiating redress. It is true also that this lack of awareness, this paralysis, renders the student body passive and apathetic rather than actively responsible.

We are not speaking, here, of the University Senate, but of the campus and student body in general, in pointing out the extent of this paralysis. Students, after a year of consolidation, were still uncertain about what consolidation meant, some interpreting this as a merger with UNC-G.

Other students thought Political Science Department was being merged with that of UNC-G last year. This situation is pathetic, and the apathy of the student body is appalling.

Perhaps press coverage of the University Senate, as well as other activities, will serve to dispel the rumors and apathy and transform us into an aware, informed and actively responsible student body.

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By Ted L. Mangum



A&T Suffers From 'Lack Of'

By Ted L. Mangum

New buildings, renovation of old buildings, paved parking lots mean that A&T will soon be the "max" in terms of Black colleges. True, if you happen to be one of those people who judge other people and things strictly from a physical viewpoint. But, if you are one of the too few people who dig deeper than surface appearances, you'll find that, while A&T may be going up physically (buildings), it is on a rapid decline mentally (disinterested students & faculty members).

The body of A&T is looking better every day, while the mind deteriorates at an inconsistent rate. And it's the little things that tell you that A&T's mind is dying from a disease known as "lack of": lack of love, lack of respect, lack of concern.

For example, lack of respect leads to some of the non-functionals on A&T's campus, like a crosswalk that the campus cops don't even stop for. It has become so non-functional that it's not always your fault that you don't stop for students, because to do so might mean that the car behind you might not be expecting you to stop and thus pop you in the rear.

Also there exists no love, logic, or respect in watching students walking to and from

class in the rain having to wait for drivers, who can't get wet because they're inside the vehicle, so if you have no respect for your fellow students, then out of love for your car, stop and avoid putting a dent in it. It's for sure that, if you were on N.C. State's campus, you'd either stop or not operate a vehicle. Of course the school can see fit to take up the crosswalks since the students are crossing at their own risk anyway.

Another major non-functional small indication of a mental lapse is the amount of trash that finds the ground more convenient than placed throughout campus. Particularly after a weekend, you'd have to wonder if A&T was about to implement a course in the improper use of garbage cans and all enrollees were making straight A's. You see the people who have to pick up behind you, and there's no justification in saying that you're keeping them employed. And if it makes you feel whiter by having Black men pick up trash behind you, then might I suggest that you add another degree to your subconscious goal by transferring to UNC-G and taking your trash with you.

The lack of academic and humanistic interest on the students' part has been somewhat obvious over the past couple of years. And, according to the 10

per cent freshman class turn out for their elections, improvement seems as far away as Ebony-Jet is from the needs of Black people. But little has been made of the faculty member who appears each class period only to justify his/her drawing a pay check. For the sake of not wasting everybody's time, faculty members could at least ask for periodical evaluations of their teaching methods (from the student) and the material they use. This item deserves more time than I can provide at present, so I'll mention it now and deal with it later.

The body is just a camouflage for the mind. It's hard, if not impossible, to examine the body and determine the mind. If the mind is not at least equal to the body, then the body soon becomes non-functional. If I were speaking to anybody but Black people, I might utter words like "it's too late; defeated; hopeless"; but we've pulled through too many odds and obstacles to ever be counted out. So while not neglecting our body, let's work to produce the type of mind that speaks to the love, respect, and concern that we share for each other.

Freshmen Tell Why They Did Not Vote

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Apparently some of the students were confused about the time. Chinetta Neely, a clothing and textiles major, said, "I got the time mixed up. When I went to the polls, it was six o'clock and the polls closed at five." Another student, Walton Jones, a mechanical engineering major, stated that "I thought the polls closed at 9:00 p.m."

Still another student, Jimmy Woods, a business administration major, said that there was "no advertising. I didn't know where the voting place was."

Though the reporter's concern

was with freshmen who did not vote, some of the students interviewed indicated that they did vote. When asked if voting presented any particular problem, these students answered no.

Leon Shelton, a mechanical engineering major, put it simply. "I just voted," he said.

Mary Cherry, a business education major, said, "I voted after my classes were over."

Regina Crawford, a business administration major, said, "I came over here then went back (to the other side of campus) to vote."

Academy Of Sciences Established At A&T

By Howard L. Russell

A new chapter of the North Carolina Academy of Sciences has been organized by students in the Chemistry Department at A&T.

One of the purposes of the club is to get science majors to present papers on their research at the various scientific meetings. Also it will get speakers

from industries and colleges to give seminars on their work.

The officers of the club are

Cecil Ford, president, junior chemistry major from Whiteville; Morris Clarke, vice-president, senior chemistry major from Scotland Neck; and Doris Batts, secretary, junior chemistry major from Rocky Mount. The advisors to the club are two chemistry professors, Dr. Larry Sherman and Dr. John Weaver.

The club is not just for chemistry majors, according to Ford. He stated, "Math, physics and biology majors can also join. They can sign up in Room 116 Hines Hall, if they are interested."

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Aggies Barely Escape First Loss; Team Struggled For 14-14 Tie

By Blannie E. Bowen

South Carolina State College has a new football coach, a revamped football program and a winning attitude. After Saturday night's game with the A&T Aggies, State has finally made believers out of a lot of people.

A&T went down to Orangeburg after having shut-out Elizabeth City the previous Saturday and barely escaped without sustaining its first loss of the year. The Aggies battled from a 14-7 deficit to score a fourth-period touchdown and managed to leave Orangeburg with a 14-14 tie.

Willie Jeffries left A&T at the end of the 1971 season and, after a one-year tenure at Pittsburgh University, he took over the helm of the 1-9 Bulldogs after the 1972 season. After suffering a

defeat in his initial game as a head coach, Jeffries had his Bulldogs sky-high for the Aggies, who had defeated the Bulldogs 41-7 in Greensboro last year.

The Bulldog fans had little to cheer about in the early goings when Aggie linebacker Steve Jackson pounced on Ronald Smith's fumble. Al Holland climaxed this A&T drive with a one-yard run for a touchdown and a 7-0 A&T first-period lead.

State was not to be out-done in the second quarter as the Bulldogs scored with 11:39 left in the first half, thanks to a George Ragsdale fumble. Quarterback Elias O'Neal hit Raymond Burke for 10 yards and a first and goal from the A&T three. O'Neal scored on a quarterback keeper and State was deadlocked at seven apiece with the Aggies.

O'Neal was not satisfied with a tie so he hit James Ragland with a touchdown pass and State maintained its 14-7 lead until the fourth quarter.

Seeing an upset in the making, Aggie Coach Hornsby Howell

regrouped his battered offensive forces and, on the strength of another Holland touchdown and Dwight Nettles PAT, A&T had saved its initial defeat.

The Aggies ran 47 offensive plays to only six for the Bulldogs in the second half, but all but one of these plays turned-out fruitless as the Aggies had to settle for the tie. Nettles could have won the game twice, but field goal attempts were wide both times.

Coach Howell tried to give some explanation for the Aggies' poor offensive showing on the A&T Report on Channel 2-WFMY-TV Sunday night by saying, "We have to work on offensive plays in close to the goal line."

When commentator John Phelps of the Channel-2 asked Coach Howell about the excessive A&T penalties, Howell remarked sternly, "Somethings you just can not say while on the air."

Campus Haps

Math tutorial sessions will be held Tuesday and Thursday, in Room 112 Merrick Hall. (Math 101, 102, 110, 111, 112, and 113). Sponsored By Digit Circle.

The Agriculture Education Association will meet at 7 p.m. in Carver hall.

Senior yearbook pictures will be taken during the hours of 2:00 p.m. til 7 p.m. in Rooms 213-14-15 - Memorial Union, Tuesday.

Pan Hellenic Council Meeting in Room 100 in the Union at 7 p.m. Tuesday, September 18.

Student Union Movie Free at 5 p. m. and 7 p.m. in Harrison Auditorium "The Mack" - Wednesday, September 19.

Bible Study will be conducted by Reverend Turner in Harrison Auditorium. Commencing 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, September 19.

The Thinkers will meet at 9 p.m. Wednesday, September 19 in Scott Hall, Section A.

Freshmen: Any excuse will do

Students Reply To Questions On Drug Rules

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judged by what your friends do. What they do is their business. Your best friend could be pushing or using and you not know it," said another student.

Norris Anderson, another student said, "In the first part, a psychiatrist is needed more than a physician. The policy for hard drugs is okay. No selling should be allowed, and I don't think it's the infirmary's business. Dismissing a person who goes back to hard drugs is okay, but not for marijuana. Marijuana should be legalized."

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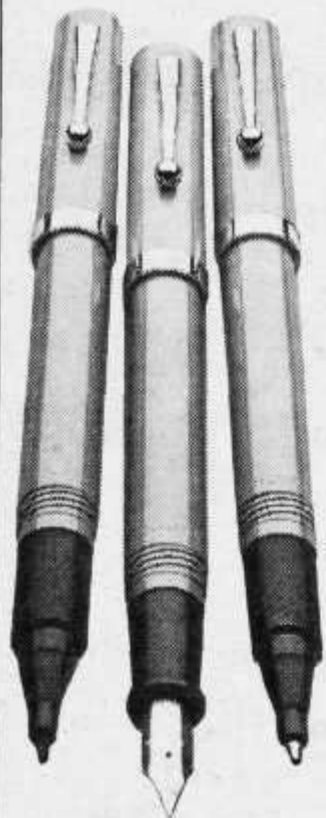
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