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**Funds For Landscaping**

**For Advanced Deposit**

By Carlese Blackwell

Last year this time, many students found themselves wondering where they would get $50 in order to pay the advanced deposit. However, this year the fee has been reduced to only $15.

The reason for this reduction, according to Jonah Smith, chairman of the Student Government, is that the legislative enactment of 1972, requiring all students to pay less since 1960, Dr. Saddler had been promoted to professor in 1969. He served for a time as a trustee board of the American Federal Savings and Loan Association, and national treasurer of the Association of Behavioral and Social Sciences. He was a member of Providence Baptist Church, the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, the Prince Hall Masonic Order, and the American Political Science Association.

Surviving are a nephew, Herbert Saddler of Inglewood, California; a niece, Ms. Martha J. Saddler of Inglewood, California; and other relatives. The body is at Hargett Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society.

**Political Science Professor Dies**

Dr. Gordon Tallafarro Saddler, professor of political science at A&T, died Thursday evening in Moses Cone Hospital after a short illness. He was 62 years old. A member of the A&T faculty since 1960, Dr. Saddler had served as assistant professor and associate professor, before being promoted to professor in 1969. He also served for a time as a research associate in the university's Office of Research Administration.

Dr. Saddler, a native of Elkboro W. Va., was the son of the late William and Martha J. Saddler. He graduated from West Virginia State College and held two graduate degrees from West Virginia University. He was a veteran of World War II.

Prior to coming to A&T, Dr. Saddler taught high school in West Virginia and taught at West Virginia State College, and Texas Southern University. He had written widely in the area of Southern University. He had written widely in the area of American Political Science Association.

Stating that she did not give interviews to the press, she said she felt she was "misquoted" and "misrepresented" by the articles appearing in "The Register." She said she had withheld information to the press unnecessarily because she was sure that an unedited letter grade must still be letter grade must still be...
**Student Charged In Break-In**

By Janice E. Smith

An A&T student has been charged in the Thursday, Mar. 21, break-in of Brown Hall.

Ronald Earl Richardson of 3304, Apt. H, Trent St., has been arrested and charged with breaking and entering and larceny.

According to Lawrence C. Munson, director of Food Services, losses of goods in connection with the case is close to $575.

Listed as taken during the break-in were 400 lbs. of cheese, 60 dozen eggs, one case of fresh apples, one case of oranges, three kinds of ham, several cases of green beans and 175 lbs. of fresh turkey.

Other items listed as stolen were 50 lbs. of onions, four packages of hoise buns and seven dozen hamburger buns.

The break-in was reported last Thursday morning by Mrs. Laura Thorntan, food service employee.

Sgt. F.M. Melton, detective division of the Greensboro Police Department, said the case is not closed, and that there are four other suspects.

He said the time of the break-in was somewhere between 7 p.m. on Mar. 20 and 6 a.m. on Mar. 21.

Melton said two officers from the Sheriff's Department were raiding around the Trent St. apartment complex when they spotted two youngsters for young men at the open trunk of a car.

Melton said the officers reported that the men ran when they saw the officers.

He said 33 dozen cases of chicken, 3 1/4 cases of cheese, 60 lbs. of freshly dressed chicken had been recovered.

Bond for Richardson was set at $3,000.

**Complaints Trivia**

By Debra Daniels

Should there be any complaints pertaining to the condition of the utilities at Cooper Hall, Mrs. Fannie Smith, head counselor suggests that the young ladies look within themselves for the faults.

"The janitores do a fine job in keeping Cooper Hall clean," Mrs. Smith said. "But the students themselves do not do well when they are asked to do nothing more than to keep dishes in the bowl meant for washing the face, when they junk their things in the bathrooms.

"They transport rolls of toilet tissue from the bathroom to their rooms, they accidentally mar the floor with spray paint, and they leave paper and cans in the halls," she continued.

"If the students complain about more phones, a kitchen, and more couches and better furniture," she stated. "Although additional phones have been requested in the halls of the dorm, the reason they are equipped with fewer phones is that the students abused them to the point that they had to be removed," said Mrs. Smith.

Mrs. Smith explained that the residents of Cooper Hall once had a sandwich machine, microwave oven and drink vending machines. These facilities were removed, she said, because they were tampered with and broken into.

She thinks the presence of unwanted guests such as ants and roaches is due to the food and empty beer cans and wine bottles stored in some of the rooms.

A chair in the lobby was broken recently, she stated, without a couple were seated on the back of it. Mrs. Smith admits that the girls need dressers and that she had put in an order for dressers as well as curtains and shades for each room. But this report was sent in last May. The only response was three dressers.

She also stated that the doors were locked for the students' protection. Unlocked doors are invitations to prowlers.

But, as far as the utilities are concerned in any dorm, Mrs. Smith is convinced that they can endure only as long as the students permit them.

**Counselor Considers**

By Debra Daniels

Andrews Air Force Base outside the nation's capital.

His duties there included extending official greetings to the nation's highest dignitaries, including President Nixon.

During his more than 20 years service, McElveen has also been a combat pilot, an instructor in the Air Force ROTC program, and an operations research scientist in the Pentagon.

A native of South Carolina, McElveen graduated with high honors as a chemistry major at A&T and entered the Air Force in 1953. He is the first A&T graduate to reach the rank of colonel in the Air Force.

He holds the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Air Medal and the Air Force Commendation.

McElveen is married to the former Elizabeth Swuley of Marianna, Florida. The McElveens have two children.

**Army Introduces New Exciting Programs**

By Virginia Smith

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**Black Media Receive Honors**

A New York television station, a major national advertising agency and a leading Black newspaper will be honored by the Negro College Fund at the UNCF's first "Media Appreciation Luncheon" Tuesday, April 2. UNCF will present plaques of appreciation to WNBC-TV, Young & Rubicam, Inc., and the Amsterdam News at an affair set for the private dining room of the Rockefeller Center Luncheon Club, 30 Rockefeller Plaza.

Christopher F. Edley, UNCF Executive Director, said the awards were being made to organizations which have demonstrated outstanding support of the UNCF and the cause of Black higher education.

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Dining Center Nears Completion

With its $1.7 million ultra modern student dining center nearing completion, officials here view the facility as "one of the finest of its kind."

"This is the fulfillment of a long dream here at the university," said John Zeigler, vice chancellor for fiscal affairs, as several knots of workmen put the finishing touches to the building before turning it over to A&T.

Students who have been eagerly awaiting the call to move to their new building will be in for a number of pleasant surprises.

One of the compliments which plagued the thousands of former A&T students was waiting in lengthy lines during adverse weather.

That will now be a thing of the past, as the one feature of the new facility is an elaborate enclosed commons which will serve as the area for waiting.

The commons will be equipped with lounge furniture and the waiting period will be softened by piped-in AM and FM music.

Other distinguishing features in the 47,000 square foot building include: a special elevator and restroom facilities for handicapped persons, automated conveyors for returning used serving trays to the kitchen, and four serving lines which can accommodate up to 2,700 persons per hour.

For the cooks and dishwashers, there are such conveniences as an eight-foot rotary baking oven with a number of individual shelves, steam operated garbage garbage garages, service elevators, automatic food compactor, and high speed food disposals near the conveyor belts. The kitchen floor is covered with Tennessee marble.

Designed by Greensboro architect W. Edward Jenkins, the dining center is of modern architectural design. From the outside, the building resembles three hexagons fitted into a nearby air-conditioned area.

In addition to the main dining area, which accommodates 900 diners, and the lower commons, the building also has a balcony area which can seat an additional 150 persons.

All of the areas are completely air-conditioned.

When the new facility is occupied in the near future, the present dining hall, Murphy Hall, is scheduled to be converted into a Student Development and Service center, to house the many functions of student services.

'The Exorcist'

By Coker A. Stewart

Students who have seen "The Exorcist" gave many "oohs and "aahs" about the movie.

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A Commentary

Smoke May Be Hazardous

The tobacco industry is concerned. There is a developing psychological attitude that smoking is somehow socially unacceptable. And there is a declining willingness by nonsmokers to tolerate tobacco smoke. I wonder why? Every time a smoker lights up, be (or she) not only fouls his breath, robs his health, and pollutes the air of all around him, but he supports an industry with the following credentials:

The Department of Health, Education and Welfare estimates that 250,000 smokers will die because of tobacco this year alone. Millions more will be crippled. This compares favorably with the war in Vietnam which claimed only 46,000 lives in eleven years, or traffic accidents which will kill only 50,000 persons this year.

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Merely breathing tobacco smoke may be hazardous to a nonsmoker's health according to the Surgeon General of the United States and numerous doctors and medical researchers. For this very reason, the Interstate Commerce Commission now requires smokers to sit in the back 20% of bus seats. Three states now have laws limiting or banning smoking in public places, and at least six more are currently considering such laws.

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Our Business

Is To Inform

We seldom find time to talk about ourselves in this column, but this issue will be the exception. The reason is that our organization was given so much attention during the Student Government meeting Tuesday night, and we try to cover things and events of interest.

In general we will deal with the elections for staff organization and, specifically, we will deal with comments sent in our direction by the president of the Student Government Association.

Mrs. Marshall has suggested that, since certain key members on the editorial board receive educational stipends, which she termed as "salaries", that anyone should be able to run for editorial positions on the paper.

Her statement shows two things—lack of information about the functioning of a newspaper and poor logic.

Every organization which performs on a functional level must have policies to insure continued effectiveness.

A newspaper is a professional organization; and, in order for it to continue to function as such, it is necessary that persons with the skill and "know-how" be at its helm.

Editorial positions connotate administrative responsibilities; but, more than that, they denote individuals who have mastered the skills and who have the technical experience to perform.

Where are these skills learned? They cannot be learned in a few weeks by a person who announces intent for office.

If Mrs. Marshall was drawing an analogy between the functioning of the SGA and The Register, then her logic is faulty. Unlike the establishment of the SGA as a political organization, The Register is a professional organization which is concerned with, but not affected by, politics.

If Mrs. Marshall was drawing a parallel between the two organizations, then, in essence she was also advocating that anyone can run for presidency of the student government and make it work, which, for obvious reasons, we just don't believe.

The Register has open membership for any student desiring to become a part of it.

As a newspaper, it is not our desire to become a public relations voice for the student government nor will we seek to become a popularity pamphlet. We do not particularly want everyone, everytime, to like articles appearing in the paper; in fact, we hope you dislike some of the articles by the president of the student body.

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One possible result of such a newsletter or other communication would be the publishing of the budget of the SGA as well as other vital, monthly reports. It might also give the press which already exists something to disagree upon besides why no meetings. We are tired of having to write about such.

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An Excuse... For A Reason

By Rosie A. Stevens

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Government And Press Battle

The government and the press, like the Arabs and the Israelis, have been fighting for the past 10,000 years. When we look up to modern times, Nixon has tried censorship, character assassination, and other devices to thwart the press, like the Arabs and the judo master, the judo master, who always comes though with the answers. So we turn to our old answers because we sought no answers, for the asking, answers to the test. But it was known, yet ignored, that this test had an institution to change. It was the test that begged us to provide some concrete answers before the test came around. But we slept through the test, and the Johnson Administration, and even though the Nixon Administration gave us a preview of what to expect on the test during its first four years, we slept right up until Nixon passed out the test this year. Now we'll have to give some answers and get them quick.

Unlike many people, I don't confuse self-help with the word "merger" of higher institutions of learning being implemented (physically), in the same manner as our second-rate community schools. This is to say that there will be no physical enforcement of this plan. The question of "achieve racial balance", rather, by manipulating the tuition upward and reducing or restricting enrollment downward so that they can achieve the same results as forced "mergers".

When we have the Federal government providing the answer to roughly 8% of the student body and then all of a sudden they begin to limit the amount or the types of answers they give out, then you have them indirectly controlling the people from the student body. We need to begin to provide our own answers, thus indirectly controlling the government so that any government agency can have over the composition of A&T, unless they come out directly and say that A&T must be composed of X-number of people from each race.

We must return to programs of self-help where dependency becomes an option and not a necessity. We must be primarily dependent on ourselves. Working one's way through school used to be looked upon as a pride, and it stood as a symbol of how high we valued an education. Now it has become that all else has failed. But don't get me wrong because we still have to work our way through school and we're not throwing away our work after graduation or during our undergrad years. It's just that the interest rate is higher if you don't pay now and pay later.

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When A Horse Is Down

It has been the policy of this newspaper in the past year not to slander anyone, or to force the issue when it doesn't help to do so. The policy has been to print the facts and let the chips fall where they may.

For those of you who don't know about horses, let me enlighten you. When a horse is down and dying, it is up to his keeper to feed that horse, and help him in any way he can. You don't kick him!

But when that horse rises up and bites you, it's time to shoot him and put him out of his misery. I have direct reference to Miss Marilyn Marshall's recent attack on this newspaper. Miss Marshall's administration has been like a race horse that never got out of the starting gate. For the newspaper to have continuously kicked that dying race horse would have been useless.

We only print the facts; sometimes we quoted Miss Marshall and this is when she put her "foot in her mouth."

Even though, Miss Marshall has her foot in her mouth, she finds room to bite the hand that helped in anyway it could. The logical procedure would then be to shoot that dying administration, to answer all points of attack, to put that dying administration out of its misery. But that would be too easy. It would be far better to let it die of a slow death on the incompetency that it has acquired.

Michael Braye

Sleeping Until The Day Before The Test

By Ted L. Mangum

Once again we have slept until the day before the test, only to awaken to find that we have no answers because we sought no answers. Our answer must come from ourselves. Reliable, the classmate that always comes through with the answers, only to find that all of a sudden he's not there or that he now refuses to give something, let nothing.

Are we in a bind? No, in this case we only flunk the test; but, if we translate this incident to be the very real situation that faces us as well as countless other black educational institutions, then we are in a bind; the test is do or die; and the answer offers only the beginning of our day later-to organize, implement, and expand upon the types of answers they give out, then you have them indirectly controlling the people from the student body. We need to begin to provide our own answers, thus indirectly controlling the government so that any government agency can have over the composition of A&T, unless they come out directly and say that A&T must be composed of X-number of people from each race.

No program is fool-proof or intended to incorporate everybody in need, but programs of this type must set the directions for student help needed in the future. Programs of this type will improve the quality of students in Appalachian because the responsibility of the students, both those who use the program directly and those who support it, will spell success or failure for self-sufficiency as a financial aid policy.

First, the students will have to publicize these programs, of which the "Parkway Junior" project is just a beginning. Students will have to publicize these programs because so that businesses will know that the programs exist and that the students support them. Secondly, the students will have to utilize these programs. There is no debate as to whether the need for these self-help programs exists, but whether students have become too dependent to become independent remains a question. Thirdly, and most important, because of the nature and philosophy of this program, each individual student must see himself as A&T. This is to say that, if the programs are constructed around the idea of helping ourselves, by providing employment opportunities for him, then it stands to reason that A&T of all of Arkansas, not just John Doe, stands to lose or gain by the culture of work done, the business support that they respect gained by the individuals.

Even though you may reap the personal benefits or disadvantages while you are working, remember that your actions will determine whether businesses decide to help "another Annie" after you've gone. Moreover, by now, we know that the news media will hit us good when we do something bad—in, around, related to or unrelated to Appalachian ("A student from N.C. A & T Broke into-killed-robbed-stole..."). So we'll have to try to create our own positive image.

The test has been passed out and the answer sheet is due back by the fall semester. We realize that we have slept until test time, but excuses only mean death at this point so once again, as it was in the sixties, A&T must produce some money that spell L-I-F-E for Black people and Black institutions.
Abiodun Ladipo as Oyo, the wife of Shango, God of Thunder in OBA KOSO, the sensational Yoruba musical from Nigeria. It was from Oyo's tears that the river Niger sprang.
Intramural Basketball Teams
Race For Championship Crown

By Robert Brooks

In the race for the Intramural Basketball Tournament championship crown, BOSS, the Thunderbirds and the Fighting Tigers all held close wins for the right to continue in the tournament.

BOSS won 35-29 over the Thinkers, Thunderbirds 32-31 over the Celtics and in the finals, the Fighting Tigers played a strong final quarter to subdue the stubborn Niggerbackers 35-26.

In the opener, BOSS used strong defense and timely fast breaks to out think the Thinkers. Three key three-pointers by Nick led until the final quarter when they suffered a let down due to a full court man-to-man pressure defense employed by the Thinkers that produced many mistakes.

First Tony Mooney hit a jumper, Marvin Dorsey on a steal and Harry Parker hit two consecutive lay-ups off steals by Dorsey and pulled within two points before Paul Williams and Lydell McAtey broke their backs with baskets for BOSS to preserve the win.

For BOSS Williams paved the way with 11 points and McAtey added 10. Parker had 11 for the Thinkers while Dorsey and Mooney chipped in with seven points each.

In the second game, Thunderbirds vs Celtics, speed was matched against speed with the Thunderbirds coming out with the upper hand, 32-31, after holding off a barrage of points by Jimmy Pridgen in the final half.

The game was tight from start to finish with the Thunderbirds a two-point lead at the end of the opening eight points.

The Niggerbackers had no one in double figures but Randy Young and Steven Duks capped the scoring with eight points each.

Each eight-minute quarter, 10-4, 12-10, and 22-19, is the stage for the climactic fourth quarter.

In the fourth period, the Celtics out the score to one point on numerous occasions, but the Thunderbirds would always retaliate with a basket. They repeatedly hit the clutch baskets until the final minute of play when Jimmy Pridgen put the Celtics ahead 31-30 with 29 seconds remaining. Tied and worn out from the uphill battle, the Celtics tried to only hit two points.

In the final period, the Tigers paved their way to a commanding lead of 12 points and that finished the Niggerbackers who could only cut the lead to nine as the Tigers traded baskets with them.

McKinnis had the largest paw of all the Tigers by scoring 11 points with John Hampton

Tennis Team Lacks Money
But Platt Is Optimistic

By Robert Brooks

Ronald Platt, a junior from Clinton, followed in his older brother's footsteps when he enrolled at A&T and became a member of the tennis team and now is one of the main stays of the team.

When asked about his experiences in playing tennis, he stated, "I started playing tennis my freshman year in high school at Clinton High. My brother had always played, but I wasn't really interested in playing so I started to play against him and continued to play." Platt does not have the facilities or the money to recruit tennis players so the team is more a family affair.

When asked about his optimism, Platt replied, "I really had a hard time making the team since it was all from try-outs. Also my brother Adolph was the captain of the team, and I really had to battle for a spot." He also iterated, "When we get better facilities and more money,"

AFROTC Wins ECU-600 A Third Time

By Virginia Smith

Unwanted perseverance and dedication have netted a just reward for basketball team of Detachment 602, AFROTC. It recently competed in the ECU-600 basketball competition that was held March 6 and 7 at East Carolina University, Greenville.

"This is a basketball tournament for ROTC units from eight universities-Army, East Carolina, University of Virginia, Duke University, State, UNC-CH, North Carolina Central and University of Maryland," said Lt Colonel Throncland M. Deloney, professor of Aerospace Studies.
This Year's Tennis Team is Doing Fairly Well
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Coach Matthew Brown can go out and recruit high school tennis players. Schools like North Carolina Central, Morgan State, and Howard have the money to get good players; but the money that is in the tennis budget is distributed equally among the players on the team.

The number one player's slot on the team is undecided and Piatt had some comments on that also. He further stated, "Yes, we do have that problem. Everyone wants to win as a member of the team; but when it comes to being the number one player, no one wants the job because then, he must face the number one best player of the opposing team.

When asked about this year's team, Piatt said, "We should have a pretty good team because we have some good players like Chris Allen and Ogden Harper plus Reed; but, because some of the guys are ineligible, we are really hurt. We still should be better.

When asked about future plans, he stated, "I will probably work in my major, Social Service; but I still might teach tennis as I did during the summer at the Clinton Recreation Center."

With all walk-ons, our tennis team is doing well with guys like Platt, Harper and Allen while competing with schools that have a large budget to work with.

In closing the interview, Piatt stated, "The people on campus do not seem to care how well one played in his match, only whether he won or lost. This can be disgusting because you might play your heart out and lose by only a couple of points instead of being blitzed 6-0."

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