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Chemistry Department

DeLauder Replaces Sullivan

By Sidney Marable

At the end of the fall semester of 1974, Dr. Walter Sullivan left as chairman of the Chemistry Department. At the beginning of the spring semester of 1975, Dr. William B. DeLauder, was appointed acting chairman.

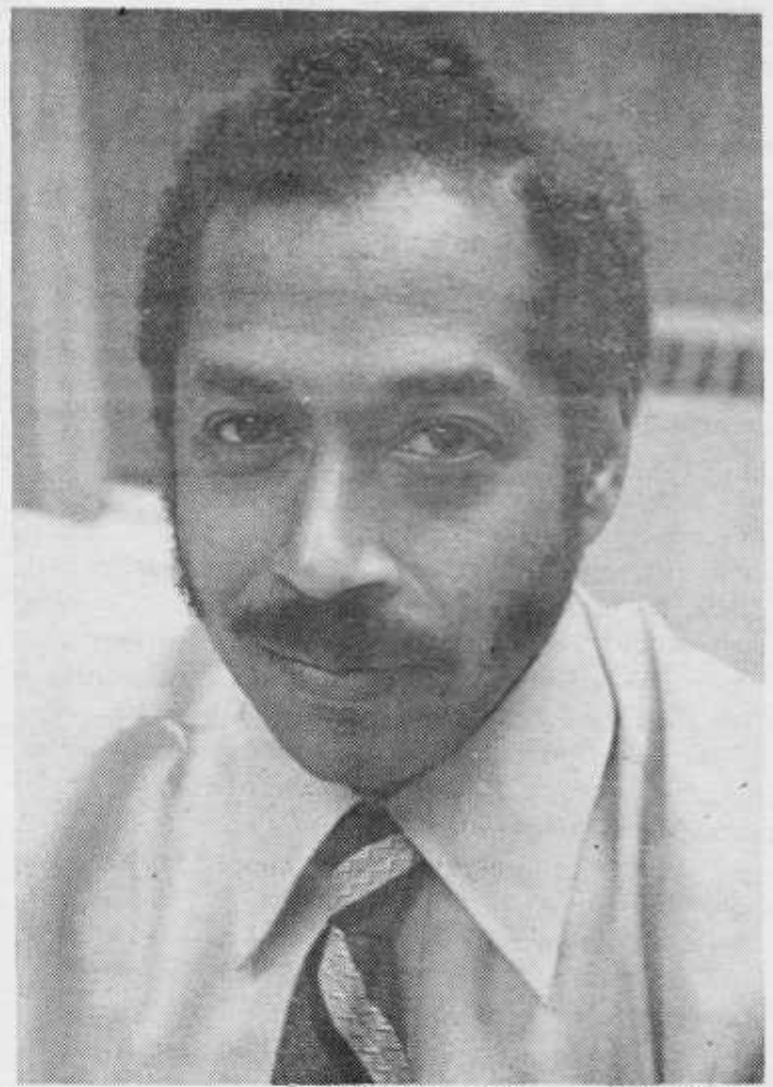
DeLauder, a Morgan State

alumnus, was an instructor for four years at A&T before being appointed as acting chairman. Prior to his coming to A&T, DeLauder did post doctoral research in France and did his graduate studies at Wayne State University in Detroit, Michigan.

DeLauder stated that he would like to strengthen the

graduate program in the Chemistry Department by having more students and more research capabilities. He pointed out that the department was only as strong as its faculty. "A strong and qualified faculty makes the job of department chairman easier. You must have active involvement in the running of the department," said DeLauder.

DeLauder's hometown is Frederick, Maryland. He and his wife, Vernel, have two children. Their daughter, Ellen, and their son, William, Jr., are both in the Greensboro public schools.



Dr. William DeLauder photo by Carter

Organization Elevates Spruill To Presidency

Dr. Albert W. Spruill, professor of education and dean of the Graduate School was elected president of the Southern Conference of Graduate Schools during its Fourth Annual Meeting in February

The organization, convening in Atlanta, Georgia, elevated Dean Spruill to the presidency following his service as vice-president of the graduate group for 1973-74. In this role, one of his responsibilities was to develop the convention program for the Fourth Annual Meeting. Dr. Spruill succeeds Dr. Charley Scott, dean of the Graduate School at the University of Alabama.

The Southern Conference of

Graduate Schools is an organization of deans and representatives of all graduate schools throughout the Southern region and selected areas outside the continental United States. Its basic aims are to share ideas relating to graduate studies; to improve and elevate advanced work in all graduate fields, and to generally promote the quality of master's, advanced and doctoral training in the region.

Others elected to serve with Dean Spruill are Dr. Henry Cobb, dean of the Graduate School at Southern University, Louisiana, vice-president, and Dr. Joe N. Gerber, dean of the Graduate School of Stephen F. Austin State University in Texas as Secretary-Treasurer.

Lorey Hayes Will Appear Here

The student centers of A&T and UNC-G will present Joseph A. Walker's newest play "The River Niger", on March 13 at the War Memorial Auditorium.

Lorey Hayes, an A&T Theatre graduate, will perform in the production. Lorey was active in a number of plays presented in the Paul Robeson Little Theatre.

The Wallace, N.C., native had parts in the Harrison Player's production of "Who's Afraid of Virginia Wolfe?" and "Marat/Sade". She was also elected Miss Junior.

In addition to acting, Lorey

also directed "Medea" in her senior year at A&T.

"The River Niger" is a realistic family drama, firmly rooted in the contemporary Black experience but with a universality that distills the fears, appetites, frustrations, and vulnerabilities of the entire human family.

Johnny Williams, Harlem house painter, poet, devoted husband, father, and friend, is the central figure of the play. Johnny's quest for a battlefield on which to fight for the rights of all Black men is counterpointed by his son Jeff's

demand for individuality and self-expression within society's bounds.

The play opens with Jeff's homecoming from military service and develops around the subsequent confrontation of tensions between generation, sexes, comrades, and philosophies. Within the context of dramatic and human confrontation, the stunning vitality and integrity of each individual and of the family as a whole in this powerful work, forge possibilities for reconciliation among hearts and minds.

Mutilation Of Books Is Serious Problem

By Rosa Smith

If the mutilation and the theft of materials in the Bluford Library do not end, the students of this institution will be jeopardizing themselves.



Binford Conley

Binford H. Conley, director of Library Services, states that the overall problem is "inadequate interaction between ourselves and the students we serve. When students have problems they don't complain to us directly, but they go outside the library (to complain)," Conley stated.

He said, "If students went to the right person or persons, they could usually find what they're looking for."

Conley asserted that the problems of theft and mutilation of books and articles are very serious. Over the last several years this problem has increased in most universities and colleges, but there tends to be a higher increase here at A&T, according to Conley.

When asked what were the causes of theft and mutilation, Conley answered, "The condition of society and the disregard for

society are the reasons."

He stated that teachers can help solve this problem by calling and informing the library of assignments that a class may have to read over a short period of time; if this type of assignment is made, then materials for such an assignment are usually stolen.

He added, "The students can help solve the problem by understanding how serious it is and by deciding that they will do something about it."

Asked what efforts were being made to end the problem, he reported, "The University Council has appointed a committee to look into the problem and they are preparing a set of signs that will deal with the whole question of theft and mutilation. They are utilizing their own approach to the situation. This might be a beginning of the realization of

what the students are doing to themselves.

Conley stated that the library has recently received a letter from the director of UNC-G's library. In this letter was a bill of approximately \$400 of fines that A&T students have refused to pay.

There is a formal agreement among the institutions of this area to serve any visiting student with an identification card. If the student does not pay his fine, the home institution is billed.

Conley said, "This makes for poor relationships among the institutions. Ripping them off is not the answer."

He concluded, "Students are the primary source of action and they must look into the problem and do something about it. The library will welcome a student's willingness to get himself and other students involved."



Lorey Hayes

Produce Or Ship Out

For the many veterans who depend on the veterans' office and the post office on campus for responsibility of handling their money, a large majority of veterans are highly dissatisfied with the service that has been offered to them.

First of all, there are too many people in these positions that are passing the responsibility for making sure that the checks are picked up and prompt distribution of the checks is effectively handled.

In talking with the head personnel at the main post office, the break-down concerning the veterans' checks is concentrated on our campus somewhere between our post office pick-up system and the veterans' office in East Hall.

The image that is projected to the community and to the new veterans, is one of deep concern and proper vocational guidance for the veterans.

The reality that exists, or is projected, is one of unconcern and laissez-faire attitudes.

There have been statements made, that the veterans at A&T are not going to, or continue to, be subjected to inadequate and erroneous mismanagement of the government subsistence, that they are rightfully entitled to.

With the conditions of the economy and the various liabilities that each individual veteran bears, be it rent payments, Duke Power payments, or adequate food supplies for his family or himself, these people who show no concern or just wait for other organizations to do their work, some veterans are saying, either produce or shipout!!

The old cliché is still true; people act funny when you play around with their money.

The end product is called Bad Business.

Daryl E. Smith

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MEAC Steps Backwards

By Blannie E. Bowen

Following the 1971 CIAA Basketball Tournament at the Greensboro Coliseum, seven schools left the CIAA to begin the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference (MEAC) with the start of the 1971-72 school year.

Four basketball tournaments have been played, with Durham being the host city in 1972 and 1973. Baltimore was host city in 1974 and 1975.

Four tournament champions have been crowned: A&T in 1972; A&T in 1973; Maryland-Eastern Shore in 1974 and A&T for a third time in four years, 1975.

Four most valuable players have been named as well and two have come from losing teams: Robert Lewis of Howard, 1972; June Harris of A&T, 1973; Talvin Skinner of UMES, 1974 and Marvin Webster of Morgan 1975.

When the MEAC was organized, membership in the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Division I was a primary goal. Money was also a primary objective along with national recognition.

As for the NCAA Division I, and national recognition are concerned, only Howard, UMES and A&T have achieved any measure of national attention.

Howard has achieved fame through its one-sided losses to schools like Virginia Commonwealth and Carolina. A&T played in Madison Square Garden during the East Coast Athletic Conference (ECAC) Tournament a few years ago.

The Aggies have also lost to some notable major college foes as Marshall and Mercer. UMES was the first Black college in the National Invitational Tournament (NIT) last year.

The money end of the MEAC has caused the most concern. Attendance at the four Tournaments has been far less than expected.

Friday night's semi-final action in Baltimore drew an estimated 6,000 fans. Saturday's

action drew almost 9,500 fans. Thursday's opening round drew a mere handful of fans as well.

All figures may have been inflated even in any manner you choose to observe the attendance. Baltimore is a sorry, un-drawing city for colleges because of the professional atmosphere and the interest in professional teams.

Durham was a little bit better and there are no professional teams to compete against the colleges. According to the rules upon which the MEAC was established, the venture as the MEAC has failed.

Some MEAC officials are beginning to recognize this failure possibility and are looking for new heights to conquer. Players from MEAC teams consistently fail to make the grade as professionals.

Most of the conference's problems center on poor leadership and planning. Conference rules and goals are

constantly violated without penalties being assessed against the violators.

Instances where Morgan's Marvin Webster was "given" the Tournament's most valuable player over A&T's Allen Spruill do not help the image of the conference.

Poor officiating in the Delaware-Morgan game was allowed in order for Webster and Morgan to play A&T in the finals to draw fans. Webster was awarded the MVP to enhance his national recognition as the nation's top player.

There is now rumor of a tournament next year between the Major College NCAA Division I MEAC champion against the Small College NCAA Division II CIAA Champion.

The MEAC takes one step forward and one step backward. It looks as though the backward steps are taking precedent now.



Education May Become A Luxury

By Rosie A. Stevens

Duke University's response to the dearth of funds is an interesting one. Rather than raise student fees, they chose to eliminate a program or two and to solicit funds from old patients at the medical center. The reason for this response, a loss of approximately fifty million dollars in funds and investments, has some repercussions likely to be felt by many who are entering that university and other private and state supported institutions.

On the undergraduate and graduate levels, enrollment seems very likely to shrink rather than grow. This fact seems to be stemming from the current economic situation, one that is steadily worsening. Money is tight so that many people will choose options other than education at the post-secondary level. As one person has expressed it, education would become a luxury.

At the same time fees for higher education will be forced up by a sky-rocking inflation, further discouraging people from attending school. Then there is the factor of financial aid becoming increasingly less as university endowments, coming mainly from investments, are lost on Wall Street.

The problem is very sticky when a huge number of people receive financial aid. With a large number of students here receiving substantial funds, a problem is definitely created. Those who have not applied early may not receive aid.

This situation has some special repercussions for Blacks who are attempting to pursue an education. While few Blacks have five or six thousand dollars to obtain a year of graduate education, fewer institutions have money to offer teaching or research assistantships or fellowships. This definitely places a limit on the number of Blacks who pursue this degree. Black Ph.D.'s will be a rare commodity.

Johnson Leads Aggie Attack

By Craig Turner

A&T opened the semifinal action in last week's MEAC basketball tournament as the top-seeded basketball team in the league. The Aggies lived up to their reputation by upending upset minded Howard, 78-74.

The fourth-seeded Bison had stopped South Carolina State the previous day 92-87 in the opening round; and, for at least 18 minutes of the second half of their game against A&T, they appeared as if the string of victories would continue.

The Bison opened the contest in a 2-1-2 zone defense and caused early Aggie turnovers. A&T switched to a rotational offense that opened up shots for forward Ron Johnson and center

Sinclair Colbert.

It was Colbert's early play off the offensive boards that enabled A&T to ease to a workable 20-10 lead with 15:27 left in the half. Those rebounds accounted for A&T's running-style game and forced Howard into a man-to-man defense.

After a timeout, Howard switched to a 2-3 zone to shut off the taller and more physical Aggies. The strategy worked as the Bison reeled off 12 straight points to pull to a 26-24 deficit.

Colbert went to the bench with his third foul with over nine minutes remaining. Allen Spruill and Johnson maintained the A&T advantage till halftime although Howard had seemingly taken the momentum by only

trailing 42-32.

Things seemed to tighten up in the second half after the first five minutes. Howard went to a running game that caught A&T not back on defense. The Bison took the lead, 50-49 at the 10:57 mark.

Both teams traded baskets for the next four minutes with the lead changing hands four times. A&T finally took a marginal lead, 64-59, by going back to its original game plan.

But as the tempo speeded up, along with the clock, that lead soon vanished into a 73-72 deficit for A&T with top point man of the game Johnson, fouling out also.

It was then when the Aggies put the game away. Colbert drove inside for a layup that gave the Aggies the lead. Stanley Parham hit two free throws 24 seconds later and Ray Perry gave A&T the final margin of victory.

Ron Johnson led the Aggies into the MEAC championship with 26 points with Allen Spruill contributing 12. Vadnay Cotton and Gerald Glover had 16 apiece for the losers.

Campus Haps

The Student Union Advisory Board will present a dance in Moore Gym on March 5, 9 p.m. - 1. Admission is \$1.00. A small group will provide the music.

This is the last call for Junior and Senior students interested in pledging Alpha Kappa Mu for the spring semester. Please contact Orrin R. Haywood, Room 120 Curtis Hall before March 7, 1975.

All Organizations that paid to have their Queens pictured in the Yearbook are asked to have these Queens report to the main lobby of High Rise at 3:00p.m. Thursday, March 6, 1975.

Mary King Rhodes will speak and present a documentary on Africa and Bangladesh, Wednesday, 8 p.m., Student Union Ballroom.

There will be a meeting of all candidates that filed for entry in the Annual Spring SGA Election, March 17, at 7 p. m. in Room 212 of the Union.

M.E.N.C. will present a double feature movie - Truck Turner and Coffy plus cartoons in Harrison Auditorium, Wednesday, March 5.

S.U.A.B. is sponsoring a free movie, "Night of the Living Dead," in Harrison Auditorium, March 6.

Who's Who pictures will be taken in the Union Thursday and Friday until noon.

MEAC-CIAA Will Clash Next Year In Tourney

By Benjamin Forbes

For the past two years, the MEAC Basketball Tournament has been held in Baltimore, Md. The tournament had been held in Durham, N.C., two years prior to the Baltimore tournaments. Next year, however, changes will be made. These changes will involve the two most noted Black College conferences in the area: the MEAC and the CIAA.

Next year the four best teams from each conference will be battling it out for the tournament crown. The tournament is scheduled for the Greensboro Coliseum. It is expected that the tournament will draw record crowds. It is also hoped that, if the tournament is a success, a large television pack may be in the works.

Some of the fans at this year's MEAC tournament voiced their support of the CIAA-MEAC Tournament.

Ellsworth Crichlow, Washington, D.C., said that it wouldn't be good for the MEAC since it is in division I of the NCAA. He added that, if there would be good competition, he wouldn't object.

W.L. Williams, from Norfolk State said he thinks the MEAC and CIAA should remerge and form a new league. "I think the two conferences ought to play the tournament."

"It won't hurt either conference. A lot of people don't get a chance to see small colleges, Black colleges in particular, perform", stated Rodney Smith a native of Baltimore.

Two Morgan State students said they felt it would be more exciting to see the two leagues battle it out. They did not wish to be identified.

Another fan, Melvin Burke, a graduate of Fayetteville State said he was all for the tournament.

Raymond Harrison, another fan from Baltimore eagerly stated that he was "all in favor of it."

Percy Peele, a graduate of NCCU, commented, "I don't believe the MEAC will be hurt any if the two conferences played. I think it would be great."

Another Morgan State student said he believed the new arrangement would work. "It will give things a change of pace," he added.

Most of the fans seem to feel the same way about the new arrangements. Whether the MEAC-CIAA clash will be a failure or success is yet to be seen.

We have a winner in our name THE Aggie contest. He is the one and only Kaufman Ried who lives in 3207-A Scott Hall. He achieved this astounding feat while retrieving his pet rat from the ravenous jaws of a cockroach. Commenting on his new found wealth, he said, "I always had to pay just to be allowed to walk out of the dorm. I normally ran!"

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Jubilant Aggies Take Crown

By Blannie Bowen

Nothing but smiles, cheers and chants, "Aggies are number one," could be heard Saturday night in Baltimore's Civic Center following A&T's 70-65 win over Morgan State in the fourth Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference Tournament.

Some 9,674 persons watched as A&T won its third MEAC Tournament title in four years. Complete jubilation describes all of the persons except for one Aggie who even smiled with the crowd.

Early in the contest, Allen Spruill drove on Marvin Webster

without any fancy moves or anything. Spruill's lay-up sailed into the press row as Webster erased it completely.

Instead of fuming and getting upset about the rejection, Spruill walked calmly to half-court and looked at the scoreboard with a

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Spruill Freaks Past "The Big Dummy"

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tremendous smile. When Webster's name was called to receive the Tournament's Most Valuable Player award, Spruill smiled again. His smiling face could not reveal his thoughts, nor his emotions.

The crowd booed heatedly as its hero Spruill accepted a grave setback with pride and dignity. Voting for the "MVP" was done at the half of this contest and Spruill had only eight points to Webster's seven. More importantly, voting was also done spanning the previous games where Webster played three to only two for Spruill.

Why then was the crowd upset because Spruill did not get the MVP?

From a 36-30 A&T lead at the half, things fell into place for the New Bern star. Imagine Spruill "freaking" and scoring 15 of the first 19 Aggie points in the second half. As he came out of his bag of moves, Spruill ripped 11 straight points for A&T from 16:27 to 8:31 for a 51-46 Aggie lead. Spruill got all of A&T's points in this stretch.

During the last eight minutes, Spruill scored eight more points and collected seven of his 10 rebounds. As super as Spruill was, it took a team-effort to beat the Bears.

When things got close, ties at 33, 59, 61 and 63, it was James Sparrow, Raymond Perry, Sinclair Colbert, Stanley Parham, and Ron Johnson who combined with Spruill on baseline and other perfectly executed drives to win the title.

Eight straight points by Jethro Crum kept Morgan in the game; but Sparrow, Colbert and Spruill hit for seven as the clock ran out.

Webster scored 13 and collected 21 rebounds, but he only hit six of 15 shots as Colbert and collapsing teammates kept the 7-1 giant busy and out of position. Billy Newton hit 17 for Morgan as Crum got 12.

Spruill collected 29 for the game, hitting 14 of 26 shots while Sparrow and Johnson collected 18 and eight, respectively.

A&T Coach Warren Reynolds was voted the top coach while Spruill, Johnson and Webster joined teammates Shepherd and Fred Simmons of Delaware State on the All-Tournament team.

As Webster received a goal-tending call, following a Spruill driving lay-up, one Washington Post reporter remarked, "Just look at that big dummy (Webster). Spruill has used him all night long. I can't believe Spruill has done this to him."



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