**Campus Will Celebrate The Black Experience**

By Maxine McNeill

The week of February 9th begins a month of significant aspect of the Black Experience. The event being spoken of is the Black History Month. This celebration will last through the remainder of the month of February.

Although Black History week was not celebrated on A&T's campus last year, the student body can be assured that it will be recognized this year. The SGA and the Program Committee of Bluford Library, Mrs. Estella Hudgens have planned a number of activities for this celebration.

On February 10th six films will be shown in the auditorium of Bluford Library. Mrs. Hudgens said these films will last from 4:00p.m. to 9:00p.m. They will be entitled "Heritage in Black," "Servant," "The Underground Railroad," "Black American Dream," "The Witch" and "New Dream." Mrs. Hudgens revealed that the first three films were scheduled for February 9 but because of a reshuffling Mrs. Hudgens said she was not able to show them.

Three films will be shown on Wednesday, February 11. These are "Black Magic from them till now," "Heritage in Black," and "Fate at Last." They will last from 3:00p.m. to 5:00p.m.

Mrs. Hudgens revealed that on February 12th, the films will be shown from 6:00p.m. to 9:00p.m. The films are "Nigeria Giant in America," and a film entitled "Young, Gifted and Black."

Friday's films are scheduled to last from 1:00p.m. to 5:00p.m. Mrs. Hudgens stated that these films are entitled "Walk in My Shoes," "To Be Black," "Weapons of Gordon Parks," "The Bullet and Harlem Renaissance."

Mrs. Hudgens said Gordon Parks' story "The Learning Tree," will also be shown (See Portrait Page 3).

**Students From D.C. Area Are Eligible For Grant**

By Anthony Motley

Vance Gray, director of the Financial Aid Office, recently disclosed that the District of Columbia will participate in the State Student Incentive Grant Program for the 1975-76 academic year.

Students from the D.C. area can pick up applications from the Financial Aid Office now. It is possible for a student to receive up to $500.00 for the present semester.

The award is based upon substantial need; therefore, a student must have filled a Parents' Confidential Statement (PCS) or an SFS. There must be a signed agreement from each student to provide a copy of grades and other necessary statistical data.

Gray urges students to come by and inquire about this program. Applications are always limited; therefore, it would be wise to stop in as soon as possible.

**Revenue Shortages Force Issue**

By Debra Daniels

Revenue shortages forced the legislature last year to propose a $43.3 million bond issue to be used for construction projects.

Revenue building plans were among the budget cuts that totaled $300 million.

North Carolinians will have a chance to accept or turn down the bond issue to make up for those cuts when they go to the polls March 23 for the presidential preference primary.

The bond program has the support of university officials and political leaders including state Treasurer Edwin Gill who said the indebtedness would pose no repayment problem to the state.

The money is not going to be used for expansion, but to provide libraries, classrooms and other facilities to serve the current number of students a UNC statement said.

But, if the bonds are not approved, there has been talk of some campuses needing to cut back enrollments. Officials at the Charlotte campus said recently that, without the bond program, they will be forced to reduce the number of students by tightening up entrance requirements.

East Carolina University Chancellor Leo W. Jenkins called the bond proposal "the most important milestone for higher education in this state in the past 25 years." East Carolina is not among those campuses to get money because the legislature appropriated $28.1 million for the ECU medical school.

Also, he said, "The future of our state rests with broader educational opportunities for our youth. Roughly one-half of the applicants to the 16 campuses next fall will be turned away because of overcrowding."

The bond program is not expected to force any increase in taxes.

Of the total, $15 million will be used throughout the system to remove architectural barriers to the handicapped, to improve safety standards and to purchase land.

Here is how the remaining funds would be divided among the campuses:

- A classroom and office building at UNC-Charlotte, $6 million
- A classroom, laboratory and office building at UNC-Greensboro, $5.15 million
- A library addition at ECU (See A&T Page 3)

**Choir Honors Rev. Cleo McCoy**

By Debra Daniels

In behalf of thirty years of service to A&T Student State University, as director of religious activities, principal advisor to the Fellowship Gospel Choir and an instructor of history, an appreciation service was held in honor of Rev. Cleo M. McCoy on Friday, February 6.

Ms. Barbara Turner, a former member of the A&T Fellowship Gospel Choir, presided over the service and stated its purpose.

The Fellowship Gospel Choir sang two of Rev. McCoy's favorite songs "Amazing Grace" and "Take Me Back." Other musical selections were presented by Scott Hall representatives and A&T's "Fruits of the Spirit" gospel singers.

Mrs. Nancy Carree, one of the announcers of Gospel Expo of Channel Eight, rendered a special selection, "Remembrance," and was given a standing ovation. Yvonne Smith, director and trainer of the choir led the song "Give Me My Flowers While I Can Still Smell Them."

Remarks were made by Willie Middlebrooks, a former member of the choir and graduate of A&T, Cecil Whitfield, an SGA representative, and from advisors of the choir Electro Hughes, a history instructor, and Mrs. Yvonne Smith, trainer of the choir. Mrs. Pauline McLaughlin, also an advisor, was unable to attend but expressed her sentiments in a letter read by Margaret Parr, secretary of the choir.

All the remarks commended on Rev. McCoy's tactfulness, discipline and perseverance. Each person mentioned about different services that Rev. McCoy had preached.

A large sign reading "We Love You, Rev. McCoy" was held on stage while Barbara Watson, president of the Fellowship Gospel Choir, sang a speech, "Portrait of Rev. McCoy" and Barbara Turner presented him with a framed self-portrait.

Rev. McCoy gave the final remarks expressing his heartfelt thanks for the appreciation service. He stated that it was a new experience for him and that his greatest joy on campus was hearing the members of the choir say they love him. He asserted that all of them were considered his spiritual children.

A reception was held immediately following the service.
White Papers Attempt To Discredit Blacks

Senator Jesse Helms and a Raleigh newspaper, The News and Observer, have joined a national bandwagon to discredit Black leadership. One of their latest targets has been Floyd B. McKissick, founder of Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee (SNCC). At Helms’ request, the General Accounting Office audited Soul City; however, McKissick was exonerated from all charges of wrongdoing. Helms spearheaded calls for investigations as a result of a series of articles in The News and Observer which reported the expenditure of millions of dollars by the federal government at Soul City.

As of now, there is only one permanent building located at Soul City. These actions are but a few of many that have been taking place throughout the nation to discredit Black leaders. Everyone is now familiar with the FBI’s efforts to defame Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and the ways in which white America has worked, sometimes in conjunction with Black America, to defame other Black leaders such as Paul Robeson, Adam Clayton Powell, and many others.

We must start condemning and denouncing publicly all such schemes of attempted character assassinations of our Black leaders. A group of Black lawyers led by Charles Daye of Raleigh, has criticized such actions publicly and we must join them in their efforts to cease actions by America to discredit her Black leaders.

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New Bill Raises Taxes

By Daryl E. Smith
The President of the United States is submitting a bill to Congress which would raise the Social Security and Medicaid increases for the general public.

In this day and time with inflation raging, another form of saying that everything will cost more to the American people, this writer feels that, instead of taking away more money from the American people, it’s time for a little bit of the benefits to come their way. The bill that the President is supporting will cost the average taxpayer, and especially the older generation, considerable payments for health services in this country.

Not only will the bill increase health services for older citizens, but the rest of America will have to support added increases in their health services.

It’s time that someone suggested that America needs to establish a government program for health, not only for federal employees and members of the national security force, but for all Americans.

Payments to hospitals and to private physicians have increased greatly, and the waste results for those that cannot afford the higher medical attention is evidenced in the present Social Services system, a system which degrades those that honestly cannot afford proper medical attention.

President Ford seems to be asking Congress to pass a major medical bill which would influence all Americans, past, present, and future generations.

This Bicentennial year is the time for the poor people in America to stand up and let the President of the United States and the Congress know that health and prosperity are the basic principles from which life is derived.

Students Want New Guidelines

RALEIGH AP-A student organization Monday asked the State Board of Elections to change the guidelines that hinder college students who wish to register as voters where they attend school.

The students’ wishes, however, run counter to a 1973 decision by the state Supreme Court, said Alex Brock, the state’s director of elections. Brock said the board could not change its policies in the face of the court ruling.

The student organizations, the North Carolina Public Interest Research Group, said students were singled out for discriminatory treatment under the present rules.

Elections registrars are not supposed to allow college students to register where they attend school unless they can prove that they intend to remain permanently in their college communities.

"In today’s mobile society, students are no more transient than many other groups," PIRG said in a letter to the board.

"The U.S. Census Bureau has reported that one of every five Americans changes residency each year." Non-students can move into a community and register after 30 days without having to prove their intent to remain indefinitely. But Brock said it was not unreasonable for elections officials to question students or military personnel.

"The court said it was totally appropriate to ask special questions because the status of a student or military man presents questions that would not ordinarily arise," Brock said.

Brock said the court has issued a list of questions it would be proper to ask students in determining their status. An example was "If you were forced to leave school tomorrow, where would you go?" Students who do not answer the questions properly are told to register in their parent’s communities.
Defeat Aggies 74—63
Bears End Undefeated Record

By Michael Davis

Morgan State put an end to the Aggies' undefeated record in the MEAC this past Saturday night, downing A&T 74-63 in Baltimore.

Eric Evans, center for the Bears, was the most fatal threat to the Aggies, as he made 17 points in the first half. Forward Maurice Jennings contributed 11 points followed by guards Barry Scruggs, who hit 10 at the half.

The Aggies were down by only seven points at the half, 46-39. Morgan also had only one rebound over A&T at the first stanza. In return, A&T was one turn over above the Bears.

Center Sinclair Colbert and guard James Sparrow were high points at the midway point with 13 and 11 points, respectively for A&T.

Despite the usual strategy, Morgan was somewhat more competent than the Aggies. The major deficiency appeared to be a lack of stable defense among the Aggies players.

Evans, a native of Clinton, was high man of the game, hitting 35 points for Morgan. Sparrow for A&T followed with 20 points.

Jennings of Morgan and Colbert of A&T both had 15 points in the game totals.

Morgan now remains the only undefeated team in the MEAC conference. However the Bears must face the Aggies this Friday night in Greensboro at the Piedmont Sports Arena.

Wrestling Team Pockets
Visitation Championship

By Melvin McLean

The Anze Mathen won on the road this past weekend and came home with the MEAC Visitation Championship in their pocket.

When asked by this reporter what his overall opinion was of the two matches, Coach Mel Pinckney said, "I was not pleased with the performances of the wrestlers in the matches this past weekend. Even though we won the match, the score was not an indication of the wrestlers' ability to use their fundamental moves."

Pinckney also stated he is very proud of his freshmen because they had worked "over and beyond the call of duty." The Aggies' record has blown to 14-2 overall after having beaten Howard and Morgan.

The scores of the matches were 36-16 in the Howard match and 41-8 against Morgan. In conference action, the Aggies are 5-0, A&T has two more regular season matches on the road.

On February 14 the Aggies will have a quadrangular match with the Citadel, Appalachian State University, and the University of Georgia at Charleston, S.C.

On February 17, the Aggies will meet with Elon College at Burlington.

February 18-21 is the date of the MEAC tournament to be held in Dover, Del.

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**Aggies Meet Eagles Tonight!**

By Craig Turner

A&T, reeling from a devastating seven point loss to MEAC leader Morgan State this past weekend, will renew defense of its conference crown against North Carolina Central tonight in Moore Gymnasium.

Central has not produced any degree of consistency this season as evidenced by its 6-11 record. Coach Stenvin M. Holt has been at odds in trying to find the correct combinations for his declining Eagle squad.

The big gun for Central this season has been Robert McCollum, a 6'-6 forward, from New Bern. The freshman has teamed with Floyd Monroe (6'-8), who has dominated the board play for the Eagles this year.

David Pitts and David Caldwell, both 6'-10, have alternated from time to time in the pivot but have had little success.

Most observers agree that

By Dennis Bryant

Howard was paced by all-MEAC guard Cotton with 13 and Mullin with 11.

Central played perhaps its best offensive game as Holyoke Tim Melver (6'-4), John Harrel (6'-1), and Stan Melver (6'-4) in a three guard attack.

Despite the obvious backcourt talent that Central possesses, its front line depth has betrayed them in their last two meetings with the Aggies.

The Eagles fell victim by a 164-58 count in Durham and lost a 145-140 overtime during the first round of the A&T Holiday Classic.

A&T now finds itself in a must-win situation this week against Central, Morgan, and Howard in trying to keep the tournament in sight.

Game time is set for 8 p.m. in Moore Gym.

**The Aggiettes Crunch Quakers Of Guilford**

By Dennis Bryant

Eva Patterson's ten points in the second half led A&T to a 57-54 victory over Guilford with the score 54-53. Eva Patterson scored the last four points.

The Aggiettes played a Division I team to come out with a perfect 4-0 conference mark.

The Aggiettes were given a tremendous 53 rebounds, and accounted for 28 fouls that were called.

For the Aggiettes Eva Patterson scored 15 points along with 14 rebounds. Karen Foster scored eight points along with 14 rebounds. Ivy Moody and Sheron Foster each scored eight points.

The Quakers, Wanda Robbim had 14 points.

**Aggies Defeat Bisons 75-64**

By Archie Bass

The Aggies invaded Chocolate City Friday night and came up with an impressive conference victory as they defeated a stubborn Howard team by the score of 75-64.

The first half was produced by dazzling hot outside shooting by both Howard and A&T. The Aggies went on a spurt, with 6:30 remaining to play in the first half, on two baskets by Colbert and a three-point play by L.J. Pippin making the score 28-18. The stubborn Bison did not fold, however, as they rallied with 1:20 remaining to cut the half-time deficit to one, 32-31.

The second half saw Coach Warren Reynolds' troops employ the famous zone press. The zone press caused the Bison several turnovers that accounted for baskets by Spurrow and Johnison as the Aggies erased the scoring margin 55-48. The second half saw the Aggies lead by as many as 16 points on spectacular shooting and sticky defense.

Sophomore sensation James Spurrow rose to the occasion as he led the A&Ts with 21 points, followed by Colbert with 17 and Perry with 16.

Howard was paced by all-MEAC guard Cotton with 13 and Mullin with 11.

**A&T - Morgan Game Moves To Sports Arena**

A&T athletic director Cal Irvin announced Sunday that the upcoming A&T-Morgan State basketball game has been rescheduled from Moore Gym to the Piedmont Sports Arena.

The Sports Arena is located on Wendover Avenue near Crown Pontiac, Inc.

The ticket charge will be the same as it is now in the Greensboro Coliseum according to Irvin. Tip-off time is set for 8 p.m. Friday night.

**Girls’ Team Walks Off Court**

By Dennis Bryant

With the score 72-47, with 2:35 to go, Coach James Pridgen and the Aggiettes walked off the basketball court. Why? The reason was officiating.

The girls from Fayetteville State showed rude, unsportsmanlike conduct, which resulted in one of the Aggiettes being kicked. The officials seemed to be non-knowledgeable of these facts.

At the half, the score was 29-21. In the next six minutes, the Broncos outscored the Aggies 19-10.

The referees called nearly every foul possible against the Aggiettes. A&T couldn’t get anything to go in their favor. There were four unearned fouls called against the Aggiettes.

With 2:35 to go, a technical foul was called on Sylvia Deloatch. The Broncos began to start fights, and use “finger gestures” in the game. The referees merely told them to go to their corner, as if he was possibly intimidated by them.

Coach Pridgen then pulled his team off the floor and bench and walked to the dressing room.

Four players for Fayetteville State scored in double figures, compared to one in double figures for A&T. Ivy Moody had 14 points for the game.