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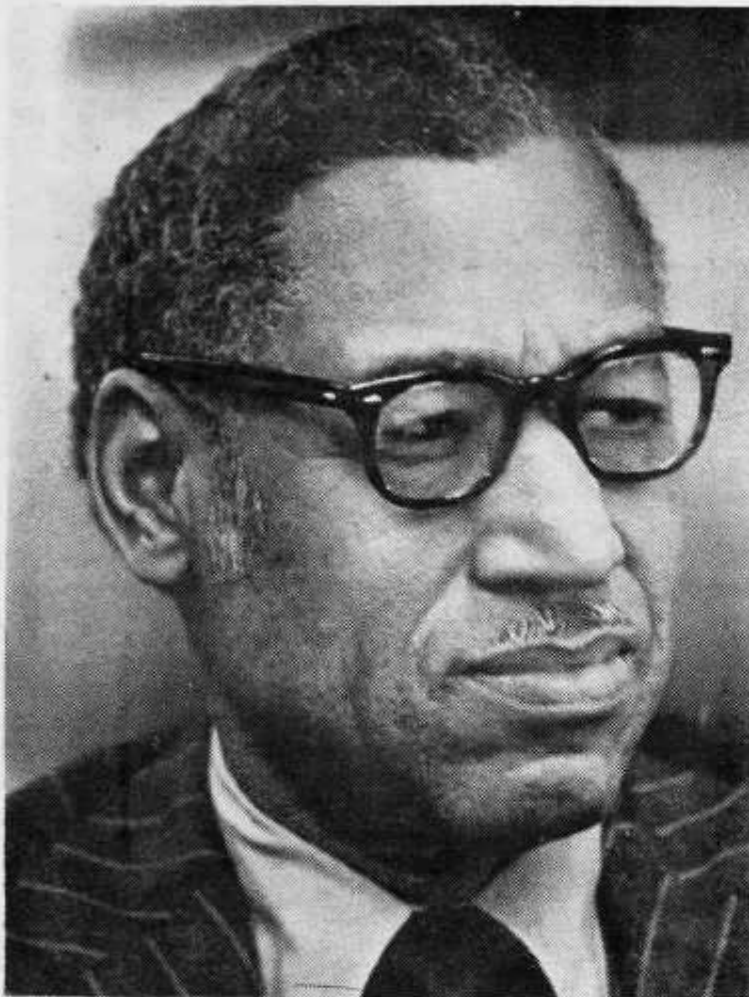
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Dr. Lewis C. Dowdy

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Bond Referendum

Vote May Give A&T \$2.13 Million

By Benjamin T. Forbes

If the \$43.2 million bond referendum passes on March 23, A&T will receive \$2.13 million for a new social science classroom building.

"That money is needed for the building," stated Chancellor Lewis C. Dowdy in an interview last week. Dowdy continued by saying that the students majoring in the social sciences are presently located in six different

classroom buildings. "They need a new home," he added.

Those departments to be housed in the new building if the bond issue passes are the departments of history, social science, social services, sociology, psychology, community mental health, and geography. Hodgkin Hall, which is the site of many of the courses being taught in these departments will be specifically used for the School of Education. These changes will be made after Hodgkin Hall has been renovated.

There is a definite need for a new building and added instructors. According to Dowdy, there are 51 instructors teaching 12,821 credit hours.

Dowdy criticized those persons who think the bond referendum shouldn't pass

because Black institutions will not be receiving enough of the monies. He explained that, if the bond issue is not passed by the voters, "it will put us three or four years behind."

The three-story structure, when completed will contain laboratories, offices, classrooms, and an assembly hall.

While speaking of this proposed new building, Dowdy mentioned that its location is being discussed, but no tentative site has been agreed upon.

He also mentioned the new math and physics building, (which should be going up soon) and future possibilities of a humanities building, and a new auditorium which could be located on the acquired property between the old and new Market Streets.

Assembly Presents Resolution

CHAPEL HILL AP-The Faculty Assembly of the 16 campus University of North Carolina has pointed to "a decline in the level of literacy among entering undergraduates" as it called on the public schools to give more emphasis to reading and writing.

The UNC Board of Governors was presented Friday with a five-point resolution, adopted by the assembly in December.

Copies have also been sent to Dr. Craig Phillips, state superintendent of public instruction, and W. Dallas Herring, chairman of the state Board of Education.

"In recent years we have

observed in our departments a phenomenon that has caused concern all over the country: a decline in the level of literacy among entering undergraduates," the resolution said. "This decline is so serious that students encounter an uncommon degree of difficulty with their work in any subject that requires proficiency in reading and writing."

The resolution called for:

-Increased emphasis on "the fundamentals of reading and writing" in elementary schools.

-Candidates for teacher certification in grades one through nine should be required to demonstrate proficiency in

reading instruction.

-Junior and senior high schools should provide "thorough study in reading and composition."

-No English composition teacher should be required to teach more than 100 students a day. That maximum was recommended by the National Council of Teachers of English; North Carolina law says that high school teachers may not be required to teach more than 150 students a day.

-English departments in the university system should continue the emphasis on reading and composition begun by the public schools.

In a telephone interview, Phillips said he agreed with some of the assembly's points. Phillips pointed out that high school English teachers wouldn't have to teach more than 100 students if the public schools had the same student-teacher ratio as the university system.

Herring said he agreed with all of the assembly's recommendations, adding he would favor diverting federal allocations from experimental programs to basic education.

International Festival Will Be Held March 6

An "International Extravaganza," featuring foods, fashions, song, dance and drama from a variety of nations, will be presented in the Moore Gymnasium March 6.

Sponsored by the university's international students' office and the committee on international programs, the festival will begin at 1 p.m. and continue to 10:30 p.m.

"We believe that this will be one of the finest events of its kind ever staged here," said Mrs. Anne Graves, director of international students at A&T. "It will be a community-kind of presentation with foreign students and their wives and husbands participating in the

program."

Mrs. Graves said a special feature of the extravaganza will be a United States bicentennial booth. In all, there will be more than 20 exhibits related to the general theme of "Unity, Brotherhood and Peace."

A&T is being joined in presenting the festival by the Immanuel Baptist Church, the St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Rehobeth Methodist Church and the First Baptist Church.

In addition to the bazaars, the festival will include movies, musical groups and entertainment. Reservations for the evening session may be secured by calling Mrs. Graves at the office of international students.

Top 10 College Women Will Be In Magazine

A&T State University is invited to participate in GLAMOUR Magazine's 1976 Top Ten College Women Contest. Young women from colleges and universities throughout the country will compete in GLAMOUR's search for ten outstanding students. A panel of GLAMOUR editors will select the winners on the basis of their records of achievement in academic studies or in extracurricular activities on campus or in the community.

The 1976 Top Ten College Women will be photographed by leading New York photographers and featured in GLAMOUR's August College Issue. During April, May or June the ten winners will be invited to New York to meet the GLAMOUR staff and will receive a \$500 cash prize.

Anyone who is interested in entering the search should contact Ms. D.E. Everett in High Rise Hall for more information. The deadline is February 22, 1976.

Annual Engineering Week Is Here

By Catherine Speller

The week of George Washington's birthday has been designated as Annual Engineering week here at A&T.

A&T's student chapter of Industrial Engineers in connection with the local professional Engineers Society will be sponsoring a display at the Four Seasons Mall at Greensboro. The display is being built by the students in the

Industrial Department. After Engineering week the display will be taken to the Holly Hill Mall in Burlington for exhibit there during the week of Feb. 24 thru the 28th, then the display travels on to High Point to the Westchester Mall for viewing during the week of Feb. 29 thru March 6th. The next week the display returns to Greensboro for a final showing at Friendly Shopping Center.

On the 24th of February Cecil

Tirby from the National Aeronautic Space Administration in Houston, Texas, will speak on "Solar Energy" and its uses in the future.

The Industrial Technology Department here at A&T will be sponsoring Engineering week during the weeks of February 15th thru the 24. The theme for the week will include contributions to the bicentennial and advancements in engineering.



Mrs. Anne Graves

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Vote "Yes" March 23

March 23, 1976, could be a day of great accomplishments for the constituent institutions of the University of North Carolina. On this date the people of North Carolina will be going to the polls to vote. Among the things that they are to be voting on will be the decision of whether or not the State will issue \$43,267,000 in capital improvement bonds for these institutions of higher learning.

Among the facilities to be provided by these bonds is a Social Science Building for A&T. This building is needed for adequate classroom space in the area of Social Science. Presently, the Social Sciences at A&T are housed in buildings located all over the campus, sharing facilities with other areas of study.

The Board of Governors and university officials of all 16 institutions in the University of North Carolina are working to have this issue passed. The only way of assuring that the efforts of these people are not wasted is for voters (including YOU!) to vote "YES" on the Capital Improvements Bond Issue.

We are not taking for granted that the bond issue will receive a favorable vote. As a matter of fact, the North Carolina institutions of higher education have not had any success in previous bond issue attempts. However, if you vote for and encourage others to vote for the bonds, the chance of its passage will be greatly enhanced.

There is no doubt that the passage of the bond issue will not solve all of our needs here at A&T, but it certainly will give us a giant step in the right direction.

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Desegregation Means Money

By Benjamin T. Forbes

In the report that was released this past Thursday concerning desegregation of the 16 campuses of the University of North Carolina system, it was noted that 3 of the 16 universities did not meet or exceed the goals set for integration of the campuses. It just happens to be that these three campuses were all predominantly Black: North Carolina Central, Elizabeth City State, and Fayetteville State.

An article published in the Saturday edition of the Greensboro Daily News states, "The failure of those three to come up to anticipated integrated enrollment ratios apparently lies with the administrators of those schools who were unable to recruit more white students." It would be difficult for any institution to meet its quota of non-Black students considering the deficiencies of Black colleges and universities. These three schools and others may fall and continue to fall short of required demands until the Board of Governors decides to become sincere in its efforts to eliminate the deficiencies at these schools.

University of North Carolina President William Friday explained in the article that he was pleased with the "positive and constructive progress" of the integration plan, which enabled the system to avoid any possible threat of a federal suit. From this writer's point of view there is a thin line between positive and negative and with the Board of Governors, that line is thinner than a hair. The present "positive and constructive progress" is not enough.

The report goes on to state that more Blacks are being hired in administrative positions at predominantly white campuses, while whites are being hired in lower paying positions at predominantly Black universities. This may be true, but where on earth are the Black schools going to get enough money to hire people in higher positions when they can (if they can) hardly afford a slight pay increase to their present employees?

What this whole report boils down to is that those schools who have the money (the predominantly white ones) are able to attract the Black student and professor faster than the predominantly Black schools. Umm, the power of that almighty dollar!

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Peer Group Counselors

Students Serve As Counselors

By Anthony Motley

Dr. Robert L. Wilson, director of counseling services recently announced a new program entitled "Student Counseling Program." The program is designed primarily to serve the university's freshman students both on and off campus.

Wilson commented that about sixty students have been selected to serve as peer counselors. These students were recommended by the administration, deans, and the vice-chancellor of student affairs. Wilson explained that they were chosen on the basis of their character, personality, academic standings, and interaction with their fellow students. The program will provide an opportunity to assist

freshman students in their social, personal and academic adjustment to the university's environment. In addition, the student counseling program offers students the opportunity to be systematically trained to provide freshmen with guidance information necessary for college survival.

Wilson explained that students today tend to listen to other students more readily than to adults. The university's counseling services will initiate and train student counselors, monitor them, supervise and evaluate the effectiveness of the program.

The program will be based in the residence halls and utilize the counseling services' two

outreach counseling centers. The outreach centers have been located in 1078 Scott Hall and 109 Zoe Barbee Hall (High Rise). The centers will be directed by Mrs. Marylou Bowers and Mrs. Marva Watlington, respectively.

Student counselors will be assigned approximately 25 freshman students each from their respective residence halls. Every freshman will have a counselor immediately at hand.

Wilson emphasized that being a student counselor is both a privilege and a responsibility. The program was implemented by the Advance Institution Development Program (AIDP) in September. In closing he stated that the program should be in full operation the first week in March.



Photo by Sims

This young martial arts enthusiast demonstrates TRUE concentration

Co-op Students Come To Pursue Their Dreams

A special federally-sponsored cooperative education program at A&T State University has brought three Spanish-American young people more than 3,000 miles from California to pursue their dreams.

This minority, which has fared even worse than Blacks in terms of educational opportunities, was a target of a pilot program at A&T.

"Many Spanish-American high school graduates go no further than junior college out our way," said 19-year-old Debbie Clavel, one of the students. Many of them simply want to get married."

She indicated that in many cases it is simply a matter of lack of motivation.

Debbie, Gene Lopez, a Mexican-American, and Joel Tugade, whose background is the Phillipines, are natives of Oxnard, Calif., just 50 miles north of Los Angeles. The students were recruited last summer by Lt. Col. Harold Lanier, director of the cooperative education program at A&T, and Benny Mayfield of the Admissions Office.

All of the students are interested in math-related careers.

"Ever since I was in the eighth grade," said Debbie, "I wanted to be a mathematician."

"I would like a career in audio-electronics," said Gene,

who added that he would like to design speakers in order to take advantage of the rock craze.

Joel hasn't decided on a definite career, although he is majoring in engineering mathematics.

According to Lanier, A&T is serving as the coordinator of a nationwide cooperative education program for the huge Naval Material Command in Washington, D.C.

He said the program will hopefully add up to 200 students a year for the next five years.

A&T is working with the six predominately-Black engineering schools, and with colleges on the West Coast and in the Southwest.

The A&T students will spend their four years co-oping, with alternating periods of on-campus study with off-campus employment.

They are already looking forward to their first job assignments possibly next summer at the Port Hueneme Naval Base in their hometown.

"We have been very well received here," said Debbie, "but it's a fact that we are homesick."

Omega Psi Phi Sponsors Party For Children

By Michael Hailey

Friday night, the brothers of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity sponsored a Valentine's party for the children of Greensboro's Morning side Community.

The nine to twelve year olds were treated to refreshments and various prizes.

Included in the party was a "Soul Train Dance" contest in which five winners were selected and given awards.

One of the fraternity's purposes is to serve the community; and other community and campus functions will be put into operation in the near future.

Campus Haps

The Home Economics Club will meet Tuesday, February 17, 1976 at 7:30 p.m. Elections will be held.

Alpha Kappa Mu Honor Society will meet Wednesday February 18, 1976, at 8:30 p.m.

Ms. Sonia Sanchez, a noted Black poetess, will be on campus Thursday, February 19, at 8:00 p.m. in Harrison Auditorium. Admission is free to the public.

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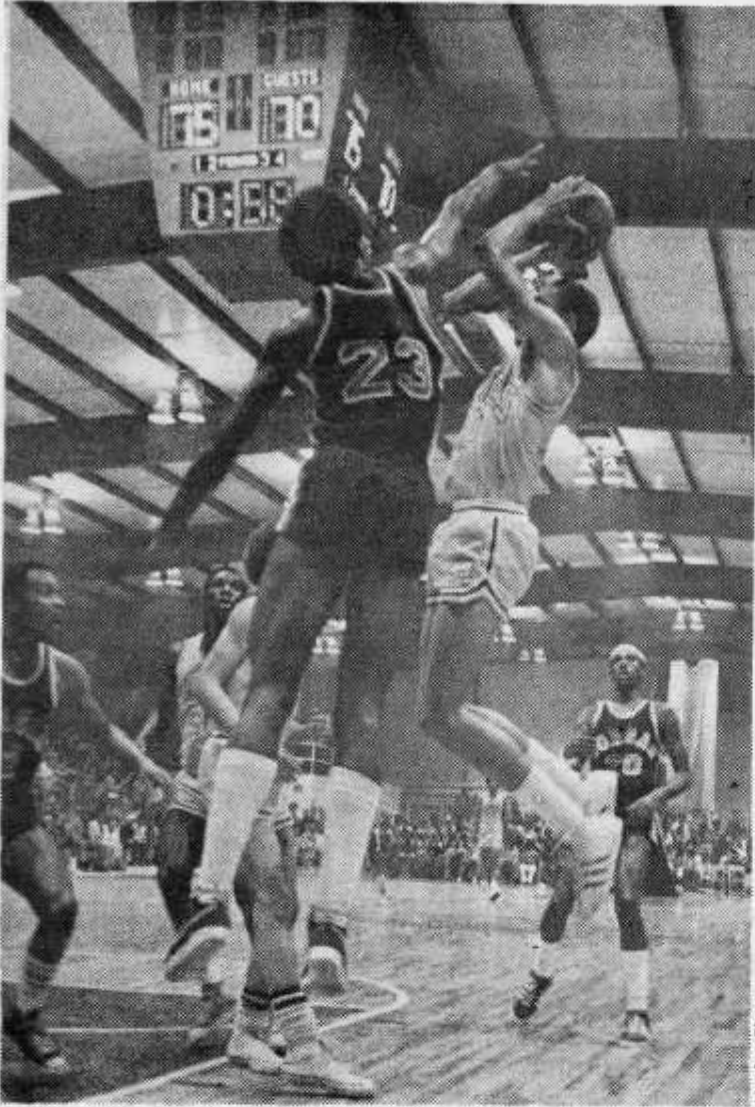
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Johnson fires over his Morgan opposition as A&T nips Morgan

Aggies Get Revenge Over Bears

By Archie Bass

The Aggies gained revenge Friday night, as they slipped past an electrifying Morgan State team 77-74, before a capacity crowd of 5,000 fans at the Piedmont Sports Arena.

Even though the game was played at a somewhat chilly Piedmont Sports Arena, Eric Evans, "The Pencil," produced heat, as he rammed home 25 points in the first half, including Morgan's first 14 points, and hit 17 out of 18 free throws.

The first half was ignited by spurts by both Morgan State and A&T. The Aggies, after trailing by six, connected on their first basket with 17 minutes remaining in the first half, and

ignited a spark with 15:30 to overcome a six-point deficit 10-7.

The two teams, for the next five minutes, neutralized each other by trading baskets. The Bears went on a spurt with 9:20 remaining in the first half to open up a 26-23 lead. The Aggies didn't quit as they came back to maintain a four point lead at half time 39-35.

Even though the second half produced slippery conditions because of the floor and clock problems, the Aggies were still able to hold on. A&T increased their half time lead of four up to eleven on spectacular shooting by Ron Johnson and Terry McInnis with 9:42 remaining in

the game.

The Morgan State team didn't fall apart as they cut the Aggies lead down several times to three. The Aggies rallied with 3:24 left, to take a somewhat comfortable lead 67-59.

The Bears came right back to cut the deficit to three, 67-64. Sinclair Colbert iced the game on two clutch free throws with 13 seconds remaining to put the Aggies up by five.

Senior forward Ron Johnson led the Aggies' attack with 22 points and 11 rebounds, closely followed by James Sparrow with 20.

Eric Evans led the way for the Morgan State Bears with 36 points, followed by Billy Newton with 13.

In Moore Gymnasium:

A&T Repels Howard's Bison

By Craig Turner

Whether A&T will receive the bye in next week's Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference basketball tournament remains a mystery;

but, in the meantime, the Aggies assured themselves of at least a tie for a bye with a sound 75-70 win over Howard University.

A crowd of about 4,000 looked on Saturday night in Moore Gymnasium as they witnessed the Aggies gain, squander, and regain a sizable lead over the Bison.

Howard found itself down quickly 6-0 by way of the torrid outside shooting of Dexter Boone. It was Boone who was responsible for the first ten Aggie points of the initial period.

Coach A.B. Williamson's club was compelled to stay in a 3-2 zone for most of the half hoping that the Aggies' pace would fall off eventually. That guesswork would prove to work both ways in the end result.

Howard began to slump inside defensively as they controlled the offensive boards. A&T was either taking low percentage shots or simply failed to block us defensively for a seven-minute stretch in the half.

Head Coach Warren Reynolds inserted freshman L.J. Pipkin to help beef up his rebounding and inside scoring punch.

That decision proved to be the correct one as Pipkin hit three of his first four field-goal attempts. This brought the Aggies to within one point at the half, 45-44.

The Bison then took a page from the North Carolina Tarheel playbook and decided to use a four-corner style attack to assure a 49-46 lead at the 17:41 mark.

That is when the guesswork backfired as A&T ran off 12 points in a three-minute stretch to take a 54-51 bulge at 12:24.

Howard closed the gap on more than one occasion to less than three points. But a late spurt on the part of James Sparrow, the season-long star for A&T, iced the victory with a three-point play that gave his team a 71-64 lead with 1:30 to go in the game.

Ron Johnson, a 6-8 senior, began tuning up for next week's tournament with 19 points and seven rebounds. Dexter Boone hit for 16, and Sparrow added ten points, all in the second half. Center Sinclair Colbert grabbed a game high eleven rebounds.

Wrestling Coach Says:

"Aggies Have Done The Job"

By Melvin McLean

The A&T wrestling team has overcome several problems this season and yet it is still in first place in the conference.

With a record of 7-0 in conference play and 16-5 overall, it would look as if they hadn't had any problems at all. But, without Charles Simmons in the line-up this season, wrestling in the 118 pound weight class, the matmen have still come through.

The freshmen have been outstanding this season. Lester Epps was three times state champion from Thomasville, wrestling at 145 lbs.

Also Walter (Onion) Barrett promising electrifying 158 class, holds such honors as Junior World Olympic Qualifier in Freestyle-undefeated until a broken ankle prevented further action, and second in State twice. He makes his home in Greensboro. Some of the key returnees to enhance the Aggie line are Roosevelt Hilton, all MEAC in the 134 lbs. weight class, all NAIA District 26 champ; and Rodney James at 126 lbs., a native of Greensboro and all MEAC.

The team is captained by John Ford, who finished all conference, all district, third in the state of New Jersey. His high school record of 50-2-1 was very impressive before coming to A&T. Also Stanley Jones placed third in the state and first in the regionals and district.

The team is also favored with the addition of new assistant coach, Mike Edwards, a graduate of Pembroke State. Edwards is ranked in the top ten of the nation, according to the NAIA, and placed in the national NAIA

twice before graduating from Pembroke State.

A question that may be going through many peoples minds is whether or not the Aggies can win the MEAC wrestling championship.

Even though the matmen have won all seven of their conference matches, this is no indication of what is in store for them at the championship.

The Aggies have been hurt all season but they feel they have put it together once and for all.

The Aggies have been well coached this season by Mel B. Pinckney. This marks Pinckney's fifth year as wrestling coach and he feels his team is performing quite well if one considers the amount of talent that was left from last year.

"But even though they haven't had this in the past year the Aggies have done the job quite well for us," stated Pinckney.

So the Aggies are in the tough of things now and they will try to finish with the MEAC championship this weekend in Dover, Del.

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