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# THEA-J REGISTER

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### **Curriculum Attracts Minorities**

#### By Maxine McNeill

There are a number of reasons why A&T was so successful in its desegregation plan, said William Gamble, the director of admissions here. One reason is

that A&T has a variety of subjects to major in which attract minority students. Some of the courses he mentioned were nursing, industrial technology, and engineering.

Also, the department deans are offering evening classes so people who work during the day may attend. This allows them to work and attend classes.

The grants being offered to these students are another reason the number is increasing. Gamble

pointed out that 59 grants were awarded to minority students this year. He said some would not have been able to come if it had not been for these grants.

The driver education program has attracted many minority students. A&T has established a number of off campus centers in different cities in North Carolina. The highest number of minority students in graduate school here are in the driver education program.

Also, a large number of students who finished technical institutions and community colleges are coming here to take courses. Gamble said this is because they have found that A&T has the quality teachers and education, too.

Gamble revealed that students enrolled here are acting as recruiters on their own. He said they are telling their friends about A&T's program. That accounts a great deal for this increase.

Gamble wants it understood when people normally that,

speak of minority race, they are talking about Blacks but on A&T's campus the whites are the minority. He explained that there are exactly 476 minority students on this campus. They include, basically, whites, Chicanos, and Indians. The Board of Governors' report speaks mainly of whites, added Gamble, because they make up the biggest minority here.

He said the recruiting program has been in existence since 1960. A&T, according to Gamble, has never gotten any kind of pressure to recruit more minorities. The minority program has always been good.

Most of the minority undergraduates are commuting students; but Gamble said he is sure a few live on campus. Also,

the minority students in undergraduate and graduate school are mostly in-state.

Besides the minority program, Gamble revealed that A&T also has an active program to recruit high school students.

# **Musical Introduces New Sorority**

#### By Lynelle Stevenson

Sunday, in the Memorial Union, there was a musical introducing the Gamma Rho Chapter of Mu Phi Epsilon, Professional music sorority to the campus of A&T.

The installing officers were Mary Davidson, 'mational president who flew in from Los Angeles, California, and Louise Burroughs, province governor,

#### from Greensboro.

Also assisting the installing officers were the sisters of the

Alpha Xi Chapter of UNC-G. The sorority was founded in 1903, at the Cincinnati Conservatory in Ohio. Mu Phi Epsilon is one of the third most prestigious ..... professional organizations for women in the country. They also have international status with two collegiate chapters in the

#### Philippine Islands.

A&T is the third Black school to install the purple and white chapter. The others lare : Southern University, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, in 1966 and Central State University, Wilberforce. Ohio in 1972.

The chapter consists of thirtenn musically inclined students. They are Fenice Boyd, Karen Brewington, Ann Brown, Pamela Carlson, Joan Carr, Sharon Copeland, Ann Diggs, Teresa Edgar, Janet Jones, Coretta Kelly, Judith Pinnix, Katrina Platt and Ann Thomas.

The chapter president is Janet Jones and the faculty advisor is Jimmie J. Williams, acting

chairman of the Music Department.



By Anthony Motley

The Office of Development and University Relations. through the courtesy of the A&T Industry Cluster has released the annual Aggie pin up calendars.

This year the calendar is a bit different because it is entitled, "The Bicentennial Edition of the Aggie Action Calendar 1976." It consists of information from 1891 to 1976. The cover is

composed of the six presidents and a beautiful photo of the original Dudley Building which we lost due to a fire in 1930.

Upon opening the calendar, one can observe bicentennial greetings from our chancellor, Dr. Lewis C. Dowdy. The calendar has most of the upcoming events and

(See Calendar, Page 3)



**Primary Ballot May Include** 

### **Bond Issue Referendum Also**

Monday was the deadline for unregistered persons to sign up to vote in North Carolina's March 23 presidential primary. It was also the deadline for changing party registration.

former California Gov. Ronald Reagan.

Those voters who don't like any of the candidates will be able to vote "no preference" which entially is a vote to send an uncommitted delegate to the party convention next summer.

Registration was open to persons who will be at least 18 years old on the day of the primary.

Democrats have six candidates to choose among: Alabama Gov. George Wallace, Sen. Henry Jackson of Washington, former Sen. Fred Harris of Oklahoma, former Georgia Gov. Jimmy Carter, Rep. Morris Udall of Arizona and Sen. Lloyd Bentsen of Texas who has dropped out of the race but is still on the Tar Heel ballot.

Candidates on the Republican ballot are President Ford and

Also on the ballot next month will be a bond issue and two proposed amendments to the state constitution. The bond issue is for \$43 million to be used for higher education.

One amendment would allow local government to issue revenue bonds to help new industries finance factories or pollution control equipment. The other amendment would allow local governments to float bonds for hospitals and other health care facilities.

Co-eds registering to vote in the Memorial Student Union.

photo by Sims

### What Is The Significance Of Nixon's Trip To China?

On last Saturday, former President Richard M. Nixon made his second invitational visit to China. This visit took place exactly four years after his first visit there, and 18 months after his resignation from the presidency. This time he is supposed to be returning as "private citizen Richard M. Nixon."

According to the Associated Press, the official reason for the Chinese invitation to the Nixons was "to mark the fourth anniversary of their historic visit to China exactly four years ago."

However, it has been rumored that the Chinese hope that during his eight-day visit the former President will say something critical of the current White House policy of detente with the Soviet Union. The Chinese fear a U.S.-Soviet nuclear agreement that would give the Russians more freedom to move against China along the joint frontier of the two countries.

The White House seems to be trying to convince the general public that the Nixon trip is of no significance by repeatedly disassociating itself from the trip. No ranking U. S. government officials were present to bid Nixon farewell when he left Friday.

President Ford had said that Nixon's trip had no significance for foreign policy since he was traveling as a private citizen without power to negotiate for the United States. According to Ford, Nixon had been given no special briefings for the trip.

Yet, on Saturday, Secretary of State Henry Kissinger told a news conference in Brazil that Nixon is expected to brief the Ford administration on his return, especially if he talks with Hua Kuo-feng, a former public security minister who is presently the Acting Premier of China. This is inspite of the fact that the White House had previously indicated that there was no plan to get a report from Nixon on his return.

All of these conflicting statements concerning the significance of Nixon's trip to China leads this writer to conclude that one of two possible situations exists: (1) the U. S. government still doesn't trust Nixon and is concerned that he might sell us out, or (2) Nixon is not traveling merely as a private citizen with no powers of negotiation.

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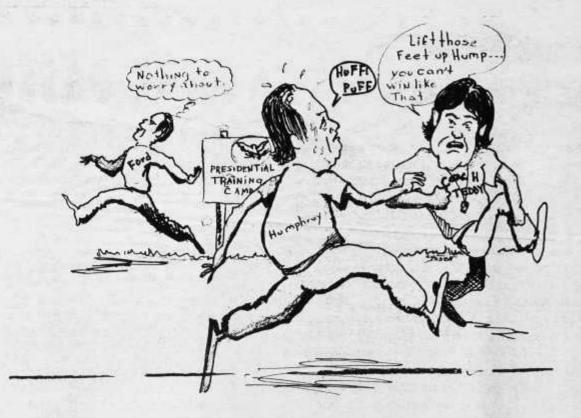
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## **Supreme Court Denies Appeal**

#### By Daryl E. Smith

The United States Supreme Court has denied .Jesse Fowler the opportunity for his appeal arguments to be presented before them.

The state of North Carolina argued against Fowler last April, and the fate of every death row inmate was hanging while his case was before the Supreme Court.

The sudden decision not to listen to Jesse Fowler's particular case, has left this writer with mixed emotions. Even though Fowler was convicted under a judicial interpretation, instead of the existing death law penalty, arguments had already been presented before the court on his behalf, and for the present court to say, I care not to listen to the arguments about Jesse Fowler, is a tragic occurrence of mis-justice.

From April to June of last year the United States Supreme Court heard arguments, both sides speaking their minds, and they were unable to reach a decision about Jesse Fowler.

Jesse Fowler's case has a historical significance, he represents the majority of minorities that compose the North Carolina statistics of death-row inmates, and he also represents the unfortunate antiquated existing state laws which have not been able to implement a constructive program for those imprisoned in this state.

Jesse Fowler may be one man among many on death row, but those people who are familiar with his situation can not forget that the highest court in America dealt Jesse Fowler a joker, and it's no joke to be sitting in Central Prison death row, Raleigh, North Carolina.

# **Playing Catch-Up Is Not Easy**

#### By Benjamin T. Forbes

Playing catch-up is not easy when one is millions of dollars behind in improvements for higher education. Playing catch-up is exactly what the five predominantly Black universities are doing. Black schools have been playing this game for quite some time now and the only thing they receive for their efforts is a token.

The four Black schools that will receive money if the March 23 bond issue passes are only receiving small portions of the money. Fayetteville State will receive the greatest amount of money of any of the Black schools (\$4,380,000).

Now that the nation and state are in an economic slump, the General Assembly has decided to limit funding to the most needed buildings on 13 of the 16 University of North Carolina campuses. The General Assembly certainly limited the amount of money the Black institutions would receive.

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REPRESENTED FOR NATIONAL ADVERTISING BY National Educational Advertising Services, Inc. 360 Lexington Ave., New York, N. Y. 10017 Black institutions know they need more money and the General Assembly knows it too. Yet Blacks should not vote against the upcoming bond issue because it would hurt more than it would help in the long run.

Because Black schools do not receive as much or anywhere near as much money as white schools, they have to rely on the federal funds from different government agencies. White schools complain about this too.

A few months ago, the Greensboro Daily News and Record published a series of reports discussing the amounts of money A&T received from the government as opposed to UNC-G. Eventhough A&T receives more federal assistance than UNC-G, \$5,153,000 will go to UNC-G if the referendum passes. A&T will only get \$2,127,000.

Black schools have done without for too long. It is high time that the predominantly white institutions learn to do without. The Black institutions are the ones in real need of the money, not just hand-outs. We can not catch-up with mere hand-outs. Get out and vote because playing catchup is so very hard to do.

#### **Pan-Hellenic**

### **Council Makes Changes**

#### By Anthony Motley

There have been several additional changes made in the pledging procedures this semester. One can observe no pledge lines during class hours, no loud speaking, no sweaty uniforms, and no degrading acts at present.

Sheldon Southerland, president of the Pan-Hellenic Council, was asked as to the nature of the changes. He stated that the initial change was brought about last semester. It was brought to the attention of several organizations that probation period was supposed to consist of only a week.

At that point the administration stated that they would give the organizations a chance to work out a proposal that could be honored by both the students and the administration. The Council came up with the workable plan and it was initiated this sem ster.

Dr. J.E. Marshall,

vice-chancellor for Student Affairs added that the plan would be followed by all organizations that had a pledge

or probation period of similar stature. He commented that it would bring about some type of uniformity. Marshall was then asked, why were the non Greeks not informed about the initial changes and proposals. He responded by saying that the

Greeks had committed most of the infractions and misconduct. therefore, it did not concern the non-Greeks directly.

Pledging period will remain the same length of time, but the strictness and complete procedures will not be carried out until the last week.

Southerland closed by saying, "If a proper attitude is established with the university a lot can be accomplished."

# Lyceum Programs Get Little Attention

#### By Lynelle Stevenson

Why won't students and members attend the faculty lyceum programs in Harrison Auditorium?

The reasons are many according to Jimmie J. Williams, chairman of the Music Department and producer of the lyceum series.

"The material is out, letters are sent, the newspapers are notified, brochures are printed and posters are put up prior to the performance, yet only a handfull of students show up. It seems like there is just a lack of interest," he said.

Williams feels that at a university like ours, the students need to be exposed to the fine arts from total cultures.

'Students need opportunities to develop tastes and appreciations that they didn't bring here. If they never give

themselves the chance, then they'll never see what other things are about. It makes me sad to see this," he continued.

When asked if the lack of attendance could jeopordize the continuation of the program, Williams stated," There's no danger of losing the program because we shortchange those can't students who do come."

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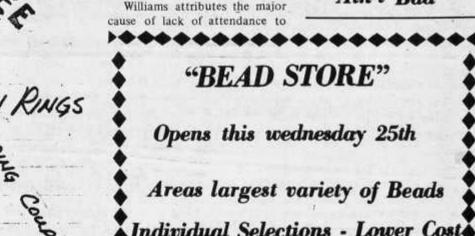
the conflicting schedules around the university.

"Sometimes there is competition from other attractions on campus. National and International attractions can't just change their dates when something is scheduled elsewhere on campus."

When asked if there was a solution to the problem, Williams

said,"The schedule for next year is being completed this spring in hopes that nothing else will be allowed to be scheduled at the same time." The next lyceum program will be March 1, in Harrison Auditorium at 8 p.m. Miss Margaret Tynes, a soprano, who is also a graduate of A&T, will be in concert. Students and faculty alike are urged to attend.

### 4 Out Of 5 Ain't Bad



For Championship Game MEAC Expects 10,000 To Attend

A crowd of about 10,000 is expected at the climax of the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference Basketball tournament this weekend at the Greensboro Coliseum.

According to coliseum manager Jim Oshust, approximately \$35,000 in advance tickets have been sold. Oshust said that most of the advance tickets would be sold within the five-day; period. leading up to the opening round Thursday.

At least 5,000 spectators are expected to watch a 3:30 p.m. battle between fourth and fifth seeded Howard University and Delaware State College.

### **Calendar** Contains **Many Highlights** Of A&T's History

(Continued From Page 1) organizational meeting dates. It also has over 60 photos and of course the months starting with January 1976 and ending with

The winner of that game will meet Morgan State, winner of a toss for the bye in a 7 p.m. semifinal matchup Friday night.

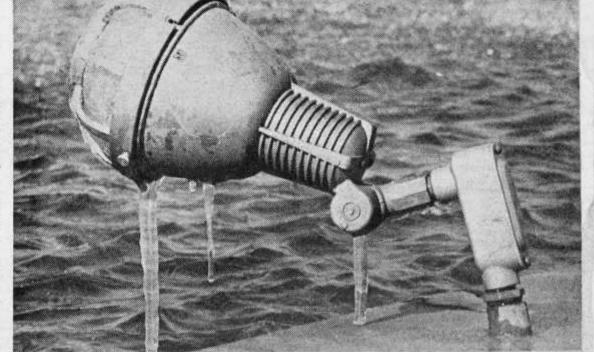
At 7 p.m. that same Thursday, North Carolina Central, the sixth seed will go head-to-head against the third rated Bulldogs of South Carolina State.

The opening day will be topped off with host, A&T,

playing the seventh-rated Hawks of Maryland-Eastern Shore at a 9 p.m. starting time.

The winners of these two games will meet in a 9 p.m. clash on Friday night to determine one of the final two teams. The losers of Friday's games will play for the number three spot in a 7 p.m. Saturday time as the championship will be played at 9 p.m.





It looks like the Hawk has bypassed Aggieland but don't count your icicles before they melt. photo by Sims

Feb. 1977.

At the back there is what can be considered the most important section. This section contains highlights of the background and history of A&T.

The calendars are very informative and very attractive, but it seems that it will take an infinite amount of time for students to receive them. It was learned yesterday that the calendars have been packaged and labeled, but the Sports Information office, where they are located, will not deliver them. They are waiting for someone from the residence halls to come pick them up. to

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# Fairleigh Dickinson Defeats A&T

#### By Craig Turner

It had been anticipated by many persons that A&T would probably have a rough go of things this past weekend at Fairleigh Dickinson.

But few thought that a varitable "slug-fest" would take place on the hidden campus at Rutherford, N.J., least of all A&T.

That was the case as the Knights overcame a five-point deficit to overtake the Aggies by a 59-52 count last Saturday.

The 52-point production by the Aggies was the lowest of their entire basketball season. A large portion of that sub par effort was due to the physical nature of the contest.

A&T took a quick 6-0 lead barely four minutes into the

game but the Knights battled right back on the shoulders of 6-7 John Gorgenson

The rugged senior delivered seven of Dickinson's first ten points and rebounded well throughout his short stay.

And short his stay was as he was ejected for fighting at the 9:26 mark in the first half. This didn't slow down Dickinson as they ran their bulge to 17-10 some two minutes later.

Neither team could connect with any great deal of accuracy from the floor. However, several near-shoving incidents were encountered as the officials allowed for loose body contact. Whether it was a hindrance to A&T was not really evident as it trailed 23-21 at the half.

In the second stanza, the much taller Aggies were

completely dominated off the boards by 6-6 leaper Sherman Edmonds.

It was Edmonds that constantly broke underneath for easy layups or dished off to a waiting guard outside.

A&T, however, did not put itself out of the game. Guards Ray Perry and James Sparrow blasted the Knights tight zone defense with some sizzling outside shooting. But without any great deal of offensive rebounding, A&T's chances grew slimmer as the clock ran on.

The clincher came with Edmonds' three-point play with 1:26 to go following an offensive rebound and followup shot. That basket put Dickinson up 53-46 and sealed the Aggies' doom.

Leading the way for the Aggies was James Sparrow with 21 points followed by Ray Perry with 11 points.

winner with 18 points. Edmonds was second with 13 points and nine rebounds.



L.J. Pipkin blocks a shot during the Fairleigh Dickinson game.

photo by Sims

### **Aggie Wrestling Team Takes Conference Title**

#### By Melvin T. McLean

The Aggie wrestling team clinched the MEAC conference championship this weekend by beating its closest opponent, South Carolina State, 761/2-70. The Aggies had four to place in first place: Rodney James at 126 lbs., Roosevelt Hilton at 134 lbs., John Ford at 142 lbs., and Walter Barrett at 158 lbs. The matmen had three men to place 2nd: Lester Epps at 150 lbs., Clinton Bostic at 190, and Arthur Boone, the heavy weight.

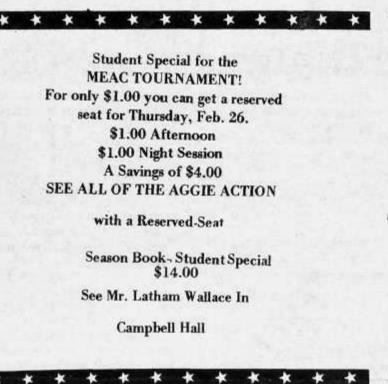
There were no third place and one fourth place: Amos Ferguson at 118lbs. Steve Graves and Al Thompson did not place in finals because they were met with stiff competition in the first round.

This' is the second year that the Aggie matmen have taken the championship and Mel Pinckney has won the Coach of the Year award three years (twice in the MEAC and once in the NAIA) straight. Roosevelt Hilton at 134 tied for the most valuable wrestler in the MEAC. The Aggies finished up their season with a 16-6 overall record and (7-0) in conference play.

Despite the way the Aggic wrestlers traveled by cars they still did the job all the way. The Aggies were supposed to travel by bus but due to some unfair overactive policing by other groups, the Aggies had to travel in three station-wagons which arrived late and almost

Coach Mel B. Pinckney has boosted his career record to (59-21-2).

Steve Maskeinskwe led the



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made the wrestlers miss their seating arrangements. In fact the Aggies were five hours late when arriving in Delaware. They were tired but still came through. Even though the Aggies finally got on the road with the cars, the gas card was not valid so that threw them - another hour behind. With all of these mishaps the Aggies now had seven guys to qualify and go to the regionals. They are Rodney James at 126 from Greensboro, and senior Roosevelt Hilton at 134 from Norfolk, Va., Captain John Ford at 143 from Montclair, N.J., and Walter Barrett at 158 from Greensboro.

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