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Noted Author And Poet Speaks At Student Union



THE A&T REGISTER

"COMPLETE AWARENESS FOR COMPLETE COMMITMENT"

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By Daryl E. Smith
Lance Jeffers, noted author and Black poet, spoke before an attentive audience Sunday in the Student Union Ballroom.

Jeffers read selected samples of his writings and told those present that he had seen a Black woman in a classroom and she looked like Black women generally.

Jeffers said, "My poetry represents the suffering and untold grievances of Black men and women in America."

Jeffers' poems were classified into four parts-poems of love, poems of Black identity, poems for the future, and poems for self-determination.

The poems of identity for Black men were concerned about the inflicted anguish that Black men had gone through, spoken in the form of spirituals. One in particular that most people liked dealt with a Black man in Mississippi who was killed while working in his garden. The title of the poem was "My God What Have I Done To Deserve This".

Jeffers said that he had written a poem entitled, "God's Man of War" and it dealt with a man from out of the past. The character turned out to be Nat Turner.

Others read were "Malcolm, the Snore of an Awakening God (MLK), and selections for the future.

Jeffers said, "I've written quite a few poems about

Vietnam, to signify the anger and hurt that the people of that land encountered during that horrible conflict. The poem is entitled, "A Nation Born".

Lance Jeffers ended his presentation with a self-determination poem entitled, "When I Know the Power of My Black Hand."

Merinder Rascoe from Windsor said, "I really enjoyed his poems, but I wonder why he wrote all his poems about Black men and women. It seems like he should write on a wide variety of subjects."

Elvira Mangrum said, "He (Jeffers) has some very good ideas, but why is he teaching at a predominantly white school?"

Priscilla Walker said, "I enjoyed him and I especially enjoyed the poem about Martin Luther King."

Asked how Black poetry could help Black people, Jeffers said, "I feel that Black poetry can help teach Black people about who they are and where they are going. Black poetry shows their relationship about the way things are, teaches Black people to respect themselves, their potentials, their future and the greatness that lies within them."

The main thing is to teach Black people that they are a great people and that they should exert control over their own destinies."

Racism Is Waning In Suburbs

DURHAM AP—Two university professors say overt racism exemplified by outward contempt for minorities, especially Blacks, is waning in America's suburbs only to be replaced by a genteel, drawing room racism.

Drs. John N. McConahay and Joseph C. Hough, Jr. say the new racism which they term "symbolic racism," is expressed through reaction to symbols considered offensive by whites: welfare, Black militance, riots, Black mayors, crime in the streets, affirmative action employment programs and fair housing laws for example.

McConahay, an associate professor at Duke University, and Hough, dean of the theology faculty at Claremont, Calif., College, listed their findings in a paper presented to the Duke Policy Sciences Institute.

"The values that appear to be most important for producing symbolic racism are those associated with what we call

American civil Protestantism," they said. The values-called the "Protestant ethics"-include hard work, individualism, sexual repression "and delay of gratification with a large dose of patriotism and reverence for the past thrown in," the researchers added.

Although the values themselves are not racist, persons subscribing to them often regard those who deviate from them-white, brown or Black-as immoral, they stated.

In most cases, they added, symbolic racism is not founded on personal dislike of Blacks, but

on the feeling Blacks are violating some abstract standard that whites adhere to out of respect for their value system.

"Unlike the old-fashioned racism which denied that Blacks had the right to an opportunity for the good life symbolic racism grants this right but holds that Blacks want more than simply the rights that everyone else has," the researchers added.

Concrete action can result from symbolic racism, they said, citing as an example attempts to prevent integration of the suburbs by Blacks who can afford to live there.

Influence Should Be Exerted With Both Political Parties

ATLANTA AP—Blacks should exert their influence with both major political parties instead of blindly following the Democrats, the Southern Conference of Mayors was told Saturday.

"Historically, we have allowed one major party to take us for granted, and the other to write us off," said William "Sonny" Walker, regional head of the federal Community Services Administration.

"We've got to learn to buy some tickets for both lines and insure that some Black folks are

served regardless of who is doing the serving," Walker said.

Basil Patterson, a former New York state senator and vice chairman of the Democratic National Committee, said Blacks should not vote for the candidate "with the broadest smile" or the most endorsements from community leaders.

He said presidential candidates from both parties should be pinned down on the issues that concern Blacks-housing, jobs and taxation for city services.

New Program To Be Offered

A new program called Food Science will be offered at A&T beginning with the fall semester of 1976. The course, sponsored jointly by the Departments of Animal Science and Home Economics, is established cooperatively between A&T and the University of North Carolina at Raleigh.

Students taking the Food Science course will have the opportunity to complete the first

three years at A&T and the fourth year at Raleigh. Upon completion of the program, students will be awarded degrees by the two universities.

All credits earned at A&T will be accepted by N.C. State. In addition A&T students will have the opportunity of completing a degree at A&T in either human nutrition or dairy technology.

There are career opportunities available for food science

graduates in the fields of industry and government and on an international level.

They also have opportunities to work with the Peace Corps and to teach and do extension work.

Students interested in participating in the new program should contact Talmage Brewer, acting chairman of the Animal Science Department, or Dr. H. A. Mazyck, chairman of the Home Economics Department.



Nannetta Jones and Wayne Smith enjoy rapping on the yard. photo by Lawson

"The Rainmaker" To Be Presented April 19-23

"The Rainmaker," a romantic comedy by Richard Nash, will be the final production of the Richard B. Harrison Players April 19 to the 23.

The play will be held nightly at 8:15 p.m. in the Paul Robeson Theatre.

Directing the play will be Dr. John M. Kilimanjaro, director of theatre.

Appearing in the play will be E.Z. Cole as Starbuck; Ronnie Quick as Noah; Ron Johnson as Jim; Sandra Jones as Lizzie; Johnnie Hunter as File; Glenwood Hemmingway as the sheriff; and Jerome Abron as H.C.

Reservations for the play may be secured from the box office at 379-7852.

Placement Center Gets Gift From Corporation

The Pisgah Forrest Plant, a division of Olin Corporation, has made a presentation of carpet underlay to the Career Planning and Placement Center located on the second floor of East Hall.

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Let Our Influence Be Felt

This editorial is written in collaboration with an article appearing in this paper which deals with Blacks' political influence. The article calls for Blacks to exert their influence with the Republican party as well as with the Democrats. The Black vote may well determine the winner of this year's Presidential election.

However, in order for this to be true, we must realize that more Blacks have to register to vote. Not only this, but after becoming registered to vote, we must take the time to go to vote on election day. Presently, less than 60 per cent of the eligible Black voters are registered and, according to the last Presidential election in 1972, nearly one-third of those registered may not even go to vote.

In order for the Black vote to really be effective, we must let all candidates be aware of the things we are demanding of them. Blacks can no longer allow their votes to be taken for granted as a sure vote in favor of the Democrats.

We must begin to do a little bargaining with both parties in order to get the best deals. We have to get a commitment from them on how they stand on such issues as welfare, housing, employment, and busing. All of these are issues that are very relevant to Blacks.

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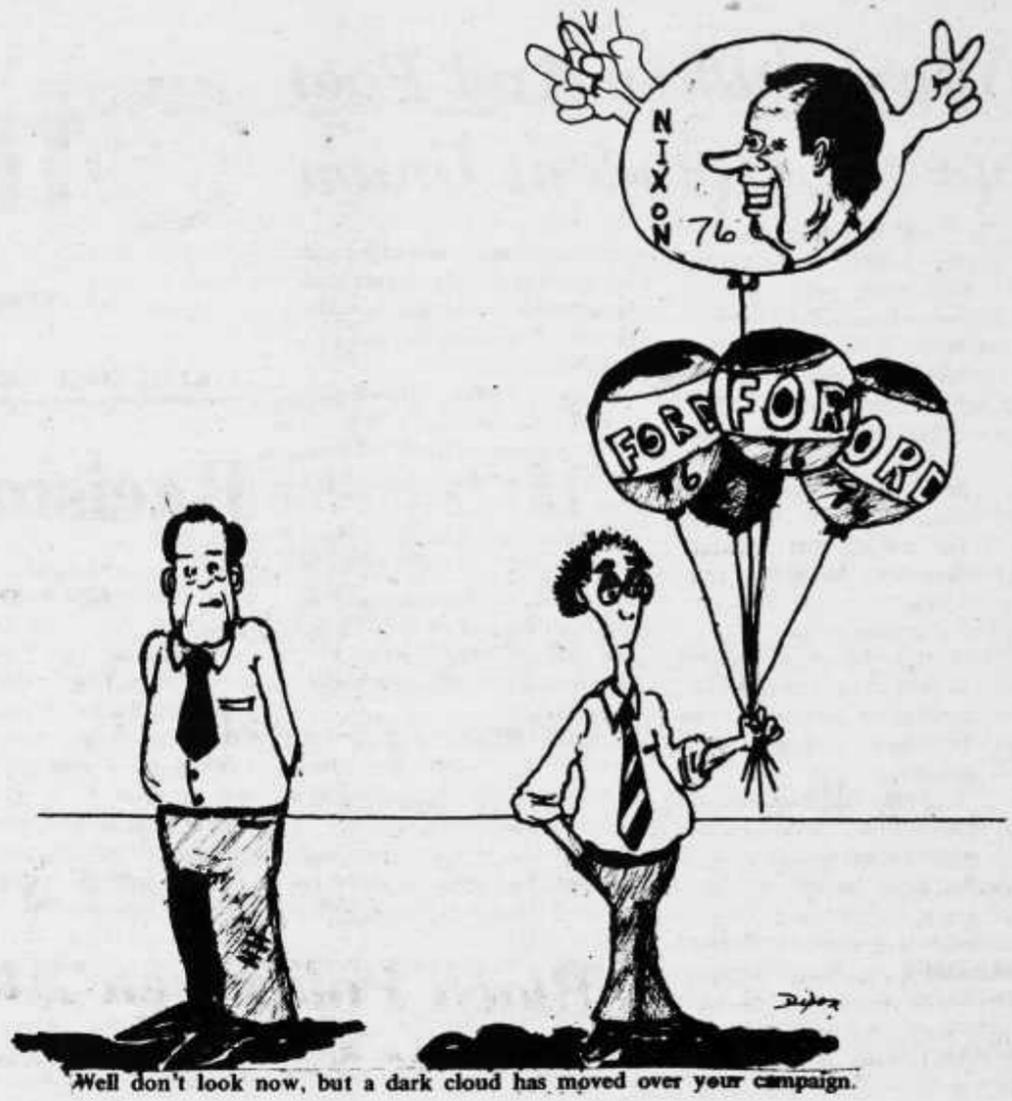
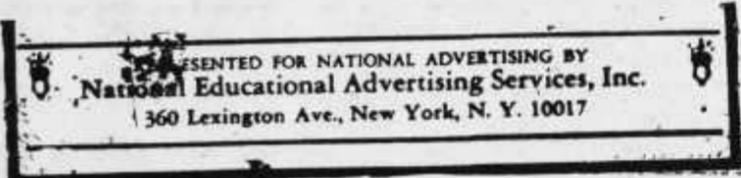
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Who Is To Blame?

By Maxine McNeill

The fact that this year is almost over leaves a number of questions in my mind. The biggest question is whether or not the graduating seniors feel their four or five years spent here were worthwhile.

I have heard a number of seniors say that, when they leave, their remembrance of ever attending A&T will leave also. A number of them have said they wouldn't encourage their brother or sister to enroll here.

If this is true, then it should affect this administration directly. The student body is accused of being apathetic quite frequently. Let's examine what creates this attitude among the students.

Maybe this attitude is instilled into the students from registration. During this period, most students are hassled. The ones who pay their tuition in cash, and that's a minority group, are given the red carpet treatment, though.

As the year progresses and a student has a problem, he is told to take it to someone and talk it over. When he does, the whole administration plays a pass-the-buck game.

That's not all, though. A number of the supposedly graduating seniors said they will not be graduating. A number of the ones I talked to revealed, at the beginning of the year when they checked on their credits, they were told they had enough. After spring break, they were told differently. In one case I know of, a student has to return to summer school to take one credit hour.

I suppose the rats, roaches, leaking roofs, etc. could be overlooked but not this.

I'd like to ask this question to this administration. Could the apathetic attitude shown by the students be a result to the nonchalant attitude this administration displays toward the students?

A House Divided Cannot Stand

By Benjamin T. Forbes

In an editorial that appeared in the April 9 edition of The Register, this writer attempted to explain the immature behaviors exhibited by some of our students. I have received many compliments on speaking out against this issue.

Student attitudes will determine whether or not we will survive the problems that now face us. For the up coming school year, we should devote a great deal of our time to becoming a unified student body.

The problems that now face us and will continue to face us in the future can only be solved through a working student government and a together student body. Compliments are nice, but we all must take a positive step toward becoming united!

If we do not take a positive step now, we will face our own destruction. It is like Abraham Lincoln once said, "A house divided against itself cannot stand."

Hodgin Gets Bicentennial Look

By Catherine Speller

The third floor of Hodgin Hall has a new Bicentennial look. Students from Mrs. Bertha Miller's World Civilization classes decided to pay tribute to the Blacks who have made American history rather than celebrate the Bicentennial as such.

The history office bulletin board gives a salute to Frederick Douglass, a Black abolitionist. The art work is contributed to Gregory Morrison and Mrs. Miller.

"Harriet Tubman, the Moses of Her Race," is portrayed in Room 313. James Baskett, Patricia Eason and Gregory Morrison arranged the tack board.

Sherry McKiver is credited with the "Nation of Islam", in Room 309. "The Same Negro on a Different Field" is the theme of the board in the political science reading room. The board begins with the cotton fields and ends on the sports field. The work was done by Michael Davis.

"I have a Dream", is the theme for the board in Room 303. The board pays tribute to Civil Rights leader Martin Luther King, Jr. This arrangement was designed by Calvin Commely, Rosalyn Woltz, and Priscilla.

Room 301 shows the progress that the Black man has made since 1619 thru 1976. The theme is "We've Come Along Way". Work was done by Daphne Watkins, Jackie Southerland, and Fudy S. Fisher.

Harry Johnson, a Political science major is credited for the board in Room 304. The theme is "Views Progress of Women".

"A Bicentennial Salute to

Mary McLeod Bethune," who was dedicated to the education of Blacks, is displayed in room 302.

The History Department encourages all students to view these salutes to famous Black Americans.

L. A. Roberson Performs In Harrison Auditorium

By Lynelle Stevenson

Last night at 8 o'clock, there was a faculty recital given by L. Alfred Roberson, tenor in Harrison Auditorium.

The program, which was what could be termed a mini operette, was very interesting and enjoyable.

Roberson was assisted by Dr. M. Greene, pianist; Robert Williams, trombonist and Derome Dunn, oboist.

The program began with a

selection called "Man is for the Woman Made.". The rest of the music followed the contemporary mode.

At the close of the performance the audience showed their enjoyment with much applause and a standing ovation.

There was a reception given for Roberson by the A&T University Choir immediately following.

Black Policemen Attempt To Cut Federal Money

CHARLOTTE AP-The National Black Poliman Association (NBPA) will try to cut off federal money from police departments that discriminate against Blacks in hiring and promotion.

This was decided on Saturday at a regional meeting of the association attended by 60 delegates from 11 states.

Harold James of Philadelphia, national chairman of the NBPA, said Black policemen are more sensitive to the problems of the Black community.

He also said Charlotte's police department is among those without enough Black policemen to reflect the proportion of Blacks in the community.

Campus Haps

Swing Phi Swing will give its Fashion Show Thursday April 15, (7:30 p.m.) in Harrison Auditorium. \$5.00 Admission. All the latest fashions will be exhibited. All campus organizations are urged to come.

The Ayantee Yearbook Staff now accepting applications for the fall term. You may pick up applications in Room 210 (Yearbook Office) and 202, (from Mrs. Carolyn Crocker, secretary of Student Activities) in Memorial Union. The applications must be completed and returned before April 30, 1976.

All seniors who took pictures for the yearbook and paid the \$2.00 deposit fee must pick up their pictures before April 23, 1976 at 5:00. All pictures not picked up before that date will be returned to the company.

There will be a band session on April 24, 1: p.m. in front of Frazier Hall. All interested and returning majorettes, flag girls and drummers and urged to attend. Please bring batons.

Anyone interested in joining The A&T Blue & Gold Marching Machine, please contact Mr. Robert A. Williams, Band Room Frazier Hall as soon as possible.

Holy Week Communion Service and film presentation of "The Crucifixion," and "The Lord is Risen," to be held on Wednesday, April 14, at 7:30 p.m. in the Student Religious Activities Center, located in the basement of Harrison Auditorium. Sponsored by the A&T State Religious Life Committee.

SGA Run-Off Elections will be held from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Thursday, April 15th. We urge everyone to come out and support their candidate.

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1976 Unit Returns 30 Lettermen

By Joe Faust

North Carolina A&T, defending champions of the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference, will hold its annual spring training intra-squad football game on Monday, April 19, at 1p.m. on the university's field.

Coach Hornsby Howell's 1976 unit, which returns 30 lettermen from a season ago, has enjoyed several spirited weeks of competition and workouts. Howell, who has compiled a 49-30-3 record in eight years as the Aggie head coach, is anticipating another successful season.

"Our primary goal is not so much to repeat as conference champions but to have each player play up to his full

potential each time he steps out on the field," said Howell, who was named as the MEAC "Coach of the Year" for 1975. "If we can accomplish that, everything else will fall into place."

Returning to the Aggie team for 1975 is the dynamic pass-catch combination of Elsworth Turner and Dexter Feaster. The pair led the conference in just about every passing and receiving category.

Also returning is a very interior offensive line led by Ron Aiken.

"Overall practice has been going along just fine," said the conservative Howell. "I'm especially pleased with the progress of running backs Frank Scott, Calvin Hawkins, and Larry

Barham.

"At tight end we have a walk-on, Brett Fisher, who stands 6-3 and weighs 220 pounds who has been doing an outstanding job. I also moved Dwaine Board from defensive tackle to tight end and he has been making good progress.

Other Aggie players expected to make a major contribution in 1976 include defensive lineman Jim Merrick, Jearold Holland, and Ron Morgan. The Aggie linebackers, which many considered last season as the best in the MEAC, will again be strong with Joe Crosby, Jerome Simmons, and Lewis Alston.

The secondary includes ALL-MEAC performer and Black Sports All-America Terry Bellamy. Steve Lyons, a reserve last season, may see action. The secondary is expected to receive a lot of help from the freshman class.



Photo by Sims

SPRING PRACTICE separates the men from the boys.

Soccer Team Massacres UNC-G During Rematch

By K.O. ISANG

Last Saturday, at UNC-G Playground Aggies sounded a note of warning to soccer teams around as they sank the long reputed UNC-G team by five goals to three.

The match kicked off brightly at 12:20 p.m. with both teams trying to get an early goal. This yielded dividends when the student player-coach, Ebiana, after collecting a good lob from Paulinus, meandered through a bulwark of defense to register the curtain raiser of the day. Spurred by this early goal, the A&T team settled down to some systematic soccer. A thunderous shot from Ebiana, which could have resulted in a second goal, was saved by the UNC-G agile goal-keeper.

A spot kick awarded UNC-G was missed after two trials. However, they maximized a flag-kick awarded them three minutes later for an equaliser.

The second half saw UNC-G's team initiating early moves. They could have had their way but for A&T's water-tight defense manned by Captain Badom, Mohammed, Muganda, Mabinton, and Augustine. The tide soon changed as Aggies took control of the game. There was a goalmouth melee during which coolheaded, lanky outside-left Lamin was badly brought down inside the eighteen. A penalty kick was awarded A&T.

Paulinus, moving as if exhausted, landed his right foot almost tangential to the ball sending it to the net for A&T's second goal. And, as if waiting for A&T to score first, the UNC-G lads reduced the tally at 1:45p.m. Angered by this equalizer, Aggie players were all over the field. Exactly three

minutes later, a good pass from power-house Muganda was connected by outside-right, Andrew, who found an unmarked Ekpoudom for A&T's third goal.

formula repeated itself at 1:50p.m. as UNC-G equalized from a free-kick. The Aggies increased their tempo. Captain Badom, after a word for advice from Roger McKee, director of intramural sports, instilled more confidence in the A&T team.

Once again Ebiana broke loose as he beat three defenders in a row for A&T's fourth goal. Aluminus completed the massacre as his last goal came almost simultaneously with the blast of the final whistle.

Line-up. A&T: Theophilus, Badom (Captain), Mohammed, Mabinton, Augustine, Muganda, Andrew, Paulinus, Ekpoudom and Lamin. UNC-G: Hewitt, O'Kane, Swanson, Sharpe, Holt, Whittemore, Bayes, Alexander, Walters, Calicchio and Holt.

Sports

In-Bowling Tourney

Women's Team Takes 1st Place

By Craig Turner

Recently the men and women's bowling team traveled to Atlanta, Ga., for the Southern Inter-Collegiate Bowling Conference Tournament.

While in Atlanta, the Women's team captured first place in their division and third in overall competition with a 9-1 record.

Felicia Forbes was the outstanding Aggie bowler as she placed third in the single's events and took top spots for all others with a total of 1665 for nine games on an average of 185 per game.

The University of Tennessee won the team title with Hillsborough finishing ahead of third place A&T and VPI. The

University of South Carolina won the men's title outright.

Some 32 teams saw action in the three-day affair. Some of the conference's members were N.C. State, North Carolina Central, UNC-Charlotte, UNC-Chapel Hill, Appalachian, Clemson, Florida A&M, Virginia, Georgia Tech, and Alabama. Members of the women's contingent were in addition to Ms. Forbes, Glinda McKoy, Debbi Correll, Hilda Burke, Rebecca Smith, Veronica

Woodard, and Diane Glover.

Only Forbes and Glover return for A&T next year as the Aggies try to defend their divisional crown against UNC Charlotte, USC, Armstrong State, Citadel, and St. Andrews.

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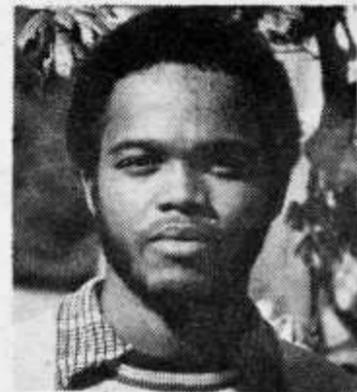
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