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A&T Engineering Student Receives Bell Scholarship

By Benjamin T. Forbes

For the second consecutive year, a student from the School of Engineering has received a scholarship from Bell Laboratories.

Herman Hawkins, who was notified on April 16, stated that he was very happy he had won the scholarship.

Last year, the scholarship was won by Robert Copeland, a senior from Portsmouth, Va.

Copeland mentioned that when he was notified that, he had been selected for the Bell Laboratory Engineering scholarships Program, (BLESP) he was told that he was one of the top eight Black engineers in the nation.

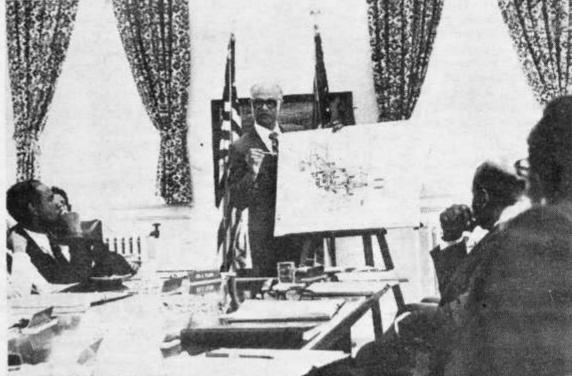
In the program, Bell Labs selects 10 students; two of whom must be white females, the other eight are Blacks. Copeland stated that Bell usually visits the large white schools, but last year they (Bell Labs) decided to look into

A&T's program.

According to Copeland, students are not selected on their academic standings alone. He said such things as social life, religion, and character play a great deal in determining who gets a scholarship. In one example he indicated that he knew of a student with a 3.94 average who was not selected.

Nine other universities participated in the BLESP, which covers all expenses. Those nine included, the University of Colorado, Columbia University, Illinois Institute of Technology, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, New Jersey Institute of Technology, Ohio State University, Polytechnic Institute of New York, Purdue University, and Atlanta University Center/Georgia Institute of Technology.

In closing, Copeland stated, "It takes a first rate department to produce first rate engineers."



Gerard. Gray explains a new parking plan.

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During Final Meeting Trustees Discuss Enrollment

By Benjamin T. Forbes The subject of university

A&T To Honor Greensboro Doctor With University Alumni Award

Dr. Alvin V. Blount, Jr., longtime Greensboro physician and president of the A&T University Foundation, has been selected to receive the annual A&T State University Alumni Excellence Award.

Blount will receive the award from Dr. Lewis C. Dowdy, A&T chancellor , during the university's 85th annual baccalaureate-commencement

exercises in the Greensboro Coliseum on Sunday, May 2.

In announcing the award,

A&T's highest alumni citation, Dowdy said: "Dr. Blount, over the years, has reflected great honor on the university. He is not only a dedicated practitioner of medicine, but also a great humanitarian, civic leader and churchman. We are happy to

salute him."

Since 1971, Blount has headed the foundation which is the prime source of non-state support for A&T. Under his direction, the foundation has attracted increasing corporation and foundation involvement, mostly in the areas of student scholarships and faculty development.

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enrollment was the main topic of discussion during the final meeting of the semester of the University Board of Trustees.

Chancellor Lewis C. Dowdy opened the meeting by expressing his concern over the University of North Carolina Board of Governors' decision to cut back on enroliments at the 16 member institutions. Dowdy stated in his informal report that the Board of Governors had established enrollment figures for the 1976-77 school year ranging from 4,750 to 4,950, which is based on a full-time equivalent basis. However budget allocations were based on a full-time equilvalent basis of 4.380. This leaves a difference of over 500 students since the projected enrollment is greater than that of the number of students allocated for in the budget.

In Dowdy's report, projections on student enrollments were done for 1976 thru 1981. For the 1976-77 year the projection is 5,466; 1977-78-5,681; 1978-79-5,899; 1979-80-6,123: 1980-81-6,349 Budget allocations for the 1976-77 school year provide for 5.1 additional full-time teaching positions, 2.3 administrative positions and 1 position for maintenance operations of the physical plant. The board also acted on increases in student services. Room and linen fee for the summer session of 1977 would increase from \$8.50 to \$14.25. Effective with the 1976-77 school year, board would rise from \$445 per year to \$460 per year. Room fees for the next

school year would also be raised from \$440 per year to \$465 per year.

A resolution for increasing parking fees wil be acted on at a date. It was first later considered that student parking fees be raised to \$35 per year; faculty \$50 per year; and reserved spaces \$45 per year.

Gerard Gray, director of the physical plant, presented the board with a parking plan which is still in the processing stages. A consulting firm was asked to study the parking problems and the effects future buildings might have on the situation. Plans are now underway to acquire more land bordering Salem and Bluford Streets. Gray also mentioned in his report plans for pedestrian malls to connect the two sections of the campus. According to Gray, 620 parking spaces are required by the city for the new gym.

As the meeting continued, Dr. Gloria Scott gave an updated report on the university's compliance with Title IX of the Health Education and Welfare regulations. Dr. Scott said that all 16 member institutions are working on programscomply with HEW's regulations. The programs of the 16 campuses will be complied and presented to HEW on July 21. Before closing, the board received some final remarks of outgoing SGA President Ted. Mangum. Mangum made some recommendations that qualification for SGA president be changed to allow an upcoming junior to run for the office. There were 17 specific areas that Mangum wished to take action



Season's Last Production Is "The Rainmaker"

By Catherine Speller

The Richard B. Harrison Players are presenting "the Rainmaker" as their last production of the spring 1976 season, April 20 through April 24, in the Paul Robeson Theatre.

"The Rainmaker," a romantic comedy by N. Richard Nash, takes place in the summer of 1925 in a Western state in the middle of a bad drought.

The story is centered on the fact that Lizzie Curry isn't married and doesn't have any future prospects of finding a husband.

The leading male character is E.Z. Cole, who plays the role of Bill Starbuck.

The Rainmaker is really a con man and a swindler who travels around the countryside claiming to bring rain or of being able to solve people's problems.

As the curtain rises the first person seen is H.C. Curry, who is played by a freshman accounting major, Jerome Abrom. This is his second major speaking role, having previously appeared in "Fiddler on the Roof."

The man who is always right everytime and who can't see anybody else's side about anything is brother Noah Curry He's portrayed by a seasoned Richard B. Harrison player, Ronnie Quick. Quick has appeared in several plays on campus and with the Black arts Repertory Dance group.

Little Jimmie who always. listens and does whatever his big brother Noah advises is played by Ronald Johnson another Harrison player who appeared in "Fiddler on the Roof" and others

Lizzie Curry a plain girl of marrying age with no boyfriend and no hope of ever finding one is portrayed by Sandra Jones a freshman professional . theater major. Sandra has appeared in "Porgy", "Killing of Sister George", and "Fiddler on the Roof."

Deputy File is played by Johnny Hunter, who is appearing in his second role. His first role was in "Fiddler on the Roof."

The role of a Western Sheriff, who was really a comedy in himself, is played by Glenwood Hemmingway. A freshman, Glenwood is appearing in his first major speaking role.

Opening night, so I've been told, is not really the best time to catch a play. Hopefully, "The Rainmaker" will become more than an average play by closing night.

The play is really a great comedy which has a lot of laughable phrases in it as well as great scenery.

"The Rainmaker" is being directed by Dr. John M. Kilimanjaro.

The Rainmaker' opened Monday night with Sandra Jones as Lizzie Curry, Ronnie Quick as Noah Curry, E.Z. Cole as Bill Starbuck, Jerome Abrom as 'I .C. Curry, and Ronald Johnson as Jimmy Curry as here Starbuck tries to sell the Curry family some rain. Photo by Lawson

Students Attend Convention

By Debra Daniels

The A&TSU branch of the North Carolina Baptist Sudent Union was represented, by nineteen students at the State Convention held in Ridgecrest.

Divided into three regions-West, piedmont and east, the Convention is comprised of colleges and universities within North Carolina.

Margaret "Roberta" Farr, junior nursing major and president of the Baptist Union at A&T was nominated and elected president of the State Baptist Student Union from among two other college representatives. Students from universities such

as Shaw, Duke, UNC-Chapel Hill, UNC-Charlotte, East Carolina University, and Brevard, as well as twenty other colleges attended

the State Convention.

During the weekend event. the students explored the mountain areas, engaged in

Christian Fellowship and attended three different Christian workshops.

Margaret said, "I was very much surprised when the former BSU president announced in the convention that I was elected after having had a run-off election for the position.

The criterion used for

choosing the president was an interrogation period when the nominees were asked the significance of Christ as they perceive Him, the relationship they are experiencing with Christ and their motivations and aims if they obtained the presidency. Also the students' attitudes, eloquence and ideas were

considered.

The convention meets twice a year with the incentive of bringing a closer relationship among all the universities represented.

Other reasons are for the different branches of the State Baptist Student Union to give reports of accomplishments in the community and for the students who were doing missionary service overseas during the summer, to give reports of their experiences overseas.

When asked what her goals were as president of the State Convention, Margaret asserted, "My prayers to God are to let His will be done. I asked Him to direct me in the paths He would have me to go. One of my aims is to get more people involved in the Baptist Student Union Organization."

A&T Secretaries Receive **Honors At Luncheon**

secretaries with a total of 87 years' service were honored Friday April 23, by their celebration of National Secretaries Week.

Cited for the longest continuous service at A&T were Mrs. Catherine Bonner, administrative assistant to the

director of athletics; Mrs. Bertha Jean Smith, secretary of the Department t of . .. Industrial

Three A&T State University Technology; and Mrs. Catherine Banks, secretary of the School of Education-

Mrs. Bonner has 31 years' co-workers during the service; Mrs. Banks has 29 years' service and Mrs Smith has 27 years' service.

> They were cited at a luncheon and presented several gifts.

A special citation was presented to Mrs. Virginia McKee, administrative assistant to chancellor, Dr. Lewis C. Dowdy.

Band To Perform This Sunday

For 30 years, Walter F. Carlson Jr. has been a musical

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fixture at A&T State University., and the annual spring concerts of the symphony band have been one of the university's highlights. Carlson expects this year's

concert Sunday at 6p.m. in the Richard B. Harrison Auditorium to be especially noteworthy.

Naval School of Music, Allen University and the University of North Carolina at Greensboro, Shoffner has served as band director and chairman of the Music Department at Page High School.

Selections on the program will include "President Garfield's "We have put together a Inaugural March," and "Federal special salute to the American March," bicentennial music bicentennial and we are sure that furnished by J.C. Penny our audience will love the Company; "American heritage Overture" by Kenneth Whitcomb; "A Sacred Suite for Concert Band" by Alfred Reed; "Fanfare" by Hugo Montenegro; "Laudi Alia Vergine Maria" by A graduate of United States G. Verdi.

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music," he said.

Joining Carlson this year as guest conductor of the band will be a Greensboro native, Odell C. Shoffner.

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N.C. Prison Spokesman **Denies** Claims By Chavis

CHARLOTTE, AP-A spokesman for North Carolina's division of prisons has denied various charges made by the Rev. Ben Chavis, imprisoned leader of the Wilmington 10, so called for the number convicted on charges growing out of Wilmington's racial violence four years ago.

Chavis said in an Easter message his group has been "nailed to the cross of injustice," and he claimed that his transfer to a prison unit near Southern Pines was "political punishment."

Walter L. Kautzky, deputy director of the prison division, says, however, that Chavis's deductions about his treatment "are not exactly accurate." Akutzky says Chavis is "perhaps extrapolating things for his own ends."

Chavis, in a weekend telephone interview from the McCain prison unit a formal message in which he said, "We can all remember how many years ago a man named Jesus, during the Roman Empire, was crucified because he dared to attempt to bring justice to those who are oppressed. Likewise, now, here in North Carolina, the Wilmington 10 have been nailed to the cross of injustices."

In the interview, Chavis, 28, charged that his transfer about a

month ago from the Caledonia unit near Tillery to McCain was "an administrative attempt to eliminate me." He charged his situation is dangerous because McCain is a "prison sanitarium" for mentally disturbed inmates and inmates with tuberculosis.

Kautzky said Chavis is in a typical medium security unit. He said McCain's tubercular population is segregated from others. He said some "stabilized mental patients" are at McCain under medication but such patients are at all medium security installations.

Kautzky made point-by-point denial of Chavis' allegations.

Chavis, who is serving a 29 to 34-year sentence, said. "Since I have been here, I haven't seen a doctor or I haven't been treated at all. It is very clear to me that the prison system has put me in McCain sanitarium unjustly in an attempt to isolate me from the rest of the prison population."

The prison official said Chavis has demonstrated no need for psychiatric treatment and has not asked for any. He said Chavis was removed from Caiedonia, another medium security unit, after "he set up an inmate council to supplant the inmate grievance commission."



Aggies Beware Of Spring Fever

By Carlese Blackwell

The beginning of spring once again has hit A&T's campus. Entailed in this season also is the feeling of spring fevers among students. The scene of spring fever includes greener grass, greener trees, brighter faces, less clothing, and coupled lovers.

Not only has this so-called "spring fever" worked as an

advantage for many students and lovers, but it also has its disadvantages.

One of these disadvantages can be seen in the empty classrooms, and the decrease in grade point averages, among Aggies.

For lovers, spring fever may mean sharing a soda with boy or

girl you met two or three years ago. It can also be identified as the shedding of tears, and the returning of engagement, friendship, or going steady rings.

Yet juniors and seniors should beware of this "so-called" spring fever, or they may see the return of this season to A&T's campus in 1980.

Blount Serves As Surgery Chief

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A native of Raleigh, Blount graduated from A&T with honors in 1943, then earned his medical degree at Howard University in Washington, D. C.

After serving as chief of surgery for the 8225 Mobile Army Hospital in Fort Bragg and chief of a MASH unit in Korea, he opened his practice in Greensboro.

Blount is currently chief of surgery at L. Richardson Memorial Hospital and a staff physician at Cone Hospital.

He is a fellow of the American

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Society of Abdominal Surgeons and a diplomat of the American Board of Abdominal Surgery.

Blount's community interests have included the Hayes-Taylor YMCA, the American Cancer Society, the United Fund, the A&T National Alumni Association, and the Episcopal Church of the Redeemer.

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A Time For Cheese

It is that time of the year again-you know that time of year when the majority of the students; are taking it easy after a year of hard work. There is, however, a minority of students who are just starting to burn the midnight oil in order to catch up with those of us who decided to start the year out right by working.

There are still others who are using this time to eat a couple of pounds of cheese with the instructors for a passing grade or trying to get the instructor to move the examination date up a week early so they can start their vacation earlier.

It is evident that the combination of eating cheese and hard work on the part of some of us is paying off. There will be a record number of students graduating this year. Some are completing their education here in a short span of three years.

Even with the number of students graduating each year and the grade inflation problem, I wonder why there are so many students who wait until the last minute each year to do work that was assigned to them at the beginning of the semester. It is said that "time waits for no one," and this last minute catch-up work each year is going to catch-up with some of us if we don't decide to plan ahead.

Let us make a resolution to work hard next year so we won't find ourselves with our backs against the wall.

Benjamin T. Forbes

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Students Aren't Incompetent

By Maxine McNeill

Students here are constantly under attack from instructors concerning their studying habits. Instructors get attitudes because they say students do not prepare their work for class. This may be a good reason for instructors to become upset, but it is no reason for an instructor to call his class incompetent.

According to Webster's Dictionary, the word incompetent means, "without adequate ability, knowledge, fitness, etc., or not legally qualified." That word is inadequate in describing the students here. They can do the work but sometimes fail to apply themselves.

There is a word which is more relevant when speaking of some instructors here than "incompetent" is to the students. That word is "irresponsible."

While students may be slow about doing their homework or term papers, it took one instructor I've heard of here 3½ years to give his students their grades, (that is if he has turned all of them in yet). This instructor didn't even know he taught the particular class in question. He is constantly absent from his classes but he's still considered one of A&T's prized assets.

Being the tactful person that I am, I will refrain from naming this instructor, but I will say that a head basketball coach or no coach for that matter has any business being an instructor. They should be responsible for their basketball team or whatever and leave the

instructing to those who have the time. Half a credit could cause some senior not to graduate.

I'd like to, along with other students I'm sure, see how long it is before these instructors practice what they preach. Students pay too much money to come here and be the victims of such.

Violence Could Lead To Riots

By Daryl E. Smith

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Race relations in the United States seem to have taken a back seat in our elected leaders eyesight. The violence that erupted across America in the early 60's and terminated in Vietnam, seems to have been lying dormant, ready to surface at any given time or locality.

The bombings and beatings of different people will continue only until some form of positive agreements for all concerned can be reached.

Black people will not stand for the continued showing of aggressive racism and blatant disregard for their basic human rights, regardless if it's in Boston, Atlanta or Greensboro; it's time for a change.

Boston is supposed to be America's cradle of freedom, but to the world and the Black people in this country, we can only give moral support and compassion to the Black people that have to live under Boston's environment.

If something is not done soon, then a full scale riot willexplode in Boston and possibly all over America. Boston is the beginning of a violent era in the year 1776.

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Life Experience College Credits **A&T** Participates In Program

A pilot national program, in which A&T is participating, is studying if college credits can be given for some life experiences.

The program was launched locally Tuesday during a faculty retreat at Piney Lake.

Nationally, around 50 colleges are looking at programs which may allow qualified persons to gain up to two years of college credit without ever setting foot in a classroom.

"These programs are geared toward the mature students, said Dr. Florentine Sowell, associate director of the A&T program. "There are many persons who have enjoyed valuable non-traditional experiences outside of the classroom and who are not interested in the traditional classroom."

She and Dr. B.W. Harris, director of the A&T program, exphasized that many educators have realized that conventional higher education has left out too many would-be students.

The program in which A&T is participating is being sponsored by the National Educational Testing Service.

Dr. Sowell said that one of the big problems is trying to come up with a fair method of evaluating the life experiences.

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She pointed out that A&T is currently involved with an extensive cooperative education program, in which students are given limited credits for offcampus work experiences.

Dr. Sowell added that, since the mid-1960's, many colleges are using the College-Level Examination Program (CLEP). This is a national system of examinations in a variety of subject areas to evaluate what people have learned through independent study.

Campus Haps

The Men's and Women's Council will have their Annual Spring Ball on Friday, April 23, at the Hayes Taylor YMCA from 8p.m. til 12a.m. Entertainment will be by Funk-House. The dress will be semi-formal. Admission is free with the Men's or Women's Council Card. (See you there!)

There will be a Block Party in the Student Union Parking lot, Saturday, April 24, sponsored by the brothers of Kappa Alpha Psi. Time for the party is 8p.m.

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 are urged to attend. Please bring batons.

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

The A&T Register will be conducting a meeting of all

staff members and other interested persons wishing to join

this organization on Wednesday, April 28, at 7:30 p.m.

Advocates No Retirement Mrs. Brown was a keynote

Senior Citizens Conference

Americans should consider doing away with mandatory job retirement because it is not really serving the aged, a conference on senior citizens was told here Thursday.

"We need to explore some alternatives to manadatory retirement, said Anna V. Brown, executive director of the Mayor's Commission on Aging in Cleveland, Ohio.

More Freshmen Are Applying To N.C. System

By the Associated Press

Admissions directors report that freshman applications are running ahead of last year in almost every school in the 16-member University of North Carolina system.

About two months ago limitations on enrollment for 1976-77 were suggested to all the schools. For the current year, the estimated enroliment of full time equivalent students was about 7 per cent over the budget. The goal is to contain expansion to about 3 per cent for the coming year.

North Carolina State stopped accepting freshman applications 10 days before the limitations were laid out.

Appalachian State University followed in mid-March.

UNC-Chapel Hill cut off applications February 1.

UNC-Greensboro is accepting applications only on a waiting list basis.

speaker for the opening session of the second annual conference on aging.

She said one of the alternatives to mandatory retirement is a retraining of the elderly who have a capacity to learn.

"I am talking about a two-career kind of thing so people can become productive," she said. "Old people don't want nonproductive lives and they don't want to play bingo."

She said the aged in this nation now number 22 million and that figure is expected to double by 1980.

Mrs. Brown said she also advocates providing a basic guaranteed income for the elderly. "I am not talking about a figure equal to or below the poverty line," she said, "because if you do that, you are locking them into poverty."

She said one of the plights of the aged is the fact that the federal programs are going to become the responsibility of the

states and local communities. She urged the creation of a partnership between the public and private system.

Another speaker for the conference was Robert Beard, executive director of the N.C. Governor's Coordinating Council on Aging.

"In many cases," said Dr. Sowell, "old methods of instruction are not appropriate. We are going to have to make our faculties aware of some of these latest trends."

Alumni To Sponsor Tourneys

By Craig Turner

The A&T Alumni Association has announced that it will sponsor two sports tournaments during the Alumni Weekend, May 1 and 2.

The tournaments will be in the sports of golf and tennis. Applications are now being taken for both events.

The golf tourney requires a

ten dollar entry fee per person which would include the green fee, refreshments, and 1/2 golf cart.

A maximum of 24 entries and the spots will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. The deadline for this event is April 26 and all entry blanks should be mailed or brought to the office of alumni affairs.

A tennis clinic and tournament for all members of the Aggie family will be held that same weekend.

There is a two dollar entry fee with 100 persons being the maximum number allowed to participate

The clinic and tourney will be held on A&T's tennis courts on the east campus. The grouping of entries will be divided among beginners, intermediates, and tournament experienced.

This event is sponsored by the Alumni Association and the Physical Education Department. All interested persons can pick up entry forms from the physical

education and alumni affairs offfices

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Most admissions directors reporting increases say they are about 15 per cent ahead of last year.

However, UNC-Wilmington reports a 38 per cent gain over last year; Fayetteville State reports a 48 per cent increase and North Carolina Central says the jump is 27 per cent.

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When Thurmon Deloney II started making A's in college, they just happened.

Then it became a matter of pride; and, finally, the last two semesters, "that's when the pressures came in."

The pressures Deloney endured have helped him to breeze through A&T in three years, with a perfect 4.00 point average.

valedictorian of the \$11 seniors who will receive their degrees in the Greensboro Coliseum May 2. set another record of sorts. By the time he entered the university, he had already successfully passed 25 hours of college work undertaken while he was in high school.

Although Deloney views his accomplishment with a sense of personal pride, he is quick to point out the help he has received along the way.

"My parents wanted me to keep up the good record," he Deloney's academic record of said, "and many of my teachers all A's makes him easily the started expecting things from me and pushing me."

Deloney entered A&T after graduating from Western The 21-year-old scholar also Guilford High School; but,

President Of Girl Scouts To Participate In Project

Dr. Gloria Scott, president of the Girl Scouts of the U.S.A. and director of educational research will participate in Project: Knowledge 2000, a bicentennial program exploring the country's knowledge needs

for the next 25 years.

Dr. Scott will take part in the forum April 25 to 28 at the Xerox International Center for Training and Management Development in Leesburg, Va.

Some 350 leaders from a variety of fields in the United States and other countries are taking part in the project in a series of three-day forums.

The goal of the project is to stimulate thinking and discussion about the generation, transmission and uses of knowledge in the years to come. After each forum, videotapes and guides for group discussion will be distributed to communites throughout the nation.

The project is sponsored by the National Science Foundation, the American **Revolution** Bicentennial Administration and Xerox. Corporation.

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before that, he had lived the life of a military youngster in such places as California, Maine, Colorado and Delaware.

His parents are Lt. Col. and Mrs. Thurmond Deloney and the father is professor of aerospace studies at A&T.

Young Deloney's major is electrical engineering, a most taxing enterprise by any standard.

Since 8th grade, he has had a compelling interest in mathematics, enough to cause him to take algebra, trigonometry, geometry, analytic geometry and probability statistics in high school.

When the high schools ran out of courses he wanted, he began looking to colleges.

Deloney views his own success in college partly in his personal planning.

"I studied as necessary," he said, "and planned my day around my classes. For example, I knew that certain courses required more effort than others."

A leader in the Air Force ROTC program at A&T, Deloney hopes to earn a master's degree in quantum electronics at either UCLA or the University of Southern California. He would then like to enter the Air Force as an officer.

Because of Deloney's early graduation from A&T, he must complete his ROTC program in graduate school.



Answers

Oratorical Contest Is Held

By Archie Bass

In recognition of both the **Bicentiennial and National Lay** Day (May 1, 1976), an oratorical contest was held Thursday night in the Bluford Library Auditorium.

The contestants spoke from a common theme: "The Civil Rights Act of 1964 : An Asset or Liability to Black Americans."

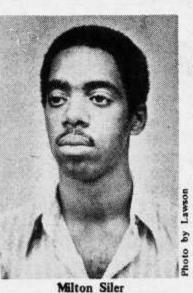
Milton Siler won first prize, \$100; Mildred Williamson second prize, \$75; and the third-place winner Gloria Nicholson, \$50.

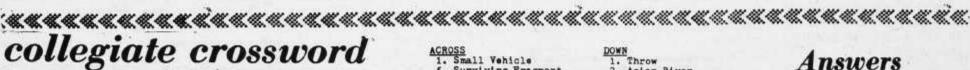
Siler said, "I was really involved in this speech because it was something that affected me as a Black American."

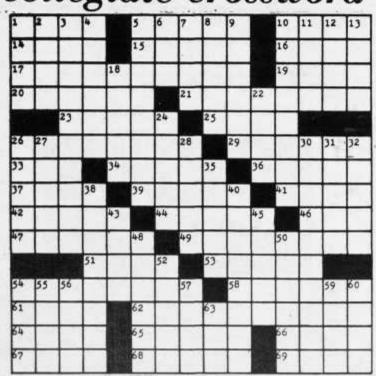
The contest was under the leadership of Helen Bryant, and Dr. Lois B. Kinney of the Department of Speech Communication and Theatre Arts

"I am extremely proud of the students who participated, and this is only the beginning of what we hope will be a very enjoyable, informative, annual event," said Dr. Kinney.

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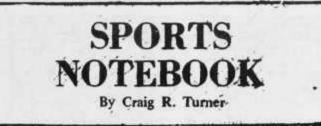
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As the academic year begins to move into its last days at A&T, a thought or two are in order about spring sports in general.

A&T's baseball and track and field squads are having something shy of what is often called "winning seasons". True the baseball team has been far below the expectations of the fans as well as the media. But, with the departure of players such as the fabulous Al Holland, Ernest Gaskins, and Ralph Brown to mention a few, the Aggies faced a mammoth rebuilding year.

The track and field squad has had to suffer through some of the worst conditions imaginable, beyond the clear cut disadvantage of performing without a respectable track on which to run their events nor an area worthy of the field competition. They have been faced with opponents that had enough depth and finances to field three quality teams instead of the customary one.

Women's softball and tennis fall into a category that does not find common ground with the aforementioned sports. They are still relatively young and untested against a tough caliber of competition and will probably remain as they are now, interesting on purely a spectator level.

Soccer falls into a slot somewhere in the middle of a sea of warm weather sports. Still a virgin to most of America and, especially to the nation's Black population, soccer has become the most popular sport in the entire world.

The A&T team is basically an intramural unit composed of both African and American players. Surprisingly enough, A&T's rather hurriedly put together contingent has handled the local competition with relative ease. It would not be totally unjustified for athletic officials here to possibly look into the feasibility of sponsoring such a team for intercollegiate purposes.

Spring sports at A&T in general do not raise capital for the athletic department. But it is a shame to see them go on a downhill slide simply because of neglect for the cause of making money in the domed stadiums of Detroit or the confines of a Madison Square Garden.



There was a little bit of thumping down on the practice field as the aggie's held their annual blue-gold game. Photo by Lance

Ex-Football Star Favors Track

By Joe Faust

When Florida A&M track star Bob Hayes made his debut with the Dallas Cowboys, many football authorities were watching to see if a track star could make the transition to the rough sport.

Hayes passed the test with almost the same grace that led him to his title as the "World's Fastest Human" and opened the doors for many other track stars to test their skills at football.

At A&T, there was another change taking place. This time instead of it being from track to football, it was from football to track. Byron Kearney, a native of Warrenton, had only participated in track and field in high school to keep in shape for football. As a wide receiver, he was rated as one of the top pass catchers in the state his senior year and was tabbed as a college prospect.

"I was really undecided as to just what I wanted to do as far as going to school to further my education and on playing football," said the 6-1, 160 Kearney who is now one of the premiere 440-yard dash runners in the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference.

"I had received several scholarships to play football; but, at that time, I was more interested in engineering, and I wanted to go to a school with a good program. I was contacted by Coach Howell at A&T and I decided to go to school there.

"It was late in the year and somehow my scholarship funds were not able to go through. I decided to come to school anyway and just concentrate on engineering."

Kearney had a fine academic semester making the dean's list, but somehow there was just something missing.

"I just didn't feel right with so much time on my hands," Kearney recalled. "Engineering is a very demanding major and I don't think I would have been able to play football and keep my average that first year, however, I had always been participate in something."

A&T veteran track and field coach Murray Neely was certainly glad Kearney decided to participate in track. So far this season Kearney is undefeated in the 440-year dash and is the anchor leg runner on the 440-yard relay team, the 880-yard relay team, and the mile relay team.

"We were running in the Blue and Gold track meet, and I had to sub for one of our runners in the 440-yard run," said Kearney, who until this year had been primarily used in the hurdles and broad jumper. "I turned in a pretty good time and Coach Neely thought that I could run the distance even better with more practice.

"My best time this year has been a 48.6 on the sprint, and I have been timed at 48 flat on the relay team. It's still early in the track season; and, by the time of the MEAC championships, I expect to be running about a 46."

One of the most difficult adjustments for Kearney to make was the conditioning. This season the A&T track team was conducting practice at 6 a.m. and at 4 p.m. "The morning practices were hard to get used to; and, for almost a week, my body felt tired all day," said the junior Kearney. "After that, your body gets used to it and the sacrifice pays off as the season

Blue-Gold Game PleasesCoach

By Craig Turner

Despite temperatures that soared well into the nineties, A&T held its annual spring Blue-Gold football game Monday afternoon on the University's athletic field.

Head coach Hornsby Howell was very much pleased by the outcome of his squad's progress in these early spring drills. "We got good effort from most of our personnel and maximum effort was our goal out here today," stated the eighth-year coach in a post-game interview.

Howell was high in his praise

one-yard scoring burst late in the fourth quarter.

Scott is returning from extensive knee surgery that sidelined him all of last season. "He hasn't really tested his knee yet and seems a little shy in really going full speed. But one thing is for sure. You're not going to catch him in an open field and you'll have to tackle him," remarked Howell. Scott was clocked at the beginning of the spring drills in 4.5 seconds over forty yards.

But despite the heroics of Scott and all-MEAC quarterback year.

The Aggie: defense put in one of its better performances especially against the pass, an area that spelled trouble a year ago. The attentive fans that were on hand, got a good look at the possible secondary for this fall.

All-America. Terry Bellamy and Howard Barnhill are the only returnees with a great deal of experience. It was Barnhill who also picked off an errant pass and returned it some 20 yards. Marcus Floyd, Thomas Warren, and junior Steve Lyons played extremely well under pressure.

of the Aggies' offensive backs as a whole. Tailbacks Calvin Hawkins and Glen Holland were considered to be the top starting prospects going into Monday's affair.

However it was sophomore Frank Scott(6-3, 210) that dazzled the 150 or so curious onlookers that afternoon by rushing for over 130 yards and grabbing four pass receptions for 25 more yards and two touchdowns.

One of Scott's dazzling runs came on a brilliant 65-yard run that resulted in the offense's first score of the day. The bullish tailback later added a short Ellsworth Turner, the really pleasant surprise was sophomore Gary Alliniece at quarterback.

Alliniece engineered a masterful 12-play, 70 yard drive late in the contest that assured the Golds of a victory under Howell's equal scoring system for scrimmages. Turner played sparingly but did connect on a 16-yard scoring strike to slotback James Crowder. Both signals callers were hampered by a lack of able receivers.

"Right now Dexter Feaster is out with a cut hand; and, except for him and Crowder, there simply aren't any quality receivers" said the coach of the A&T's linebackers were instrumental in picking off two passes. Louis Alston and Jerome Simmons were singled out as outstanding contributors to the Blue squad. Joe Crosby, an all conference prospect, was sidelined with a broken wrist.

The defensive front four for the Aggies should be vastly improved this fall with return of all-MEAC Ron Morgan(6-2,250) and James Merrick(6-3,255) at the tackles. The end positions are fairly secure with Arthur Boone(6-2,235) and Jerold Holland(6-3,235) who did not

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active and I just felt like I had to moves on."

Aggiettes Lose Twice On Tuesday Afternoon

By Dennis Bryant Coach Joyce Spruill kept her patience as she walked from end to end of the dugout. As Coach Spruill strolled, the A&T Aggiettes were losing twice on Tuesday afternoon.

The Aggiettes lost 10-8 in forfeit game to Methodist College and 15-9 to Guilford. The Aggiettes made a lot of errors and gave up nine walks. The Aggiettes couldn't get anything to work in their favor, not even the umpire.

For the day, the outstanding hitters were Sheree Ingram 7 of 9, and Peggy Capehart 6 of 9. Peggy pitched a very good game, however A&T's inning surge just wasn't enough.

A&T Has Girl's Softball Team

By Dennis Bryant

For the first time in a number of years, A&T has a girl's softball team. Fifteen girls are providing the school with a new attraction for the spring season.

As the season proceeds, the team is making progress. Their plays would make one think they were a team, playing for many past seasons.

With the team composed mostly of freshmen, sophomores, and juniors, the year ahead looks fairly strong.

The starting pitcher is Peggy Capehart. She is a power hitter and is very aggressive. Gayla Kelly is the back-up pitcher. Peggy is also averaging three hits a games.

Diantha Smith holds down first

base. She shows all-round fielding. She also is a very solid hitter. Debra Richardson also plays at first. A very good infielder, hitter and base-runner, she has shown great potential.

Katrina Little, the second baseman, is an above average player. She has been off considerable at bat, but has a strong arm and quick reactions. Catheline Friday plays third base. She is rated as an excellent fielder, has a good arm, and has great hitting ability.

Alice Lyons is a great hustler and plays at short-stop. She is a great runner and a very serious competitor. Audrey Hines is the catcher and has allowed very few errors. She is a spirited player and is a good base runner.

The outfield is provided with

year when he was selected

all-conference, and placed second

in the conference in the hurlers.

that I could do an outstanding

"This motivated me to realize

The senior speedster's goal is

a crop of talented players. Annette Radcliffe is the primary cog there. She is an externely fast, aggressive player. Debra Clement, rightfield, is a good hitter. Sherre Ingram, a left fielder, is considered a very good pinch-hitter. Although a little weak in catching, she possesses good running ability.

Calamity Lewis is a speed merchant, hits well, and holds down center field. Lisa Otom is the backup player in the outfield.

Susan Marshall, shortstop and centerfielder, is a good all-round player. She hustles on the field, making fantastic shoe-string catches.

The girls, presently 6-8, are

now getting ready for the state tournament in Graham. The two-day tourney should separate the "girls from the women." A&T's Aggiettes will try to bring home a championship.

The team is coached by Joyce Spruill. In her first year, Coach Spruill has shown great sportsmanship. She rarely forces the players to do what they do not want to.

The process of forming a conference for the next year is now in progress.

The Aggiettes will face Winston-Salem State in the first contest Friday night in Graham at 8p.m.

David Miller Would Like To Compete Nationally of the track team began his first

By Archie Bass

A key performer for the Aggie track team this year has been David Miller, a senior, industrial technology major.

Miller is a native of Asheville and the co-captain of this year's squad.

The Aggie co-captain runs the 120 high-hurlers and 440 intermediate hurlers. Miller stated, "This has been a NCCU Eagles disappointing year for me because I have been crippled with nagging injuries."

Miller also noted that being co-captain of the track team, "is a pressure position as far as performance goes because all the fellows expect you to do well."

In six meets this year, Miller has finished second or third, with some ten speedsters participating.

The Asheville speedster stated that he practices five hours a day, with two daily practice sessions. His success as a member

Blue And Gold Teams Perform Well In Game

(Continued From Page 7) participate in the game.

Overall the Blues came up with three interceptions, two fumbles, and a safety inflicted upon reserve quarter Carl

to enter the national competition in the 120 high-hurlers. **Basketball Coach**

job in track," said Miller.

Loses Post By Craig Turner

Sterling M. Holt, head basketball coach at North Carolina Central University, was fired late Tuesday from his coaching post, it was announced in Durham.

Central officials cited the Eagles' poor showing during the 1974-75 and 1975-76 basketball campaigns and irreconcilable differences between Holt and his players as the primary reasons behind the dismissal.

Holt, a second-year head coach, had been under considerable fire from the university's officials. alumni, and students following Central's initial start of 3-11 from the season's outset. The Eagles finished 8-17 overall.

Athletic director Joe Austin as named as the NCCU head man almost immediately following the announcement of Holt's departure. Austin has been a long time favorite of influential members of the NCCU alumni. He was named in a two-year contract which became effective Wednesday morning.



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Austin was unavailable for comment about Holt's firing or about his expectations for his club next year.

Holt becomes the second MEAC basketball coach to leave his post this year. In late February, Ira Mitchell, former head coach at Delaware State, announced his resignation because of personal conflicts.