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A&T Receives Grant To Study Transportation

By Maxine McNeill
Dr. Lalita Sen, professor in the Transportation Institute, will head a program to survey the transportation needs of low-and-middle income residents in West Virginia. The survey will begin the week of January 24.

Dr. Sen said a number of answers are expected to be gained from the survey study. The survey hopefully will determine whether public transportation is vital and what changes need to be made to better serve the people who utilize the bus services. Also, the survey will reveal who the clientel of the buses are.

Although the results of the survey study are not definite, Dr. Sen is hoping they will have national impact on the public transportation industry.

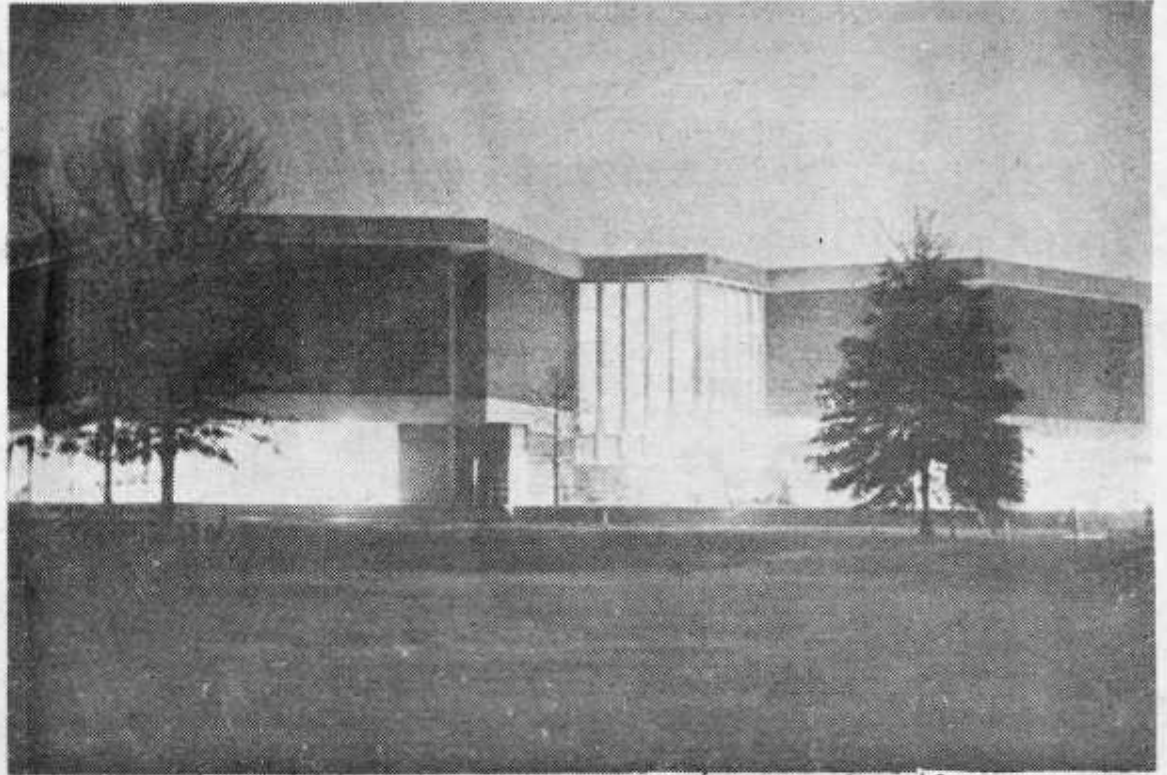
Dr. Sen, a graduate of Northwestern University, was executive director of the Urban

Transportation Institute at Syracuse University before accepting her present position in A&T's Transportation Institute.

The survey program is being sponsored by the U.S. (See Transportation, Page 3)



Dr. Lalita Sen



The F.A. Williams Cafeteria looks like an alien spacecraft at night.

Staff Photo by Bill Lawson

Students Have Low Default Rate

CHAPEL HILL (AP)- The default rate on student loans at North Carolina's two largest public universities is far below the national average, state education authorities say.

Whereas 25 per cent of all students nationally are likely to default on a loan after graduation, according to U.S. General Accounting Office (GAO) reports, the rate is less than 1 per cent at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and 5 per cent at North Carolina State University.

The federally insured loans

are used to pay college or trade school tuitions, but GAO studies show some former students have declared bankruptcy to escape repaying the loans.

At UNC and N.C. State, most students who borrow obtain National Direct Student Loans (NDSL) administered through the school, or loans administered through the College Foundation, a central lending institution for the state.

College Foundation loans are comparable to federally insured loan programs in other states, but there are few 100 per cent federally insured loans at either university.

Why are the repayment records at UNC and N.C. State so good?

Part of the reason, officials say, is that students are kept

informed of their obligations. The schools also keep in contact with the students after graduation and, if necessary, refer bad debts to the attorney general's office for collection.

The average default rate for NDSL loans, which are handled by the student aid office, is 0.04 per cent, said William M. Geer, director of student aid at UNC.

"Looking over the 15-year record, the highest per cent of loss in any year is two-tenths of a per cent," said Geer.

The default rate at N.C. State is slightly less than 5 per cent, estimated Carl O. Eycke, financial aid director, adding any school with less than a 10 per cent rate would compare favorably with other schools in the country.

Hooks Urges Blacks Not To Give Up Struggle

Atlanta (AP) - Blacks were admonished to forget the struggle for racial equality "at your own peril" during an interfaith service Sunday which ended a four-day observance of the late Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s birthday.

Benjamin Hooks, newly appointed executive director of

the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, told a crowd at the Big Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church not to forget "the folks who helped you on the way up because you'll beat them on the way down."

(See Black, Page 2)



Construction has started on a new math-science building which will complete the quad in front of the union.

Staff Photo by Bill Lawson

Judge Orders HEW To Speed Desegregation

WASHINGTON (AP)-In a surprise action, a federal judge Monday ordered the Department of Health, Education and Welfare to take steps to speed up desegregation in state universities and colleges in six Southern states, including North Carolina.

U.S. District Court Judge John H. Pratt gave HEW and the NAACP Legal Defense Fund 45 days to draft a formal desegregation order for him to

sign spelling specific requirements that the states must meet. The requirements were not specified.

University of North Carolina President William C. Friday declined to comment on the order until he has time to study it.

North Carolina's university system was threatened in 1975 with HEW action to stop federal

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NAACP Lawyers Inspire Order

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 funding, but HEW Secretary David Matthews dropped the action almost a year ago after receiving assurances that the university system was making substantial desegregation efforts. Pratt's order came on a motion of lawyers for the NAACP Legal Defense and Education Fund Inc., in a suit filed more than four years ago. Under federal law, failure to comply with desegregation regulations could result in a loss

of federal funds. The case was brought originally against former HEW Secretary Elliot L. Richardson and contended that the department had failed in its responsibility to obtain adequate desegregation plans from those states that maintained separate colleges and universities for Blacks and whites. In 1974 HEW accepted plans from eight of the ten states which still had dual systems and referred the cases of two others,

Mississippi and Louisiana, to the Justice Department for possible prosecution. The NAACP Legal Defense Fund had contended that plans accepted by HEW for the eight states were wholly inadequate and would not guarantee timely desegregation. Pratt set five guidelines that would have to be followed in future plans including requirements for visible desegregation actions, timetables, and specific roles identified for existing Black institutions.

Guilford Forum To Discuss Test

The Guilford College Black Ideas Forum will sponsor a panel discussion on "The Use of Standardized Test with Minority Youth: Issues and Concerns" at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Jan. 24, in the Gallery of Founders Hall.

Presenters for the forum will be Dr. Asa Hilliard, dean of the School of Education at San Francisco State University, and Dr. Robert Williams of Washington University in St. Louis.

The public is invited, free of charge. Additional information may be obtained from Frederick L. Hunt, director of minority student relations at Guilford College.

Dr. Hilliard currently is directing a project for the California State Department of Education on identifying mentally gifted minority youth.

He also is author of numerous professional articles on subjects ranging from cognitive learning styles of minority youth, teacher training, to institutional racism.

Dr. Williams, also a prolific writer in the area of standardized testing and minority youth, has authored several tests designed to assess the intelligence of Black youth, among them the Black Intelligence Test of Cultural Homogeneity.

He has served as an officer for the American Personnel and Guidance Association and the Association of Black Psychologists as well as committee chairmanships for the National Institute of Mental Health.

Blacks Pay Tribute To Martin Luther King

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Hooks was introduced by Rep. Andrew Young, President-elect Carter's nominee for U.N. ambassador.

More than a dozen white and Black religious leaders, including the Rev. Martin Luther King, Sr., participated in the service.

Music filled the church as the crowd of 500 sang, "Sing a song full of faith that the dark past has taught us. Sing a song full of hope that the present has brought us."

As the service ended, the worshippers joined hands to sing "We Shall Overcome," a familiar song from the days when Dr. King led the civil rights

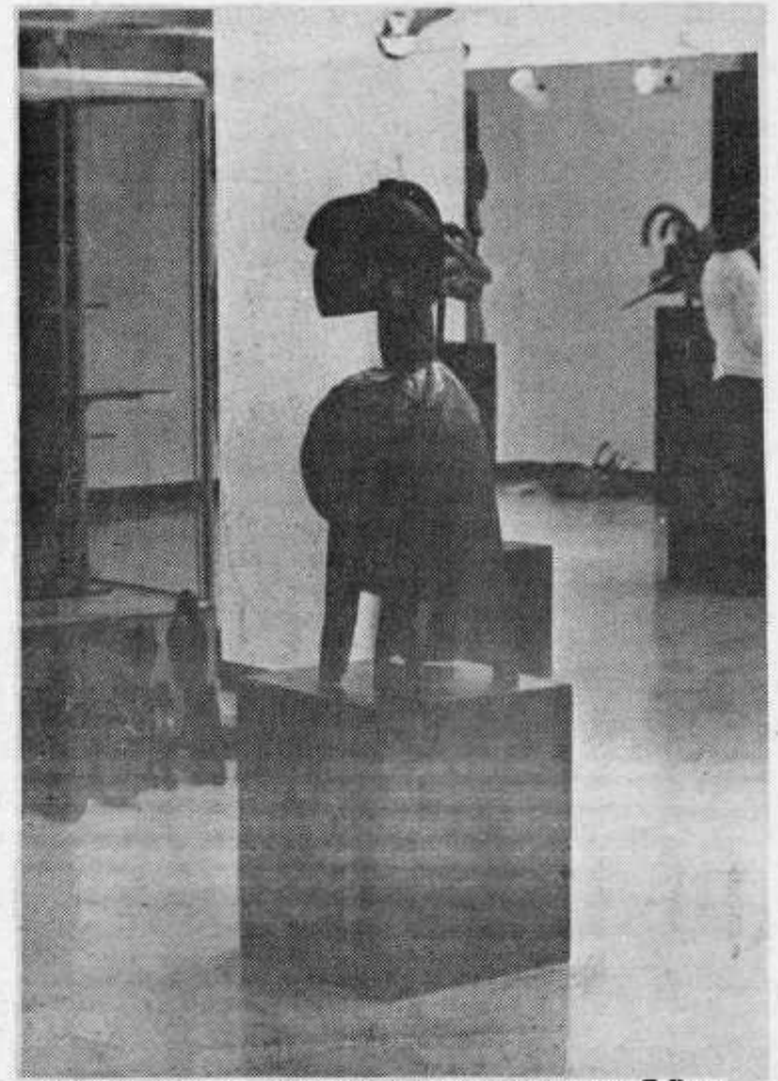
movement in the South.

Sunday's service followed an ecumenical which marked the birthday of Dr. King, who was

assassinated April 4, 1968. He would have been 48.

Celebration of the birthday coincided with a three-day full employment conference held by the Martin Luther King Jr. Center for Social Change.

Speakers during the conference included Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, D-Mass., and Leonard Woodcock, president of the United Auto Workers.



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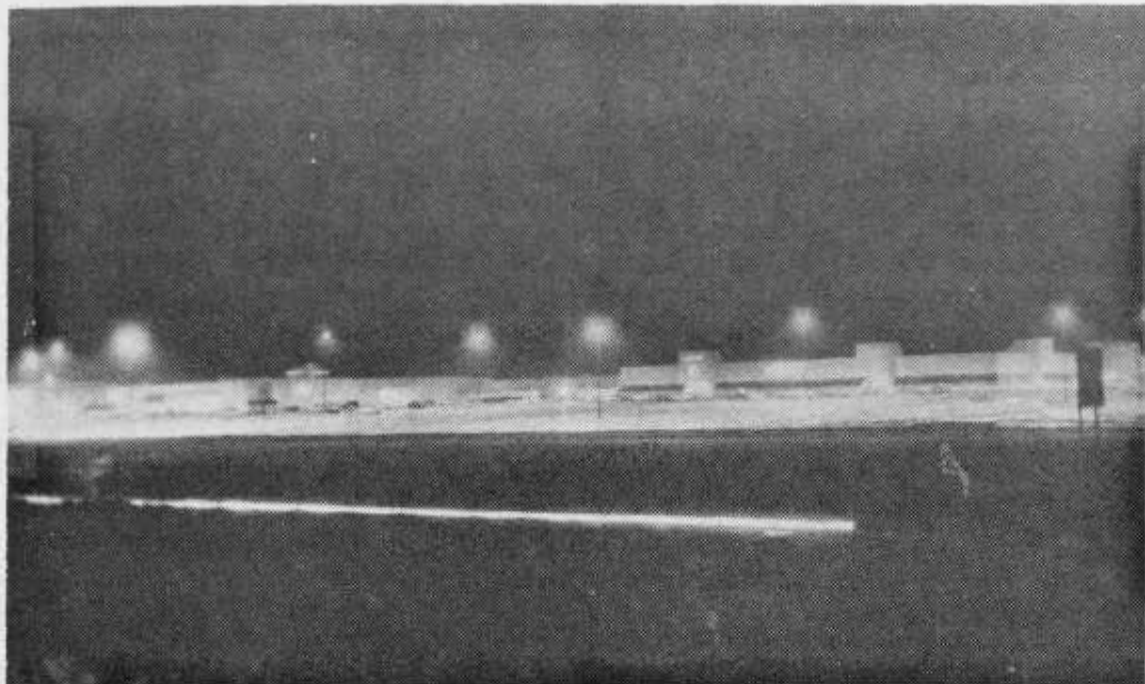
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Entertainment:

Nelle's Corner

By Lynelle Stevenson



The most extensive release in ABC's history has just been announced for January. The list includes LPs from some of the company's most popular artists who have recently moved to ABC, and several debut albums.

The latest from Rufus featuring Chaka Khan is shipping gold. The album is entitled "Ask Rufus" and is smoking. Isaac Hayes and Dionne Warwick exceeded everyone's expectations when they teamed up for a series of concerts called "A Man and A Woman." This classic LP shows the duo at their best at Atlanta's Fabulous Fox.

B.B. King's "King Size" features the King of the blues guitar in two settings. Half of the album was recorded in Memphis and the other track was recorded in L.A. Produced by Esmond Edwards, "King Size" should thrill B.B.'s fans.

Steve Barri and Michael O'Martian have produced another good one for Rhythm Heritage entitled "Last Night On Earth." They follow up their "Theme From SWAT" and "Baretta's Theme" with another sure-fire hit.

Among the stars who have recently moved to ABC is Harold Melvin and the Bluenotes. Their first album for the label is "Reaching For the World" which will certainly be as good as their past hits.

Also there is "Tompall Glaser and His Outlaw Band" which may be Tompall's best effort yet and Martin Mull, from Mary Hartman, Mary Hartman, with his release "I'm Everyone I Ever Loved."

The collection of debut albums starts with an album of classics and originals that show off some of the finest singing to be found anywhere. Produced and directed by Willie Hutch, "Street Corner Symphony" is out of sight.

Al Hudson and The Soul Partners and Shotgun, Lakeside all have debut albums bearing their names this month. All three are distinctive: R&B/Rock albums from three very distinctive groups.

ABC/Dot has three releases from Don Williams, Tommy Overstreet and Donna Fargo which should add even more record buyers to the mellow C&W's list of fans.

ABC/Peacock's gospel releases are from Mildred Clark and Tessie Hill, two of the finest voices in gospel today.

I hope this gives you a good idea and that you will want to check some of them out. I'm sure you'll find something that appeals to your individual taste in this extensive list. Music for everyone from ABC.

Blacks Maintain Close Ties

THE BLACK FAMILY
IN SLAVERY AND FREEDOM

Book Review

Did slavery cause disintegration of the Black family?

That assumption has been the basis for some scholarly views of the Black family and its sociocultural role for many years. It was an assumption reiterated time and again.

But author Herbert G. Gutman and a staff of tenacious colleagues have compiled a convincing argument in favor of an opposite position - that the Black family was characterized by extremely close ties.

Gutman's research included in-depth examination of geneological records, slave sale records and other historical documents, focusing on the

histories of special groups of slaves where records were plentiful. The result is a mound of evidence showing Black family unity.

Some readers of a book enjoying current popularity,

"Roots," is a fiction-based-on-fact version of a single family's geneology. It can help "personalize" the raw data of Gutman's work.

It is important to keep in mind that "Black Family" is a scholarly work, well documented, while "Roots" is a novel, albeit a very special type of novel. But a back-to-back reading of the two would be advantageous to the nonscholar

interested in the subject.
Dudley Lehew
Associated Press

Transportation Dept. Awards Contract To A&T

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Department of Transportation (DOT) office of University Research. DOT will provide \$54,088 for the contract it awarded A&T for the research. A&T will contribute \$1,595. The survey will be completed by July.

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Rough Sailing Ahead

Just two days before Jimmy Carter officially takes office, many Blacks are beginning to wonder if Carter's promises were as false as those of other presidents who preceded him.

During his campaign, Carter promised to put more minorities and women in more meaningful positions in government. Just recently a congresswoman commented on Carter's use of words when he mentioned putting more women in office. She said that, since there were no women in any high offices at the present, one female would be more than none. Apparently most of the nation was caught up on Carter's word.

As far as women and minorities are concerned though, Carter has fallen far short of his campaign promises. The appointment of Griffin Bell as attorney general hasn't helped matters.

If Carter's administration proves to be anything similar to that of the president-elect's campaign promises, then it is going to be a long four years.

Though this writer would not have expected Carter to make his whole cabinet Blacks and women, three or four hardly seem enough. The way in which Carter spoke during the campaign, it seemed as if he was going to completely clean house and bring in entirely new "furniture." Well such was not to be the case. Some of the people that he has chosen have been there before—some of whom should never have held office in the first place.

The entire situation reminds this writer of when Ford first became president. He said he wanted a marriage with congress. The Ford-congress honeymoon hardly lasted two weeks. The marriage between the people and Carter may be on the rocks before the big day arrives.

Blacks are the primary reason that Carter will be in Washington for the next four years. He shouldn't have started rocking the boat so early. It may be rough sailing ahead.

Leading editorials are written by the editor of THE A&T REGISTER. Such editorials will not necessarily carry a byline and will not necessarily reflect the opinion of the University or the entire staff. Staff members are free to write dissenting opinions.

THE REGISTER encourages letters to the Editor, but reserves the right to edit them. No letter will be considered for printing unless it is signed. Names may be withheld upon request.

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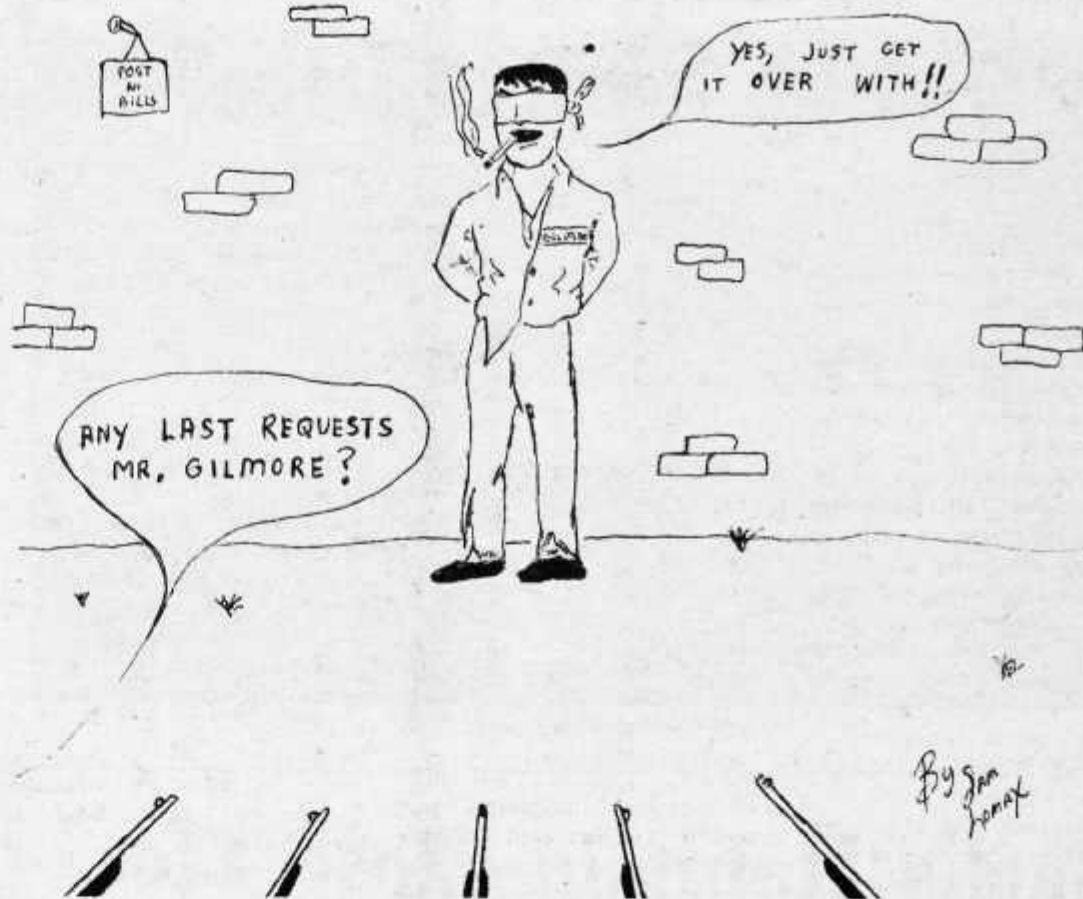
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"Respect"—Revive It

By Maxine McNeill

A long time ago there used to be a word which was held highly by everyone. This word being spoken of is a seven-letter word pronounced "respect."

Webster's Collegiate Dictionary says respect means, "to consider worthy of esteem; hence, to refrain from obtruding upon, as a person's privacy."

The dictionary gave other definitions of the word but the one definition which should be put into practice more often is consideration for others.

In our younger days, we acted a certain way because our parents made us. After enrolling at A&T, some of us decided that our earlier teachings were outdated.

Naturally, times change and some of the things our parents taught us are outdated,

but respect is not one of them.

It does not hurt to respect your peers some, if not most, of the time. It only reveals the respect you have for yourself.

The females on campus complain about the lack of respect the males display for them, but males say it is the reciprocal. Instructors complain that students do not display the amount of respect toward them that they deserve; and these days even parents are complaining about the lack of respect they receive from their children.

Where does it end? We, as mature human beings should examine ourselves to see if we are guilty of helping respect for our peers and other deserving persons die. If so, it is a merciless killing and we should take it upon ourselves to revive it.



In the 1600's, a prison warden in England charged his inmates for board and lodging. (Assumedly, if they couldn't pay up they were thrown out of prison.)

Students To Attend Inauguration

Four students from A&T have been extended invitations to attend the Inaugural Ball of President-elect Jimmy Carter.

Students attending the affair
J. Colonel
AFROTC
Slade, and

two N.C. Fellows, President Randy Clark and Linda Thompson. Tickets and expense for Cash and Slade are being paid by the administration of A&T and the N. C. Fellows will be paying for their own accommodations.

The group will be leaving for Washington, D. C., Wednesday, Jan. 19, at 8:00 a.m. The ball will be held at the Washington Hilton. The Aggies are all looking forward to an enjoyable first-time experience.

Letters To The Editor

Was An Injustice Done?

Editor of The Register:

Let me begin by stating that the record of the basketball team thus far is a disgrace insofar as the winning tradition of A&T is concern.

This lackluster performance of the team is due to the absence of James Sparrow, who is being denied an opportunity to exhibit his God-given talent by a few Negroes who call themselves administrators and who are not concerned about this university. Under the guise of his failure to meet institutional academic standards, the Bird's wings are being clipped while we as students who are thrilled by his wizardry are doing nothing to register our protests against this injustice.

The manner in which this administration has released press information concerning Sparrow's case is downright embarrassing to Sparrow and this university. Observing the style in which his case has been discussed in the media one can easily conclude that Sparrow is some kind of a nut.

It is a marvelous thing to have a basketball player like a Sinclair Colbert, or a Dexter Boone who is also a scholar. Yet it is wrong to leave a player of the caliber of a Sparrow out in the cold who doesn't possess such academic credentials as a Boone or a Colbert.

The university is to blame

along with the athletic department for Sparrow's academic failure. As much money as we have been flimflammed for by the administration, Sparrow should have had a tutor for every class he enrolled in. The argument here is that he is too good to lose.

Beneath the confusions of Sparrow's ineligibility is the argument for a push for excellence by the exponent of this elitist view, Dean X in conjunction with one administrator who has no love for the basketball coach, in sabotaging the basketball program. Therefore, there is more than academic incompetence on Sparrow's part which is involved in the performance of the team.

Perhaps the reason that there has been no mass student support for Sparrow and for Coach Reynolds, who in spite of his producing three championship teams during his four year tenure, is due to the fact that the Uncle Tom mentality of a few administrators is not confined to them alone, but to the youth as well.

In an article which appeared on page 7 of the September 24, 1976 edition of The A&T Register this writer observed a brown-nose style of journalism by Craig Turner who was discussing Sparrow's case.

According to Turner the argument is "whether James Sparrow is ready to pay his dues like any other student or is he just using this institution for a stepping stone to something more?"

It is unfair and it exhibits jealousy to single Sparrow out of this university population as using it for personal gain, while all around us we see signs of benign neglect on the part of the administration. In a real sense, all of us enrolled here are using this institution as a stepping stone to what many of us feel will be a good job, house, money, etc.

If it can be argued that the athletic records of universities are a reflection of the institution, then it can be logically concluded that A&T is regressing—not to mention the foolish approach toward the vet school issue.

This university which gave birth to the Black student revolt of the 60's and has been regarded as a leader for Black people, will witness a rude awakening if Sparrow and Coach Reynolds are pushed out of this university.

Anonymous

Campus Haps

The Future Alumni Activities Committee will meet Wednesday, January 19, at 8:00 p.m. in Room 100 of the Student Union.

Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity will hold its Spring Smoker Thursday, Jan. 20, in the Student Union Ballroom. All interested persons are invited to attend. Refreshments will be served and neat dress is required.

All Seniors who expect to Graduate at the end of the spring semester-1976-77- are required to file an application for graduation with the office of Registration and Records, 206 Dudley Building. The deadline for submitting applications is Friday, January 28, 1977. Necessary forms are available in the Registrar's Office. Your copy of your class schedule will be helpful to you in completing the application form.

The Alpha Nu Chapter of the Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity will hold its Spring Meeting Wed., Jan 19, at 6:00 p.m. The public is invited.

Swing Phi Swing Will sponsor a dance Wed. at 10:00 p.m. at the Cosmos II. \$1.00 W/ID.

All Nursing majors are invited to attend Chi Eta Phi's Spring rush January 20, 1977, in the Student Union, Rm 100 at 6:30 p.m.

Who's Who pictures will be taken on Jan. 20 between 2:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. Please come to the yearbook office Room 210 in the Student Union to meet the photographer.

This will be the only time these pictures will be taken.

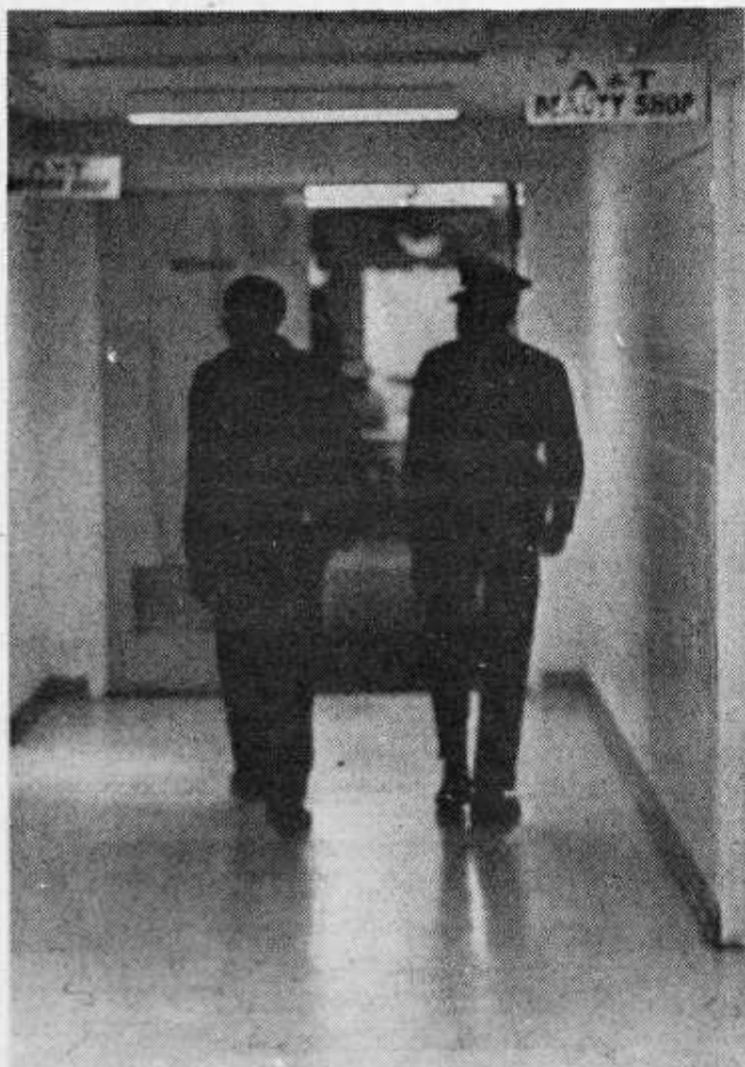


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Kappa Alpha Psi Contributes \$500 To Student Loan Fund

By Michael R. Davis

The Alpha Nu Chapter of the Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, along with the Greensboro Alumni Chapter, contributed \$500 to its Student Revolving Loan Fund. The contribution was then matched by the national headquarters, resulting in a total of \$1,000 in the fund.

Michael H. George, polemarch of the chapter said, "Alpha Nu is one of many chapters of the fraternity that have established a Student Revolving Loan Fund at its institution."

The funds at A&T are administered in accordance with present regulations regarding student loans.

Any student is eligible to apply for a loan not to exceed \$300, which must be repaid at the end of the semester, prior to registering for the subsequent semester, prior to graduation, or prior to releasing of one's transcript.

George added, "This fund will be beneficial to students that don't have enough money by the time of registration, who otherwise may have had to cancel their education for a semester."

The Alpha Nu Chapter, along with the Greensboro Alumni Chapter, will continue to make subsequent donations to the fund to build up to substantial sum in order that more students can benefit from it.

George concluded, "Dr. Dowdy was quite appreciative of such a fund and responded accordingly in the form of a letter."

Weather

Extended outlook Wednesday through Friday--Partly cloudy Wednesday, becoming fair Thursday and cloudy Friday. A chance of rain Friday, possibly beginning as snow in the mountains. Very cold Wednesday and Thursday, becoming not as cold Friday. Lows Wednesday morning less than 10 degrees, except teens on the coast. Lows mostly teens Thursday and in the teens and the 20's Friday. Highs mostly 20's Wednesday, 30's Thursday and 40's Friday.

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Spring Karate Classes To Start

The A&T Karate Dojo, under the instruction of Gilbert Casterlow, announces the start of Karate classes for the spring semester. The style of Karate taught on

the dojo(training floor) is Goju-Ryu, a martial art of Japan whose origins can be traced to the neighboring island of Okinawa. The name Goju-Ryu literally means "hard-soft style", indicative of the application and execution of respective offensive and defensive techniques.

The spring semester of classes is to begin with an exhibition of Karate, to be held Wednesday, January 26, 7:30 p.m. in East Gym. The demonstration will consist of an exposure to the class itself, along with (See Demonstrations, Page 8)

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 - Larvae
 - Funeral ovation (arch.)
 - Unit of electricity
 - Rhymes with Ida, in old song
 - Certain
 - Party
 - Football player
 - School in Cambridge
 - Like elephants
 - Use a straw
 - Movie beauty
 - French cheese
 - Sounded
 - Deeds: Lat.
 - Mr. Tunney
 - Indians
 - Nothing more than
 - Home entertainers
 - Shoe width
 - "Casablanca" pianist
 - ___ jardiniere
- DOWN**
- "I Remember ___"
 - Excited
 - English novelist (2 wds.)
 - Wallet item
 - Bob and ___
 - Voicebox (slang)
 - Single
 - ___ Joey"
 - Paris chum
 - Like wood
 - Take on cargo
 - Roman road
 - Jazz instrument
 - Large hawk
 - Musical notes

Answers To Last Puzzles

Answers to crossword puzzle:

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ADIT VASE
ACADIA FICKLE
ATTRACT ACTIONS
STUNS TER SEPAL
CUPS PARIS DEMI
ONO MARINAS REC
TENSOR CARLISLE
ARAR SDAK
HOSTAGES IBERIA
ASE NORMANS AND
GADS NOISE ANO
AGAPE UTE ALTAR
RETRACT ACTUATE
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SPORTS NOTEBOOK

By Craig R. Turner

There is light at the end of the rainbow. That is the old wives' tale that has been passed down from generation to generation. It is also indicative of the A&T basketball season as well.

Although the record is 1-11, A&T is slowly beginning to put a few things together. The play of freshmen Edward Vickers and Greg Branch has been exciting enough to keep the few loyal fans that follow A&T even in the midst of a losing season (from a losing interest).

Along with most other students on this campus, am puzzled by some of the inconsistent play by the Aggies. Unlike most other teams that A&T has produced, this squad has not put together a championship cohesiveness which is an A&T trademark.

There seems to be lack of confidence on the floor. It was rather prevalent this past weekend in the two conference games. Whether that is the product of endless adverse media coverage or the endless explanations about "youth" is a matter of opinion.

In any event A&T's team does indeed hustle on the floor. But hustle will probably win you only three or four games a year while expertise guarantees a winning record more often than not.

A&T will probably win some other games this year; but with nine conference contests remaining, a decision is going to have to be made. Is A&T going to play to win a ballgame from the outset or sit back and hope it can keep it close to make a run near the end of the game? Like I said there are nine games left.

In MEAC action around the loop, Morgan State upset Howard 78-74 in Washington this past weekend. N.C. Central took two big conference wins over Maryland-Eastern Shore 81-79, and Delaware State 87-63. South Carolina State defeated Western Carolina 80-79, in Orangeburg, S.C. The Aggies will travel to the Bulldogs this coming Saturday.

UNC-Wilmington To Play Aggies Wednesday Nite

Wednesday night the Seahawks of UNC-Wilmington will invade the Greensboro Coliseum to do battle with A&T.

The Aggies, struggling through the worst season in their basketball history, captured their first win last week and hope to

make it number two against the Seahawks.

Coach Mel Gibson's club thrashed the Aggies 96-63 in Wilmington three weeks ago in a totally one sided game in which

(See Intramurals, Page 8)

Hawks Bypass Aggies 64-57

By Craig Turner

Despite a standout 18 point and eight rebound performance by newly found star forward

Edward Vickers, A&T could not catch Maryland-Eastern Shore as the Hawks won 54-47 last Saturday.

A crowd of about 2,000 looked on in Moore Gymnasium as the Hawks showed A&T practically every kind of offense.



Gregory Branch drives for a lay-up over defenders. Staff Photo by Bill Lawson

The Aggies were completely held at bay in the first half as Maryland Coach Dan Jones instructed his team to take the ball inside.

That strategy worked surprisingly well as Maryland built a comfortable 21-11 lead with over seven minutes remaining in the first half.

Jones moved his team into a semi-stall offense to bring the much larger Aggies out to play man-to-man.

After trailing 35-25 at the half, A&T used a 2-1-2 zone press early in the second stanza to force Maryland guards into turnovers.

But unlike Delaware State the previous night, UMES had enough backcourt talent to hit on several uncontested drives to the basket.

A&T did get to within three points at 49-46 with 5:58 to go. But UMES came back with seven unanswered points to seal their first win of the season.

Besides Vickers' outstanding performance, L.J. Pipkin pumped in ten points and 6-10 Melvin Palmer contributed twelve rebounds and six blocked shots.

A&T Gets First Cage Win

By Craig R. Turner

A&T used a sticky man-to-man defense in the closing minutes to overcome a ten point deficit to claim a 44-41 win over Delaware State last

Friday night in the Greensboro Coliseum.

It was the Aggies first win, and marked the end of a losing streak of ten straight games.

The Aggies were hampered by

poor shooting and rebounding throughout the contest until the final six minutes of play.

After shooting a miserable 21 percent in the first half, A&T opened the second half trailing 25-15.

The Hornets decided to stay with their pattern offensive rebounds and close-in shots.

A&T then came out of its standard 2-3 zone defense and used a tight zone press to force Delaware into ball handling miscues.

With over six minutes remaining in the contest, guards Edward Vickers and Greg Branch began to connect on outside shots which brought the margin down to two.

From there the lead changed hands five times before reserve guard Willie Robinson stole a cross court pass and drove for a layup with 1:34 remaining to give A&T a 42-41 lead.

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Intramural Department To Sponsor One-On-One

By Archie B. Bass

The intramural department is sponsoring a one-on-one

championship featuring ex-Aggie basketball stars.

According to Earnest Gaskins, assistant co-ordinator for the intramural program, "We formulated this idea of the one-on-one featuring ex-Aggie stars to get the students excited, motivated, and even to participate on a spectator point of view."

"The one-on-one games will be played at half-time of each (See A&T, Page 8)



Two A&T Cheerleaders displayed the sweet taste of victory when the Aggies defeated Delaware State 44-41 Friday night. Staff photo by Fred Duckett

MEAC CONFERENCE STANDINGS

Morgan State	2	0	1,000	9	3	.750
NCCU	2	0	1,000	4	3	.550
SCSC	1	0	1,000	3	7	.300
Howard	1	1	.500	9	4	.692
UMES	1	2	.333	1	8	.111
A&T	1	2	.333	1	11	.083
Delaware State	0	3	.000	1	12	.078

Ed Vickers Leads Aggies In Win Over Delaware

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A&T came up with another steal by Branch, who fouled in the act of shooting with 39 seconds left.

However, he was only awarded a bonus situation.

A&T Faces

Seahawks

Wednesday Night

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A&T committed 41 personal fouls.

It was then that Coach Warren Reynolds made the statement that he thought the officiating reduced his team's effectiveness.

The Seahawks will probably start the quartet of Dave Wolff (6-5), Jim Brogdon (6-2), Ralph Peterson (6-2), and bona fide star 6-6 Delaney Jones.

A&T has utilized the talents of 6-4 Ed Vickers and 6-0 Greg Branch to help generate some kind of offense.

But in order for A&T to play a competitive game good efforts must be forth coming from 6-9 L.J. Pipkin and 6-10 Mel Palmer underneath.

Game time is set for 8 p.m.

Intramurals Will Offer

Co-ed Badminton

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intramural basketball game starting tonight."

"We are working hard to get students involved," said Gaskins.

During the championship game, door prizes will be given away including, the latest recording albums and raffles at half-time.

Some tentative sports that are scheduled for the spring are co-ed badminton, co-ed volleyball, riflery, ice skating, archery, and softball.

"We feel these spring sports are exciting, and we want the students to continue to show involvement," stated Gaskins.

Demonstrations

Are Open

To Public

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performances by the Karatekas, of forms, techniques, and sparring.

Highlighting the exhibition will be an array of breaking-a-facet of the art which also brings about mental development.

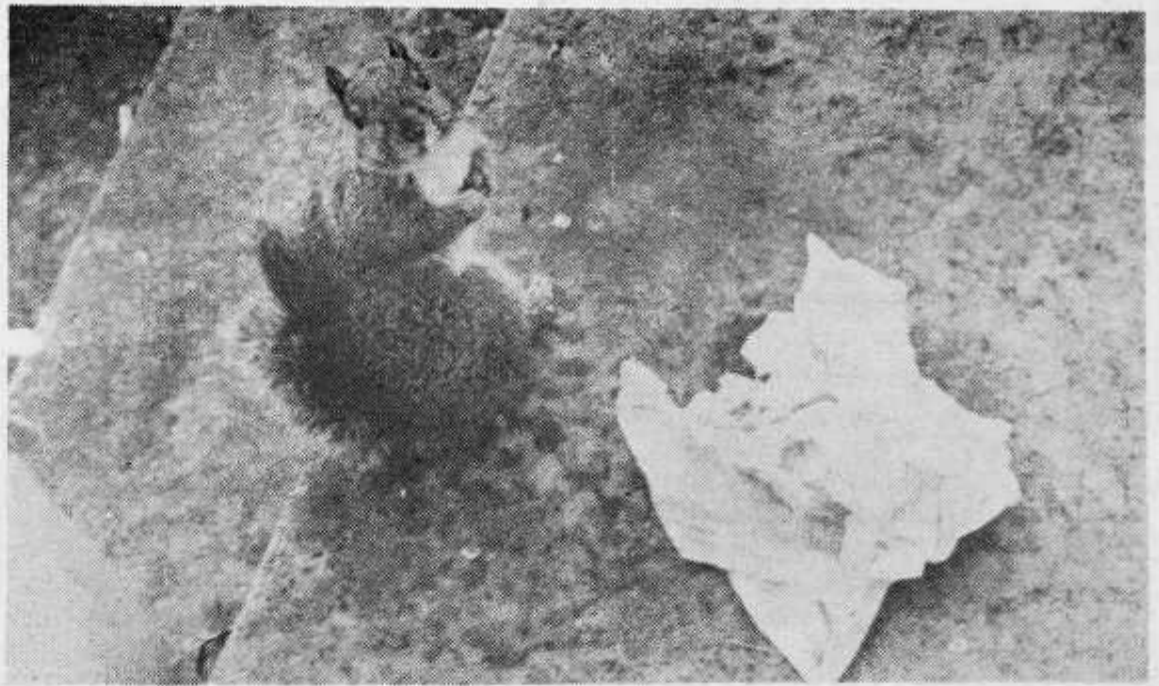
The demonstration is open to all and especially to those interested in the class, which meets on Monday and Wednesday from 7:00 to 8:30, and Saturday from 10:00 to 12:00.

Branch missed on the front end of the one-and-one and Delaware rebounded.

Following a time out, the Hornets decided to wait for the last shot but Robinson again stole an intended pass and drove down court and was fouled.

Robinson calmly sank both free throws with six seconds left to give the Aggies an insurmountable three-point advantage.

Ed Vickers led the winners with 14 points and 12 rebounds while Branch and forward L.J. Pipkin added eight.



A squirrel ate breakfast and posed for a picture on this photographer's porch before scurrying away to the treetops.

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