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Female Breaks Male Barrier

Mrs. Sammie Rouson Wooten recalls that, when she was a student at a Greensboro junior high school, she wanted to enroll in an industrial arts class.

"They told me they only had room for the boys," she said. Mrs. Wooten didn't give up her quest for a career in technology; today she is an associate of A&T's Industrial Technology.

Mrs. Wooten is prototype of a growing number of A&T State University students who are enrolling in the university's Industrial Technology Department.

Both the university and the corporate employers are welcoming the influx of qualified women graduates into the profession of technology. Interested students at the area's community colleges (See Mot., Page 2)

James To Head County Extension

Leroy James, a veteran member of the Agricultural Extension Service staff in Pitt County, has been named county extension chairman.

James replaced Ed Yancey, who resigned from the post January 1, to accept a promotion as a district extension chairman.

A native of Hertford County, where he grew up on a large farm, James served as a farm manager for a year before entering A&T where he received a B.S. degree in animal husbandry and a masters degree in agricultural education.

He joined the Extension Service in 1958 in Wayne County and transferred to

WGHP Gives Student Job As TV Announcer

Cooper started public announcing in high school. He also has worked as a cameraman for WTVI-TV and appeared on a program entitled "We Don't Do Nothing In Here." Cooper has also worked with television directors.

At A&T, the freshman can be heard everyday making announcements in F. A. Williams Cafeteria. He has appeared in the play "Six Characters In Search of An" (See Cooper, Page 6)
Motivation Makes Courses Meaningful

and technical institutes.
As for qualifications, he
recommends that female
students study math, physics,
and chemistry in high school.
"But interest and motivation
are more important than the
courses," he added.

Ola Little, an advanced
freshman in A&T's industrial
technology program, also
remembers her frustration in
trying to crash the male-
dominated field.
"I have always been in-
terested in drafting, but
when I came to A&T, I ma-
jored in art because I was
afraid they wouldn't accept
me in drafting," she said.

Miss Little, a native of
Blount's Creek, enrolled
in the art program, but
later switched to industrial
technology. "I just didn't
like art, because I wanted to
major in something else," said Ola.

Pinckney said A&T cur-
rently enrolls more than 300
students in the industrial
technology program; four of
the students are females.

He said the curriculum
here provides the young
ladies with general educa-
tion, business and manage-
ment, training and technical
depth.
The students can complete
a technical option in either
construction, automotive
technology, electronics
technology, or manufactur-
ing.

Pinckney said students
who successfully complete
the program are prepared for
careers in research and
development, production
design, sales and marketing
and field service.

Besides equal employment
requirement, said Chisman,
industry has other reasons
for recruiting more females
in industrial technology.
"Industry is realizing that
many products are purchased
by females, but are designed
by men," he said. "They are
finding out that women
designers will make a design
to fit the needs of females
better."
James Starts Career In 1962

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Pitt in 1962. James' main responsibilities in Pitt have been in the areas of soybeans, small grains, community resource development.

Officials

To Participate In Symposium

More than 250 officials of government, industry, and education are expected to participate in the first "Symposium on Emerging Energy Alternatives for the Southeastern States" on March 21 in Merrick Hall.

Keynote speaker will be the honorable Robert W. Scott, former governor of Virginia.

Cooper Suggest Black Announcers Careers Slim

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Author," and is presently working with the production of "What The Wine Sellers Buy," and "The Owl and the Pussy Cat." According to the pre-med major, public announcing is a very important to society as a whole. "Announcing makes one third of all communications that a person receives," stated Cooper. He believes that anyone can be trained for announcing but feels that all public announcers should be knowledgeable of all information that should be accurate and concise.

Cooper feels that opportunities are slim for black announcers. He states, however, that "If the right opportunity comes, I will make announcing my career." Otherwise Cooper plans to pursue the profession of a doctor.

For those students who have not heard Cooper, he will be the master of ceremonies and coordinator of the Men's Council Talent Show which will be held in April.

Survival 101

Blair Proposes New Course

By Belinda Perkins

The Department of Administration Supervision and Postsecondary Education has proposed the implementation of the course, Survival 101. The initiation of the proposal was designed by Dr. Marion Blair, student assistant to the dean of the School of Education.

This course is designed to familiarize students, managers, administrators, and civic leaders with the survival skills necessary for job effectiveness and efficiency. Individuals with years of experience in all areas of higher education will have the opportunity to share their experiences in an informal class setting. The class will be visualized as a life experience that extends beyond the traditional setting.

Committee To Discuss Wilmington 10 Case

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Anyone interested in more information regarding the work of this A&T Wilmington 10 Defense Committee can contact Dr. Joseph Gruendler at 379-7822 or 204-3546.

Campus Haps

Attention All Ladiesthat would like to be a candidate for Miss Alpha Phi Alpha, contact any member of the Alpha Fraternity. The deadline is the 28 of March.

Attention all Alobeam Society members! There will be a meeting Thursday, March 23, at 5 p.m. in Merrick Hall. Elections will be held. All members are urged to attend.

A $10 reward is being offered for the identity of a young man who took a turntable from Harrison Auditorium during the recent talent show sponsored by Phi Beta Sigma. If anyone has any information please contact any Sigma or the president of the chapter, Tony Florence at 373-8355.

Senior Class meeting will be held Wednesday, March 22, at 6 p.m. in Rooms 213-215 in the Student Union. For all seniors interested in the trip to the Bahamas, be prepared to pay a $20 deposit.

Any member of the University Family who needs assistance in making public oral presentations is asked to contact Dr. Lois Kinney in Room 212, Crosby Hall on Mondays and/or Wednesdays between the hours of 2 p.m. and 4 p.m.

Ms. Susanne Kramer of The United States Department of Labor will be on campus Thursday, March 23, recruiting for persons to work in the Washington, DC area under the Co-operative Education Program. Areas of interest are Social Sciences, Business Administration, Math, Public Administration, and Accounting. Salary Ranges will be from $7,900 to $8,900 per year. Ms. Kramer will be recruiting in Room 202 in the Dudley Building all day Thursday.

All students who are desirous of entering the annual oratorical contest are asked to meet with Dr. Lois B. Kinney on Wednesday, March 22, at 4 p.m. in Room 207 in Crosby Hall.

The Student Government Association (SGA), will sponsor a Student Government Leadership Workshop, March 30-31, from 7-10 p.m. in the Student Union. Some of the guest speakers will include Ben Ruffin, special assistant to Governor Hunt; Dr. Lacy Caple, chairman of board of trustees; and Cleon Thompson, general administrator UNC-CH system.

All students planning to run for SGA office, class officers, and campus queens are requested to attend this workshop.

The National WAVAW (Women Against Violence Against Women) will present a slide presentation in Winston-Salem on Saturday, April 15. The presentation will be shown at the YWCA, 2101 Glade Street, at 11 a.m. and at Columbia Heights at 6 p.m. For further information call 725-7851.

All students planning to run for class or SGA offices are asked to meet Wednesday, March 22, at 8 p.m. in the Student Union Ballroom.

The North Carolina Coalition to free the Wilmington Ten will have a planning meeting on Tuesday, March 21st, at 7:30 p.m. Room 100, Student Union Ballroom. Please bring a friend.

Attention!! All A&T Register Staff Members are asked to meet Wednesday, March 23, at 7:30. Important business to be discussed.

Persons wishing to Purchase corsages for the Military Ball, see any member of Arnold Air Society or come by Campbell Hall, Room 140.
Test Loses Competency

The competency test which is presently being administered to area high school students will have the same effect on Blacks that the Scholastic Aptitude Test and the other standardized test have had. With this test in existence, the majority of Black students will not have to worry about which college to attend because they will not graduate from high school. Though some people may argue that the competency test, like the others, is a common sense test, that is not exactly true. How can you call a student dumb because he or she does not know anything about a bank account if that student has not been exposed to such?

Some of the Black students in one Chatham County high school system actually became frustrated and were ready to give up because they did not understand or could not relate to the information included on the test. The majority of the white students at that same school were discussing how easy the test was.

Something does need to be done about the large number of illiterates graduating from high school. We all discuss this problem but no one has derived a solution that would be fair for everyone. It has been suggested that the students who do not pass the competency test be allowed to graduate. Instead of receiving a diploma, these students would be given an “Exit Certificate.” This would be to prove to prospective employers they did graduate from high school.

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. All letters submitted to the Editor, become the property of THE REGISTER and will not be returned.

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It's That Time Again

By Catherine Speller

It’s that time of the year again, fellow Aggies, for election of class officers, student government officers, and campus queens.

The one thing we all should do at this time is to participate. Your participation now or lack of it will determine a great deal who your leaders will be next semester. This writer is sure you want no repeat performances.

As a race, Blacks have never really learned the meaning of punctuality which is “on-time”, then start putting it into practice.

Many students have the audacity to walk into classes and seminars ten or thirty minutes late and go to the front of the room.

Yes, one pays tuition to attend the class, so do other students of this university. Coming to class late interrupts the concentration of those who are lecturing and taking notes. By being tardy to class, one may miss out on some important information such as test dates, special speakers, conferences, and lectures, some of which many instructors get most of their test question from.

Sometimes instructors may be late, but who will benefit from the course at the end?

If one continues to carry this habit around, one may miss out on the road to success. Now, is this habit worth it?

Now is a good time to wake-up and realize the rest of the world will not wait.

Learn To Attend Class

By Margaret L. Brown

With spring in the air and the great outdoors calling, one often finds it hard to motivate himself to attend class on time.

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A&T To Implement Energy Conservation Measures

By Anthony Boya

A&T State University, under the direction of Governor James Hunt's emergency energy policy, has taken action to reduce energy consumption. The action comes after a March 2 memorandum, sent from the Office of State Property and Construction. The memo asked for a reduction in energy consumption. The memo ordered that thermostats be set at 62 degrees and hot water heaters not to exceed 120 degrees.

Every aspect of university life is covered by emergency energy plan. Administrative changes will include: conducting training sessions about techniques to conserve energy. The cafeteria will prepare a "cold-type" lunch at least once a week. All cooking and preparation of foods in dormitory rooms will be banned. Eliminate as many after hours meetings and conferences as possible and fewer, but longer, class sessions will be considered. Administrative changes will also require a review of policies permitting use of electrical equipment. Supplementary space heaters are discouraged. Students are also urged to walk instead of driving when possible.

The 19-page preliminary report, submitted to the White House Office of Management and Budget, will be followed by a full report due next month. Some commissioners have expressed concern that many members of the armed forces might choose not to re-enlist because of uncertainties about their future benefits. Spokesmen for service personnel have claimed they are victims of "eroding" benefits.

Carter Proposes Overhaul

A special commission appointed by President Carter has urged early action on its proposals for a major overhaul of the controversial system of military benefits. A major target of the commission is the system that allows retirement after 20 years of military service. The commission's preliminary report calls for extending the service requirement to 30 years and a minimum age of 55.

Chairman Charles J. Zwick wrote that "it is highly important" that the Carter administration decide quickly on the commission's major recommendations because long debate on the issues has created substantial uncertainty among the 2.1 million men and women in the armed services.

The government will spend around $1386 billion on energy this year. The memo ordered that thermostats be set at 62 degrees and hot water heaters not to exceed 120 degrees. The commission's report said that "the current retirement system is much more generous to those who retire with 20 years of service than private and public sector plans." The commission also said the current retirement system is unfair to members who serve less than 20 years because they receive no retirement benefits.

In a dissent, retired Air Force Lt. Gen. Benjamin O. Davis, Jr. protested what he called "the dismantling of the retirement system as a . . . career incentive."
Sophomore Leads Fitness Class

By Karen F. Williams

A slimnastic program will be held in the Union Ballroom beginning April 4. The class will meet on Tuesday and Thursday nights from 7-9 p.m.

The purpose of the program is to help students firm up their muscles and lose excess weight. Karen L. Skinner, a sophomore, will be conducting the class.

"There were many girls in my dorm that were interested in slimnastics," stated Miss Skinner, "so I figured others would be interested too."

Margaret Faust, the program director thought that Miss Skinner had an excellent idea.

"It is a co-ed program which will help prepare the students for the summer," stated Mrs. Faust. The program will consist of exercises and special diets.

"You must be serious about it," replied Miss Skinner; "otherwise you will not accomplish much."

Miss Skinner hopes to get other students to assist her in the program.

A sign-up sheet will be in the Union, Room 102, for all interested students.

Engineering Department To Sponsor Conference

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North Carolina and federal co-chairman of the Appalachian Regional Commission.

Sponsoring the conference will be the A&T Department of Electrical Engineering, the U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Energy Research and the National Aeronautics and Space Administration's Langley Research Center.

Dr. Elias D. Stefanakos, chairman of the conference, said the program will attempt to "address the present state and the future promise of energy alternatives for the Southeastern states."

Other participants will include Dr. Warren D. Devine, Jr., project leader of the Solar and Decentralized Energy Systems Studies Institute for Energy Analysis at Oak Ridge, Tennessee; and Dr. James Dollard, chief of the agricultural and industrial process hear branch of the Office of Solar Applications of the U.S. Department of Energy.

Dr. Donald E. Schueler of the Sandia Laboratories in Albuquerque, New Mexico, will speak on "Alternatives in Solar Energy," and Donald E. Allen of the Department of Energy's regional office in Atlanta will speak on "Conservation as an Alternative Energy Source."

Robert P. Kennel, vice president of Ultrasystems, Inc. of Washington, D.C., will speak on "Wood Energy: Commercial Applications Outside the Wood Industry."

Somebody's Watching the Raven's Dream . . .

Freshman Class Sponsors 'Spring Affair' Dance

By Jacqueline Pender

Spring Affair "'78" is this year's theme for the freshman class's spring dance.

"This dance is not being held for financial support. It is being held to celebrate the unity of a successful year shown by the freshman class." stated Dennis Ward, president of the freshman class.

"Featured at the dance will be the Mighty Majors of Greensboro. The attire for the evening will be semi-formal. All classes and their guests are invited."

"Tickets prices and refreshments will be decided on at the next freshman class meeting March 16," stated Ward.

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**Sports Notebook**

By Archie Bass

With the gleaming of the bright sunshine and with nature taking its course of new awakening green, soccer enters the spring sports of the Aggie format. Already, the baseball campaign has been launched under the veteran expertise of Coach Mel Groomes. As in the past two seasons, the inconsistency in the weather has labeled many games to be postponed.

Meanwhile, the tennis team is off and swinging the racket this year with a great deal of confidence. In a recent visit with the likable Thomas Bynum, often referred to as Mr. "B", and despite his budget and many other hampering disadvantages that are deemed necessary to have a tennis program, he takes it all in stride with the attitude that things will some day get better.

During the course of an excited basketball game, Mr. "B" is really a hustler in terms of conversation. But, deep inside, the soft-spoken Bynum never complained regardless of how bad situations may appear to be.

For he calls himself a pessimist-optimist-everything that's bad has something good. Nevertheless, there should be no arguments concerning his ability as a tennis coach.

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On the other side of the practice field, the tracksters will be without the guidance of Murray Neely who resigned last week from his post. Joe Buggs does not raise any speculation as a top successor to Neely.

Neely, a noted gentleman and track expert who guided the tracksters for 16 years, represents the entire university with his diligent efforts that provided a sound program that does not have sufficient money to operate on. Still, Neely got the best from the tracksters despite an inample budget to work with.

Although Buggs will be out to launch a second era in Aggie track, the shoes of Murray Neely will be hard to fill.

In a letter that was addressed to this columnist from a former wrestler, there was a condemnation of the team's coverage and an update of their achievements for the season. I must admit that the team has been slack from coverage this year.

And, I must admit that the Aggie matmen have one of the finest coaches in the country. And not to say the least about the talent that is on the team. Still, there comes a time when a sports staff does not have the personnel to cover every sport at this university. So, why can't the writer of the letter take responsibility himself and serve as the correspondent for the wrestling team next season.

It's easier to say why--instead of why not?

**Smooth Talk!**

A&T's men's and women's bowling teams have qualified for the NCAA Regional College Bowling Championship scheduled to be held in Rich­mond, Va., March 31-April 1.

The seven member Aggie women's team finished in first place in the Southern Intercollegiate Bowling Conference's Division III standings with a 7-2 record. The A&T women had an overall average of 773 through 45 games.

Freshman sensation Karen Funderburk, a native of Greensboro, had the highest average in the league at 173. Other teams in the SIBC include University of Tennessee, Ap­palachian State, Clemson, UNC-Charlotte, and Spar­taubgan Methodist College.

The eight member A&T men's team finished in third place behind Clemson and Tennessee with an average of 858.2 through 45 games. The top-seeded A&T male bowler is Greensboro native Henti Baird with a game average of 184.

"Our original purpose of forming the league was to get bowling in the NCAA," said A&T bowling coach Roger McKee. "Once it was recognized by the NCAA, we felt that the sport could have Olympic possibility."

"It hasn't been easy but we've had great participation here at A&T. If we win the regional competition in Rich­mond then we go to Milwaukee, Wisconsin to participate in the national tournament April 26-29."

Members of the women's bowling team are Karen Funderburk, Darlene Stephens, Teresa Peeples, Diane Glover, Karen McGill, Pamela Feaster, and Joyce Walker. Members of the men's team are Henti Baird, James Davis, Greg Bigg, Norbert Reid, Anthony Cox, Jerome Phillips, Bobby Ford, and Henry Cobb.

**NCAA Playoffs**

**Bowlers To Play In Regionals**

Although tennis is somewhat overshadowed by football and basketball in terms of revenue and recruit­ment, the Aggie tennis team and second-year coach, Thomas Bynum, still are apt to swing the racket with enthusiasm despite the other two major sports.

In his spacious office located on the football fieldhouse, the soft-spoken and well respected head coach looks at the highly competitive schedule as a stiff challenge but with a great deal of optimism.

"We are optimistic going into this year," said Bynum, who enrolls in school and who has good tennis programs at some of the other schools in the state? Bynum explains: "Tennis is a nonrevenue producing sport and there is not a lot of finance that can be put into recruiting good tennis players."

He also adds that now, we have to depend on who enrolls in school and hope that they will walk on.

Speaking of exposure for the team, if the budget would allow, the team would have gathered their rackets and gear for prestigious tennis powers like Lafayette, Bucknell, Cleveland State, and Temple.

"We feel that we have the facilities to attract any tennis player or any of the nation's powers, but unfortunately for the players, our budget just won't let us."

Returning off last year's squad is the team's catalyst Bobby Noble whom the head coach describes: "He had an extremely good season last year and his own against any of the schools we played last year. He knows all the basics of tennis and has a good amount of talent to go along with his general knowledge of the sport."

Playing the number two slot this year will be Cyril Quinn who played respec­tively (See Motivation, Page 8)
Tennis Team Consists Of Many Walk-Ons

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table last year despite coming into the season out of shape. Another prospect whom the head-swinger is high on is Eric Martin who figures to be the number three seeded player. "Eric will develop into a real fine tennis player before he leaves A&T. He's doing a real fine job despite no college experience."

"This year we have a good number of walk-ons like George Martin, Daryl Todd, Michael Lockey, and Preston Barnes who will help us considerably.

A new addition to this year's outlet will be the service of Kitty Maddox, the first female player under the guidance of Bynum. "She worked really hard to get her game down this summer, and she's really coming along," vouched the likable Bynum.

Like most athletic sports, tennis too has the moral teaching for all interested athletes. Bynum says, "Tennis is a great character building sport. You have to play with temperament, patience and control. If you learn this, you will become a fairly good tennis player and a respected individual." Still, Bynum looks into the uncertainty of the future and humbly states: "One day, I'm hoping that we will have a top-notch tennis program here at A&T, including scholarship money to offer top tennis players throughout the country."

With time, patience, and finance, his wish may become a true vision.