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# THE A&T REGISTER

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## Vice-Chancellor

# Businessman Uses Basic Approach

Sheila A. Williams

"I'm a businessman, not an educator by profession, or a university administrator," stated Plummer Alston, vice-chancellor for fiscal affairs.

Alston, an alumnus of A&T, attended graduate school and then worked three years for a corporate bank structure. He then did office management for the federal government and has had his own private business.

"I take these same basic approaches and use them to organize the school's financial system", when asked what measures he would take to insure that A&T's business office would run smoothly.

"The university setting is no different," he remarked, "for organization and planning sessions must be implemented personally as well as on paper."

Alston's primary staff work's an agreeable method on a continuing basis.

"Many administrators do

not know how to come from behind the desk; getting out among people is very important. "For if you request that something be done and get out and make sure that your request is being carried out, then the people will follow up and pay more attention to your plans."

He also feels that communication among the students, faculty, and administration is very important.

Alston says that he is an open individual. "Not a person on campus can truthfully say that I have not been open to everyone, for I am a very dogmatic person."

Alston has certain plans that he believes will work here at A&T, and he is keeping an open mind to people who have things to say. "I don't have the patience or time to listen to those who say nothing. Time is running out, for us to get our act together," he concluded.

# Former Security Officer Dies

By Catherine Speller

John Byron Griffin, former chief of campus security, died August 29, 1978, at Moses Cone Hospital.

Chief Griffin had been employed by the University for over twenty-eight years. He was a native of Whiteville.

Chief Griffin joined A&T's security department when

there was only one officer other than himself to police and protect the university.

He watched the security department grow over the years to a 16 man staff and then to an 8 member staff, said

John Marable. Marable is a security officer and was a co-worker as well as a friend of Chief Griffin.

"Chief Griffin was a very dedicated and conscientious officer. He loved A&T and wanted to see it progress," stated Marable.

Chief Griffin retired nearly two years ago due to ill health.

The family will be at Hargett Funeral Home this evening from 7-7:30 p.m.

Funeral services will be held

at 1 p.m. Saturday at Mount Zion A.M.E. Zion Church in

the Mount Zion Community, on Huffine Mill Road.



Plummer Alston



J. B. Griffin

# School Of Business Econ. Holds Four-Week Seminar

A four-week management development seminar for owners and operators of small businesses will be held at A&T, September 19 through Nov. 6.

The seminar, available on a non-credit basis or for continuing education credits, will be sponsored by the School of Business and Economics.

"Small businesses are often plagued by management errors which can lead to bankruptcy," said Dr. V.K. Unni, one of the directors of the seminar. "These errors include inadequate management skills, poor cash management, poor marketing decisions and failure to plan."

Unni said the seminar sessions will be held on Tuesday nights from 7:00 to 9:30 p.m. in Merrick Hall.

The first two sessions will be on planning and forecasting. These will be followed by sessions on accounting, including managerial and financial information systems; financing, including capital requirements and SBA aids available; and marketing management.

Unni, an associate professor in the Department of Business Administration, said the formal lectures of the seminar will be supplemented by talks by guest consultants from government, banking and in-

(See Unni Page 3)

# Curtis Gets Male Residents

By Jacqueline D. Pender

Young ladies, if you are looking for your girlfriends that lived in A. W. Curtis Residence Hall, try looking in Zoe Barbee, Cooper, Gibbs, Holland, Morrison and Vanstory halls.

On Wednesday, August 23, Curtis Hall was occupied by women; but, by Monday, August 28, Curtis was occupied by men. "The sudden change came as the result of the outcome of automatic reservation cancellations," stated Mrs. Lucille Piggott,

dean of women. Mrs. Piggott stated that there were 123 occupants in Curtis Hall on the 25th of August that could be accommodated in remaining women residence halls, thus providing space for the male students.

"The need for the young women to vacate Curtis Hall existed Friday, August 25 due to the long list of men on the waiting list for housing," stated Mrs. Piggott. Mrs. Piggott later received word that the residence hall must close at 12:30 p.m. Sunday, August

27. "I kept hoping that all would arrive so they wouldn't" (See Statistics Page 5)

## Miss A&T Says

# A&T: "Aggie Essence"

By Richard Steele

"When I think of A&T, I think of Aggie Essence, that is to say the best of the best," said Paulette Breeze reigning Ms. A&T for the 1978-79 school year.

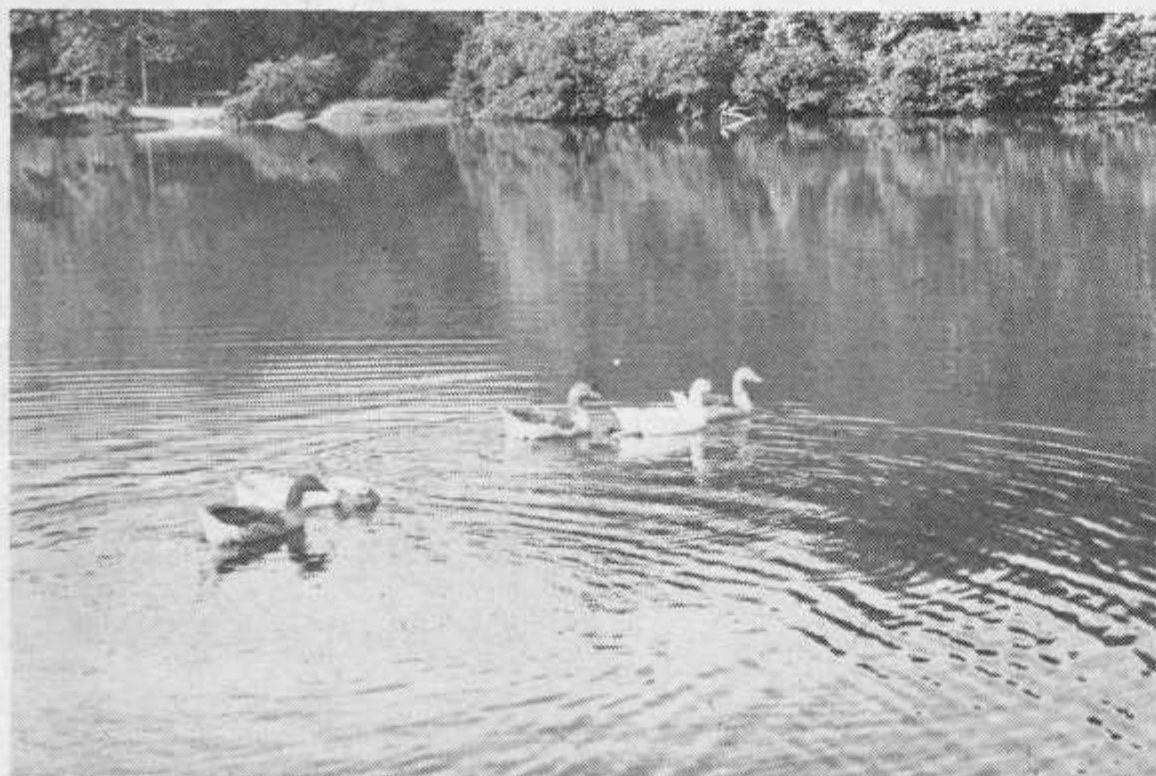
Ms. Breeze is an architect-

tural engineering major from Hillsboro.

She enjoys playing the flute, twirling her baton, sewing, sketching, dancing, swimming, playing chess and backgammon, and meeting and talking with people.

The active queen also enjoys modeling as one of her hobbies. Paulette is participating in the Fall Fashions Concert to be held next month here in Greensboro.

Paulette would like students (See Aggies Page 6)



One of the many sights at Battleground Park.

File Photo

## Class Meets Without Instructor

By Shakespeare Maya

The fall semester has started with a strong grip of academic business on Aggie soil. A good number of serious students have already begun showing personal discipline and devotion to their assignments by staying late in the library or in their dormitory apartments.

In the streets and on the walkways of A&T, the panorama is none other than that of students, many with their books in hand trying to connect classroom work with other business activity.

To many, this bustle should surely pay off one day. But for about 90 political science students, this first-day excitement seems to be bearing down to some discouragement. The Political Science Department has no instructors for three classes, and the students for the past four days have been merely walking in to sign the

roll and then leave.

When asked to explain this situation, Dr. V.C. Stroud, the department chairperson, said that the instructors' shortage problem, though not consecutive, has been chronic in his department. This particular situation he attributed to enrollment fluctuation.

After the 1978 fall enrollment, Stroud noticed that additional instructors were need-

ed to make the department's five-course program viable. Answering a question on what temporary help had been located to help alleviate the problem, he explained that, where possible, current instructors have attended to these students.

Stroud agreed that this inconvenience is considerably detrimental to the student's (See Instructor, Page 8)



## Black Leaders At Odds Over Liquor Issue

CHARLOTTE (AP) A prominent Black political leader Thursday joined the opposition to mixed drinks here, while a Black business organization threw its support in favor of mixed drinks. Mecklenburg County voters will go to the polls Sept. 8, for the first referendum in the state under the new local-option mixed-drink bill.

Bob Davis, chairman of the Charlotte Black Political Caucus, was named to a committee position with People Who Care, the organized opposition to mixed drinks.

Davis said he could not predict the way Blacks would vote in the referendum. The political caucus is remaining neutral, he said.

Davis said he isn't sure mixed-drink sales would benefit the Black community without strict guidelines. Specific rules for the sale of liquor by the drink have yet to be adopted.

Davis' affiliation with the anti-liquor movement was hailed by one of the leaders of the movement as possibly swinging the Black community against mixed drinks.

"We feel like the Black community is going to make the difference in victory or defeat; and, with someone of his place in the Black community, we

feel it'll make the difference," said the Rev. Coy Privette, chief strategist for the anti-liquor forces.

Davis responded to Privette's statement by saying, "I don't believe I have that much persuasiveness in the Black community but I appreciate his vote of confidence."

Meanwhile, the Charlotte Business League, a major Black business organization, announced its support of mixed-drink sales.

"Mixed beverages will create jobs for Blacks and other people, and it offers new business opportunity to Black people," said Bill Cunningham, president of the league.

Some Black leaders oppose the measure while others, contending Blacks have little to gain by voting to approve the measure, have suggested that Black voters stay away from the polls Sept. 8.

"I'm concerned that others are confusing Blacks by injecting other problems and concerns," said Cunningham. "The only question is whether liquor will be poured from a bag or by a bartender."

"I fail to see how you can use political clout or pressure by voting no," Cunningham said.

## Institutions To Share \$600,000

ATLANTA, GA. The Department of Energy (DOE) has announced that five minority educational institutions within Region IV will share in \$600,000 in energy research project monies.

The five schools, among eight selected from 25 unsolicited research proposals

submitted in response to a program opportunity notice sent out last January, will use their awards for research in areas ranging from fundamental energy-related sciences to projects in energy technology areas such as wind, solar, biomass development or conservation.

The awards are part of a DOE program designed to increase minority educational institutions participation in the agency research and development activities.

Dr. John M. Deutch, director of DOE's Office of Energy Research, said, in announcing these awards, "Support for these projects represents the first step in DOE's effort to broaden the involvement of minority schools in our Nation's energy research effort. A similar cycle of research awards is planned for 1979.

The educational institutions, the dollar amount of the research award is Tuskegee Institute, Tuskegee, Alabama \$100,000; Atlanta University, Atlanta, Georgia \$50,000; North Carolina Central University, Durham, \$85,000; Jackson State University, Jackson, Mississippi, \$50,000 and A&T \$99,000

## Youth Council Produces Entertainer

The Greensboro Youth Council is producing its 78-79 edition of the ENTERTAINER. The ENTERTAINER, now in its fifth year, is a way for merchants and patrons to get together for a very low cost to each. It is a booklet of 52 coupons for discounts, premiums, and freebies from many fine

Greensboro restaurants and entertainment facilities. the booklet is worth over \$120.00 of food and fun for the price of \$2.00 per booklet.

The ENTERTAINER is specifically designed for high school and college age students in and around the Greensboro community. Singles, dating couples, and

roving bands of friends can save a lot of money and share a lot of good times with the ENTERTAINER.

For college students, ENTERTAINERS will be on sale in college unions on local campuses beginning on September 5 and a display of coupons may be seen there. College sales will also take

place in dormitories and cafeterias around Sept. 13 and 14. Watch for the specific time and place on posters at each campus. College sales through student unions will end on September 29.

"Little minds are wounded by the smallest things." La Rochefoucauld



## Take Stock In America

Fellow students, have you taken stock in America? Well, if not, it's still not too late to do so this year.

Let's all go and register.

We should all register to vote now, and stop putting it off until another day which never seems to get here.

Through the years Blacks have not voted because of intimidation, grandfather clauses, poll taxes, and various other laws created by whites to keep Blacks out of politics.

After our ancestors struggled so hard for the rights that we have today, we as young people, are throwing it all away by not even attempting to register and vote.

Are we so blind on drugs and high on disco music that we fail to realize the price that was paid for "Black enfranchisement"?

The reason that young Blacks aren't registered is three-fold: mainly because we aren't exposed to that many Blacks active in local, state or national politics and because more than likely our family members did not vote and finally because, as Blacks, we can't see the government working for us.

What we see is dilapidated housing in the Black community, dirty streets, no playgrounds, Blacks on welfare, and we know that Blacks are the majority of the unemployed in the U.S. These are all true: but, if we ever expect to make a change in any of the things that we see are wrong and know exist, we must first register and vote.

The American system is supposed to be democratic with equal justice for all and the only way that we can get any form of justice instead of tokenism is that we get out there and use our voting power.

The Black vote could be very powerful in some local districts that are over 75% Black but as of yet we fail to realize the strength that we have in numbers.

If a poll were taken of all the students enrolled at this illustrious university, at least 2/3 of the student body would show up as not being registered, and a majority of those who are, haven't voted.

We should start now in the decision making process because we are the leaders of tomorrow and, friends, tomorrow is closer than we think.



## Dining Can Be Fun?

Sheila A. Williams

Juniors and seniors must now dine in Brown Hall, and sometimes the food that must be consumed is not worth waiting in long lines which stretch outside the cafeteria doors.

The two lines in which one must stand anywhere from 20-30 minutes to get something to eat have gotten to the point of ridiculous. The crowd is so dense that even the flies are fighting for air.

Why couldn't it be possible that the former conditions for eating be put into effect? As of now the overcrowding is

slowly becoming unbearable.

It is unnecessary that one must sit under another's elbows to eat, when space problem could be alleviated by placing the overload in Williams cafeteria.

Maybe the reasoning behind serving the juniors and seniors in Brown Hall was because of the 1100 freshmen readmitted and transfer students, for most of these would fall under the freshman and sophomore classes.

But it is really unorthodox to make one suffer from a lack of space.

## Reincarnation Of Elementary School

By Lanita Ledbetter

"Did anyone say this was a reincarnation of elementary school?" Judging from some of the outlandish rules that have been established by the cafeteria one would wonder.

It seems as if the cafeteria has adopted a new policy which forbids students to carry any uneaten food from the dining hall, because of debris thrown on the ground.

To the person (s) who enacted this new rule perhaps if you get a chance, you might take a stroll around campus and observe the beer bottles, the wrap-

pers, cups, and other rubbish from Wendy's, McDonald's and others.

More often than not, when a student takes cereal, fruit, or other items not eaten during the course of a meal, he does so with the intention of eating it later.

In most cases it is eaten later. The life cycle of a bag of cheetos averages from a day to a week in Williams cafeteria. Retaining the food not eaten by students saves money, but it is hardly a "fresh" on sanitary practice.

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Cafeteria eating now causes cancer in common houseflies.

# \*CAMPUS HAPS\*

**There will be a meeting** Sept. 13 for all members and prospective members of the Alobeam Society in Merrick Hall's auditorium at 4:30 p.m.

**There will be a meeting** Sept. 6. for officers of the Alobeam Society in Dr. Hyman's office.

**The senior class of 1978-79** will hold its first meeting of the year to discuss business such as homecoming participation, graduation speaker and other relevant business. It is extremely important that all seniors attend this meeting. The meeting will be held Wednesday night, Sept. 6, 1978, in Harrison Auditorium at 8:00 p.m.

**The student section of the Home Economics Association** will hold its first meeting on Sept. 6, at 7:00 p.m. in Benbow Hall. All freshmen as well as upperclassmen are asked to attend.

**Students interested in joining the Student Union Advisory Board** may pick up application forms in Rm., 102 of the Memorial Union. Applications must be returned no later than 5:00 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 6,. Interviews will be Wednesday, Sept. 7, at 7:00 p.m. in Rm. 204.

**There will be a Biology Club Meeting** Sept 6 in the Seminar Room of Barnes Hall. All freshmen are urged to attend.

**The Greensboro Public Library's Lifetime Educational Opportunities (LED)** service now has information on courses being offered this fall by local organizations. For further information contact LED Service 373-2471.

**There will be a MIA meeting** Sept. 6, at 7:00 p.m. in Hines Hall.

**We need a few good writers** to write sports for the A&T REGISTER. If you are interested, please contact Dennis Bryant

**The bus will leave the Memorial Union parking lot** for the WSSU game at 5:00. Please be on time. Bus will return at 10:30.

## Statistics Show Rooms Available

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vacate Curtis Hall. We didn't give up until 3:00 p.m., August 25, when the statistics showed that we could accommodate the 123 women in other residence halls," she said.

Mrs. Piggott stated that this situation is only the reverse of

what happened to the young men in 1971. The young men vacated a 400-space building to move to a 144 space building which was Curtis Hall. At that time the waiting list was comprised of women students.

"All of the young ladies who vacated Curtis do have

places to stay. A few moved off campus," stated Mrs. Piggott. The young ladies that moved from Curtis Hall were of all four academic classifications.

"More men are seeking campus housing than previous years because the procedure

for men housing has improved," she stated. Mrs. Piggott was unable to answer ques-

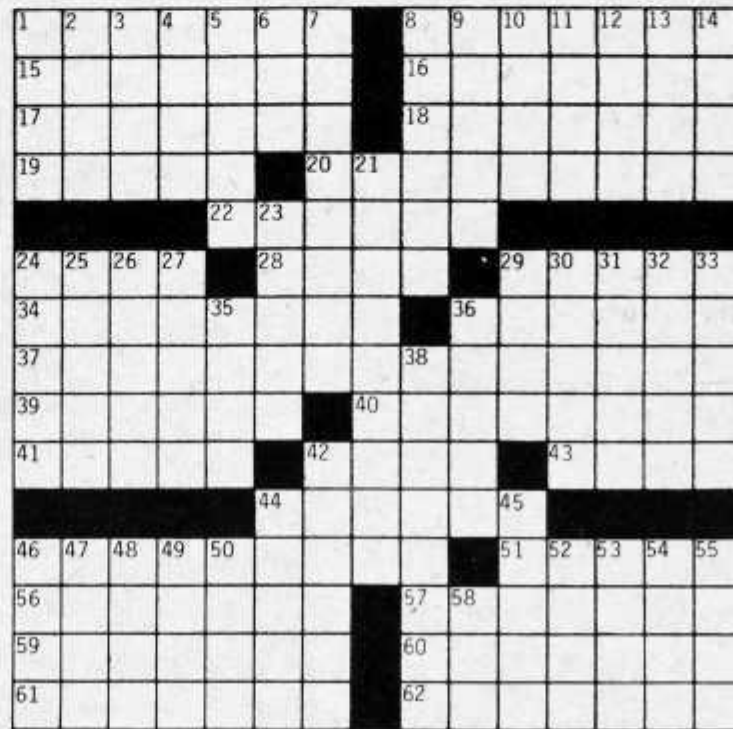
tions concerning the men residents. "I am only responsible for the young ladies."

Mrs. Piggott stated that, in the future, if you decide not to

live on campus, notify her office. Mrs. Piggott said that the decision on whether the

same problem will occur next fall will have to rest with the trend in housing applications.

## collegiate crossword



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### ACROSS

- 1 — of the law
- 8 Easily bent
- 15 City near Los Angeles
- 16 Capital of Burma
- 17 — bread
- 18 Burning fragrance
- 19 Film comedian
- 20 Relative of jeans
- 22 Financial grace period
- 24 Large letters, for short
- 28 Subject of Kilmer poem
- 29 Crosby and cherry
- 34 Earhart, for one
- 36 City near Chicago
- 37 Pacific Inlet (3 wds.)
- 39 Regard highly
- 40 Create a closed shop
- 41 Mythical carrier
- 42 Thin Man's pouch
- 43 Belgian river
- 44 Ship parts
- 46 Procession

- 51 Not suitable
- 56 Church attendees
- 57 One of the conquistadors
- 59 Drum sound
- 60 Subject of Newton's first law
- 61 Attractive
- 62 Sink

### DOWN

- 1 Secular
- 2 Prefix: at right angles
- 3 Sports organization
- 4 Liquid measures (abbr.)
- 5 Parting word
- 6 Narrow inlet
- 7 Type of orange
- 8 Mark Twain character
- 9 Actress Hope —
- 10 Victim of 57-Across
- 11 Ripening agent
- 12 Study, with "up"
- 13 Emulate Charlie Brown
- 14 Chemical endings
- 21 Kind of absence
- 23 Coach Hank —
- 24 Examines before robbing
- 25 Pirate's word
- 26 Car or horse
- 27 More to Nader's liking
- 29 Gap: 5p.
- 30 Literary twist
- 31 Ora-pro —
- 32 Rub lightly in passing
- 33 Spokesperson
- 35 "Star —"
- 36 Kind of flu
- 38 Fearless
- 42 "— of Honey"
- 44 "Go away!"
- 45 Aspects of clothing
- 46 Give a darn
- 47 "An apple —..."
- 48 Word in campaign poster
- 49 Parseghian, et al.
- 50 Mother of Apollo
- 52 Certain fed
- 53 Comedian Johnson
- 54 School chief (abbr.)
- 55 Frog
- 58 Suffix for hero

## Instructor To Join Faculty

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achievements, but he gave his reassurance to the effect that the problem would be over by Monday since a new instructor is just on his way to join the current faculty.

Despite rather persistent problems, Dr. Stroud reiterated that "the Political Science faculty is very energetic."



## Answers In Next Edition

# National College Poetry Contest On The Way

**By Lanita Ledbetter**  
The Fall Concours 1978-National College Poetry Contest is now underway. There will be an offering of \$200 in cash and book prizes and free printing for all accepted poems in the American

Collegiate Poets Anthropology. There will be a special interest to college poets as it increases motivation of their literary ambitions. This will be the seventh edition Since it was first published in 1975.

The deadline for the contest is Oct. 31. Cash prizes will go to the writer of the top five poem.

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## Sports Notebook

By Dennis Bryant

A lot of people are going around asking questions about the decisions being made inside the athletic department. The biggest question being asked is, why the job of athletic director fell into the hands of Coach Jim McKinley instead of the assistant, former Coach Hornsby Howell.

Once again, I have been asked these questions. Well, to get things a little clear, I am the sports editor of the A&T Register, the school's newspaper. There are people located in East Gym, Moore Gym, the Dudley Building, and Bryan House to answer those questions. So remember, "He who keepeth his mouth out of other people's business stays out of trouble."

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When both Winston-Salem State and A&T hit the field in less than 24 hours, both teams have things at stake. The Rams must prove that their 33-14 victory over the Aggies last year wasn't a fluke. The Aggies must prove the Rams won by mistakes last year.

The game, to be played at 35,000 seat Groves Stadium, should be a sellout. Come watch the smooth running of Kermit Blount, the fabulous quarterback for the Rams. Blount is one of the key figures in Coach Billy Hayes' team's success. But the Rams do lack one big thing, defense.

The Aggies, with the defensive front line averaging 250 pounds and a towering 6' 6" in height, certainly have one advantage, its defense. With the Rams having the offense, and the Aggies possessing defense, the kicking and returning game of both sides may become important. So be looking for Nolan Jones and Lon Harris to do their thing.

Defensive line coach Ken Villeponteaux said, "Winston-Salem won last year by our mistakes. We won't make any of those mistakes this year." I could't have said that any better.

Looking back at the records, WSSU had not played well against the Aggies until last year. The Aggies go into Saturday night's game with a big edge over the Rams. Coach Jim McKinley is 0-1 against Winston-Salem State. I'm pretty sure he's ready to even that score.

Well, it's time for predictions. To make a long story short, first I want to give my reasons for giving my predictions. Winston-Salem defeated the Aggies before the defense came through last season. I think the game would really have been different if it had been played toward the end of last year.

Looking at all the records and scores of recent games, the game should be won by A&T by a long shot. But this one is just too close to call. So for this game, I'll say the winner will win by no more than three-to-seven points. Last year my record was 9-2, having lost on the A&T-WSSU game.

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An Aggie player keys up for Saturday nights, game.

Photo By Person

### A&T v s. WSSU

## Thriller Saturday Night!

Dennis Bryant

Tomorrow night's clash between A&T and Winston-Salem State will open the 1978 football season. The contest, with a crowd over 30,000, promises to be a real thriller.

The Aggies, 7-4 overall last year, were humiliated 33-14 in the opening game last season

by the Rams. The team went on to finish with seven wins in the last eight games. The Rams went on to a sparkling 11-0 season, losing only to South Carolina State in the Gold Bowl, 10-7.

Coach Willie Jeffries returns his entire offensive backfield. Kermit Blount [5-9,170] was one of the finer

passers in the CIAA last year. The All-CIAA senior has two powerful runners in running back Tony Davis [6-2,200] and fullback Mel Wood, a power rusher.

The offensive front of the Rams is centered around Robert Weeks and Dwaine Finch. It also has an outstanding tight-end in Bill Murrell [6-5,210]. Defensively the Rams will show a "50" defense and a 6-2 alignment.

The Aggies, with quarterback William Watson [6-2, 195], calling the signals will have in the backfield Cleotis Johnson and William Joyner. At the center position will be senior Smitty Davis and at the line slot will be All-MEAC candidate Wheeler Brown.

Defensively, the Aggies will start one of the biggest front-four in the country. The defensive secondary of the Aggies, led by defensive backer Thomas Warren and Gerald Johnson, picked off 28 passes last season. With a front four with an average height of 6'6" no-one should question why.

A&T will be out to set one goal no team in the last 30 years or more has been able to do. That will be to start the season out on a good note on the way to an undefeated season.

The last word will be said when the two teams walk off the field after the game is over.

Game time is set for 7 p.m. at Grover Stadium in Winston-Salem.

## S.C. State Defends 1978 MEAC Crown

By Dennis Bryant

The return of nine offensive starters and six on defense makes defending champion South Carolina State the team to beat for 1978 in the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference.

Coach Willie Jeffries' Bulldogs have been outright winners two times and shaped the title twice during the past four campaigns. Thirty-five returning lettermen make the Bulldogs deep at every position. Quarterback Nate Rivers and running-back Charles Burgess are the two who make the Bulldogs growl most fiercely.

The offensive line will need only one replacement at tackle. Bulldog runners should have gaping holes once again. The offense averaged 38.4 points and more than 400 yards on the ground while compiling a 9-1-1 record, including a 10-7 Gold Bowl victory over previously undefeated Winston-Salem State.

Fast finishing A&T, many

observers feel, will be the team that gives South Carolina State the strongest challenge and could be even stronger than the Bulldogs. After losing their first three games, two by horrendous margins, first year coach Jim McKinley rallied his Aggies to seven wins in their last eight starts for final 7-4 overall and 5-1 MEAC marks.

McKinley lost only six players from his 1977 roster and returns 10 defensive starters and seven offensive starters. About the only headache McKinley had was finding a replacement for three-time All-MEAC quarterback Ellsworth Turner, and full-back Ron Scott, who is currently with the Pittsburgh Steelers. Sophomore William Watson has filled the starting quarterback role.

McKinley is blessed with a stable of able runners, and a corps of fine receivers. But the backbone of the team is expected to be its defense. The

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Final steps for Saturday night.

# SPORTS NOTEBOOK

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This week's predictions are as follows:

- Raymond Moody ..... A&T
- Ronald Frazier ..... WSSU
- Alfreda James ..... A&T
- Dennis Bryant ..... A&T by seven points

## Rivers Heads Pre-Season All-Conference Team

South Carolina State's Nate Rivers, one of the nation's explosive running quarterbacks, and a massive defensive front four, start the pre-season 1978 Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference all-conference football team. Eleven returnees are favored to repeat from last season.

Rivers, who is also a track standout and one of nine children from the South Carolina hamlet of Wadmalaw Island, rushed for 863 yards and 13 touchdowns last year, an average of 8.5 yards a carry. His 78 points scored make him the leading returning scorer in NCAA Division I-AA.

The defensive front, all repeaters from '77, averages 6-4, 255 pounds from end to end and features two 270 pounders. Besides being bulky, all are extremely agile. End Dwaine "Pee Wee" Board, 6-5, 245 pounds from A&T, was the MEAC "Defensive Player of the Year" in '77.

The other members of the line are South Carolina State's end Bobby Moore, and tackles Walt Sullivan from South Carolina State and Tom Spears of Howard.

The all-senior defensive backfield is led by safety Tom Warren of A&T, who picked off a league-leading seven passes a year ago, and Joe Fowlkes of Morgan State, Tom Douglas of Delaware State, and Tyrone Smith of Maryland-Eastern Shore.

The linebackers are David Crocker, Delaware State, Walt Odom, NC Central, and George Small, A&T. Crocker and Odom are repeaters; Small up from the second team.

The interior offensive line has Jeff Jackson, A&T at center, along with guards Marvin Hicks of Morgan and Willie Washington of A&T, all second team All-MEAC last season along with tackles Arthur Prescott of South Carolina State and Wheeler Brown of A&T.

Lloyd McCleave of Morgan, the leading return career rusher in the MEAC was picked as one running back, along with exciting sophomore speed merchant Anthony Beamon of Delaware State.

The receiver corps is headed by tight end Joe Mack of North Carolina Central, who tied for the conference lead in receptions in 1977 with 34, and wide receivers Nathan Munford of Morgan and Steve Wilson of Howard.

Earlier South Carolina State had been tabbed the favorite to annex its fifth straight conference crown, with NCA&T rated a close second.

### A&T's

## Secondary Tops In Nation

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line massive, speedy and experienced features 6-5, 245-pound All-America candidate Dwaine "Pee Wee" Board; 6-7, 262-pound sophomore Ulysses Thompson.

A&T rated as one of the NCAA's top teams in pass interceptions a year ago with 28. Defensive backs Tom Warren, Gerald Johnson, and Tony Currie, who picked-off 19 of those returns, gave the Aggies one of the top secondaries in the nation.

From the depth of a 3-7-1 season in 1976 to 7-4 respectability last year, Delaware State will be seeking to move up another notch this season and seriously challenge for the conference crown. The Hornets' rapid rise earned Coach Ed Wyche MEAC "Coach-of-the-Year" honors and an Orange Blossom Classic Bowl berth opposite unbeaten Florida A&M.

Delaware State was one of the NCAA's defensive statistical leaders in 1977. The secondary, which yielded only 64.3 yards per game via the pass, returns Ronald Wright and Thomas Douglas. The defensive line will be anchored by huge Connie "Mr. Determined" Hilliard, a 6-4, 275-pound junior and Don Robinson, also a junior at 6-2, 215-pounds. In all, Wyche has 36 lettermen from last year.

Morgan State and Howard fell to the middle echelon of the MEAC last year after years of being near the top or in a challenging position.

Morgan suffered through a disappointing 4-6-1 ledger, after being co-champions in 1976 and was 3-3 in the conference. The Bears will be seeking a return to loftier heights under a new coach, former Bear interior lineman Clarence Thomas. Thomas, one of three new coaches in the conference this year, came back to his alma mater from Williams College in Massachusetts.

Howard's Bison return 16 of 22 starters from last year's 5-5 squad and should be in for a better year this time around. Coach Doug Porter's team will be aerial minded with junior quarterback Brian Thomas passing to a receiver corps headed by talented senior wingback Steve Wilson, son of former Los Angeles Rams' great "Touchdown" Tommy Wilson.

Maryland-Eastern Shore and North Carolina Central, the conference's bottom teams last year, will be attempting comebacks under the guidance of new coaches.

Joe Redmond, former offensive coordinator at Northern Illinois, has taken over the Hawks' helm; and, with 19 starter returning, it shouldn't be hard to improve on a team that went 3-8 last campaign. The Hawks believe they have one of their strongest backfields since their last winning year during the days of Skip McCain. Ralph Esquinil and Carl Hardaway lead the way.

North Carolina Central suf-

fered through a dismal 1-10 season last year. To remedy that situation, the once-proud Eagles brought in former Michigan State assistant Ray Greene to get the Eagles airborne again. Greene got a late recruiting start, but got 30 athletes from eight states. Some might help immediately, but Greene plans to go primarily with the holdovers from last year, who got much valuable experience.

Tightend Joe Mack was an All-MEAC selection last fall and expects to be better this time around. There are a number of good solid holdovers still on the squad and Greene is cautiously optimistic.

## Spinks Confirms Signing Of Contract

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Spinks in New York in September 1977 and Spinks confirmed reports that he had signed a contract for Mitt Barnes of St. Louis to be his business manager.

The suit charged that Spinks has "repeatedly breached the contract and his defrauded"

Lutz, causing him to lose money and damaging his health and reputation.

It asks that Spinks be ordered to make a full accounting of money or property he has received since Aug. 10, and pay half the proceeds from his fights from then until Aug. 10, 1979, to Lutz.

## WEATHER

NORTH CAROLINA: Extended forecast Friday through Sunday- Warm and humid with scattered thundershowers. Lows from around 60 in the mountains to about 70 along the coast. Highs in mid and upper 80's except low 80's in the mountains.

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