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Thomas Boyd, Budget Director

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Money Belongs To Students

By Jacqueline Pender

"The A&T Register does not have any money; it is the students' money," stated Thomas Boyd, budget officer.

In a recent conversation, Boyd and a reporter were discussing the money the A&T Register makes from ads. Boyd stated that no money goes to the school; it goes toward student activities and to the best use of the students.

"This office makes the allotment of how much money the Register should have. So many students think I make the decision on how much money an organization should get but I don't. There is a committee called the

Committee of Student Activity Budget. The committee consists of Dr. Theodore Mahaffey, chairman, Dr. Sullivan Welborne, Mr. Herbert Heughan and two students, Mr. Jarvis Hall and Ms. Marcia Purvis, Ex-Officio members are Dr. Jesse Marshall and Plummer Alston. This committee makes the decision if the Register's

budget will be cut. I don't make that decision," stated Boyd.

"Receipts generated will not be put in your budget until we make the decision if there is a need for it. We are in control of the money and make the decision whether the A&T Register gets any money," stated Boyd.

"All student organizations' money is deposited into receipts. The money goes into a receipt code." No money has been used this month. Last year, student organizations just went berzerkespending money," commented Boyd. "It is a possibility that the A&T Register may get some money and then it may not. We have to operate on a budget. Be careful how you spend your money. In the past, the money of all organizations has not been monitored properly. A good example of this is when the five students from the Register went to Houston. I suggested only two students go. But some students talked with Dr.

Dowdy and things were changed. The Register must be informed that, when the money runs out, there may be money available and there may not be. This goes for all other organizations too," replied Boyd.

Boyd was asked, since the Register makes money off ads, why can't the Register keep the money and open its own banking account?" Boyd responded to the question like this: "That money does not belong to the Register. I will not allow students to go out in the city to open banking accounts. I will see that that will not happen. I feel that, if you need something, fill out a request form.

"I challenge the A&T Register. Why doesn't the Register print how they spend their money every two weeks, since they are spending students' money? Students on campus should be informed. The Student Government should also give a report. The Register should do this instead of putting a cartoon in the paper. Why won't they put figures there instead?"

New Teaching Concept Recently Developed At A&T

By Yvonne Anderson

A new concept in teaching students has been developed at A&T. The Learning Assistance Center has developed a method in which students who have not had the proper training in the basic concepts of English and Math prior to entering college are brought up to a college level at their own pace of comprehension.

Dr. Alfonso W. Gore, director of the center, said, "People don't learn on a time schedule. We let the student move at his own pace of learning."

The program is geared toward incoming freshmen,

but the center is available to any student, of any class who wishes help.

Starting with the Scholastic Aptitude Test scores as a guide, the center then gives its own competency tests in math, reading comprehension, and English expression. This establishes the guidelines from (See Specially Page 2)

Southern Justice Systems Discriminate Blacks

CHAPEL HILL (AP)- The Institute for Southern Studies has released two reports charging

that criminal justice systems in the South discriminate against Blacks

and the poor despite three decades of civil rights advocacy and reform.

The second study concluded that Southern prisons "discriminate against minorities and the poor, confine people in overcrowded and ill-equipped prisons, and do not educate or rehabilitate the incarcerated."

The reports, released in "Still Life", a book on the criminal justice system published as a special edition of the institute's quarterly journal, also maintain that the South may be setting the trend for future national prison policy by incarcerating more people and reinstating executions.

The institute is a labor-oriented organization that studies social and economic conditions in the South.

According to the report, 87

percent of the 395 prisoners now sentenced to death in the nation are in Southern prisons. Almost half of the condemned are Black, although Blacks make up less than 20 percent of the South's population, the report said.

It said that more than 80 percent of the victims in death penalty cases are white. But only 1 percent of the prisoners on death row in the South are whites convicted of crimes against Blacks.

The criminal justice system, the study concludes, "Invariably places a higher value on white lives than on Black lives."

Poor people, regardless of race, are also more likely to be sentenced to death, partly because they are more often represented by court-appointed attorneys.

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Board Opposes Practice Tests

FAYETTEVILLE (AP)- Some members of the state Board of Education are opposed to students' using practice tests to prepare for state-ordered competency testing in North Carolina schools.

Board Chairman Dr. H. David Bruton said the group's December agenda will include discussion of the weaknesses of the competency testing system and methods to better define the goals.

"I've already got my staff at work, looking at the various problems and options," Bur-

ton said in an interview Wednesday with the Fayetteville Times. "The staff is studying the questions and working with the options for the board's consideration."

Beginning with the class of 1980, all high school students must pass the tests in reading and mathematics before they qualify for high school diplomas. Those who fail will be given only certificates of completion.

The state is pouring more than \$4 million into remedial programs.

Problems surfaced when the tests were administered earlier this month to the state's high school juniors. Some board members said they acted too hastily in accepting the competency test system developed by the North Carolina Competency Testing Commission without closely considering the program's implications.

Lt. Gov. Jimmy Green, an ex-officio board member, said giving detailed practiced tests would make the tests almost worthless.

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I wonder where he hid the cheese?

Library Can Be Advantageous

By Carole Hariston

Have you "checked out" your campus library lately? It would certainly be to your advantage.

Director of Library Services Dr. Tommie M. Young said the library receives 10 to 12 thousand volumes each academic year. "Twenty-five thousand would be more desirable," she said.

One of the services which the library provides is the "Current Corner". It is located on the first floor in the Black Archives section. The Current Corner not only stocks the current bestsellers complied by "Publisher's Weekly", but also has fiction and non-fiction for light and pleasure reading.

Some of the fiction bestsellers that Current Corner has are Chesapeake by James A. Michener; Scruples by

Judith Krantz; Eye of the Needle by Ken Follett; and Illusions: The Adventures of a Reluctant Messiah, by Richard Bach.

Some interesting non-fiction books in stock are "Pulling Your Own Strings" by Dr. Wayne W. Dyer; "If Life Is A Bowl of Cherries--What Am I Doing In the Pits?" by Erma

Bombeck; and "Robert Kennedy and His Times" by Arthur M. Schlesinger, Jr. Many universities do not have the current best sellers, said Young. She said that this is a special service for the students and the community.

Loans and research librarian Miss Donna Jones said that these books are on loan for seven days because they are current and are in demand. Since books in the Current Corner are ordered bi-

monthly, best sellers that are not on the shelves now will soon be ordered. Books are kept on the Current Corner shelves for three months and are then placed on the shelves in other parts of the library. The Current Corner is used by students, but not as much as Miss Jones would like. She feels that most students feel as if they don't have time to read for fun. The Current Corner is available to students and faculty.

Specially Trained Instructors Work With Small Class

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where the student begins. There are six instructors who are specially trained to work with the students, and classes are kept small so that

the instructors can work closely with each student. Teacher aides from the Special Services Department also work with the class in extra study sessions. When the student has completed the course satisfactorily, he then starts work immediately on the college level while remaining in the same class curriculum, regardless of the time of the year.

A letter grade is given for the completion of the math course and a P (pass) is given for the English.

South Leads In Restoring Execution

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Georgia state Sen. Julian Bond, the Institute's president, commented, "America, led by the South, is on the verge of restoring state-sanctioned execution, not because it deters crime, but because frustrated criminal justice officials and opportunistic politicians seek simple solutions to the causes of our nation's crime."

In an 89-page brief, the department questioned whether the state's chief witness, Allen Hall, told the truth when he testified that each of the defendants took part in the firebombings.

The department concluded that "Hall is not a reliable witness," that the defendants were not allowed to fully portray Hall's unreliability at the trial and that the prosecutor, James Stroud, withheld from the defense an amended statement by Hall that cast doubt on his testimony - in short, that the Wilmington 10 were denied a fair trial.

"There is reasonable likelihood that the jury's verdict might have been different had it known" what was in the statement, the brief said. It said Hall could have been cross-examined in front of a jury about the apparent discrepancies.

The department said its report should serve as a basis for the court to call up the defendants and rule on the legality of their convictions. If the court disagrees, the government suggests the court hold a hearing on the findings.

The 10 were convicted of arson and conspiracy in connection with the burning of Mike's Grocery, a white-owned store, on Feb. 6, 1971. The firebombing came at the end of a week of racial violence which left one white man and one Black man dead.

In January, Gov. Jim Hunt reduced the sentences of the Wilmington 10, allowing all but Chavis to get out of prison this year. Despite public pressure, Hunt refused to pardon the defendants, saying "the jury made the right decision."

Purpose Of Test Defeated

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"You defeat the purpose of any test if the teachers are put in the position of teaching the test," Green said. "It's kind of like memorizing poetry."

Board member Larry M. Harding of Charlotte said the practice tests negate the value of the exam.

"If there is an almost identical test developed and you have these kids learning by rote and knowing what's coming, then when they take the state test how can we be at all confident that they really are possessing the basic skills?" Harding said, "I think you can get a misleading picture of what a kid really knows by using a practice test."

Banquet Honors Football Team

A community banquet honoring the 1978 A&T State University football team will be held on Monday, November 27, at the Cosmos II, 817 West Florida St. at 7

p.m. The featured speaker for the evening will be Judge Joseph Williams of Greensboro, an A&T graduate.

Tickets for the banquet are on sale at \$10 per person or, \$15 per couple, and can be purchased by contacting Mrs. Catherine Bonner in the Athletic Dept., or Latham Wallace in Campbell Hall.

"The players have worked extremely hard on and off the field during the 1978 season, and we are honored to participate in a banquet in which the entire community can share in our accomplishments," said A&T head football coach-athletic

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Ricky's Notes

The Crusaders of ABC records recently back from a tour in Europe are now set to produce (along with associate, Stuart Levine) B.B. King's new ABC album. This same crew produced the last great album by King entitled "Midnight Believer."

In the meanwhile, Crusader member Joe Sample is completing a second solo album that we'll be hearing in the early '79 releases. Wilton Felder solo in "Let's Dance Together" is being rush released as a single from the "We All Have A Star" LP.

Green Hill Art Gallery presents Richard Delisle to talk about his ceramics Sunday, November 19th from 2:30 - 3:30. The exhibit will be shown through the 24th of this month.

Correction: Mother's Finest hit single is entitled "Love Changes" and not Love Will Make You Cry Sometimes as reported in last Tuesday's column.

In top ten singles, MacArthur Park by Donna Summer holds the number one spot for the third week. Holding the number six spot is Le Freak, Chic and Number Eight; I Love the Night Life, Alicia Bridges.

Campus Haps

The Food Science Club is selling 3 different varieties of cheese. For one dollar and 50 cents buy one pound or save 50 cents and buy 2 pounds for \$2.50. You can purchase your cheese all day long from any Food Science Club member or by contacting Leon Boyd in the Animal Science Dept.

Who's Who pictures will be taken on Tues., Nov. 21, from 11-4:30 p.m. in the yearbook office. No retakes!

All Seniors: If you want your baby picture in the yearbook, bring it to the office by Dec. 1.

Attention! There will be a jam, sponsored by the A&T Symphonic Band, in Moore Gym Saturday night. Admission is \$.50 with ID, and \$1.00 without. Refreshments will be sold.

Attention SNEA members!! Yearbook pictures will be taken on the date of our next meeting, Tuesday, Nov. 21.

The Agenda: 6 p.m. regular meeting in Room 102 Hodgin Hall. 7 p.m. pictures will be taken in the Student Union Building Ballroom. Please be present and on time. If you have not paid the \$1.25 fee assessed for the picture, please bring it on or before Nov. 21 to Room 211 Hodgin Hall.

Flack Leaves Prayer In Wall

By Ellen Davidson

(Reprinted from Media Project Black-Jewish Information)

Jerusalem-Following tradition, singer Roberta Flack pushed a tiny piece of paper on which she had written a prayer into a crack at the Western Wall, one of the most important religious sites for the Jewish people.

"I've been doing a lot of thinking," remarked Ms. Flack, who was in Israel for ten days in mid-August while she performed six concerts. "My strongest impression is that Israel-as a place on the earth-is very special...It's a mind blower."

Swept away by some of the same emotions that came out so clearly as she entertained packed audiences here, Ms. Flack spoke about her impression of Israel, where she has not only performed but also visited holy sites and hospitals and stopped to chat with people in the streets.

"In Israel I feel like a person," she said. "I don't feel Black. I don't feel white. I can't think of any place in America that feels like this. I feel that being here as a Black person, whether Christian, Buddhist, Moslem or Jew, it really doesn't matter."

Roberta has many fans in Israel, according to impressio and jazz musician Charlie Fishman, who was responsible for bringing Ms. Flack here for the 30th annual Israel Festival. "It's been very exciting for all of us and Roberta has been particularly moved, both by the warm reception she has received on stage and during her travels in between.

"Israel is a place where just about anybody has roots one way or another. Roberta im-



mediately picked up on the vibrancy."

Everywhere she has gone in Israel, Roberta Flack, who started singing in her father's church choir as a child, was warmly received. Israelis know her music. Her records command an important place on Israel's number-one rock station and they sell well in record stores throughout the small country. Record store owners reported that, during her performance here, they sold like hot cakes.

Speaking about the religious overtones in her singing, Roberta referred to receiving

her talents from "a higher source" and the fact that she "felt is all around me in Israel."

As she closed her last concert in the 2,000 year-old amphitheater in Caesaria, Ms. Flack told her audience: "We're very excited about being here in Israel, and I want to dedicate this song to you. It's called, 'The First Time Ever I Saw Your Face'." The audience broke into wild applause at the mention of her hit song.

"It's a love song," she explained, "to the people of Israel."

Discipline Problems Reach Crisis

FAYETTEVILLE (AP)- Classroom discipline problems are reaching "crisis proportions" an attorney told the North Carolina Association of Educators this week.

And this is coming at a time when teachers are under increasing criticism for "padding" students, Jim Fuller, an attorney with Chambers, Stein, Ferguson and Becton of Charlotte said Monday at a District 10 meeting of the association.

Criminal charges against teachers for corporal punishment are increasing rapidly, he told the 200 teachers.

Classroom discipline is a "crisis because it is really

erupting all over the state," said Fuller, whose primary caseload is defending teachers accused of assault because they paddled students.

Criminal proceedings against teachers have had "a mushrooming, exploding effect" over the past two years.

"Part of the problem is increased parental awareness, racial awareness ... and teachers who don't know their rights and responsibilities," Fuller said.

"Teachers as a group are committed to the good things in society as any other group in the state," Fuller said. "I wish teachers knew their rights as well. They're a walking

timebomb for lawsuits."

Fuller said the root of the problem is teachers not being informed of their rights and their students' rights.

He indicated many lawsuits might be avoided if teachers properly carried out due process for their students. But the majority of suits brought against teachers, Fuller said, are criminal and not civil.

Criminal suits are increasing, Fuller said, because lawyers enjoy the publicity the suits create, teachers are subject to wider criticism and it costs nothing for the parents bringing the charges.

Just Who Are We?

"That money does not belong to **The Register**; that is the student's money," said Thomas Boyd, budget director.

This statement left the staff members, in somewhat of a small state of bewilderment. Our job is to work on preparing for the students, information through print communication an eight page and sometimes 12 page newspaper.

We prepare this paper for the student's benefit as well as their enjoyment; and, though we may not please everyone, we at least try to satisfy a majority of the student body as well as the faculty and administration.

If one reads the article on Register Ad money, he may gather that we are a money-making organization also. These ads cost according to space. And the money commissioned from these ads is deposited in the cashier's office.

When a reporter recently inquired as to who benefited from these funds, she was given trite remarks about the money belonging to the students but not **The Register**.

Well, if we are not students, then who are we? This writer sees it as students working for students. But maybe we are not placed in such a category.

We are just as much concerned about the student body as anyone else at this university, maybe even more so because we take an active part about things from a student's point of view.

This writer knows what the problem might be. We are so politically motivated that somehow, somewhere we have roused curiosity.

What do you think? **By Sheila A. Williams**



Politics And Andy

Exerpts of this article was taken from "The Grass Roots", November 1978.

Less than one month ago, President Carter was faced by several thousand Black critics - all of whom had reason to be disappointed with his performance in office.

But despite criticism from Republicans and conservative Democrats, Carter has continued to support his closest Black friend, Andrew Young.

After his assertions that "Britain was racist" and that "the Cubans were a stabilizing factor in Angola," even several Black leaders urged that the controversial ambassador resign. But Young remains, more popular than ever among African nations and Black American middle class leaders.

The real dynamics of the Young-Carter relationship escaped the Black audience and largely obscure the essence of the Carter Administration's commitment to Black America. Behind

all rhetoric and smiles resides a hypocritical manipulation of Black people, as well as bankrupt political relationship between the President and those who voted for him two years ago.

The view from certain quarters at the U.N. is that Carter uses Young to obscure his miserable public record of broken legislative promises and conservative social policies.

Andrew Young first gained prominence through the use of demonstrations and nonviolent protests. He should have learned that only through direct confrontations and rallies, such as the ones recently against Smith, is the most effective means to fight racism and exploitation. It is rather pathetic that he has become the acquiescent tool of a "do-nothing" administration, exploited for his Black skin rather than his real political abilities. In the last analysis, the Young-Carter relationship represents the politics of convice rather than the politics of liberation.

Be Thankful

By Florina G. Byrd

In another week this university will be empty because of the Thanksgiving holiday. Have you ever thought about how many hungry people's plates will be empty?

This year, some destitute family will not have the luxury of turkey, corn, beans, hot rolls, and deserts in observance of Thanksgiving. Students and faculty, it takes less than a dollar to buy a canned good or a loaf of bread for a needy family. Whether you realize it or not, there may be someone in your own neighborhood in need of food.

Many people take the attitude that it

is not their fault or business that some people are destitute. Why don't you make it your business to reach out and lend a helping hand to a needy family on this holiday? Since Thanksgiving

is a time of giving thanks, why don't you exercise this by making someone else happy and thankful? If you do this, you will be blessed because you have done your part.

Whether you stay on campus or off, if there is a box in the vicinity that says contribute to a worthy cause, please don't walk by it. Do contribute because, who knows---we may one day be in that same situation.

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Game Should Be Promising Despite Dismal Season

By Dennis Bryant

It's the kind of game you can throw all records out of the window. With both teams going through dismal seasons, the game promises to be an ex-

citing one. For the second time in over ten years, the game will be played at Duke's Wallace Wade Stadium.

In the last contest, A&T saw a large number of fumbles and

an absence of offense as it lost to Delaware State 9-6 in a big upset. NCCU was up 17-10 before losing out 24-17 to Howard on two late quarter touchdowns.

The Eagles are coming into Saturday's contest with the killer instinct. In the games they lost, they have been within winning distance in five of them. Two weeks ago, the Eagles led South Carolina State 9-0 before the Bulldogs prevailed 17-15. Early in the season, the Bulldogs romped 34-7 over the Aggies.

The Aggies are currently 5-5 overall, 3-2 in the conference. A&T is in second place in the MEAC, and a loss to the Eagles will put second place to

a three-way tie. Against Delaware State, the Aggies played a very sluggish game. Coach Jim McKinley still hasn't found the right quarterback to direct the team.

Offensively the Eagles will start quarterback Alvin Cauthorn. Cauthorn (5-10,160) has thrown for close to 1,000 yards this season and is completing 40 percent of his passes. He is averaging over 100 yards total offense.

Runningback Melvin Crawley (5-8, 190) is a thrifty
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A&T Student's Get First Priority

In order to insure that the A&T student body gets first preferences on seating in the new 7,500 seat health, physical education, and recreation building for the 1978-79 basketball season, Athletic Director Jim McKinley has requested that all students wishing to attend the 12 scheduled home games pick up special tickets, which will be available in the student union.

There will be no charge for the tickets for students who present a valid 1978-79 A&T identification card, with an activity sticker. The tickets will be distributed three days before the scheduled game and all tickets not picked up by the student body 24 hours before game time will be put on sale to the general public.

"The enthusiasm surrounding our basketball program has been phenomenal, and to make sure that our student body has the first opportunity to support our team in our new facility, we are instituting this new system to insure their seats," said McKinley.

Season Tips-Off Friday

(Continued from Page 2) director, Jim McKinley.

The 1978-79 edition of the North Carolina A&T basketball season will tipoff on Friday, Nov. 17, at 8 p.m. in the university's spacious 7500 seat new arena.

Patron tickets are on sale for \$1, while student tickets are \$.50. A&T students with I.D. cards will be admitted free.

"It is vital that students pick up their tickets from the student union by 6 p.m. the day prior to the home game.

Students will not be able to present their I.D. cards at the gate for admittance," he added.

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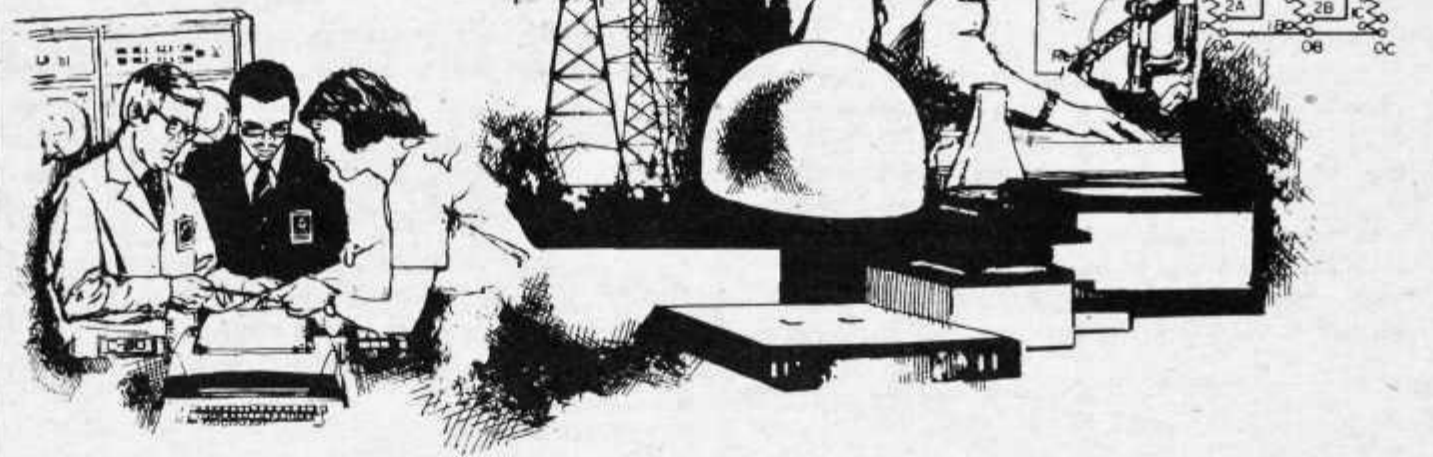
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Basketball Team Begins Quest For Championship

By Dennis Bryant

Friday night the A&T basketball team will open its quest for a second consecutive MEAC championship when the team holds its first intrasquad game in the new gymnasium. The Blue-Gold contest will feature ten of the nation's best at the tip off and a powerful bench.

A&T is now a member of the NCAA Division One in basketball and is eligible for participation in the NCAA tournament, as well as the prestigious National Invitational Tournament (NIT). Under the guidance of second-

year head coach Gene Littles, the Aggies are destined to continue to produce outstanding teams, student athletes, and the kind of enthusiasm that has marked A&T basketball since the university's opening tip-off.

Probable starters for the Blue and Gold teams are Melvin Palmer (6'-10", 210 junior), Joe Brawner (6'0, 180 sophomore), Marvin Brown (6'8" 210 senior), Harold Royster (6'8" 210 sophomore). L. J. Pipkin (6'9", 195 senior), Kim Butler (6'1", 170 senior), Steve Cassell (6'8", 215 senior) Brian Graham (6'4, 170 sophomore), and James "The Bird" Sparrow (6'6," 190 senior).

Sparrow may go down in the A&T basketball history as the most outstanding individual performer ever to wear the Blue and Gold. Entering the season, he is only 113 points away from becoming

the all-time Aggie, leading scorer. Should A&T repeat as MEAC champions, he will be the only player in history to play on four championship teams.

Pipkin, a senior from Laurinburg, is probably the most picturesque shooting big man in the country. Last year in the Aggie double-overtime victory over Howard University in the Bison gym, he had Bullet scout, Bill Gardner raving, "Pipkin has the tools to become an NBA forward. He's 6'9 and can face the basket."

Brawner developed into one of the most effective point guards in the MEAC, last season as he directed the Aggies in their championship. Brawner scored in double figures in 17 of the team's last eighteen games. "It got to the point that Joe came to play every night," Littles said.

"He dives on the floor after loose balls, plays aggressive defense, and makes his opponent work at both ends of the court."

Brown was the leading rebounder on the team last season before an auto accident sidelined him for the remainder of the season. "Brown is back and has a chance of regaining a starting position," Coach Littles said. He transferred from Temple University. He played in the Sonny Hill League College division where he battled some of the top stars.

Royster was the most outstanding freshman player in the MEAC last season and was the only first-year player named to the all-conference team. A highly recruited prep star out of Yonkers Gorton High School, which also produced Marquette's Bernard Toone, Roster is a steady

player who gives a hundred percent at both ends of the floor.

Butler transferred to A&T last season after two outstanding seasons at Miami Dade Junior College. He had an outstanding championship game in the closing minutes with his slick ball-handling and timely steals preserving the win.

Palmer has been a part-time starter since his freshman year. He had an outstanding prep career earning all-conference and all-state honors. "Melvin is still improving; and, as his strength and stamina increases, he will be a major factor during the course of the season," said Coach Littles.

Cassell enrolled at A&T as one of the most touted prep players in the state after his senior year at West Mecklen-

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New Gym Opens With Blue-Gold Game

By Rudi Noble

The new A&T health, physical education, and recreation building, now known to many students as the New Gym, is scheduled to open the Aggie 1978-79 basketball season with its first annual Blue-Gold game which is to be Nov. 17.

The immense steel-flanked structure of jimbo white bricks, occupies 100,000 square feet of land and is situated just east of Moore Gym. At a cost of more than \$3.4 million, the new gym was designed to house various indoor activities such as volleyball, tennis, wrestling, modern dance, badminton, tumbling and gymnastics. The seating capacity is 7,500.

The new gym is divided up into various areas with different purposes. The areas are as follows: an activity teaching station; this station has adequate space for indoor sports and classroom teaching; a physical education demonstration area, this area includes the main basketball arena with a playing floor that can be divided into six basketball courts; the Natatorium area which includes an eight-lane competition pool that can accommodate 350 persons for swimming meets, locker and dressing room areas, handball courts; classroom areas with six standard lecture rooms, an administrative and faculty offices area with office space for the departmental chairman and the athletic director, two person faculty offices, a secretarial area, and a workroom with concession areas.

Charlie Harville of WFMY-TV said, "I think the new gym is marvelous. We just toured the gym and it's really nice."

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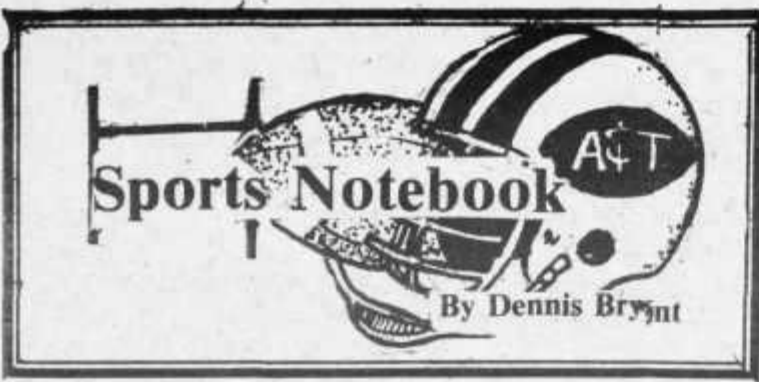
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As usual Lon Harris did his brilliant piece of foot work and not to take any thing away from the defense they did an excellent job also.

Basketball season has hit the air and football fever is still waving on. The annual Blue-Gold contest in the new gymnasium promises to be as exciting contest. The Blue team will feature L.J. Pipkin, James "The Bird" Sparrow, Marvin Brown, and a host of talents.

The Gold team will feature Harold Royster, Joe Brawner, Brian Graham and the rest of the team. The game will let the fans get a glimpse of this year's team. It will also help to decide who starts against UNC-Asheville next Friday night.

Thursday afternoon, the basketball team held a press luncheon in the Student Union. Several media broadcasters and sports writers attended the luncheon. WFMY-TV's Charlie Harville and Johnny Phelps were also in attendance. The highlight of the luncheon was Coach Gene Littles' speech.

Coach Littles said, "We will have the starters picked by next week. We aren't worried about Syracuse, Providence or Winston-Salem further on down in the schedule. We have UNC-Ashville to worry about first." He went on to describe a few of the players and a preview of the season.

There is a new policy in purchasing tickets this year. Students have to pick up their tickets the day before the game. If you don't pick them up by 6 p.m. the day before, your ticket will be sold. For those of you who want to complain, don't. If you were at any other school, you would pay the same price.

So be on time for the game because there aren't but 7,500 seats. This will be only the beginning of hopefully a successful basketball season. This should top off the year since the football team has let us down. Hopefully a victory over NCCU will make the season.

Saturday afternoon, the A&T football team will travel to Durham to face the Eagles of NCCU. The game is always tough, and Central will be no pushover. Last week, the Eagles had 445 total yards and a school record of 29 first downs.

Should A&T lose Saturday, and Howard defeat Morgan State, there will be a four-way tie for second place. But, if A&T wins, the Aggies will take over second place. The last time NCCU and A&T played in Wade Stadium, the Eagles prevailed 9-7 on a last second field goal.

Last week, A&T's quarterback fell asleep after the band played the Star-Spangled Banner. Hopefully he will be awake this weekend. If he can't do his job this week, well, another game down the drain. Or do we have other quarterbacks?

Right now it looks as though South Carolina State will represent the MEAC in the Gold Bowl. The Bulldogs' last minute loss to Grambling dropped them lower into the polls and dampened their chances of a Division II post season bowl bid.

It is time for another week of predictions. Gladly it is the last game for the Aggies. They have never fared well against the Eagles in Durham and the chances are they never will. In this last week of guessing, I'll let the students choose who they think will win. You never can bet on the Aggies; they could let you down. So good luck all you guessers.

Team Has Aggressive Performers

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burg High. An aggressive performer, he was the co-captain of the 1976-77 team and was the team's second leading rebounder. Craft, a 6-1, 170 pound sophomore from High Point is a good outside shooter. He is a good ball handler and shoots well from the outside.

Graham is a freshman from Baltimore, Maryland. He played his prep ball at Dunbar High. Davis joined the team at mid-season and developed into a valuable sixth-man especially after the untimely injury to starter Marvin Brown. "Keith has an unusual style, and he is the kind of player who gets his satisfaction from blocking shots, grabbing rebounds and playing good defense," said Coach Littles.

Other returnees are Charles Thompson, a 6-2, 175 pound sophomore from Durham, William Robinson (6-3, 195) from Charlotte, and Larry Bonner, a 6-6, 196 sophomore from Washington, D.C. Newcomers include 6-5, 220 freshman Dwight Lynch, and transfers Mike Hester (6-8, 210 junior) and Tyrone Edwards a 6-11, 215 junior from Chapel Hill.

"South Carolina and Howard have a good chance to finish first. They both have improved in off season," Coach Littles said.

"We'll have the talent to repeat as champions of the MEAC; but, because of these two teams, it will be tough."

Coach Littles said, "We sneaked up on some teams last year and they weren't expecting us to be as tough as we were. We have a great team

and a lot of talent. We have a lot of players who could probably start. We are looking forward to a successful season.

"It will be hard for the newcomers to move the veterans out of their positions," Coach Littles said.

"But we do feel that their contributions will aid us in having a highly successful season. They'll strengthen our program. We'll probably be the pre-season pick for the number one spot, but we will play like we are last and fighting for the top spot."

Starting Line-up For Eagle-Aggie Battle

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runner and is second on the team in receptions. The heavy running will be done by fullback John Foye (6-1, 224). Wide receiver, punt returns, and kickoff returns will be done by Carl Sanders. Sanders leads the conference with a 30-plus average in kickoff returns and is averaging only six yards on the punt returns.

The tightend will be either Joseph Mack (6-1, 219) or Wade Sanders (6-0, 200). Sanders has caught over 30 passes this season for over 400 yards. Other offensive starters are guards Robert Jacobs (6-1, 216) and Creo McIver (6-0, 217). Tackles are Johnny Robinson (6-3, 218) and Vincent Pearsall (6-4, 275). Center Antonio Southern (6-1, 214) will snap the ball.

Punter and kicker Eric Hines will do the kicking for the Eagles. Hines kicked a controversial field goal two years ago to help NCCU upset A&T 17-16. He is second in punting with a 39-yard average and has kicked six field goals.

Defensively, Central starts defensive tackle Kenneth Ramsey and Terry Brown (6-2,

249). The linebackers are Walter Odom (6-2, 222), Leroy Higgins (6-3, 229), and Dexter Williams (5-8, 195). The defensive backs are Reginald Littles (6-2, 192), August Milligan (6-0, 184) and cornerback Ricky Mozingo (6-3, 220).

The Aggies will run their usual set up on the offense except for a few changes on the line. The offense has to work on a new way to score because the old way hasn't worked in the last few games.

Defensively, Dwaine Board may or may not play. Board said, "I don't know if I'll be able to play. I'm still injured a little."

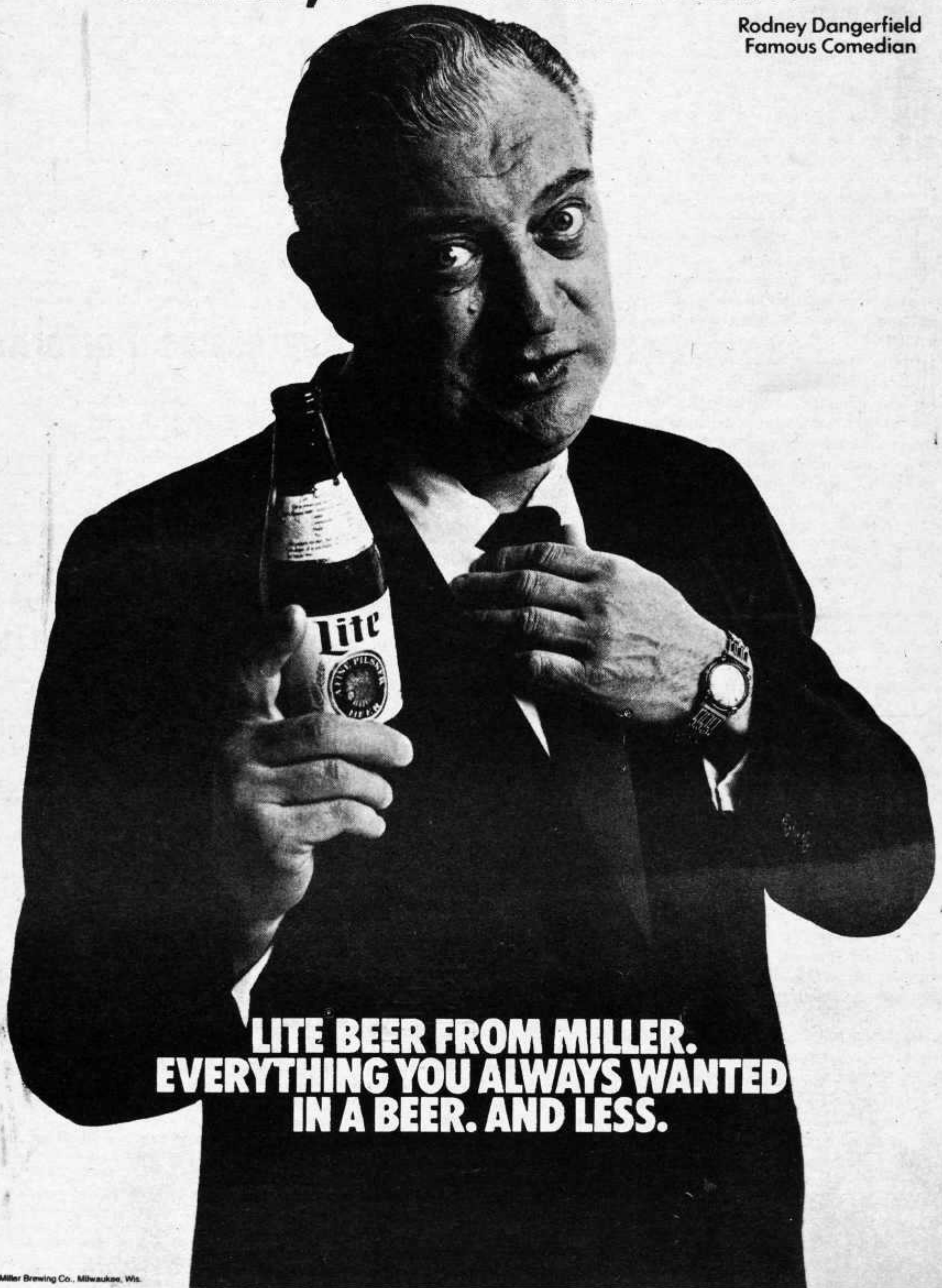
The defense includes Glenn Inman, George Small, Lucien Nibbs, Gerry Green, Frankie Chesson, Leon Byrd, Thomas Warren, Tony Currie and Gerald Johnson.

The defensive backs of A&T will have their work cut out as they attempt to stop Cauthon. He has thrown for 1078 yards and seven touchdowns.

Game time is set for 1:30 p.m. at Wallace Wade Stadium. Tickets are \$3.00 at the gate with student ID's. General admission is \$5.

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