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THE A&T REGISTER

"COMPLETE AWARENESS FOR COMPLETE COMMITMENT"

VOLUME XIX NUMBER 37 NORTH CAROLINA AGRICULTURAL AND TECHNICAL STATE UNIVERSITY GREENSBORO, NC FEBRUARY 27, 1979

Aggies Defeat Howard, Six-Time MEAC Champs

For the sixth time in eight years, A&T has captured the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference basketball championship.

The Aggies, who won the regular season conference championship posting an 11-1 record, defeated Howard University in the tournament finals last Saturday at the Greensboro Coliseum 48-46.

The narrow win gives the Aggies an overall record of 20-7 and keeps alive the possibility of a bid of a major post-season tournament bid.

"When you consider that we've played two teams rated in the top five in the country, Indiana State and Syracuse, along with other goods teams like UNC-Charlotte,

Providence, and Maine along with a tough conference schedule, it was quite an accomplishment to win 20 games as well as the MEAC regular season and tournament championships," said A&T head coach Gene Littles, since taking over the Aggies last season.

"There are several factors that the selection committees take into consideration when selecting teams for post-season play. Strength of schedule is extremely important along with some indication of

consistency in your program.

"No one can say that we didn't play a competitive schedule this season and we've won twenty games, two seasons in a row along with being conference regular season and tournament champions."

In the MEAC championship game it came down to the final minute of play before the champion was decided. A&T's Joe Brawner, the conference's MVP made both ends of a one and one with forty-four seconds remaining to break a 44-all tie before forward Marvin Brown scored in the closing seconds to put the game out of reach.

"Joe has been an outstanding player for us all season and it was certainly a pressure situation for him near the end with those free throw," Littles said. "Keith Davis did a superb job for us coming off the bench and shutting down Howard star Larry Spriggs for most of the second half."

"It was a great team effort. We didn't score the number of points we normally do, but we played good defense and made the big plays in the clutch."

"We'll take a few days off from practice; then we'll start working out just to stay sharp in the event that we get a bid."



One of the many trophies given out to the excellent players of the Aggie Ball Club.

HEW Officials Say 'A&T Best Of Black Schools'

Insert from the Greensboro Daily News

Federal civil rights officials touring University of North Carolina campuses Thursday tagged A&T State University, "the best of any of the Black schools we've seen this far."

But the representatives of the U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare hastened to add that A&T still lagged behind its cross-town neighbor UNC-

Greensboro in terms of equipment and financial resources.

After touring the Barnes biology building at A&T, Mary Berry, HEW's assistant secretary for education, remarked, "This is a nice facility but it still doesn't compare to across the way."

"This is the nicest Black campus we've seen so far," added David Tatel, director of HEW's Office for Civil Rights.

The party of five federal officials Thursday visited A&T and UNC-G in Greensboro, as well as N.C. State University in Raleigh as part of a three-day fact-finding tour through North Carolina.

The officials visited the five traditionally Black UNC campuses as well as the system's two leading institutions, UNC-Chapel Hill and N.C. State University, to gather material on which to base a decision whether to accept or reject North Carolina's plan for further desegregation of its 16 campuses.

On the visits to the Greensboro campuses, the visitors concentrated on comparing library and dormitory facilities, laboratory equipment, accommodations for animals for psychology classes, and physical education facilities.

The group also went through the nursing schools at A&T and UNC-G.

HEW officials feel the elimination of program duplication by UNC branches in the same geographic areas

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Nation Notices Einstein's 100th Birthday

Almost every student at A&T is familiar with the name Albert Einstein. His Theory of Relativity, $E=mc^2$, and the invariability of the speed of light are constantly used in almost all science courses on campus; but very few students are aware that March 14, 1979, would have been the 100th birthday of this great Theoretical Physicist.

National acknowledgements of this occasion include the issuing of a commemorative stamp by the United States government and the dedication of a 12-ft. bronze statue of Einstein at the National Academy of Science in Washington, D.C. The Society of Physics Students will present a film based on the life of Albert Einstein on Wednesday, March 14th. The film will be shown in Merrick Hall Auditorium at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. All students are invited to attend.

Jewish College Prof. NAACP Protest KKK Exhibit

WINSTON-SALEM (AP) -Four Black members of the local chapter of the NAACP and a Jewish college professor picketed the Forsyth County public library Monday to protest the opening of an exhibit by the Ku Klux Klan.

"We're not trying to keep people from going in and out, we're trying to draw attention to the fact the Klan is an outlaw organization. I don't think it's needed in America," said Patrick Hairston, president of local chapter of the NAACP.

Hairston, three other NAACP members and Charles Richman, a psychology professor at Wake Forest University, strolled through a misting rain in front of the

library in the downtown area, where the Klan exhibit was scheduled to open to the public at 6:30 p.m. today.

The county library also planned to open its own display on the Klan. It consisted primarily of newspaper clippings dealing with Klan activities in the area in recent years.

The Klan's exhibit, including robes, crosses and Klan regalia, was approved by William H. Roberts III, director of the library, without the knowledge of the library board. Roberts said last week the issue was intellectual freedom and "If we err, we should err on the side of freedom."

The exhibit's organizer,

Vernon Logan, said the display was designed to show white history and culture.

Logan, head of the local Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, said it was "Just like our version of Roots," the novel and television series by Alex Haley on the history of a Black family.

Hairston said that he considered ignoring the display but changed his mind so the Klan's opinions would not go unchallenged.

"We're not going to sit idly by and let them control our lives," Hairston said.

The pickets wore signs saying "Black Citizens had to fight to use the library - why not the Klan" and "KKK

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Salute To Black History

January 31, 1952--Oscar L. Thompson, the first Negro to receive a degree from the University of Texas, was awarded a Masters of Arts degree in zoology. He later served as a research scientist in the Human Genetics Foundation at the university.

May 11, 1895--William Grant Still, noted classical composer and conductor, was born in Woodville, Miss. He studied at Wilberforce University, Oberlin College and the New England Conservatory of Music. Still has the distinction of having received the first Guggenheim Fellowship in 1934. Other fellowships and awards included the Rosenwald Fellowship, Eastman Publication Award, and the Harmon Award in 1928 for the year's most significant contribution to American Negro culture. Still, whose works consist of more than 100 orchestral pieces, five symphonies and six operas, celebrates more than sixty years of a very fabulous musical career. Many musical

organizations and cultural institutions have planned special programs in honor of his 80th birthday.

Included in the notable works of Still are *Darker America*, *From the Heart of a Believer*, *From the Black Belt*, and his opera *Troubled Island*.

UNC-C To Conduct Workshop

Dr. Ron Gestwicki of the Religious Studies Department of the UNC-Charlotte will conduct a workshop. He is an authorized Journal Consultant certified by Dialogue House, which is headed by Dr. Ira Progoff, the creator the the Intensive Journal Program

Dr. Progoff explains the program and the workshop as follows: "The program enables individuals, regardless of age and level of education, to draw their lives into focus and enlarge their capacities. It is non-judgemental, non-diagnostic.

WEATHER

Extended forecast for Thursday through Saturday -Partly Cloudy and mild Thursday. Highs in the 60's in the east and in the 50's in the west. Lows in the 50s along the coast to the 30s in the mountains. Rain on Friday and in the east on Saturday. Highs in the 60s on the coast to the 40s in the mountains. Lows in the 40s in the east to the 20s in the mountains.

The workshop is non-denominational and open to public registration. It begins Friday evening, March 9 at 7 p.m. and continues through Sunday afternoon. Advance registration and a deposit of \$25 is required. Inquiry should be made by calling Parkway UCC at (919)723-1395 during the day, or Mr. Tom Harris at (919) 724-7396 in the evening. The fee for attending the weekend workshop is \$65.

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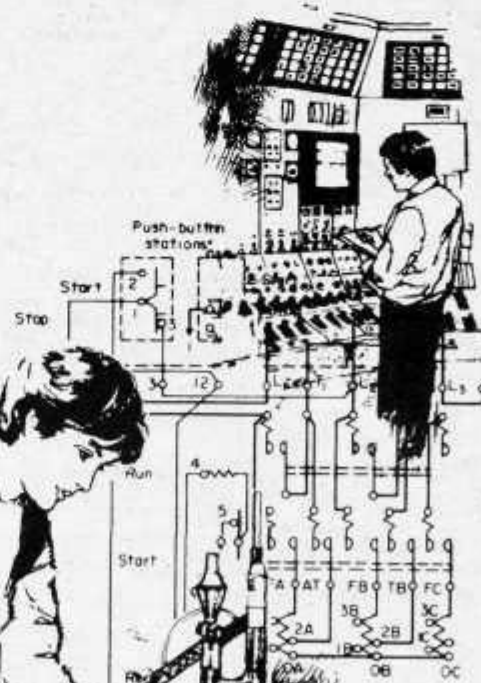
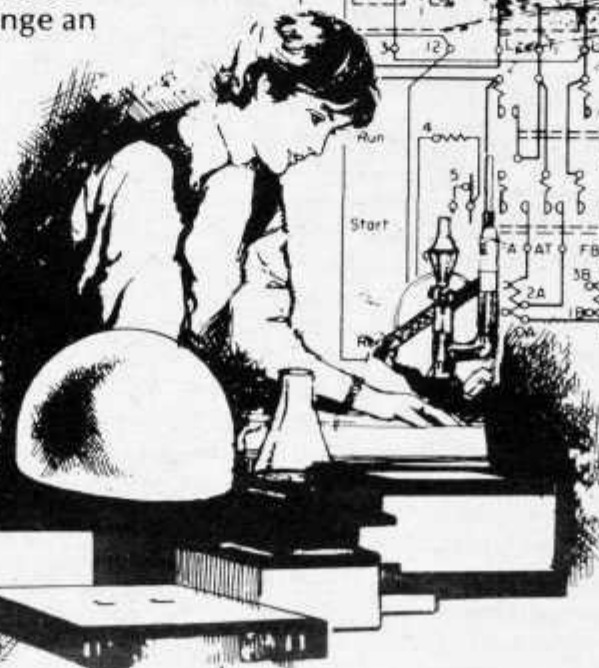
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'Best Of Black Schools'

(Continued From Page 1) would speed up integration and also result in more efficient operation of the system.

UNC-G Chancellor James Ferguson, when asked by Berry to show the group some of the institution's "worst problems," responded he would be pointing out "neither our worst, nor our best" but a representative sampling of facilities on the campus.

Both Berry and Tatel remarked on the empty classrooms in McIver Building and the empty labs in UNC-G's two science buildings during the morning "Nine a.m. on Thursday there are no classes here. That's prime time," Berry said with a laugh.

Gospel Choir In Concert

by Karen F. Williams

On last Sunday morning the A&T Fellowship Gospel Choir gave a concert at Lindley Park Baptist Church located at 4010 Walker Avenue in Greensboro. The pastor is Dr. Ray W. Benfield. The choir opened up the program by singing "Greet Somebody In Jesus Name." The following songs were "Soon and Very Soon," "Never Alone," "Through It All," "He'll Bring You Out," and "This Little Light of Mine." After the concert, lunch was served in the fellowship hall.

JAY T'S JAZZ

By Johnny Thompson

A concert version of George Gershwin's phenomenally successful "Porgy and Bess", will be performed by the Porgy and Bess Singers, on Saturday, March 10, at 8 p.m. in the High Point Theatre.

Richard Pryor has a new album out entitled, "Wanted," Richard Pryor Live In Concert on Warner records and tapes. Pryor is also starring in a movie by the same name.

Chic has two songs in Record World Singles Top 100, "I Want Your Love" and "At Last I Am Free."

Although Donna Summers' latest album is not that pleasing to the ear, it is still doing fine on the charts.

Don't forget, Chuck Mangione is coming to the Greensboro Coliseum March 4th. Should you decide to lay over from spring break, that is the place to be.

The love song of the week is "What You Won't Do For Love" by Bobby Caldwell, and "It's All The Way Live" by Lakeside is the disco disc for the time being.

That's all the news for this month, because there will not be a paper Friday. Until we meet again, may the force be with you.

JAY T's Top Ten

1. Rick James..... Bustin Out Of L Seven
2. Jacksons..... Destiny
3. Barkays..... Light Of Life
4. Best of EWF..... EWF
5. Parliament..... Motor Booty Affair
6. Peaches and Herb..... 2 Hot
7. Switch..... Switch
8. C'est Chic..... Chic
9. Ronnie Laws..... Flame
10. Marvin Gaye..... Here My Dear

CAMPUS HAPS

All Spanish Club members, there will be a very important meeting, Thursday, March 1, in Rm. 328 Crosby Hall at 5 p.m. All members are urged to be present.

Applications for all candidates running for SGA offices can be picked up starting Feb. 19, in the Student Union Ballroom. Deadline for turning in applications will be March 2. All applications are to be turned in to the SGA office.

Sunday School is held every Sunday at 9:45 in the Student Union Ballroom. Immediately following worship services are held at 11:00. Everyone is invited to attend.



The half time show of A&T vs Howard featured this drill team from Hayes Taylor YMCA; note the intense concentration.

Scholarship Bank Service To Assist Students

A new service designed to assist students in need of financial aid to continue school or plan for graduate school was announced today by The Scholarship Bank.

According to Steve Danz, Program Director, the new service will give each student a print-out of the scholarships, loans, grants and work-study sources available to him or her in that student's specific field.

Students apply by writing for and filling out a questionnaire which is then used as they key to the data bank. The questionnaire is like a mini-profile of each student, seeking information on year in school, major, occupational objectives, sex, religion, parent's union, employer and military service and student's outstanding abilities, such as leadership experience or sports. The service is so thorough according to the director, that in the field of girls' sports scholarships alone there are over 2,000 entries.

The data bank guarantees that each student will receive at least \$100 in aid, or the service fee of \$25 will be refunded. Danz indicated that students unable to pay the \$25 fee may receive a "basic" print-out of at least 15 scholarship sources for \$15. The \$25 fee will give students up to 50 sources of possible aid.

The data bank is up-dated daily with new scholarships and information changes in current scholarships. Due to the backlog of applications for this unique service, students should submit questionnaires as soon as possible.

The service will also send each applicant a publication on How to Play Grantsmanship, which will be

of help to the students in applying for the aid. The Scholarship Bank cooperates with financial aids offices and does not duplicate their services, according to the director. Most financial aid offices give information only

on sources that they administer.

Write to Scholarship Bank, 10100 Santa Monica no. 750, L.A. 90067 for an application.

Enclose a stamped, self-addressed envelope and the required fee.

Brochures Make Filmmaking Available To Students

Guidelines detailing how student filmmakers may obtain legal clearances for the material used within their films and secure a copyright of their finished product are available in a brochure published by the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences and the Bell System.

The brochure may be acquired by contacting the Academy at 8949 Wilshire Blvd., Beverly Hills, Calif. 90211. (213)278-8990, ext. 45.

The guide has been published for the first time to assist college students entering films in the annual Student Film Awards program of the Academy and the Academy Foundation and co-sponsored by the Bell System.

"The filmmaking experience at the academic level traditionally has been limited to the artistic and scientific aspects of production," says T. Hee, chairman of the Academy's Student Film Awards Executive Committee. "Business and legal aspects have usually not been dealt with."

"Most film students are aspiring to professional careers in the motion picture industry, so it is important that they be responsible craftsmen in all aspects of the

trade. However, most are unaware that the same legal requirements that apply to commercial filmmakers also apply to students."

This brochure includes information on obtaining clearances for the use of published stories, clips from commercial motion pictures, popular music and other copyrighted material. It also contains entry information for the Sixth Annual Student Film Awards.

Winners of the upcoming Student Film Awards, designed to encourage excellence in college student filmmaking, will be announced June 3, at ceremonies at the Academy. Deadline for entering films in April 2.



The word nickname was originally "eke name," meaning an added name.

Where Is The Physician?

It's not unusual for a student to report to the infirmary for a mild case of the flu, or maybe an upset stomach. But it's another thing when a student passes out because something goes wrong and nobody knows what's going on. If such illnesses occur after 5 or 6 in the evening and most times on weekends, then you may just be out of luck.

Two incidents, one which occurred not too long ago, and another one on last Sunday night, left this reporter wondering why A&T doesn't have a physician on 24-hour call.

Let's take the first incident where a student passed out in the shower. Campus security arrived to take her to the infirmary but they would not move the student, and neither did they go to the infirmary to see if an on-duty nurse would come to see what could be done. The injured student had to lie in the room all day, and then it got to the point that her legs would not even move.

Another student became very ill and needed to be taken to the infirmary. After security arrived and shrugged off the call when fellow students decided to take matters into their own hands, they arrived at the infirmary and found out that the physician would not be in until 1 p.m. the next day.

Why don't the fees that we pay for health care help cover the cost of a full-time physician. This reporter knows that it may not pay his full salary because this is the institution's duty. But there is responsibility in taking care of the students' welfare. Many students, especially those from out-of-state, must depend on the infirmary desperately in times of serious need. How would this institution feel if, for some reason, a student became deathly ill or physically or mentally disabled, all because there was no specially trained doctor available.



Clean Up Your Tables

By Karen F. Williams

Have you ever found a table in the cafeteria but were unable to sit down because careless students left their trays on it? It is a pity that this nonchalant attitude is prevalent among supposedly college students.

Perhaps the students who leave trays on the table have not stopped to think about the fact that this makes unnecessary work for the cafeteria employees. It also shows a lack of pride in oneself. In addition, it is

inconsiderate of others who have to sit down and eat.

One should think twice before leaving a tray on the table. There is a saying that states, one sows a thought and reaps an action, sows an action, and reaps a habit. So when the thought of leaving a tray on a table comes to your mind, think twice and reap an action like carrying it up to the conveyor belt. Besides it only takes a couple of minutes to do so.

I Do My Thing

By Richard B. Steele

In an article taken from the February 12th edition of the Greensboro Daily News, concept on life and freedom were rediscovered in a different light.

A certain person's philosophy was summed up in the verse of Fritz Perls, "I do my thing and you do your thing..." All well and good, except for the lacking example to live up to, expectations if you please. One would say he is not in this world to live up to another's expectations. In the words of Eugene Kennedy, "It is important parents, teachers, spouses to have expectations regarding the behavior of others."

Freedom in doing one's own thing is fine to an extent. When one's thing inflicts insult or injury upon another then what has the freedom gained? Another fallacy concerning freedom is with all the laws, written and unwritten, governing our lives and how people are supposed to interact with one another, it is impossible to be truly free. One man's pleasure is another man's pain. Chances are one's happiness was

at the expense of another.

Webster defines one aspect of freedom as the absence of necessity, coercion or constraint in choice or action

This writer defines freedom as the choice to do as one pleases, with regard to the rights of others and the common sense to realize what is right and what is not right.

Kennedy also states "Life cannot be lived as an accidental affair-like a roller derby in which everybody is doing his own thing..." True, life is a game, and one must abide by the rules. Looking out for number one in the game of life can amount to a few personal fouls along the way.

Kennedy sums up by saying in this roller derby (life) people are out to please themselves at others' expense "and if by chance, a collision sends a couple into each other's arms for a few moments - that's beautiful???"

No, there's nothing beautiful about a collision of moments, hopes and unrealistic dreams.

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Leader Says

Knox Review 'Nothing Less Than Savage'

Greensboro Daily News
Editor of the Daily News:

Joe Knox's review of "Golden Boy" at A & T State University recently was nothing less than savage. His review of "The Trojan Women" at UNC-G, hostile and condescending to A & T.

I don't believe, however, that this has anything to do with prejudice. Rather, I suggest, it may be due to the fact that Mr. Knox, like most people, really does not like theatre.

What he does seem to like are cultural institutions. The UNC-G Theatre Department

being one such beast, when a lady from Summerfield is nasty enough to attack it in public because she likes her Euripides straight, Mr. Knox writes a long and eloquent defense.

The Paul Robeson Theatre will never make it as a cultural institution. Not only do

productions there run on a shoestring and tend to the radical (Genet in Greensboro in 1974!). Above all, both the director and his student-players insist on working from a stubborn commitment to what their play is trying to say.

This, I believe, is the key factor. I have gone to some very entertaining UNC-G productions-- "Cabaret" and "Camino Real," for example. Thinking back on them, all I remember of the first is the ingenious set and a stunning bald-headed waitress.

"Camino Real" had one good actor in it--he really "sounded" like Kilroy--but the rest of the play remains in my mind only as a pleasant, silly blur.

By contrast, the productions of "The Blacks" and "Porgy and Bess" at A & T have remained vivid in my memory. Whatever their drawbacks, the sense of the play came through powerfully and clearly. This is what makes the difference between putting on a masterpiece or a master's thesis.

There is a simple way to find out whether what you are seeing is live theatre or only its carefully preserved carcass.

The latter leaves you drowsy, like a heavy, starchy meal. The real thing wakes you up like a punch in the stomach.

You can't fault a man for not caring to be offended, but why embarrass him by setting him up as a theatre critic? Make him a restaurant critic instead; we need a good one.

I wonder if Greensboro, with all its cultural institutions, really wants theatre at all. Didn't we let the Shaw Repertory Theatre (at The Mantleworks) die? Bland entertainment may be what we prefer--only let's not make the mistake of calling it theatre.

And when a strong, moving production comes around, at A & T or elsewhere, let's not fault it for some technical flaws, from which no production is free. Let's say frankly, "This is real theatre, folks; avoid it like the plague."

G. Magrinat
 Greensboro.

Rally Leaders

Students Should Be Praised

Editor of the Register:

The students who led the rally at A&T should be praised for their valiant effort. Some of our student organizations should use their power to alert the student body to their responsibility.

The students were not protesting against the presence of HEW officials on the campus, but we were attempting to make clear what HEW's plan is. There is no better way to do that than to let HEW speak for itself. "To achieve the disestablishment of the structure of the dual system each plan shall "Define the mission of each institution within the state system on a basis other than race." This is a quote from the Federal Register Vol. 43, No. 32, Feb. 15, 1978. Does this sound like a program to "Keep the Black institutions

alive," as **The Register** would lead us to believe. In the same document HEW outlines, a procedure for a five year desegregation plan. Those are the facts.

Another matter that needs to be resolved is the demands. The demands were clearly stated on the notices that were circulated publicizing the rally.

These were the demands in order of their importance:

- 1) Improved dormitory conditions
- 2) Increased financial aid
- 3) Increased funding for A&T with no strings attached

- 4) Upgrade departments
- 5) Expose HEW's and Friday's scheme to phase out Black schools.

The Register even had an article in their paper last week in which they said that the General Assembly was proposing to cut funding for nursing schools where more than half the graduates fail the national nursing exam. In fact in an earlier edition of **The Register** you stated that the funds for **The Register** were in jeopardy.

Jerome Abron
 Concerned Student of A&T

NAACP Protest Exhibit

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history - lynching, bombing, burning, castration." Hairston said he did not know what the Klan had planned for its display, but he declared, "Hell, anything they put in there is offensive to me."

Richman, who lives in nearby Greensboro, said he joined the NAACP pickets because "I'm Jewish. I think it's as offensive as anything you could put in a library."

Roberts said the library decided to put up its own exhibit after the Klan approved permission for an exhibit. "The library board was interested in having an exhibit after the Klan approved permission for an exhibit. "The library board was interested in having an exhibit that might be a little more unbiased than the Klan's," he said.

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SPRINGBREAK!!!

Insert from the Greensboro Daily News:

A&T, a predominantly Black school, gets approximately \$4.5 million in federal funds each year.

Its crosstown neighbor, the University of North Carolina at Greensboro, a predominantly white school, receives approximately \$758,000.

The funds pay for research and financial aid to students. They help the schools finance academic programs and faculty salaries in selected areas.

It could all be lost unless officials of the UNC system and the U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare agree by March 14, on how desegregation of the system's 16 campuses should proceed.

On last week's trip through North Carolina David Tatel, director of HEW's Office for Civil Rights, said the agency would begin administrative proceedings to cut off the approximately \$88.2 million the system receives annually in federal funds if accord couldn't be reached.

"HEW doesn't want to be put in the position of cutting off these funds because in many cases that would hurt the very Black colleges we are

trying to help," Mary Berry, HEW's assistant secretary for education, told a group of alumni from the system's five predominantly Black colleges.

It's a situation that puts federal officials "between a rock and hard place," she said.

The system's predominantly

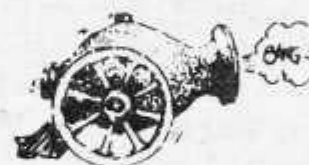
Black campuses all receive in excess of \$1.5 million in federal funds annually. A&T also ranks a distant third in the amount of federal funds received by campuses within the UNC system, following UNC-Chapel Hill which gets approximately \$45.9 million annually and N.C. State

University in Raleigh with \$22.1 million.

At UNC-CH, NCSU and A&T, the bulk of federal funds goes into organized research activities associated with the Chapel Hill medical facilities and NCSU and A&T's animal and plant science projects.

A&T Ranks Third In HEW Funding

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Seniors To Apply For Graduate School Institute

Outstanding college seniors who have been accepted for graduate school starting in Fall 1980 are invited to apply for the National Graduate School Institute preparatory program, to be held in Los Angeles, California, during June and July, according to the director of the Institute.

Students will attend a two-week intensive workshop and seminar designed to prepare them totally for the graduate school experience. The first week of the workshop will be a

series of general/skill sessions for all participants. The second week will be broken into specific skills needed in the various fields. For example, law students will learn about casebook briefing, how to write legal exams, and the famous Socratic Method of Inquiry used by almost all law schools.

Leading the general workshops will be an outstanding faculty from southern California and each specific workshop will be led

by a noted scholar in that field. Tuition for the two week program is \$350 plus room and board, which will be provided by the Institute. Only students who have

actually been accepted to an accredited graduate school may participate in the institute and students finishing the non-graded program will be recognized at completion.

Students interested in attending should write to the National Graduate School Institute, 10100 Santa Monica no. 750, Los Angeles, Ca. 90067.

Aggies Win Over Morgan

by Alfreda James

Before the intense battle between A&T and Morgan State, there was a thought that

the game would go down to the final two minutes. Morgan made a game of it the first half, but the Aggies

completely ran away with it on the way to a 77-62 win.

A&T started the game by scoring the first four points. Forward Garcia Hopkins scored the next seven points as Morgan State took a 7-4 lead. The teams battled over the next four minutes with Morgan taking a 15-14 lead.

The Bears scored the next four points to take a 19-14 lead. Over the next five minutes, A&T outscored Morgan 15 to four to take a sixpoint lead. That lead didn't last long.

With Hopkins and Anthony Young leading the way, Morgan overcame A&T and reattained the lead. The score was tied three times the final three minutes before a basket by guard Kim Butler gave A&T a two point half-time lead, 33-31.

The second half, A&T once again scored the first four points to take a six-point lead at 37-31. With the score 37-33, A&T, led by Joe Brawner's eight points, out scored Morgan by 12 taking a 49-35 lead.

The Bears staged what seemed to be a comeback over the three minutes as Young led a furious attack to cut A&T's lead to nine.

A&T ran its record to 19-7 with the victory. Morgan fell to 18-10. A&T was led by James "The Bird" Sparrow with 20 points. "Player-of-the-Year" Joe Brawner scored 18, all in the second half. Center Marvin Brown and forward L. J. Pipkin scored 14 and 12 points, respectively.

Morgan was led by forward Garcia Hopkins. Hopkins scored 19 of his game high 27 points in the first half. Young and guard Darrell Davis scored 17 and 10 points in a losing effort.

With the victory, A&T reached the finals for the sixth time in eight years.

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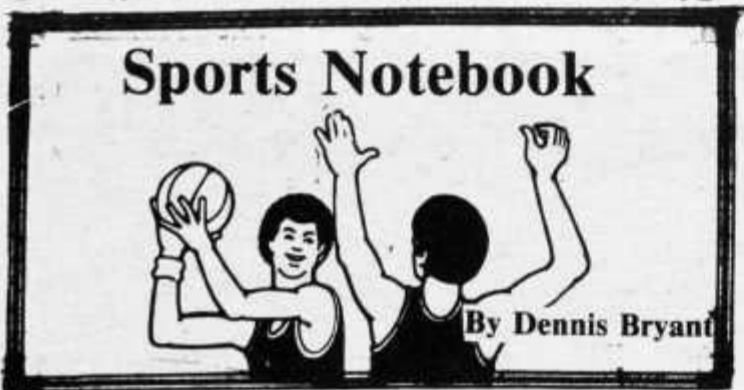
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Sports Notebook

By Dennis Bryant

First I have to say that the attendance for Saturday night's MEAC finals was a disgrace. Last year there were over or close to 10,000 fans to come out. This year we drew only about 7,000. The fans may have used the weather as an excuse.

If that is the case, let's see how many appear at the ACC tournament this weekend. It is supposed to run Thursday; see if the ACC doesn't have fans of 15,000 plus to come out. So why can't we get at least nine thousand? The total attendance for the MEAC tournament was about 16,000. The coliseum holds that many at one time.

The semifinals had the four teams I picked to be there but it wasn't what I expected. Whoever thought Howard would win by ten and A&T by fifteen over Morgan State! That kind of scoring made me think the finals would have over seventy points for each team.

The final statistics for Saturday night's game showed A&T with a 48-32 edge over Howard in rebounds with L. J. Pipkin getting 11 of these. The Aggies turned the ball over more and had more steals. A&T shot 36.5 percent from the field compared to 35.2 for Howard.

A&T did win and that is the important thing. The final score, 48-46, wasn't the outcome I expected but the team won. As to Coach Gene Littles, congratulations for a job well done. Every coach expects to be successful, but how many win twenty in their first two seasons and two championships?

As for the players, even though you didn't get the support you deserved, you are the best and we are behind you 100 percent. Hopefully you will get an NIT bid; we won't look for the NCAA at large berth. That's looking too far and too high.

In the last paper, I said something about two coaches being emotionally involved. Well, before those two coaches come down my back, I don't ask the questions, I just look for the answers. These are the questions that people ask me and they do come in a bunch and this one is asked the most.

The answer to this question was answered. The assistant coach didn't get the job from the administration. Since the school couldn't get someone to fill the spot, the assistant did it out of the goodness of his heart. He wasn't paid for the job but did it during his spare time.

Now, if A&T could get more of these people, maybe the Aggies could get enough money to sponsor their program. I can thank a few sources for this information. And as for coach Joyce Spruill, good luck with your program in the future. You can expect me to be behind you all the way.

By the end of this week, I should have a report of Coach Jim McKinley's recruits for 1979. I heard he had some good ones, some of them quarterbacks. So it looks like next year will be a good one for the football team.

It was learned by this writer, through Coach McKinley, that he has been here only two years and athletic director only one year. He has accomplished a few things while being here, and he feels that I should give him a lot of credit. Thanks for the information, coach!

A&T Maintains MEAC Title

by Dennis Bryant

The finals of the eighth MEAC tournament were all but what everyone expected. With both teams shooting over fifty percent in the semifinals, the game was supposed to be a high-scoring game. The outcome, a 48-46 A&T victory, was all but that.

Guard Maurice Young opened the scoring with the free throw as Howard took a 1-0 lead. A basket by L. J. Pipkin gave A&T a 2-1 lead. Howard scored the next six points as A&T committed a number of turnovers.

A basket by Joe Brawner and center Marvin Brown cut the lead to one. A&T scored six unanswered points as the Aggies took a 14-11 lead. Two minutes later, a three-point play by Young gave Howard the lead at 15-14.

Over the next five minutes, the teams battled on even terms as the score stood at 17 all with seven minutes to play. A&T took control for the next five minutes on baskets by Pipkin, James Sparrow and a dunk by reserve Keith Davis as the score stood 23-17.

With the score 25-19, forward Carlton Richardson led a Howard comeback. It was a pair of freethrows by Brawner that gave A&T a 27-25 halftime lead.

For the second straight night, A&T came out the second half prepared and ready to play. The Aggies took a quick 33-25 lead. But this time it didn't last.

Over the next six minutes, the team battled on even terms. With Howard leading 36-35, A&T scored six unanswered points with Pipkin leading the way. The teams traded baskets as the score stood 43-38.

Then the game went into a stall. For the next 6:30 the teams went scoreless. It wasn't until the 2:20 mark that the Bison got a bucket by Larry Spriggs. One minute later, Young cut the lead to one at 43-42.

A&T finally got on the scoreboard again as Brawner made a freethrow. On the next trip down the court, center Dorian Dent tied the score at 44 all. Once again Brawner unlocked the score with a pair of freethrows.

A bucket by Brown with 15 seconds to go gave A&T a 48-44 lead and sealed a second straight tournament championship for the Aggies.

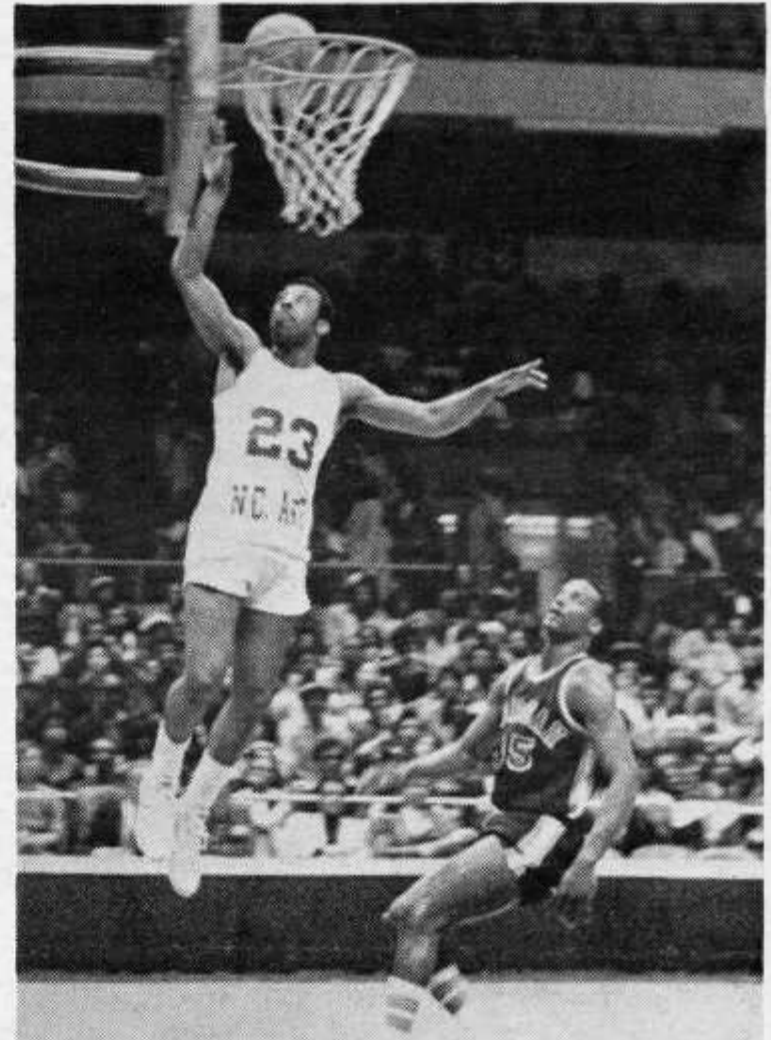
To almost everyone's surprise, the tournament's MVP was Howard's Larry Spriggs.

Howard was led by Spriggs and Richardson with 14 and 13 points, respectively. Brawner led the Aggies with 15 points.

The tournament's first All-tournament team was guard Joe Brawner and James Sparrow of A&T; forward Garcia Hopkins, Morgan State and Larry Spriggs, Howard and center Dorian Dent, Howard.

The second-team consists of guard Charles Shealy,

Delaware State; Darrell Davis, Morgan State; and Jonathan Robinson, South Carolina State. The forwards were Anthony Young, Morgan State; and Carlton Richardson-Howard; and center Byron Witherspoon of Morgan State.



Joe Brawner rips two points off the backboard with the greatest of ease.

Bison Beat Hornets, 61-51 A&T, Howard Showdown Set

by Dennis Bryant

The Howard Bison held off a second half Delaware State attack to beat the Hornets 61-51. The victory over the Hornets set up a Saturday night showdown against A&T.

For the first six minutes of the first half, the game was played on even terms. The two teams traded baskets over the first few minutes as the teams battled to an 8-8 tie. But over the rest of the half, Howard went on a tear.

With the score tied, Carlton Richardson scored six straight points as Howard took a 14-8 lead. The Bison extended that lead at 12 on a three-point play by Maurice Young.

With the score 23-11, the Hornets ended a five minute dry streak when forward William Hill scored. The Hornets were not able to get closer than ten points the rest of the half as the Bison cut off the Delaware attack.

Larry Spriggs scored his eighth point at the end of the half as the score was 32-19. Richard scored thirteen first half points to lead the Bison attack. Howard led at one point by fourteen points.

Howard was able to maintain its attack the first eight minutes before the Hornets made it out of a game for the next seven minutes. With the score 42-29, guard Charles Shealy opened the surge for the Hornets.

Delaware outscored Howard 14-2 over the next five minutes to cut the lead to two at 44-43. A couple of buckets by Spriggs opened the lead to five at 48-43. The Hornets cut the lead to one at 48-47 on a basket by Robert Hunter.

With Howard leading 51-49, the Bison outscored Delaware State 10-2 over the final five minutes to defeat the Hornets 61-51.

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