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THE A&T REGISTER

"COMPLETE AWARENESS FOR COMPLETE COMMITMENT"

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UNC Lawyers Retreat Desegregation Compromise

Washington-Lawyers for the University of North Carolina have retreated from last week's compromise position on desegregation, and federal officials now see little hope for an out-of-court settlement of their protracted civil rights dispute, government sources say.

The sources, who asked not to be identified, said Monday the Department of Health, Education and Welfare was still seeking an avenue for continued discussion, but was braced for a federal court suit by the university trying to head off proceedings that could lead to termination of federal funds for the 16-campus system.

UNC lawyer Charles Morgan, Jr. and an associate, Joseph Levin, gave HEW officials a proposal at a Monday morning meeting. And there was some initial indication it might be the basis for future talks despite the UNC board of governor's refusal last Friday to go along with a compromise hammered out by HEW and Gov. Jim Hunt and UNC President William C. Friday.

But HEW Secretary Joseph A. Califano, Jr. said in a late-afternoon news conference the proposal was unacceptable, and one source familiar with the meeting termed that pro-

posal "a non-offer."

Another source described the plan, which was written down but presented only orally at the 45-minute session, as a restatement of the university's offer to spend \$41 million upgrading the state's five historically Black colleges. The money would be used primarily to start 22 new programs to help the Black institutions compete for white enrollment with the system's 11 historically white schools.

But Morgan's proposal pointedly ignored any language laying out what the university would do if the enhancement program failed to accomplish HEW's desegregation goals.

In fact, the sources said, Morgan demanded that the government accept the enhancement plan and agree not to involve itself any further in the university's affairs.

HEW rejected that, saying it was obligated by law and federal court order, to enforce civil rights legislation prohibiting federal funding of university programs that discriminate on the basis of race.

The university's lawyers, both Southerners with liberal credentials, don't admit racial discrimination exists at UNC despite a numerical imbalance at the once-segregated schools.

Daughtry Hopes For

Cohesiveness With Students

By Tanya LeGette

"I hope in the future the security can have a closer relationship with the students and make them realize we are not out to get them, but we are just an extension of the educational process," stated Joseph Daughtry, acting director of security at A&T.

Daughtry, who was a partolman six and one half years on the campus of A&T, was assigned his new position because of the resignation of Bobbie Chavis in February.

"Days have been pretty good; it isn't anything new because I was already here and everything is running smoothly; the men work with

me," Daughtry commented.

Because of his previous experience, he feels that this new position will not be difficult and he feels very comfortable with it. Daughtry received his degree in Police Science from the Greensboro Technical Institute and is presently enrolled in a criminal justice class at Guilford College.

"There are not many problems on the campus of A&T, but we do have our share. Our first problem is parking; there is not enough parking space," said Daughtry.

"We are going to execute that, if a student lives on campus, then he should leave his car in the dormitory parking



North Carolina A&T Symphonic Band

Symphonic Band

Presents Spring Concert

By Wilbert T. Ingram

Baracolle, Chester, Zampa and Ritual are a few of the selections that will be presented Sunday, April 29, in Harrison Auditorium. The affair will be the Symphonic Band's Annual Spring Concert.

Many of the students at A&T don't know much about the symphonic band and its performance. Dr. Johnny Hodge, director of the band, feels that, because of this, students have a nonchalant attitude about the symphonic

band and the music that it performs.

Referring to the students' attitudes about the symphonic band, Trudi Sumpter states,

"They (the students) will come quickly to a performance by the jazz ensemble or the marching band, and one of

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Richard Gordon Considers '78-'79 A Successful Year

By Robert Spruill

Richard Gordon's tenure as president of the Student Government Association is almost over, but he feels that it has been a successful year.

"This year our main goal has been to get more students involved in their government because the student government is the voice of the entire student body. The term has been a success mainly because student involvement in the SGA is on an increase," said Gordon.

For the first time in the history of the SGA Gordon appointed his own cabinet. "This year was a test run," says Gordon. "Three Cabinet members resigned this year because it's a tough job with many responsibilities." The members of the cabinet hold specialized positions such as the Male and Female Secretaries of Housing Affairs. There are 14 cabinet positions.

Gordon's administration also revised the SGA's constitution. The former con-

stitution gave executives too much power, was outdated, and did not add total student involvement said Gordon.

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A-Power Critics Ask Lawmakers For Waste Plan

Raleigh-Opponents of nuclear power came to the legislature Thursday to speak in favor of a resolution now before the General Assembly that urges federal agencies to develop acceptable plans for disposal of permanent disposal of nuclear wastes.

While supporting the resolution, most of the speakers said the real answer to the problem of how to dispose of nuclear waste is to stop the use of nuclear power.

"Storage of any nuclear waste at all is too much," said Steve Schewel, a representative of the Public Interest Research Group. "We recommend passage of the (See Storage, Page 5)

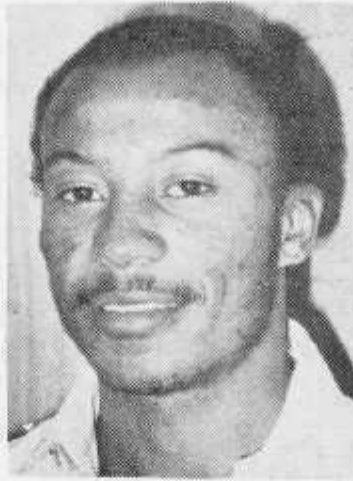
Gordon Aims For Student Involvement

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 "We tried to make it like the constitution of the country. But a constitution is nothing unless the people follow it," he asserted.

Gordon contends that the main objective of the SGA is to represent the students and deal with their needs. The president urges all students to come by the SGA office and deal directly with things they're interested in. "If a person has something he or she is genuinely interested in

(such as dormitory conditions) they can get something done about it if they are really willing to work on it," said Gordon.

Commenting on A&T's visit by officials from the Department of Health Education and Welfare, Gordon said it made him realize the move was a political one on HEW's part. "It was the greatest thing in the world that they came to look at our campus, but they didn't have to come. The statistics (showing the differences on the predominately



Richard Gordon

Black and white campuses in the University of North Carolina system) were staring them right in the face. This was a political move on HEW's part," he said. Gordon feels that Black universities in the UNC system should be enhanced and remain predominately black.

Gordon says that of all the occurrences during his term as SGA president he'll never forget the false propaganda leaflets that were distributed on campus during the HEW

visit. "The leaflets said that myself, Chancellor Dowdy, and HEW were selling the students short and with holding the facts," explained Gordon. One(a president) must be trusted if he is to be effective says Gordon.

If he could do it over again Gordon says he would because "10 years of chaos can't be straightened out in one year."

Campus Students To Lock Doors; Stop Larceny

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this matter should be taken very seriously. If students keep their doors locked, he feels that it will make it better for other students. "We don't want a student to have a bad record if it can be avoided," said Daughtry.

People tend to think that, because of the blue suit, and the siren soaring, policemen don't really care about people. "I feel that my job is to serve the best I can. I'm not doing it to hurt anyone, but to help them," Daughtry comments.

The security is trying to establish a better relationship with the students at A&T and hopefully also to get a better understanding about what the security on campus is all about.

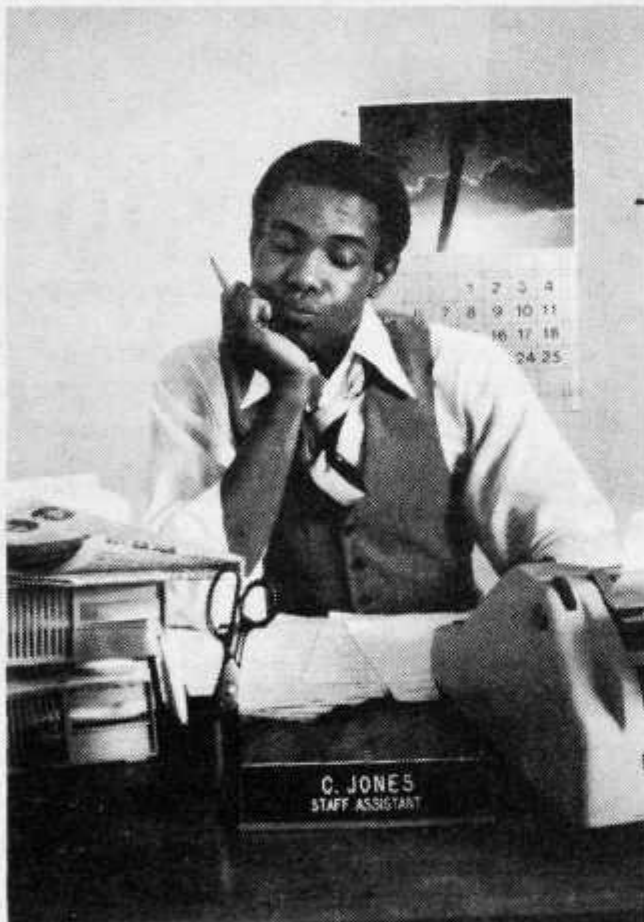
Daughtry feels that it is the responsibility of the security to take the first step in better relations. Though security will take the first step, students also hold an important role.

"We don't want the students to always feel that we are the bad guys, and we are some kind of monsters always out to get them. This is not so, though at times it may seem that way," Daughtry explains.

Daughtry feels that, if the security can develop a better relationship with students, then maybe it would be a big improvement all around, not only on campus, but in the community as well.

The security has jurisdiction over A&T, and any property that A&T rents. It does not necessarily have to enforce the law in the city of Greensboro, unless it is extremely necessary. "When it is careless or wreckless, if we are wearing a uniform, the public expects us to stop, so we do many times," Daughtry concludes.

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Allo! As you probably know there's lots of entertainment the next few days First, there's the spring extravaganza which features Up With People in the New Gym. Hope you've got a dollar for that one. Then there's the Horror Movies Exorcist I and II and The Devils in Harrison Auditorium. In addition to the Fun Day, you can check out "Blood Knot" a play by Athol Fugard on two South African Brothers. Saturday is the last showing. Those of you with green thumbs may like to visit the Flower Show in the Student Union.

CAMPUS HAPS

There will be a very important interest group meeting for all young men interested in pledging Esquire in the Student Union, room 212, Monday, April 30 at 8:00 p.m.

FBI Career Seminar for all majors and all classifications at 11:00 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. in the Merrick Hall Auditorium on Wednesday, May 2, no cost. For further information, contact the Career Planning and Placement Center. Telephone: 379-7755 or 379-7756.

All young ladies interested in becoming the 1979-80 Esquire Queen, there will be a very important meeting in the Student Union, Room 212, Tuesday, May 1, at 8:00 p.m.

Islamic Students Association is holding office and participating, meet Tuesday, May 1, 8:00 p.m. in Room 213 Student Union. Muslim and non-Muslim welcome.

All men interested in pledging Alpha Phi Omega National Service Fraternity, Inc. will meet Wednesday, May 2, in the Student Union, Room 100, at 8:00 p.m.

The Richard B. Harrison Players will present 'Bloodknot' by Athol Fugard, Wednesday, April 25-28. The play concerning white South Africa, stars sophomore, speech and theatre major, Arnold Pinnix-last seen in 'Golden Boy'; and Anthony Johnson, sophomore A.E. major.

ALPHA LAMBDA DELTA--On Sunday, April 29 at 3:00 p.m., in the West Lounge of Barbee Hall, the North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University Chapter of Alpha Lambda Delta Freshman Honor Society will hold its second induction.

The candelight ceremony will be performed by Jesse Thompson, outgoing president. This ritual is a dignified, beautiful ceremony which we believe you will enjoy; therefore, we invite the Aggie family to share this experience with us.

COURSE SEQUENCE	FINAL EXAMINATION SCHEDULE, SPRING SEMESTER 1979	TIME OF EXAMINATION
8:00 A.M. - MWF	TUESDAY, MAY 8, 8:00 - 10:00 A.M.	
9:00 A.M. - MWF	FRIDAY, MAY 11, 10:30 - 12:30 P.M.	
10:00 A.M. - MWF	TUESDAY, MAY 8, 1:00 - 3:00 P.M.	
11:00 A.M. - MWF	WEDNESDAY, MAY 9, 3:30 - 5:30 P.M.	
12:00 NOON - MWF	FRIDAY, MAY 11, 1:00 - 3:00 P.M.	
1:00 P.M. - MWF	THURSDAY, MAY 10, 8:00 - 10:00 A.M.	
2:00 P.M. - MWF	WEDNESDAY, MAY 9, 8:00 - 10:00 A.M.	
3:00 P.M. - MWF	THURSDAY, MAY 10, 1:00 - 3:00 P.M.	
4:00 P.M. - MWF	FRIDAY, MAY 11, 8:00 - 10:00 A.M.	
5:00 P.M. - MWF	SATURDAY, MAY 12, 8:00 - 10:00 A.M.	
6:00 P.M. - MWF	THURSDAY, MAY 10, 6:00 - 8:00 P.M.	
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*CLASSES THAT MEET "ON THE HALF HOUR" ARE TO USE THE EARLIER HOUR FOR THE PURPOSE OF DETERMINING TIME OF EXAMINATION.

A COMMON EXAMINATION FOR CHEMISTRY 100 WILL BE HELD MONDAY, MAY 7, 6:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M.

A COMMON EXAMINATION FOR CHEMISTRY 101, 104, 105, AND 107 WILL BE HELD TUESDAY, MAY 8, 6:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M.

LABORATORY CLASSES IN CHEMISTRY WILL HAVE THEIR FINAL EXAMINATIONS DURING THE WEEK OF REGULAR CLASSES.

A COMMON EXAMINATION WILL BE GIVEN FOR ALL SECTIONS OF ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING 100 6:00 - 8:00 P.M., MONDAY, MAY 7, 1979

NIGHT CLASSES MEETING IN THREE-HOUR BLOCKS OF TIME WILL HAVE THEIR FINAL EXAMINATIONS THE REGULAR MEETING NIGHT DURING EXAMINATION WEEK.

CLASSES MEETING ON SATURDAY WILL HAVE THEIR EXAMINATIONS AT THE REGULAR MEETING TIME SATURDAY, MAY 12, 1979.

CLASSES THAT MEET AT 7:00 P.M. ON MWF OR TU & TH DURING THE SEMESTER WILL HAVE THEIR FINAL EXAMINATION ON THE LAST REGULAR CLASS MEETING DAY IMMEDIATELY PRIOR TO FINAL EXAMINATION WEEK.

ALL EXAMINATIONS WILL BE HELD IN THE REGULAR CLASSROOM UNLESS NOTIFIED OTHERWISE BY THE INSTRUCTOR.

ALL GRADES ARE DUE IN THE OFFICE OF REGISTRATION AND RECORDS BY 4:00 P.M. TUESDAY, MAY 15, 1979.

Ms. Alpha Phi Omega Crowned

Karen Williams, a freshman mass communications major from Millsboro, Delaware, was crowned Miss Alpha Phi Omega 1979-80 by present queen Cornelia McCullough, Tuesday night in the memorial union ballroom during the first annual Blue & Gold Pageant. The new queen took her stroll amid the blue and gold streamers and decor. The stage was graced with green foliage.

The contestants competed in evening wear, casual dress, swimsuits and a dress of their choosing. The ladies were a colorful array of splits, capes, veils and accessories.

The runners up include Patricia Simmons, fourth; Glenda Alexander, third; Vickie Brown, second-Miss Blue; and Connie Ferguson, first-Miss Gold.

Other contestants were Crystal Akins, Louise Cooper (Miss Trefold 79-80), Beverly Hurt and Delores Pratt.

Each runner up received a trophy and a single rose. The queen received a bouquet of roses, the crown and a trophy.

Entertainment was provided by pianist, soloist Deborah Bratton performing "You Light Up My Life." Soloist, Mitchell Williams, sang "Close To You," and Laverne Harris and Carolyn Mitnz performed a creative dance to the music of "Memories."

Pageant co-ordinators were Arthur Kemp, George

Waddell and Reginald Ward. Paulette Breeze (Miss A&T), Clement Gallop, George Little, Alma McCarroll, Shafter Manuel,

Richard Steele, and Richard Wilson were the judges.

A disco followed immediately after the pageant.

U.S. Attorney Speaks At SGA Award Banquet

Richard B. Steele

"Racism is a tenacious evil, but it is not immutable," said the Honorable Henry Michaux, U.S. Attorney, speaker for the Student Government Association Annual awards banquet held in Brown Dining Hall last Wednesday night.

The North Carolina Central University graduate received a B.S. degree in Biology in 1952, numerous other achievements and further studies. President Jimmy Carter appointed Michaux June 25, 1977 and he was sworn in August 18 of the same year. The attorney is also an active representative of the NAACP and other organizations.

"It takes more than registering to vote. We have to create leaders who embody the virtues that we respect," said Michaux. "We have not realized that the new phase of the civil rights movement is opening," he said. The first phase was seeing that Blacks are treated with decency, a cause Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. died for. The second phase

is securing the equality we deserve.

"America is deeply racist," said the fiery speaker before an attentive audience. "We have to say to the world, I am somebody, I am Black and I am beautiful," he exclaimed. It was further stressed that no exclamation¹, Proclamation or civil rights bill will totally free us. We are influenced by Western European upbringing.

"After leaving the hallowed halls of our universities, too many get all they can, can all they get, then sit on their cans." Michaux concluded with the renowned "Benediction of Pearly."

Awards were presented to the presidential cabinet, judiciary council, legislature, and executive officers for distinguished services and merit.

The officers inaugurated for the 79-80 term include Kevin Buncum, president; Cheryl Armwood, vice president; Pamela McCorkle, secretary; Andre Best, treasurer; and Joyce Walker, Miss A&T.

Where Do We Go Now?

Many Mass Communication students and faculty members met recently to discuss the mass communication's curriculum.

Several students listed their concerns about the problems that they were facing within the program.

The meeting was called hoping to discuss these problems, so that some significant progress would be made.

A&T can't afford to lose the Mass Communication program because it has brought many dignitaries to help give A&T its name. For example, if it had not been for the Mass Communication's program, Max Robinson would not have come to the university. A&T would not even have the opportunity to give Max Robinson an honorary degree in A&T's name; and Mr. Robinson is definitely a nationwide dignitary.

Another point which should be considered is that one of the very instructors that enabled Max Robinson to attend this university will be lost, unless some means is found to pay the instructors' salary.

If A&T loses the Mass Communication program, it will not only lose dignitaries, but it will also lose about 200 students. This leaves approximately 67 students in that program with approximately 20 instructors. Can A&T afford this loss since federal funding depends on the enrollment?

Two of the journalism instructors who are vital to the program are paid through a four-year AIDP grant which consists of \$150,000. This grant expires as of June 30. The program is also enhanced through a \$262,000 grant from the W.K. Kellogg Foundation which expires in 1981.

Why hasn't anyone seen to it that this grant has not been renewed, knowing very well that the state or A&T does not pay their salaries? Here we are, approximately 200 mass communication students who are dedicatedly paying tuition for teachers and an institution that are not even supporting their salaries or the program.

Jacqueline D. Pender
Sheila A. Williams



Think Of Your Dignity

By Richard B. Steele

One's alone; two's company; three's a crowd; four's a cliché, and more is a gang.

A gang -- band or company, a group of people associated together in some way, a group of organized criminal youth from one neighborhood banded together, a band of juvenile delinquents are all Webster's definitions.

It would seem that after junior high and early high school days, such trivial associations would not exist on a college campus. But they do; and, consequently, the same majority suffers from the childish pranks these "gangs" enjoy.

Sometimes these seemingly harmless

pranks can be dangerous to the victim and retaliation from the victim has proved to be dangerous to the pranksters.

There's nothing wrong with "hanging" with some friends as long as it's harmless fooling around. Take into consideration what the group you hang with stands for and your own home training.

Sometimes, think about whether or not your friends would respect you if

you did this, or your parents. Think of the dignity and pride you have as an

individual and the reasons why you came to Aggieland in the first place.

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Speech Is Important

By Karen F. Williams

"Anna Mary candy lights since impulp play things." Upon reading this sentence for the first time it is sure to sound and look confusing. But, if read quickly, the whole sentence becomes comprehensible: An American delights in simple play things.

In our daily conversations, so many times there are mis-communications. A person may say one thing but the listener may perceive something else.

For example, more rice sounds like more ice; this lip, this slip, and some more, some ore. Some times these misinterpretations are hilarious, while at other times they may cause confusion.

At any rate, we can see the importance of effective communication, for no matter what field we go into communication plays a major role.

Controversy Affects Black Students' Position

Editor of the Register:

The entire saga concerning the future existence of predominantly Black institutions has caused much anxiety in the Black community. However, no one has attempted to articulate the position of Black students as it relates to the future existence of predominantly Black institutions.

I feel that there should be no question of why Black institutions should continue to exist. No one has ever asked the Jews why they have

schools to educate their people. Furthermore, no one has ever asked whites why they have schools to educate their people. Therefore, why can't we have schools to educate our people? So, you see, the question is what do we need to insure the future existence of our much needed Black institutions?

In dealing with the problem, I felt that it was mandatory that we come up with some middle ground as to where we stand on this issue. Let it be known that I do not support

the UNC system in its effort to dismantle the historically Black institutions of North Carolina, nor do I support the NAACP Legal Defence Fund in their push for full scale desegregation or basically merger. My stand is that A&T has a charge to keep. This charge is to continue to mold and produce Black scholars who are more than capable of going into the various walks of life and succeeding.

Black institutions should be the ones to determine the number of Black lawyers,

engineers, doctors and dentists we are to have in the future and not the white institutions. Black institutions should be the ones to determine where we will be politically and economically in the future and not the white institutions.

We need to be assured that we can have equal opportunities at A&T which would be comparable to those of the white students at predominantly white institutions. I certainly trust that the student body supports me in the stand I've taken and

that together we can put this question of equality and inequality to an eternal rest.

Thank you, **Kevin L. Buncum**.

Student Praises Infirmary For Excellent Care

Editor of the Register

Aggies, a few weeks ago, I was instructed by Dr. Barbee that I should stay in the infirmary to better my health.

Everyone on campus thinks that the infirmary is not a place for sick people. So no one is willing to go to the infirmary. When Dr. Barbee informed me of his decision after my examination, I said, "No way. I'll take care of myself."

I debated for about five hours before I decided to go on in. To my surprise, this was one of my better decisions. The employees of the infirmary are as qualified and as efficient as any hospital employee. The nurses were very kind and generous. No matter how terrible we acted (and there were six girls); they always came in with a smile.

I am writing this letter to inform you that the infirmary is not like many of you think it is. On the contrary, it is one of the best places on campus that we can depend on.

I rested for three days in the infirmary without worrying about the cost, medicine, when it should be administered, food, or care of. If you are sick, I am here to inform you, don't hesitate about going to the infirmary. It may take time to see the doctor, but isn't that the same anywhere?

I salute and thank the employees of Sebastian Infirmary. **Oreta Britt**

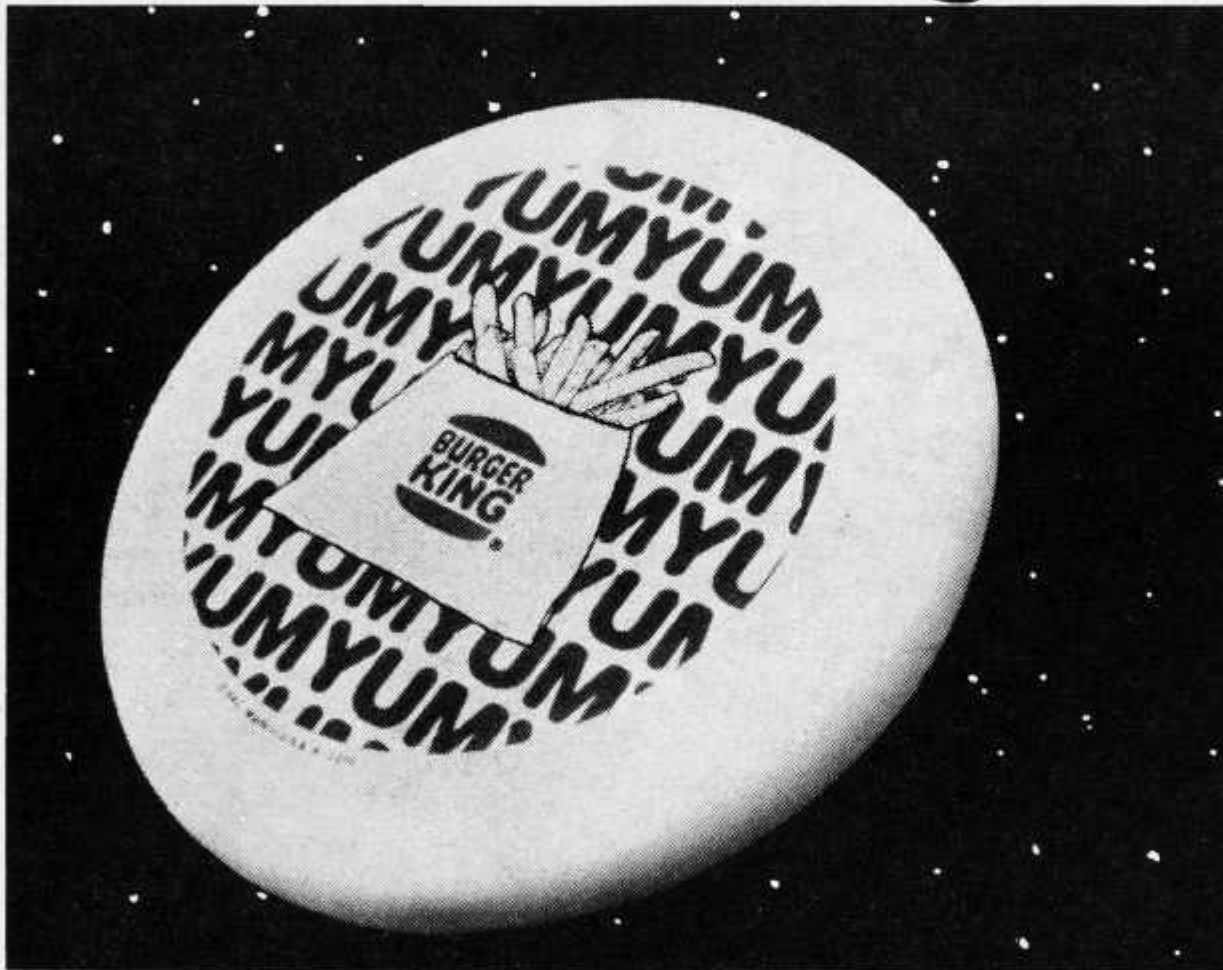
Storage Of Nuclear Waste Too Much

(Continued From Page 1) resolution as a token of better things to come."

It was introduced by Rep. J.P. Huskins, D-Irdell, and says that North Carolina should be expected to accept for permanent disposal only nuclear waste produced in electric power generation in this state.

And it urges that North Carolina not accept any nuclear waste except what is produced in the state.

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'Hazing' Concern Among Universities

By Florina Byrd

Recently, it has been reported that two students were killed in a fraternity hazing incident at Virginia College. Hazing is defined as deliberately annoying any student by playing abusive or ridiculous tricks upon him, or by scolding, beating, frightening or harassing him, or subjecting him to personal indignity.

The question remains--what about hazing on A&T's campus, and what is being done to prevent this tragedy? There has been reported incidents of hazing on this campus that have involved

physical as well as mental hazing.

If a fraternity or sorority of this university is found guilty of unlawfully engaging in hazing, a type of pledging procedure, the organization will constitute a misdemeanor punishable by a fine or suspension, according to Mrs. Lucille Piggott dean of student affairs for organization and development. The fine may not exceed \$500, and the suspension time is designated. Piggott said there are two types of sources of suspension. The university and the national chapter organization have the authority to suspend any

fraternity or sorority if found in violation of hazing.

Parents whose children were victims of hazing have taken the incidents to higher authorities with hopes or intentions of resolving this unlawful act. When such court cases have taken place, the parents may sue one individual who is found guilty of this act, the organization as a whole, or the university. When this occurs, the parents filing the suit have to prove to the court or authorities that their child was subjected to hazing. The court, university, or national chapter of the organization will decide upon what actions

should be taken.

In order for hazing to be prevented, it must be reported the first time it is exercised within the organization. The individual or individuals

involved (the hazing) should report the incident. By doing this, he or she will save others from being unlawfully "punished" by a group of sadistic-like persons.

Symphonic Band Can Move To The Beat Of The Music

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the reasons for this is they are not used to this type of music". One of the points brought out by another band member is that the students don't feel they can dance or boogie to the beat of the music

performed by the band. "Some of the music has a good beat; you can see me back there jamming," proclaims Madeline Young, a junior music major from Charlotte, N.C. Young also feels that the students should attend the concerts in order to learn to enjoy them.

"I would like to see more interest shown in symphony band throughout the University, I think the student body should support the organization much more

because often times you don't have the quality of symphonic bands found in many Black schools as we have here," stated Hodge.

Hodge also feels that it is unfortunate that the members of the band spend their time and effort to perfect a program, and the student body doesn't support them.

"I hope that the student body will come out and support the band because they are dedicated and are interested in what they are doing," says Hodge.

The concert will start at 6 p.m.

"I've got Pabst Blue Ribbon on my mind."



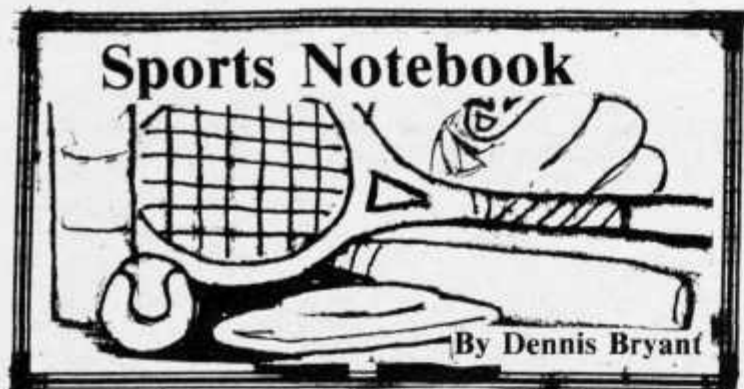
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For all of you who have been following my column all year, I wish to make my farewell speech. I will be followed next year by another writer, Raymond Moody. I hope you will give him as much cooperation as you gave me.

As to coaches Jim McKinley, Gene Littles, Mel Groomes, Joyce Sprull, Sue Kascher, and others, it has been great working with you all this year. In the future I am sure you will find all the success you have been in search for.

The 1978-79 school year has been full of ups and downs. We started the year with football. The Aggies finished the year with a 6-6 record. The team finished second in the conference and lost in the Gold Bowl 21-6 to Virginia Union.

Then we had basketball, and the Aggies finished 20-7 winning the MEAC regular season and the MEAC tournament. A&T beat Howard 48-46 in the championship. Joe Brawner led the Aggies with 15 points. Brawner also won the MEAC Player-of-the-Year Award.

James "The Bird" Sparrow became A&T all-time leading scorer with 1987 points. Sparrow averaged over 19 points to finish third in the conference in scoring. It is about time A&T retire Sparrow's number. He should go down in all A&T record books.

In women's basketball, the A&T Aggiettes finished the regular season with an 11-11 record. The team lost in the first round of the state Division II playoffs. The team seemed to lack overall leadership the whole season. Mamie Jones and Lillie Pratt led the way.

The wrestling team under coach Mel Pinckney finished the year over .500 but the team didn't get the funds it needed. A&T had only one match at home and couldn't get too much money to travel to other schools.

In baseball, the Aggies lost another unsung hero Reggie Little. Little died in a car accident two weeks ago. After that incident, the team won seven of its last nine games. Coach Groomes's team finished 15-14 overall.

The softball team with superstar Alice Lyons is presently 12-14. The team lost two close games to Carolina, 3-2 and 6-5. The Aggiettes defeated WSSU yesterday, twice at Levette field. The team is in its final games.

The women's track team, under coach Kascher, is in a highly successful season. The team has some of the best participants in the country. Coach Kascher and David Miller are doing a great job. A&T women's track is on the upward move.

Finally, with everything coming to a close, let me say this to the student athletes. You make this school when you go out and do your best. You give it a name and yourself a title. For those of you who failed this year, come back strong, and be the superstar you think you are.

Make a life for yourself, whether it be in sports or elsewhere. Participate in some sport. You don't fail because you don't play in front of six or seven thousand fans. The Intramural department is there, and William Sheffield will make sure you enjoy yourself.

Give the next sports editor all your support.

Aggies Defeat Senegal

The North Carolina A&T basketball season, which completed the regular 1978-79 season with a 20-7 record while capturing its second consecutive Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference tournament championship, defeated Senegal 76-73 in the championship game of the Tournament International of Dakar.

The Aggies were paced in the championship contest by 6-6 guard, James "The Bird" Sparrow; 6-8 forward, Harold Royster; and 6-9 forward, L. J. Pipkin as the trio tallied 22, 19 and 18 points respectively. Pipkin was a towering force on the boards as the 6-9 senior recorded 15 blocks in the championship game.

Although the main purpose of the week long trip to the West African country was to help improve the status of basketball in Africa, Head Coach Gene Littles and members of the Aggie team felt the pressure of having to win the tournament.

"There were four teams in the tournament, Senegal, Cote-d'Ivoire and Senegal are regarded as the two best teams in all of Africa and the two teams played earlier in the year for the championship of the continent

with Senegal gaining the victory.

"On the opening night of the tournament, Senegal defeated Virginia Union University 105-86 and the 6000 plus fans that were packed inside the arena just went wild when the home team broke a hundred.

"We left the arena totally impressed with the Senegal team and we all knew that we would have to play up to our potential if we were going to stay close to Cote-d'Ivoire, who many felt was a more physical team than Senegal."

The Aggies were ready for the challenge and paced by the showmanship of Sparrow, the devastating shot-blocking of L. J. Pipkin, and the consistency of Royster, the A&T Aggies blitzed Cote-d'Ivoire 105-84.

"Sparrow was an instant sensation over there," Littles recalled. The fans are extremely excitable and he turned them on with his ballhandling and array of dunks. He had them on their feet everytime he touched the ball.

"L. J. and Royster were equally spectacular because we were playing under international rules and that allowed them to be a little

more physical than we are in the states.

"But, after our win over Cote-d'Ivoire with all the enthusiasm of the crowd and the excitement of the trip, we realized that we were not only representing North Carolina A&T but also American basketball."

In the championship game against Senegal, the local team went up 25-14 before the inside play of 6-8 Marvin Brown, 6-11 Tyrone Edwards, along with Royster and Pipkin began to assert itself.

MEAC Player of the Year Joe Brawner made some clutch buckets down the stretch to preserve the A&T win.

"It was a great win and the competition gave us the opportunity to look at some combinations that we will probably be using next season," Littles said.

"David Craft, Mike Hester, Keith Davis along with Brawner and Edwards saw a lot of playing time in crucial situations and responded very well.

Named to the all-star team from A&T were Sparrow, Pipkin, Craft, Davis, Royster, Brawner and Kim Butler.

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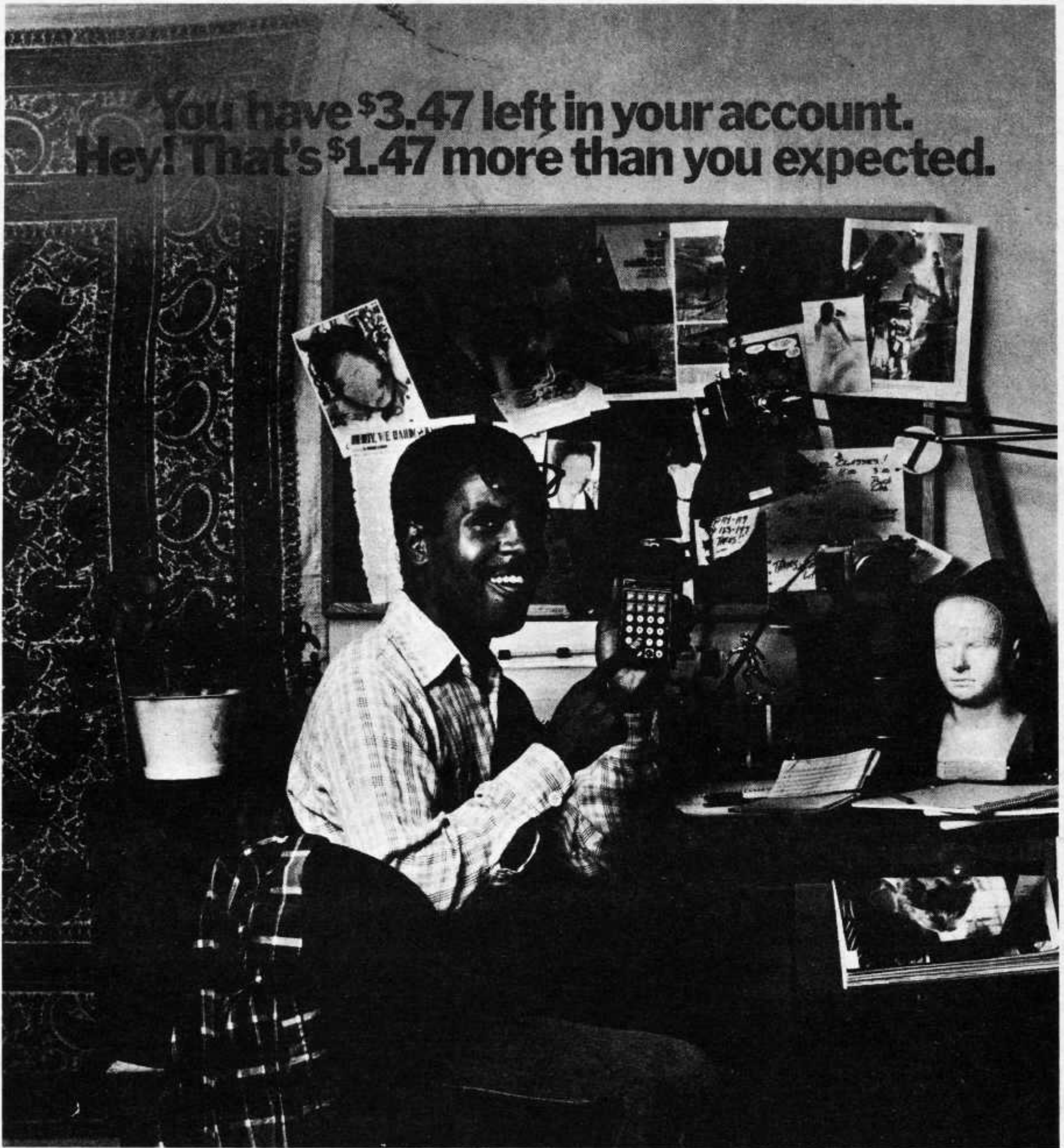
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