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A&T guard, James Anderson (10) exhibits that Aggie touch. Anderson is currently leading candidate for MEAC Player-Of-The-Year.

(Photo by Tyson)
The final formal observance of A&T's 90th birthday concluded Sunday with the Founder's Week Convocation held in Corbett Sports Center. Guest speaker for the event was Dr. Willie C. Robinson, president of Florida Memorial College and a 1936 graduate of A&T.

Robinson said this was his first visit to A&T since 1956 and that he was heartwarmed by its growth. He also said, "There is a need for the A&Ts and Florida Memorial Colleges of the world to live, and I for one will do whatever I can to promote that commitment."

Robinson reflected upon his undergraduate years at A&T and pointed out that instructors here were concerned about what students learned.

He also said, "There's a special kind of teaching that goes on in these institutions that policy makers should keep in mind."

Using "The Power of Imagination" as the theme of his speech, Robinson said the nation faces critical shortages in the areas of Black physicians and Black Ph.D.s. According to Robinson only three percent of the nation's Ph.D. recipients are Black. He also said 80 percent of the Black population still reside in ghetto situations and it is difficult to find medical care for them.

Quoting Albert Einstein, Robinson pointed out that imagination is more important than knowledge and he listed Duke Ellington, Charles Drew and Grandma Moses as a few people who used their imagination to make the world better.

Robinson said that we all have responsibilities that go beyond family and people we know and challenged members of the audience to use their education to help others.

The convocation was highlighted by an oral history of A&T entitled "A Tribute to Alma Mater," presented by A&T speech student directed by Dr. Lois Kinny, professor of speech. The A&T University Choir sang "The Sacred March of A&T Souls," sung to the tune of "The Battle Hymn of the Republic."

"A Tribute to Alma Mater" and "The Sacred March of A&T Souls" were written by Dr. Albert W. Spruill, dean of the Graduate School.

Jimmie Barber, retired city councilman and a former A&T instructor, received an award from the A&T Trustee Board for his 25 years of loyal service to the university.

A native of Dunn, N.C., Robinson holds degrees from the University of Bridgeport and Columbia University. According to the introduction given by Acting Chancellor Cleon Thompson, Robinson was the first black member of the Yale University admissions staff and he also served as special assistant to the President of Yale.

According to the convocation program notes, A&T was established as the A. and M. College for the "Colored Race" by an act of the N.C. General Assembly ratified March 9, 1891. For the next three years, the college was housed as an annex to Shaw University, a private Black college in Raleigh, N.C.

The State Law of 1891 provided that the college would be located in a city or town which would make it to its Board of Trustees a "suitable proposition" that would serve as an inducement for the location.

Greensboro had a group of civic-minded citizens who donated 14 acres of land and $11,000, and this gift was supplemented by an appropriation of $2,500 from the N.C. General Assembly. Thus began A. and F. College in both the state and Greensboro and the first multi-purpose building was completed in 1933.

In 1915 the name of the institution was changed to the Agricultural and Technical College of North Carolina by an Act of the State Legislature, and on July 1, 1967, the General Assembly voted to elevate the college to the status of Regional University. Since October, 1971, A&T has been a constituent member of the University of North Carolina.
All of Ross' concerts and television specials contain a tribute to the Supremes, the world-renown female vocal trio that she sang lead with for fifteen years. The "Diana" (II) tribute ("Reflections") transformed the cay 60's sounding offerings into an 80's sound. Aided by the Joffrey Ballet, Supremes' classics "Baby Love," "Stop! In The Name Of Love," and "Love Is Like An Itching In My Heart" were uptempoed, synthesized, discoed and funkend to simulate "The Sound of Young America" today.

To garner another segment of the television viewing populace, special guest star Larry Hagman joined Ross on the Stylistics' "You Are Everything" despite the fact that he can't sing. Near the song's end, Hagman threw back his head, laughed and shouted: "Marvin Gaye, eat your heart out!" (in marked reference to the short-lived duo of Ross and Gaye).

Ross has kept in her many shows, the "Reach Out And Touch" segment. She likes to go into the audience and let them solo... In last night's audience, not only were the guests seated in the audience, but (what also appeared surprising to her) was the presence of ex-boxing champ Muhammad Ali, who admitted to the world (in the key of "off!), "Ah caint sang.

She performed also the "Wiz" finale, "Home" and her closing medley the "Theme From Mahogany (Do You Know Where You're Going To?)" and "Ain't No Mountain High Enough!" And the evening was over (how sad). But it was an excellent example of what unsurpassed-in-talent institutions can accomplish in sixty minutes (accounting for commercials, probably fifty minutes). Some viewers were maybe disappointed by the guest billing of Quincy Jones that was nothing more than a cameo appearance (if that).

Nevertheless it was vintage Ross. Audiences have come to expect the dazzle, the splendor. They know that she will always sing "Reach Out And Touch." They know she'll come into the audience and be with them and let them sing. Only Ross can do the same thing totally different, not allowing for a vapid and insipid performance.

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Date: March 19 - 20
Location: Student Union
Keith Mattison, Commissioner Of Student Rights

By Mary Moore
Keith B. Mattison, an 18-year old freshman accounting major from Baltimore, Maryland, is the Commissioner of Student Rights. He works under the Attorney's General Office of the SGA.

Mattison is in the Air Force ROTC, sings gospel songs and is a member of the University Choir. He enjoys reading and arm wrestling.

The chief duty of the Commissioner of Student Rights is to inform students of their rights. "Not many people see the Constitution to know their rights," said Mattison.

Another duty he performs is defending a student if he or she commits a misdemeanor or other wrong doing. He tries to help show that person what he has done wrong. Mattison also informs students of the regulations, and procedures for running for offices or refers them to a place to find out. His goal is to try to get students handbooks because they have the right to see the rules and regulations in writing.

"This school has been negligent in that area," said Mattison.

He doesn't have any office hours yet, but any one who needs to see him can go to Room 313 Scott C. If he is not there, leave a message so he can get in touch with you; or contact Charles McNair, Cheryl Moore, Mike McCall or any other member of the Attorney General's Staff.

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Start treating your brothers and sisters like brothers and sisters.
Hold On, Spring Is Coming...

The weather has really been lovely lately, hasn't it? Well, my fellow students, you are participating in a biological experiment. Nature has supplied warm weather to see who will remain loyal to their studies and who will succumb to the intoxicating rays of the sun.

February was the perfect time for this study because no one expected picnic weather in midwinter. But another unique feature of this experiment was that it happened during the midterm period. Many students were so drugged by the "springly" weather that they may have forgotten their classes and exams.

Sights around campus revealed that outdoor activities attracted more students than did quieter pursuits like American Literature and the library. Let's face it; the sun is a very powerful creature. Once its magnetic grasp clutches a person suffering from winter fever, there is nothing they can do.

But Friday was also the last day to drop a class. What will happen to those diligent students who planned to drop a course but didn't because they couldn't escape solar euphoria?

The fate of these unfortunate souls will be dicisected in May. Meanwhile, the rest of the student body should remain true to their studies so that this malady will not affect them. Besides, there will be other sunny days...

By Michael A. Fairley

Editor of The Register:
If I had to state my most embarrassing moment here at A&T, I would list it as the 30th Anniversary: Founders' Day Commemoration, Sunday, March 1, 1981. First, it was embarrassing to identify less than two dozen students in the extremely sparse audience; secondly, it was embarrassing to watch the speaker, Dr. Johnson, stand and wait for half the choir to leave when their last song was sung.

Paradoxically, the song, written by our own Dr. Albert Spruill was "The Sacred March of A. and T. Souls" in the tune of "The Battle Hymn of the Republic."

So often I read in The Register articles concerning extensive co-ed violation, allowance for non-compulsory class attendance and the shouting for Black awareness, and save A&T. And today, as I felt the pang of shame because of the small audience and shame even more when the choir members walked out, I asked myself: "Where is the pride and unity that for many years existed at A&T?" There were times when patrons found standing room only in these kinds of activities. There were times when A&T students were proud to dress as neatly as they could to attend cultural programs; for no one was looking on the outside but, rather, at the intellectualism displayed by the college family. Where has it gone?

Why do some of the female students live in blue jeans seven days a week? What have students brought with them from homes and high schools, and what are they getting here, in the way of academic discipline? I fear "The Sacred March of A. and T. Souls" may very well end with young graduates as Dr. Robinson and Dr. McNair, the first Black astronauts, whose program on campus last semester was equally poorly attended.

We need to take inventory of our values. Sure, the gym is full at game time, but it is time the student body learned that life is not one big game; it is an assortment of activities, some quiet moments when one's mind should open up in concentration and absorption of intrinsic values for each one to cultivate and with responsibility to one's growth as an educated person.

Then, there is the responsibility to the University and its future; and, if the students don't begin to think and act critically in a fashion towards academic excellence, then a great deal of time is wasted in planning such programs. Until students at this University get their act together, there is surely going to be no preservation of a "Black University" on these hallowed grounds.

I believe in freedom academically but not in permissiveness, and the latter is what we have too much of and do not need to keep our goals high. Those Aggies who have gone forth and filled their places in society and the world did not get there by placing emphasis on co-ed visitation or on non-compulsory attendance; nor did they shout from the rafters the idea of total Blackness. What they sought were opportunities to learn, to grow and develop into a new mold of humanism in order to face the uncertainties of a crucial world, to stand tall and strong and to serve.

I do fear that we are too trifling in our objectives of life, too complacent in our expectations of the future and too ignorant about the factors that really set us asfail for the good life. Leisure is a part of man's well-being, but all leisure and idleness constitute the Devil's workshop. I believe that the student body here at A&T needs to think and act seriously concerning its education.

What actually needs to be done here is to return to some of the old pragmatic philosophies of educating young people. We need to recall the old time revival when assemblies were held, not to bring in speakers to tell you that "You are somebody," when you have no idea of just who you really are; we need assemblies where administration and faculty inform you of the difference between a lady and a woman, a man and a gentleman; about dress codes befitting certain occasions, on how to give and get respect, and how, on this last leg of undergraduate training, you are taught discipline, self conduct and how to face challenges in the future.

On college campuses throughout the nation, you, among others, are just a number and this makes the difference between today's and yesterday's students. It appears that nobody cares; I do.

Annie B. Herbin
Assistant Professor of English
Editor of the Register:

This letter is written for the students who care about their rights on this campus. I believe it's important that every student be aware of rules and regulations that govern them on campus.

I believe in order to obtain justice on campus, students should demand it. The present system by which information concerning student rights is passed to students inadequately. I believe the dilemma which presently exists can be rectified.

In the past, decisions handed down by administrators were unquestioned as a matter of routine. I believe students can control their own justice. I ask how many of you have seen or even known a student handbook? How many of you have seen the school's constitution? I guess many would say 'who really cares?' and if you don't, no one else.

As the semester began members of the Attorney General's staff and I were concerned with total activation of the student court system. The build up of the judicial branch of the SGA is a positive change in the right direction.

As Deputy Attorney General, I believe in positive change and being concerned for the future of the students of A&T, I believe there is still time to be concerned about your rights on campus. To the students of misfortune, there is help available for them understanding what rules govern them on this campus.

Keith Mattison, commissioner of student rights, and I will be available to provide assistance for any problem which exists among students concerning their rights. When the student court receives cases for judgment, we receive an opportunity to exercise justice on our behalf.

I strongly urge students offenders to demand that their cases be heard by the student court system. This gives us the opportunity to exercise our rights for justice and develop confidence among our peers to avert unfortunate circumstances that have occurred to students in the past.

During the week of March 16 through March 22, we will observe "Student Rights Week." I strongly urge your support and I hope many of you will come to voice your opinion about your rights on this campus. This will be a great opportunity for you to demand student handbooks and ask about rules that govern us on campus.

The destiny of justice for students on this campus lies within our hands. Let's put our hands together to open the doors of justice for the future of our fellow students on this campus.

Yours in Justice

Rudy Thompson
Deputy Attorney General

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The Attorney General's Advisory Council (l-r) Jarret Smith, Tracy Treamer, Rudy Thompson, Larry Richardson, Felicia Chandler, Attorney General Michael Eure, Keith Mattison, Elton Tyndall, Cheryl Moore, Rosemaria Robinson, and Charlie McNair. (Photo by Antonio Pettii)

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N.C. A&T, Legend In Its Own Time

Editor of the Register:

A&T State University. If it were nothing else, it would always be considered a legend in its own time.

Presently it is the flagship Black institution of North Carolina. A&T has a very rich history and a most promising future in terms of its service to this state, the United States and the world. No matter what one may find to say about this university, it is an undeniable "fact" that the student body has always been and continues to be a major source of leadership in the fight for justice and equality in our society.

I wish to express concern for our very much uncertain future. A&T has come to a serious crossroad. The direction that we are to take now seems far from a decision that we will make ourselves (and we are in this situation because of our own complacency, nonchalant attitudes). It is time for us to wake up from a long winter's nap. We must begin to analyze all the events that are taking place within the USA, North Carolina and the UNC-System. Aftetr, how can we make reasonable judgments about our future when we don't even know what's happening to us today?

How many of you were aware of the allegations that UNC-Greensboro is contaminating or has already decided to change its school colors to Blue and Gold? What about the fact that UNC-GC can also boast fairly recent changes in its administration (a new chancellor).

Hasn't it been a mind bogglng task trying to figure out why our sister institution can acquire a graduate school of business, even though N.C. A&T's has national accreditation and theirs do not? Funny also in the fact that a school that has never cared for athletics is now number one in its scarry Dixie Athletic Conference. Rumor has it that the Spartans are considering division II status, and why not if the city of Greensboro has made promises of financial support for their athletic program.

And the latest developments from the tip of the iceberg found William D. Snider, editor of the Greensboro Daily News-Record appearing at our 'Founder's Week' Town & Gown Panel Discussion. Representing the Town, this UNC-Chapel Hill graduate made serious remarks to the tune of it being time for the UNC-System to move towards specialization. Personally, I can not imagine UNC-Chapel Hill as an institution specializing in Law and Humanities; but it is not too difficult a task to envision N.C. A&T as a specialized School of Agricultural Sciences and Mechanic Arts.

I sincerely hope that this article will inspire my fellow students, Aggies and friends to engage in some serious soul searching. Whether you care to acknowledge it or not, we (A&T) are a leadership that everyone is looking to. We owe it to our forefathers, our communities, our future generations, and more importantly, to ourselves to supply that leadership. In essence, 'we have promises to keep. And miles to go before we sleep. And miles to go before we sleep.'

Yours in Justice,

Michael Anthony Eure
Attorney General-SGA

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Student Rights Week
Theme: "Liberty & Justice For All"

Monday: Greensboro Police & Campus Security, "On The Spot!", Coordinated by Charlee McNair, special assistant to the attorney general, communications.

Tuesday: "Our Administration Speaks Out", speaker, Dr. Cleon Thompson, interim chancellor (tentative). Coordinated by Rudy Thompson, deputy attorney general-S.G.A.

Wednesday: "Issues and Answers", participants, Dr. Jesse E. Marshall, vice chancellor for student affairs; Col. William Goode, dean of students for management and human relations; Keith Mattison, commissioner of student rights; Michael Eure, attorney general-S.G.A.

Thursday: "Mock Trial", The Student Judiciary Council; coordinated by Cheryl Moore, ass. commissioner of student rights.

**"What Happens When You Get Caught?"**, speaker, Dr. Nan P. Manuel, chairman of the University Judicial Tribunal; coordinated by Rosemaria Robinson, administrative assi. to the attorney general and Michael Eure.

Friday: Campus, Run For Your Rights. From the Student Union to the Steps of the Dudley Building; rally on the Dudley Building steps. Coordinated by the attorney general's staff and the student judiciary council.

**Is There Justice In Greensboro?** Speaker, Mayor Jim Melvin, city of Greensboro.

Saturday: Open Forum and Leadership Workshops; participants: A&T student body, Black leaders of Greensboro. Coordinated by the student legislature, the agricultural education association, the attorney general's staff, the United Christian Fellowship, and the S.G.A., executive board.

*Jam For Justice-block party, Student Union parking lot. Coordinated by the Student Union Advisory board and the S.G.A.'s judicial, legislative and executive branches.

Sunday- Worship Service
SPORTS REPORT
By Raymond Moody

It's that time of the year now where coaches are having nightmares and are walking around with itchy feet and sweaty hands. It's tournament time, MEAC Fever.

Yes. This is the best moment ever experienced by the MEAC's coaches, players, and fans. The winner of this tournament will get a crack at the National Championship. The MEAC representative won't win the whole thing, but there's much more at stake. There's money and exposure involved and the exposure would aid the recruitment of talented athletes, which would guarantee an improvement of play in this steadily improving conference.

The MEAC is at such a competitive pace now that many of the coaches only talk about how difficult it's going to be to come away with the championship.

Only one game separates the first three teams in the regular season standings. A&T won the regular season title, but Florida A&M and Howard were tied for second place only one game behind A&T. FAMU won the coin toss for second place rights, which earned them a bye in the first round of the tournament.

But just take one look at the bottom three teams in the conference standings: S.C. State, Bethune-Cookman, and Delaware State.

While A&T swept Delaware State and S.C. State in their series, the Aggies dropped two of three games to Bethune-Cookman. And the games the Aggies won over S.C. State and Delaware State were mainly close contests which usually went down to the last two minutes.

Howard was defeated once by both South Carolina State and Delaware State on the visitors' homecourt, but the Bison did manage to sweep the Bethune-Cookman Wildcats.

The FAMU Rattlers swept the Hornets of Delaware State in 1981, but lost two of three games to Bethune-Cookman, and one game in Orangeburg, S.C., to the Bulldogs. As you can see, each team is capable of winning the conference crown. While I'm picking the Aggies to be the conference's representative in the NCAA tournament, I can see the Bethune-Cookman Wildcats playing the spoiler role in the tournament and possibly winning the tournament championship.

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A&T Draws First-Round Bye In Tournament

A&T will draw a first-round bye in the MEAC Tournament and will play the winner of the South Carolina State-Bethune- Cookman game. The Aggies defeated S.C. State twice during the regular season, however, were defeated two of the three games against Bethune-Cookman College.

“Winning the MEAC regular season title was great, something that we strived for all season,” Corbett said. “But in order for us to continue our season into the NCAA playoffs we must win the tournament. “The league is balanced this year more than any other and on a given night is capable of winning. We are playing well at this time and I feel this team is ready for tournament play.”

A&T has been through the season by the strong overall play and leadership of sophomore guard James Page. “Our outlook for the NCAA Automatic Berth will help the MEAC to become a top-flight conference,” McClain concluded by saying the NCAA Automatic Berth will help the MEAC to become a top-flight conference.

BETHUNE-COOKMAN 1980-81 ROSTER

Name...... Pos...... Ht...... Class...... Hometown
Donald Poole...... G...... 6-7...... Jr...... Palmetto, Florida
Ellis James...... G...... 6-0...... Jr...... Dania, Florida
Elizah Wells...... G...... 6-3...... Jr...... Jacksonville, Fla.
Norris Clemmons...... F...... 6-3...... Sr...... Jacksonville, Fla.
Danny Harris...... F...... 6-2...... So...... Daytona Beach, Fla.
Tim Cornelious...... F...... 6-1...... Jr...... Delray Beach, Fla.
Dexter Johnson...... F...... 6-1...... Fr...... Winter Garden, Fla.
Clevie Roberts...... F...... 6-3...... Sr...... Miami, Florida
Jarvis Smith...... F...... 6-2...... So...... Washington, D.C.
Elmer Hubbs...... F...... 6-2...... So...... New Orleans, La.
Harold Peoples...... F...... 6-4...... Fr...... Man, West Virginia
Charles Terrie...... F...... 6-6...... So...... Cleveland, Ohio
Dwayne McClaren...... P...... 6-7...... Sr...... Daytona Beach, Fla.
Peter Dunlap...... W...... 6-5...... Fr...... Ormond Beach, Fla.
Thomas Reilly...... P...... 6-7...... Fr......

S.C. State Bulldogs

The S.C. State Bulldogs ranners-up in last season’s MEAC Tournament, and three starters returned from that team, but six-year head Coach Tim Autry left with two starters. Johnny Jones now leads the forces in 1980, which saw the Bulldogs place third in the standings with a 4-6 record, 11-14 overall.

In the past, Bulldog teams have relied on aggressive quickness, and with starting forwards Greg Wilson and Bryan Grice, along with second team All-MEAC Joe Robinson, the Bulldogs are again blessed with great speed.

The backcourt will be headed by high-flying Joe Robinson, a 6-3 senior, who averaged 11 points a game. Kirk Collier, a fancy 6-1 sophomore playmaker, is the other starter is all uphill. My coaching philosophy is to run and gun out of a one-three-one offense. For defense purposes our strategy is to let them beat man to man, but we will also zone.”

McClain concluded by saying the NCAA Automatic Berth will help the MEAC to become a top-flight conference.

Florida A&M Rattlers

James “Josh” Giles had a disappointing 7-22 record as a first-year coach in 1980. But the 1980-81 season saw Giles smile more as his Rattlers posted a 16-10 record and claimed second place in the competitive MEAC standings. “We were hoping to be much improved this season,” Giles stated. “We returned with our top three players along with Pete Taylor who is a super player.”

The Rattlers have two first team All-MEAC performers in Taylor and Darryl Spence. The two contrast somewhat in that Spence, a 6-5 junior, is a flashy inside operator, while Taylor is more physical, especially under the boards. The guard position will be shared equally among three capabile athletes in senior Thaddeus Bruce, junior Alex Bunion, and junior Raymond Robertson. Bruce and Bunion are ball handlers, while Robertson is more of a scorer. Giles’ talented team blends well with his coaching philosophy. His favorite offense is the wheel and the passing game. His team’s basic defense is the man-to- man, but he’ll use a number of zone defenses. Getting back to his offensive philosophy, Giles prefers a discipline first break style of basketball and, in given situations, he’ll use a free lance style of play.

FLORIDA A&M 1980-81 ROSTER

Name...... Pos...... Ht...... Class...... Hometown
Luther Ray Sandifer...... G ...... 6-2...... Fr...... Fort Pierce, FL
Kevin Bailey...... F ...... 6-5...... Fr...... Detroit, MI
Isaac Brown...... G ...... 5-10...... Jr...... Folkston, GA
Thaddeus Bruce...... G ...... 6-0...... Sr...... Tallahassee, FL
Alex Bunion...... G ...... 6-0...... Jr...... Havana, FL
Bobby Harper...... F ...... 6-4...... Jr...... Frostproof, FL
Anthony Knighton...... P ...... 6-5...... Jr...... Palatka, FL
Raymone Robertson...... G ...... 6-3...... Jr...... Newport News
Paul Adderley...... F ...... 6-6...... Jr...... Miami, FL
Paul Grady...... F ...... 6-6...... Sr...... Brooklyn, NY
Gary Townsend...... F ...... 6-6...... Jr...... Flint, MI
Walter “Pete” Taylor...... F ...... 6-7...... Sr...... Waycross, GA
Darryl Spence...... G ...... 6-5...... Fr...... Detroit, MI
Michael Toomer...... C ...... 6-8...... Fr...... Fort Pierce, FL
Larry Bronner...... C ...... 6-7Fr...... Albany, GA

From Rochester, New York, and Antoine Collins, a 6-7 sophomore from Saginaw, Michigan, have been nothing less than spectacular during the Aggies’ 12-game winning streak.

Union, the MEAC’s second leading rebounder at 9.3 per game, came on much faster than Corbett anticipated, starting since the opening game of the season.

“The big difference in our team this season is rebounding,” Corbett said. “We just don’t quit on the boards so in games when we aren’t shooting well we have been able to make up for it by getting those second and third opportunities.

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Howard University Bison

Last year, the Howard Bison carved out an overall record of 21-8 and claimed season and tournament championships for the MEAC. The same talent is back in 1981, but the Bison were surpassed by an improved MEAC and stumbled to a 14-11 record.

Coach A.B. Williamson (1980 MEAC Coach of the Year) relies heavily on 6-7 senior forward Larry Spriggs, two-time MEAC Tournament MVP, his 6-8 junior counterpart James Ratliff, the MEAC’s 1979-80 Basketball Player of the Year, and Rodney Wright, who directed the defense and was on the MEAC’s All-Tournament First Team.

During the regular season, Ratliff came through with 18.8 ppg and 9.1 rebounds in his second year in the MEAC, and Larry Spriggs averaged 15 points and 9.6 rebounds. The guard opposite Rodney Wright is underpaid sharp shooting Bernard Perry, who was on the Commissioner’s Top Rookies Team and was unfairly left off the All-MEAC second team.

Lawrence Norrleef (6-8), William Watson (6-9), and Maurice Pierce can adequately rest the men up front, while Howard possesses a fine substitute guards in Andre Byrd, Louis Wilson, and James Terry.

The Bison are the defending champions. Therefore, they will be a team to reckon with.

Aggie Grappler Mosley, Perhaps MEAC’s Finest

By Raymond Moody

Making the news this year in sports at N.C. A&T was the Aggie football team, which posted a 9-3 record and a 37-0 win over North Carolina Central in the Gold Bowl. Now there’s the wrestling team which is currently 20-6 and only needs two victories to clinch a spot in the NCAA tournament.

But, less publicized was N.C. A&T’s wrestling team, which came in second place in the MEAC tournament a little over two weeks ago. The Aggies were lacking somewhat in overall talent, but they had perhaps the MEAC’s finest wrestler in James Mosley.

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**Pairings For The 1981 MEAC Basketball Tournament**

Friday, March 6, 1981
3:30 p.m. Howard v. Delaware State
5:30 p.m. Bethune-Cookman v. S.C. State

Saturday, March 7, 1981
3:30 p.m. Florida A&M v. (Howard or Delaware St.)
5:30 p.m. N.C. A&T v. (Bethune-Cookman or S.C. State)

Sunday, March 8, 1981
10 a.m. Consolation Game
1 p.m. Championship Game

**MEAC FINAL STANDINGS**

1. North Carolina A&T 7-3 20-6
2. Florida A&M 6-4 16-10
3. Howard University 6-4 14-11
4. S.C. State 4-6 11-14
5. Bethune-Cookman 4-6 12-13
6. Delaware State 3-7 8-17
Aggies: Best Team In Black College Basketball

By Wade Nash

The Aggies proved they’re the best team in Black college basketball by defeating Grambling 89-61 in Corbett Sports Center. The victory for the Aggies was their 12th in a row and the Aggies’ record over Southwest Athletic conference teams improved to 4-4.

The Aggies got off to an unusual start by trailing Grambling 12-4 but the Tiger shooters were connecting at a torrid pace. Aggie Coach Don Corbett called timeout to regroup his troops and as usual the moves he made proved to be instant success.

Corbett decided to rest the slumping Joe Binion for James “Chicken” Horace and the Alabama native produced automatic points to start the Aggie rally.

Coach Corbett’s next move was to put man pressure on the Tigers’ sharpshooters and that tough Aggie defense quickly cooled off the Tigers.

Harold Royster finished out a brilliant career by playing his usual quick but solid game. The Yonkers, N.Y., native scored 11 points and grabbed 9 rebounds. Royster will be shooting for his third tournament championship and his effort against Grambling indicated he’s ready to play.

James “Doc” Anderson was busy operating on the Tigers and personally performed open heart surgery on the Grambling squad. The sophomore star drove to the basket and repeatedly cut his way to the Tigers’ basket. When the MEAC candidate for Player of the Year released his jumper, the crowd automatically began to roar and Anderson usually didn’t let them down. Doc finished surgery with 26 points, seven rebounds and his six assists matched the efforts of his backcourt mate Ron Stinchcomb.

The Aggies’ tough defense surrendered 22 points to the Tigers’ 6-9 center Robert Williams but only two other players scored in double figures (William Hobdy with 12 and Ken Simpson with 10). The Aggies will look for victory 13 in a row against the winner of Friday’s contest between South Carolina State College and Bethune-Cookman.

Winning the tournament brings an automatic berth to the NCAA playoffs so the tournament will be a real barnburner. The Aggies are slightly favored but that mild edge could be a major one if the Aggie fans show up at the Winston-Salem Coliseum and raise the same kind of Hell they’ve been brewing in Corbett Sport Center.

The Aggies’ 20-6 season was great and A&T won the regular season battle. March 6-8, the real war will begin.