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# THE A & T REGISTER

"COMPLETE AWARENESS FOR COMPLETE COMMITMENT"

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## President Reagan Victim Of Assailant's Bullet

By Richard B. Steele

At approximately 2:30 p.m., March 30, President Ronald Reagan was the victim of an assailant's bullet. Reagan had just delivered a speech at the Washington Hilton Hotel and was only 30 feet away from the Presidential limousine. The suspect was immediately apprehended and wrestled to the ground.

Taken into custody was John Hinckley, Jr., 25, of Evergreen, Colorado after unloading 5-6 shots from a .22 caliber revolver. Reagan underwent three hours of emergency surgery and is listed in good to excellent condition. The president suffered a shot in the upper chest into the lung, causing it to collapse.

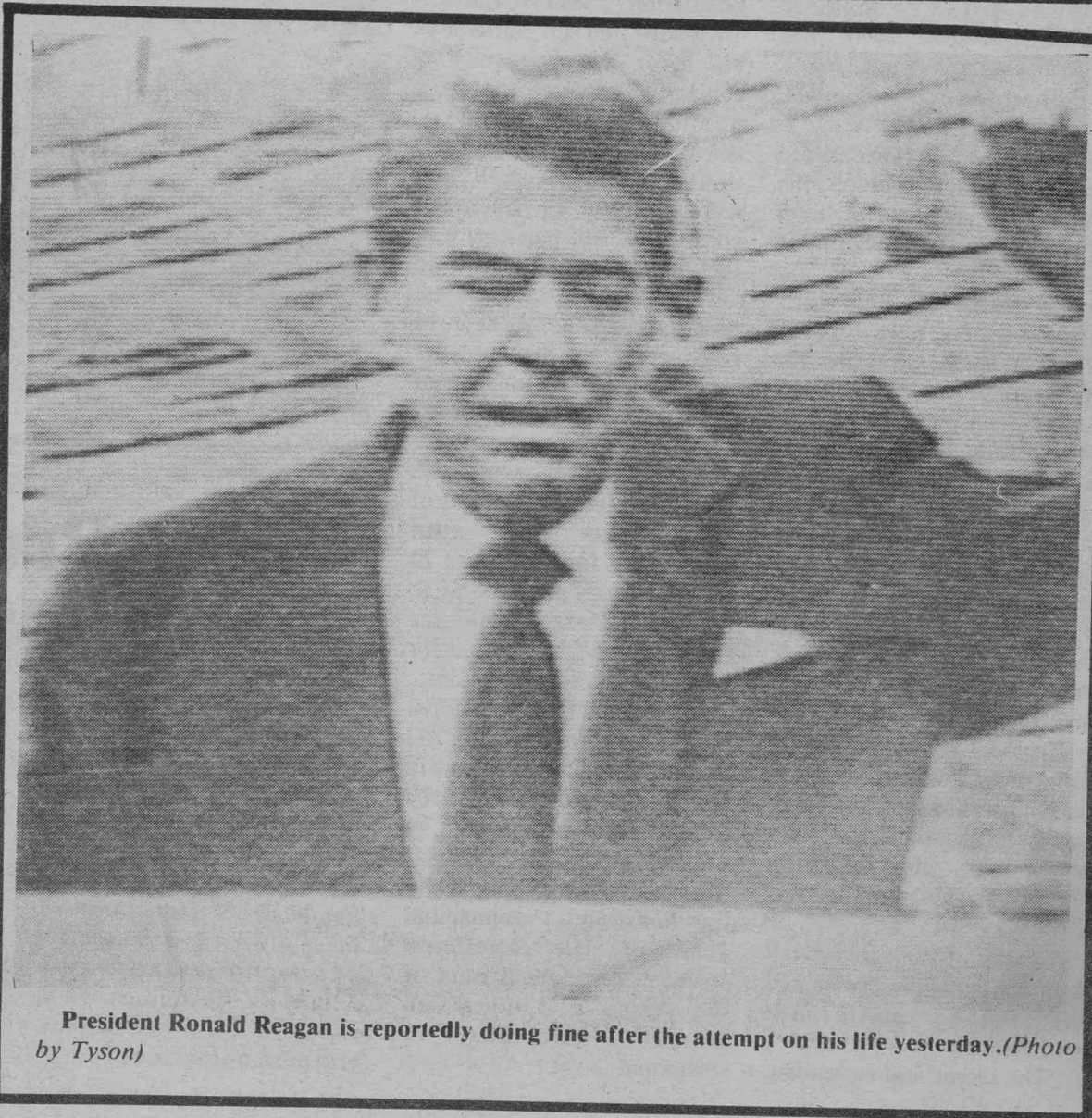
Others injured in the heavily crowded area were James Brady, White House Press Secretary, who was wounded

in the forehead and listed as stable although brain damage is feared. A Washington, D.C., police officer and a secret service agent were also struck by the assailant's shots, their conditions were not known at press time; however, it is believed that their conditions are stable.

The assailant's father, John Hinckley, Sr. of Texas, expressed deep regret after learning of the attempt. His son faces life imprisonment for an assassination attempt.

If a president should die as a result of the attempt, the sentence would be the death penalty. According to the 25th Amendment, which was ratified in 1967, in the event of an assassination the order of succession is as follows: the vice-president, the speaker of the House, President Pro-tem (Senate), Secretary of State,

and the Secretary of the Treasury.



President Ronald Reagan is reportedly doing fine after the attempt on his life yesterday. (Photo by Tyson)

## Congress Halts SER, Decides On Eligibility

By Michael A. Fairley

The processing of Student Eligibility Report (SER), which shows how much aid students will receive from the Basic Educational Opportunity Grant program, has been halted until Congress decides on its eligibility formula, according to Alberta Dalton, director of the financial aid office.

In an interview Friday, Dalton said the Reagan administration has proposed drastic cuts in aid programs - including Basic Grant - which is the foundation on which all other financial assistance is built to constitute a student's award package.

"It is our understanding that the maximum Basic Grant payment will be about \$1,250 instead of the current maximum of \$1,750," she said.

Dalton said since Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants, college work-study, National Direct Student Loans and Guaranteed Student Loans are

scheduled for reduction, A&T will not be able to meet the financial needs of its students. She also said students and parents will be required to make a larger contribution toward the cost of education. The number of students receiving N.C. Incentive Grants will also probably be reduced, according to Dalton.

Dalton pointed out that students will not receive their SER forms until June 1981, which means the bulk of these reports will not be received in the Financial Aid Office until July and August. This will prevent full aid packaging on a large scale basis and will cause further delays and confusion among parents and students.

Dalton said students who have already applied for BEOG will probably receive information about their awards in June. But she said those who have not applied for BEOG should do so immediately to be considered

for aid for fall semester. Dalton stressed that August

will be too late to file for BEOG.

Dalton said students can also expect a decrease in the number of available National Direct Student Loans. Dalton explained that her office was not receiving federal contributions program for the loan because of the high rate of students who failed to repay the loan. She said current loans will be made from federal funds received in the past, along with money received from previous loans.

Dalton said SEOG would be reduced by 33 percent and work-study would be reduced by 17 percent. In-state students will only be allowed to work six hours a week while on work-study next semester. Dalton said she did not know how many hours out-of-state students would be allowed to work.

Concerning Summer School, Dalton said a recent analysis of projected balances

remaining in SEOG and work-study indicated that fewer

students can be considered for financial aid. Therefore, she said the applications of seniors and juniors will be reviewed first, to the extent funds are available.

She said that only 137 students will receive aid for summer school and work-study students can no longer work 40 hours per week during the summer. Aid for in-state summer students, including tuition, room and board, will be \$419.70 and \$575.70 for out-of-state students. Dalton said this aid will be sufficient for students taking six hours but students will have to pay for any additional hours.

Dalton also explained that students will be required to obtain written proof from their dean or department chairman that they need to attend summer school. A list of students scheduled to graduate at the end of the first session will be obtained from Registration and Records to

further confirm the student's need to attend summer school.

Dalton said the processing of BEOG forms was halted because Congress has not finalized a payment schedule. But she said, if the Reagan plan is adopted, students will be required to contribute \$750 annually towards their education.

Dalton said the public has 45 days to respond to Reagan's proposal. If nothing is done, she said the proposal will be approved.

Dalton said the Student Financial Aid Committee is recommending to the chancellor that the administration begin studying alternative payment methods for students in the event that the Reagan proposal is passed by Congress.

Although it is uncertain whether or not Congress will approve the proposal, Dalton said students should write their Congressmen and voice their concern about the aid situation. It is estimated that 80 percent of A&T students receive aid from the BEOG program.

## Urban Affairs Institute Is Scheduled For April 12 at A&T

An address by the regional director of U. S. Civil Rights Commission will highlight the 12th annual Urban Affairs Institute at A&T on April 12.

Bobby Doctor, who was instrumental in preparing a controversial report on the Klan/Nazi-CWP confrontation in Greensboro two years ago, will address the conference luncheon at noon in the F. A. Williams dining center.

The theme for this year's conference will be: "Conservatism: Strategies for Survival." According to Dr. James Johnson, chairman of the conference, workshops will be held on energy and transportation problems, criminal justice, community development, competency tests, employment and equal opportunity laws, housing, human relations problems, and Black political involvement.

The A&T Extension Service will conduct a workshop on survival techniques, including gardening techniques and food preservation, during periods of economic constraints.

A group of student research competition will be shared with the conference participants.

"The recent and impending

budget cuts have placed a strain on everyone, but especially on the marginal and below poverty line population," said Johnson. "We hope that this conference will assist our community in coping with scarce resources during an inflationary economy."

A number of state and nationally prominent consultants will participate in the institute, to be held in Gibbs Hall on East Market Street. Persons wishing to register for the institute are asked to contact Johnson at 379-7894 or Sampson Buie at 379-7840.

Bobby Doctor has been deeply involved in the field of civil rights and equal opportunity for more than 20 years. He is a graduate of S. C. State College and the University of Delaware Senior Executive Training Program.

Doctor was named regional director of the U. S. Commission on Civil Rights in 1969. He coordinates the commission's programs in Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Tennessee. He also formerly served as associate director of the Virginia Council on Human Relations in Richmond.



Dr. Lee Thornton, speaker at the mass media luncheon Saturday, gets a moment of rest. (Photo by Deborah Sanders)

## Wood Provides Car Fuel

How about a wood-burning limousine for this era of high gasoline prices?

That is the idea that Harry LaFontaine of Miami will be selling when he comes to A&T for a lecture-demonstration on Friday.

LaFontaine, a consultant for the U. S. Department of Energy, will speak on the use of wood gasification technology for transportation at 1:30 p. m. in the Merrick Hall Auditorium. A

demonstration will follow in the parking lot outside of the auditorium.

LaFontaine's appearance is being sponsored by the A&T School of Engineering. According to scientists, wood gasification is the controlled, limited combustion of wood releasing the volatile gases hydrogen, carbon monoxide and methane. They say these gases can be used to power any internal combustion engine or furnace.

LaFontaine has been conducting research on the subject since World War II. During the war when liquid fuel supplies were extremely short in Denmark and other parts of Europe, LaFontaine and a team of engineers searched for a solution to the

fuel crisis and settled on a crash program of adapting

wood-fueled gas producers to power trucks, tractors and

even fishing boats.

The U. S. Department of Energy has decided to place increased emphasis on

research that could lead to increased use of gasification

systems, especially in the field of agriculture.

LaFontaine received his B. S., M. S. and Ph.D. degrees

in electro mechanical engineering in Denmark and

Finland. He is a member of the National Academy of

Sciences and a member of the National Research Council's

Panel on Producer Gas for Vehicles.

## Cobb Cancels Burlington Speech

By Audrey L. Williams

"Over the past twenty months Black blood has flowed in the streets from one end of the nation to another," said Gwen Kelly of the Advisory Council of the National Black United Front, who spoke in the Student Union Ballroom Saturday.

Kelly is presently working with the bereaved parents of the twenty-two murdered and missing children of Atlanta. Kelly is also affiliated with the Afro-American Justice League, which is a mass organization in the Black communities of Atlanta.

The originally scheduled speaker was Miss Selina Cobb, mother of Christopher Richardson, whose skeletal remains were found in January along with Early Terrell. "She's (Cobb) under a tremendous amount of strain and pressure, as well as the other parents," said Kelly.

Although Kelly gave an excuse for the absence of Cobb, a local paper said that the lecture had been canceled.

While millions of dollars continue to pour into Atlanta,

Kelly gave a roaring response to President Reagan's belated relief fund." The 1.5 million dollars that Reagan sent was an insult to the Black people."

Kelly explained that the reason money was finally sent to Atlanta after 18 months was that "Pressure came nationally as well as internationally. The whole situation is very tense and strained, and Atlanta could go up in smoke at any time. Twenty children could hardly be ignored by a national president."

According to a few recent media sources, "Atlanta does not need more money but it needs the killer." Kelly expounded on this statement by saying "The committee composed of parents has to say what money they need and don't need. We know that there are people just "pimping" the cause by saying they represent the parents."

Kelly felt that the killer, if found, will not serve substantial time, if any at all.

"The U.S. government has shown that it is unable to

protect the rights of the people, so we have to do it ourselves by any means possible," said Kelly.

There is presently a very harsh curfew law implemented in Atlanta. The children must be in by 7:00 p.m. and, if they are found unaccompanied by a guardian, the parents are fined \$250.00 and or a year imprisonment.

The death toll has surged tremendously in the past twenty months. "At first there was one child being murdered every 3.5 weeks; now it's one child per 1.5 weeks. Somebody doesn't want us to have a future," explained Kelly.

Kelly gave some distressing examples of the uncooperative behavior on the behalf of the Atlanta police force: she said, "The mother of Angel Lanier, the third victim, found tied to a tree and strangled to death, begged the Atlanta police dept. for help for four days before any action was taken.

Extensive searches by the Atlanta Task Force didn't begin until Jan. 1981 after some estimated 18 children

were missing or found dead.

Kelly also explained that a tape recorded message was

sent to Atlanta police saying where one of the children's body could be found. A few days later, the body was found

where the recorded message said it was, but this was not publicly revealed until now. Kelly said "I didn't come here

to make anybody feel good. I came here to talk to you about what's happening in Atlanta."

On Saturday April 4th, a "Save Our Children March" is scheduled to begin in Holland Bowl on the campus of A&T.

This march will be one of twenty-four scheduled across the nation's cities. A march is also scheduled for this same date in London, England.

The United Black Front, a group composed of many different organizations and individuals, is led and directed by Black people. "We are the coalition of Black Unity," said Kelly.

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# Pinnix Gets Lead Role In UNC-G Production

By Rosalind Stinson

The musical "Pippin" comes to Geensboro April 2-7, with A&T's Arnold Pinnix portraying "The Leading Player," (the role made famous by Ben Vereen on Broadway).

"Pippin" will be presented at UNC-G in the Cone Ballroom in the Elliott University Center at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$1 for students and \$4 general admission.

Pinnix is taking two classes at UNC-G and plans to attend its graduate school. "I auditioned for the role because Tom Beh, director of "Macado," "Pippin," and the Children's Theater saw my performance in "Jesus Christ, Superstar." He thought I

performed well and asked me to audition for the lead role," Pinnix said.

He feels the "Leading Player" is ageless, mysterious and sexual. He said, "Ben Vereen is a versatile performer and I thought I could play the part well."

Pinnix, originally from Burlington, has acted since the 6th grade. He has performed in many plays at UNC-G, Bennett, and A&T not to mention his participation in the Winston Salem Piedmont Repertory.

"I used to worry about what people said, but I'm going to laugh all the way to the bank. I always wanted to perform on stage, and it's like a dream come true," he said.

Pinnix will do several musical selections from the play such as "Magic to Do," "Simple Voices," and "Right Track," for which he



choreographed the dance sequence for the UNC-G production.

He is third vice-president of

the National Association of Speech and Dramatic Arts (NASDA), president of the A&T Richard B. Harrison Players, and president of Alpha Psi Omega Dramatic Honor Society. He will also appear in "Macado," and "Man of La Mancha" at the Summer Repertory at UNC-G.

Pinnix commented that, "There was much animosity from UNC-G theatre students because 'I'm from A&T' and it is a cultural merger (his part in Pippin).

I go where opportunity knocks. Dr. Kilimanjaro director of RBH players supports me 100 percent.

Academically he is under much physical, mental stress and rehearsals take him away

from his social life. "I hope to gain experience, widen my dramatic scope, and have the chance to work under different directors.

Upon finishing school this summer, Pinnix will direct a musical review "Fats," dealing with the life of Fats Waller, who wrote "Ain't Misbehavin'," as a senior project for advanced play directing.

After "Fats," Pinnix said, "I'll shoot for the stars. I'm very grateful to A&T for giving me the opportunity I've had. I make it known that I'm an A&T Aggie and not a UNC-G Spartan. I would like all the Aggies to support the play, not for me but for the Aggies."

## Star Child Productions Present Maria Cheng

The Star Child School of Performing Arts, Inc. presents Maria Cheng, dancer/choreographer in a

public performance, Saturday, April 18, at 8 p.m., in the Carolina Theatre, 310 S. Green St.

Cheng was born in Hankow, China, and attended school in Hong Kong until her family moved to Minneapolis in 1957.

Upon graduating from the University of Minnesota, she joined the Nancy Hauser Dance Company, working with such professionals as Jamie Cunningham, Viola Farber, Murray Louis, and Don Redlich.

While a member of the Nancy Hauser Dance Company, she toured the country performing in towns

and cities as part of the Dance Touring Program of the National Endowment for the Arts.

In 1976, Cheng left the Hauser Dance company to pursue a solo career in performing, choreographing, and teaching. Since that time she received a choreographer's grant from the Minnesota State Arts Board, produced and toured a solo concert, commissioned a piece by Kathryn Posin, choreographed two productions for the Children's Theatre Company in Minneapolis, and received a

choreography-production grant from the Jerome Foundation.

For the past year, Cheng has been active in helping establish the Minnesota Independent Choreographers Alliance, a service organization designed to address the needs of independent dancers and choreographers.

Most recently, she made her solo debut in New York, at the Dance Theatre Workshop.

Currently, she is on the dance staff of the University of Minnesota, the Children's Theatre Company, and the Guthrie Theatre.



Maria Cheng

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 p.m.

## Off The Yard

How many times have you chuckled at that student who flies in class 15 minutes late, wet and frozen, and totally disoriented? Such is the life of the off campus students a saga of missing buses, broken down cars, leaving homework at home, and all of the usual problems a well-adjusted student has.

This student is generally average and makes good grades. He is the most misunderstood student in the university. Their assignments are sometimes late; they may miss a class or even a feast. But, these acts are not negligence in any form of the word. These students live double or even triple lives; assignments are late because the student had to work the entire weekend, not partying as so many of A&T's instructors' presume. Missed classes are from physical exhaustion; ever work a 40 hour weekend? (That's 13 and a half hours per day.) Not likely. Yet, you have the nerve to challenge them as to how they will meet deadlines in the real world.

They are the real world! It's real when the landlord comes around each month to collect rent. Ma Bell and Pappa Duke take their toll and it can be unreal. These students must also buy school supplies, pay other bills, maintain a household and, if there are a few pennies left, buy food for the next two weeks.

It is not sympathy or pity, they ask for. This is the price one pays for being able or unable to break away on one's own while simultaneously being in school. Instead they ask for a little consideration, for they are a mature bunch that accepts added responsibility (although many times they may falter) and the challenge to make something of themselves.

Many did not choose this life of privacy (isolation) but, for whatever reason, financial or lack of dormitory space, had to move off the yard. The campus student does not shirk his/her duties but instead they usually take on more than is possible. They really try. I should know...

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## Media Career Day

By Tony Moore

Make not another complaint about the program's deficiencies if you insist on not attending its functions designed to benefit you.

I'm talking to you, you 150 plus mass communications students (minus approximately 75) who did not attend Mass Media Four, March 27-28; especially those of you who think mass communications is your major.

Think back. How many of you attended the Placement Center's "Career Day" back in September? You know all too well how disappointed you became because you could count the number of representatives (on one hand) that would talk seriously about employment to you.

The annual Mass Media Conference is our "Career Day." Industry professionals from across the country attend this conference. This was a golden opportunity to meet people in the business and establish contacts.

It is so sad that at a time when the country is facing economic uncertainty and limited employment, students take lightly opportunities such as the conference.

It was embarrassing when the visitors at Mass Media Four (professionals, alumni, and students from other schools) outnumbered the A&T students for whom it was held.

Well, it was your loss. You missed Dr. Lee Thornton's informative, entertaining and brief address. You didn't get the chance to meet the personalities in attendance, such as Beverly Burke, the Black WTVD, Channel 11 (Durham) Eyewitness News anchor person, whom Dr. Richard E. Moore failed to recognize (of course he covered himself well). You also missed the wealth of information disseminated in the two panel sessions.

Media students, I dare any of you to bad-mouth the program if you refuse to support it.

## Students, Wake Up!

By Michael A. Fairley

Wake up, students!! Your life of relative ease is nearing an end, and soon you will discover some of life's cold realities. For the past four years, many students watched the events happening around them with a complacent interest and they were inactive members in life's chess match. They had a nonchalant attitude toward school; they didn't bother to vote; and they saw life as one big festival--thus, they danced unceasingly.

But the Reagan administration plans to end the dancing on all campuses, including A&T's. Presently before Congress is a proposal that would require BEOG recipients to contribute \$750 toward the cost of their education.

An estimated 80 percent of A&T students receive aid under this program and, if this proposal is approved, many students may not return to school next fall.

Fellow Aggies, your academic survival depends upon whether you take an active or passive stance on this issue. Several colleges around the country are writing letters to their congressmen and Aggies should do likewise. If Congress receives no opposition to this proposal within 45 days, it will become law. So if you never write another letter again, please write your congressman. Your letter could determine whether or not you attend school in the fall.

## Sophomores Fail To Attend Own Class Meeting

**Editor of the Register:**

As a concerned student, I am amazed and appalled by what I view as a rising "Tide of Apathy among Black Americans. Many Blacks are

becoming content with their lot in life and are ready to "take the money and run." I fear this phenomenon because

there are those segments in our society, that seek to take advantage of this lull in Black

awareness, namely, extremist groups such as the "Ku Klux Klan," "American Nazi

Party," and the most dangerous group of all, the "Reaganities." Students here

at A&T have not been immune to this "psychological disease." Evidence to support

this theory has prompted me to write this letter to the editor of "The A&T Register."

I would like to bring to the attention of our University family, an incident that I feel has serious implications. On

the past Thursday, March 19, 1981 to be exact, the elected and duly sworn officers of the

Sophomore Class had agreed, and made plans to hold a class meeting in the Quiet Games

Room of the Student Union at 7:30 sharp. The meeting was called rather hastily by decree

of the Executive Committee, consisting of Nelson Pollard, as president; Bobby O. Giles,

as vice-president; and Gerald Williams, as treasurer. This was done in light of new

developments on matters of important stature. These matters pertained to the

Spring agenda for Sophomore Class functions. The officers also sought the approval of

fellow sophomores on other matters of importance.

This meeting was then publicized by posters distributed Thursday morning around campus, and by

announcements made at 30 minute intervals during the evening meal in Williams Cafeteria.

A large turnout was not expected but then there is never "a large turnout." Lo

and behold, only "one" yes "one" loyal and noble sophomore, (except for the

officers) saw fit to attend. I realize that, as sophomores, many of us are burdened with

heavy class schedules and many library hours, but is this excuse enough for failing to

attend a 30-minute meeting? I also realize that many of us were not aware of the meeting,

but "surely" not all of us!! Remember, sophomores, this organization represents you!! Is it not time for us to receive

some support from sophomores?

There are even those who

say I am making, "much ado about nothing," but I think not. This is "not" an isolated

incident. Many other organizations have been plagued by similar occurrences

of low student participation, even our own Student Government Association.

We, as students, should set an example and do our best to see to it that this "Tide of

Apathy" is turned back, posthaste!! I urge all sophomores to make an effort to attend all class meetings.

**Bobby O. Giles**  
Vice-President, Sophomore Class



Nate Boyer converses with a student after the mass media luncheon. (Photo by Deborah Sanders)

## Aggies To Become Scientists

Twelve A&T State University students, all trying to become future scientists, will be participating in a national symposium on biomedical research in Albuquerque, New Mexico, April 3 through 6.

The students, according to Dr. Richard Bennett Jr., director of the Minority Biomedical Support program at A&T, said the students have been working on projects and research papers for the conference for up to two years.

They will participate in the conference with more than 1,000 other persons from 84 colleges across the nation.

"This will be an excellent opportunity for these students to learn to become scientists," said Bennett. "They will receive valuable training in scientific technology and they also get to see the latest scientific equipment."

The ninth annual MBS symposium is being sponsored by the division of research resources of the National Institutes of Health and the

University of New Mexico's School of Medicine.

The A&T program funded this year by \$272,000 from the National Institutes of Health, is composed of both undergraduate and graduate students.

The program is designed to encourage to increase the involvement of ethnic minority students and faculty in the biomedical sciences. The A&T students in the project are majoring in either biology or chemistry.

According to Bennett, the graduate students, all research participants, are paid a \$5,040 salary and receive money for tuition and fees. The undergraduates receive \$3,000 per year.

At present, A&T has 11 undergraduates and 10 graduate students enrolled in the program. "We have many more applicants than we have positions for the program," said Bennett.

Bennett said, although ethnic minority groups comprise more than 18 percent of the nation's population, they

make up less than two percent of the science and engineering Ph. Ds. The MBS program seeks to remedy that situation.

Bennett said the A&T program has been highly productive for the scientific field during the past 10 years.

Out of 150 participants, 32 of them have gone on to medical, dental or pharmacy schools. Twenty-two others have gone into scientific research.

Other A&T teachers involved in the project are Dr. Alex Williamson, Dr. Ed Mooberry and Dr. Roselyn Little.

### Preregistration To Begin April 7-10

Preregistration for the Fall Semester is April 7-10. Students are informed to follow these procedures:

Preregistered students who do not clear the Cashier's Office by 12:00 noon, Saturday, August 22; will be dropped from class rosters for the fall semester.

Course cards obtained during preregistration or during registration that are not used by noon Saturday, August 22, will be invalid. Such cards will not be honored for late registration or to add a course.

Materials for preregistration, including class schedules, will be available in each academic department prior to April 7.

Students are asked to fill out only a single sheet of the trial schedule form. Complete preregistration instructions appear on page four in the Class Schedule Bulletin for the Fall Semester.

## Joint Councils Plan Annual Ball

**By Trudy Johnson**

The annual Men's-Women's Council ball is only a few days away. The suits, gowns and dresses will light up the Village Green this weekend.

The ball, to be held at Village Green, 310 W. Meadowview Road, is Friday, April 3rd, 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.

"The festive event gives its members at least one memorable dressy affair to attend," said a Women's Council member at the organization's last meeting in

Holland Hall.

All on-campus members are invited to the ball. During the fall semester, the female students paid \$2 for Women's Council, and \$1 for Hall Council memberships. The male students paid \$1 for Men's Council, and \$1 for Hall Council memberships. Only Women's and Men's Council funds are used for the sponsored activities. The Hall council funds are separate, and are not included in the Women's or Men's Council's treasuries.

Last year's ball was given at the same place and the previous year's ball was held in the Student Union Ballroom. Approximately 400 members from both organizations attended last year's ball.

The dress code is semi-formal and this was agreed upon by most attending members of both councils.

Invitations will be sent to all council members later this week and students are urged to check on their invitation whether he or she will attend

the event.

The next combined Council meeting will be held Tuesday at 7 p.m. in Morrison Hall.

**Aggies, Don't Catch Too Much Spring Fever!**

## Campus Haps

The Brothers of Pershing Rifles (P/R's) will sponsor a disco Friday night, April 3, from 10 p.m.-3a.m. at the Cosmos II. Draft beer will cost only 25 cents for the first hour. Admission will be \$2 with ID and \$3 without.

A special recognition-honors banquet will be held Wednesday, April 1, for the 1980-81 Aggie basketball team at the Hilton Airport Inn. Fellowship begins at 7 p.m. and dinner will be served at 7:30.

The Vogue Sorority Inc. will hold a car wash Saturday, April 4, from 12 p.m. to 6 p.m. at the Pop Shoppe, 1103 Summit Ave. (next to McDonald's.)

The Physical Education Dept. will present in residency the Chuck Davis Dance Co. April 2-4. A lecture/demonstration will be held April 2 in Harrison Auditorium at 7:30 p.m., followed by a concert in Harrison Auditorium at 8 p.m. April 3. Several master classes opened to students will be held in Corbett Sports Center. Contact Mrs. Gwynn at ext. 7902 for more information. All events are free.

Attention Student Judiciary Council members: there will be two cases heard on Thursday, April 2, at 2:30 p.m. in Room 100 of the Student Union. Promptness is highly recommended!!

The Annual Men's and Women's Council Ball will be held Friday, April 3rd, 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. at the Village Green. Dress code is semi-formal.

The Brothers of Lambda Mu Psi Fraternity are having an Interest Group meeting, Thursday, April 2, in room 212 of the Student Union. Activities concerning the pledging period will be discussed. All young men interested are invited to attend. Neat attire is required and refreshments will be served.



Ms. Ella McMillan was crowned Miss ROTC at the ROTC ball held Saturday evening at Village Green. (Photo by Tyson)

## Godfrey, Appointee

Dr. Daniel D. Godfrey, Administrator of the Agricultural Extension Program of A&T, was recently appointed to the National Extension Committee of the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Joint Council on Food and Agricultural Sciences.

Dr. Godfrey, chairman of the 1980 Extension Administrators---

an organization of Extension Administrators from the nation's historically Black land-grant universities, was selected to serve as a charter member of this important new committee.

According to Godfrey, the primary purpose of the overall joint council is to foster coordination of the agricultural research, extension, and teaching

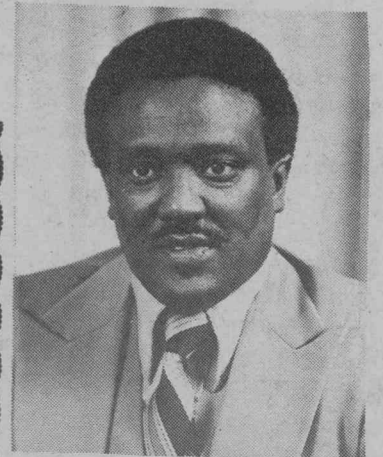
activities of the Federal Government, the States, colleges and universities, and other public and private institutions and individuals involved in the food and agricultural sciences.

The responsibility of the National Extension Committee, one of the three national committees established to assist in carrying out the coordination functions of the joint council, is to

develop national plans, establish priorities, and identify problems and opportunities in Extension relative to the food and agricultural sciences.

"The opportunity to advise on extension programs, methods, and techniques is a very special challenge, especially in light of the new 1977 Farm Bill which allows more autonomy for 1980 institutions and Tuskegee Institute," states Godfrey.

Other members from North Carolina appointed to the National Extension Committee include Dr. Leigh H. Hammond, Commissioner of the N.C. Utilities Commission, and Bud Amburn, chairman of the State Extension Advisory Council.



Dr. Daniel Godfrey

## Thornton Addresses Conference

By Tony Moore and Rosalind Postell

In her luncheon address at the fourth annual A&T Mass

Media Conference, Dr. Lee Thornton, CBS News White House correspondent,

emphasized the necessity of industry experience for journalism students. "Do

anything," she said, "for observance in journalism: internships, small part-time

jobs, even unpaid jobs, for the experience." She commented that though the "hiring doors

are open, the media organizations are quite selective in their hiring; one

must be good, Thornton told the group of A&T and visiting

students, media professionals and A&T alumni.

Taking her cue from F.

Scott Fitzgerald's *Book Of Lists*, in which he gave his "four" children a list of things to worry about, Thornton

offered what she felt conference participants should worry about.

"Be aware of the work

world; don't be overly confident; keep studying.

Competency will get you there (into the journalism field) and keep you there, but there is

little correlation between what's on paper (your resume) and what's in your head," she

said. Thornton encouraged students to maintain a level of persistence (sticktoitiveness) to

achieve success. She advised students on integrity, overcoming disappointments encountered in one's career, caring for others and one's body (temple dwelling) and to stay marginally in touch with God.

Jay Harris, media researcher and assistant dean, Medill School of Journalism, Northwestern University,

expressed the need for minority journalists.

"There is a pressing need for more Blacks in newspaper journalism. Sixty percent of all daily newspapers employ no minorities," he said.

Nate Boyer, executive director of the National Association of Black Owned Broadcasters, spoke

concerning the increase of Black broadcast ownership.

Recipients of awards were

as follows: Keith Smith, W.K. Kellogg Scholastic Excellence (Anthony Johnson, Aubrey Eatmon, Charlene Middleton,

Jackie Pender, and Jay Reid were runners up for this

award); Michael Fairley, Faculty Award for most

promising undergraduate, (runners up included Deborah

Sanders, Tony Moore, Karl Campbell, Rosalind Postell, and Randy Murphy); Joan

Russell, WFMY-TV Broadcasting (Eric Brown, runner-up); and Special

Awards were given to Dr. Glenn F. Rankin, Dr. Lewis C. Dowdy, and Dr. Frank White.

**There will be a Reporters' Meeting every Monday and Thursday night at 7 p.m. All interested persons and regular reporters are urged to attend.**

# SPORTS REPORT

By Raymond Moody

The NCAA basketball finals have been completed and the 1981 champions are the Indiana University Hoosiers. Indiana captured the championship by virtue of its impressive 63-50 win over a previously "peaking" North Carolina squad.

North Carolina, trying for the third time to win its first National Championship under Dean Smith, was my choice for the championship. But, as usual, I was wrong. There were quite a number of people who "knew" Indiana's victory was certain.

George Bonner, who serves as a dorm counselor in section "C" of Scott Hall, was a believer in Bobby Knight's team.

"I'm pulling for Carolina, but I don't think they'll beat Indiana," Bonner said. "Now don't tell anyone I said that," he said jokingly, not knowing I was a writer for the A&T Register.

One Indiana roter was Pierre Melvin, an accounting major from Fayetteville. Melvin obviously wasn't a Carolina fan, from the start of the season, but he made some good points.

"It takes a team with a good guard, along with a talented front line, to win a NCAA crown," Melvin stated.

"Carolina has the front court, but they can't win with Jimmy Black and Mike Pepper in the back court. Isaiah Thomas will eat them up."

Melvin may have been a little harsh in his opinion about the Carolina weakness, but he was correct. Thomas' dominance was evident in the second half when he continually posted UNC's Black and scored 19 second-half points.

Dean Smith's loss to Bobby Knight will continue to bring out criticism in his inability to win the big one. But, if one would check the record books, he would find that only 26 coaches have won the National Championships. And another look would show just what caliber of teams and coaches Smith has lost to in the final game during his years in Chapel Hill.

His first lost was to UCLA's John Wooden, who led the distinct pleasure of coaching Lew Alcindor, now Kareem Abdul-Jabbar. Then, in 1977, Smith lost to Al McGuire, who coached Marquette and Butch Lee to the championship. (McGuire is currently a commentator for nationally televised games on the NBC Network.) And now to Bobby Knight, who some say had a personality problem, but continues to prove he's one of the more knowledgeable coaches in the college game.

I'd like to see Smith congratulated and not criticized because he did lead the Tar Heels to one of their better campaigns in 1981.

I heard someone say Monday afternoon that N.C. A&T would be playing for the National title in 1982. That person needs immediate attention...he could be on the verge of a mental breakdown.



Chandra Furrette runs the first leg of the 400-meter relay for the Aggiette tracksters. (Photo by Tyson)

## Team Splits Doubleheader

North Carolina A&T's team played two 4-2 games Friday against Pfeiffer, winning the first contest, but losing the second game on the campus of Pfeiffer College.

Frankie Braithwaite was the winning pitcher for the Aggies in a game that pleased A&T's veteran coach, Mel "Big Ten" Groomes.

"I'm elated and pleased with this team's overall performance," Big Ten said. "I feel we played the perfect game. There were no errors, just perfect baseball."

If the Aggies are playing baseball to their potential, it may be because of their early season competition. The Aggies' first five losses came at the hands of five of the best Black college baseball teams in the nation. Those losses hurt A&T's overall record, which is now 5-9, but the experience of playing against first-class teams may be instrumental in the team's overall success this season.

It's always difficult to pick out one play in a baseball game and say it was the winning play, but, in Friday's

win, second baseman Herbert Jackson made a big defensive play.

"That play was one the major leaguers would envy," Groomes claimed.

Jackson went deep to his left and scooped up a grounder between first baseman John Marshall and himself. After making the catch, Jackson outran the batter to first base in a play that took concentration,

## Women's Softball Team Wins Two Over Fayetteville St.

By Raymond Moody

North Carolina A&T's softball team, coached by Vivian Fuller, whipped Fayetteville State twice Friday, 8-3, 8-6 in a softball doubleheader in Fayetteville.

The Aggiettes won the first contest relatively easily, but the second game was a little more difficult.

The Aggiettes found themselves on the short end of a 6-3 score in the last inning. But Coach Fuller, who now found herself coaching against alma mater, suddenly had her team back in the game with the

poise, and speed: all the requirements of a major league second baseman.

A&T has two games on its schedule this week. The Aggies travel to Raleigh

Wednesday to play the Falcons of St. Augustine's. Friday, Coach Groomes' team will invade High Point to play its Carolinas Conference rival High Point College.

bases loaded. But there were two outs. Fortunately for Fuller, power-hitting Shirley Hall was scheduled to bat next. Hall, who also starred for the Aggiette basketball team, slugged a grand-slam homer to provide the Aggiettes the needed points for the win.

The Aggiettes have three games on their schedule this week. They host Pfeiffer College Tuesday and St. Augustine's Thursday. Wednesday, Coach Fuller's 6-3 Aggiettes will be entertained by arch-rival Winston-Salem State.

## Aggie Trackster Places Second

By Raymond Moody

A&T's track star Kenneth Jeffries is really making a name for himself in the Atlantic Coast area.

Jeffries finished second, with a time of 10.8, in the 100 meters Saturday in Raleigh, as North Carolina State hosted the Atlantic Coast Conference Relays.

Last week Jeffries won the

event in the Pembroke Classic, but the second place finish Saturday was more significant because the top runners on the East Coast participated, including the Pioneer Club which is one of the top amateur track teams in the country.

A&T's Sprint Medley team was disqualified. The team was competing against

Carolina, State, Cornell, and St. Augustine's in the final heat, when complications occurred.

"It was heartbreaking," Quill Ferguson stated. "We got confused in an exchange and we got tangled with an N.C. State runner."

This enabled UNC's team to increase its one time narrow 12 yards. A&T did manage to finish second with a time of

3:26, only three seconds behind the meet record, but the time was forfeited because of the disqualification.

"We would have won and set a new record," Ferguson disappointedly said. "But those things happen. We'll be back."

This Saturday A&T travels to Durham to run in the Duke Invitational.

"This meet might be bigger than the ACC Relays," Ferguson said. "Duke is

known to attract competition as evident of last year's Miller

Lite Invitation. The competition will be challenging again."



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