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# THE A & T REGISTER

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## Financial deficits decline

By MICHAEL RATCLIFF  
Staff Writer

Despite the university's \$1 to \$2 million deficit, North Carolina A&T State University's Chancellor Edward B. Fort said he thinks the state auditor will find the books without the problems of the past.

State Auditor Ed Renfrow has said that he expects to release an audit of A&T's books by Wednesday.

When Fort arrived at A&T in the fall of 1981, he said the books could not be audited. He implemented a plan to improve the books which included hiring a comptroller and establishing rules and regulations to keep better track of fiscal transactions.

The debt, according to Fort at this week's Board of Trustees meeting, stands at one to two million dollars, as much as a 50 percent decrease over previous years.

The university is \$500,000 behind in paying its bills, Fort said.

"Our total liability is in our unexpected fund balance, which is represented by dollars drawn down from federal grants from years past," Fort said.

He said these federal dollars were then spent in part for that grant and in smaller grants for university commodities.

"This is the money that has to be paid back," Fort said.

With money coming presently from state agencies, the Board of Trustees wants to replace its 90 to 100 day

payback policy.

"I hope the period of repaying will be cut down to a 30 to 45 day payment cycle," Fort said.

New board member Dennis Rash said, "The fiscal plight has terribly been over reported by the media."

Rash also said, "The Board of Trustees must not forget the fundamental role of responsibility concerning A&T's existence as a school that can manage its own affairs."

Associate Justice of North Carolina Supreme Court Henry Frye officially swore in three board members.

They were Thomas Elijah of Winston-Salem; Dr. William C. Parker of Greensboro; and SGA president Christopher Onyemem.

Three members were reappointed, William L. Hemphill of Greensboro, the Rev. Jesse Jackson and Dr. McArthur Newell of Greensboro.

Newell was voted in as chairman of the board by secret ballot. He won with a nine to four victory over outgoing chairperson Elizabeth Cone.

Cone was elected as vice-chairperson.

In other business, it was reported that;

-Nearly 60 percent of the faculty members at A&T hold doctoral degrees or other terminal degrees.

-The A&T School of Business and Economics is one of the five in the state with a nationally accredited program.

-A&T's recent drama produc-

tion "Zooman and the Sign" was selected as one of the five plays in the national judging by the American College Theatre Festival.

-One of the fastest growing programs at A&T is a new major in computer and information science, which has nearly 400 students enrolled.

-During the past seven years, more than 50 graduates of the School of Business and Economics have passed examinations to become Certified Public Accountants.

-The A&T African Heritage Center houses more than 2,500 artifacts and is one of the finest museums of its kind between Atlanta and Washington D.C.

Fort said that A&T's \$3.3 million is the third highest accumulation outside research dollars within the University of North Carolina system. UNC at Chapel Hill is first and NC State in Raleigh is second.

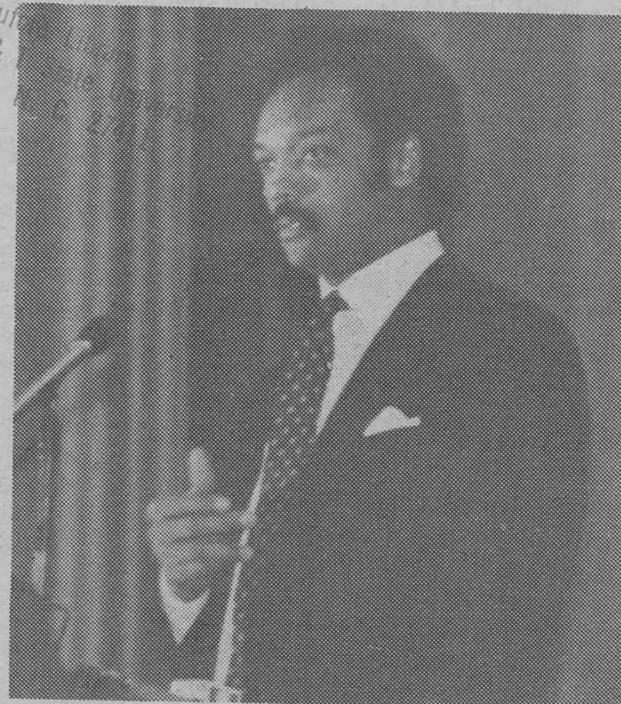
"This is a great institution," Fort said.

"It continues as the flagship campus of the historically Black universities in the state of North Carolina.

"Its mission of high technology of platformed upon the base of a strong liberal arts program and a major thrust in the agricultural sciences as augmented by the schools of nursing, engineering and the graduate school. These three schools have provided us with our move along the path of excellence," Fort added.

Jesse Jackson

## Students must register



Jackson

"There's a freedom train coming but you have to register to ride."

This is the theme of the Rev. Jesse Jackson's voter registration crusade throughout the south.

Jackson, who was on campus for the fall session of the Board of Trustees spoke in Harrison auditorium Wednesday.

Students were encouraged by Jackson to register and to vote. He said students can determine who runs the city and the state. It is up to the students to determine whether they get scholarships or hardships, he said.

The number of Black unregistered voters in North

Carolina and other southern states is crucial. Jackson says he sees no reason why there hasn't been a Black congressman from the state.

Jackson said, "Those people who are not registered or do not vote are supporters of Jessie Helms and Ronald Reagan."

Supporters of Jackson will have to wait until the end of the month to see if Jackson will be a potential candidate for president of the United States.

"I will decide at the end of the month whether to run or not," said Jackson. Three factors that will determine if Jackson will run are the masses, machinery and money.

With new format

## WNAA is back

By GINA E.E. DAVIS  
Associate News Editor

WNAA, the campus radio station, resumed operations Friday morning, after four months off the air. The station closed down in July due to a change in management and equipment problems.

"The equipment was neglected and damaged," said Tony Welborne, the new general manager. "In some cases, malicious damage was done." Welborne became general manager in September.

Despite the late start, Welborne said the radio station will be run like a professional commercial station.

Students will be given on-the-air job assignments and production duties, he said.

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Tony Welborne  
New general manager



Robert Barrett  
disc jockey

# Grad school Career day is a success

By MICHAEL THOMPSON  
Managing Editor

The Career Placement and Planning Center sponsored its third and largest Career Day for Graduate and Professional Schools recently, attracting roughly 46 school representatives.

"We had an excellent turnout during the afternoon. Many students came out looking for graduate opportunities," Leon Warren, director of the center, said.

Warren said some of the representatives told him Career Day here was "much better" than UNC-G's, where some recruiters only talked

with three students altogether. Recruiters here talked with at least eight to 15 persons, according to Warren.

Representatives gave their comments about graduate school, specific areas of interest and the activity itself.

Lynne Reeve, a University of Missouri-Columbia representative, said, "It's (grad school) not for everyone. You make some social and personal sacrifices to reach your ultimate goal. It opens new avenues and teaches new things about yourself that may have been hidden from you."

Most schools offer assistantships to help students financially, Reeve said. "It's like a grad school work/study program," she said.

University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee representative

Lorie Reiden said, "The biggest adjustment is weather. We've never lost a student from A&T. They are flexible to adapt," she said.

The business administration school is the largest program at the university.

The state of Wisconsin has a major program to recruit minorities and the university has over \$1.5 million in financial aid to support them, according to Rieden.

"We look for students who may not have straight A averages, but who are equally prepared for grad school," Judith Tyra of Western Carolina university said.

She said those students do as well as, if not better than those with A's.

Many programs require letters of reference. To see things not visible on a transcript,"

Tyra said.

A&T alumni Paul Parker, a mechanical engineering instructor representing the University of Illinois Champaign-Urbana, had an

unusual experience.

"One thing that surprised me was that I didn't talk to an engineering student. It was a surprise that the engineers were not here," he said.

## WNAA

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"The purpose of this is so students can get into the habit of working as professionals," he said. In the past, if the work wasn't done, it was forgotten about, he added.

WNAA will be operating from 9a.m. until midnight. Last year the station was on 24 hours a day with mostly jazz. The new format features a mixture of jazz and light contemporary music, including ballads and light uptempo music.

"There will be hours of just jazz and reggae on weekends," Welborne said. They will also air regular education and public affairs programs.

Presently, WNAA has 15 experienced students on staff. "We are looking for the experienced student now," he said. "Next we will look for students without experience. Now our primary goal is to get the station on the air."

With the anticipation of going 10,000 watts, Welborne said he wants the station to sound professional. They could have gone on the air earlier, but the equipment was in bad condition and the sound would not have been up to par.

WNAA's new staff consists of Welborne, a former program director at WEAL for three and a half years and an announcer for four years. He has worked in the production department of WFMY and is currently an instructor at A&T.

Other staff members are Stephen Lipscomb, program director, and Maurice Spears, news director.

Lipscomb is an A&T graduate. He has worked at WEAL as an announcer and as news and public affairs director.

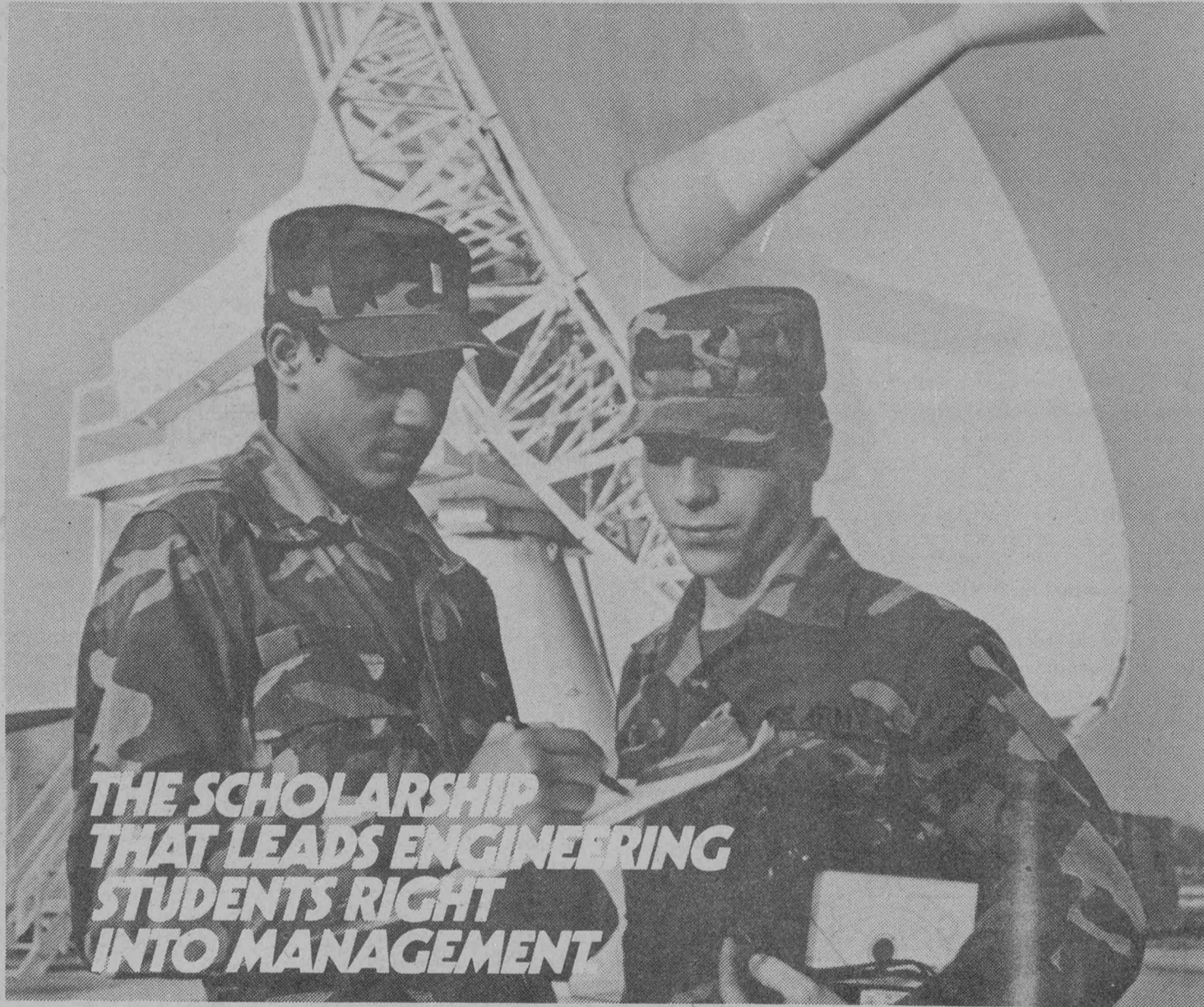
Spears is currently employed at WBIG. He has worked for WQDR and WPTF, radio stations in Raleigh, and at WRAL a television station in Raleigh.

## Construction closes walkway

The area behind Brown Hall, including the walkway leading to the North Campus, will be closed to pedestrian traffic for several months to accommodate construction and industrial clean-up scheduled beginning today.

Charles McIntyre, vice chancellor for Fiscal Affairs, said, "This clean-up and construction are a result of a fire on Aug. 22 which destroyed the brick building which contained the university's transformers."

McIntyre said, "The demolition, construction and clean-up will take several months."



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# High School Day '83

High school students from across the state have been invited to participate in an Open House and Visitation Day on Saturday, Oct. 22.

The event is being sponsored by A&T alumni chapters in the state.

The visiting students will assemble in Corbett Sports Center beginning at 9 a.m. They will have an opportunity

to talk with representatives of the university's schools and departments, and officials from the admissions and financial aid offices.

Students will also be able to attend the A&T versus Howard University football game at special reduced rates. The game will get underway in Aggie Stadium at 1:30 p.m. The event has also been designated as Band Day and

will feature pre-game and post-game performances by four area bands.

Coordinator for the event is Mrs. Annie M. Brown of Greenville, N.C. She will be assisted by Orby Moss, A&T athletic director; Mrs. Delores Davis, assistant in financial aid; and Dr. Rosa Purcell of the Gate City Alumni Chapter.



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## It's about time

The enacting of the bill to recognize Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s birthday as a national holiday brought much joy to many Americans of all races.

To some, this day on Capitol Hill is evidence that this country is moving closer to King's dream of overcoming inequality and discrimination. It's a day of the reassurance of hope for a better future of equality.

This day will stand out even more because it marked only the second time in history Congress has established a national holiday for an American. George Washington was honored first.

To some, such as Jesse Helms, it may have been a day of defeat.

Perhaps, the Reverend Jesse Jackson summed it up best Wednesday in Harrison Auditorium when he said slandering King is Helms' way of covering up his own weaknesses.

No matter how many ridiculous accusations are made or how much slanderous garbage is hurled, the true honor of a man can stand on its own. King's does.

Yet, on this day, with most Americans releasing bundles of joy for the glorious occasion, a young Black female was brought down to reality again.

She, too, was overjoyed. She, too, thought the country was moving closer to King's dream. She reached out to join hands with a young white female in prayer during a public meeting, and the white female hesitated.

*"I have a dream that one day on the red hills of Georgia the sons of former slaves and the sons of former slave-owners, will be able to sit down together at the table of brotherhood...I have a dream that my four little children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by the color of their skin but by the content of their character. I have a dream today...I have dream that little Black boys and Black girls will be able to join hands with little White boys and White girls as sisters and brothers..."M.L.K., Jr.*

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## King won without a sword

By JAMIE C. RUFF

A great King dreamed of equality and justice in a country where there had been only racism and discrimination. He said he would achieve his dream not with the sword, but with patience and understanding.

The King, like his dream, was great. He dared to climb to the top of the mountain. He persisted in his dream, although he knew in the mountain's valley was death.

"Surely you are a man of peace and wisdom," said the light tribe paying homage to the dark King. They gave the King a Nobel Prize.

"Great is the King and great is his dream," and then the King fell, slain by the sword he would not use. Forever gone were the beautiful orations of peace and humanity--the dream.

The King's tribe called to the light tribe, "Honor our great, as we honor yours. Honor our dream, as we honor yours. Honor the spirit of unity."

The light tribe spoke, "Honor your King? What do you have that we want? Nothing."

And so the dark tribe turned in silence. For the next 14 years, the fallen King's tribe offered tokens to the light

tribe that they pay homage to the fallen King. But each year the leaders of the light tribe would find reason to refuse: "No it is too early. Let our people forget the bad times." or "No, we have so many problems, so many concerns. Maybe later. Not now."

Finally, the day came, the light tribe was divided. Each side needed the support of the dark tribe. "Yes, Yes, we shall honor your King," each side said. "If you support our side, we will pay homage to your King."

But a light prophet spoke, "Pay homage to their King? No! He believed in man and not the party. He was still with the word of God. What did he do--die for a stupid dream? He was a fool. Did he not commit the most foolish act of all? Did the dark King not actually have faith in our tribe? Did he not actually think we are able to love the dark tribe? Anyway, to honor him would take a day's work."

The prophet was silenced. But the truth he spoke was not forgotten. The dark tribe walked away. The King was dead and his dream was buried with him.

One day to be recognized!

## A piece of a dream

By MICHAEL THOMPSON

According to Republican Senator Jesse Helms, Martin Luther King Jr. associated with communists.

According to a 78 to 22 Senate vote Wednesday, a holiday was approved for the so-called communist sympathizer, effective the third Monday in January, 1986.

President Reagan has promised to sign the bill.

Pity poor Jesse, the great white hopeless disgrace and embarrassment ever to North Carolina politics.

His repeated attempts to delay the bill by sending it through Judiciary Committee meetings backfired.

And let's not forget "our" Republican Senator John East of North Carolina, who also voted against commemorating King's birthday. They really know how to generate support from Black voters in the state, don't they?

Considering how successful recent voter registration drives have been,

Helms and East should receive a holiday--an extended holiday from the Senate.

Martin Luther King Jr. was a martyr for nonviolence through social change.

Do you know of any American communists who were martyrs? Do you know of any American communists who won Nobel Prizes, such as Dr. King did in 1964?

Helms said King was not a good role model for American youth.

Did Helms think former FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover was a role model for American youth when he wiretapped King during the Kennedy administration?

Nevertheless, after 15 years of attempting to pass the bill, it will become the tenth national holiday in the United States.

Conservative hypocrites such as Jesse Helms have been defeated. Now it is time to give Jesse his "holiday."

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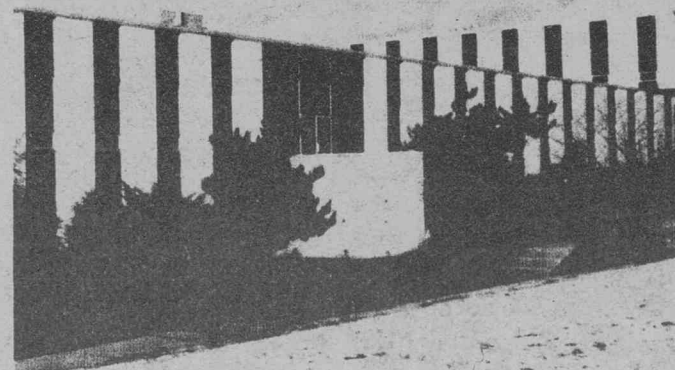
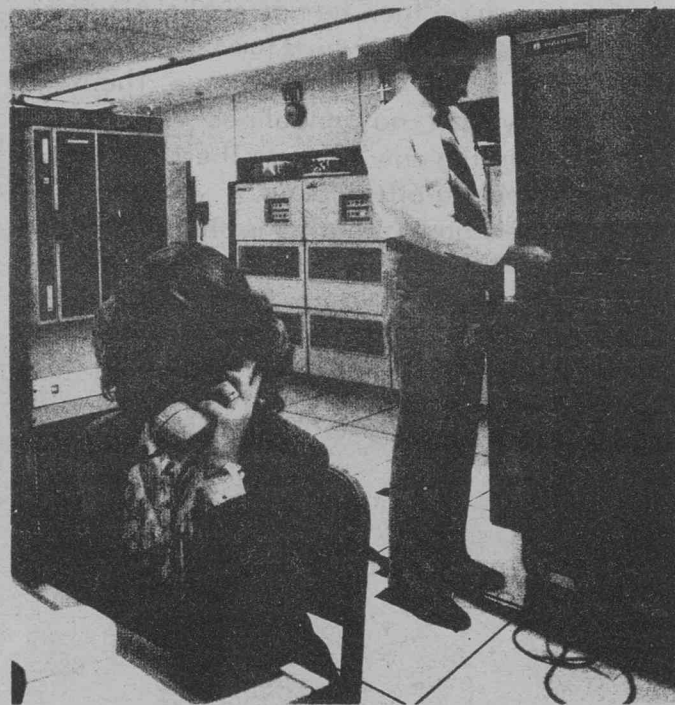
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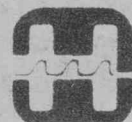
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# Sports The Open Gate

By RICHARD WILLIAMS

Will someone please give Mo Forte some respect! If that's asking too much, a conference win will suit him, I'm sure.

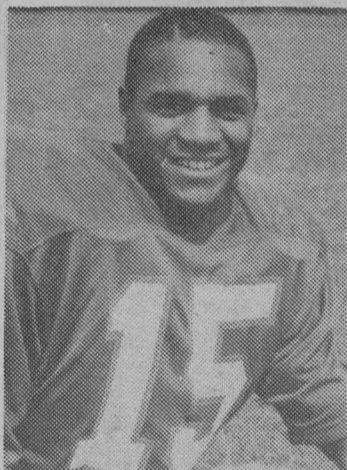
In two years here Coach Forte does not know what it feels like to celebrate a win over an MEAC opponent. The latest loss, a 26-7 setback to Delaware State, gives the former Arizona State quarterback coach a 0-7 mark against conference foes. And Forte is feeling the pains that have accompanied each loss.

"If I hadn't come from a winning program, it wouldn't be so bad," Forte told reporters this week. "I believe we lost a total of six games in my last two years at Arizona State."

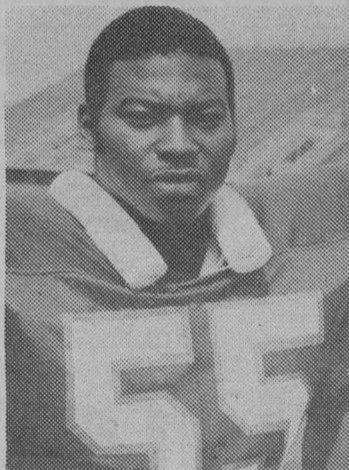
In the first two years as A&T's head coach Forte has won four out of 12 times and is clearly frustrated. So much, in fact, he has publicly criticized the conference officials which prompted league Commissioner Ken Free to study the issue. The conference currently has no guidelines concerning criticizing of officiating only because there has been so little of it, a league official said.

However, Forte's open remarks in the Sept. 25th edition of the *Greensboro Daily News and Record* following a 25-12 loss to Morgan State, may cause Free to institute guidelines.

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Grier



Small

Quarterback Alvin Grier's total of 13 completions in 22 attempts brings his total for the year to 63-of-132, or 47.4 percent. His completion per game average (10.5) ranks him second in the MEAC among signal-callers. The Miami native could become the top player to line up behind the center since Elsworth "Tookie" Turner. Turner played at A&T from 1974 to 1977 and didn't leave before tossing for over 5,000 yards. His total of 5,268 is an all-time record in the conference's history...Take aim Alvin.

\* \* \* \*

**Keeping track:** Linebacker Ricardo Small and running back Mike Jones have goals in 1983. However, while Small is on target with his 100-tackle preseason projection, Jones has slipped and will have a hard time reaching 1,000 yards as the second half of the season rolls around.

After six games, Small has a total of 58 tackles while Jones, a preseason all-American candidate, has 460 yards. Of A&T's last five games, four will be played at home which could be a contributing factor for Jones.

## Aggies face Bison

A&T will play its second Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference opponent in as many weeks when the Aggies entertain Howard University Saturday at 1:30 p.m. in Aggie Stadium.

It will be the Aggies' second home game of the season, and Aggie Stadium has been a source of relief in this up and down season. In their last appearance at home, the Aggies outclassed J.C. Smith by a score of 42-35.

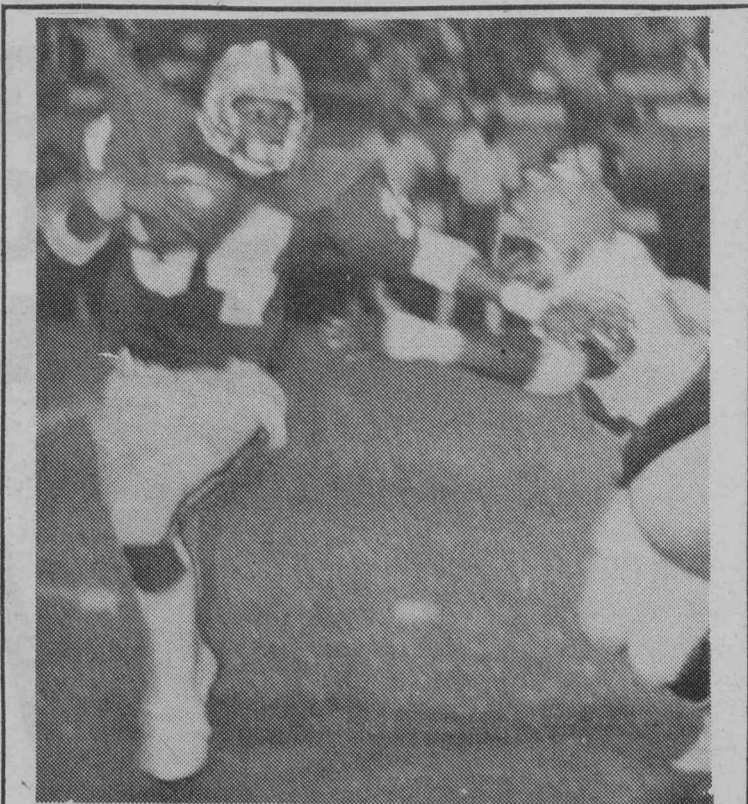
The Aggies are coming off a 26-7 loss at the hands of Delaware State last Saturday, a setback which dropped their record to 2-4 overall and 0-2 in conference play.

Howard will bring a record of 1-5 overall and 1-1 in the conference. Howard was beaten 30-14 by Virginia State last Saturday.

Howard has a modest three-game winning streak over the Aggies. Last year Howard scored two first-half touchdowns on the way to a 20-13 triumph over the Aggies. A&T's last victory over the Bison came in 1979, when the Aggies captured a 29-0 victory.

Both teams are trying to muster a consistent attack. Penalties and mistakes have hampered their chances for victory in previous games.

A&T will rely on the running of senior tailback Mike Jones and the arm of junior quarterback Alvin Grier.



Mike Jones: showing fancy footwork as he tries to gain yardage. A&T will look for Jones to have a good afternoon Saturday against Howard. (Photo by Jay Hall)

Linebacker Ricardo Small, who leads the team in tackles, is a mainstay on defense.

Howard, meanwhile, will counter with the likes of Brian Sloan at quarterback, but Mel Sutton is the team's major threat on offense. Howard's defensive standouts include Ron Kinnaird and Ken Carney.

A&T Coach Mo Forte is looking for a better effort from his team in this MEAC encounter. The Aggies sputtered on offense against Delaware State and were unable to sustain a drive in the game.

A&T's only touchdown came on an interception by defensive back Tim Williams. Williams, a Greensboro native, picked off a Pat Spencer aerial and ran it back 44 yards for a touchdown which tied the game at 7-all in the second quarter. Delaware State got another touchdown before halftime and added 12 second-half points for the victory.

In addition to Williams, another bright spot for the Aggies against Delaware was place-kicker Aaron Herring, who now has converted 12 of 12 extra-point attempts.

## Herring: 'A&T, just as I pictured it'

By PAUL SHEPARD  
Special to The Register

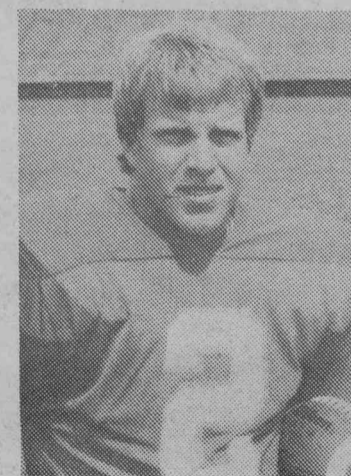
Aaron Herring, a native of Burgaw, N.C., says he attended A&T for more reasons than playing football.

The veteran conventional style place-kicker whose right foot has been one of the few bright spots for his team in an otherwise disappointing football season realizes the importance of a sound education.

"I came to A&T because the school had a lot to offer me in terms of education and athletics," said the agriculture major.

Herring applied to other schools but few were interested and he was ultimately signed by former head coach at A&T, Jim McKinley.

"Ace", as he is known around campus, is quite noticeable although he doesn't possess the athletic build of



Herring

"They don't show prejudice towards me and they have accepted me as a part of the family." Herring

some of his teammates. But Herring stands out in his own way; he is the only white player on the team.

"A&T is just as I had pictured it before I came here,"

Herring said, "a lot of caring students. They don't show prejudice towards me and they have accepted me as part of the family."

This, he said, gave him confidence. Herring has developed into a formidable kicker at A&T. His two field goals against Hampton Institute gave A&T its second win of the season. A 45-yarder with less than three minutes to play in the contest was the longest of his career. Herring is perfect in point after touchdowns with twelve straight.

"I knew it was good when it left my foot," said Herring who is the leading scorer on the team which he has been for three years.

Looking ahead, Herring's ambitions is to someday coach at A&T. "My years at A&T have been fun and I've enjoyed every bit of it."

# United Way plans to raise funds on campus

**Alesia Powell**  
Special to the Register

United Way of Greater Greensboro hopes to raise \$21,275 in its month-long campaign on A&T's campus, a 15 percent increase over last year's goal.

During an agency fair, held on Wednesday, October 12th,

representatives of several agencies and organizations gathered in Williams Cafeteria to inform students, faculty, and staff about their services.

These agencies provide different types of services, such as drug counselling and Sickle Cell Anemia tests, to the residents and students of the Triad area. Information was

available in pamphlets, brochures, newsletters, and films.

Donations from students should be paid to Michael Rock, vice president of External Affairs of the Student Government Association. Faculty members should see their departmental representatives to make a contribution. Rock said faculty members

can have contributions deducted from their salaries monthly.

Activities last year included a Halloween party. Funds from the party were donated to the Youth Services Bureau. "A&T has also been involved by allowing some of the children to attend the basketball games free," said Lpreatha Graves, director of

the Best Friends Program, a department in the Youth Services Bureau.

United Way does not need money only. It can also use time from students. Its Best Friends program is in need of Black males and females to volunteer as companions for children between the ages of six to 15. Graves said the program has a waiting list.

## Pledge for unity

Editor of the Register

Brotherhood, sisterhood or unity are three good reasons for pledging.

Every year many young men and women pledge to be a part of an organization to work for and better it. This organization becomes a part of them for the rest of their lives. It brings on respect and dignity to the pledgee. They are urged to advance themselves for the better. The community becomes an everlasting project, and a lot of fun and good times are gained from being an entity.

Many may pledge for these reasons alone and others may pledge for more personal reasons; their parents may have pledged and knowing their parents, they may want to be a part of something that made their characters more enhanced.

This is all well and good, but the true problem is when the grade-point averages of those on line drop. Although people, different in many ways, handle pressure in different ways. A lowered G.P.A. is bad news any way you look at it. Some G.P.A.'s may drop drastically; others may not. Situations vary; one pledgee may have a 4.00 G.P.A. and won't worry how much it drops, and another may have a 3.00, be on a scholarship and have to make the decision of being "Something Phi Something" or a college grad one day.

My sympathy goes out to those who put their everything into pledging one organization and, because of their eagerness for education and success, can't allow their grades to drop tremendously and drop line themselves.

Is it a matter of putting your priorities in order?

Do dreams always come true?

I give these people a hell of a lot of more respect than if they "went over" Graduation and didn't "go over" pledging.

**Jodi Felise Walston**  
sophomore

*"Hi, it's my first semester here at A&T and I don't know anybody and your Grandmother told my Aunt Jean that you're a nice guy and that I should look you up..."*

**Welcome to Miller time.**

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