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November 2, 1984

Congressman Robin Britt visits campus

By Keith Mattison
Staff Writer

"Education is the door through which everyone is able to achieve his or her potential," said Congressman Robin Britt (D-6th district) as he addressed a crowd of approximately 65 students in the Union Ballroom Tuesday night.

Britt, who is running for reelection this year against Republican candidate Howard Coble, came to the campus to drum up support for his campaign by emphasizing what would happen if Reagan were elected.

"Under the Reagan Deal," said Britt, "real spending on education was reduced by \$6 billion and aid to students was cut by 21 per cent."

Britt also stated that, out of the 5,398 students enrolled at A&T, 2,149 received some form of Pell Grants or financial aid. "If you don't vote on Nov. 6, these people may not be coming back to school," said the congressman. He said that the Democrat-controlled House of Representatives was the only thing that stood between the public and what he termed the



Robin Britt

"Reagan juggernaut". Currently the Republicans control both the White House and the Senate.

Continuing his attack on Reagan's education policies,

Britt said, "This administration is being 'Penny wise and pound foolish' when it fails to realize that, for every dollar spent on education, six dollars

would go to the Gross National Product in the form of higher wages.

"I am absolutely committed to the public school system," said Britt in response to Reagan's proposal to offer tuition tax credits to people who send their kids to private schools, and it would be a disaster to let it fail."

He also commented on what would happen if the tax credit bill is passed.

"Private school construction would go up and public schools would soon become 'residual schools', for the people who can't afford to send them to private schools," he said.

Britt outlined the differences between him and his opponent, Howard Coble.

"Coble's personally a nice person, but the question in this race is who is going to represent the interests of this district," Britt said.

Commenting on Coble's stand on tax credits — which he would support, but not this year, Britt said, "Whether you vote for it now or ten years from now, it is still wrong."

During the question-and-answer session, Britt was asked

about his opinion of Republican Senator Jesse Helms.

"When he (Helms) stood on the floor of the Senate and called a Nobel Peace-Prize winner (Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.) a Communist, he was engaging in the politics of division," said Britt, "and the next day I went to the floor of the House and told the nation that Jesse Helms did not represent the people of North Carolina.

When asked about what percentage of the military budget went to personnel, Britt replied that a majority of the budget went to personnel in the form of pay, retirement benefits and medical expenses but that the wasteful spending by government contractors is using up unnecessary funds.

Britt said that his biggest issue would be to see an end to the nuclear arms race.

"Mankind has never held in his power the ability to obliterate the entire plant," Britt said, "so it is important that we learn now to negotiate, but, more importantly, we must negotiate from a position of strength."

RJR donates 70 scholarships

Business and engineering students at A&T will benefit from a new \$120,000 scholarship grant from R.J. Reynolds Industries, Inc.

The new grant will fund 30 business and engineering scholarships, increasing R.J. Reynolds' total commitment to A&T to \$280,000 for 70 scholarships. RJR had made a previous commitment to provide \$160,000 for 40 scholarships in A&T's School of Engineering and School of Business and Economics.

A \$40,000 installment payment toward the two grants was presented to Chancellor Edward B. Fort on Tuesday in Williams Cafeteria by Marshall B. Bass, vice president of Reynolds Industries, which is based in Winston-Salem.

At the luncheon ceremony, Bass told Fort and 40 current scholarship recipients that R.J. Reynolds enthusiastically

supports "the university's efforts to produce graduates who can effectively compete in the working world. Our scholarship grants are an investment in your future as well as in our own."

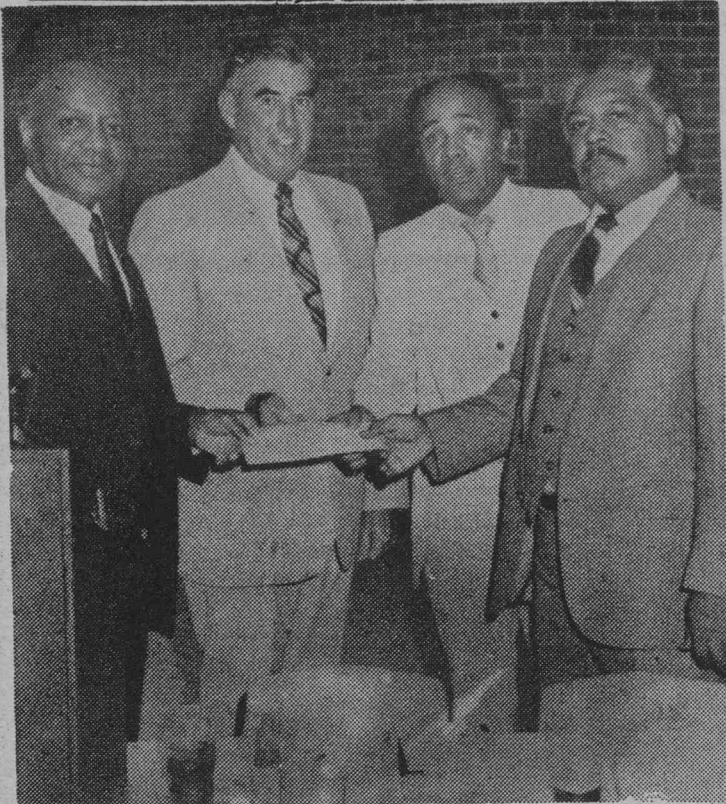
He noted that the strong academic performance of the scholars studying under RJR's original grant was a key factor in the company's decision to increase its funding to A&T. "The goal the A&T and RJR had in mind when the program was established was to make resources available to promising students to challenge their inherent academic spirit, and to encourage them to stretch for even higher goals. The faculty's positive reports indicate that our goal is becoming a reality."

The 70 RJR scholarships are earmarked for students from North Carolina. "We feel a responsibility to support pro-

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A&T business and engineering students, who received scholarships from a \$120,000 grant from R.J. Reynolds Industries, pose outside of Williams Cafeteria after a luncheon Tuesday. (Photo by Ed Jordan)



Chancellor Edward B. Fort and Dr. McArthur Newell, (right) is presented a \$40,000 installment check from two R.J Reynolds Inc. representatives.

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grams the enhance the quality of life for our employees and the communities where they live and work," Bass said.

Scholarship recipients for 1984-85 in the School of Business and Economics are Wanda Clark, Greensboro; Dale Fisher, Fayetteville; Linda Johnson, Burlington; Lawrence Thompson, Durham; Darryl Walker, Fayetteville; Levette Howell, Greensboro; Sherri L. Penn, Greensboro; Stephanie Proctor, Ruffin; Sharon Richardson, Elizabethtown; Shaunte Thomas, New Bern; Dametre K. Fisher, Fayetteville; Adrienne Jackson, Fayetteville; Robert Pompey, Kinston; Twanda Staley, Winston-Salem; Angela Stanley, Adrienne M. Hamilton, Fayetteville; Lisa

Bompus, Roxboro; Anthony S. McAadoo, Greensboro; and Ezroe L. Webb, Roper.

Receiving scholarships in the School of Engineering are Timothy V. Drew, Burlington; Yolanda M. Foster, Kittrell; Johathan D. Hampton, Greensboro; Sherry L. Lester, Roxboro; Emmy L. Lyons, Battleboro; Darryl A. Dunham, Fayetteville; Robert M. Martin Jr., Greensboro;

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History of Black family presented

By KEITH MATTIS
Staff Writer

A history of the Black middle-class family in America was presented to sociology research students and members of the Richard B. Harrison Players in the Paul Robeson Theater Tuesday night.

The speech was presented by Dr. Robert Davis, associate professor of Sociology at A&T.

He began the discussion, which was sponsored by the Theater Department, by dispelling some common myths about the Black family.

"Contrary to some views, the Black family has been in-

tact since before the Civil War," said Davis, "and as Blacks progressed in the industrial age, the Black middle-class called the 'Black Bourgeoisie.'"

On the middle-class and economics, Davis said, "Income (or buying power) determines lifestyle. If you have enough earning power, then the 'American Dream' becomes more realistic."

Davis said that there were geographical differences among the Black middle-class, and that these differences had an effect on family and community unity.

"In the North, racism was not as overt as it was in the

South, and thus a middle-class family had a chance to move out of the Black community and try to assimilate with whites" said Davis, "but, in the South, there was no such opportunity to move away and a pattern developed where middle-class families and lower income families were living in the same community."

Following the presentation, there was a lively question-and-answer session. Davis was asked if he felt that there were class differences among Blacks and why Civil Rights leaders try to downplay this idea. "Blacks," he said, "are separated into classes — especially since the sixties and

seventies — and Civil Rights leaders deemphasize this because 'it would not present a united front when dealing with the White community.'"

On the survival of "nuclear families" in the 1980's, he said, "The United States has gone from an industrial society to a service society and, with this change, families are finding out that they have less and less time to do things together, especially with both parents working." He said that this new age does not encourage group solidarity.

Davis said that role reversal, where the husband and wife share in household duties,

must become a necessary part in life for families with both spouses working. He also pointed out that most middle-class families aren't as large as lower-class families.

"This is because middle-class parents are coming to the conclusion that it would be economically unfeasible to have more than two children," Davis said.

When asked about what a Reagan victory on Nov. 6 would do to the middle-class, Davis said, "Members of the Black middle-class will be hurt by another Reagan term." But when presented with the statement that some Blacks would

Thursday bomb threat force evacuations

By FRANCES WARD
News Editor

About 500 students and faculty members evacuated Crosby and Merrick Halls after a bomb threat about 10 a.m. Wednesday.

Five A&T police officers and one Greensboro police officer, after sealing off the buildings, searched about an hour for the alleged bombs.

According to O.C. Downing, campus police dispatcher, he received a telephone call at 9:42 a.m. He said the caller sounded like a Black male who stated that bombs had been placed in Crosby and Merrick Halls and were set to detonate at 10:20 a.m.

The caller had a foreign voice, according to Downing.

After the call, police immediately evacuated the buildings and searched each floor, including offices, closets, and classrooms.

No explosives or incen-

diary devices were found in either building and classes resumed at 11 a.m., Downing stated in his report.

"Sometimes when we have bomb threats, people say, 'It's just a prank call. Someone is just going to have a test today and they don't want to take it, but we can't go on that,'" said Joe Daughtry, director of University Police.

"Many times it is a prank, but we have to treat it as a real bomb threat to safeguard the lives of students and faculty on campus," he said.

Daughtry said the university gets at least one to two prank bomb threat calls a school year.

"Once we had a bomb threat in Scott Hall and (we) had to evacuate the building in the middle of the night," he said. "But it is usually the academic buildings that are threatened."

Health Center focuses on illness prevention

BY JAMES R. ETHERIDGE
Staff Writer

The Student Health Center, better known as the Sebastian Infirmary, offers more than students realize in the way of health and educational assistance.

Marietta Douglas, supervisor of registered nurses at the center, says, "We are trying to focus on illness prevention. We would like students to follow such guidelines as eating well, getting adequate rest, maintaining good physical hygiene, recognizing and avoiding stressful situations."

Douglas says that, once a student is registered in school and has paid his health fee, that student is entitled to health services free of cost.

The center is open 24 hours a day and has a physician on duty for all three shifts.

Douglas said, "We coordinate our services with the counseling program. A counselor is on duty Monday thru Friday at 1 p.m. during clinic hours. This enhances our relationship with students and their health care needs."

Douglas continued, "We have walk-in-screening from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. At this time if a student requires to see a physician, a nurse will give him an appointment for the 1 p.m. clinic session. If that student can be treated by a nurse, then she will do so, immediately."

Douglas says that, if a student requires attention or services after hours, a physician can be reached.

Also if a student is seeking medical attention after midnight, he/she is advised to notify his/her dorm counselor before departure to the Health Center (infirmary)

The Health Center, in conjunction with the registered nurses, offers counseling on the following: birth control, stress related problems and immediate treatment for a variety of conditions such as influenza and minor injuries.

Douglas stated that the referral program has off-campus options such as Guilford County's health department, family planning, rape control center, mental health and drug abuse services. She adds that consultation is free.

According to Douglas, the Health Center may link students to hospitals and physicians (off campus) for special testing and x-rays.

Unfortunately, these costs are usually charged to students, unless they have student health insurance or a form of private insurance.

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YPDA endorses candidates

Editor of the Register

The Young People Democratic Association of A&T has endorsed the following candidates for the general elections on Nov. 6. These candidates have demonstrated their interest in our cause and have pledged their support. Please take this paper to the polls with you, and follow these instructions!!

Punch: Page 1 (No. 6) Monday/Ferraro. Page 2 (No. 23) The Democratic Ticket State Wide. Page 7 (No. 124)

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Williams. Page 11 (No. 206) J. (Eddie) Hicks. Page 12 (No. 220) Alteration of Structure of County Commissioners. Page 12 (No. 227) Constitutional Amendment.

Act now for your future!!!
Remember: "A voteless People, is a hopeless people."

Rev. D. Wayne Clapp
Earl Jeffers
Eric Noble
Thomas B. Horton

Saturday, Nov. 3, marks the fifth anniversary of the slayings of the five Communist Worker's Party members by nine Ku Klux Klansmen and Nazis. The Klansmen and Nazis were acquitted on April 15, 1984.

Need assistance in Math or English?

Thomas D. Brown
Special to the Register

Need help in Basic English or math? Try the Learning Assistance Center located on the second floor in Murphy Hall.

"It's a center where you can get help in Basic 099, 100 courses," said Dr. Alfonso E. Gore, director of the center.

According to Gore, the Learning Center started in 1978 as a result of study conducted by the Research Triangle Institute sponsored by the University of North Carolina General Administration. The study pointed out

the need for a compensatory curriculum to be established within the university for a substantial number of students in the various academic areas," stated Gore.

We also help students with undecided majors and serve as advisors to those students that are on academic probation," said Gore.

"With all these responsibilities we had to move from our old location on Salem Street to Murphy Hall. It was inadequate for our services and now everything is under one roof," said Gore.

Random selection process working

By JESSE MILLER
Special to the Register

Earlier this year a special committee, consisting of faculty and students, selected the random selection process as an alternative in eliminating the process associated with assigning student housing.

In the past, housing was on a first-come, first-serve basis. Several students could be found in the early morning hours waiting outside of Murphy Hall for first choice picks.

Before the random selection process began, upperclassmen had been forced to move off campus in order to provide enough housing for incoming freshmen.

"Thus far the process is running well," according to Dr. Judge Kornegay, director of housing operations. He also said that they haven't decided definitely if this process will be used again next year.

At present there are 2810 students residing in campus housing. Under this system, computers were used to ran-

domly match all entries with numbers. The cutoff point for women was 604 and the cutoff point for men was 882.

Women with computer numbers 1 through 604 received housing and males with computer number 1 through 882 received housing.

Dr. Roland Buck, vice chancellor of student affairs said, "We'll look at it again. It worked well but there was quite a bit of dissatisfaction by those with high numbers."

Buck plans to introduce a new proposal in which rising seniors would be excluded from the housing process. He said that he feels that after three years upperclassmen should know "the ropes."

"When there are 5500 students and only housing for 2800, somebody has to be left out," he said.

There is also a new committee being assembled to help those students who do not receive housing find off campus quarters. This committee will publish monthly information, free of charge to students, about other facilities.

(Paid for by concerned students NCA&TSU)

A CALL TO BATTLE DEAN CHANDRA MUST GO!!

Here are some reasons:

- He has prostituted the name of Black students to get grant money to pay his foreign associates.
- Hired Indian faculty members who earn full salary while having little or no teaching responsibilities; such as, Shanti Iyer who has earned over \$75,000 in three years.
- He has stocked his staff with people who have undefined jobs, such as Lou Bains and James Rouleau.
- He is removing Black and American faculty members from the Engineering School. His latest removal was Dr. Sam White (former chairman of the EE Dept.)
- He replaces the ousted faculty members with foreign professors who *cannot communicate with English speaking students.*
- He uses the Exxon fund, which is meant for Black faculty development *for foreign faculty development.*
- He hires people for jobs out of their area of specialization, e.g., Dr. Hague/ME, Shanti Iyer/EE Dept.
- There is less than ten percent Black student and one percent Black faculty participation in the NASA program which should have *95 percent Black participation.*
- He has raised *the quota for foreign students and raised the admission requirements for Blacks thus denying Blacks a seat in the Engineering School.*
- Chandra worked as a consultant for TRW at a pay rate of \$95,000.00 per year for a period of 60 days while *still* employed by NCA&TSU without a Letter of Intent.
- There is little or no control over teacher classroom performance. He has never checked teachers in the classroom because he is gone most of the time. *He does not care about the quality of education in the Engineering School!*
- Chandra has a high rate of absenteeism from the campus. He is paid in excess of \$60,000 a year but spends 60 percent of his time away from the campus traveling on *tax free* money procured in the name of Black students. Right now he is on his way to China.

GET READY TO MARCH ON FORT AND SIMMS
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WE AS STUDENTS MUST STAND TOGETHER
TO RID NCA&TSU OF DEAN CHANDRA
AND HIS FOREIGN ASSOCIATES.

Prove criticism wrong — Vote!

From time to time, editorials have appeared in this column doubting the sincerity of A&T students to issues other than co-ed visitation and Homecoming.

Several times this year, students have been prejudged

on what their level of participation would be at such activities as Black College Day and getting involved with campus organizations.

Sometimes these prejudices were sarcastic and written in a very negative tone.

Up to now, the students have almost in every case proven this columnist wrong.

You are to be commended for your superb level of participation.

However, once again, there is a major issue at hand - **Tuesday, Nov. 6.**

It would be a credit to this university if the students would pack Cooper Hall -- your voting place - like they packed Moore Gym on the eve of Homecoming.

For several years now, city and state candidates have looked to the 'Cooper Hall Gang' to decide the margin of their victories.

It is no different this year, especially since we have one of our own running for an office -- A&T graduate and North Carolina Supreme Court Justice Henry Frye is another term on the bench.

Many of you have stated your preferences for national, state and city candidates, but verbal statements will not help anyone win or lose an election. However, going to Cooper Hall and punching the ballot can make your verbal preference a reality.

If you failed to register, you do everything that you can do to encourage those who did register to cast their vote, not only for themselves but for your negligence.

Students who filed absentee ballots, your job is not complete either. True, you say you have done your part but now it is up to you to make sure everyone else does his/her part.

Students on Tuesday, let's make the hangout spot Cooper Hall.

Your vote will count.



Was it worth the fight?

By **FRANCES M. WARD**

It was once a dream.

After years of blood shed and tears, it is now a reality.

The Black vote: a moral responsibility.

Frederick Douglas, Medgar Evers, W.E. Dubois, Martin Luther King, Jr., Rosa Parks and many other unheralded ancestors fought for Black people to obtain the sacred right to vote.

On Nov. 6, we must exercise this right, for it controls our destiny.

It is the vital force in which we can elect those of our own race and people who will address our issues and concerns.

On election day, Blacks in this nation will show their true colors. He who

refuses to cast the ballot will commit a treacherous crime against himself and his people. He will show his cowardice and unconcern for the fight of equality that our forefathers were slain for.

This election is crucial because it will answer a grave question. Have our people progressed or are we still confused about where we have come from and where we are going?

Young, Black Americans we must change the tide of this nation if we are indeed going to survive in this cold, cold, racist world.

Our voices must be heard! Get out and vote because our lives may depend on it!

The Morality of Science

By **DWAYNE PINKNEY**

It has been about week since Baby Fae received her new heart. She is still in serious, but stable condition.

The preservation of life is important and that one life has been saved is something to rejoice about.

But, in this case, the implications are many -- moral, and scientific -- and the questions and answers are very complex.

Some would argue that to put a baboon's heart in a human being is atrocious, and, downright ungodly. They would, of course, mention possible, long term, effects that such an operation could have. They would warn of the potential danger inherent in scientific adventurism, and some would probably suggest that we are about to see the wrath of God.

On the other hand, however, there would be others who would say that any and all attempts to preserve human life are noble, and should be pursued with determined vigor. They would say that science is "king", and that all of our problems can be solved by scientific methods. They would probably label

those individuals of the first group as irrational and unenlightened.

These two groups would definitely state their cases before a middle-of-the-road tribunal -- the populace.

Both of the groups should be heard. Both groups have relevant points to make.

One only hopes that in the months of debating to come -- for it is sure to come -- that these two groups will recognize that each has something to offer. One hopes that out of the two extremes, there will come a synthesis, superior to either of the extremes.

If we were to experience any type of terminal illness, and if the doctors told us that we had a chance at prolonging life if we accepted an animal's organ as a substitute for one of our own, what would our response be?

That thought is irrelevant to some, but sobering to others. Certainly, it is sobering enough to make us watch closely the development of Baby Fae's case.

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Guilford host international weekend

Guilford College is celebrating International Weekend on Nov. 9 and 10. Sponsored by the International Relations Club, a weekend of entertainment is scheduled.

On Friday evening Guilford students will be treated to a dinner of Middle East, African, European and Latin American food in the cafeteria. Following dinner, at 8:15, a Peruvian film, "The Green Wall," will be shown in Sternberger Auditorium. This Spanish film, with English sub-titles, is an exciting adventure about a family fighting for survival in the jungle. A 75 cents admission will be charged.

Saturday the fun will begin at 9:30 with a continental breakfast served in the Gallery of Founders Hall. Along with the coffee and sweets, cartoons from the International Animation Festival will be shown. International cartoons will be shown.

Visitors may tour the African Heritage Society trailer from A&T. Interesting artifacts and objects will be displayed.

At 1 p.m. Sternberger will be the site of over 30 booths representing different countries. Food, articles, pictures

and dancers will be featured all afternoon. The booths will operate until 5 p.m.

Saturday evening, after an oriental stir-fry dinner at the cafeteria, Truth and Rights, a very popular Greensboro Reg-

gae band will play from 8:30 p.m. until 12:30 p.m. in Sternberger. This is a free dance. No alcohol permitted.

All of these events are open to faculty and their friends or family.

Campus Haps ★

The Economics Club will have Jack Jensen, vice president of Merrill-Lynch Pierce Fenner and Smith, Inc., as guest speaker Thursday, Nov. 8 at 4 p.m. in Room 110 Merrick Hall. The topic of his lecture will be "Inflation: What happened? All interested persons are invited.

The Sophomore Class is offering Special Privilege & Discount Cards for only \$1 to sophomores. The first 250 sophomores to take advantage of this opportunity will receive a button which displays the class theme: "Culture, Spirit and Unity-Pump It Up!"

The Sophomore Class invites any student who has something to be thankful for to participate in its "What I have to Be Thankful For" essay contest. Deadline for entry is Nov. 9. Applications are available in the Student Union or in Room 108 Murphy Hall.

The Student National Education Association will be recognized and awarded a plaque for outstanding services to the community at an awards banquet Sunday, Nov. 4 at 5 p.m. at Hayes-Taylor YMCA.

Mass Communication Students will have an interest meeting on Nov. 5 at 6 p.m. in the television studio of Crosby Hall.

The A&T Fellowship Gospel Choir will hold its Fall Concert Nov. 11 at 7 p.m. in Harrison Auditorium. This event is free to the public. Everyone is invited to come out and help rejoice in singing.

Studio Theatre presents a Freshman Production (comedy) on Nov. 11 at 1 p.m. and 7 p.m.; Nov. 12 at 7 p.m. in Crosby Hall Room 207. Admission is 75 cents in advance and \$1 at the door.

Color Portraits! All students are invited to have a beautiful color portrait taken on Sunday, Nov. 4 in the Student Union Room 213 between 4 p.m. and 8 p.m. Cost is \$3.

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Douglas adds that treatment for most conditions can be received the same day at the clinic.

She emphasized that the Health Center is required by law to report communicable diseases to the Department of Public Health.

Douglas says that confidentiality is still a top priority concerning all services administered.

Other testing may include pregnancy examination, which is free of charge and no appointment is required.

Douglas has a B.S. in nursing and she presently is in her fourth year of service here at A&T. She says, "Our main purpose is to serve the students and keep them in good health."

The Student Health Center is located on Nocho Street across from Morrow Hall.

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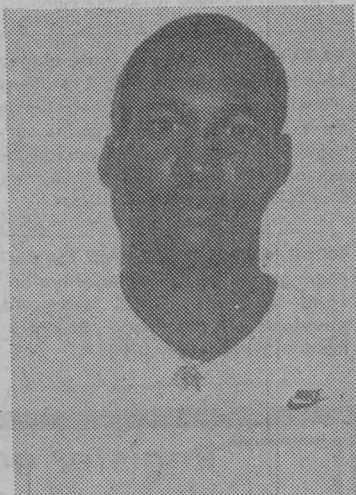


A&T jumpers dominate MEAC

By **JOE BROWN**
Sports Editor

Approaching his marker, the athlete gazes down the black rubberized 120 feet long runway. He concentrates for several seconds. With high knee lifts, he sprints. . . bump. . . bump. . . take off- and his body soars through the air to a sand-pit landing. Several events later, another patron athlete approaches the runway of flight. He pauses. He stares. He attacks the surface with a burst of speed. . . bump. . . bump . . . bump--airborne, he ingraves the sand for a new record. These two sound techniques are those of Melvin Ballard, long jumper, and Ed Smith, triple jumper.

A&T jumpers have dominated the MEAC conference in their event in the past year. One particular standout is Smith, a junior from Wilmington, Del. He is the MEAC Indoors Champion and record holder with the distance of 47 feet 9 inches. After indoor's season, he travelled outdoors to capture the MEAC Outdoors Champion title with a winning jump of 47 feet 4 inches.

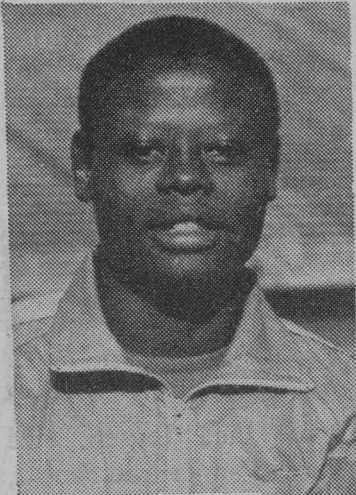


Ed Smith

Smith said he expects his jumping performance to improve considerably this year to strengthen his techniques for defending his title.

"I should be able to place in the top three at every meet this year," said Smith, stretching his legs during practice. "Last year I was jumping mostly off of natural ability, but this year it will be natural ability and strength due to the additional weight training that I have been doing."

Smith relies heavily on a strong mental preparation and discipline for a sound performance during practice and



Melvin Ballard

especially competition.

"Through the discipline that I have gained, I have more confidence in my performance and have also developed better body awareness," said Smith.

The other half of the jumping attack belongs to Ballard, a sophomore from Wilmington, N.C. Ballard made his presence known as one of the future long-jumping stars in the MEAC conference by capturing the MEAC Indoors Champion title his first year with a jump of 23 feet 1 inch. He still posed as a threat during the Outdoors Championship with

a questionable fault that was never measured, but placed second with a leap of 21 feet 6 inches which he feels will improve this year.

"I want to jump 25 feet or better consistently throughout the season, so I can qualify to go to the national champions in both indoors and outdoors," said Ballard.

Ballad said his competition is not easy. The springy legs jumper has his hands full during the season when it comes down to competing.

"The field during the regular season is more competitive, because I jump against larger conferences and world class jumpers," he said. "The MEAC is not non-competitive in my event, but overall I am exposed to tougher competition before I get there. I have competed against jumpers such as Jason Grimes and Orville Peterson, who were both in the Olympics this year."

Ballad and Smith train on a strenuous workout which consists of distance running every morning and evening, weight training, bounding drills, and flexibility classes.

"Our training facilities are not adequate for college level, because we don't have a jumping pit. We usually have to go to a high school in Greensboro to practice our jumping," said Smith. "If we had a jumping pit of our own, my performance would be much better in the future."

"I don't think the university cares about track and field, because they would have made a pit when they constructed the stadium years ago," said Ballard. "I only hope that they make a pit before I leave. Not just for me, but for future jumpers so they won't be deprived of their performance."

Not only are Ballard and Smith partners on the track, but they are also roommates who help each other when the competition gets tough.

"We are good teammates on the track, because we help each other out, even though we jump in different events," said Smith, speaking loyally. "We help each other academically and socially. He's like a brother I never had."

A&T hosts MEAC championships

By **Joe Brown**
Sports Editor

A&T's men's and women's cross country and women's volleyball teams will host their championships this weekend at various locations on campus.

The MEAC volleyball tournament will be held in Moore Gymnasium with five conference teams competing for the championship crown.

The participating teams are Howard University, Morgan State, S.C. State, Maryland Eastern Shore, and NCA&T.

The lady Aggies will be battling to capture the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference title that they fell short of a year ago in the finals against defending champs, Howard Univ. in South Carolina.

The young improving squad will depend on their defensive hustling with a strong game by senior Carmen Todman and junior captain Sharlene Scheider. A tough offensive and defensive attack is expected from Kathy Graham and Angie Williams. Irma Eastman, Karen Williams, and Veronica West complete the strength of the team.

Tournament action begins Friday at 4 p.m.

Admission will be \$1 for adults and .50 cents for students. The Aggies go up against UMES in the first day

of action at 5 p.m., in match 2.

The Women's Cross Country championship strides off at 10 a.m. Saturday morning, with the women running a 3.2 mile course starting at Carver Hall and ending on the track field.

The Aggie women's cross country team will participate after a year's absence, but hopes to give a strong showing with runners Mary McNeil, Pam Monroe, Kindrea Walston, Felecia Robinson, Tanya Thompson, and Tarez Williams.

The men's and women's teams competing are Maryland Eastern Shore, Delaware State, S.C. State, Morgan State, Howard Univ., and Bethune-Cookman.

A&T's men's cross country team will be attempting to capture their second straight Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference title in a row with All-MEAC Joe Willis looking to win his second MEAC championship title. Strengthening the attack will be All-MEAC Joe Brown and senior Sammy Livingston.

Freshmen Ivan Mosley, Leroy Sharpe Jr., Darrell Johnson and junior Ed Smith insures the team of a strong showing.

The men will run a 6.2 mile course throughout campus, beginning and ending on the track field. Starting time is 10:30 a.m. Saturday morning.



File photo: The Mid-Eastern Athletic Cross Country Championship team was honored by the Greensboro City Council last year. Come out and support the team while defending its title Saturday beginning at 10 a.m. on the A&T track field at the MEAC Cross Country Championships. From left: Joe Willis, Kenny Keith, Joe Brown and Chris Taylor.



File photo: Kathy Graham (middle) soars high to reject her opponents' lob as teammates, Sharlene Scheider and Carmen Todman, (right), stand by. See the A&T volleyball team in action Friday and Saturday in Moore Gym at this year's MEAC volleyball championship. On Friday, matches will begin at 4 p.m. and Saturday at 5 p.m.



"I Ain't Afraid Of No Ghost" — A&T Register Photographer, Tony Wright snapped a picture of this Aggie, donned in his unique costume, at the Halloween Party held in Moore Gym Wednesday night.

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Write on only one side of the paper.

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benefit because of their association with defense contractors, he said, with some apparent hesitation, "Yes, some Blacks will benefit by another Reagan term, and that in the future the class differences among Blacks will cause great internal conflict in the community."

Davis went on to say that these class differences will cause problems politically for Blacks because it will be harder for them to unite behind a single issue.

"People are going to support those things that benefit them economically," Davis said.

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Students should examine elections

By RALPH NADER

The question for millions of college students is whether they plan to spend several special hours, as they would for an average mid-term exam, studying the records of the Presidential candidates before the election on November 6. They need to do this if they want to cast their ballot on facts and judgments, rather than on the politicians' persuasive images, symbols, and rhetoric.

Let's look at the record, as Roosevelt advisor Jim Farley used to say:

1. President Reagan went after the federal education budget (now a mere 6.5 percent of the military budget) with a cleaver in 1981 and 1982. Over one million students would not be in college, if Congress had agreed to all the cuts. In 1982, student aid would have been slashed by 60 percent. Due in part to student lobbies, Congress held his reductions to 20 percent in constant dollars from the 1980 level. But wait until next year if he is re-elected.

2. Apart from the rising student debt, the booming national debt will burden especially the younger generation. Mr. Reagan has taken the \$930 billion debt he inherited from all past Administrations and driven it up to \$1.6 trillion. The non-partisan Congressional Budget Office predicts that, given present government economic policies, the debt at the end of a Reagan second term (January 1989) will reach a staggering \$3.1 trillion. That means 32 cents of every tax dollar you send to Washington then will go just to pay the interest on the debt. Reagan got about the budget size he wanted from Congress; he vetoed no major spending bill. You will pay for these deficits in many ways.

3. Students are known to want a healthy environment. In the Sixties and early Seventies, many students were up front fighting for the enactment of laws designed to reduce the pollution of air, water, and soil. More recently,

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VERY GOOD
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Would you like to see more activities?

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Please fill out this survey, and return to The A&T Register by Wednesday, November 7. Results will be printed November 9.

under Reagan policies Rich get richer

students have opposed nuclear power and backed solar energy and energy efficiencies. President Reagan chose deregulation here, cutting back law enforcement, budgets, and research dramatically in environmental programs. He poured subsidies into nuclear power, propping up a costly technology that is raising electricity rates sharply, and has shredded the solar and energy conservation programs. Pollution is just not an economic waste; it causes cancer, birth defects, emphysema, and other diseases.

4. Civil rights, civil liberties, and women's rights groups have issued detailed reports demonstrating the poor, often offensive, record of the Reagan government in these basic areas. This has been a regime that is setting records for secrecy, censoring public employees and locking out citizens from participation in their own government.

5. President Reagan is building a government of the Exxons, by the General Motors, and for the Duponts. He supports corporate subsidies and bailouts, like Walter Mondale, but he also believes in weak antitrust laws, rejects proper enforcement of the auto, food, drug, product safety, and worker health laws, and is withering away the corporate income tax, thus shifting more burdens to less wealthy individuals. For all the ballyhoo about economic recovery, unemployment under Reagan has averaged 2 percent higher than under Carter.

6. Poverty, according to the U.S. Department of Labor, is increasing. Five million more people, nearly half of them children, were added to the poverty rolls since 1981, with the percentage of Americans living in poverty moving from 13 percent to over 15 percent in the same period. Compassion and justice are government's domestic reason for being. Yet, as a Wall Street Jour-

nal article pointed out, Mr. Reagan's economic policies are making the rich richer and the poor poorer.

7. The great issue of war and peace rests precariously on the superpowers' cliffs. Six Presidents before Reagan have negotiated arms control agreements with the Soviet Union. Ronald Reagan has

not, nor is he even close to agreements with the Soviets on the two matters of common interest: curbing the proliferation of nuclear weapons, once released, "can be recalled," the nuclear clock is ticking away.

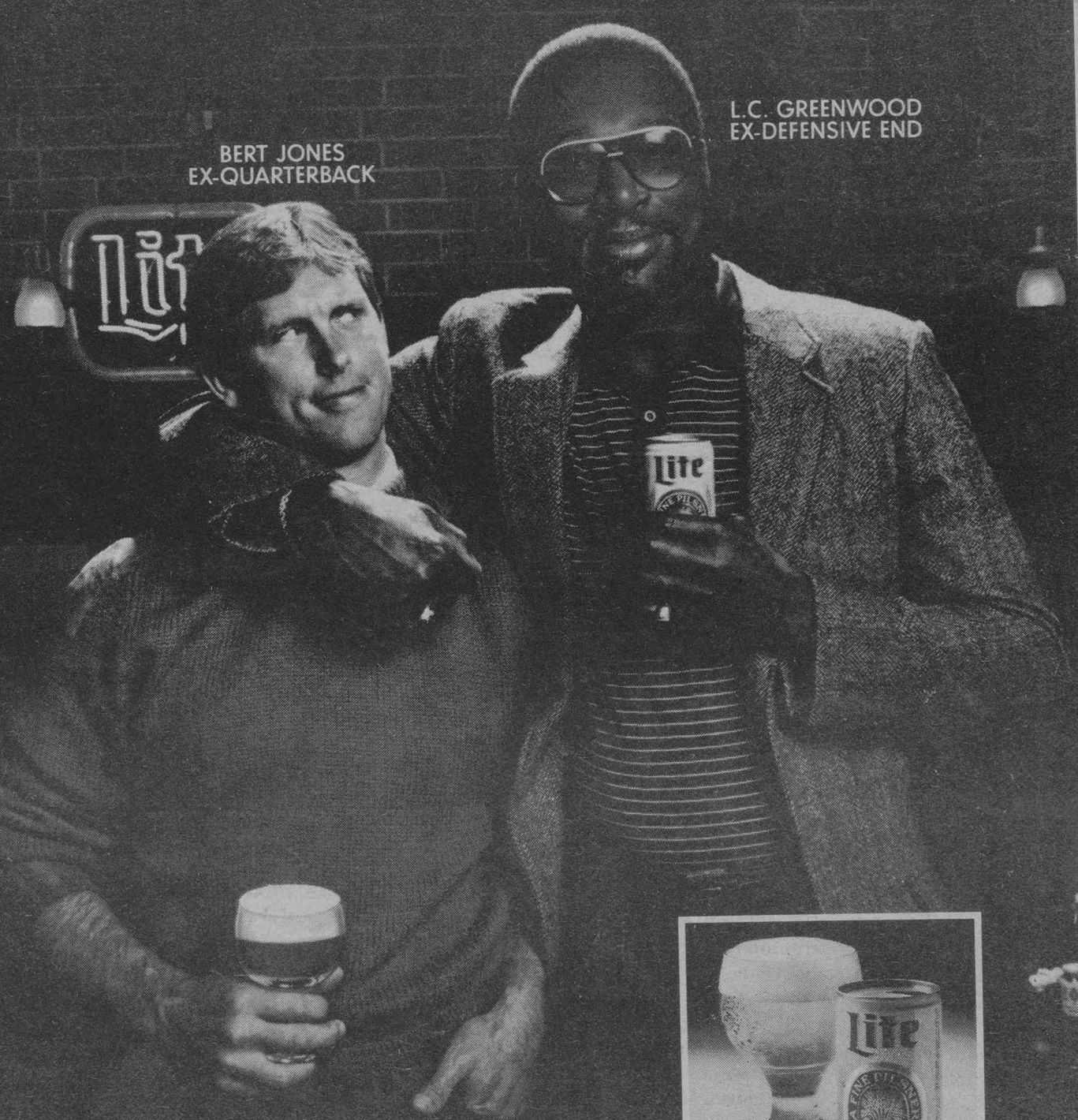
Many students believe they are familiar with Ronald Reagan, the television per-

sonality. But are they informed about his government's record? It is Reagan's government that is up for judgment next month, not Nixon's, Ford's, or Carter's. Have students dug into Walter Mondale's active record as a Senator? Or do they think because he is not exciting, it does not matter what he has

done for civil rights, consumer protection, the environment, child nutrition programs, or education?

It is time to turn off the one minute television ads of both parties and put on the old thinking cap. On November 6, your choice should be an informed decision, not one made on a hunch or an image.

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