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Campus target of three more bomb threats

By **FRANCES WARD**
News Editor

Three more prank bombs threats occurred on campus Monday, bringing the total number of false threats to eight this school year.

Students and faculty in Crosby and Barnes Halls evacuated the buildings at 10:08 a.m. after University Police received a call from an anonymous person.

According to a report by Officer C.H. Jenkins, the caller sounded like a Black male, who stated, "This is a bomb threat for Crosby and Barnes Halls." The caller said the reason the other bomb did not go off (possibly referring to the bomb threat that occurred last Wednesday) was because his girlfriend was in the building.

Two A&T officers and three Greensboro police evacuated and searched the buildings but did not find any incendiary devices, according to the report.

But, at 10:54 a.m., Officer Jenkins received a call from another person, who sounded like a white male and stated that a bomb was set to explode

in Gibbs Hall, according to a report by Officer B. Tucker.

Officers evacuated and searched the building but did not find the alleged bomb. Classes resumed at 11:50 a.m.

In an interview Thursday, Chief of Police John O. Williams said the Department is taking precautionary steps with the telephone company in case the pranksters call again.

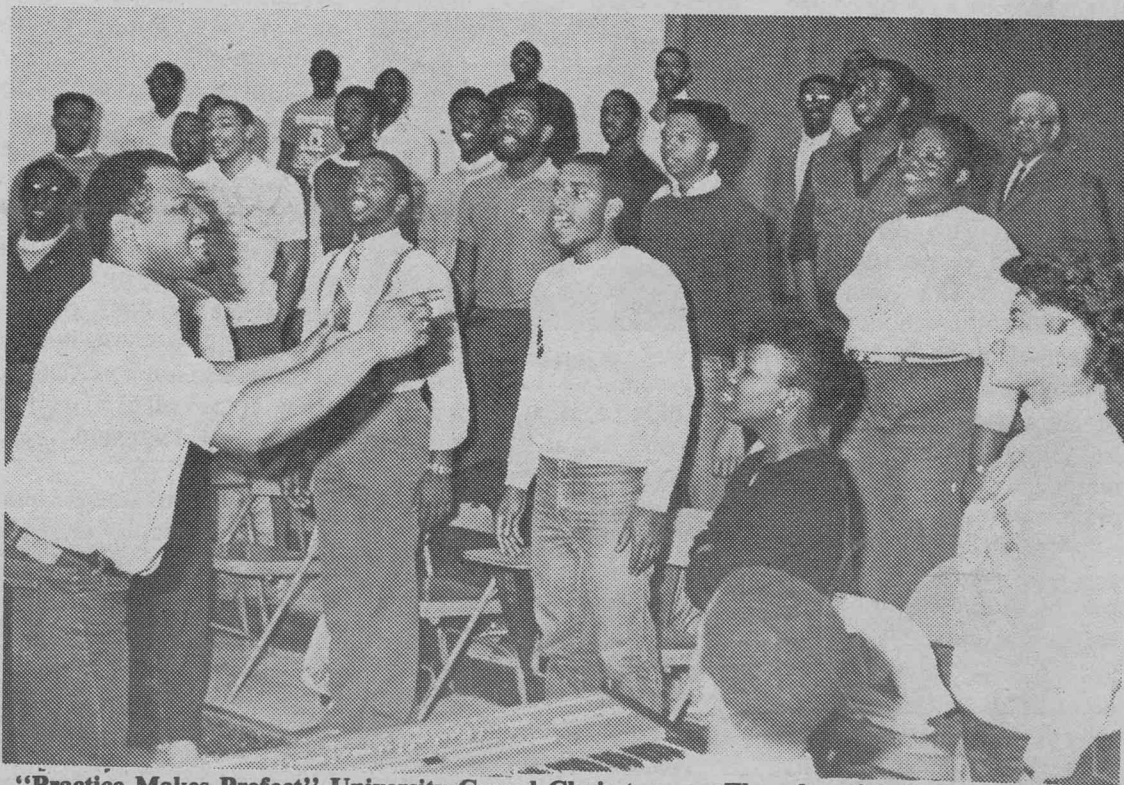
Williams said he could not release detailed information about the precautions.

"The bomb threats are becoming a nuisance to the department, faculty and students," he said. "Precautions had to be taken."

He said the department also plans to take other actions concerning the false bomb threats.

"We will make a suggestion to the faculty and ask them to pass it on to students to continue class outside, in another building, or reschedule classes for another day.

"I think students have realized that bomb threats aren't funny," said Williams. "They don't want classes interrupted."



"Practice Makes Perfect" University Gospel Choir tune up Thursday night before going on tour this weekend. (Photo by Jay Hall).

Students vie for offices

Thirty-eight students are vying for class and student government association positions for the 1985-86 school year.

Campaign speeches for class candidates will be held Monday and for SGA candidates Tuesday in Harrison Auditorium at 7 p.m.

Students seeking sophomore class offices and running unopposed are Beverly Elaine Threatt, president; Roslin Maddox, vice president;

James Hill, III, treasurer; and Karen Branham, Miss Sophomore. The office of secretary is vacant.

Candidates running unopposed for junior class offices are Curtis Lee Richardson, secretary; Kevin Todd Corley, treasurer. Vacant officers are president, vice president and Miss Junior.

Candidates for senior class offices, running unopposed are Craig M. Joseph, president; Milton Shaw, vice presi-

dent; James A. Burney, secretary; Eric Bernard Griffin, treasurer; and Patty Jean Cyrus, Miss Senior.

Students running for SGA president are Hebrew L. Dixon, James P. Tharrington, Jr. and Curtis E. Williams.

Candidates for vice president of external affairs are Thomas B. Horton, Damon C. Robinson and Jodi Felise Walston.

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Cardiss Collins

Students strive for excellence

By **FRANCES WARD**
News Editor

BRENDA POOLE
Special to the Register

Students should strive for academic excellence in order to get jobs and be competitive, said Cardiss Collins, U.S. representative of the Seventh Congressional District in Chicago, Ill.

The six-term congresswoman delivered the address at Honors Day Convocation Wednesday in Harrison Auditorium.

"Job opportunities are limited because technology has replaced far too many jobs," she told about 500 students,

faculty and Greensboro residents. "In the next decade, some 15 million Americans will seek jobs."

The American industry is facing a new kind of competitiveness - foreign competition and students must be ready for this change, said Collins.

"The United States turns out 60,000 new engineers a year and Japan is graduating just as many," she said. "Many foreign students are enrolled in engineering programs at schools in the U.S."

Although technology has limited job opportunities, (See convocation, page 2)



The Rev. Jesse Jackson and other marchers cross the historic Edmund Pettus Bridge at the beginning of the 20th anniversary march from Selma to Montgomery, Ala. See commentary on page 3. (Photo by Cameron Moody).

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VOTING IS A RESPONSIBILITY
NOT JUST A RIGHT

Marietta Raines

Dean of Nursing retiring

By MARDELL GRIFFIN
Special to the Register

A&T's School of Nursing is losing the woman responsible for steering its program out of an academic decline and putting it back on a steady course.

Marietta Raines, acting dean of nursing since July, 1981, is retiring at the end of this semester. During her four year tenure as dean, the number of nursing students passing the state board exams rose from 16 percent to 88 percent.

In 1981, the school was in danger of losing its accreditation by the N.C. Board of Nursing and the National League of Nursing. It is currently fully accredited by both organizations.

"A new person can come in and move forward on solid footing now," said Raines. "I see no reason why it can't be upwards and onward at this point. That's why I feel it's time to get back to some of the things I've promised myself."

Raines left an early retirement as a consultant with the N.C. Board of Nursing to take the position at A&T. She said her first tasks were making a complete assessment of the program, setting priorities and developing strategy.

When asked what caused the school's difficulty, Raines answered, "Frankly when I took the position, I didn't feel I had the time to get into that.



Raines

We didn't look at "how did it happen" but at "how can we rectify it". We set priorities firmly to salvage the school."

When Raines came to A&T, she worked with 14 existing staff members and two others hired in 1981. They set a strict admission's policy and criteria for graduation and made curriculum changes.

We looked at suggestions from the two accreditation agencies and strengthened areas that showed weaknesses, she said.

"The faculty worked consistently hard," said Raines. "We were kept busy many times way into the night but we worked our way out of difficulty with both agencies. With deadlines for improvements you have no choice but meet them."

In addition the staff concentrated in areas to help students prepare for exams.

Raines said the students did a lot of studying and hard work, improved their morale developed a great deal of pride and a determination "to uphold it all".

"Instead of going to the board apprehensive they (students) are telling us they are ready and so far they have proven they are," she said.

She said the school also received support and assistance from A&T students, faculty and administrators.

"This was not a one woman show. It took all of us working together and I applaud that," she said.

According to Raines, alumni group and other alumni of the school lent support with monies for extra learning experiences and recognition programs for the students.

"They have let us know they stand ready to assist in what ever ways possible" she said "We had a lot of good support and assistance and it has taken all of it."

What areas does Raines feel she has made the least and most accomplishments? "I see my biggest shortcoming in the area of fundraising. Now, attention will have to be turned to that immediately. I think the thing that is most important to me is the impact we have had on the students".

Home Ec. Dept. holds Spring Week

The Home Economics Department will sponsor a week of enriching activities in home economics and business during its 1985 Spring Week Program, March 30 - April 4.

The program opens with a luncheon on March 30 honoring

the academic and service achievements of the Home Economics majors. On April 1, Henry Richardson, vice-president of Service Systems Corporation, will be the keynote at a seminar at 7 p.m. in Merrick Hall Auditorium

on "Developing the Corporate Image" which will present the unwritten keys to corporate success from interview to first year on the job.

On April 2, a seminar on "The Entrepreneur of the 80's" will feature Dr. Joan Gritzmacher, Ohio State University specialist in entrepreneurial theory, and a panel of young Black entrepreneurs from the Triad who will discuss the problems of going into business at 7 p.m. in Merrick Hall Auditorium.

On April 3 more than 20 recruiters from the Triad will recruit home economics and business majors for full and part-time job opportunities in Benbow Hall from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

On April 4, an outstanding fashion show, "Fashion Fantasia" will conclude the week of activities in the Memorial Union Ballroom, at 7 p.m.

All events are free. Further information may be obtained by calling the office of the Department of Home Economics at 379-7850.

Convacation

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students can benefit from it, Collins noted.

"We can enjoy and appreciate what technology does," she said.

Collins cited several technological advances including air travel, telephone operations, household appliances and satellite disks.

During her speech, Collins encouraged students to get involved in politics.

"The government permeates everything we do," she said. "Having a voice in the decisions made by the government will make a dif-

ference."

Collins said there are many changes in society, but the need for excellence does not change.

"You have to continue academic excellence," she said. "You must excel to be a part of the productivity of society."

Collins, who is a native of St. Louis, attended Northwestern University. She currently serves on the House committees on Energy, Commerce and Government Operations. She also chairs the House Sub-Committee on Government Activities and Transportation.

Urban Affairs

Annual conference will address community concerns

The annual A&T Urban Affairs Conference will be held on Wednesday, March 27, in Room 123, Gibbs Hall.

The theme of this year's conference is "Survival Strategies: What Must We Do to Succeed?"

A wide range of community concerns will be addressed during the day by visiting consultants, students and faculty members and citizens.

Keynote speaker for the conference luncheon will be Bishop John Hurst Adams, presiding prelate of the Second Episcopal District of the AME Church of Washington, D.C.

Other consultants will in-

clude Dr. Alma Adams, first Black woman elected to the Greensboro School Board; Greensboro Councilman, Earl Jones; the Rev. Leon White, director of the Commission on Racial Justice; and Brother K. Wanzi of the American Friends Services.

The Urban Affairs Conference grew out of an idea first expressed in a sociology class at A&T. Students played a major role in planning and initiating the conference.

"This year's conference promises an outstanding program in terms of discussion on some of the major concerns of the day," said Dr. James Johnson, one of the chairpersons.

IIE students cited for achievements

Two A&T industrial engineering majors were cited during the recent Southeastern Regional Student Conference of the Institute of Industrial Engineers (IIE) in Miami, Fla.

Riley Hamilton, a junior, was honored for presenting the best technical paper at the conference. He was also selected to present his paper at the IIE's international conference in Los Angeles in May. Other contestants were from North Carolina State University, Georgia Tech, the University of South Carolina, Florida State University and the Virginia Polytechnic Institute. Hamilton's paper was entitled "Avoiding Collisions During Robot Operations."

Hamilton, a native of Springfield, Va., is a member of



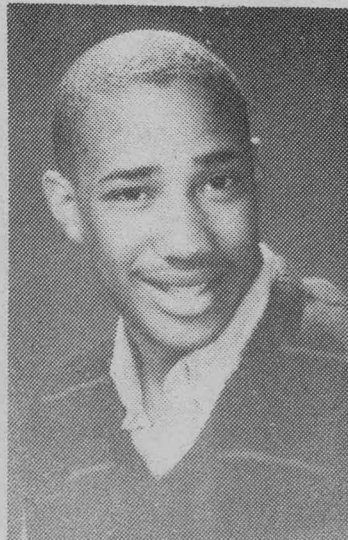
Clark

the National Society of Black Engineers and a National Alumni Scholar.

Also at the conference, Linda Clark, a senior, and president of the A&T chapter of the Institute of Industrial Engineers, received a plaque for leading the largest delegation to the conference.

A native of Durham, Clark is a member of the Engineering School Advisory Committee and the National Society of Black Engineers.

"Winning both of the top honors of this conference is a tribute to the students and to our program here at A&T," said Dr. Suresh Chandra, dean of the School of Engineering. "Hamilton's award places him among the best students of the nation."



Hamilton

Campaign Speeches, March 25 and 26, 7 p.m., Harrison Auditorium

Commentary

Selma to Montgomery Again!

One hundred years ago, white Democrats and white Republicans conspired to deny Black Americans the ability to register and vote. The legal right had been gained during Reconstruction through constitutional amendments and the Enforcement Act of 1870. Then a plan by whites employing violence, terror and the manipulation of voting laws was adopted throughout the South that succeeded in taking away from Blacks their ability to vote although their abstract legal right was maintained. One hundred year later, whites

(sometimes called Democrats and sometimes called Republicans) are again conspiring against Blacks, but this time for the purpose of diluting the impact of the Black vote.

Old forms of voting rights denial (poll taxes, property taxes, literacy test, grandfather clause, and violence) have been replaced with new forms of denial that deny the impact of the Black vote through at-large elections, and gerrymandering. The provision in sections 2 and 5 of the Voting Rights Act were designed to step these illegal actions. The Justice department has been negligent in its responsibilities with regard to

enforcing these laws.

While most of the nations attention has been centered on how far Blacks have come politically during the last 20 years since the voting Rights Act-400 public officials to about 5200-virtually no attention has been focused on how far we have to go to achieve parity. There are 500,000 elected officials in the United States and 5200 is about one percent of 500,000. Therefore Blacks are making progress at a rate of one percent every 20 years and because we are 12 percent of the population it will take us 220 year to achieve parity. That simply means, since we are 12 percent of the population, we are still 45,000

to 50,000 short of our share.

We marched from Selma to Montgomery 20 years later to dramatize the unfinished business and unenforced sections of the Voting Rights Act. The VRA in its present state is unenforced or simply but an Indian treaty. The present administrator's Justice Department is inactive, but the democratic party to who we are so blindly loyal and its leadership are silent relative to the unenforced sections of the VRA. For Black both inactivity and silence are unacceptable. Delay is the deadliest form of denial; therefore, justice delayed is justice denied.

Where do we go from here?

It is not enough for the rejected to go from the protest to politics. We must go from protest to politics to parity. Parity, not merely participation is the goal of the renegotiated relationship with our party and with America.

We must make democracy real and accessible for everyone. Thus, we need a law that will deputize registrars and make them available everywhere there is a congregation of people. We want our fair share of representatives and we are not going to wait until the year 2205.

Jesse Jackson Jr.

A letter written in a D.C. jail

Dear Honorable Magistrates:

Beyond the necessity of politics, there is a moral obligation by every politician or duly elected representative to represent his constituency. But the moral imperative beyond his constituency is to represent the world community for which he is so duly responsible.

Every world citizen is guaranteed at birth freedom of speech, religion, and full participation in world affairs. Who, I ask, but God, has the right to limit the world citizens a right to live and breath freely?

I ponder, here with my brother, Jonathan and father locked behind steel bars about the practicality and reality of limited freedom. A toilet, a sink, two steel bunks - that only conduct cold breezes that irritate my spine - are the only items in my cell. There are no mattresses, pillows or carpets in jail. Here there is no sense of time. And yet, Nelson Mandela has been imprisoned in South Africa in this same situation for 21 years just for opposing the Apartheid form of government. I said to myself, if indeed option is freedom then limited option is slavery.

So what is reality?

The reality is we are here in jail symbolizing the pain and suffering felt by the native South Africans who for most practical purposes are being enslaved in a country that locks itself behind the steel bars of hatred, segregation, and racism all of which irriate Black America's spine.

South Africa is a democracy. Democracies of the world guarantee one man, one vote. Unfortunately the 24 million Blacks in South Africa are considered three-fourth human. The government maintains the belief that

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Make your own agenda

The cliché *time flies* has certainly been the case for this school term as another editor has indicated on this page.

Perhaps the cliché is even more evident to elected officials on the campus, who are about to relinquish their seats.

Yes, Spring Elections are here again.

The question students should be asking themselves now is what is different on campus this year from last year.

Have the officials they elected lived up to their promises? And if they haven't, what was the problem?

How much has been accomplished this year that did not get accomplished last year by these leaders?

Perhaps some answers to these questions will be revealed when the candidates for the 1985-86 school term deliver their campaign speeches next week.

Students should be making their own agenda of what challenges they would like to see their potential campus leaders take on, rather than listening to a lot of rhetoric from vote seekers.

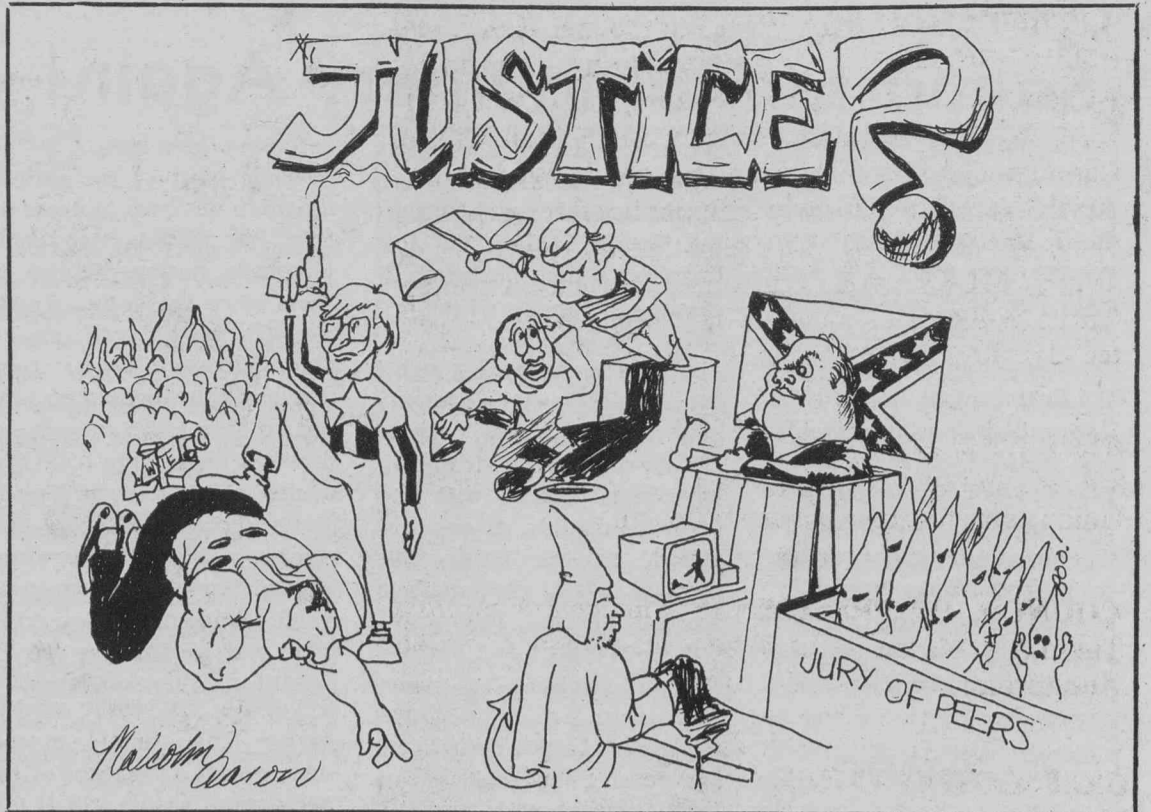
It is evident that after a year or two on this campus, that elections can be rather depressing. One reason is that instead of students seeking candidates to fulfill their agenda, candidates are making their own agenda. Instead of students attending campaign speeches to seek out a candidate who is willing to address their concerns, they spend most of the evening laughing or picking at the candidates.

In many instances, persons have been elected because they delivered good speeches not necessarily in content but in presentation.

It is time for A&T students to *get serious* about the issues of this campus and the leaders they select to address them.

If they don't, each year, they will be hearing the same election speeches and the same promises, which have not been fulfilled in the past.

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Waiting for the second wind

By DWAYNE L. PINKNEY

Two research papers are due. You are on edge, wondering whether or not you will be selected for the internship you applied for. If only those graduate schools would ease the pressure by letting you know whether or not you have been accepted. And then there is the spectre of summer school to finish up those few hours you have left.

Pressures begin to spring forth from every direction one looks. And there appears to be know relief.

Your hands begin to sweat and your heart palpitates when you consider those finals that are looming over you.

And then there are all of the other responsibilities that you have taken upon yourself. You ask yourself, "How on earth will I make it?"

Almost every student experiences this kind of dilemma at the end of every school year or semester. How easy it would be just to quit, to fold one's hands and give up — and, indeed, many do.

But, somehow, there always seems to be something extra given to those who hold on until the finish.

It is not unlike running a race; just when it seems as if all of one's strength is gone and one cannot take another step something happens — the second wind takes over and empowers one to go the distance.

One feels sure that at this time of year everyone is waiting and hoping for that second wind.

Justus

By Malcolm Aaron
Guest editorial

Justice is define in Webster Dictionary as the establishment of rights according to the rule of law or equity. It seems evident to this writer that there is something wrong with the American judicial system. Absolute miscarriages of justice continue in our country everyday.

Recently there have been juror selections for the Klan-Nazi trials. For the third time in seven years this case has been re-opened. Why? Because the evidence is so overwhelming against defendents that it almost seems criminal that these men are not in prison. Actual video tapes and eyewitness accounts of the slayings are discarded as evidence.

What is also interesting is how the plea of insanity comes into play in the hypocritical system. The country watched in disbelief when John Hinckley Jr. shoot President Reagan on national television. With a plea of insanity he is

now being shuffled from one institution to another. No one saw Wayne Williams kill anyone, yet he was found guilty. Now he is serving two life sentences in the state penitentiary.

Presently, a trial that will really test this system is the trial of Bernhard Goetz, the New York Subway Vigilante who shot four Black youth. There are interesting parallels between this trial and the Klan-Nazi Trial. The defendents in both cases were white and there victims Black. Both were highly publicized by the media, which manipulated the masses to believe the victims deserved their fate and build the perpetrators into all American heroes.

One has to hope justice will prevail in the end.

We go into the prison and courtroom looking for justice but what we find is just us!

In courtrooms, there are mostly black cases and in prisons, mostly Black but no JUSTICE!

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ATLANTA, GA. SGA, "Men of Cooper Hall", and Political Science Society are sponsoring a trip to Atlanta, Ga. Saturday and Sunday, April 20 and 21. Cost: \$60, make payments in Cooper Hall Office. Minimal deposit: \$20. Final payment: Wednesday, April 3 by 7 p.m. This trip includes hotel reservations, meals at Morehouse, Six Flags tickets, tour of A.U. Center, MLK Center. For more information contact Curtis Williams or member of Registration Committee -379-7919.

BLUE AND GOLD GAME is coming soon. Tickets are \$4 and may be purchased from the Student Union, any football player or coach.

COUNCIL OF PRESIDENTS will have a meeting Tuesday, March 26 at 4:30 p.m. in Murphy Hall Auditorium.

U.C.F. GOSPEL CHOIR will have a Spring Concert March 30 at 6 p.m. in Harrison Auditorium.

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CAROWINDS. Sponsored by SGA "Men of Cooper Hall", and the Political Science Society. Cost: \$20/make payments in Cooper Hall Office. Initial payment begins Monday, March 25. No deposits. Final payment: April 19. This trip includes tickets and refreshments on bus. For more information contact Curtis Williams or members of Registration Committee - 379-7919.

KNIGHT PUBLISHING COMPANY will be recruiting on campus April 11 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in 101 Murphy Hall. All interested sophomores or juniors who would like to obtain work in the Charlotte Observer circulation department, may register with the Placement Center and request an interview prior to April 11.

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Jail

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Blacks are not even citizens of South Africa, but of stark, artificial homelands that been set up across the country.

The solution to the South Africa crisis will not be peaceful. Frederick Douglass said along time ago, "Without struggle there will be no change? Nelson Mandel said, "What we want from this government, we must take."

The Rev. Jesse Jackson said, "If we stand up, we will fall our back."

Magistrates, we must realize the need of the many outweigh the need of the few.

Jesse Jackson Jr.

Blood Pressure clinic held

A blood pressure clinic sponsored by Chi Eta Phi, a nursing society, and Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. was held Monday, March 18 in the lobby of Williams Cafeteria.

The objective of the program was to help educated students and make them aware of the effects of high blood pressure.

Between the hours of 4 p.m. and 6 p.m., 86 students received blood pressure checks.

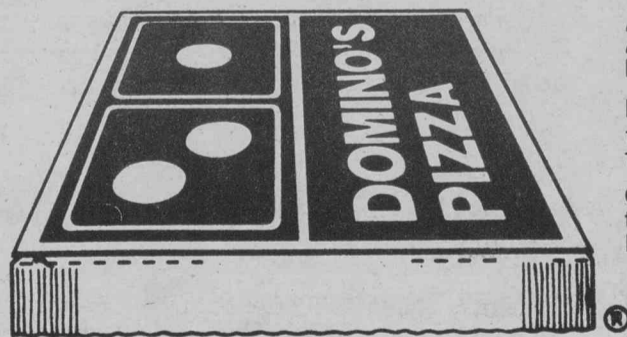
According to Craig Joseph, a member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, high blood pressure is more common among blacks than whites.

High blood pressure, which is also called the "silent killer" can be prevented with regular checkups, he said.

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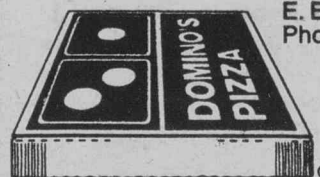
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Corbett praises team's performance

BY ANTHONY JEFFRIES
Staff Writer

Even though the Aggies lost to the top seeded Oklahoma Sooners by a margin of 13 points, Coach Don Corbett was not disappointed in the way his team played against one of the best basketball teams in the country.

"Knowing that we were playing the Sooners in Tulsa, Oklahoma, the fellows could have easily played scared," said Corbett, "but they showed a lot of pride and guts, especially after we were down by 14 points at halftime."

Oklahoma, led by All-America Wayman Tisdale, who scored 27 points, took advantage of the Aggies' lack of a center and scored inside the lane at will, but Corbett realized that the Sooners are not a one-man team.

"In the first half, we tried to concentrate on containing Tisdale, but Tim McAllister and Darryl Kennedy took up the slack," said Corbett.

"When we came out in the se-

cond half, we played McAllister and Kennedy tighter, but that opened up the inside for Tisdale. Oklahoma is a well-balanced team and the potential to make it to the final four."

The Aggies held their own against the Sooners and played better than anyone expected. Eventhough A&T was predicted to lose by 25 points, the Sooners could not shake the pesky Aggies until the last five minutes of the game.

Led by the inside moves of Jimmy Brown and the outside shooting of George Cale and Eric Boyd, A&T kept pace with the best offensive team in the country.

Brown and Boyd, who played in their last collegiate game, drew nothing but praise from Corbett.

"There has been a lot of talented guards that have played at A&T, but Eric and Jimmy are the best two guards in combination that have come through here in a long time," said Corbett.

"Eric and Jimmy gave us that inside-outside combination and both have an excellent opportunity to play professional basketball."

Corbett feels that A&T will have a strong nucleus coming back next year with steady point guard Thomas Griffis, forwards Claude Williams and George Cale, but someone will need to pick up the scoring slack left by the two seniors.

Corbett has no regrets about playing the Sooners, but is not in favor of the bid system. "All the smaller teams got the 15th or 16th bid in the tournament because that is how the system is arranged."

He feels that in three or four years the NCAA Division I will eventually be broken into two divisions to give small schools such as A&T a chance to compete for a national championship.

"I wouldn't mind having another division," said Corbett, "as long as we would have a chance of winning."

Outdoor track season opens with a dash

The Aggies Track and Field Outdoor season dashed open with a practice duel meet against Winston-Salem State last Saturday at Aggie Stadium.

The team outdistanced the Rams with a 98-76 victory on the 400-meter asphalt track.

Distance runner Joe Willis dominated the 1500 and 3000-meters run with a time of 4:26.81 and 9:27.56, respectively. Teammate Ivan T. Mosley placed second in both events with a time of 4:42.95 (1500) and 9:50.27 (3000).

Harvey Blakely sprinted to a blazing 21.75 seconds to win the 200-meter dash. Melvin Ballard glided to a 23.11 seconds 200-meter second in the event. Ed Smith ran a 24.88 to place 7th.

Joe Brown strided to a 2:03.15 800-meter run to increase another win for the Aggie track team.

The Aggies took a 1-2 sweep in the 400-meter dash. Daniel Fritz and David James raced to a 50.42 and 53.58, respectively.

The combination of Fritz, Ballard, Blakely, and Brown won the mile relay.

The Track and Field Outdoor team will be: Joe Brown (Sr.), Daniel Fritz (Sr.), Ed Smith (Jr.), Harvey Blakely (Jr.), Melvin Ballard (So.), Joe Willis (So.), David James (So.), and Ivan T. Mosely (Fr.).

Felicia Robinson is the woman hurdle.

Results: 3000 meter-1. Joe Willis (A&T) 9:27.56. 2. Ivan Mosely (A&T) 9:50.27 3. Carl Tate (WS), 10:08.69.

200 meter-1. Harvey Blakely (A&T), 21.75 2. Melvin Ballard (A&T), 23.11 3. Tim McAlister (WS), 23.34 4. Mack (WS), 23.87.

800 meter-1. Joe Brown (A&T), 2:03.15 2. Melton Phil-Potts (WS), 2:04.41 3. Micheal Few (WS) 2:13.99.

400 meter-1. Danny Fritz (A&T), 50.47 2. David James (A&T), 53.58 3. Robert Mack (WS), 1:00.44.

1500 meter-1. Joe Willis (A&T), 4:26.81 2. Ivan Mosley (A&T), 4:42.95.

Recruits spark potential for football team

BY DREXEL BALL
Sports Information Director

Outstanding. That was the word used most often when veteran North Carolina A&T football coach Mo Forte assessed the potential of his 1985 recruits.

"I'm extremely happy with our recruiting year thus far," Forte said. "I think we've recruited an outstanding group of young talent that will develop into some fine athletes before they graduate from A&T."

Battling major college powers for the services of some of the nation's leading high school seniors, A&T signed 15 players on the national signing date. While that number is expected to increase before recruiting ends, A&T has already claimed a number of players with all-conference, all-state and regional honors.

Forte said recruiting efforts centered on defense.

"We felt we were weakest on defense last season," Forte said. "We tried to get the best individuals available to shore up our defense."

Toward that end, A&T signed seven linebackers, three defensive tackles, and two

defensive backs. The offensive signees included two running backs and one wide receiver.

Continuing a pattern of recent years, A&T recruited heavily in the state. Forte and his coaching staff will greet no fewer than 11 newcomers from North Carolina in the fall. The remaining recruits will come from Virginia, Maryland, Connecticut, and Washington, D.C.

Forte made good on his efforts to sign local talent. The three local players who will be attending A&T in the fall are coming from traditionally winning programs.

Southern Guilford was a major contender for the Triad

3-A Conference title last season and Forte grabbed two players from its ranks. They include running back Jerome Crawford (6-foot-2, 205 pounds) and defensive tackle Jimmy Fennell (6-0, 220). The local product is 6-1, 175-pound wide receiver Reginald Rambert, who prepped at Dudley High School.

Massive defensive tackle Steve Williams (6-2, 245) is typical of the defensive linemen the A&T coaching staff sought. A product of Terry Sanford High School of Fayetteville, N.C., Williams earned all-state and all-conference honors. He also

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Baseball team drops four in a row

The A&T Baseball team lost a 9-1 contest to the University of North Carolina at Charlotte last Wednesday, dropping its season's record to 2-6.

The Aggies scored their only run in the first inning by Clifford Lee off a Donald Shaw single.

The 49ers took control of the game after tying the score in the first inning and pounding in four runs at the bottom third inning.

The 1984 Sunbelt Conference champs placed the game out of reach for the Aggies in the bottom of the eighth inning by batting in 4 more runs.

Aggie freshman pitcher Mark Chavis threw 8 innings being relieved by Alphonso Bradley. Both pitchers credited two strike outs. Chavis was the losing pitcher.

The Aggies dropped their fourth game in a row after a 2-2 start of the season.

Senior captains Donald

Shaw and Alphonso Bradley heads the 22-man roster for the 1985 Aggie Baseball season. Returning members include Allan Scott (CF-So), Rodney White (LF-So), Clifford Lee (1B-Jr), Maurice Stokes (SS-Jr), Rourke Wright (P-Sr), Keith Woods (LF-Jr), Travis Mangum (SS, CF-Sr), Chris Hollis (P-So), Henry Wooten (1B-Jr), Alvin Grier (SS, OP-Sr), James Hooks (1B-Jr), Gary Gray (3B-Jr).

Freshman players are Keith Harris (2B), Mark Chavis (P), Eric Owens (LF), Charles Mitchell (P), Charles Brooks (P), Andrew Snipes (RF), Henry Singletary (C), Peter Gilchrist (CF), Micheal Williams (C), Thurman Simpson (C).

The team is led by Coach Mel Groomes.

The Aggies play their first conference game at home against Maryland E. S. on Saturday and Elon on Sunday in the Memorial Stadium at 1 p.m.

Aggie tennis nets matches

A&T's Tennis team produced several impressive wins during its first two season matches, in spite of its 0-2 overall record.

The veteran Aggies took on the University of North Carolina at Greensboro at Oaker T. Hester park in their first match of the season, resulting in a 6-3 match loss for the team.

Aggie player Darryl Thompson netted a win against his competitor, 4-6, 6-4, 7-6 in the men's single. Teammate Kevin Cosby defeated his opponent, 6-4, 6-3.

Kelvin Bryant and Kenneth Fenner served a commanding

win against the Spartans in doubles play, 6-3, 6-3.

The seven-man Aggie tennis team continued its second team match against Averett College in Danville, Va. The Aggies dropped a close match of 5-4.

The men's single matches placed two Aggie netters in the win column. Kenneth Fenner defeated his opponent 6-3, 6-1 and Kelvin Bryant routed his competition, 6-2, 6-1.

Two Aggie doubles partners gained wins. Drew Berry and Darryl Thompson won their match 6-4, 6-3. Kelvin Bryant and Mack Butler took

their match 6-4, 4-6, 7-5.

The tennis team returns with an all-veteran squad and one freshman. The players are Kevin Cosby, the only senior; Darryl Thompson, Drew Berry, Kenneth Fenner, Kelvin Bryant, Perera Gihan, juniors; and Mack Butler, freshman.

Coach Bynum expects the team's performance to improve as the season continues.

"I'm very satisfied with team's progress. We are taking the first few matches to settle into the season," he said. "We hope to make a competitive showing at the MEAC conference championships."

A&T softball rips double win

By **JOE BROWN**
Sports Editor

Coach Lori Erwin saw her new coaching job improving as the Aggie Women Softball team swept a double-header against Campbell University here last Wednesday.

The Aggie softball team played a dramatic first game performance to come out on top 10-7.

Campbell tipped out in front 1-0 in the first inning before the Aggie women team retaliated with 3 runs in the second inning. Tina Edwards scored on a single by Cheryl Felder. Karen Deboise repeated another score hitting in Kim Thompson from third base.

The tough Campbell women team slammed in two runs in the third inning to tie the game 3-3.

Aggie hitter Lenny Dark powered a two-run homer in the fourth-inning to put the contest up 7-3.

The force of the Campbell team battled back in the seventh-inning to tie the score, forcing the Aggies into an extra inning.

Slugger Tina Edwards shattered all hopes for the Campbell's Women Softball team when she connected a home with two Aggies on base, en-

ding the game 10-7.

The second game of the double-header advanced with Campbell jumping to a 2-0 lead in the third inning before losing 5-2 to the lady Aggies.

The Aggies scored all five of their winning runs in the fourth-inning. Lenny Dark scored on a single by Stephanie Reaves. Veta Bennett bagged another run on a single by Felecia Worriels. Tina Edwards repeated her outstanding performance by hitting a two-run homer, bringing in Evette Estep and Stephanie Reaves from 2nd and 3rd base. Their current record is 4-4 overall.

Coach Erwin feels the team and she are still becoming

accustomed to one another, but will improve as the season progresses.

"Since it is the beginning of the season, the girls were kind of nervous in the opening games of the season. They are beginning to have a feel for one another as they play more together and I am improving with them also as a new coach."

Members of the team are Gloria McAlister and Lenny Dark, seniors; Karen Deboise, Veta Bennett and Cynthia Greene, juniors; Tina Edwards, Stephanie Reaves and Evette Estep, sophomores; Kim Thompson, Shirley Felder and Felecia Worriels, freshmen.



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*****Aggies*****

Football recruits

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has been selected to participate in the East-West All-Star game, a mind-summer football spectacle that showcases North Carolina's outstanding senior players.

But A&T's pick of the litter very well may be 6-foot-4, 205-pound linebacker Demont Vann. Vann was a two-sport standout at Bethel High School of Hampton, Va., earning All-America honors in football and track.

While some of the recruits may win starting berths this fall, Forte is keeping his expectations at an even keel.

"As usual, we don't know how good these players are going to be until we get them on the field," Forte said. "But I'm very excited about their potential. I honestly think this is another group of players we'll be proud of."

The Aggies finished with a 2-8 record last season. But Forte believes his most recent recruiting effort will help bring about a reversal.

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Ag Ed teachers and leaders honored

Nine agricultural education teachers and leaders with a total of 316 years' service were honored recently by the Department of Agricultural Education and Extension at A&T.

The honorees included J.J. Brown, Ayden City; William Cherry, Robinsonville; Alexander Daniels, Clinton; Eugene E. McKoy, Sanford; Hernando F. Palmer, Smithfield; W.L. Pierce, Duplin County; E.S. Quick, Lumber Bridge; LeRoy Redden, Farmville; and James Rogers, Enfield.

Brown retired as a teacher after serving 35 years in Georgia and Pitt County. He is Mayor Pro Tem of Ayden City.

Cherry was on honored for 36 years service at Pitt County Training School, Robinsonville High School and as executive director of the Robinsonville Housing Authority.

Daniels had 34 years service, including teaching assignments in Sampson County. He started his career as a veteran farmer training teacher in Sampson County.

McKoy started his 35-year career in Moore County where he taught in the Veteran Farmer Training Program in Carthage. He also taught in the schools at McCain, at South Stokes High and in Walnut Cove, where he worked until his retirement.

Palmer completed 37 years of service as a teacher in the Veteran Farmer Training Program at the Catawba Rosenwald High School and as a teacher at Unity High in State

Statesville and as a teacher of vocational agriculture at Mount Olive High in Morganton. He also worked with the Extension Service.

Pierce was honored for 34 years' service. He taught at John Chavis in Cherryville, Olive Hill High in Morganton, Douglass High in Warsaw, Charity High and Wallace-

Rose Hill High in Teachy.

Quick was agriculture teacher at Morrison County Training School in Richmond County, Oak Ridge High in Lumber Bridge and Parkpon High in Parkpon. He completed 35 years' service.

Redden taught for 36 years at Fort Barnwell High, in Craven County, and at Green

County Training School and Greene Central High School, and at Suggs High School and Farmville Central High School in Pitt County.

Rogers, 35-year veteran, taught at Ralph J. Bunche in Weldon, at Inborden High in Enfield and at South Halifax High School. All but Cherry are graduates of A&T..

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Elections

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Competing for Miss A&T are Sheba Anne Hall, Debara Annience Jenkins, Deidre M. Lewis and Demetrius Smith

Running unopposed are Christopher Morris, treasurer and Terry Phelps, attorney general.

Students running for student judiciary council are Lucy Felecia Banks, James Rodney Campbell, Arthur Kevin Dees, Ganzie C. Dent, Roy A. Ezell Jr., Bruce A. Faison, Adriane Lowrie, Frank McCain, Jacqueline Y. Simmons, Michael A. Wilkerson and Angela M. Worthy.

Stephanie D. Cousin and Cathy Humphrey are campaigning for the nominating committee position.