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Tharrington and Jenkins win elections

By **FRANCES WARD**
News Editor

Candidates and their supporters waited two hours in the Memorial Union Wednesday to hear election results for class and SGA officers.

Results were supposed to have been announced at 8:15 p.m. but because of a break down of the counting machine, they were announced at 10:15 p.m.

of about 100 supporters, when Donna Stewart, nominating committee chairperson said, "May I have your attention please. The results of the elections are ..."

Screams and hollers filled the air as James Tharrington, was announced president of the student association. He defeated Hebrew Dixon III and Curtis Williams.

Tharrington, a junior speech and theater arts major from Durham, said, "I thank all of you. I want to see unity as a start. Why not start it tonight?"

Tharrington had 714 votes, Dixon had 438 and Williams had 209.

After thanking the students, Tharrington asked them to join hands and led the group in prayer.

The new Miss A&T, Debra Jenkins, told the crowd, "I am overwhelmed. I owe you (the students) a lot of thanks. I believed in you; you believed in me. I'm looking forward to a great year."

Jenkins, a junior home economics education major from Selma, won with 836 votes, which were over 500 more than her closest competitor, Deirde M. Lewis. She also defeated Demetricus Smith and Sheba Anne Hall.

Thomas Horton, who won vice president of External Affairs, defeated his opponents Jodi Walston and Damon C. Robinson. Horton won with 638 votes. Walston had 351 and Robinson, 185.

Stephanie D. Cousins, who won the nominating committee chair, defeated her opponent Cathy Humphrey with 710 to 389 votes.

Students elected to the Judiciary Council were Lucy Felicia Banks, James B. Bryant Jr., James Rodney Campbell, Arthur Kevin Dees, Ganzie C. Dent, Roy A. Ezell Jr., Bruce A. Faison, Adriane Lowrie, Frank McCain, and Jacqueline Y. Simmons.

Others elected officers running unopposed were



Newly elected SGA officers Darnevy A. Law, vice president/internal affairs; James Tharrington Jr., president, Debara Jenkins, Miss A&T and Thomas Horton, vice-president external affairs pose with Chancellor Edward B. Fort at the election reception. Officers absent were treasurer Christopher Morris and attorney general Terry Phelps. (Photo by Phil Powell).

sophomore class officers: Beverly Elaine Threatt, president; Roslin Maddox, vice president; James Hill, III, treasurer; Karen Branham, Miss Sophomore.

Junior class officers are Curtis Lee Richardson, secretary and Kevin Todd Corley, treasurer.

Senior class officers are Craig M. Joseph, president;

Milton Shaw, vice president; James A. Burney, secretary; Eric Bernard Griffin, treasurer; and Patty Jean Cyrus, Miss Senior.

"It (the elections) was fair and square," said Dorothy Bailey, director of Student Activities and advisor for the nominating and elections committee. "We ran them (the ballots) through three times.

We apologize for the delay."

Bailey said the machine used to count the ballots broke down and she had to return to the Greensboro elections office to get another machine.

Students will have a chance to fill vacant offices in the fall.

New SGA officers will be installed at the annual Student Government Banquet on April 26.



SGA President James France congratulates new SGA president James Tharrington Jr. during the reception Wednesday night. (Photo by Phil Powell).

Bomb threats at all time high

By **FRANCES WARD**
News Editor

The ten bombs threats that occurred this week brought the total number of threats to 18 for the school year, an all time high at A&T.

Director of University Police, Joe Daughtry, said on the average, only three or four threats occur each year.

According to A&T police reports, on Monday pranksters called in bombs threats for Crosby, Merrick, and Barbee Halls.

On Tuesday, two unidentified callers phoned in bomb threats for the Memorial Student Union and Price Hall.

On Wednesday, prank calls were received for Martenna, Barr.es, Alex Haley and Williams Cafeteria.

All of the buildings were evacuated, but the alleged bombs were not found.

According to Police Chief John O. Williams, the caller for Haley Dormitory sounded like a female.

"The people calling in the threats do not understand the seriousness of it," he said.

As of 4 p.m. Thursday, the Department had not received a prank call for that day.

Although the bomb threats have reached an all time high, Williams is positive that the pranksters will be caught.

"We have found out that the calls are being made from places in the city and on campus," he said. "Each time our officers reach the location the person has left."

Williams would not go into detail just yet about the investigation but said the officers are questioning several suspects who are A&T students.

"Hopefully if they persist we will get to the bottom of it all," he said. "Our investigation has taken on focus."

Williams praised faculty and administrators in the buildings that were targets of the bomb threats.

"We have good cooperation from administrative staff members and faculty. By helping us search the buildings, they make the search procedure more effective and quicker."

Williams said many students are getting irritated with the threats and don't want to leave the buildings.

"The bomb threats are getting irritating but there is still that element of danger, he said. "Our officers don't like doing this but they never know when this may be the one."

Jackson, Board head Spring Sports Fest

The Rev. Jesse Jackson and Dwaine Board, two prominent A&T graduates, add a national flavor when A&T holds its annual Sports Festival Weekend on April 12-13.

The weekend's activities get under way on Friday, April 12, with the annual All-Sports Banquet at the Greensboro Sheraton at 7 p.m. The banquet, sponsored by the Board-in-Control of Intercollegiate Athletics, will honor more than 150 athletes, including members of the 1985 MEAC conference men's basketball championship team.

Board, a standout on the Super Bowl XIX champions San Francisco 49ers, will be the guest speaker at the banquet.

Less than 24 hours later, Board will be paired against the Rev. Jesse Jackson to match wits in the annual Blue & Gold spring football game. Board will coach the Gold team; Jackson, the Blue. The football game will be Saturday, April 13, at 1 p.m. in Aggie Stadium.

Both Board and Jackson are former football stars at A&T. Each will be taking his coaching debut seriously.

"I'm looking forward to this tremendous challenge," said Jackson, whose sons, Jesse Jr. and Jonathan will be members of the opposing Gold team. "My sole intention is to win."

Board was equally emphatic.

"My goal is to win, and it's clear I know how to win," said Board, a defensive end who started on both San Francisco Super Bowl championship teams.

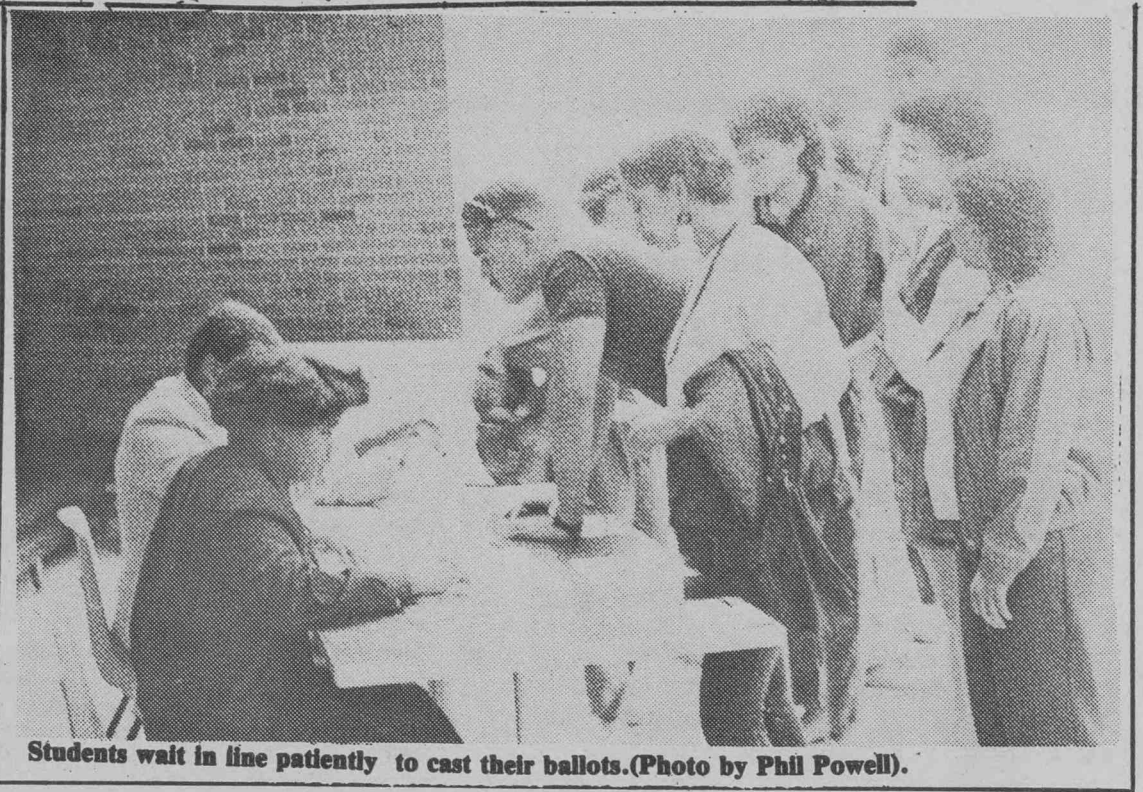
Meanwhile, veteran A&T football coach Mo Forte will be watching the game from a different angle. Usually pacing the sidelines directing the teams' fortunes and making crucial decisions, Forte will be atop the Aggie Stadium pressbox taking notes on his players' performances.

In the fall, Forte begins his fourth season as the A&T coach and will be hoping to reverse last season's 2-8 record. Forte sees the annual Blue & Gold spring game as another step in his rebuilding plan.

"The Blue & Gold spring game is very important in the overall process of building a winning program," Forte said. "This game will give us the opportunity to get the players in the proper frame of mind as we look ahead to start another season."

Tickets for the football game are \$4 each. A ticket also will allow the holder a plate of barbeque ribs during the game and admission to a dance in Moore Gym at 8 p.m. Saturday night. Tickets may be purchased from members of the squad or the coaching staff.

Tickets for the banquet are \$18 each and may be purchased from the athletic department.



Students wait in line patiently to cast their ballots. (Photo by Phil Powell).

Journalists to advise students

More than 80 area high school journalism students will participate in the annual Communications Day sponsored by the A&T Mass Communications program on today.

The conference, which will be in the Memorial Student Union, will be centered on the theme of "Communications Careers: Realities and Challenges."

During the conference, workshops will be held on the fundamentals of yearbook and newspaper preparation, sports writing, photography and broadcasting.

Workshop leaders include Van King, associate editor of the *Greensboro News & Record*; David Roberts,

associate news editor, WGHP-TV.; William Peeler, assistant professor at A&T; Otis Hairston Jr., Greensboro professional photographer;

Robert Lawson of International Press, Kansas City, Kansas; Drexel Ball, A&T Sports Information Director; Priscilla Smith and Sandra Hughes of the WFMV-TV staff; Tony Moor, copy editor, *Greensboro News & Record*; Tony Welborne, manager of WNNA campus radio station; Richard Edwards, director, A&T television studio; Mrs. Dorothy Bailey, advisor, A&T Yearbook.

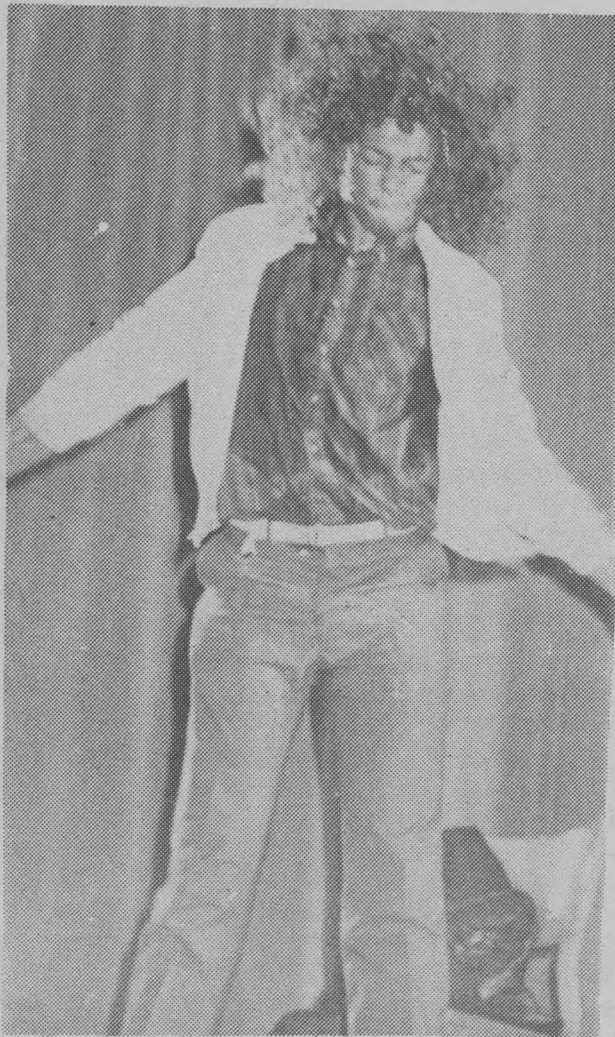
Keynote speaker for the conference luncheon will be William G. Moll, president

of the Harte-Hanks Communications Inc. in San Antonio, Texas.

Moll, who joined Harte-Hanks in 1972, is past president and general manager of KENS-TV in San Antonio. He also served as vice president and general manager of WSMW-TV in Worcester, Mass., and was manager of KLRN-TV in San Antonio.

He is chairman of the Television Bureau of Advertising, past president of the Texas Association of Broadcasters and a member of the Board of CBS Television Affiliates Association.

Also at the luncheon, several awards will be presented to outstanding Mass Communications students.



Mr. Aggie at his best — Dwight Smith, performs imitations of Michael Jackson, Prince and wild girls during comedy show, Wednesday Nite Live in Harrison Auditorium. (Photo by Jay Hall)

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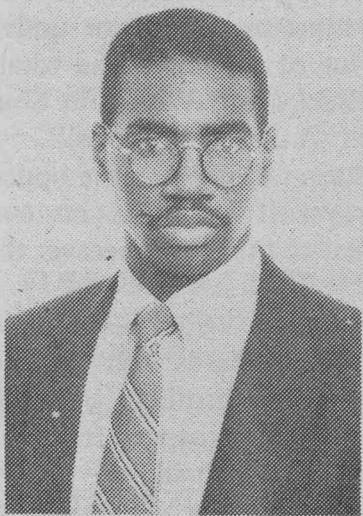
Own your own

By Roderick Earl Edmond
Guest Editorial

"None are more hopelessly enslaved than those who falsely believe they are free." Johann Wolfgang von Goethe

I'm not a Black Muslim, a leftist, nor a revolutionist; however, I have a conviction that is drastically contrary to the thinking of a number of "orthodox Negroes."

Black people, we must stop submerging ourselves, particularly our talents, in existing establishments that we do not own. This is not to suggest that we should not work for and in white-owned establishments, but in doing so, we must work with a specific purpose. If we must enter into predominately white occupational or academic environments, we should participate with the intent of acquiring knowledge and ex-



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perience that can ultimately be redirected toward the establishment of our own institutions. The end result of this endeavor will be that our descendants will, unlike ourselves, be occupationally and educationally independent of white America. Our descendants will be able to acquire the best education, best work experience, and best service from Black owned and Black operated institutions. They will be self-sufficient.

Business professor
coauthors textbook

Dr. Jack E. Hulbert, a professor of Business Education and Administrative Services at A&T, recently co-authored a textbook, *Effective Business Communication*, with Dr. Paul S. Burtens, professor of English, Emeritus, Northern Illinois University.

Hulbert holds M.B.A. and Ph.D. degrees from Indiana University and has taught business communication courses in the School of Business and Economics since 1977.

Since we don't own our own institutions, we are at the mercy of white America, and its ambivalence toward the cause of Black America is clearly reflected in its abuse of its position of power. Black children are being systematically maimed and subjected to "induced" mental retardation via inadequate health care and substandard education. Black people own few banks; therefore, white-owned banks wield our money, loaning it to practically everyone but us. Black people own few businesses, own few apartment complexes. Consequently, almost every dime that we spend on food, appliances, clothing and rent winds up back in the hands or, should I say wallets of white people.

While these deplorable conditions exist, young Black men and women foolishly continue to aspire to be pawns in white America's "chess game of power." Young Black physicians foolishly aspire to cater to middle class and more affluent clients, who for the most part will not be Black.

Young business students continue to foolishly nurture their "pipe dream," which is to enter and escalate in the white dominated corporate business world. And foolishly, banking and finance students continue to strive to be the "Black mask" in Black communities and the T.N.'s (token Negroes) in white communities for national banking corporations.

You may be wondering how it is that a young, "green," graduate student, only 2 years out of undergraduate school, could have such deeply entrenched ideas about the prospective direction of the Black community.

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Effective Business Communication is designed to help students improve their ability to communicate in business situations and will be used in a large number of secondary schools throughout North Carolina and the United States. The book is published by the South-Western Publishing Co., one of the country's leading publishers of business textbooks.



Pyramid Pledgees of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.

Min receives highest grade

Dr. Tony Charles Min, chairman of the Department of Mechanical Engineering at A&T, has been elected to the grade of Fellow in the American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME).

Min's election, the highest level of membership in the society, was announced by Paul F. Allmendinger, executive director of the ASME.

"This is a very prestigious level of membership in our coed society and one that is not given lightly," said Allmendinger. "This recognition by your peers of your achievements, indicates the

esteem in which you are held." The award was presented to Min by Dr. Ted Brna, vice president of Region IV of ASME.

Min, also a professor of engineering at A&T, joined the university's faculty in 1983. A noted researcher, he has done pioneering work on entrance air infiltration of high-rise buildings. His other research interests are in fluid mechanics, heat transfer, and solar energy. He is the author of 40 publications and a patent.

He has served as an associate editor of the ASME Journal of Solar Energy

Engineering and chairman of the ASME Solar Energy Division. He is a member of the ASME Energy Resources Technical Group Operating Board and a representative to the Steering Committee of Intersociety Energy Conversion Engineering Conference.

Min received a B.S. degree from Chial Tung University and the M.S. degree and Ph.D. degrees from the University of Tennessee.

He has taught at Auburn University, the University of Tennessee and Michigan Technological University and was employed by the U.S. Department of Energy.

Program assists freshmen

One of the most exciting developments at A&T State University in recent years is the Freshman Studies Program, designed to cushion the hectic first year for many new students.

"The freshman year is a year of transition," said Dr. Sandra Alexander, who directs the year-old program. "Nationwide, a larger number of students drop out at the end of the freshman year than any other year."

According to Alexander, the Office of Freshman Studies was established in order to "look out for the welfare of the freshmen and to improve their retention rate." The program is currently funded through the Title III grant.

The need for such a program was also alluded to in a special report of a special Retention Task Force appointed by Dr. Edward B. Fort when he became chancellor of A&T three years ago.

In a recent interview, Alexander talked about the concerns facing many new college students. "A major concern is finances," she said, "but running second is a feeling freshmen are lacking in study skills and some have deficiencies in basic mathematics and verbal skills, which prevent them from doing their best."

The Office of Freshman Studies becomes involved with the students almost as soon as they arrive on campus. A series of mini-workshops is held to help students improve their procedures for studying, note taking and test taking.

Alexander said the office features four other components, one of which is academic advisement for the students. "Every student is assigned to an advisor," she pointed out, "and he or she meets on a regular basis with the advisor." Alexander said it's not just a perfunctory assignment, but that the

teachers return forms to her office, stating that the student-advisor conferences have taken place.

If an advisor discovers that a student seems to have a special problem or need, the student is referred to special campus resources, including the Learning Assistance Center or the Financial Aid Office.

In the Learning Assistance Center, 12 instructors are available to tutor students in basic mathematics, English, vocabulary, and test taking. The center also houses nearly 30 computers and 60 software programs which will provide the students with self-paced instruction in those areas.

Alexander believes that the tutorial program is having some positive impact. "I have noticed that at least 250 of the students and/or faculty have made use of the computers in recent months," she said.

Another important component of the Freshman Studies program is the academic intervention segment. In this, all freshmen

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Don't go for anything

How many times have you distinctly heard a weather bulletin informing you that it will rain on a particular day and you still forgot your umbrella? How many times have you read a sign on a door that read push and you pulled?.

In my opinion that was the case of the Student Government Association elections.

Who has ever heard of students' changing their and trust in candidates because of the way other candidates deliver their speeches?

Perhaps some of us are so lost in this world that we don't have our own opinions. We will "go for anything" or to put in more colloquial terminology "Go with the flow". But what happens if the flow takes you over a waterfall?

That has been the case with this year's Student Government Association. They chose to flow with the administration rather than make waves for its constituents.

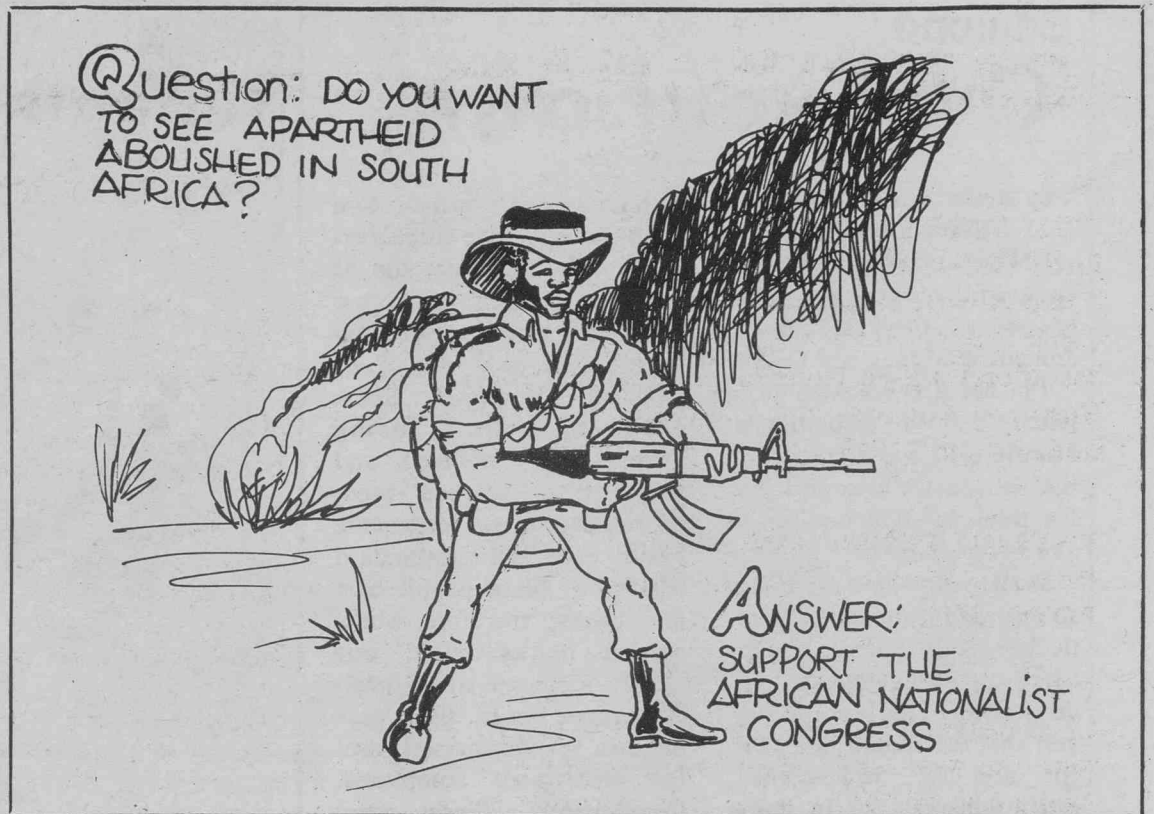
The main reason for such an unfortunate situation is that students do not take their leaders seriously during election time.

In most cases, they can't even remember why they voted a person into office. That's why leaders are able to divorce themselves from the causes that helped them get elected. Most importantly, they lose sight of their primary purpose for being elected and go with the flow.

However the student leaders are not to be blamed. Students have allowed their leaders to sell themselves to the system; mainly because they do not follow up on the people they elected. They don't have concrete reasons for backing a certain candidate. And that's sad.

But what's the use of crying over spilt milk.? The damage has been done.

Now, we have a new association which has only made promises to unify this campus. It is your duty as a student to make sure that it happens, along with whatever else you feel needs to be changed at A&T.



Cries will continue

By DWAYNE L. PINKNEY

Imagine, you are living in a country which denies your existence. You are poor, uneducated and uprooted. The government is a system which exists for the mere purpose of perpetuating your pathetic plight — apartheid.

We have heard much about apartheid recently, yet, we have heard too little. Though many courageous persons have spoken out against this wicked system which strips humans of their humanity and dignity, we still have not yet heard.

Some of us have even become brazen enough to say "I'm tired of hearing about South Africa and apartheid." Well, to those of you who are tired of hearing, stop your ears. because there are those who will continue to cry aloud about this injustice until it comes splintering to the ground.

But, why will we keep talking? We will keep talking because there are still some individuals who do not understand the issue of apartheid and what it means to Blacks and Whites in South Africa and throughout the world.

We will keep talking because oppression, wherever it exists, is an ever-present threat to humans wherever they exist.

We will keep talking because many of us have soiled our hands with the blood of our sisters and brothers by aiding businesses which prosper from the maintenance of apartheid.

We apologize for our much speaking, but we simply cannot sit silently and pretend as if we cannot see. We are horrified by the thought that, if we pretend not to see, we may, in fact, lose our sight.

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Looking forward to change

By FRANCES M. WARD

At our first student body meeting in September, SGA President James France gave an inspiring, crowd-pleasing message, "It's Time For A Change at A&T." However, after attending the most crucial events on campus Monday and Tuesday, this writer has concluded that not much change has occurred, certainly not an improvement of apathy among students.

Out of about 5,000 Aggies attending this university, only about 600 ventured to Harrison Auditorium to hear campaign speeches from class and SGA office seekers. How the other voters were able to determine who were qualified candidates, escapes me. Perhaps by word of mouth, or could they have already decided to vote for their friends? But, if they were not present to hear the candidates' platform, (if he had one), they can could not be sure of choosing the man representing their concerns.

At the same time, many of those who did attend the programs laughed at nervous candidates and disrupted speeches. The attention

seekers should have stayed in their dorms instead of coming out to be a nuisance to the candidates, who were very serious about their presentations. Many of the noise makers, would never have the nerve to stand before the student body, yet they resented the courageous ones. Could this be jealousy?

What was even more appalling about the elections this year, is that only four of the thirty-eight campaigners had competitors. Those students who ran should be commended, but other Aggies who had qualifications but refused to get involved, should be conscious stricken. They failed to exercise their right to get involved in student government. Furthermore, they have denied their responsibility to make situations better, if at all possible, for their fellowmen.

So, not much has been done to unify the campus this year. But, the happy note is the new president has pledged to bring the Aggie family closer. The Tharrington administration takes on the most difficult task of all at A&T — "to squash out apathy." Good Luck!

CAMPUS HAPS

PUTTING ON THE GOSPEL HITS featuring Little Cedric & the Haley Singers, Walter Hawkins (Love Alive III), the Pentacostal Ambassadors, the Clark Sisters and Remus Wright (Pentacostal Ambassadors) will be Thursday, April 4; at 7:30 p.m. in Harrison Auditorium. Admission is 75 cents for students and \$1 for adults. The public is invited.

PATRICE THOMPSON, a freshmen business major from Andrews, S.C., was the winner of the Air Force ROTC raffle.

TWO STUDENTS, Rodney L. Massey of Chesapeake, Va. and Janice Williams of Fayetteville were the winners of a raffle sponsored by the Zeta Alpha Chapter of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc.

THE STUDENT UNION ADVISORY BOARD will have its annual banquet on April 11 at 7 p.m. at the Holiday Inn-Four Seasons Hotel. The speaker will be Denise Franklin, co-anchorperson on WXII, Channel 12. All members of the board and their guest are invited. The price per person is \$7.50. After the banquet, a social/dance will be held.

ANY STUDENT interested in becoming a member of the Student Union Advisory Board committee may pick up an application at the information desk in the Memorial Union. Application deadline is April 5.

A FULL-BOARD MEETING of the Student Union Advisory Board will be held Sunday, March 31 at 6 p.m. in the Memorial Room of the Student Union. Officers for the 1985-86 school year will be elected.

COLLEGE CREDIT BY EXAM Did you know that you could get credit for some selected A&T courses by passing an exam? The program is called C.L.E.P. (College Level Examination Program) and is administered by the College Board. If you would like to learn more about how to you can earn Credit-by-C.L.E.P. testing come by or call the Counseling Services Office, 108 Murphy Hall at 379-7727.

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

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.

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.

Students stop the pranks; I want to have class - Alford

Editor of the Register:

"Hey man, the weatherman said it's gonna be a beautiful day tomorrow. I'm gonna hang out all over the yard, 'cause there's gonna be some fine babes bustin' out in shorts, miniskirts, tube tops... There gonna be gettin' loose."

"(curse) I'm supposed to have this Econ test in the morning at 10 and I sure ain't studied for it yet."

"That's beat man, 'cause the fellas are talkin' 'bout goin' to 'G' about that time to check out the babes sun bathin'."

"Dog! I sure wouldn't wanna miss that. (pause) I know! I'll call in a bomb threat!!"

Is this how you do it, my fellow Aggies. Just because it's a beautiful day or you haven't studied for that exam, you want to call in a bomb threat.

Engineering students inducted

Students inducted into Tau Alpha Tau Engineering Honor Society on Friday, March 22 in the Memorial Student Union were Raymond Bradley Franklin, Felicia Gail Drew, David Folk Jr., Eartha J. Black, Gloria Renee Thornton, Regina L. Gannaway, Jaime K. Degala, Karen Sidbury, Cheryl Self and Carmen Sidbury.

Other new members are Elbert Wright Jr., Tracy Spellman, Tonia Dew, Leon Nowlin, Ruby Oakley, Gregory Young, Randall Harris, James Smith and Robert Green Jr.

Dr. Suresh Chandra, Dean of the School of Engineering was the guest speaker.

How immature!

When I first came here, I was told I was being prepared for the outside world. What a laugh! Just because I can't get my project finished by the time my supervisor wants it, I think I'll call a bomb threat at the plant.

One thing is for sure they are definitely getting in good practice for the working world.

If they haven't realized it yet some people are trying to get an education at this "fine" university. (Some are even try-

ing to graduate.)

I've paid too much money to this school to get a degree and I want every penny's worth. If I miss class, I want it to be because of me, not because some "crazy" person wants to keep me out by playing pranks like this.

Aggies, let's be reasonable. We've struggled hard and long enough to get in school; don't do things like calling bomb threats to keep us out.

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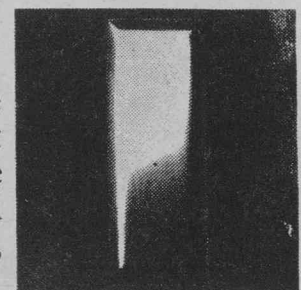
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ARMY NURSE CORPS. BE ALL YOU CAN BE.

Aggie tracksters improve record

BY JOE BROWN
Sports Editor

Four Aggie track runners and the mile relay team placed in the top three places of their events at the Liberty Baptist College Open Track meet last weekend. Sprinter Harvey Blakeney ran a strong performance by places in the 100-meter, 200-meter dashes and the mile relay.

Blakeney won the 200-meter event with a dashing time of 21.67. He continued his performance with a 3rd place finish in the 100-meter dash in 10.95 seconds and ran the third leg of the mile relay.

"It was a fair performance, but I still need to improve. I was not totally satisfied and I still need to work out kinks in my technique. Otherwise, I was pleased."

Aggie long jumper, Melvin Ballard, soared to an uncontested leap of 23'9 1/2" to win the event. His closest opponent jumped 22'4 1/4". Ballard ran the second leg of the mile relay.

"I feel that I am ready to make my goal of 25 feet. I know I am a better jumper outdoor because I have a better feet of the runway."

The winner of the triple jump event was decided only by an inch as Aggies' Edward Smith jumped a 47'4 1/4" to

take the event. The second place finisher, Wayne Jones of High Point College, jumped a 47'3 1/8". Smith set a new record in the trials with 49'6".

"I felt comfortable because I knew what I had to do. I felt confident that I would jump 51 or 52 this year."

Freshman female hurdler Felecia Robinson placed 3rd in the 100-meter hurdles. Robinson sprinted against a field of twelve women.

"All the hard work that I have done so far is paying off to a point, but I still have a lot of work to do. By championship time, I should know how well I have performed for the year."

The Aggie team combined all forces to place a close second in the mile relay. The team ran a 3:22.28 with Senior Capt. Joe Brown at the anchor leg. The winning time was 3:20.9 by Liberty Baptist.

"Our mile team is very strong and we expect to improve with each meet as long as we have the right men in the right place," said track coach Roy Thompson.

"This team is the beginning of the nucleus of a nationally caliber-type team. They are well disciplined and they have the championship attitude, regardless of all the adversities they have been through in the past."



Aggie player Cynthia Greene draws back at bat during the A&T vs. Fayetteville State game recently.

Women softball Women double up at home

BY JOE BROWN
Sports Editor

The A&T women softball team is still undefeated at home after winning its second double-header is a row against Fayetteville State University and Barber-Scotia College in a tri-match recently.

The first game resulted in Barber-Scotia defeating Fayetteville 8-4. A&T took on Fayetteville in the second game.

Lenny Dark hit a triple in the first-inning and scored later on a Tina Edwards' sacrifice hit to put the Aggies up 1-0.

Fayetteville scored one run in the third-inning to tie the contest.

The Aggies went up 6-1 at the bottom of the third-inning after Lenny Dark powered another triple, bringing in Gloria McAllister and Cynthia Greene. Dark scored on a Tina

Edwards' single with Vetic Bennett batting in Edwards and Stephanie Reaves.

The top of the sixth-inning flashed one run for Fayetteville while at the bottom of the inning piled two more runs for the Aggies. Vetic Bennett scored off a Kim Thompson single and Shirley Felder hit a shot down third base to bring in Felecia Worriels to make the score 8-2.

Fayetteville scored the final three runs, but the surge wasn't enough to halt the Aggie victory.

Lenny Dark hit two triples in the first and second-innings and McAllister was the winning pitcher.

The Aggies played Barber-Scotia in the third game, winning the contest 13-11. Their record goes to 6-4.

Lenny Dark cracked a triple in the fifth-inning, strengthening her outstanding performance for the day. Cynthia

Greene added to the win with a homerun in the second-inning.

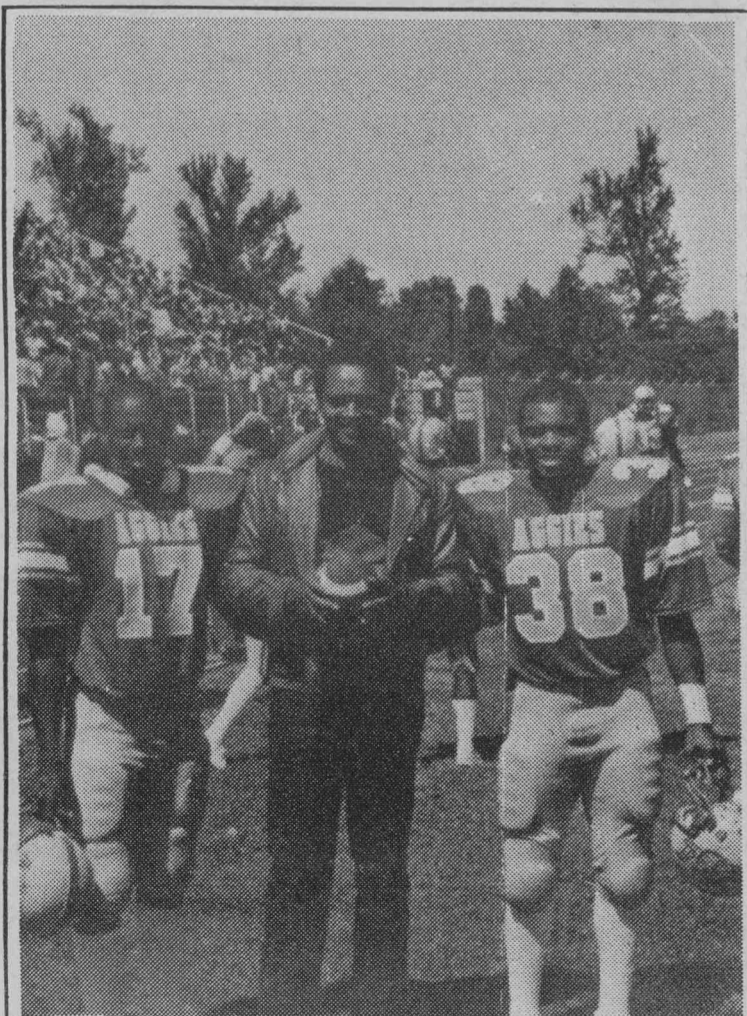
"I haven't been out there that long, but I have adjusted. The team has improved from last year, considering the number of freshmen we have," said Greene.

Coach Lori Erwin welcomes the tough competition because it helps the team improve on its game.

"We have tougher competition ahead of us, but it is coming at a time in which the team is peaking. The improvement has come from the hard practice and the determination of women.

The team takes on UNC-Charlotte today at 3 p.m. and North Carolina Central on Saturday at 1 p.m. The games are both home.

Any women wanting to play softball can see Coach Erwin at the softball field at Aggie Stadium everyday from 3:30-5:00 p.m.



File photo: The Rev. Jesse Jackson and his sons, Jonathan, left, and Jesse Jr., pose for the camera during the first home football game. Jackson will coach during the Blue and Gold football game April 13 at 1 p.m. in the Aggie Stadium.

Tennis team makes history against UNC

The Aggie men tennis team defeated the University of North Carolina in Greensboro team for the first time in A&T's history by 7-2 on the campus of UNC-G.

The Aggies routed the Spartans by netting five men singles matches and two double matches. The team has a 1-2 record.

The singles matches were as follows: Kevin Cosby (A&T) d. Richard Kleis 6-2, 6-7, 6-2; Drew Berry (A&T) d. Jerry Digh 6-0, 6-4; Darryl Thompson (A&T) d. Brent Walton 6-1, 3-0 (retired); Ken Fenner (A&T) d. Neal Dorman 6-1, 6-4; Kelvin Bryant (A&T) d.

Scott Garrett 6-1, 6-3; Todd Dixon (UNC-G) d. Max Butler 0-6, 6-4, 6-3.

Junior Kelvin Bryant expects the team to improve even more as a team and individually.

"I was very pleased, because we are getting more consistent in our matches. We definitely have a chance to win the MEAC championship this year."

The doubles matches were as follow. Kleis-Richard Moran (UNC-G) d. Cosby-Fenner 7-6, 2-6, 7-6; Berry-Thompson (A&T) d. Digh-Dorman 6-1, 7-6; Bryant-Butler (A&T) won by default.

Blue & Gold
Game

April 13

Aggie
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Make your mark in history - Edmond

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entrenched ideas about the prospective direction of the Black community. How did this revelation present itself to one so young and inexperienced? Well, it was simple. I did not have to seek it out. I did not have to spend hours on end arduously searching for an elusive flash of insight. Hell, it jumped up, sneered at me, then kicked me in the face!

The truth of our situation appeared in the form of a Black mother and her fragile, underweight, undernourished, six-week old, Black baby boy, who happened to be a patient of mine during one of my first hospital experiences. The child was born in the county hospital two weeks prematurely and weighed six and one-half pounds. When I examined him at the age of six weeks, he weighed only seven pounds. With the exception of the baby's inability to gain weight, there was nothing else ap-

parently abnormal about the baby's physical examination. The baby's mother was a moderately obese woman, who was wearing a "skull" cap and had deep bags under her eyes, obviously due to lack of sleep. The woman was not older than I (23 years); however, she appeared to be well into her 30's. The woman was obviously not formally educated, but she clearly communicated the intense motherly concern and worry that she had for her baby. As the mother emotionally conveyed, the baby was born in the county hospital, recounting that the pregnancy was complicated with only a mild case of maternal hypertension. While still in the hospital the baby did not

tolerate his feedings well, and everytime he drank his formula, he would regurgitate the entire quantity. The doctors assumed that the baby was being fed too much formula; therefore, they decreased the volume of each feeding. However, the baby continued to throw-up all of his food. Without resolving the child's gastro-intestinal problems and to the disapproval of the mother the physicians discharged the baby on his third day of life. Three days later (day six of life), the mother routinely fed the child his formula. Two hours later, the baby began sputtering and spewing up formula through his mouth and nose, and he began turning blue. The child

was not breathing. The mother swiftly phoned the ambulance service at the same county hospital and commenced to try to restore the child's breathing. While in the ambulance the paramedics administered oxygen to the child, and his breathing was normalized. At the hospital, the child was examined, found to have normal respiration and was subsequently discharged. No laboratory work was done; no X-rays were taken, and the mother was told that it was normal for babies to throw-up. The physicians totally ignored the mother's claim that the child had stopped breathing - probably viewing her claim as just ignorant babbling from an uneducated

Black mother. Two days later, the same type of attack occurred, and this time, when the mother took the child to the county hospital, the physicians commenced to berate her, saying that she was paranoid and overreacting. They accused her of not burping her baby properly, then they discharged the child. Consequently, the mother was sent home with two misconceptions: (1) that she was an inept mother, incapable of properly feeding her child; and (2) that it was normal for babies to throw-up, stop breathing, and turn blue after the meal. For the next five weeks, the attacks continued, and the mother, for fear of ridicule by the

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Freshman

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the academic intervention segment. In this, all freshman students now receive mid-term grades from their instructor. The grades (S for satisfactory and U for D or F work) are mailed to the campus as well as the permanent home address.

"Once the grades are out," said Alexander, "I write a letter congratulating them if they are doing well, or informing them that they are being put on academic alert if they are not doing well. This scares them to death."

Those students who are not faring well, according to Alexander, are asked to see their advisors immediately, are provided with a schedule of available support programs."

"The freshmen seem to love these mid-term grades," said Alexander," and some of the upperclassmen want to know why they are not getting them. The grades are good because in some cases, freshmen presume they are doing well when they are really performing poorly. This enables them to know exactly how they are doing."

Alexander is sold on the procedure because she said it promotes communication between the students, their teachers and even the parents. She also noted that there was a noticeable improvement in the freshmen grades the second time the mid-term grades were issued.

Another device used by the office is what Alexander refers to as the "Pink Slip," an early detection device for students who may be having difficulty.

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Blacks must become self-sufficient

physicians, did not take the child back to the county hospital.

Fortune would have it when the mother brought her two other children to a private hospital's pediatric clinic for routine check-ups, the baby, in the mother's arm at the time, spewed-up formula, began choking, and stopped breathing. The pediatrician turned his attention away from the other children and hurriedly rendered emergency respiratory therapy to restore the baby's breathing. The pediatrician in an amazed state inquired, "Maam, how long has your baby been doing this?" The woman responded, "Ever since he was born, and the doctors told me it was normal." The baby was immediately admitted to the hospital's pediatric inpatient ward.

The child actually had a classic case of severe gastroesophageal reflux and secondary aspiration with intermittent asphyxia, which is just "doctor talk" for an immature muscle at the end of the esophagus that allows food to be thrown-up from the stomach and inhaled into the wind pipes, thus choking the victim. This child's failure to gain weight was simply due to all of his food and nutrition being thrown-up. This diagnosis could have been easily made by the administering of a simple test and/or a specific X-ray procedure. However, as a result of the negligence of the physicians at the county hospital, this innocent Black infant, who is already destined to have problems in life simply due to his race, has been subjected to oxygen deprivation to his brain - for periods of three minutes, two-three times per week, for the first six weeks of his life - and probable brain damage.

What does this experience have to do with self-sufficiency of the Black race? It is my contention that if a self-sufficient Black owned and operated hospital with Black physicians, who cater predominately to Black patients had initially seen this baby: (1) the physicians would probably have had more genuine concern for the baby's well-being; and (2) white people would not have had the opportunity to subject this Black baby to their negligence.

Black professionals have a responsibility to establish institutions that can serve as the economical and educational foundation of our community. We must move away from the "Great White Father" mentality which keeps us dependent solely upon the whims of white America. Think about

it! It is utterly ridiculous to expect white people to have as much concern for or to bear the burden of responsibility of rendering service to Black people. And, it is even more ridiculous, yes, even shameful, that Black professionals have reservations about assuming responsibility for their own.

Black students and professionals, whatever your field of endeavor, sit back at this mo-

ment and reflect upon your career goals, realizing that, if you aspire to invest all of your time and talents into a system that has worked against you since its establishment, not only is this action dumb, but your children will be in the same dismal state as yourself, being forced to work for wages, for white people. On the contrary, if you strive for independence, i.e. owning

your own business, establishing Black-owned health care facilities, teaching at Black-owned educational institutions, defending Black citizens in this biased judicial system, etc., then you will be serving as a bench mark in history for future generation Black people. You will be able to pass on to your descendants more than mere illusory works of wisdom and inspiration.

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Roderick Edmond
Duke Medical Student
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