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Housing director to resign

By Linda Bumpass
Staff Writer

Having been here only a few months, Wanda Hendricks, director of housing, has resigned.

Dr. Roland E. Buck, vice chancellor for Student Affairs said, "She is resigning for personal reasons. She just gave me a letter of resignation for what reason I don't know."

According to Buck, Hendricks gave him the resignation letter in December, 1985, which will be effective May 10, 1986. "She submitted the letter to me and said that she would not come back to the position."

I feel that she will not come back for a number of concerns and the main concern being that the program was not developing like she wanted it to," he said.

"Also, because of all the things going on and her goals were not being accomplished as fast as she wanted them to," Buck added.

Hendricks, declined an interview, saying she had no comment regarding her resignation.

Buck said he feels that Hendricks aggressiveness may have resulted in her resignation.

"If you have people that are too aggressive they expect things to happen in a short time and Mrs. Hendricks is a very aggressive person," he said.

According to Buck, there is nothing wrong with the university housing department which had one housing director fired less than a year ago.

"There is nothing wrong with the housing department. It's just the area that has the most workers, the biggest budget and the most problems," he said.

"It is the most difficult department in student affairs. We have 5,600 students and we can only house 2,800," Buck added. "You have a number of problems that are going to be there, but a person just has to stay in there and try to satisfy the majority."

Buck said he doesn't know if Hendricks plans to take a job at another university. "She hasn't announced to me what her plans are beyond May 10, 1986."

Buck said he will begin a national search for another housing director and hopes to get one by July 1, 1986.

Campus police report

A portable IBM personal computer valued at $2500 was stolen January 7 from the cad-cam laboratory in the Industrial Engineering area of Dudley Building.

Arutup Mallik, chairperson of the Industrial Engineering Department said that on January 7 a student asked him to open the lab door in order to work on a project. Mallik refused entry to the student saying that he would have to get Dr. Willard Wiley, lab manager or someone else in authority to unlock the door.

Shortly afterwards, Mallik said he left the building. Returning later, Mallik found that someone had unlocked the lab door between 2:30 and 3 p.m. and stole the computer.

Williams said that the lab room is normally kept secured and has an alarm system. But he said the alarm isn't set until the building is closed. He added that only authorized personnel have keys.

The case is still under investigation and all leads are being followed, Williams said.

Bookstore relocation set

By Warren C. McNeill III
Special to the Register

An estimated $300,000 has been earmarked by the A&T Board of Trustees to go towards the relocation and improvement of A&T's bookstore.

According to bookstore director, James Meachem, plans are underway for the relocation of the bookstore to Brown Hall, the former faculty and senior cafeteria.

He said that the project, which is a part of the approved tuition increase package for the 1986-87 school year, has been through a three year talking stage but nothing has been done.

Meachem said that although the budget may vary, $200,000 is expected to be spent on the renovation of the structure while an estimated $100,000 is to be spent on the heating and air conditioning system.

He also said that the project could be financed by bookstore profits and that are in reserve.

He said that Brown Hall, located on the corner of Bluford and Laurel streets will offer the bookstore a central location.

"The central location could increase our sales 150-200 percent," he said.

He also said that the move from the bookstore's 17-year-old home in the Memorial Union will provide more storage space for rental textbooks and departmental supplies.

"The Brown Hall location will provide the bookstore an additional 70 feet of floor space plus a basement. Less congestion, improved merchandising and the bookstore's overall display, are among the benefits expected to be gained by students from the new relocation," said Meachem.

"We are now operating with the bare necessities," he said.

Meachem is in favor of students purchasing books instead of renting them and that this change would assure an adequate supply of textbooks, thus eliminating long lines and forcing students to take better care of their textbooks. He also said that this would give students the option of keeping or selling their textbooks.

Although no tentative date has been set for the project's completion, Meachem said that the project should be completed by March 1987. The relocation of the student bookstore should also provide A&T students with a bookstore comparable to those on other state university campuses.

Upon completion, Meachem hopes to incorporate a convenience store type operation with extended hours such as a non a.m. and a non p.m. schedule that will cater to students personal supply needs.

Registration problems solved

By Warren McNeill III

Registration problems at A&T were held to a minimum during spring registration. Administration officials, Dr. Rudolph Artis, director of the Registration and Records, and Willie Mouring, acting director of the Computer Center attribute the installation of more data entry stations in Corbett Center as a key factor.

Artis listed the large number of preregistered students as another chief reason. He said, "Eighty percent of the students preregistered for the spring semester -- the greatest number to do so in the schools history." He added that approximately 1700 students also pre-paid their tuition.

Artis said registration showed a marked improvement over last fall.

After problems with fall registration, Nathan Simms, Jr., vice chancellor for Academic Affairs held a series of administrative meetings aimed at improving registration. This series of meetings has also been continued this semester with the next meeting scheduled for February 4.

A new change was implemented this semester. Class schedules were only good on the day of students' assigned registration date. If the schedule was not validated on that day, the space in a particular class was lost.

This provided a current listing of available class space. In the past schedules were good during the entire registration period. "Students should pay closer attention to their assigned dates in the future" said Artis.

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Police search for peeping tom

University officials are looking for a "peeping Tom" in the vicinity of Corbett Sports Center.

Police Chief John Williams said last week's incident was reported by a female student.

"We have a call from a female student who was at the bookstore with her roommate," Williams said. "She was walking with her roommates when she noticed her academic paper was gone."

The incident occurred at 10:30 p.m. on Thursday, and police are searching for a man who they say entered the store, took the paper and ran.

Williams said the suspect is described as a white male, about 20 years old, with short brown hair and blue eyes. He was wearing a black jacket and white pants.

Williams also said there has been an increase in thefts at the bookstore over the past few weeks, and he is urging students to be cautious.

Anyone with information is encouraged to contact the police department at 850-3000.

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**AIDS information available**

To the Editor:

Inspite of significant media publicity, AIDS is still a frightening entity. It is safe to assume that most students and faculty members of the A&T community are aware of Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome. It is normal to be concerned or have certain anxieties about AIDS, but it is not normal to have some kind of distorted notion about AIDS or a hostile attitude towards unfortunate AIDS victims.

As much as we have our right to keep safe/free from getting AIDS, the AIDS victims have their right in this society to lead their lives without any unnecessary harassment from healthy, intelligent individuals.

University Advisory Subcommittee on AIDS
Memorial Student Union snack bar gets new caterer

By ESTHER WOODS
News Editor

The Memorial Student Union snack bar is no longer operated by a privately owned caterer but by a public caterer of Fayetteville.

Shaw Food Services Company, a predominately black corporation, began operating the snack bar in January after winning a bid package that was reestablished according to the university's and the student's needs, said Terry Munn, assistant manager of Shaw Food Services Co.

Munn said that several companies present a bid package each year and the best package is chosen by A&T Purchasing Office and the Auxiliary Services.

"A bid is the lowest of the best quality that the students want of food or anything at a reasonable price," he said.

"In dealing with monies, you have contracts and we came up with the best bid." Ernie Johnston, a private caterer, served as manager for the snack bar for the last 17 years.

All of the employees of the snack bar are wid wird and still are A&T students. Under the new management, the employees received raises, and new uniforms.

"I worked here last semester and I get along much better with the new management because they're around our age group," said Felicia Worries, a sophomore Agricultural Engineering major from Savannah, Ga.

Worries said that last semester the manager never worked with employees on the night shift except when it was time to close the snack bar and count the money.

"This year while under new management, the manager is here all night from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m.," said Worries.

"It's cleaner in the snack bar now and I've heard many students say this," she said.

Patrice McGill, a freshman computer science major from Gastonia, said, "the atmosphere is a lot better and it seems that more people are coming over now than last semester."

Munn said that in the future foods as pizza slices, popcorn, chicken, sub, nachos, ice cream and diet soft drinks will be sold in the snack bar.

"All of these new additions will be added by Feb. 14, because we want to show our love for the school," he said.

The snack bar is open Monday through Friday from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m., on Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 11 p.m. and Sundays from 1 p.m. to 11 p.m.

Johnston
Ernie Johnston, Jr. is an A&T alumnus and a professional journalist who writes a nationally syndicated human interest column. While at A&T, Johnston was the feature editor of The Register as well as a columnist. He is also the former managing editor of the New York Amsterdam News which is the largest circulating black weekly in the country. Johnston writes his Ernie's World column from various perspectives and from experiences he has encountered during his 21 years in journalism. In his column submitted to The Register, Johnston recalls with fond memories his association with Mrs. Lorenzo M. Marrow who was a guiding force towards getting him interested in going into professional journalism.

By Ernie Johnston, Jr.

During his journalistic career I have been fortunate to have some very good teachers along the way whether they were in the structured classroom setting or a co-worker on a newspaper on magazine.

There have been quite a few who have had a profound effect upon shaping and molding me into a seasoned journalist but out of all the people with whom I have come into contact and who have helped me, there was one person who was right there at the beginning and who gave me the push into the world of journalism.

At A&T State University I developed the incentive and the enthusiasm to enter journalism and because of Mrs. Lorenzo M. Marrow, I was able to get my first insight into the newspaper world.

She was a teacher, mother, advisor, sister and a buddy all wrapped up in one Mrs. Marrow was buried Thursday, December 12, in a hilltop grave in the Maplewood Cemetery.

When Spurgeon Cameron called me from Raleigh to inform me of Mrs. Marrow's death, it came as a shock. I had spoken to Mrs. Marrow in November and she said she was feeling much better after being recently hospitalized and that her biggest concern was her husband, Dr. Eugene Marrow who at that time was in the hospital and was facing surgery.

Both my father and Dr. Dorothea Marrow who had taught biology and Mrs. Marrow, an English instructor and advisor to the campus newspaper, The Register.

Mrs. Marrow never bumped heads with editors in a newspaper nor had she a career of chasing police stories, fires or developing political pieces for a major newspaper.

But one would never know it from the way she would encourage members of The Register staff to put out the best publication possible and to always make sure they got the story, adhered to deadlines and answer the who, what, why, when, where and how in the story.

As I look back to those days with The Register under Mrs. Marrow's leadership, I can recall the many nights staff members had spent putting the paper together. Even today there are many times I have spent long hours working on a story or producing a newspaper.

And when I began doing it as a professional journalist, it was nothing new to me because Mrs. Marrow had prepared me for the "real world."

People like Cameron, Army General Charles Bausby, Tommy Gaddie, Dr. Richard Moore (just to name a few) are some of the people Mrs. Marrow would talk to students and would praise their work as Register staff members.

She was proud of her staff.

Back in 1980 I had been invited to speak to a Register staff banquet and during my speech I gave a tribute to Mrs. Marrow and there was a broad smile across her face as I talked about this woman and how much of an effect she had had upon her former students.

Some how or other we don't have instructors in our schools whether it be high school or college and elementary for that matter to take a real interest in students.

With Mrs. Marrow, she treated her staff as if they were "family" and we knew her friends, her family and she in turn knew our families and our concerns.

Ed Pitt who works with the National Urban League probably summed it up best when he recalled Mrs. Marrow as a person who had a profound effect upon her students and an advisor who had a rapport with the staff.

"You just don't find that now in our schools on a broad base," Pitt told me as we remembered Mrs. Marrow.

Under her leadership The Register was a prize-winning publication and she made sure that her staff availed themselves to out-of-town conferences where we could bump heads with college journalists and professionals so that we could be best at what we were doing.

And there were the deadlines to make sure we got the paper to the bus station so that it could be shipped to Irving-Swan Printing in Raleigh to be typeset and printed. Vivian Irving was at the funeral and she too recalled with fond memories those many times when she and her brother would work diligently to get The Register out.

Times have changed. The Register no longer prints in Raleigh because the paper has its own typesetting facilities. That's a sign of how things have changed because students can now come out of school already experienced in operating typesetting equipment.

Mrs. Marrow was proud of The Register. It was her life. Even after retirement she returned to the paper to advise and to help with the editing. She also made her staff members proud of The Register and proud of whatever field they would become involved in.

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LORENO MARROW — She was more than just an instructor, Mrs. Marrow was a pal, friend and a mother to many. The full impact of her loss has yet to surface. Mrs. Marrow was one of those special people we only meet once in a lifetime. Even now, we miss her.
No “one” answer

CBS aired a shockingly true story, “Crisis in America: The Vanishing Black Family” late Sunday night.

Bill Moyers, a white broadcast journalist, took to the streets of Newark, N.J.’s inner city—a polite term for Black ghetto—to explore the “vanishing” Black family.

Moyers interviewed several unwed teenage mothers, the young men who fathered their children, other “street kids” and their families.

He learned what most Black folk already know is true: Many Black American households are headed by women; many Black men, possibly out of frustration from being unemployed, are wasting their lives on street corners; Black teenage pregnancy has reached epidemic proportions; and many teenage fathers do not support their children because they know that government will—through welfare.

What Moyers failed to see, however, is that many of the “street kids”, were without love: the very thing needed in order to have hope.

The teenage mothers, not finding love at home, looked for it in the eyes of the smooth-talking fellows.

And the fellows, with no father figure, one to one to look up to, looked for love in the streets or wherever they could find it and as much as they could find.

Moyers did not present any immediate solutions to the problem of the disappearing Black family. He did, however, talk to several Black people that have decided to do something about the situation by dedicating their lives to helping these teenagers out of this vicious cycle: A Black detective, who grew up in the neighborhood that served as the setting for Moyers’ report, and now acts as a “big brother” to many of those in trouble; and a Black couple who have taken it upon themselves to serve as foster parents to many of youth.

Some who watched the show suggested that Black entertainers, athletes, elected officials and others who have made it to the top should reach back and pull their brothers and sisters up by the bootstraps. And still others say, it is the responsibility of those in the situation to pull themselves up. Unfortunately, some people don’t have bootstraps.

There is no “one” answer to the problem of saving the once- strong Black family. But all the answers must be implemented simultaneously if the Black family is to survive.

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A TRIBUTE TO DR. KING

Keep the dream alive

By ESTHER WOODS

On Jan. 20, Greensboro, with the help of a few A&T students, celebrated the birthday of America’s greatest Black prophet, teacher, civil rights leader and Nobel peace prize winner’s—The Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

The works and beliefs of this one great man changed the walks of nearly every Black American and had not been for his great freedom marches and speeches exhibited during the 60’s, segregation may still exist in America today.

Although he was ridiculed, King never gave up the fight and the struggle for freedom. He was jailed several times and even stabbed, but he never ceased to stop the fight for the freedom we, Black Americans, have today.

King had dreams for us, and today through his dreams we see realities. But now that he’s gone, what dreams do you have that could better our future generations? What can you, as an individual, do to enhance America?

Dr. King didn’t fight for us to only sit back and mourn “we shall overcome” but he fought for our rights so that we would take a stand and be something and somebody in a still prejudiced America.

He sacrificed his life for Black’s to vote, to use public bathrooms and other facilities, to sit anywhere on buses, and he sacrificed his life to end segregation in America.

What then, will “you” sacrifice? What will “you” do that will make a difference or cause a change in America for Blacks?

Yes, we, Black Americans have overcome in many ways and we, no longer face the same complexities or frustrations as we did throughout the 60’s, but there’s still work, yet to be done.

Dr. King dreamed big and achieved big. And as one writer said, “If you can dream it... you, too can achieve it!”

What would King say?

By Windy Norgins

If Dr. Martin Luther King were able to speak from his grave, what do you think he would say about A&T’s week-long celebration in his honor?

Do you think he would mention that out of about 5,000 students and faculty, only about 500 attended the memorial convocation in his honor?

Or would he have mentioned that only a handful of students marched in the streets of Greensboro to save his holiday. Dr. King spent the majority of his life marching to end discrimination?

What do you think he would say? Dr. King might mention, if he could, that too many people today are satisfied with the way things are. They can not see that the old problems are still here.

He might mention that as a Black institution, we should care about equality, and the struggle to keep his dream a part of reality.

He might mention also that too many of us are selfish and just care about our own happiness.

Brothers and sisters, have we forgotten that famous hour when four fellow Aggies choose to risk everything in the quest for equal rights?

What would you have done that day? Will continue the fight?
A PERSONAL FINANCIAL PLANNING workshop offered by the School of Business and Economics will be held on Wednesdays from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. beginning Feb. 5 through March 5. Registration for the workshop will be on Wednesday, Feb. 5 at 6 p.m. in Room 210 Merrick hall. For cost and additional information contact Sylvia Newell, Office of Continuing Education, 379-7609.

ENGINEERING FUNDAMENTALS REVIEW, a course conducted by the School of Engineering, is now being offered to prepare persons for taking the NCEE Fundamentals of Engineering Examination and those who wish to obtain the Engineering in Training Certification. It is given every Monday and Wednesday evening through April 7 at 6:30 p.m. in Room 210 Graham Hall. For cost and additional information contact Sylvia Newell, Office of Continuing Education, 379-7609.

THE STUDENT UNION ADVISORY BOARD Cultural Affairs Committee is sponsoring “Superlatives” for the 1985-86 academic year. Ballots are available at the Information Desk in the Union and in the cafeteria. Return completed ballots by January 31. Also the Committee is also sponsoring “Mike’ Talent Night Wednesday, Jan. 30 at 8 p.m. in the Union Ballroom.

VALENTINE POEMS AND LOVE MESSAGES will be accepted at the A&T Register Office beginning Feb. 4 after 5 p.m. Love messages will be a penny letter. Poems and messages will be published in the Valentine’s edition, Feb. 11.

Too few students observed King’s day

To the editor:

Why would people elect to go to a show on a Friday night costing them 50 cents and not go to a free service on a Wednesday morning or a Monday evening honoring a man who paid the ultimate price so that we as a people might have an equal opportunity in the very nation that once enslaved us?

Why should the city council, or the Federal Government for that matter, allow us to have a holiday in Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.’s memory if we as a people are not going to participate?

I was very disappointed by the dismal turnout I witnessed at the King ceremonies and very outraged by the contrasting attendance at the step show.

But you wonder, who am I? I am only a man, concerned about his people, and their future. I challenge everyone who reads this to re-dedicate their lives not because I fear that Dr. King’s life may have been lived in vain but because I fear that since his death, we have slid progressively backward.

If you, too, are concerned, please take this to heart and pass it on. King said if someone doesn’t do it now, it won’t get done. Let’s get it done. Keep the dream alive.

Frederick D. Henry

TUTORING SESSIONS for the National Teacher Exam (NTE), the Graduate Record Exam (GRE), and other standardized exams (GMAT, LSAT, MCAT) will be held twice a week throughout the Spring 1986 semester on Mondays from 5-6 p.m. and on Wednesdays from 3-4 p.m. in Crosby 201. The Monday session will be conducted by Dr. Robert Levine and the Wednesday session by Dr. Sally Ann Ferguson. These tutoring sessions are sponsored by the English Department.

The NAACP Triad Sickle Cell and R.H. Barrington Dist. Co., a subsidiary of Anheuser-Busch Co., will sponsor a free health mobile Monday, February 3 from 8:30 am to 1:30 pm. Free blood pressure checks, sickle cell tests, and general health care checks will be administered. The mobile will be located in the Moore Gym parking lot, across the street from the Student Union. Free Anheuser-Busch novelty items will be given to those participating.

Good oboe and bassoon players are needed for the University Symphony Band. Contact Dr. Hodge or Mr. Williams in the band room of Frazier Hall between 8 am and 5 pm.

Professor co-authors textbook

Dr. Jack E. Hulbert, professor of Business Education and Administrative Services at A&T’s School of Business and Economics, has co-authored a textbook, Effective English for Colleges, with Dr. Paul S. Burtness, professor Emeritus, Northern Illinois University. This text, which is accompanied by a computer software package, is designed to help postsecondary students learn the fundamentals of English grammar from a business perspective.

Dr. Hulbert is also co-author of Effective Business Communication, a textbook designed to help secondary school students improve their ability to communicate in business situations. Both these books are published by the South-Western Publishing Co. and will be used by a large number of schools and colleges throughout the state and nation.

Dr. Hulbert holds M.B.A. and Ph.D. degrees from Indiana University. He has taught business communication courses at A&T since 1977.

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By ANTHONY JEFFRIES

By Anthon / Jeffries

Last week, the National Collegiate Athletic Association infuriated many of the nation's black college educators when the final adaption of Proposition 48 was passed.

Proposition 48, which will take effect in August, states that an incoming student athlete must have at least a 2.0 grade point average, a minimum score of 700 on the SAT and 150 on the ACT to be eligible at a Division I school.

Words such as racism and unfair have been thrown at the NCAA's predominantly white governing body by these educators. Black students scores on these tests are not as high as the whites which gives these educators reason to believe that the tests are culturally biased.

Because of the new standards, the critics point out that many students, who might succeed in college academically if given the chance, will be kept out of school because they can't meet the requirements of the tests.

Division I black colleges such as A&T and Howard are predicted to be affected directly by Proposition 48. But while A&T competes against a higher level of competition, especially in basketball, than the other black colleges in the state, they are not considered to be in the major market with schools like Carolina or State. A&T cannot sell themselves to a top-rated prep player like these major universities can. Unless A&T is in the NCAA playoffs against a national contender, you will never see the 'blue and gold' featured on the game of the week.

The only thing that A&T can offer these future stars is an education. "Thank you" says the recruit, "but Mr. Alumni is going to give me a million dollars and TV exposure."

But once the new ruling is into effect, it will be the heavyweight schools who feel the pain. Just take a look at some of the games on TV. You don't have to wait for A&T to play to see blacks perform.

If the rule had been put into effect this past year, a majority of the athletes would be ineligible to compete at the major schools. At SMU, a study revealed that at least 48 members of the football team would have been academically ineligible under the new rule. The so-called student athlete that the heavyweights give scholarships to will have to go looking elsewhere if he doesn't meet requirements.

The black athlete then would have no alternative but to go to NCCU or Winston-Salem. So, in a sense, the black colleges would benefit.

But a lot of these situations could be prevented if blacks would stop making excuses for the students. Instead of complaining about the attitude tests, teachers should set up some type of program to better prepare students to pass these tests. Also, education should be first priority. Just because he is the star of the team, he shouldn't be able to slide through school to keep him, the student body, and the administration happy.

Proposition 48 may now force the black prep athlete to raise his academic level a notch or two now that he realizes he can't go to N.C. State or even A&T without a decent education.

Va. Tech slips pass A&T

North Carolina A&T nearly pulled off what would have been their biggest upset ever but Virginia Tech took the lead for good in the closing minutes and held onto a slim 79-75 win in Blacksburg, Va. last Thursday night.

The Aggies, holding a surprising 39-34 halftime lead over the 20th ranked Hokies, was ahead by a single point with 5:44 left in the game before All-American candidate Dell Curry scored eight points in the closing minutes to lead the Hokies to victory.

Curry, who lead all scorers with 22 points, was being bounded by A&T guard George Cale the majority of the game in the Aggies' 1-3-1 zone. Curry managed only six points in the first half.

With freshman Carlton Becton leading the way with four consecutive baskets, A&T opened a 51-44 lead in the opening minutes of the second half.

But under forward Claude Williams picked up his foul, the Hokies rallied back in front during a span of 5:30. A&T lead again at 57-56 on point guard Thomas Griffin's jumper at the 7:40 mark.

The score was tied on two occasions before Bobby Beecher's outside jumper gave Tech the lead for good at 63-61 with 5:44 remaining.

The Aggies started slowly in the first half but behind the scoring of William Cole and Becton, the defending MEAC champs eventually snuck past Tech. Williams' short jumper from the corner moved A&T in front 35-34 with 2:19 left in the half or Tech could not find the range in the closing minutes of the half.

A talk with Corbett

By ANTHONY JEFFRIES

Even though Proposition 48 has been criticized by many Black leaders and educators, A&T's Corbett believes that the new standards will not have a major effect on the Aggie basketball program.

"But", Corbett said. "I will have a better understanding of it once I learn the minor technicalities of it."

Finalized last week by the NCAA, Proposition 48 will force the high school athlete to become a student/athlete if he wants to attend a Division I college. A 2.0 grade point average and a 700 score on the SAT or 150 score on the ACT will not prevent an incoming freshman effective in August.

Black leaders and educators have cried that Proposition 48 is unfair to the Black student — that the new standards will make white universities richer while Black schools will be left out. They cite the SAT achievement test, which they feel is unfairly biased towards Blacks which causes Blacks to have lower scores than whites. However, Corbett doesn't see the situation that way.

"Proposition 48 is not going to hurt from the academic aspect," Corbett said. "Now a days it is not enough to be a jock anymore, you have to be a student/athlete. You can't just say that A&T has won four MEAC championships, but how many players are eligible to play."

"I can't see Proposition 48 having a major effect on us because we are not in the big money market." Corbett continued, "we are very seldom televised such as a Carolina or State, who gets a chance to showcase their basketball programs to the high school athlete at home.

Corbett says that maybe the reason that other Blacks are protesting the rule in because "they are under a different kind of pressure or may be in a different situation."
Xerox tops 25 best places to work

Xerox Corporation, head-quartered in Stamford, CT, heads the list of the 25 Best Places for Blacks to Work, according to an exclusive survey published in the February issue of Black Enterprise magazine, Black America's guidebook for success.

The Top 25 provide a corporate culture that inspires confidence in management and offer opportunities for promotion and generous compensation packages, according to Black Enterprise. The companies are divided into three categories: consumer, manufacturing/high-technology, and service.

Minorities make up an average of 22.8 percent of all employees at the top 25 companies and come 12.3 percent of all managers (17.5 percent and 45 percent more, respectively, than the average private firm).

Despite efforts by the Reagan Administration to weaken affirmative action programs, most of the best-ranked corporations agree that affirmative action agendas promote diversity in the workplace and are good for business.

"At Xerox, affirmative action is not a platitude; nor is it a special program," says Chairman and CEO David T. Kearns. "It is a clear-cut, plainly stated corporate objective. "Xerox's success depends on all 100,000 employees, Kearns told Black Enterprise. "We can't be in the position to fluctuate according to the current political agencies because we know affirmative action works."

Black writer to be discussed as part of history celebration

As part of the Black History Month celebration, the Literary Circle of A&T inconjunction with the N.C. Humanities Committee, will present a lecture/discussion titled "Zora" Feb. 12 at 7 p.m. in Gibbs Hall.

Guest speakers for the program will be Professor Robert Hemmeway, chairman of the Department of English at the University of Kentucky in Lexington and author of the definitive biography Zora Neale Hurston (1977). Also Professor Trudier Horais, noted Afro-American literature scholar and critic at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill will be on the program.

The program, which will take place in Room 123, will focus on the life and writings of Black anthropologist, folklorist, dramatist, short story writer and novelist, Zora Neale Hurston.

Chosen by The Color Purple novelists Alice Walker as a guiding artistic spirit, Hurston spent her life expressing and promoting the cinque beauty and pain of the Afro-American experience. Hurston is best remembered for her novel Their Eyes Were Watching God, published in 1937, that many critics agree presents one of the most realistic portrayals of the Black woman in American literature.

Students chosen

Six A&T students have been selected to participate in the Model United Nations Program (MUN) in Daytona Beach, Florida from Jan. 29 to Feb. 1.

The MUN program seeks to simulate the activities of the United Nations Economic and Social Council. Students, playing the roles of diplomats from numerous world countries, interact through debates and in strategy planning sessions to resolve current world problems.

Participants from A&T include Dametre Fisher, a junior business major; Nelson Johnson, a senior political science major; Mowy Frazier, a junior economics major; Paul Jones, a junior computer science major; Tery Jones, a junior economics major; and Sonya Medley, a sophomore political science major.

To produce the survey, the Washington-based management consultant firm of Fred H. Black & Associates screened 600 major corporation, identified 140 as having participated in a significant number of "good citizen" type activities in the black community, interviewed black employees at those 140 companies, and had an independent panel examine the companies' affirmative action programs.

The top-ranked consumer companies (alphabetically) are Anheuser-Busch, Avon, Coca-Cola, Exxon, General Foods, McDonald's, Phillip Morris, Procter & Gamble, and R.J. Reynolds.

In the manufacturing/high-technology category, the best companies for Blacks to work for are (alphabetically) Atlantic Richfield, Chrysler, Digital Equipment, Ford Motor, General Electric, General Motors, Hewlett-Packard, IBM, and Xerox (ranked best of overall).

The top service companies (alphabetically) are AT&T, Chase Manhattan Bank, Equitable Life Assurance Society, Federal Express, Gannett, Marriott, and Time.

The full results of the survey, including percentages of minorities hired and affirmative action outlooks for each company, are published in the February issue of Black Enterprise, available on newsstands or by sending $1.95 plus $1 postage to the publisher, 130 Fifth Avenue, New York, NY 10011.

Student awarded

Lynn Poindexter, a junior accounting major at A&T, has been awarded a $2,500 scholarship by the American Accounting Association.

Poindexter was one of 40 students nationally to receive the award. The scholarship was established to honor the memory of Arthur H. Carter, a pioneer accounting leader.

Completions improve

Three-fourths of young Blacks — nearly 3 million — were high school graduates in 1984, according to a report this month from the Commerce Department's Census Bureau. The rate of high school completions has improved for Blacks age 18 to 24, from 56 percent and 1.3 million graduates in 1967 when such statistics were first tabulated.

The number of young Blacks enrolled in college also grew in the period, from 300,000 to 800,000. Twenty-seven percent of the graduates were enrolled in college in 1984, four percentage points higher than in 1967.
**Pretoria's United States campaign**

By Julian Bond

While South African police were rounding up Winnie Mandela from her Soweto home, the white supremacist government was spending more than $2 million to influence U.S. public opinion.

Pretoria's bid to buy influence here comes as the 1986 elections approach and as the anti-apartheid movement focuses on state and local efforts. It follows attempts within South Africa to crush dissent and to sharply limit news coverage of the protests that have resulted in more than 1,000 deaths this year.

And it marks the "cementing" of the relationship between the white minority government of South Africa and the American right wing—a connection highlighted by Rev. Jerry Falwell's earlier visit to South Africa.

"There's a price to pay for attacking South Africa," said Michael Hathaway, a veteran lobbyist who recently signed a two-year $180,000 contract to represent South Africa.

Joining Hathaway are two lobbyists who are also members of political action committees that have supported and contributed to the campaigns of such New Right war hawks as Sens. Jesse Helms, R-N.C., and Jeremiah Denton, R-Ala.

One, William Keyes, co-founder of the conservative Black PAC, traveled through North Carolina in 1984 with former football star Roosevelt Grier to support Helms' re-election. The other, Ronald Pearson, is executive director of the Conservative Victory Fund, a 13-year-old PAC that helped more than 75 conservative Republicans in the 1984 campaign.

Hathaway, Keyes and Pearson have each signed six-figure contracts with the South African government since July 1985. Keyes, who is Black, heads Public Affairs Consultants Inc., which earns $360,000 a year plus $30,000 in expenses. Pearson and his firm received $180,000 in a one-year contract. Hathaway will receive $360,000 a year for the next two years.

Keyes' conservative roots go back to the 1970's, when he worked as a welfare-policy expert for the American Conservative Union. After two years in the Reagan White House, he joined with black conservative Jay Parker, who has been on the South African payroll for four years as the $36,000-a-year representative of Venda, a tiny territory created by South Africa and recognized by no other country on earth.

Parker and Keyes' Black PAC gave $10,000 to Helms' re-election campaign and also made contributions to Rep. Robert Dornan of California, Sen. Phil Gramm of Texas and Sen. Thad Cochran of Mississippi, all Republicans.

South African attempts to influence U.S. policy aren't new. A secret slush fund was used in an unsuccessful attempt to buy daily newspapers in Sacramento, Calif., and Washington, D.C., and $400,000 in South African money was used to help defeat Sens. Dick Clark and John V. Tunney, both strong opponents of apartheid.

This latest infusion of South African money will be used to try to block the growing divestiture movement, which lists almost daily successes on college campuses and in towns and cities across the country. American conservatives—armed with South African money—are joining the fight.

They will attempt to paint the conflict in South Africa as a simple struggle between communism and Christianity.

But the South African story isn't Marxism vs. democracy. It is, instead, the story of a totalitarian government's ruthless suppression of all political and human rights.

American conservatives oppose that kind of behavior by the Soviet Union. They ought to oppose it in Africa, too.