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Studious Aggies

Valarie Milton and Hahns Lassiter, study and take advantage of the sunny weather at the same time.

Urban Affairs Institute slated

Issues affecting the Black family will be examined in a number of workshops of the 17th annual Jim Isler Urban Affairs Institute on Thursday, April 3, in Room 123 Gibbs Hall.

Sponsored by A&T, Cablevision of Greensboro and Radio Station KISS, the workshops will feature presentations by a number of state and local officials. The meeting will start at 8:15 a.m.

The keynote speaker for the 1 p.m. luncheon in Williams Cafeteria will be Susan Kidd,

weekend anchor for WRC-TV in Washington and a former Greensboro and St. Louis newscaster.

The theme of the institute will be "The Black Family/Community: New Challenges Require New Approaches."

The opening session at 9 a.m. will include a panel of Ruby Hooper, deputy secretary of the State Department of Human Resources, Senator William Martin of Greensboro, Dot Kearns, chairperson of the Guilford

County Board of Commissioners and Dave Wright of WFMY-TV.

A panel on "Educational Issues Affecting the Black Family" will feature Gerry House, superintendent of Chapel Hill-Carrboro City

Schools, Dr. Lawrence Clark, associate provost of the North Carolina State University, Jim Mebane, chairman of the Guilford County School Board, the Reverend Michael King and Harold Fields, both of the Greensboro School Board and Alberta Dalton, director of financial aid at A&T.

Domino's Pizza carrier attacked

By ANGELA MILTON
Special to the Register

A Domino's Pizza deliverer was attacked and robbed in Cooper Hall recently, according to A&T Police Chief John O. Williams. This was the second robbery of a pizza deliverer this school year.

Terry Omotola, an employee of Domino's Pizza on Bessemer Avenue, reported that while delivering a pizza, on March 21 to Cooper Hall's second floor, six unknown persons attacked him from behind.

He was robbed of a small pizza and carrier bag, which was valued at \$30, according to the police report.

Omotola was taken to the A&T Police Department and given two annuals in order to identify the alleged robbers

but was unsuccessful. There were no witnesses, according to Omotola. The case is still under investigation, Williams said.

Another robbery was reported August 19, when an employee of Pizza Transit Authority was robbed at gunpoint as he entered the same hall. No arrest were made, Williams said.

Dwayne Robinson, a manager at Domino's Pizza said about the incident, "Lately, it's starting to become a problem but we're still planning to deliver at A&T."

Robinson said that Domino's delivers plan to take extra precautions, such as not going up on the floors.

"We'll deliver the pizza (to the lobby), have you paged and wait in the lobby for five minutes," said the manager.

Stewart sentenced

Stefon Stewart, who was arrested for holding his ex-girlfriend and A&T student, Belinda Michelle Currie, hostage last Fall in the Sebastian Health Center, pleaded guilty in Guilford Superior Court Friday to second-degree kidnapping.

Superior Court Judge Fred Williams accepted a plea negotiation and sentenced Stewart to five years in prison. He recommended that Stewart be placed on immediate work release and ordered him to stay away

from Currie.

In exchange for the guilty plea, Assistant District Attorney and prosecutor, Randy Carroll, dismissed an assault charge against Stewart. Stewart faced a possible maximum 30-year sentence on the kidnapping charge.

A Spring Lake native, Stewart, was arrested Oct. 28 by Greensboro police after holding his ex-girlfriend, Belinda Michelle Currie in a seven-hour hostage seige in the health center.

Bumpass elected new editor in chief



Bumpass

Linda Ann Bumpass, a junior mass communications major, has been elected editor in chief of the A&T Register for the 1986-87 school term.

Bumpass, a native of Roxboro, will be installed April 12 at the annual A&T Register banquet at the Downtown Hilton Inn.

She has worked on the staff for two years, serving as staff writer. She is active in several campus organizations, including the Person County Aggie Club and Women's Council.

Others elected were Esther Woods, managing editor; Warren McNeill, news editor; Daphane Page, associate news editor; Ursula Wright,

entertainment editor; Anthony Jeffries, sports editor; Claudia Bynum, head typist; Jay Hall, head photographer; Marie Wheelous, business/ad manager; Carl Crews, production manager; Fay Monroe, circulation manager and Bennie Felton, distribution manager.



Spring brings ...lovely flowers, easter bunny and graduation — yeah!

34 vye for office

Thirty-four students are vying for class and student government association positions for the 1986-87 school year.

Campaign speeches for SGA candidates will be held Monday, April 7 at 6:30 p.m. in the Memorial Union Ballroom, and on Tuesday, April 8 at 6:30 p.m. for class officers, queens, and the Student Judiciary Council and Nominating Committee.

Students seeking sophomore class offices and running unopposed are Bernadine Anthony, secretary; and Banielle Simmons, Miss Sophomore. The office of president, vice president and treasurer are vacant.

Candidates running unopposed for junior class offices are Charles Alvis Mitchell, president; and Benita Lewis, secretary. Vacant offices are vice president, treasurer, and Miss Junior.

Candidates for senior class offices and also running unopposed are Darnevy A. Law, president; Lisa R. Wells, vice-president; and Debra Robinson, Miss Senior. Vacant offices are secretary, and treasurer.

Students running for SGA

president are Ricky Bradley, Michael A. Brunson, Frank McCain, Frederick W. Martin, and Christopher Morris.

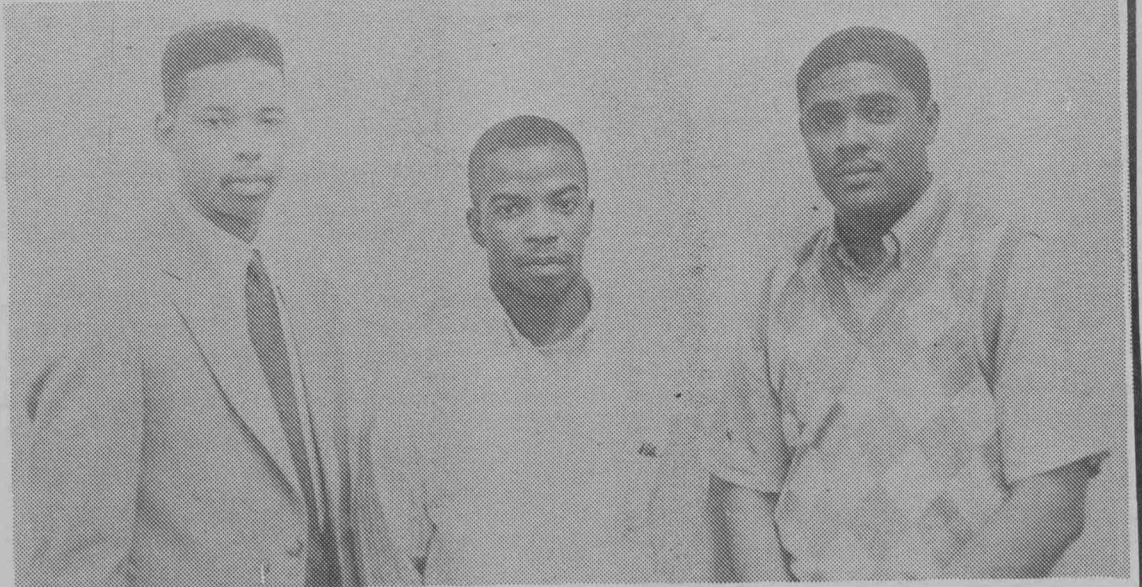
Candidates for Vice-President of Internal Affairs are Stephen McCary-Henderson, and Erwin Mandell Jackson, and running for vice-president of external affairs are Albert B. Blake, Dametre Fisher, and Carlus Hicks.

Candidates for Attorney General are James Hill III and Zachary F. Rumph, while Bengjunise Roman is running unopposed for treasurer.

Competing for Miss A&T are Vickie G. Hinton, Christine McNeill, and Stephenie J. Tidwell.

Students running unopposed for Student Judiciary Council are Sheila Black, Linda Bumpass, Milton Earle, Hilda Goins, James E. Howell, and Ricky D. Hyatt. Also running unopposed are Melonise P. Spinks, Willie C. Wood III and Esther M. Woods.

Running unopposed for the nominating committee is Mark E. Oliphant, while the office of SGA secretary is vacant.



Who will lead the student body?

Above: Candidates for SGA president pose for the camera. From left: Ricky Bradley, Christopher Morris and Frederick Milton. Not pictured are Michael Brunson and Frank McCain.

Below: Miss A&T prospects show off smiles. From left: Stephanie Tidwell, Vickie Hinton and Christine McNeill.



Fashion extravaganza to highlight observance

The Department of Home Economic's Spring Weekend activities will be held at A&T April 4-11.

A highlight of the annual event will be a fashion extravaganza, "Color Explosion '86," which will feature original designs by students from A&T, Bennett College, the University of North Carolina at Greensboro, as well as members of the A&T faculty.

The fashion show will be held on Friday, April 11 at 7:30 p.m. in the Student Union Ballroom.

"This show will include original designs by some of the industry's newest

designers," said Duanne Hoffer, fashion show coordinator. "It will be an excellent spring and summer forecast, based on research field experiences, and course work." Narrator for the show will be Davida Jones Sharpe, a reporter for WFMY-TV.

One designer in the show will be Karen Maddox, a 1975 graduate of A&T who operates her own wedding service in Jacksonville.

Other activities during the week will be a discussion, "Evaluation of Popular Diets," by Dr. Lovie K. Booker, chairperson of the Home Economics Department at Bennett College on

Monday April 7 at 7:30 p.m. in 207 Benbow Hall.

On April 8, an interviewing session for students interested in careers in home economics will be conducted by a number of Triad companies from 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on the second floor of Benbow Hall. A Career

Awareness Workshop will be held from 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, April 9 in Benbow Hall. This will be followed by at 6 p.m. by the awards banquet in Williams Cafeteria.

Area high schools students will participate in some of the week's activities.



Wharton

One of the nation's foremost higher education leaders, Dr. Clifton R. Wharton Jr., will present the A&T 1986 Commencement address on Sunday, May 4 at 11 a.m. in the Greensboro Coliseum. More than 900 students will receive degrees during the service.

Selection of Wharton for the address was announced by Chancellor Edward Fort.

Wharton is chancellor of the State University of New York, and chairman of the board of trustees of the Rockefeller Foundation.

Wharton to give commencement address

"We are extremely pleased that Dr. Wharton, a superb and respected leader in education, will deliver the address for our commencement," said Fort. "He is applauded across this nation for his dedication and achievements in higher education."

The 59-year-old Wharton formerly served as president of Michigan State University, having been the first Black to serve as president of a predominantly white university.

A leading specialist in economic development, higher education and U.S. foreign policy, he has enjoyed nearly 40 years of distinguished public service.

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Professor files suit

A former assistant professor at A&T has filed suit in North Carolina Middle District Court charging that his constitutional right to due process was violated.

The suit filed by Lee D. Andrews, a former assistant professor in business education and political science up until his June 1983 dismissal asks for \$1.4 million in back wages, punitive, and other damages.

Andrews claims that he was

denied tenure after nine years of being employed with the understanding that he was on tenure track. Andrews also claims that the 14th Amendment was violated when he was denied any appeal or appeal hearing.

The suit names as defendants; the UNC Board of Governors, William C. Friday, former university system president, Chancellor Edward B. Fort and Nathan Simms Jr., vice chancellor for academic affairs.



Students from Bermuda put finishing touches on project displayed during International Student Week.

Financial aid officials answer questions

By ESTHER WOODS
News Editor

What effect will the new Gramm-Rudman-Hollings law have on me next year?

Will my financial aid decrease excessively next year?

These and other questions were answered and discussed by A&T students and financial aid administrators during the recent workshop "Face The Issues ... Meeting Future College Costs," sponsored by the financial aid office.

Seventy percent to 85 percent of A&T's student body receives financial assistance, according to Financial Aid Director Alberta Dalton, but about 150 of students attended the workshop.

"The new financial aid cut imposed for February 1986 through February 1991, will affect students' financial assistance greatly," said Delores S. Davis, associate director of financial aid.

Davis discussed the impact of Gramm-Rudman on student aid. Under the new law, financial aid undergoes automatic reduction — a procedure proposed last December under the Balanced Budget and Emergency Defecit Control Act of 1985.

She said because of future financial cuts, students will have to take the initiative to find other outside means of financial assistance.

"Students with family incomes of \$15,000 to \$16,000 would probably still be eligible for reduced Pell Grant awards, but higher-income students would likely be eliminated," she said.

Davis said those student's whose parents can only contribute 50 percent toward education will receive greater funds, while students whose parents make \$20,000 or more will receive little if any aid.

"With Gramm-Rudman cuts, most students will receive about 75 percent of the funds needed to cover tuition, fees and campus housing," she said.

According to Davis, the Appropriation Bill instructs the Department of Education to implement linear reduction if the February 1986 Pell amount is insufficient to fully fund the program during the upcoming year.

"If this occurs, only those students with a student aid index number (which determines amount of aid) of 0 through 200 on their student aid reports will have their Pell Grant awards fully funded in February 1986.

"All other students with student aid numbers 201 or greater would either be dropped from the program or have their awards reduced," she said.

Davis said 672 A&T students are presently on work study, and where other programs will decrease, the student work-study program will increase.

"The attitude of the administration is to put more funds on self-help programs, and most of the funds will be in college work study," she said.

Because financial assistance will be lesser next year, Davis urged all students to seek jobs.

Financial Aid Counselor, Ricky Jackson, said financial aid is awarded on a first come basis.

"Some of the major causes for the delays in processing the financial aid applications are students' not submitting income tax forms and also student aid copy reports," he said.

While giving tips on applying for Guaranteed Student Loans (GSL), Administrative Assistant, Brenda Ray, said it's important that students fully complete the form before bringing it to the financial aid office.

"Students leave off little things such as zip codes, loan periods, and also the three references," she said.

Ray said processing the GSL takes 6 to 8 weeks and longer if the application isn't complete.

Ray also said there are new requirements for GSL applicants.

"You must now file the financial aid form prior to bringing the GSL to the office," she said.

She also said a 1985 signed copy of the student's parents' 1040 form is needed and if they didn't file for income, a

notarized statement indicating why, must be filed.

According to Ray, all students desiring a GSL for the 1986-87 school year, should apply before April 30.

A borrower's conference for students applying for College Foundation Funds is scheduled for April 23, at 9:30 a.m. and 10:15 a.m. in Merrick Hall.



Keya Malik, daughter of Dr. Arup Malik of the Industrial Engineering Department, shows off native dance at the International Student Dinner held in the Student Union Ballroom.

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Opinions, Opinions

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Recently, in one of my classes, a student was a little more than indignant over the fact that some graduating seniors in his department seem inarticulate and lack writing skills.



Other class members, in different majors, agreed that the same was true in their departments.

From there, the conversation seemed to question A&T standards: Some felt that they were very low compared to most white universities. One student said in some of her classes she only had to go on test days to end up with an "A" or a "B" out of the courses.

One student said that he would have been better prepared in his field if he had attended a predominantly white university.

Others commented, and it was evident that they felt the same way.

I listened in disbelief. These students were saying that standards at A&T are low. If this is the case, why do they continually accept them? It suggests something about them...

Some felt they would be better off at white universities. So why didn't they go to one?

Four years ago, I sat in Harrison Auditorium listening to a lecture by Maya Angelou, who among other things, serves as Reynolds professor at Wake Forest University.

Of the many points she made that night, she said that it is really of little to no significance that a student enters an institution of higher learning, or that he remains and leaves with some glory or honor. That is not the issue. But the issue that faces students is, she said, what are they doing while here? And what will they do once they leave?

In other words, it does not matter that a student attends a name school — a prestigious white university — or a lesser-known school. But what matters is that he prepares himself before he leaves.

If students don't demand high standards of themselves, they can't demand it of anyone else. If they feel they are being cheated of a good education, they need to speak to a department chairperson or a school dean or the chancellor, if necessary. Remember, students pay for their education; and though they may not always get what they pay for, they must pay for what they get.

As we were leaving class, our discussion leader commented "I just don't want to have to put my head down when I tell someone I graduated from A&T."

I have no regrets about attending this institution. During my career I know I will work along side Carolina, Duke, Princeton, Harvard or Yale graduates. And I intend to be good at what I do.

Speilberg captures "truth"

BY ESTHER WOODS

Stephen Speilberg really knew what it took to produce Alice Walker's Pulitzer Prize-winning novel, "The Color Purple", into one of the most powerful, yet criticized movies of the 80's.

This film, creating emotions of love and happiness for some and hatred and racism for others, is moreover a film filled with reality and truth.

Several rate this film highly, while others, particularly Blacks, who choose not to accept the realities of their past, rate it low.

Many say Spielberg placed several stereotypes at the beginning of his film, such as Black's portrayed as wife beaters, whores, maids and servants. But when Alice Walker wrote her book, her setting began around the late 1920's and facing the reality of the past, this was the Black experience.

Furthermore, in the story, the gloomy Black experience did not always stay the same; it took on a much more brighter outlook.

For example, Black males at the beginning of the film were shown as wife beaters, but towards the end, this image changed, and lord knows, this image hardly ever exists between Black men and women today!

At the beginning of the film, Celie, the main character, often let her husband, Mr., beat and abuse her, but then she became that strong and tough Celie, who stood up and spoke out for what she beleived was right. She became strong like her very outspoken

friend, Sophia, who was persecuted for standing for what was right.

Even today many Black women have tried to uphold the strong and tough Sophia and Celie images, but unfortunately there are some who tend to continue living their lives according to the Black race's past without any optimistic or positive outlook for change in the future.

Many Blacks have said Spielberg used negative stereotypes of Blacks in his film, simply because he was white. But this opinion is terribly one-sided and almost obscene! These critics who say this, tend to forget that this wasn't a white man's story, but rather a Black woman, Alice Walker's story.

Walker created a Black whore, two Black partial lesbians, a Black hen-pecked man, and a Black maid as characters because this was her story and how she reflected her past. Then she even took these characters and gave them a total new image near the end of her story.

I'm sure Walker had many reasons for doing this. Could she have been contrasting the past Black experience with today's present experience? Maybe so.

This writer does not believe anything negative was brought out against Blacks in the film, that wasn't already in the book. The only thing Alice Walker brought out was the "truth" and the only thing Stephen Spielberg produced was "her" story.

Talk is cheap

By Windy Norggins

One thing many of us at the A&T Register have had to deal with is criticism. We have had to deal with complaints about mistakes and the articles we print. But have any of you that complain, ever thought about what it takes to produce a paper.

The members of the Register Staff give up alot of their free time - time that they could use for studying or hanging out.

If every person who has a complaint about this paper came over to contribute their ideas, we'd get a great deal accomplished.

Out of the eleven executive staff members, only three are English ma-

jors with a concentration in journalism. This says alot about the students who consider themselves in this major. And for those of you in other majors, you read the paper as well, shouldn't you have a part in it's production?

Everyone has alot to say until you put them to the test, so my fellow AGGIES, this is your test--put your ideas, and criticisms to work. If care as much as you think you do, then working for the Register and giving up some free time, is what I recomend for you.

Any body can talk about what needs to be done, but a worker will join in, and do his part with no questions asked...which person are you?

The lead column on the opinion page is written by the editor in chief of **The A&T Register**. It does not carry a byline. None of the columns on this page necessarily reflect the opinion of the entire staff.

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DINNER MENU

TALENT SHOW AND DANCE The A&T football team presents "Star Search Talent Show and Dance Saturday, April 5 from 7 p.m. to 2 a.m. in Moore Gym. Admission is \$2.

A PRESIDENTIAL DEBATE forum, at which all candidates running for Student Government president or class president will be given a chance to systematically disseminate their platforms to A&T students will be held Wednesday at 7 p.m. in Room 123, Gibbs Hall. The Departments of History and Political Science will sponsor the event.

THE ARTIS P. GRAVES LECTURE presented by the Biology Department will be Thursday, April 3 at 7 p.m. in Barnes Hall Auditorium. Guest speaker will be Dr. Dwight Davis from Hershey Medical Center, Pennsylvania State University.

A FASHION SHOW, sponsored by the Cultural Affairs Committee of the Student Union Advisory Board, will be Monday, April 7, at 8 p.m. in the Memorial Ballroom.

THE MOVIE, "COMMANDO," will be shown Friday, April 4 at 8:30 p.m. in the Memorial Ballroom. Admission to the movie, which is sponsored by the S.U.A.B., is free.

"MR. AGGIE" CONTEST applications may be picked up at the information desk in the Student Union. Deadline for returning the forms is Friday, April 11. The contest will be Wednesday, April 23.

THE LITERARY CIRCLE will meet Wednesday, April 2 at 4 p.m. in room 212, Crosby Hall. All persons interested in joining the circle are invited.

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. SallyAnn Ferguson. These tutoring sessions are sponsored by the English Department.

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Wednesday, April 2
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Thursday, March 20
 Fried Ocean Sea Perch
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 Baked Beans/Beef Franks
 Buttered Succotash

Friday, March 21
 Salisbury Steak/Onion Rings
 Fried Fresh Sea Fish
 Southern Chicken Hash/Boiled Eggs
 Fresh Potatoe Salad

Wharton

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Wharton co-chaired the Commission on Security and Economic Assistance for the Department of State and once served as chairman of the Board for International Food and Agricultural Development. He was also Chairman of the National Association of State Universities and Land Grant Colleges.

He has served on the Aspen Institute for Humanistic Studies, the Council on Foreign Relations, Inc., the Foreign Policy Association and the Council for Financial Aid to Education Inc. Wharton became noted for his expertise in planning agricultural development strategies for many of the nations of Latin America and Southeast Asia.

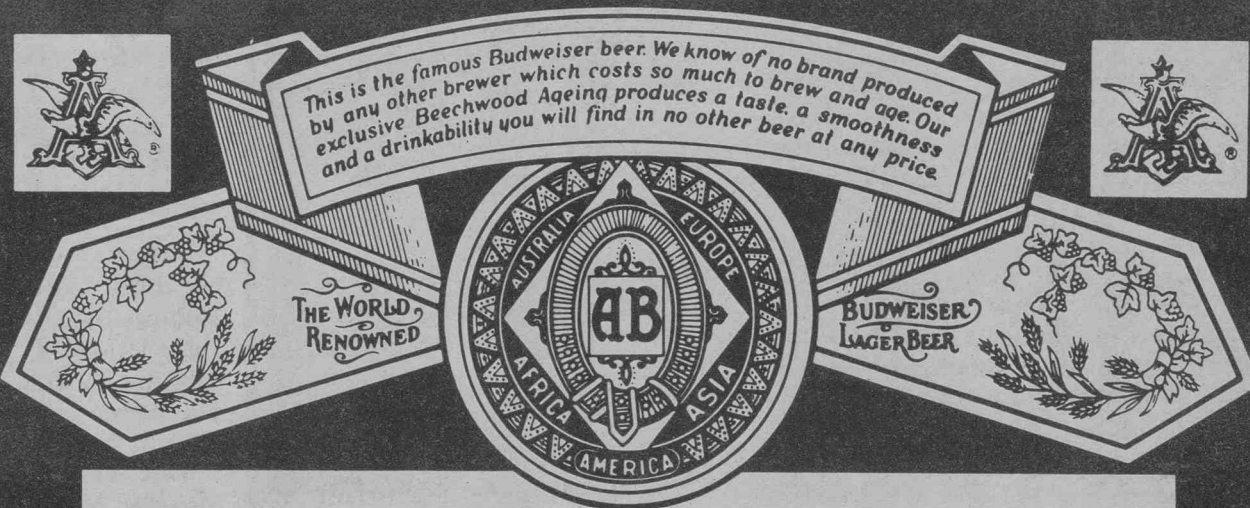
A native of Boston, Mass., he holds the B.A. in history from Harvard University. He was the first Black to be admitted to the John Hopkins University School of Advanced Studies, where he earned the M.A. degree. He also holds a M.A. degree and the Ph.D. degree in economics from the University of Chicago.

As chancellor of SUNY, he heads 64 campuses in New York, with a combined enrollment of 370,000 students.

Wharton is the son of Clifton Wharton who was the first Black to become an ambassador in the U.S. Foreign Service. His father retired as ambassador to Norway.

The younger Wharton is the author of two books, "Subsistence Agriculture and Economic Development and "Patterns for Lifelong Learning."

He is married to the former Dolores Suncan of New York City. They have two sons, Clifton III and Bruce.




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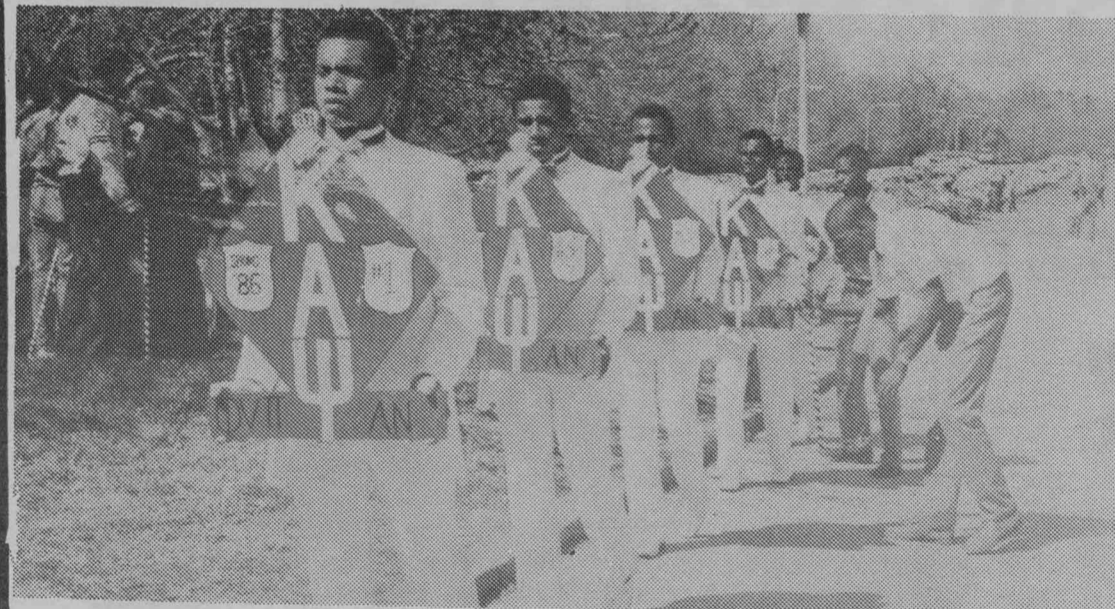
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Yes. The Nursing majors are hanging in there: March on Chi Eta Phi Sorority, Inc.

Toure criticizes Blacks

Kwame Toure, the former Stokely Carmichael gave a controversial speech to about 200 A&T students recently.

"If you are not working for your people, don't say you love your people," said Toure when talking about those who do not help with liberation of black people.

"We know more about 'Dallas' and 'Dynasty' than we do about Nicaragua, Beirut or Grenada," he said.

Toure criticized Blacks for being ignorant of issues that affect them. He said progress since the civil rights movement has been "quantitative" rather than "qualitative."

Toure also said that Blacks in America are politically backward and ignorant of African history.

It's only a stupid man or woman who's ashamed of Africa, said Toure. He went on to cite the many contributions Africa has made to the

world.

Toure, 44, was first recognized as chairman of the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee, which he became president of in 1966.

Now he represents an All African Peoples Revolutionary Party which he is presently recruiting college students to build a foundation for revolution.

Toure said that the only way to liberate the African people is to fight against capitalism which he describes as a evil and vicious system that doesn't pay people what they're worth and whose only motivating force is the accumulation of wealth.

"The economic system makes people stupid, but it makes them arrogant in their stupidity," he said.

Students For A Free South Africa sponsored the lecture.

Students discuss law

By LINDA BUMPASS
Staff Writer

Students should be concerned with the Gramm-Rudman-Hollings law, which will cut financial aid \$5 billion and raise the interest on loans to 5½ percent, said Chancellor Edward B. Fort.

This was the main issue discussed by the Students For A Free South Africa at a recently held meeting. The meeting, attended by students and administrators, was held in Hines Hall.

According to Fort, President Reagan has been trying to abolish the Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant by combining it with the College Work-Study, which will result in a tremendous cut with the two working together.

"With the SEOG and College Work-Study working together it will result in billions of dollars being cut," Fort said.

"If students wish to attend college they will. The worst thing they could do is to give up," said Alberta Dalton, director of financial aid.

She pointed out that the only change that will occur pertains mainly to loans.

"Under the Gramm-Rudman-Hollings Act," she said "students who receive a loan after March 1, 1986 will pay 5½ percent interest instead of 5 percent, but the needy students will continue to get the aid that they need."

Fort encouraged students to write letters to North Carolina senators so that, their voices will be heard.

"Congress will not be interested in petitions. They only want letters or telegrams from students telling them how they feel about the new bill," he said.

Students For A Free South Africa President Rick Bradley said that A&T, which depends on aid, stands to lose more than other schools.

"There will be less money going out to loans for '86-87 and '87-88," he said. "They are also raising interest rates on loans to give less time to pay them back."

But Dalton said, "It (the act) was not done to hurt Black institutions but because so many white sister schools have North Carolinians on a waiting list."

She said that this means that outer-state students are coming into our state and receiving aid that is needed for our residents.

But many students see the bill as getting rid of Black schools.

"It's an attempt to destroy Black colleges and it's trying to stop the creation of Black intellectuals," said Avery Williamson, a junior, industrial technology major from Enfield.

"I believe that the cuts therefore set by the Gramm-Rudman-Hollings Act is a threat to the future and further education of poor people, especially Black people," said Chiquita D. Crawford, a freshmen, accounting major from McDonough, Ga.

"Graham-Rudman-Hollings leaves one piece of pie which has to be divided among many thousands of students all over the U.S. with historically Black college students last or omitted from the list," said Michael A. Wilkerson, a junior industrial engineering major from Pemberton, N.J..

Shirley Chisholm: A catalyst for change

"My mission in society until the day I die is to be a catalyst for change. I'm not finished yet."

Those words — coming as they do, from Shirley Chisholm — can be taken not only as a promise but as a prophecy. Stirring things up has been a specialty of Ms. Chisholm and there is no sign she is about to quit.

Chisholm political career has earned her a spot in the "Gallery of Greats: 20th Century Black Political Firsts," a collection of oil portraits commissioned by Miller Brewing Company. She is one of 13 people selected.

The collection, which honors all Blacks who have served in public office, is on a national tour of art galleries in Washington, D.C., Philadelphia, New York, Chicago, Cleveland, Los Angeles, Milwaukee, and Denver, as well as several universities.

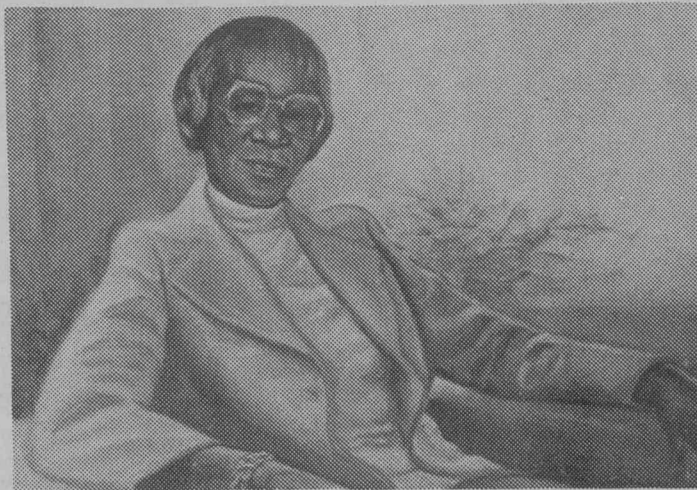
Although Chisholm's history-making political career seems to be behind her, she is still very much on the national scene.

Born in Brooklyn, in 1924, she spent most of her early childhood in Barbadoes in the West Indies and carries the lilt of the island speaking style yet today.

After four years in the New York Assembly, in 1968, she became the first Black woman elected to the United States Congress.

She quickly established herself as a force to be reckoned within the House. She was assigned to the House Agriculture Subcommittee on Forestry and Rural Villages. The subcommittee certainly didn't deal with the matters of importance of her constituents — all urban people — many of whom lived in Bedford-Stuyvesant.

So, despite being admonished by the Speaker of the House to "be a good soldier," Chisholm made the unprecedented move of placing an amendment before the



House to remove her name from the committee assignment. She was successful and won instead a seat on the Veterans' Affairs Committee from where she could help at least some of her constituents.

"Politicians respect me for intelligence," she told a reporter when she first moved to Washington. "But they don't like me for my independent spirit. On certain issues, they are somewhat afraid of my mouth."

In 1972, she became the first Black to campaign seriously for the Democratic Party nomination as its candidate for president.

"I got tired," she explained of "voting for the lesser of two evils."

In 1977, the Congresswoman made history again when she became the first Black to sit on the powerful House rules committee.

In Congress, Chisholm worked for daycare for children of working mothers, increased federal financing for education, minimum wages for domestics, funding for Black colleges and a wide variety of legislation benefiting minorities, including Blacks, Hispanics and Indians.

In 1982, she announced that she would not seek reelection — saying she wanted to have a less hectic life. But it hasn't worked out that way.

A teacher and educational administrator for 16 years before she entered politics,

she received offers from 30 universities when she retired. Chisholm chose to teach at Holyoke College in

Massachusetts, largely because it was flexible, allowing her to take semesters off now and then.

Today, in addition to performing her duties at Mt. Holyoke, giving guest lectures at other universities across the country and maintaining a hectic speaking schedule, she is president of the new National Black Women's Political Congress. The organization seeks to encourage more Blacks to participate in politics.

She has written two books, her biography, "Unbought and Unbossed" and one about her campaign for the presiden-

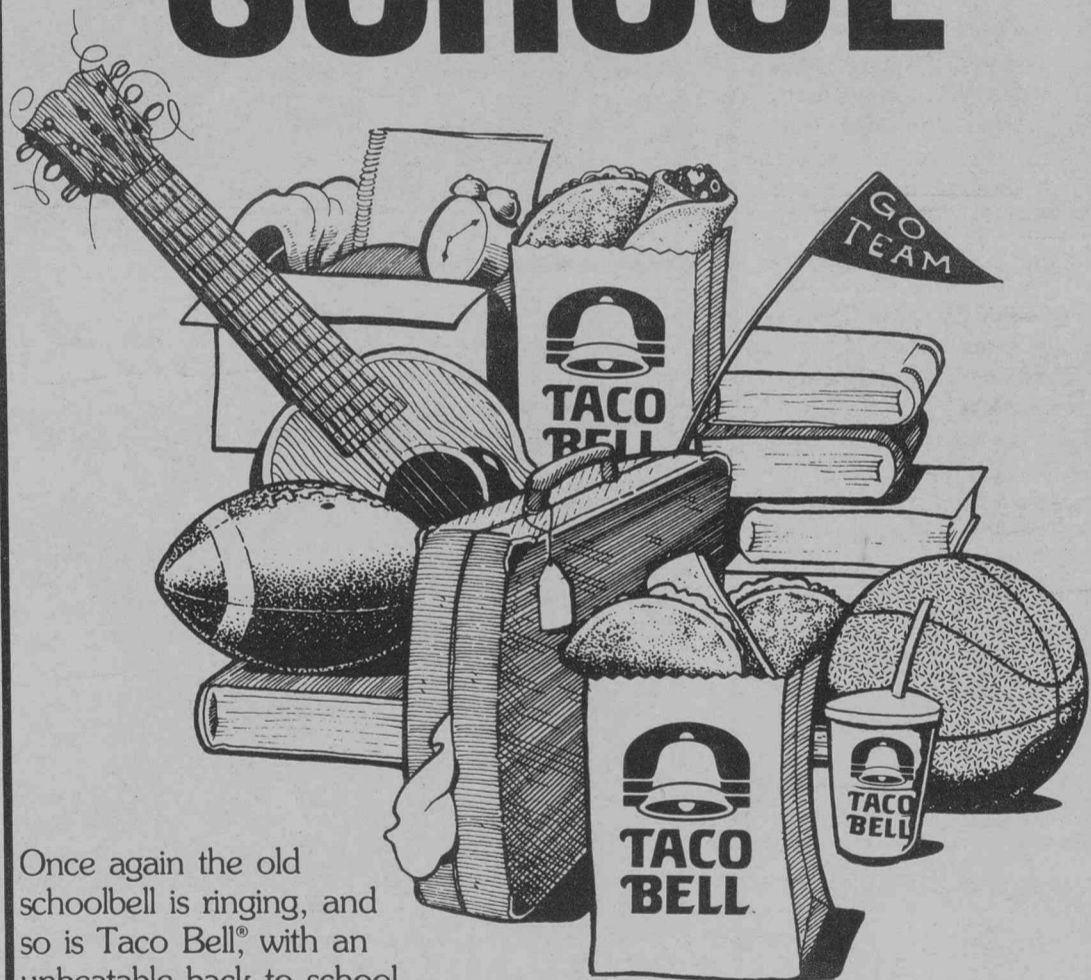
cy, "The Good Fight." Now she is at work on the third, "The Illusion of Inconclusion."

She describes it as "an account of my political experience and how I thought I was included only to find I had to start over again several times."

Will she ever run for political office again?

"If people want me to run again for something, I would give it consideration," she recently told a reporter. "As for me pushing myself and trying to maneuver, that's not on my personal agenda. I'm enjoying life now. I really am."

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Students attend conference

By MICHELLE BOYD
Special to the Register

Fourteen students from A&T attended the National Society of Black Engineers Conference in Boston, Mass. March 21-25.

Dr. Julian M. Earls, chief of the Health, Safety and Security Division of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration Research Center in Cleveland, Ohio was the keynote speaker.

The A&T chapter of the National Society of Black Engineers was awarded "Chapter of the Year".

The chapter was chartered

last Spring at the National Conference in San Francisco, Calif. with a starting enrollment of 10 members which has now increased to 113 members.

Among the participants were the officers of the chapter Kimberly Ennett, president; Barry Booth, vice president; Angelia Moore, co-secretary; LaTonya Wade, treasurer and Marcus Staley, parliamentarian.

Others were Lisa Harmon, Valerie Patterson, Natalie McQueen, Dina James, Shahidah Muhammed, Kimbra Dennis and Stephanie Adams.



JULIAN BOND

The ABCs of ignorance

It's lesson time. Let's play true and false. Here are the statements:

— "Jews oppose affirmative action."

— "American businessmen vigorously resent government efforts to impose equal opportunity in the work place."

— "Federal law requires that unqualified Blacks and women receive first priority for jobs and education over better qualified white men."

— "Most politicians in this conservative era want affirmative action squashed."

If you answered true to all of the above, you're a soul brother to Edwin Meese; you've passed a litmus test that guarantees admission to the inner circle of the Reagan administration; and you don't like to be confused by the facts.

Most Americans, unfortunately, believe that affirmative action, which has been supported by every president from Franklin Roosevelt to Jimmy Carter (regardless of party political ideology) puts white men at a competitive disadvantage with minorities and women; sets rigid quotas in hiring that discriminate against white men; strangles commerce and industry through unwieldy regulations; and is the principal reason why two traditional allies, Blacks and Jews, are now poles apart.

Of course, all of these assertions are false.

There's little conflict between Blacks and Jews over affirmative action. On the contrary, almost every national Jewish organization — including the American Jewish Committee, the American Jewish Congress, Hadassah, the Jewish Labor Committee, the National Council of Jewish Women, the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, the Union of Orthodox

Jewish Congregations, and the United Synagogues of America — oppose Meese's attempts to gut President Lyndon Johnson's 1965 executive order establishing affirmative action as we know it today.

At an October 21 meeting of the Executive Committee of the Domestic Task Force of the National Jewish Community Relations Council, only two national groups — the Anti-Devamation League

of B'nai B'rith and the Jewish War Veterans — voted against opposing the Meese plan.

Franklin Roosevelt was first in long line of presidents who supported strong equal employment requirements. The affirmative-action clause was initiated by President Kennedy, strengthened by Johnson and retained by each president who followed.

Goals and timetables — not quotas, which are pro-

hibited under Johnson's '65 order — were incorporated in the Department of Labor regulations in 1970 by President Nixon and his secretary of labor, George Shultz. They have remained essentially untouched since them.

Now Meese wants to erase affirmative action by prohibiting employers from counting how many workers of each race or sex they have. Sixty-seven senators, including 22 Republicans have

asked Reagan not to retreat on affirmative action.

Most telling, Reagan's own Department of Labor rejects the Meese interpretation. A Labor memorandum released in late November said "goals" are not "a simple euphemism for quotas," as Meese insists.

Here's another statement. True or false?

Edwin Meese has a negative reaction to affirmative action. Now you can move to front of the class.



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