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CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR FEBRUARY

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 Hands Across A&T Bennett 2:00 p.m. Starts at the A&T Memorial Union	2 (VCR Series, The Africans) 12:00-1:00 "The Nature of A Continent" 3:00-4:00 "A Legacy of Lifestyles"	3 12:00-1:00 "New Gods" 3:00-4:00 "Tools of Exploitation"	4 12:00-1:00 "New Conflicts" 3:00-4:00 "In Search of Stability"	5 12:00-1:00 "A Garden of Eden In Decay" 3:00-4:00 "A Clash of Cultures"	6 12:00-1:00 "Global Africa" 3:00-4:00 Black History Lost, Stolen or Strayed 4:00-5:00 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr: An Amazing Grace	7
8	9 12:00 A Black Experience (All Afternoon)	10 12:00 JT (All Afternoon)	11 12:00 Black Men and Iron Horse (All Afternoon)	12 12:00 Beauty In The Bricks (All Afternoon)	13 12:00 Thank You Ma'm 2:00 Lorraine Hansbury: The Black Experience In The Creation of Dreams	14
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The African Series will be replayed the week of Feb. 16-26 from the hours 5:00-6:00 p.m.

The film and VCR series will be shown in the basement of Bluford Library.

A&T CELEBRATES BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Don't Forget

The A&T Register will feature Valentine's personals and poetry in the February 13th edition.

For a penny a letter, any student administrator, faculty member, or employee of A&T

can send a special message to a friend or loved one. Poetry will be printed without a fee. The deadlines for personals and poetry is February 6th. No exceptions will be made. Secret admirers your names can be withheld upon request.

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NEVER FORGET FEBRUARY 1, 1960

Historic trip

Students brave cold to protest racism

WADE NASH
Staff Writer

CUMMINGS Ga., -- The A&T students trembled and their teeth chattered in the below-freezing late night air in front of Cooper Hall. Six to 10 inches of snow surrounded their feet.

But most of the students downplayed the weather because of the cause for which they had assembled.

"Cold is not a factor," said Rick Bradley. "Martin Luther King Jr. marched in the rain and in the midst of people wielding knives and a greater number of people have died for lesser things."

Bradley, a senior, and the other students were waiting to board a bus to Forsyth County, Ga., to participate in a march to protest racial discrimination.

Although the students knew the possible danger they would face, they quickly filled the 48 bus seats at 11 p.m. and other students followed the bus in their cars to be a part of the march.

White supremacists had attacked 50 civil rights marchers in Forsyth County earlier this month. Yet, the students were still anxious to be a part of one of the largest civil rights rallies since the March on Washington led by King in 1963.

"We discussed the fears that people would have and identified a need to bring all of those people together Friday so they could express their concerns and reveal their fears in an attempt to comfort each other," said Michael Brunson, president of the Student Government Association, which sponsored the free bus trip.

Brunson and Bradley said the violence that greeted the Rev. Hosea Williams and other marchers in Forsyth County earlier this month needed to be addressed non-violently.

"We have inherited the legacy of the Greensboro Four and hundreds of others who were on the cutting edge of the

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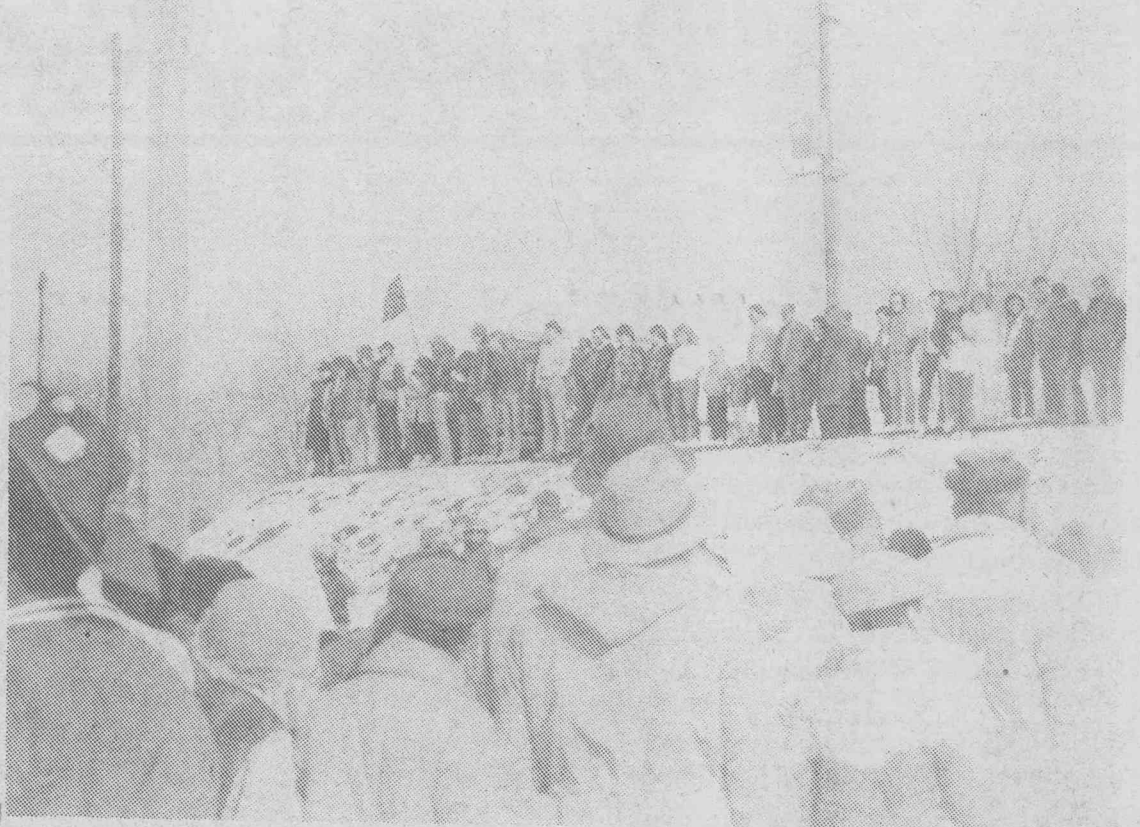


Photo by W. Nash

A&T students begin march in Forsyth Co., Ga., as hecklers shout obscenities from hill.

Students join protest march

J.R. WILLIAMS
Staff Writer

CUMMINGS, Ga. -- More than 50 A&T students were among 20,000 protesters who held a peaceful demonstration in an all-white county in Georgia last week to protest the county's racial policy.

Forsyth County, Ga., 40 miles outside of Atlanta, banned blacks in 1912 after an 18-year girl was allegedly beaten and raped by a black man.

The march, the South's largest since the Civil Rights Movement, was triggered in part by an attack on an in-

tegrated group of 50 marchers in the county earlier this month.

They were attacked by several hundred whites and members of the Ku Klux Klan.

At Saturday's march to the Forsyth County Courthouse, 1,500 National Guardsmen and 600 to 700 state officers were on hand to ensure a peaceful demonstration.

The march was organized by Dean Carter, a white construction worker, the Rev. Hosea Williams and the Rev. R. B. Cottonreader of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference.

It covered a 1½ mile.

Civil rights leaders who attended the march and spoke briefly included Coretta Scott King; Dick Gregory, a political activist; and the Rev. Joseph Lowery, president of the SCLC.

After the speeches, marchers returned to the buses for the trip by to Atlanta. Marchers came from as far as California, Tennessee, Michigan and Ohio.

Although the march was nonviolent, a woman was hit with a bottle and about 30 counterprotesters were arrested for carrying weapons and obstructing a police road block.

Louise Grandison, former secretary

Graveside services will be held 2 p.m. Sunday at Guilford Memorial Park for Mrs. E. Louise Grandison who retired last year as the administrative secretary for the dean of the College of Arts and Sciences.

She died Tuesday at her home, 308 Beech St., after a long illness.

Mrs. Grandison worked at A&T for 27 years.

She was known widely as adviser to hundreds of A&T students and as secretary to the A&T Cluster, an external fundraising component for the university.

She also worked in a National Science Foundation project at A&T and in the offices of Planning and Development, Development and University Relations and Public Relations.

She had worked at Ohio State University and Texas Southern University and had served as a consultant for the Moton Business Consortium.

She was a graduate of A&T and attended Prairie View University. She was a member of the Episcopal Church of the Redeemer and the National Secretaries Association. She was a native of Prairie View, Texas.



Grandison

Survivors are two daughters, Mrs. Adrienne Grandison Grant of Silver Spring, Md., and Mrs. Michele Grandison Smith of Suitland, Md; sisters, Mrs. Olenka Emory of Austin, Texas, and Mrs. L.K. Harden of Dallas; brothers, Moses C. Davis of Denver; H.L. Davis and Joseph Davis of Dallas, J.E. Davis of Houston, Texas; and two grandsons.

The family will be in the Church of the Redeemer 4-6 p.m. Sunday. Brown Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Memorial contributions may be made to the A&T College of Arts and Sciences Scholarship Fund.

Loan standards toughened

Esther Woods
Staff Writer

After suffering from drastic cutbacks in federal aid last fall, many A&T students may be financially hurt this spring if they do not meet the new qualifications for federal Guaranteed Student Loans.

New government regulations have made it harder to get the loans, a primary source of financial assistance for most middle-income A&T students, said Delores S. Davis, associate director of financial aid.

Before the changes were enacted by Congress last fall, any student whose income or parents income did not exceed \$30,000 was eligible for the GSL.

Under the new guidelines, the loans are available on the

basis of need, Davis said.

"Because it is now a needs-based program, some students who receive GSL's now will be ineligible this spring and others will receive lesser amounts," Davis said.

Because financial situations change from year to year, Davis said it is hard to determine now how many of the 971 A&T students who receive GSLs will be affected.

A&T has \$1,819,720 in GSLs, Davis said.

According to Davis, the new statute provides that applicants who signed applications after Oct. 17 for A&T will be affected.

All GSL applicants, including those with adjusted gross incomes of \$30,000 or less, must show need to

qualify for a GSL.

According to Davis, need is determined through a complex process based on factors such as parental contributions, income, assets, savings, number of children, number of children in college and cost of the school.

"The student's amount of assistance needed is obtained by taking the cost of the education and subtracting it from the family's total contribution," she said.

The second major change is that a student must be 24 to declare independence. Previously, the age was 21.

Only orphans, wards of the court, veterans and students who are married or have legal dependents can declare independence at 21.

Points of View...

Remembering

A&T recently held programs in remembrance of the late Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. One of the highlights was convocation in Moore Gym Jan. 15.

One may think there is no need for this flashback, but the vice chancellor for students affairs, in his Letter to the Editor, was absolutely right.

While many students chose to do whatever it was they did that day, only a few chose to attend that memorial for someone one who had died for us.

Dr. King is responsible for the good lives that we live today.

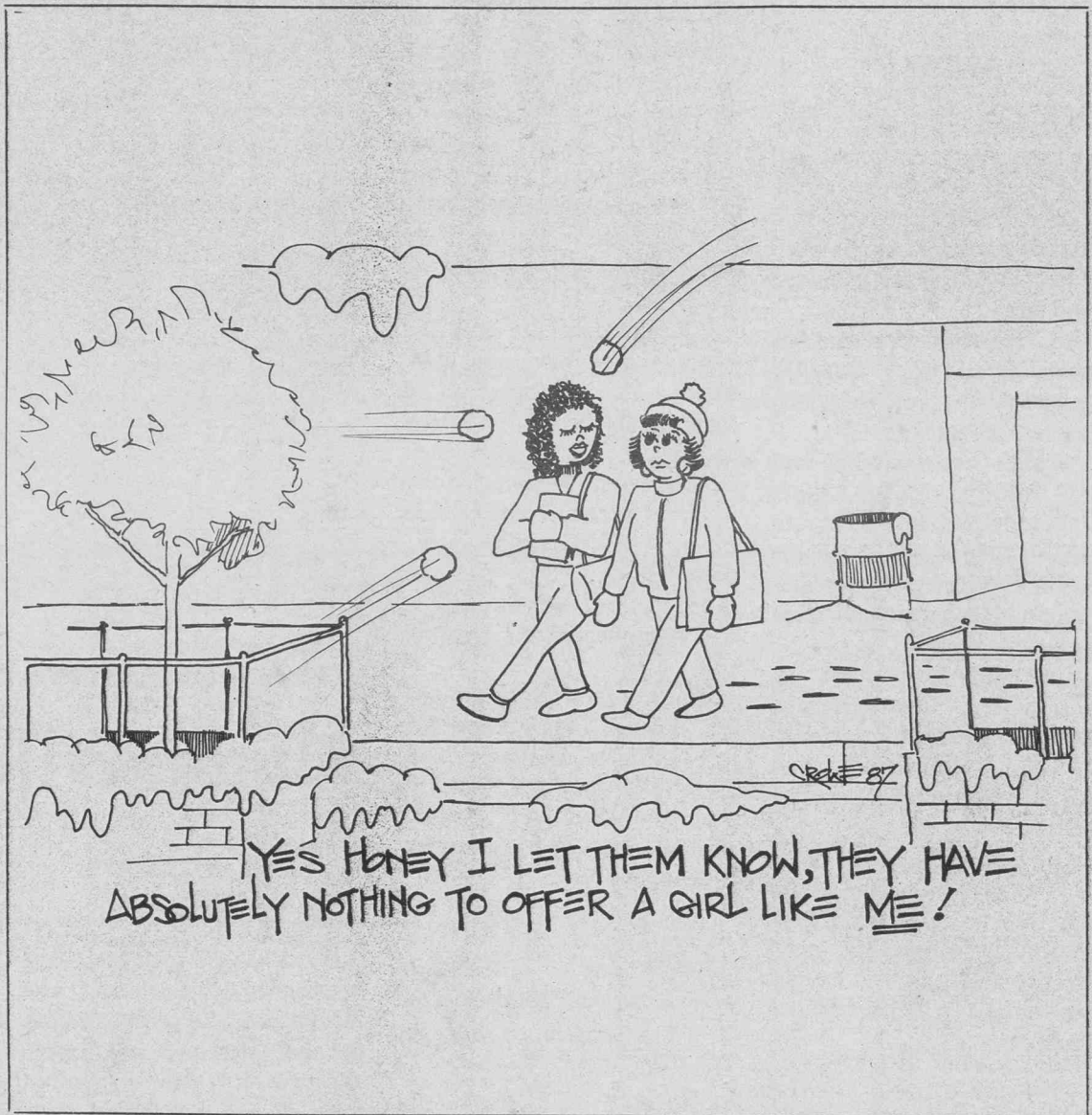
Think back and at some point shed a tear for this great warrior, Dr. King.

The speaker of the hour made a moving speech. There was constant clapping and screaming as the crowd was moved with the spirit this man conveyed. He told the students what we needed to hear but so many of us missed it.

Aggies, this is not an editorial to preach to anyone, but to merely say that the university is giving us the privilege to take time out and remember a black hero.

Not only are these programs designed to commemorate a great leader, but they are also designed so that we can learn something from them and increase our knowledge of our heritage and our people.

Take advantage of this privilege so that programs of the sort can and will continue. If we didn't have this privilege to honor Dr. King, we would be questioning the administration and charging that it was insensitive.



YES HONEY I LET THEM KNOW, THEY HAVE ABSOLUTELY NOTHING TO OFFER A GIRL LIKE ME!

Heroes

Daphne M. Page
Associate News Editor

Where Are Our Modern Day Heroes?

I remember as a little girl, looking at a Black history book with all of the famous Black people, or heroes, and asking my brother, "who are the modern-day heroes?" My brother hunched his shoulders and continued to do his homework.

In February we will remember the heroes of our heritage. We will feel proud that 'we' have been honored during the shortest month of the year. But, once again, I pose the question, 'who are our modern-day heroes?'

For our parents' generation, looking back in the old Black history books was enough to motivate them to continue the struggle and strive for excellence. They were a significant part of making history in the Civil Rights Movement. But what can we grasp to motivate us? Who can we look to for leadership?

Some say that there is no longer a struggle and that we have Blacks in every position possible, from Congress to ownerships of businesses. Some may argue that Jesse Jackson and Ronald McNair serve as our modern-day heroes, but how do we participate in making history also? How can we change the face of American history?

I guess we have to remember our history to insure the future. Participating as students in the rally in Forsyth County, Ga., was definitely a good start.

In my opinion, our parents' generation and our generation have become too complacent. We have settled for good education, a good job and a few significant leaders.

My dear friends, one rally is not enough. One month out of the year is not enough. One leader is not enough. How many of you will become our modern-day heroes?

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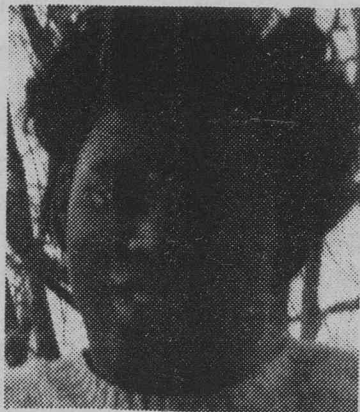
What was your impression of the 'Aggie Bad' song and would you buy it?

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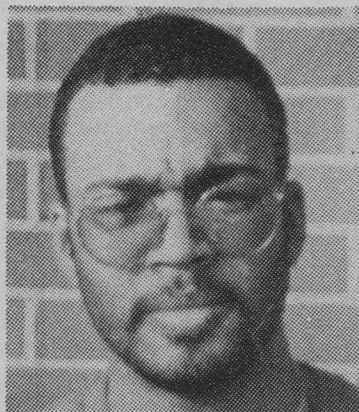
"I thought that it was a nice song and yes I would buy it. The reasons the administration gave for banning it were not legitimate."

Veronica West
Junior
Ypsilanti, Mich.



"I like the song so much that I had it taped twice."

Gina Reed
Sophomore
Indianapolis, Ind.



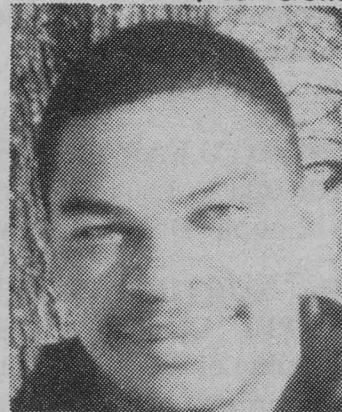
"I wouldn't buy it at all because I don't like rap music."

Rodney Culbreath
Freshman
Charlotte, N.C.



"I really think it was stupid for the administration to take it off the radio. I probably would buy it; if not just to hear, but for a souvenir."

Sheryl Brown
Freshman
Yanceyville, N.C.



"It's a nice song, but I probably would tape it rather than buy it. I also think that eventually it will help promote school spirit."

Charles Hodge
Freshman
Knightdale, N.C.

Letter To The Editor:

Last Thursday, January 15th, several faculty and staff members and a handful of students assembled in Moore Gymnasium to celebrate the birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., the first Black American honored by a national holiday. As all of us already know, Dr. King's leadership changed the lives of all Americans, black and white.

The Board of Trustees of A. & T. State University, in recognizing the significance of the occasion cancelled classes so that students can have the opportunity to participate in the events commemorating the birthday of this great American. Did students show up for the convocation? Absolutely not--out of a student population of 5,600, less than 300 of them chose to participate. The rest had breakfast in the cafeteria and went right back to bed.

Let's contrast this event with Aggie Fest '86. There were 10,000 plus in attendance - our students, their families, friends and others. Our priorities are really warped. We prefer to party and have a good time as opposed to devoting a meager two hours in honor of someone who played a critical role in the liberation of black people in this country. I commend those students who were at the convocation and the candlelight vigil. Your presence was a testimony to your concern in keeping Dr. King's dream alive. As stated in the January edition of **EBONY MAGAZINE** "You are the keepers of the dream. You exemplify the spirit of peace, love and brotherhood that collectively reflect on the man and his dream."

For those of you who decided not to attend the convocation
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GOJU-RYU KARATE is being held on Mondays and Wednesdays from 7-9 p.m. and on Saturdays from 10-12 noon. Dr. Casterlow is the head instructor.

THE NORTH CAROLINA A&T FELLOWSHIP GOSPEL CHOIR will present their second 'live' recording on Friday February 6 at 7 p.m. in Harrison Auditorium. Tickets can be purchased from any Gospel Choir member or on the Second Floor of Harrison Auditorium. Admission is \$1 for students with ID and \$3 for the general public.

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TUTORIAL SESSIONS for the National Teacher Exam (NTE), the Graduate Record Exam (GRE), and other exams (GMAT, LSAT, MCAT, MAT) will be held twice a week during the Spring semester on Mondays from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. and Wednesdays from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. in Crosby Hall Rm. 201. Monday's session will be conducted by Dr. Robert Levine and Wednesday's session by Dr. SallyAnn Ferguson.

AFROTC will sponsor the Annual Blue & Gold Drill Meet Feb. 14 from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. in Corbett Sports Center. The meet will consist of ROTC drill teams throughout the area. The event is free to the public and everyone is invited to attend.

SENIOR RECITAL will be presented by Stephanie C. Simon on Sun., February 8 at 4 p.m. in the Greensboro Public Library on Greene Street in the Second Floor Auditorium. Featured works by Bach, Beethoven, Chopin, Brahms, and Ulysses Kayla. Reception following.

'Hands' event set for Sunday

Daphne M. Page
Associate News Editor

The finale for Hands-Across-A&T-and-Bennett College will be held Sunday at 1 p.m.

After a ceremony in Moore Gym, students will go to Memorial Student Union and begin a human chain that will end at Bennett College's student union.

"Hands," an SGA event, began in October to raise

scholarship funds for A&T and Bennett students. The scholarship has been named the Martin Luther King Scholarship.

A total of \$500 has been raised. Another \$600 has been pledged.

"This is far shy of our goal of \$13,000," said Carlus Hicks, coordinator of the event.

Hicks said the scholarship is not just a fundraising effort.

"The aim of the project is to bring out student participation and to promote education," he said. "The unique quality about this project is that the patrons are students."

"This is a worthwhile adventure by A&T students to participate in, not just because of the scholarship but for the unification of community, high schools, faculty and staff and most important, for ourselves."

Letter

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tion, you missed a real treat. Our eloquent speaker, Reverend Tyrone Crider, was a two-term Student Government President at Morehouse College, National Youth Director of Operations Push and headed the youth voter registration project for the Reverend Jesse Jackson.

His message was superb. Among other things, he talked about the need for students to

be involved and develop a commitment to social consciousness. He stressed the point that today's college students must position themselves to influence social issues affecting all humanity. Students, reexamine your priorities.

Dr. Roland E. Buck
Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs



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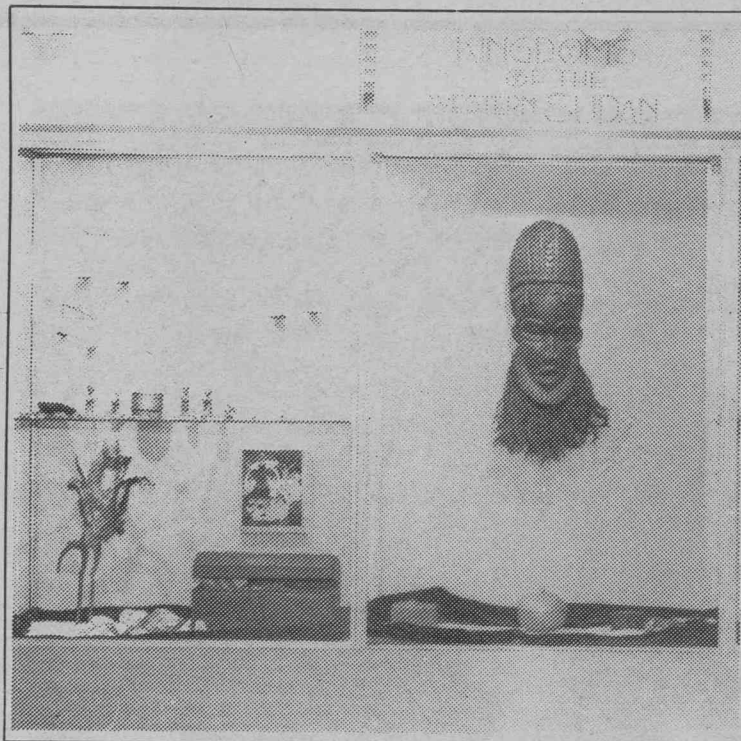


Singer Photo by Wade Nash

"Art is a part of life, an extension of life. You have to know something about art, the visual aspects as well as music and literature, in order to be a complete individual," explained Leroy Holmes, chairman of the A&T Department of Art and curator of the Taylor Gallery.

Holmes, along with Mattie Reed, curator of the African Heritage Center, was host of the reception for the opening of the Black Heritage Expo in the gallery on Jan. 19.

The Expo contains art dating from 4000 B.C. which is permanently housed in the African Heritage Center.



Mask and other relics Photo by Wade Nash

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Women drill team formed; will perform at ball games

URSULA WRIGHT
Entertainment Editor

Accounting major Katrina Patterson didn't let being a freshman stand in the way of her contributing to the diversity of the extracurricular activities available for students.

She created the T'Lettes, a drill team consisting of female students who will be performing military-like routines at basketball games and other events.

Their first performance will be during halftime of the last home basketball game Feb. 28.

To establish a drill team, Patterson had to create a proposal outlining the advantages of such a group. She presented it to Lucille Piggott, dean of Student Affairs. It was ap-

proved a few days later.

After writing a constitution for the group and completing other technical procedures, Patterson had to consider naming the team. She took the school's nickname, "T," and came up with the T'Lettes.

Patterson, who participated in a drill team for three years in high school, said she felt a need to establish a drill team at A&T.

"I was inspired to do this because being on a drill team has become a hobby for me," she said. "Also, I enjoy dealing with people and performing in front of an audience."

She said the drill team will give female students a chance to perform in other activities besides being a majorette, flag girl or cheerleader.

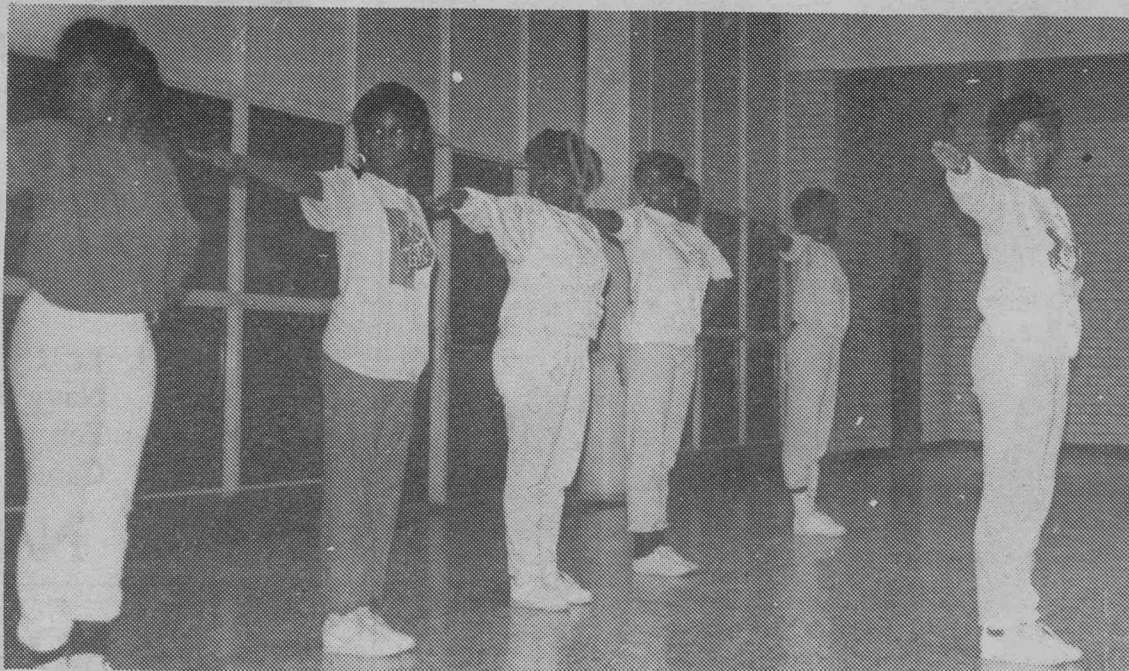
"I think that they (A&T)

will like it because it is something new and it will be entertainment for the whole student body," she said.

The routines of the T'Lettes are similar to the cadences of ROTC commands, but are executed in a way that is appealing to the audience, says Patterson, who choreographed all the routines.

Advised by the Rev. Dorothy Walker, dormitory counselor for Holt Hall, the T'Lettes are a self-supported organization. Each member pays \$60 for uniforms worn during the performances.

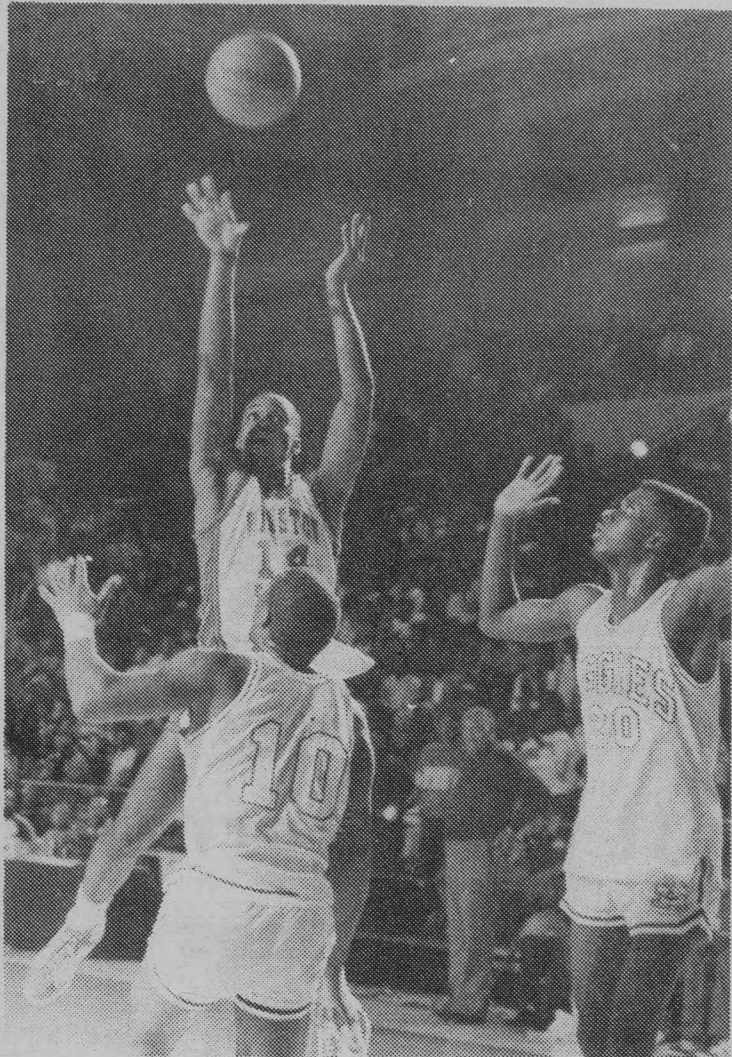
Female students interested in joining the T'Lettes are urged to participate in the practice tryouts at Corbett Center, Monday-Thursday 7-8:30 p.m. Practices will continue through Feb. 20.



T'Lettes practice drill routines

Photo By G. Hunter

Aggie Sports



Ram's Hood hits winning shot.

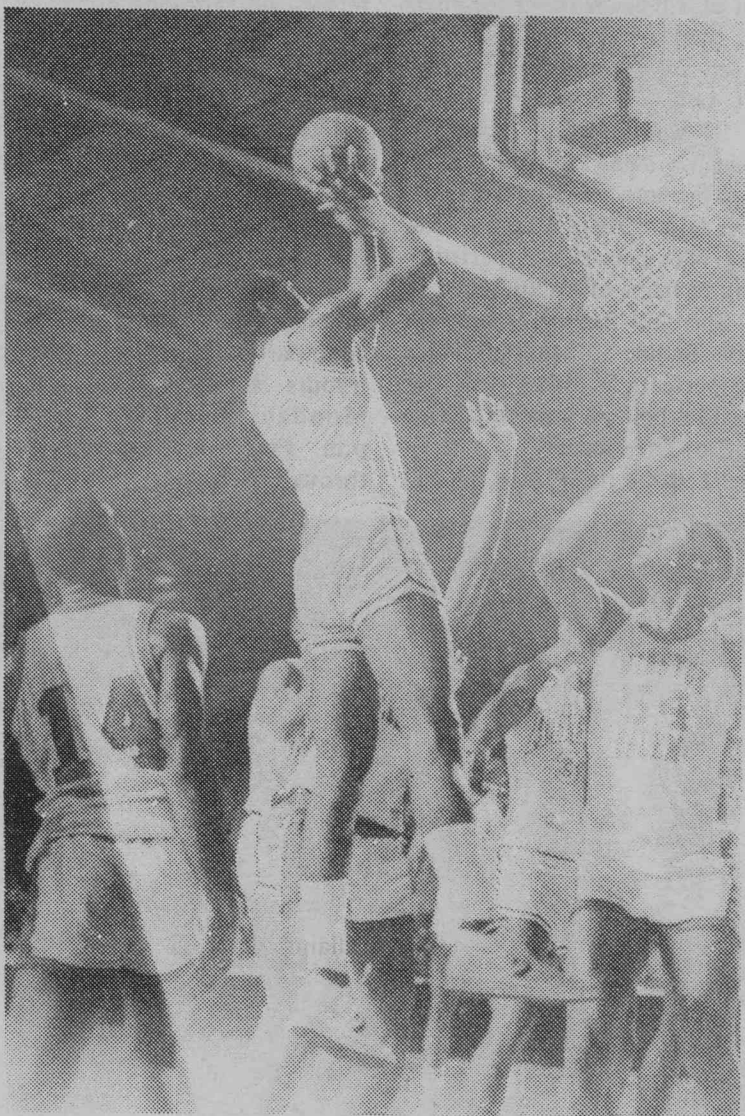


Photo by Wade Nash

Lee Robinson scores hoop over Rams.

Team's morale not hurt by loss

J.R. WILLIAMS
Staff Writer

WINSTON-SALEM - The Aggies heartbreaking loss in the final seconds to intercity rival Winston-Salem State will not hurt the morale of the basketball team as conference play continues, according to Coach Don Corbett.

"It's a rivalry," Corbett said outside of the dressing room after the game at Memorial Coliseum. "They always play good here. We made some mistakes, but they played good."

A short jump shot by Rams' guard Steve Hood with 15 seconds left was the final blow in the 62-61 win over the Aggies Tuesday night.

The win avenged the Rams' early season 69-55 loss to the Aggies.

"This is a real highlight for

this season," said Clarence "Bighouse" Gaines, the Rams' coach. "We always enjoy playing the Aggies."

The Aggies had a 33-25 lead at halftime, but could not hang on. The Rams tied the

score at 52 with 5:01 left on the clock.

After several lead changes, the Aggies regained their final lead at 61-60 on a jumper by

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MEAC MEN'S BASKETBALL STANDINGS

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Above, National Guardsmen protect marchers enroute to Cummings, Ga, in Forsyth County. To right, A&T students relax at Forsyth County line prior to march.

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point guard Thomas Griffis with 30 seconds left in the game.

With 24 seconds left Hood made a 10-foot jumper that put the Rams ahead 62-61. The Aggies drove the ball down court and called timeout with 15 seconds left.

Griffis was the key man for the Aggies as he took a 15-foot jumper with three seconds left, but missed. Corvin Davis grabbed the rebound but missed a three-foot shot. Claude Williams' tap failed also, ending the Aggies hopes for a last-second win.

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March

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Civil Rights Movement," said Bradley, referring to the four A&T students who started the sit-ins at the downtown Woolworth's in 1960.

"We reap the benefits of the bloodshed during the numerous protest of the Civil Rights era. The path of the university should be in terms of its political responsibility and we all agreed that participating in the march is the right path we should be on."

Noting that the march could have a positive impact on the nation, Brunson said he felt there were vital reasons for the youth of this generation to make a stand against racism.

"We wanted to inform the nation and really the world as a whole that we as African-Americans in 1987 will not live in conditions that were present in the 60s," Brunson said.

"The other purpose was to serve as an inspiration to those persons who for some physical or mental reason could not attend. Another purpose of the march is because as A&T students, we have an obligation to fulfill."

Although some of the students who originally signed up for the trip cancelled because their parents objected, the SGA had no trouble filling their seats.

"We could easily fill another bus," Assistant Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs Dr. Sullivan Welborn said as students lobbied for seats.

"Filling the buses is not the problem. The SGA just doesn't have \$1,200 more dollars."

The bus cost \$1,200 dollars and bag lunches for the students cost \$200.

Parents were afraid because of the KKK's violent history, according to several students who had registered but did not make the trip.

"Most of our generation have never witnessed this type of violence," Bradley said. "Our purpose and mission is just. The dangers that could lie ahead aren't important. The importance is that we're there and have a just cause."

In the darkness of the early morning, the Morgan and Sons chartered bus filled with anxious A&T students arrived at the Martin Luther King Jr. Center for Nonviolent Social Change in Atlanta.

More than 300 buses came from around the country. March organizers used 500 Metro Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority buses to carry marchers from the center and the Atlanta Civic Center to Forsyth County. Some 4,000 marchers were left in Atlanta because of a lack of transportation.

Thousands of cars and vans joined the buses for the 40-mile trip to Forsyth Co.

The caravan rolled onto Interstate 75 towards Chattanooga, Tenn., with police blocking every ramp and intersection to the expressway.

Security was heavy with police perched atop each bridge and state police and

television choppers roaring above.

The expressions on the students faces changed. The mood changed.

Music on the bus stereo by popular singers Anita Baker and Luther Vandross were replaced with students singing "Lift Every Voice And Sing." One student read "The 27th

Psalm." They sang Bill Withers's "Lean On Me" and a student gave a stirring rendition of "I Have A Dream." They prayed and sang spirituals.

As the bus traveled through metropolitan Atlanta, large corporate buildings lined the highway. The Chattahoochee

River, where many bodies were found during the Atlanta child killings flowed under the highway twice.

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But upon entering Forsyth Co., the scene changed. Corporations and houses disappeared revealing room for expansion. (continued to p. 11)

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March

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Motorists traveling the opposite direction offered peace signs, signaled No. 1, and thumbs up as the buses passed.

But all that ended when the buses rolled off of exit 10. The caravan was now in the county that banned Blacks after dark. White counterprotesters shouted racial slurs.

No black has lived in Forsyth County since the brutal rape and murder of a prominent white woman allegedly by a black man in 1912.

Forsyth County ran more than 1,000 black families off their land after the 1912 incident. Black leaders are demanding that the land be returned.

"There's concern about marching on Forsyth because this could be life threatening," said Bernard Allen, a political science major. "I'm glad for myself because my generation can take part in a rally of this magnitude and with so much media attention."

Many of the A&T students were women.

"I had some fears but I really wanted to come because it would be a good experience and the least I could do," Bernardette Allen said. "My mother said she would be afraid for me to go but she sent me money and prayed that we would be all right."

The bus crept to a stop a mile from the march site and the students were eager to unload.

As the students joined the others for the 1 1/2 mile march to Cummings, the Forsyth County seat, many of the 1,500 national guardsman, Georgia Bureau of Investigation officers and Atlanta Sheriff's and State troopers met them and kept several dozen hecklers away.

After trudging for the mile-and-a-half through the slush and snow to the courthouse for the speeches, the Mayor Andrew Young of Atlanta, Coretta Scott King, Benjamin Hooks, Hosea Williams and Ralph Abernathy praised the marchers for being strong and nonviolent.

Aggie Fest '87 committee formed

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A committee has been formed to determine if an Aggie Fest '87 will be held.

The committee was formed after Dr. Roland E. Buck, vice chancellor for student affairs, recommended to the chancellor that Aggie Fest not be held because of the near tragedy last year.

Aggie Fest '86 was cancelled last year after students had gathered at Aggie Stadium for a concert. Chaos resulted. Several people were injured and the playing field was damaged.

The committee will meet with Buck and try to work out details of an Aggie Fest. Buck said at the SGA meeting last week that the issue was not whether an Aggie Fest should be held, but where.

The Fort administration argued at the SGA meeting that the attendance at Aggie

"My responsibility is twofold -- to make sure students get a good sound education and to make sure they are safe while they are here," Fort said.

Fest has grown so large that the university cannot guarantee the safety of persons attending the concert.

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An SGA committee last fall presented Buck with proposals to protect the playing field and help control the crowd. But Buck recommended that Aggie Fest not be held.

"After carefully reviewing your proposal for Aggie Fest

'87 and in consultation with several university officials, I have recommended to Chancellor Fort that there should be no Aggie Fest for 1987," Buck said in a letter to the committee.

"My rationale for this recommendation is based solely on my conviction that the university does not have the capacity to handle an event of such magnitude," Buck stated.

But safety was not the only factor.

Aggie Fest is a "tremendous" undertaking for the SGA and rarely does the university break even, according to Sullivan Welborne, advisor SGA.

"In fact, for the last couple of years the university has lost money," according to Welborne.

Kathy Miller, a senior who held an internship at Miller

Brewing Co., said the company's Young Adult Marketing Department offered to sponsor Aggie Fest this year but was turned down by the university.

Chancellor Fort said he was not aware of any such overture and would welcome the offer.

"Aggie Fest began as a student activity with my strong support," Fort said "I have

always supported Aggie Fest as a concept".

SGA President Michael Brunson suggested that instead of an Aggie Fest focused on students partying, it should have a theme such as protesting apartheid.

He suggested that jazz and gospel concerts and lectures be held in addition to the traditional big concert.

"Let's adopt a new attitude about the concept of Aggie Fest," Brunson said.

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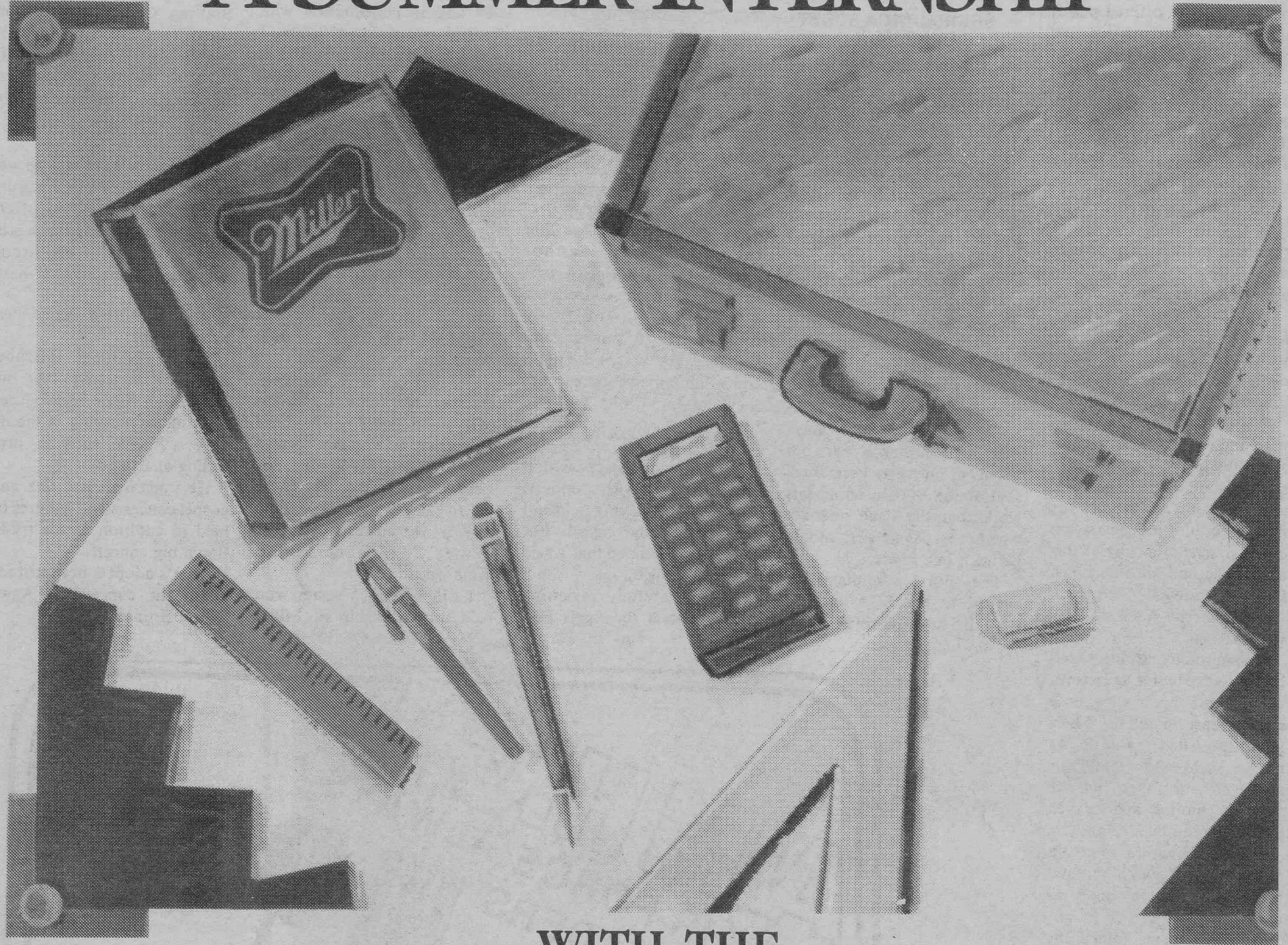
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