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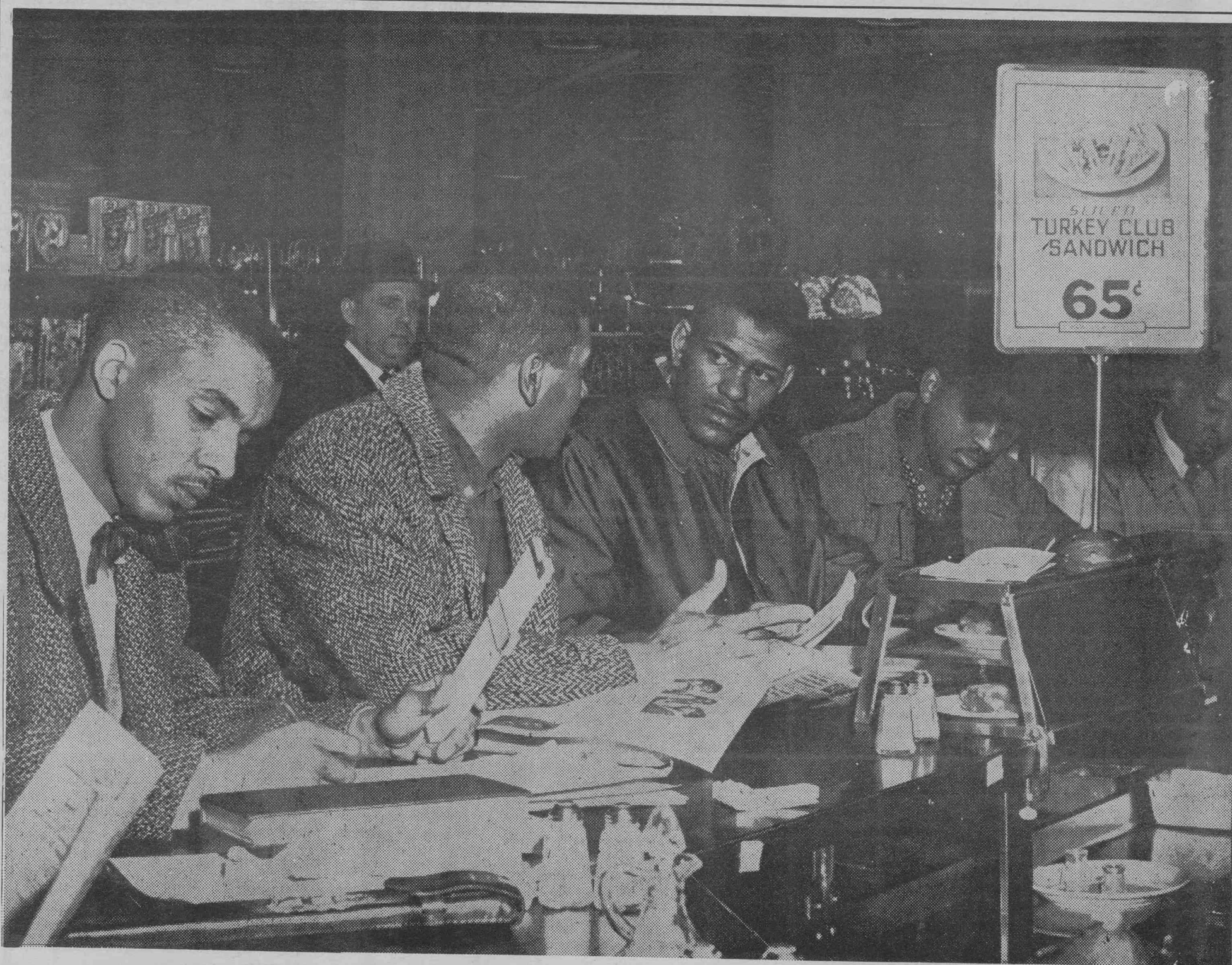
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A&T Students stage a "passive sit-down demand" in Woolworth's in downtown Greenboro on Feb. 1, 1960. The famous four were commemorated Wednesday by the A&T student chapter of the NAACP as they reenacted the historic event. See story on page 3.

Black History Month

NEWSBRIEFS

Flight 103 Bomb Planted by Palestinian Terrorist on CIA Agent

LONDON (AP) - The bomb that blew up Pan Am Flight 103 over Scotland was planted by Palestinian terrorists in the luggage of a CIA agent, a radio station said Thursday. David Johnson, head of the news department at Radio Forth, a commercial station in Edinburgh, reported the CIA officer was returning from Beirut with five colleagues after a mission to negotiate release of the nine American hostages in Lebanon.

Riot

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) - Gunshots, rocks and bottles rained down on more than 100 police officers as they put down a riot triggered by the arrest of a black drug suspect who later died in custody, authorities said. Wednesday night's three-hour disturbance was the third riot in the predominately black College Hill section in two years and the second in Florida in two weeks.

Groundhog

PUNXSUTAWNEY, Pa. (AP) - Punxsutawney Phil, that plumb pampered groundhog long touted as America's best mammalian meteorological prognosticator, saw his shadow Thursday, predicting six or more weeks of a "kinder and gentler" winter. Phil's unscientific forecasts don't always hold up, but his handlers nevertheless claim he's never wrong.

South Africa

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (AP) - President P.W. Botha, who is recovering from a stroke he suffered two weeks ago, resigned Thursday as the leader of the governing National Party, the government said. There was no immediate indication of whether Botha, 73, also planned to step down as president. The National Party's parliamentary caucus chose National Education Minister F.W. de Clerk to replace Botha as party leader.

S&L

LOS ANGELES (AP) - The General Accounting Office recommends the government battle the savings and loan crisis by seizing control of about 350 failing thrifts, a newspaper reported Thursday. The GAO also says that S&L's under government control should be banned for continuing the business practices that the GAO alleges got thrifts into trouble in the first place, the Los Angeles Times reported.

Afghanistan

KABUL, Afghanistan (AP) - Artillery fire echoed through the capital Thursday as President Najib sought to assure reporters his government will survive once Soviet soldiers are gone and his troops alone face Moslem guerrillas. Also, Thursday, Western journalists saw a convoy of more than 100 Red Army trucks and tanks starting out along the Salang Highway, the only road from Kabul to the Soviet border.

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (UPI) - Four members of the military wing of the African National Congress on trial for treason and murder rejected the jurisdiction of South African courts and refused to enter pleas Wednesday, the first day of their trial.

The four self-confessed members of Umkhonto we Sizwe, or Spear of the Nation, appeared in a circuit court in Delmas, east of Johannesburg, to face a total of 49 charges. The charges include treason, terrorism and a murder count for the 1986 killing of a politician in a black homeland.

Justice M. de Klerk entered a plea of innocent on behalf of the four after warning them they could face the "ultimate penalty" if death if convicted.

A packed gallery of mostly black supporters chanted "Long live Nelson Mandela" and raised clenched fists as defendant Jabu Obed Masina read a prepared statement defending the decision not to enter pleas to the charges.

"We, as members of Umkhonto we Sizwe, the military wing

of the ANC, are involved in a war of national liberation," Masina said.

The ANC has waged a guerrilla war against the South African government since 1961 to topple its minority white rule.

Our refusal to participate in the proceedings stems from our belief that this court and this judicial system is founded on injustice and oppression. Such a judicial system cannot operate independently from the political system within it functions," Masina said.

"We as soldiers, cannot and should not stand trial in a civilian court."

The statement also said all four defendants had been held in solitary confinement, denied legal representation for eight months, and "tortured and brutally assaulted" by security police.

Though not unprecedented, the decision to reject the court's jurisdiction given the seriousness of the charges is rare, according to legal sources, and could complicate efforts by defense lawyers representing the four.

"They've had plenty of time to think this through," said one source. "It's a considered decision."

At least seven treason trials are currently under way in the country, including one involving three whites charged as


members of the ANC.

An eighth treason trial of 14 alleged ANC activists, including Jenny Shreiner, 32, a white academic from a prominent South African Family, begins next week in Cape Town. A ninth treason trial is expected to open shortly in southern Port Elizabeth city.

Wednesday's trial of the four militants in Delmas came on the second day of a meeting in the Zimbabwean capital of Harare between exiled ANC officials and 32 liberal white legal experts and academics on a framework for a legal system in a post-apartheid South Africa.

ANC Publicity Secretary Thabo Mbeki, who heads the ANC delegation, said the talks were "progressing well" with no major differences between the two sides. The meeting is the latest in a series of white South African contacts with the ANC, which have increased in tempo despite fierce government opposition to negotiating with "terrorists."

In another development, Appellate Court Judge Michael Corbett, 65, was sworn in Wednesday as Supreme Court chief in a move long awaited by human rights lawyers who generally regard Corbett as more liberal than his predecessor.



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ON CAMPUS

Student March Commemorates Greensboro Four Sit-In

Angelicia Simmons
Special to the Register

It was on Feb. 1, 1960, at Woolworth's Department store in downtown Greensboro, where four brave black men decided that blacks could not progress by sitting back and letting others fight their battles.

David Richmond, Franklin McCain, Joseph McNeill and Ezell Blair, were four A&T freshmen who decided to make a difference.

On Wednesday, Feb. 1, 1989, Aggie students participated in a march to Woolworth's to commemorate the bravery of the "Greensboro Four."

The march began in the Holland Bowl where a stirring speech was delivered by David Hill, NAACP student chapter president.

The A&T Fellowship Gospel Choir rendered music and a large number of students graced the atmosphere with high

spirits.

Following a brief program, students lined up to begin the march to the nationally reknown store.

Upon reaching Woolworth's, Richmond, one of the "Four" gave comments and then four freshmen entered the store and sat at the counter as an reenactment of the event.

"The march was excellent," said SGA president Lee Christian.

"David Hill should be commended on an excellent job."

Christian added that emotions stirred in him during the march.

I reflected on the history of the past and what was done, but I was also thinking of what should be done today," he said.

The rally and march to commemorate the sit-in gave the NAACP student chapter much needed publicity. In two and a half months the membership has

risento 282 members.

Hill said the march was so important that a price tag could not be placed on it.

Hill added that the march did two things, first, it raised the conscious level of the students and community and second, it let the governor know that we still support the accommodation act.

"Everyone seemed to have a genuine interest in the cause. The students here are not apathetic, leadership is abundant on A&T's campus as well as Bennett's," said David Hill.

"I feel that this march represents the restraints the white man put on us and how far we have come. It reaffirms what we as a people stand for and says that we will no longer be oppressed by apartheid, discrimination, or any values aside from our day," said Santeena Smith, a junior at A&T.



A&T Students participate in the Feb. 1 celebration in the Holland Bowl on Wednesday.

Gibbs Computer Lab to Operate Soon

The previously operated computer labs which are located in Gibbs Hall will soon be in operation once again.

The two computer labs which are located in Room 210 and Room 212 in Gibbs Hall have been closed since the spring semester of May, 1988. This has caused a great concern to many who have used the computer labs in previous semesters.

The labs contain a total of 21 Apple II E computers in which two out of the 21 computers are being repaired.

"Several thousand students used the computers during the semesters when the labs were in operation," said Dr. Peter Myers, chairman of the History department.

The department at this time is in the process of preparing paperwork for the times and days of operation for the lab. In recent years the computer lab operated Mondays thru Fridays from 1 p.m. until 6 p.m. and on the weekends from 1 p.m. until 8 p.m. before it no longer

operated.

The computer labs in Gibbs Hall are a result of the Alford P. Sloan Foundation in which funding is provided to the department for assistance in the operation of the labs. When the labs first opened in 1986, they were generally for the social sciences such as history, psychology, social work and political science majors.

"We do not discriminate against any other students who are majoring in any other academic areas, who wish to use the labs," said Dr. Sarah Kirk, chairman of sociology and social work. "The labs are open to all students."

The department is presently seeking funding once again for the operation of the lab under the renewable Alford P. Sloan Foundation Grant. In September, 1985 when the loan was first granted to A&T. The department did not receive access to the grant until Dec. 15, of



SENIOR CLASS There will be a senior class meeting held Tuesday, Feb. 7 at 6 p.m., Room 212 of the Student Union. All graduating seniors **MUST ATTEND**. Information of importance. Any questions contact Ms. Bailey.

PEP RALLY: On Saturday, Feb. 4, there will be a pep rally before the women's basketball game. The Aggies host Delaware State at 5:30 p.m. in Corbett Gymnasium. Immediately following the women's basketball game there will be a pep rally for the men's basketball game when they also host Delaware State at 8 p.m. All students are encouraged to attend these functions. These events are sponsored by the Student Government Association.

ALL STUDENTS who still have their ticket stubs from the post-poned 1988 Homecoming Step Show event will be able to receive \$1 off their purchase to 1989 Aggie Fest event in April.

TALENT-FASHION SHOWCASE During Black History Month Miss A&T, Monee' McQuire, will have a Talent-Fashion Showcase of the campus queens. All queens are encouraged to participate in this upcoming event. Every interested queen must sign up in Room 209 in the Student Union.

FOCUS

Winners and Losers

Some may view affirmative action as reverse discrimination or the taking away of opportunity from one particular group of people to give to another because the latter group has received less benefits in the past.

This redistribution of privileges is designed to even out the class and provide many with new opportunities for advancement.

The Supreme Court's recent decision to stike down affirmative action in Richmond, Va. will undoubtedly leak into most of the rest of the country. But who are the winners, if any, and the losers.

It is nice to think of our country as a place where anyone can do anything, live anywhere or hold any office judged only on his or her merits. But have we come that far or should we retain a system that will equate everyone first before this can occur?

Looking back at the Court's ruling, where it decided not to allow 30 percent of the city's building contracts to be given to Black contractors.

More closer to home, I have rarely witnessed Blacks working on any construction projects on campus, let alone any Blacks contractors. Who is the culprit: Is it the Board of Governors who don't regulate the number of Black contractors who work on state institutions, our university officials who don't put enough pressure on them to do so, or is it the Black community who doesn't apply pressure on the university system?

Or should we give the jobs to those with the lowest bids? But Black contractors are usually smaller, thus they can not cut some of their costs by buying materials at volume.

In any case, this subject has not seen its last days in front of the courts or in our communities.

Abortion

With the recent publicity of the fairness of abortion, I can't help but think about the stand many A&T students would take on the issue.

There are probably just as many students who condone the act as there are students who are totally against it.

Let's weigh the issues:

1) Those in favor of abortion generally feel that the mother has God given right to make her own decisions. Regardless of the circumstances that surrounded the conception, these people believe that America is a land of liberty where the rights of the people come first.

2) Those who oppose abortion generally feel that "to abort" means "to murder." It is their belief that the above mentioned rights also extend to those of the unborn child. They know that at the point of conception, a life begins and to end that life without giving it a chance to develop is a criminal act.

I must admit that for a very long time, I was in favor of the opposition. I felt that, along with the spiritual concept, a mother owes it to her child to let him see and experience life for himself.

But a few days ago, a friend pointed out to me a certain hypocrisy that many women may hold.

It is easy for us to sit back and judge the lives of other people. It is so simple to say, "What you are considering is wrong, morally and ethically."

But, given that I were the one who was told that I were pregnant, my views may be subject to change.

In my present situation, being this close to graduating from college and finding a job in the work force, a child is not at the top of my priority list.

This is not to mention the pain I would place upon my parents, who for the last four years took on additional jobs to pay the expenses of my education so that I may get ahead in life.

Everyone should take a stand on the subject for "if you don't stand for something, you stand for nothing."

I simply urge that you take a hard look at the values you are placing on society. There's no way you can look a pregnant woman in the eye and tell her to have an abortion is wrong if won't be able to tell yourself the same thing if the situation occurred to you.

The Black Male

Juan Cherry
Features Editor

When writing an editorial, I try not only to give my opinion but to challenge the readers. This time I want to challenge Black men.

Here are some facts: The number of Black men is decreasing. Abortion among Blacks is the highest of any other race. Over 50 percent of Black families are headed by Black women. AIDS is among the highest of the races. And the most startling fact to me is that there are more Black men in jail than there are in college.

Personally, I think Black men will have to play the major role in combating each of these problems.

If your question is what role that is, I'd say the role is to be a 'man'. Many times we boast in the things that characterize a male such as sex, being aggressive, and being loud and not in the things that make up a man such as being a leader and a positive role model.

I know many of us are quick to say 'yeah I can be a leader', but we can not be leaders if we are not doing anything that people would want to follow.

First of all our motives are wrong. We have developed the attitude that if it feels good do it no matter what it costs or who it hurts.

Many times we jump into things without considering the consequences. Some of these things are majors, organizations and relationships. Another problem in making decisions is acting out of a wrong motive. For example, we choose our majors for money and not happiness. We choose organizations for status, and we choose relationships to gratify ourselves at the expense of others.

I realized that the bad talk about Black men was not only from people from other races, but from our very own Black females.

The warning... If we lose the respect of the Black women we can hang it up. I think that Black women would be willing to be led by a man who proved that he could lead her but we have a lot to make up for.

Over the past few years Black males have gotten slack and we're catching some of the blame for it.

So what do we do? We are looked to as the future because we are among the small group of Black men in college. The stage is set and the time is now let's take a stand Black men and show our women and the world that we are indeed on the scene. The reason I said women first is because if a man can't lead in his household there's no way he can lead outside his household. If you save a woman you save a life but if you save a man you save a family. You have been challenged...

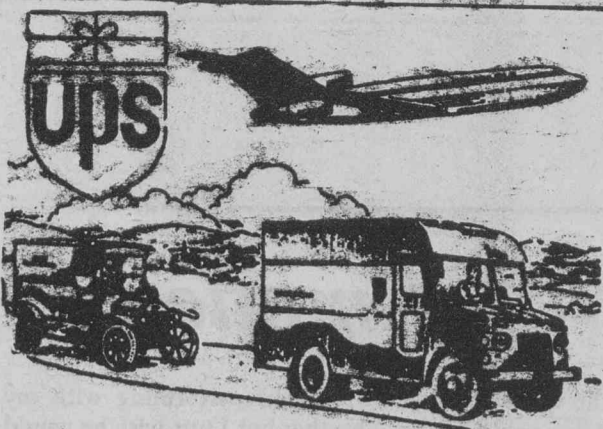
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**Condom Machines
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Mark Ausbrooks
Staff Writer

The student government of North Carolina A&T will place condom machines in the bathrooms of all dorms by the end of the semester.

The condom machines will be placed at no charge to the students, and the dispensing will also be free.

"As long as there is threat of catching AIDS there needs to be access to condoms," said Lee Christian, president of the student government.

The diagnosis of AIDS, which the origin of is unknown, came in 1979, and it is speculated that the U.S. epidemic started with the arrival of 100,000 Haitian "boat people".

The John Sebastian Infirmary for student health presently provides Johnson & Johnson birth control pills and Trojan-ENZ condoms with spermicidal lubricant for any student that requests them.

In an average semester the health center dispenses nearly 300 condoms at a cost of around \$125.

"We take all patients into a room and all they have to do is ask. The procedure is very confidential," said Marion Douglass, supervisor of nurses.

Douglass said that students underestimate the problem of

AIDS. The disease cannot be transmitted by casual contact or donating blood.

"Given the fact that AIDS hits hard in the black community we need to take steps to prevent AIDS," said Linda Bowling, head director of the center.

"Students should be responsible for their actions and should think beyond the moment of passion."

Mark Middleton, attorney general for the student government, supports the measure but feels sexuality is a personal matter.

"Safe sex comes from a person's attitude, and putting condoms in the dorms won't make it any better," said Middleton.

If the mood hits people they are going to do what they want to do regardless. Safer sex will only change when their values change."

Christian said that A&T has no babysitting policy and added that he does not care what visitors may say when going to the restroom.

"This is college and sex happens all the time," said Christian.

Christian, who is not an advocate of premarital sex, said if he did indulge he would use condoms.

AFROTC Mourns Death

Mrs. Jessie Loretta Webster LeGrand, former secretary of the Air Force ROTC Detachment 605 at A&T died Monday, Jan. 16.

For the past 14 years Mrs. LeGrand has seen every cadet commissioned into the Air Force.

"She brought life into the detachment by her special ways," said former cadet, Anissa Parker. "When you walked into the detachment you knew there was someone to talk to."

According to Parker, Mrs.

LeGrand was a friend to everyone, and that she made you feel more at home when you entered the detachment.

According to Capt. Anthony Hardin, Mrs. LeGrand, a graduate of A&T, was a dedicated member of the Aggie Club.

Mrs. LeGrand was the widow of the late George Clement LeGrand.

"A&T will really miss her," said Capt. Hardin.

Cynthia E. Roberts

Entertainment

Wynton Marsalis Stresses Music with Emotion

Mark Ausbrooks
Staff Writer

Today's music is not a reflection of spirituality, but it is an abuse and misuse of teenage sexuality said jazz trumpeter Wynton Marsalis while speaking to a capacity crowd in Ronald McNair auditorium Friday.

"People say to me, I'm a good musician but I haven't got a break. You got a break so how can I get a break?" said Marsalis.

The only answer he gave was that they need to "break to the

The following are the top record hits and leading popular compact disks as they appear in the Feb. 4, issue of Billboard magazine. Copyright 1989, Billboard Publications, Inc.

BLACK SINGLES

1. "Can You Stand the Rain" New Edition (MCA)
2. "Can You Read My Lips" Z'Looke (Opheus)
3. "Superwoman" Karyn White (Warner Bros.)
4. "So Good" Al Jarreau (Reprise)
5. "She Won't Talk to Me" Luther Vandross (Epic)
6. "Baby Doll" Tony! Toni! Tone! (Wing)
7. "Wild Thing" Tone Loc (Delicious Vinyl)
8. "This Time" Kiara (Arista)
9. "Roni" Bobby Brown (MCA)
10. "Take Me Where You Want To" Gerald Alston (Motown)
11. "Teddy's Jam" Guy (Up-town)
12. "Dreamin'" Vanessa Williams (Wing)
13. "I Want to Be Your Lover" Aleese Simmons (Orpheus)
14. "Killing Me Softly" Al B. Sure! (Warner Bros.)
15. "Turn My Back On You" Sade (Epic)
16. "Just Because" Anita Baker (Elektra)
17. "Kisses Don't Lie" Evelyn "Champagne King" (EMI)
18. "Get on the Dance Floor" Rob Base & D.J. E-Z Rock (Profile)
19. "Skin I'm In" Cameo (Atlanta Artists)
20. "Straight Up" Paula Abdul (Virgin)

practice room".

"I spend at least six hours a day practicing, and I am constantly learning about jazz," said Marsalis, who was in town for a concert hosted by the Beta Epsilon Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha.

Marsalis said that emotion, and true romance are important factors in jazz.

"It's a lot deeper than ooh, wee, girl I saw you on the street, and I looked at you and my heart skipped a beat," said the 27-year-old Marsalis.

"The progression of music can not be something that sounds as if it is a construction job," said Marsalis, a winner of eight Grammy awards.

Marsalis said that technology is taking the place of spirituality today, "but even if man puts someone on the moon they

couldn't do it without God."

Winning a Grammy is very political," said Marsalis. "They don't look at substance in the music, but if you sell over 2,000 records you get an award, and you are instantly bad."

Marsalis said that if you take everything he has done from the history of jazz, it wouldn't affect the history.

"I've recorded six or seven albums, but Duke Ellington himself recorded 600 albums," said Marsalis.

The exposure of other music is a must said Marsalis. Young students don't know what they are choosing from.

"Why pick up a Big Mac when you can have the New Orleans delight of Gumbo," he said.

"People need to broaden their frame of reference," said Marsalis.

Marsalis, who was a National Merit Finalist, could have studied at Harvard, Yale or M.I.T but opted to study at The Julliard School of the Arts where he toured with Art Blakey's band, The Messengers.

Marsalis added that he wished schools taught history accurately.

"In music class they should first be taught the blues," said Marsalis.

Marsalis said that jazz is an extension, elaboration and refinement of the blues idiom.

Marsalis strongly ruled out musicians such as Grover Washington, Miles Davis and even his brother, Branford, as jazz musicians.

Branford's left Wynton's band in 1986 to play with rock and roll band Sting.

"I love performing with my brother but I just wish he would act more serious," said Marsalis.

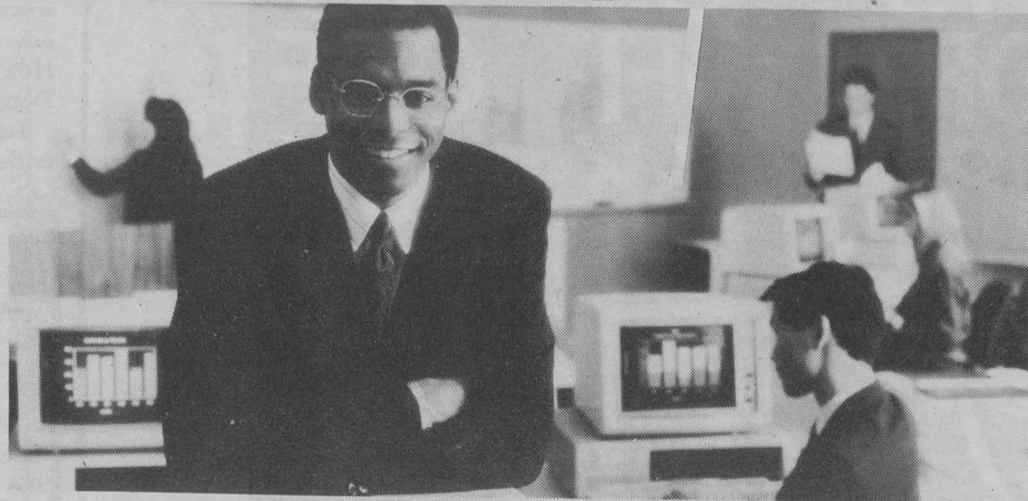
Marsalis at 14 won a state trumpet competition in New Orleans, which brought him to the Greensboro Eastern Music Festival, added that his brother could pick up virtually any instrument and play a tune.

People imitate rock music because they are jealous said Marsalis, before promising to always to play jazz.

"I would never want to disgrace my instrument because I have too much respect for my trumpet."

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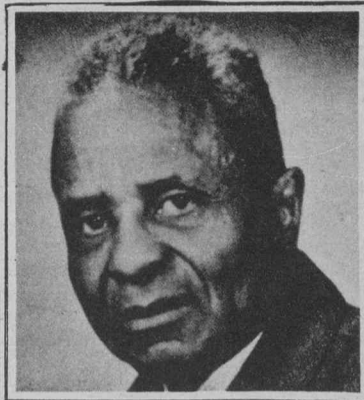
Warmoth Thomas Gibbs Sr. has been considered for more than 30 years as "a walking history book."

A native of Baldwin, La., Gibbs earned A.B. degrees from Wiley College in Marshall, Texas and Harvard University. He also received his Ed. M. and Ph.D. degrees from Harvard University.

"I am interested in national and world affairs which helped me in my educational career," said Gibbs, who is a president emeritus of A&T.

Gibbs was A&T's fourth president. He was Dean of the School of Education and General Studies and director of summer school.

"While I was Dean of the School of Education in 1929, I also taught political science," Gibbs said.



President Gibbs (1956-1960)

During the accreditation stages of A&T college in 1956, Gibbs says he quickly designed a series of campus programs to eliminate academic deficiencies. Through well prepared presentations exhibited the needs of the college to members of the General Assembly, the trustees, the Budget Bureau, the Board of Higher Education, the alumni,

the faculty and staff along with the students.

"A&T College was going through growth and change," Gibbs said.

Gibbs noted that he played an inspirational role in the successful accomplishments of the college newspaper.

"I was advisor in 1929 when the circulation was small but later it expanded in 1964," Gibbs said.

Gibbs 96, spends some of his time writing historical experiences as he remembers them.

One of Gibbs' writings is 'History in A&T', which can be found in the archives of the Bluford Library.

Gibbs retired in 1960 and will always hold a special place at A&T State University as a very special friend.

African-American or Black

Vicki Alston

Special to the Register

The cliché, 'History repeats itself', may not be as trivial as one might think. Current television shows are using flashbacks from 1960's to get their messages across. -Miniskirts and bell-bottomed pants are returning to fashion.-and much of today's popular music is a revision of the 1960's top-ten hits.

But, one has to wonder if James Brown, a popular rhythm and blues lyricist of the 1960's and today, could have made a hit out of the phrase, "Say it loud, I'm African-American and I'm proud."

According to a recent article in Newsweek Magazine, the Rev. Jesse Jackson would have preferred it that way. He and several other prominent Blacks announced in Chicago their preference for the term African-American.

"Just as we were called 'colored,' but were not that, and then 'Negro,' but no that, to be called 'Black' is just as baseless," Jackson said. "Every ethnic group in this country has a reference to some cultural base. African-Americans have hit that level of maturity."

The attitudes of the 1960's caused many news organizations to discontinue the use of the term Negro in the early 1970's because it offended Blacks.

It will not be surprising if the new appellation, African-American, spreads rapidly in the 1990's. However, Norm Goldstein, co-editor of the Associated Press, says, 'As far as I can tell, Jesse Jackson will still be called a Black tomorrow.'

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Greatest Influences: My family.

AGGIE SPORTS

Commissioner's Vote Stirs Responses

Mark Ausbrooks
Staff Writer

MEAC Commissioner Ken Free voted yes for Proposition 42 at the January meeting of the National Collegiate Athletic Association.

Proposition 48 requires scores of 700 on the SAT or 15 on the ACT and a 2.0 grade point average in a high school core curriculum.

Proposition 42 will deny athletic scholarships to those who don't meet the standards, requiring athletes to sit out their freshman year and receive no financial assistance.

"If I didn't vote yes, there wouldn't have been any fuss over Proposition 42," said Free,

a graduate of North Carolina A&T.

The commissioner's vote has helped spark responses and research on the issue.

John Thompson, head basketball coach of the Georgetown Hoyas, boycotted two basketball games because the measure was passed by such a close vote.

"I fought very hard to change Proposition 48, and I voted for 42 so everyone would see that it was wrong," said Free, the first full-time commissioner of the conference.

"I know now that Proposition 48 will be redesigned and hopefully it will help people of lower socio-economical backgrounds," said Free who is

the first black to serve on the NCAA Division I basketball committee.

The conference would not be highly affected by his vote because it does not get a consistent amount of blue-chip athletes, according to Free.

"We get individuals who are good athletes and good students whose families are unable to send them to college," said Free, a former player for the New York Mets.

Free said the conference is overlooked and the yes vote will help open doors for the MEAC.

"John Thompson never made any stand until Proposition 42, because it effected his program directly," added Free.

Baseball Schedule Presents Challenge

First-year A&T baseball coach Calvin Lang took a long look at the schedule and concluded the obvious.

"This is the most challenging schedule for any first-year coach," Lang said. "I don't see any easy ones."

Lang and the Aggies will open the season--the earliest start in recent memory-- on Feb. 14, when A&T visits Atlantic Coast Conference foe Duke. The Aggies play their home opener on March 3, hosting Appalachian State in Memorial Stadium.

The 1989 schedule, as Lang indicated, certainly won't be easy. Other formidable opponents include Notre Dame, Wake Forest and St. Bonaventure.

Lang, who inherits the holdover from last year's 4-22 entry, isn't making any bold predictions. His approach is best described as cautious optimism.

We hope we will be able to play fundamental baseball," Lang said. "That means, of course, playing sound baseball every inning and not making the kinds of mistakes that will cost you a win in the end."

Lang said he is pleased with preseason drills, although the recent stretch of inclement



Lang

weather has forced the team to workout indoor.

"I'm very excited and satisfied with what we've been able to accomplish in the early going," Lang said. "The players are showing a lot of enthusiasm and desire. You always want to begin a season with that kind of attitude."

Keeping the team's attitude on a positive note will be one of Lang's major goals, he said. The Aggies haven't had a winning season in a number of years and getting the players to believe in themselves will be a major factor in whether the team reverses the disappointments of previous campaigns, according to Lang.

"Our confidence level also will be a key to our success,"

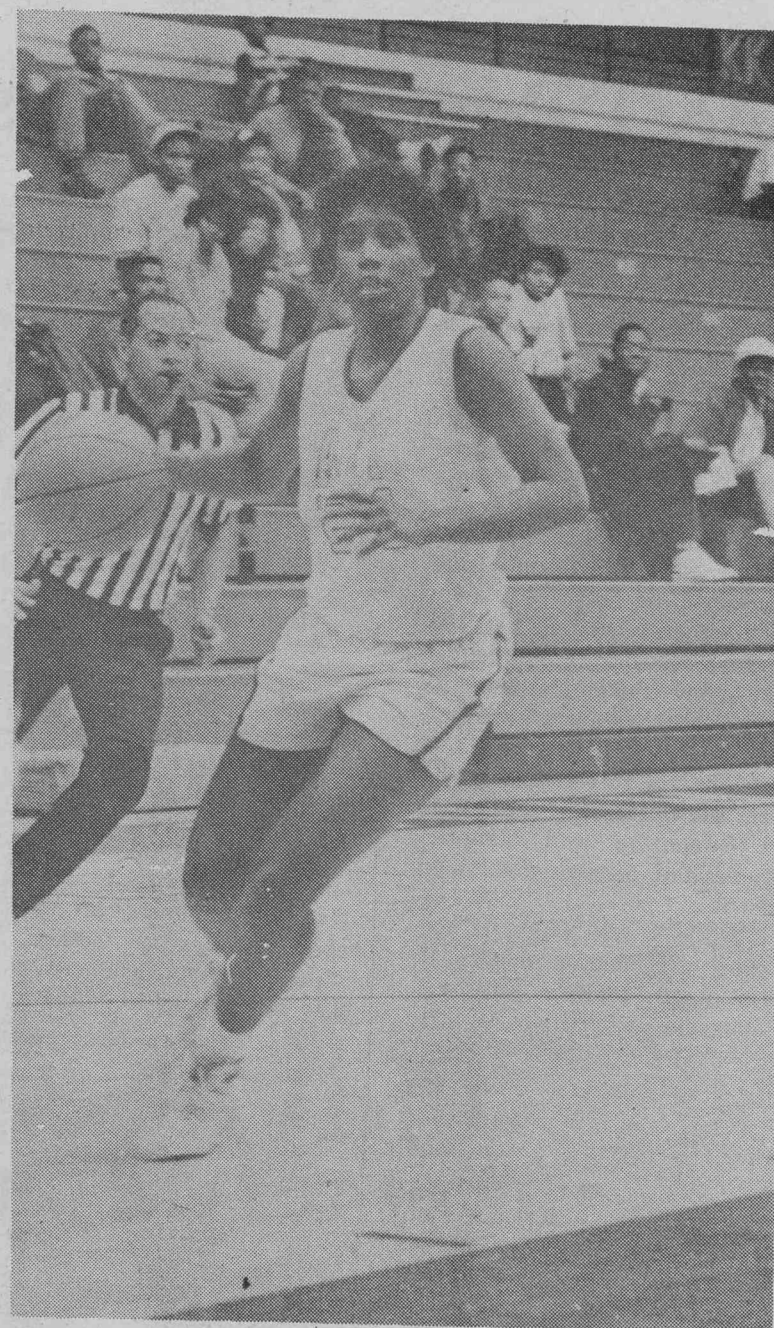
Lang said. "It will be very important for us to get off to a good start and build confidence along the way."

A&T's chances to reverse last year's record will be boosted by the return of seven starters, including three pitchers and three players who batted over .400 last season.

The pitchers are sophomores Paul Moore and Sherman Ford and junior Joe Scott. They likely will form the backbone of the pitching staff, but Lang is hopeful a couple newcomers will help provide depth and emerge as candidates in the starting rotation.

Senior first baseman Warren Mitchell, junior centerfielder Gerald Watlington and junior leftfielder Walter Johnson batted .400 last season and Lang hopes they will continue the pace this season. The final returning starter is sophomore catcher Thomas Keefer.

"I feel confident we have the potential to be a competitive team this season," Lang said, himself a star on Aggie baseball teams in the 1950's. "The players have expressed the desire to win and I want them to win. If some of the breaks go our way, I think we can reach our goal."



Guard Paulette Dennis drives to the basket. See next week's feature on Aggiette Basketball.

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Legislature Stimulates Interest

A small group of students on A&T's campus have dedicated themselves to learning more about the legislative process in North Carolina in order to make it more understandable and accessible for other students.

The North Carolina Student Legislature (NCSL), to which A&T has a delegation of eighteen members, was founded to provide students interested in politics and law a forum to gain hands on experience in the

legislative process. The NCSL allows students to practice the theories and concepts learned in the classroom.

Composed of delegations from several colleges and universities throughout the state, the group meets monthly on a different campus to debate local, state and national issues.

The delegation from A&T is the only group representing a predominantly black university according to Robert Brannon,

vice-chairman of the school's delegation.

"Our common goal is learning the legislative process," said Brannon, a senior political science major from Hampton, Va.

"Our meetings are open to all students, regardless of their discipline, who are interested in participating in government."

At the monthly meetings of NCSL, delegations discuss and debate resolutions which they

attempt to have the N.C. General Assembly take up in its own floor debates. At an annual meeting in Raleigh a liaison committee, of which Brannon is a member, presents its resolutions

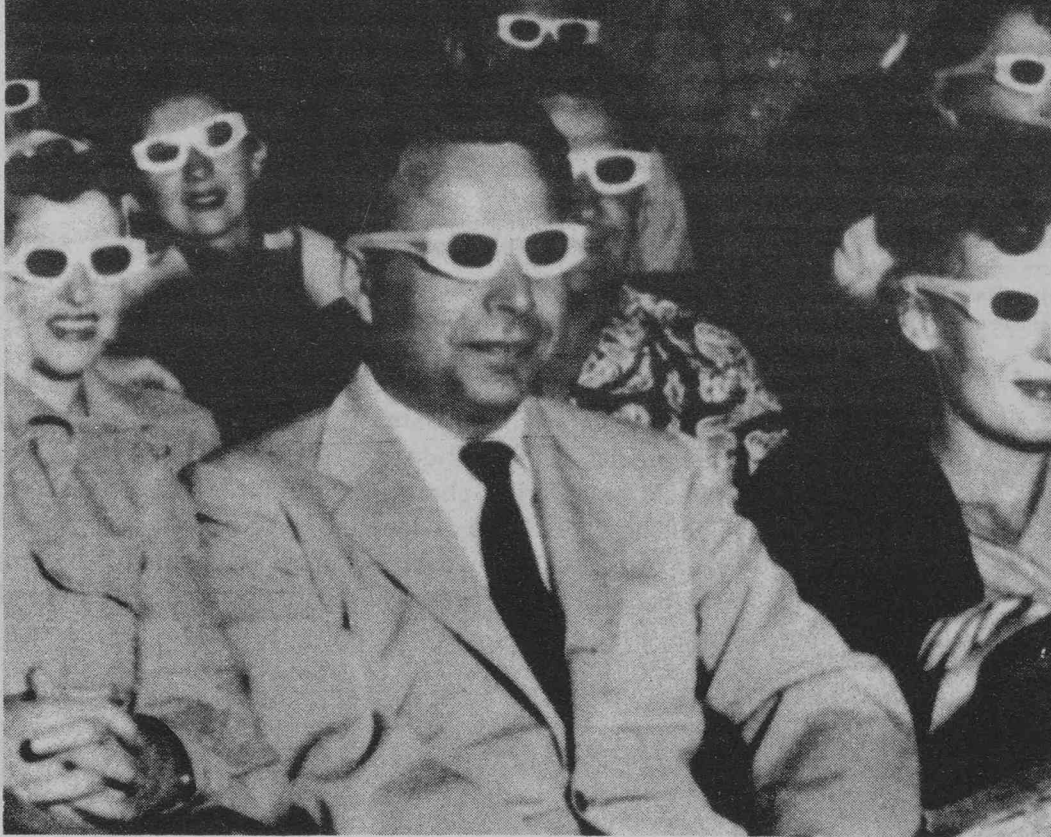
foreign students in those schools.

"Black schools are in jeopardy of losing their make-up because of the influx of minority (white) students," Brannon said.

However, Brannon concedes

North Carolina Student Legislature

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to the appropriate committee. That committee decides if the issues merit debate by the full chamber.

"If it weren't for NCSL, the issue of condom machines in dorms at state colleges would not have gotten so much attention," Brannon said.

The condom machine issue was first proposed by the student delegation representing the University of North Carolina-Wilmington.

The A&T delegation is now hammering out a resolution aimed at preserving the character of predominantly black universities in the state by slowing the flow of white and

the proposal will be controversial in light of the struggle of blacks themselves to gain admittance to white institutions.

Because it is the only black delegation to the NCSL, the A&T body finds itself acting as the eyes, ears and mouthpiece for black students throughout the state.

One particular issue the A&T students took exception with was a resolution presented by the UNC-G delegation that called for the "repeal of all current affirmative action laws in North Carolina."

The A&T delegation not only objected to the general premise of the resolution but also to its

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LET SOMEONE KNOW HOW YOU FEEL ON VALENTINES DAY BY SIGHT & SOUND

The A&T Register and WNAA 90.1 FM will sell love-grams on Monday, Feb. 6 and Tuesday, Feb. 7 during lunch and dinner hours in the cafe and in the union.

The cost is 50 cents and will be printed in the Feb. 10th edition of The Register and will be read on the air of WNAA on Feb. 14th.

NCSL

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language.

A portion stated "Affirmative action often results in the forced hiring of an underqualified employee, which hurts business productivity, thereby burdening companies and the overall economy."

The resolution also stated that the shortage of qualified minority and female workers is due to the lack of adequate and accessible job training.

"We take issue with this resolution because it is unfactual, discriminatory, racial, and ignorant," said Brannon.

While the resolution did not reach the floor for debate at a recent NCSL meeting, Brannon expects it to be presented again at upcoming meetings.

Brannon said the racial makeup of NCSL may explain the insensitivity of such resolutions.

"The majority of NCSL is white, and they don't understand what affirmative action was devised to accomplish and what it has meant to black achievement."

Brannon said that the A&T delegation does not receive adequate support from the student body or funding from the university.

"We are the only delegation not funded by our school," said Brannon. "We need money to defray monthly costs and to attract more students."

Brannon issued a special challenge to A&T students to get involved in government.

"Wake up and smell the coffee," he said. "Society is slipping away from us and if we don't take a stand we'll get lost in the shuffle."

The North Carolina Student Legislature meets Thursdays at 7p.m. in 118 Gibbs Hall.

Computers

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the following year. The \$150,000 was initially received in 1984 was not provided to the department until September 1985.

The department is expecting to have the lab re-opened in the next two weeks with the funds provided.

"Once the department receives funding from the grant, the department will be hiring students who are responsible in-

dividuals to monitor the labs."

"We are seeking individuals that are eligible students possessing a knowledge of the Apple II E computers," said Dr. Sarah Kirk. The students will not only be used for work study, but any other interested students as well may apply.

The money that is received for work study students will go directly towards their tuition each semester prior to work hours. Any interested students should contact Dr. Peter Meyers in the Department of History and Dr. Sarah Kirk in the Department of Sociology and Social Work.

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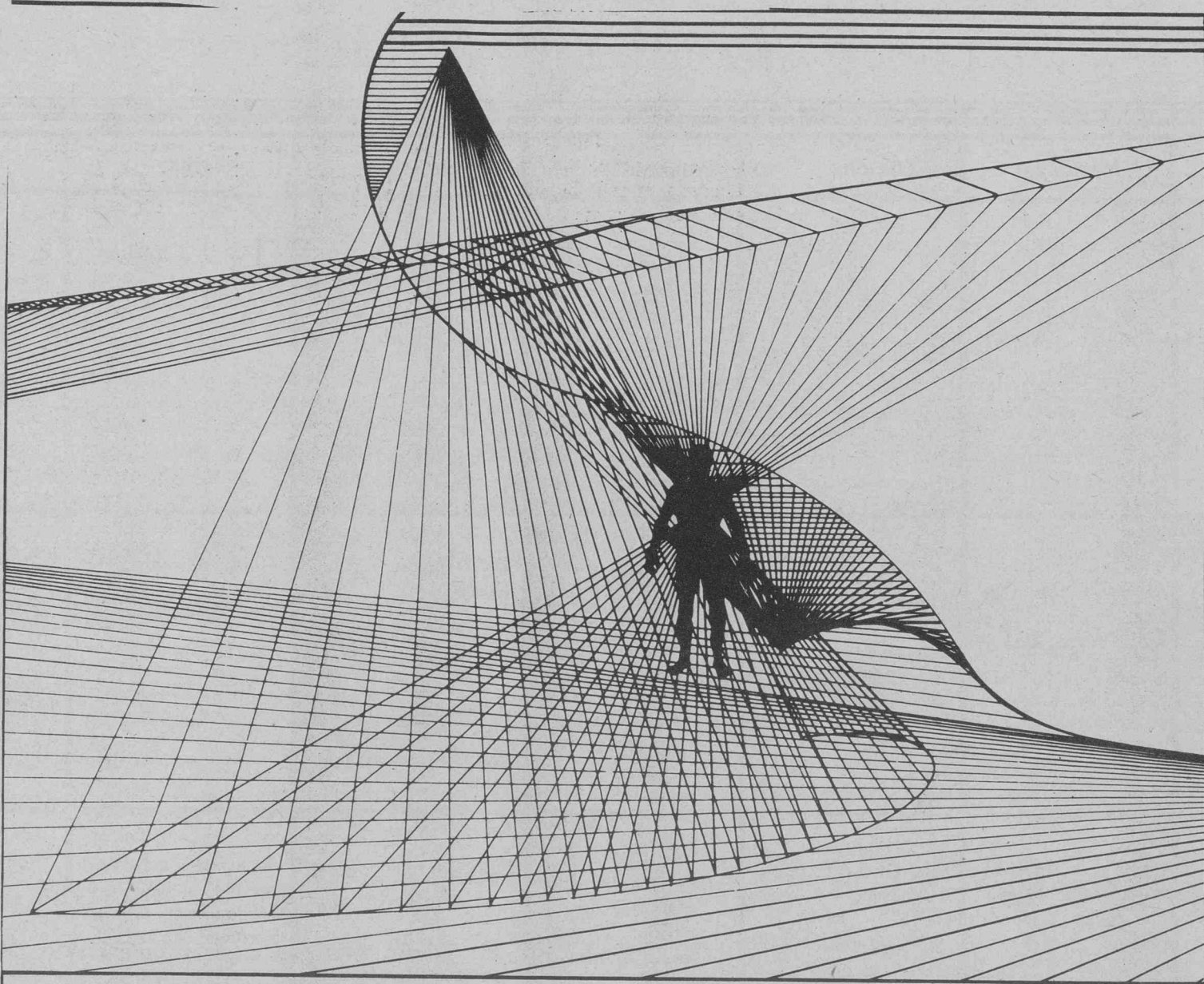
DESIGN THE A&T CENTENNIAL LOGO

The Centennial Committee is sponsoring a contest among A&T students to design the A&T Centennial Logo. The winning entry, accepted by the committee, will receive a \$100 cash award.

North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University was chartered on March 9, 1891. The University will celebrate its 100th birthday on March 9, 1991. The Centennial Committee has chosen the theme of "Celebration and Challenge: A Second Century". There will be an entire year of centennial activities during 1991. Many souvenirs will be distributed, engraved with the special centennial logo.

Rules for Contest:

- All logo entries must be drawn on an 8½ x 11 sheet of lineless paper in black ink. One entry per person.
- The logo must be representative of A&T State University and the 100th year celebration of the University.
- The official entry must be accompanied by an entry form. Forms may be picked up in 102 Murphy Hall or 217 Martena Hall.
- The logo design and the entry form must be returned to 217 Martena on or before January 31 at 5 p.m.
- The winner of the contest will receive a \$100 cash award. Winners will be announced on February 28 with a letter from Mr. Marvin Watkins, chairperson of the Logo Committee. The decision of the judges will be final.
- The \$100 check will be presented to the winner by Mr. Watkins in 305 Dowdy Building. The letter of notification of winning will specify the date that the check can be picked up.
- The non-award winning logo entries can be picked up from 217 Martena between February 28 and March 30, 1989.



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3 African American Display 3-5 p.m. Memorial Union The Black Church-Memorial Union 3-5 p.m.	4 Colored Girls Aycock Aud.-UNC-G 8:15 p.m.
5 Celebration of Black Artist Feb. 5-24 Neo-Black Society Anniversary Choir in concert 3 p.m. Aycock Aud. UNC-G "The Great White Hope" and Lady Sings the Blues 7 p.m. Union Ballroom	6 Lenora Fulani, political activist, lecture, 8 p.m. Dana Aud. Guilford College	7 Dr. Lee Monroe 7 p.m. 123 Gibbs Hall	8 A&T vs. WSSU (away) Dr. Frank Godfrey, lecture, 7 p.m. Gibbs Hall	9 Dick Gregory 7 p.m. Harrison Aud. John Kilimanjaro, publisher of The Carolina Peacemaker , 7:30 p.m. Greensboro Bldg. Greensboro College	10 Third Annual Pan-Hellenic Summit 7 p.m. McNair Hall	11 Pan-Hellenic Summit continued 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m. McNair Hall "The Influence of Egypt on the Black Church and Society" 2 p.m. Southeast Branch Library
12 "Coming to America" 7 and 9 p.m. Union Ballroom	13 Campus Organizational Summit Meeting 7 p.m. Union Ballroom "The Significance of African Costumes and Attire" 6-10 p.m. Taylor Art Gallery	14 Nikki Giovanni, poet, 7 p.m. Harrison Aud.	15 Steve Allen, Superior Court judge lecture on "The Role of Afro-American Churches in Economic, Political and Social Development at Home and Abroad" 11:30 a.m. Room 105 IRS Federal Building	16 Al Green concert 8:15 p.m. Carolina Theatre Dr. Richard Moore lecture on Ron McNair and the space program at A&T 7 p.m. Randolph Library 201 Worth St., Asheboro	17 Speech Contest: "Living the Dream: Let Freedom Ring" 3 p.m. Memorial Union	18 Author Linda Brown 7:30 p.m. Parlor Theatre, Greensboro College "Lift Every Voice and Sing," COGIC Cathedral's Children and Youth 6 p.m. Wells Memorial 1001 E. Washington St.
19	20 Auditions for SUAB Spring Fashions '89 p.m. Rooms 212/213	21 Discussion of Malcolm X 123 Gibbs 7 p.m.	22 A&T vs. Coppin State (home) A celebration feast featuring Southern foods and the New Light Baptist Church Gospel Choir 11:30 a.m. Room 105 IRS Federal Bldg.	23 Black Spirituality 123 Gibbs 7 p.m.	24 "Cry Freedom" Memorial Union 7 p.m. "Rho Kappa Epsilon," satire, 8 p.m. Feb. 24, 24, 27; 3 p.m. Feb. 26 Paul Robeson Theatre	25 A&T vs. SC State
26 1989 Black History Quiz Bowl, 3 p.m. Windsor Community Center	27 SUAB Talent Showcase 7 p.m. Harrison Aud.	28 SUAB International Forum, 6 p.m. Memorial Ballroom				