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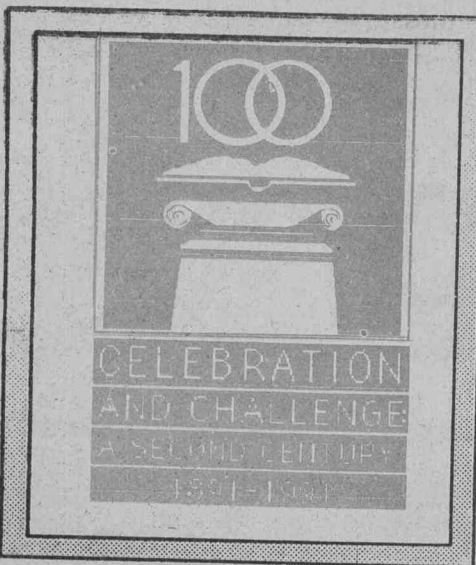
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Cause of Peace Poses Fundamental Questions

Theresa Washington
A&T Register
Chief Reporter

Where is the peace? Peace marchers are asking the nation this question as they conduct daily vigils from 12:15 to 12:45 p.m. in front of the L. Richardson Preyer Federal Building on Market and Eugene Street.

These people are the dedicated Greensboro Citizens for Peace in the Gulf. They support the soldiers in the gulf contrary to what pro-war groups believe.

Their vigils average about 50 people each afternoon and on Jan. 26, they attended a march in Washington D.C. carrying three busses of people from Greensboro, according to Richard Koritz, an AFL-CIO representative who is on the peace group's Steering Committee.

The six peace supporters gathered to discuss their views on the war. They entered the interview laughing and debating with each other trying to find answers regarding the war.

Although they were spirited, their fears for the future of America and Americans were evident. "The six of us have a memory," said Ken Knight, a marriage and family counselor.

There exists differences in opinions among them, however, they all agree that the war is nonsensical and tragic.

What would motivate a 72-year-old woman to get out of her bed each morning in an attempt to preserve life? "I feel somehow, having taught all my life, that all people are my children," said Mildred Payton, a retired associate professor of Appalachian State University and an A&T alumna.

Her concerns about the number of people dying due to the war is evident. But what really disturbs Payton is the number of African-American soldiers who will die liberating another country while they are not and will never be free in their own country.

Most of the group agree that the war is about money. Koritz believes the war is a defeat for the poor and a victory for the rich.

"I feel this is another way where the poor and working people are sent to fight and die on behalf of the rich people," Koritz said with frustration. No one is fighting for the oppressed in America, however, America is fighting for the oppressed in another country, Koritz stated.

"If this war is vital for the United States to participate in, let everyone go into the army; rich people too. In war let the whole American public serve," suggested John Morrison, a retired Greensboro postal worker.

Where is the truth? War makes things worse and it makes lies, according to Knight. "I think Bush is lying every time he opens his mouth," he said.

He believes that Bush's claims that the United States is fighting to free Kuwait is just an excuse because the United States invited Saddam Hussein to invade Kuwait. "The United States is looking for an excuse to go to war," he said.

The real reason the United States is going to war with Iraq, according to Knight, is for the benefit of the economy which is based on U.S.

expenditures in military industrialism. "Many are making a lot of money," Knight said with disgust.

North Carolina and Michigan are making more profits off of war products than any other states, according to Morrison.

Morrison also does not trust Bush. "Mamma lied to me about Santa Claus, if she can lie to me anyone can," he explained.

In America truth is uncommon and does not exist. "If you truly believe in truth you are un-American," said Payton. "Truth was the first casualty to go," she added. The news industry is dependant on advertising revenue from those supplying machinery and participating in the war, according to Knight.

Where is the democracy? John Clegg, alumnus of the University of North Carolina at Greensboro, believes the war is unconstitutional. Congress has the right to declare war but cannot delegate that right to the president, according to Clegg. "They gave the president the right to go into battle which is an impeachable offense," he said.

African-Americans believe more in the Constitution than white people, said Morrison. The Constitution specifies equality for all people. White people try to change the meaning and disregard the words when it does not suit them. "The Constitution means whatever the Supreme Court says it means," Payton added. The peace group agreed that the Supreme Court's interpretations are at times anti-black.

Where is the justice? "This is one of the most immoral countries in the world," stated Ann Clegg, a social worker.

Ninety percent of the soldiers who joined the army did so for education, explained Clegg. "They are looking for a way out of poverty. They have

been used and sucked in," Morrison added angrily. "Anything that goes on in this system is programmed," he stated.

Fifty percent of the soldiers are minorities-African-Americans and Hispanics, according to Morrison.

"They're hurting themselves. The black soldiers are helping people who could get a job easier than they could and would be treated better in this country," said Morrison. They're technique is to commit genocide, he added.

"Republicans let the civil rights bill be killed and let the blacks be sent to war," Payton said. To the peace group this is a display of American hypocrisy and injustice.

The war is a means for distracting everyone from domestic issues, environmental problems and the recession. "It is a political draft," according to Knight.

The reason Bush is going to war is because he does not want to deal with the domestic scene. "He is bored with it," said Clegg.

She said Bush wants to cover up the Savings and Loans scandal and get Neil off the hook.

What will happen to the young? What is young life for? "I'm not going to kill my son," Knight said with tears in his eyes and confidence in his voice. I was in Vietnam but I am not going to subject my son to war. He is a conscientious objector, he said.

Now there is a new wrinkle in this war because more women are in the military. The children are casualties both in America and the Middle East. Child social agencies care for the children whose parent or parents are called to war.

Children in the homefront are now as much a victim as children on the frontline of war.

Where are the peacemakers? The NAACP has not spoken out, according

to Morrison. "I don't know whether the NAACP is concerned. I don't know if any minority group is showing any concern.

The only minority group speaking out is the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) excluding the organizations who are always involved, such as The Nation of Islam, said Morrison.

Payton is disappointed in the lack of involvement of older black people. She feels it is up to them to save the young people. She also is ashamed of the Peace Corp in which she was a volunteer.

Bush claims that if we do not stop

Hussein now, then the United States will pay later. "I think if we hadn't gone in that quickly, the Arabs would have taken care of him. We created the man and now we want to put him down," said Clegg. The United States provided Hussein with artillery to use against Iran when the two countries were at war.

The group was unable to formulate any answers. Maybe they were not asking the right people or maybe there were no answers to the disturbing questions.

As they left the interview, their hands were raised in the peace sign for which was all they could hope.



Photo By Shelly Burton

Mildred Payton, a member of the Greensboro Citizens for Peace in the Persian Gulf, displays her tribute to soldiers in Saudi Arabia. The poster features a skull and a tear of blood. Mrs. Payton's poetical tribute "A Black Soldier Dying in Arabia" is cited on page 3.

Fort Addresses Merger Allegations

Serena L. Lowe
A&T Register
Editor-in-Chief

"There are not, nor have there been, nor will there ever be any plans at all as defined by this Board of Trustees, by the Board of Governors, or by the University of North Carolina System President's Office to develop a procedure or strategy or system whereby North Carolina A&T State University will be merged with UNCG," said Edward B. Fort, chancellor of A&T.

Fort strongly denounced allegations that neighboring UNC campuses, A&T and the University of North Carolina at Greensboro, will unite as one university. The allegations have aroused students of both universities.

Interest in the allegations mounted when A&T and UNCG announced a joint venture on Jan. 15. At that time, Mayor Vic Nussbaum Jr. announced the Engineering Science Research Center that will establish an interdisciplinary research facility between A&T and UNCG.

This program was established by Fortune 500 Corporations to assist professors from both universities in elec-

trical engineering, mechanical engineering, biology, and chemistry research. The two universities also share an existing master's degree program in social work.

Fort assured students that this is a mean of research growth, not a sign of merger. "We fully intend to explore programs of mutual interest that might involve various levels of cooperation between ourselves and UNCG or any other campus we choose to get involved with," said Fort.

A&T has several interdisciplinary programs within the university system. University of North Carolina State and A&T jointly established in 1987 a \$8.4 million Mars Space Center that was sponsored by the National Science Foundation.

Along with Winston Salem State University and Bowman Gray School of Medicine, A&T developed a research medical imagery program.

Ponce Tidwell, president of N. C. A&T Student Government Association, supports Fort's denouncement of merger. "I approached the chancellor after reading an anonymous letter to-

the editor that appeared in the Register," said Tidwell.

Tidwell was referring to the Nov. 16, 1990 issue of the university's newspaper, The A&T Register in which a letter-to-the-editor stated that legislation had been passed to merge A&T and UNCG. The letter accused the administration of concealing this fact from the students and alumni.

Tidwell said the author of the letter was "misinformed" because the North Carolina Legislature was not in session during the published date. Tidwell is the student representative on the A&T Board of Trustees.

Tidwell said that he is aware that the students and alumni of both universities strongly oppose a union. "Both universities' alumni would fight it, the students would fight it, so it is impossible," he said.

North Carolina has 19 black legislators including three A&T alumni, Senator William (Bill) Martin, Representative Herman C. Gist and Howard Branhill. "The 19 black legislators are looking out for the continuity of predominantly black campuses," said

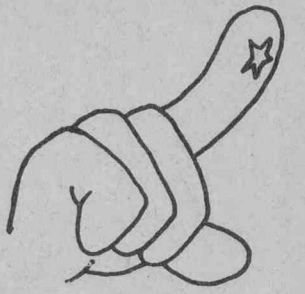


Chancellor Edward B. Fort

Senator Martin. After speaking with members of the Board of Trustees and the Board of Governors, Martin assured students that there will be no merger. Representative Gist said, "We (the Black Caucus) will not stand for A&T to merge with any university."

"Only for the purpose of maximum research funds has the two universities created a joint program," said Martin.

On the Serious Tip



Serena L. Lowe
A&T Register
Editor-in-Chief

Inefficiency could destroy University's image

Does the Follett Corp. fit Chancellor Fort's "world class university" image? No, the new owner of the North Carolina A&T Bookstore destroys Fort's image.

The bookstore has undergone some dramatic changes that have plagued it with many inefficiencies.

First, it moved from the Memorial Student Union to Brown Hall. This move made the bookstore more accessible to the students (so we thought). Unfortunately, students are still faced with long book lines but that is nothing new. But something that is new to the students is waiting in line in inclement weather.

Yes, the students this semester waited hours in the cold air to be issued their books. Do not get me wrong, I like many students, do not mind waiting in line, but when the temperature is below 30 degrees I must think again. Sorry, Follett Corp. this is not the Soviet Union, but a university who students demand respect.

Secondly, while respect is on my mind let us think about the promised improved customer service. What improved customer service I asked myself. I recently inquired about a price discrepancy on a book and personnel was very polite in helping me clarify the problem.

As a customer I asked the names and positions of all that helped me, something that is only polite, but Kim Jackson, cashier manager, assured me that her name was not needed for my knowledge.

Sorry, but the name of any personnel on this campus should be mine for the asking, since without students there would not be a need for their jobs. So, what is wrong with identifying yourself to a student?

Thirdly, there seems to be a problem of poor management in the bookstore. The bookstore has created book shortages on the campus. Students and professors have complained about not having enough rental books, but what escalates the problem is that the bookstore offered no consolation. If I do not have a book that is supplied through the rental system, why should I pay for the rental fee in my tuition?

Students, Follett Corp. has given us nothing but inefficiency this year. Next semester maybe worse since we will be purchasing all books at their price. Let us demand improvements to meet the demands of a "world class university" like A&T. Let nothing hold back our pursuit of greater knowledge!



Greg Williams
A&T Register
Campus News Editor

Beware of the undercover brother

Interracial racism has been the plight of civil rights leaders and freedom fighters since different races have been acknowledged, however, an unseen danger lurks among the shadows: Black on Black racism.

The first type of "intra-racial" racism I will discuss involves physical appearances. Some people seem to feel that skin complexion reinforces blackness or elicits superiority.

I have heard dark skinned Blacks state they are "pure" African and their level of blackness is greater than that of lighter or mixed Blacks.

In contrast, light or "fair" complexion Blacks have been noted to be better than darker Blacks due to the obsession of certain Blacks with the idea of some sort of correlation with the white race.

Whether dark, light, or medium complexioned, we should look past the physical appearance and consider the heart of an individual as a measure of "Blackness."

The second type of Black on Black racism evolves from social status and wealth.

For some reason some Black people get rich, move to white neighborhoods and forget where they came from. I am not implying that they should wear torn clothes and look like bums, but they should not look discriminately at people of lower financial positions. Remember, the "Lord giveth and the Lord taketh away."

The last form of racism I will discuss is created by an extreme dedication to looking good in the eye of the white man. This group includes the brown-nosers and the boot-lickers.

These individuals will sell-out a member of their own race. An example of this is the man who killed Malcolm X. Though they were considered as "Muslims", a higher force was involved.

This type of behavior is not new. During slavery, slaves were classified in two types, "house niggers" and "field niggers."

The "house niggers" lived in the house and ate what the master ate and would even help catch a run away slave to make himself look more favorable in the eyes of his master. A "field nigger" lived in the most humble of conditions and only thought of freedom.

Though the interracial battle for parity and freedom has been long and hard new obstacles block our path to success.

We must not allow anything to deter us from our aspirations but we must focus on our goal, do better than our white counterparts and beware of the undercover brothers.



Terrence Body
A&T Register
Staff Writer

Adoptions begin with color: Black and white

Back home near Jacksonville North Carolina, there is a young white woman who is a friend of mine. One day, she came to my house and she had a black child with her.

"What a beautiful baby," I stated. "Who are you baby-sitting for?" Her reply shocked me. "I'm not baby-sitting. This baby girl is mine."

For awhile, I was in down-time. The baby could pass for any chocolate-skinned sister on this campus. It was later when I found out that the baby was her adopted daughter. This action upset me.

Just as domesticated animals have a hard time adopting to the wilderness from which they came, that baby girl will be an outcast: too dark to completely "hang out" with her white friends and too "white-acting" to hang out with her black skinned people.

Will her mother teach her about Malcolm X and what was the message behind the messages that Dr. Martin Luther King gave? Whose culture will she identify with?

Since society will definitely label her "black," will she learn about Kwanzaa or what struggles that plague all dark-skinned people?

Do not get me wrong, there are loving white couples who would do whatever they possibly could for their adopted children--white or black.

However, being with a white family does not guarantee scholastic success because, she's still black. Just because she has a white mother does not mean that she will not be stereotyped, she's a black child. And, no amount of love from her white parents will shield her from the ridicule, innuendo and prejudice that she will receive--just because she is black.

I feel that interracial adoptions will do more harm than good. There is not an understanding of the culture of both sides in order for interracial adoptions to become common place.

That is a utopia that will come only when African-Americans and Caucasian-Americans will be known strictly as "Americans."



Robin Alston
A&T Register
Managing Editor

Should Black Families Adopt White Children?

For the past twenty years, the National Association of Black Social Workers (NABSW) has maintained the belief that transracial adoptions should "not" take place. They feel that it is difficult to preserve a family when placing black children with white families and vice-versa.

I believe that black families should adopt white children, besides race should not be an issue when it comes down to having to provide the necessary love for children of all races. Race should not be a factor when it comes to being well-rounded in black and white cultures. We all need to be knowledgeable of the various ways that black and white children are reared. We need to be familiar with the different ways that children are brought up in this ever increasing racial society.

I believe that culture comes through living and experiencing. I also believe that when white children are adopted by black families they have the best of both worlds. Looking at the situation realistically, I do not understand why there is so much gripe about the issue of transracial adoptions.

Someone has to love abandoned kids. Someone has to provide a heart-warming home for children of all races who do not have love or who aren't receiving the necessary love and motivation from their biological parents.

I do not know what it is like to adopt a child of the opposite race, but if there ever comes a time in my life when I have to make the decision to adopt a white child I would not have any objections to the issue. To me, adoption is just like a job, someone has to do it without griping or complaining. Besides love is a gift that is shown to everyone, not just a designated race. Love is powerful and what any person does to illustrate that love makes all the difference in the world.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor:

There is something important being discussed in student organizations and among our faculty that most students are unaware of. For some years now, there has been talk of a mandatory African-American history course.

A mandatory African history course is important because we need to understand the contribution of Africa and Africans in the sphere of history. We have a history that is older than slavery. Africans were the constructors of spectacular empires such as the Songhai, Mali, Benin, and Carthage to name a few.

Their contributions can still be seen, felt, and marveled at today. It is to ensure that we are all conscious and informed of the great history of Africa that the mandatory course is being enacted.

Several concerned students at A & T have formed Project Ujima. Ujima is a Kiswahili word that means collective work and responsibility. We have collectively worked with responsibility and determination to bring this to fruition.

Let me state this now, according to the feedback we have obtained from faculty, there will not, I repeat, not be an increase in the number of credits needed to graduate.

Three credit hours in African history will be offered as a substitution for one of the core curriculum courses. Projections are for one of the required Humanities or Social Sciences. This required African history course is scheduled to be made mandatory at the beginning of the fall semester of this year for incoming freshman and each new freshmen class thereafter.

Very soon there will be a large scale push to be aware of Project Ujima. As one of the concerned students at A & T, I am asking each and every one of you to support Project Ujima and the push for the mandatory African course.

Glenn Wilson,
Project Ujima Representative

Dear Editor:

With the escalation of the war in the Persian Gulf, America can ill afford further loss of life and scarce resources. It is the view of the "Progressive Republicans," that the United States is using inappropriate means of resolving this struggle for control of oil.

Supporters of the war are unaware or choose to ignore the exorbitant costs of daily operations. The implementation of economic sanctions on Iraq were having widespread effects on their economy.

Another concern of ours is at the disproportionate representation of African-Americans in this war. African-Americans constitute 15 percent of the United States population, however, amongst the armed forces in Saudi Arabia and Kuwait, we represent more than 30 percent of the troops.

A majority of African-Americans will be supplanted along the front-lines where there will be heavy casualties when the ground attacks commence.

Hopefully, there will be a cease fire ordered by the United Nations Security Council, so there will not be anymore blood shed over oil. We hope that Operation Desert Storm will soon cease.

Progressive Republicans

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Our People, Our Pride



411 - By Eric Short

Personal Revolution Champions Tests of Life

Life is a series of tests. It is a process of growth that involves change and self-evaluation. Ideally our growth will continue as the many days, months, and years go by. As we change as individuals improvements occur. As we continue to improve, we continue to grow.

In order to truly improve ourselves on a personal level, we all must be dedicated to finding out the truth about ourselves. Knowing the truth is not enough, however. Once we know we must then decide to change.

Self evaluation is the foundation for positive self-improvement. Each of us can ask ourselves specific questions as we attempt to build on who we are. Do we act and think like we did a year, a month, or even a week ago?

Do we think with open or closed minds? Are we being honest with ourselves? These and many other questions should be asked as we critique who we are, who we were, and who we hope to be.

As we strive for self-improvement we must be perfectly honest with ourselves. Honesty is critical but very hard to accomplish. Because of inflated egos, many of us are fearful of the truth. We are afraid to admit when we are wrong. We close our minds to new information, even if that information is helpful.

Arrogant ignorance and a self-centered view of ourselves and the world kills any possibility for future growth. A circle of mistakes is created as we continue to lie to ourselves about our faults.

In many instances being truthful with ourselves is very painful. We all like to feel that we are in control of our lives. It takes real strength to admit to a problem then execute a positive plan to take care of it.

Self improvement is no easy road to travel. It can be a lonely trip. The ultimate destination is worth all the pain and risks. Nothing feels better than knowing that you are stronger than you once were. Faith in ourselves is important as we continue to grow.

The only true revolution is a personal revolution. It is up to us to decide who we are going to be in the future. The painful process of change is explained in the book entitled, "The Road Less Traveled", by M. Scott Peck. Peck states that, "Truth or reality is avoided when it is painful."

We can revise our maps when we have the discipline to overcome the pain. To have such discipline we must be totally dedicated to truth. That is to say that we must always hold truth, as best we can determine it, to be more important, more vital to our self-interest than our comfort.

Conversely, we must always consider our personal discomfort relatively unimportant and, indeed welcome it in the service of the search for truth".

ABOVE AND BEYOND ERIC SHORT

The Earth revolves
Life evolves
What we reap, first we sow
The more we learn, the more we grow
Growth adds degrees
Praying to the East, on hands and knees
The Science of the Circle, a Circle Scientist
On a truthful quest for righteous Bliss
A series of tests burn out imperfections
The essence of the charade requires dissection
We ride a White horse to reach our destination
We study to know the reasons for creation
True understanding comes not from man
True understanding comes from within
Creative is a Thought, Artistic is the Mind
Ignorance is always fought, Evil is for the Blind
A lack of Vision from a lack of Knowing
Reaping evil, evil sowing
The side of the Right has the Power
Running in quest of the all-cleansing shower
Swimming in a Sea of Light Blue Sky
The journey objective is to Unify
Body, Spirit, Mind
Three yet one, no concept of time
Blessed be the day, the Rainbow Pond
Blessed be the day, Above and Beyond

McDonald Announces History Makers

Oak Brook, Ill. -- Visions of hope for the future can be seen today, as thirty of the country's most talented black youth have been named national winners in the 1991 "McDonald's Black History Makers of Tomorrow" program.

"McDonald's Black History Makers of Tomorrow" program salutes leadership, high character, and exceptional scholarship among outstanding high school juniors.

In 1988, McDonald's created the Black History Month program to honor the past by focusing on the future. Each student submitted an application and 1,000-word essay on "The Making of Black History in the Future" and their role in its development.

"These young people have demonstrated strong leadership qualities and represent our corporate, community, and civic future," said Ed Rensi, president of McDonald's USA.

"As McDonald's Black History Makers of Tomorrow they possess a thirst for knowledge that will shape America."

During Black History Month, McDonald's national television and print advertising will feature the 1991 "McDonald's Black History Makers of Tomorrow."



OAK BROOK, ILL. — National winners of the 1991 "McDonald's Black History Makers of Tomorrow" program.

Additionally, the 30 national winners will be special guests on Black Entertainment Television's (BET) "Teen Summit" talk show.

The 1991 "McDonald's Black History Makers of Tomorrow" are from left to right (first row): Marlon Lastropes, Rock Island, Ill.; Dorlisa Goodrich, Clarksville, Tenn.; Laiandrea Stewart,

Nashville, Tenn.; Kimberly Walker, Florissant, Mo.; Gene Giles, Jr., Baltimore, Md.; Bethany Derricott, University Heights, Ohio; Willie Little, III, Milwaukee, Wis.; (second

row) Jacquelyn Hinton, Rocky Mount, N.C.; Nikki Wells, Houston, Texas; Tenisha White, Highland Park, Mich.; Nequai Terry, Birdsnest, Va.; Rondell Blakey, Philadelphia, Pa.; Lisa Taylor, College Park, Ga.; Russell Brodie, Louisburg, N.C.; (third row) Charlotte Collins, McComb, Miss.; Alex Washington, III, Toledo, Ohio; Tamara Carter, Baton Rouge, La.; Tamara Simpson, Fort Worth, Texas; La'Ron Jenkins, Columbia, S.C.; Deidre Lee, Washington, D.C.; Nitra Rucker, Dayton, Ohio; Tina Beal, Memphis, Tenn.; (top row) Kerry Young, Detroit,

Mich.; Regina Graham, Queens, N.Y.; Keaon Green, Chattanooga, Tenn.; Tysha Hardy, Indianapolis, Ind.; Patrick Joseph, Miami, Fla.; Shawana Boyd, Birmingham, Ala.; Michelle Smith, East Longmeadow, Mass.; Jabari Magnus, Los Angeles, Calif.

McDonald's is the world's leading quick-service restaurant organization with more than 11,400 restaurants in 53 countries. Seventy-five percent of McDonald's restaurant businesses are locally owned and operated by independent entrepreneurs.

MOMENTS IN BLACK HISTORY

1968, February 5-26 Three black youths are shot to death and more than 30 people are wounded in a racial outburst involving police and students at Orangeburg's South Carolina State College. The violence is the culmination of student protest against the segregation of a local bowling alley. February 5, 15 are arrested on trespassing charges. One policeman and seven students are injured and hospitalized. The three students shot on February 8 are fired on by police whom they believe one of their troopers has been shot when, in reality, he has been knocked down by a piece of lumber heaved by a demonstrator. On February 9, Governor McNair orders a curfew and attributes the violence to "Black Power" advocates, including Cleveland Sellers, state coordinator for SNCC. Sellers, under arrest, is held on \$50,000 bond. On February 11, local blacks call for the removal of the National Guard, and announce plans for a boycott of white business.

1970, February 7 The NAACP asks the U.S. government to examine and ban a fourth-grade Alabama history textbook that "glorifies the Ku Klux Klan" by claiming that the vigilante organization appeared only sporadically, and then only to prevent carpetbaggers from taking refuge behind unjust laws.

1989, February 10 FBI Director William Sessions orders sweeping changes in the bureau's affirmative action program after finding that the bureau had discriminated against minority employees. Black and Hispanic agents were immediately placed on lists for promotions. Mr. Sessions then ordered that FBI employees receive training in racial sensitivity, and that the equal employment office budget be increased. Ironically, the FBI is the agency charged with enforcing the nation's civil rights laws.

by: Veleria Levy

A Black Soldier Dying in Arabia

By Mildred Payton
Lady of Peace

A boom -- a burst of light -- then dark
The startling, searing steel has found its mark.
Mama! I'd be brave and bear the pain
Should you appear and set things right again.
Since the first of forever you were there
To heal each hurt and kiss away each tear.
Growing up is awesome with its shakes, winks and nods;
Fighting poverty and prejudice -- unbeatable odds.
Pray hard, study hard, papa said, you'll make it
What you get in your head, Simon, nobody can take it.
I stood second in class -- expecting the prize
The salutatorian was Eric of the teacher's blue eyes
He shamed me by saying when we were eighth grade
Simon's mother is my mother's maid.
Honor graduate, job search futile -- far and near
Sorry, Eric said from behind his desk. He sounded sincere.
They shot Isaiah dead. They said, advanced with a knife,
My brother had never owned such in his life.
Mama's funeral was the town's finest by far.
Papa was laid off and lost his car.
When I told him I'd joined to serve Uncle Sam,
Simon, my son, I'm proud of you, I am.
The Constitution counted us three fifths of a man
We are called boy throughout our life span.
The lesser god commanded me to fight -- to kill
The foe -- who would not obey his will.
The liberation of Kuwait has begun
Every soldier knows the job must be done.
If liberation means to make someone free,
That's what my people will never be.
A bill to give us freedom rights, we know
was vetoed -- a loud resounding no.
To die for human rights in a foreign land
Is not for me or mine to understand.
My childhood place of magic flying carpet, and Sinbad
Aladdin's lamp, Ali Baba, and the Barber of Baghdad
Four in the fiery furnace, Daniel in the lions' den
Hanging gardens of Babylon -- astonishment of men.
Perfume preferred by famed Lady Macbeth
Presently -- and for how long -- perfume of death.
No suh, not Simon of Cyrene, Simon of New Allcorn,
But I've carried a cross since the day I was born.
Now -- the place of ten thousand points of light
What's that, suh? You just vetoed my right?

On The Yard

Williams Advises Students to Take Stand

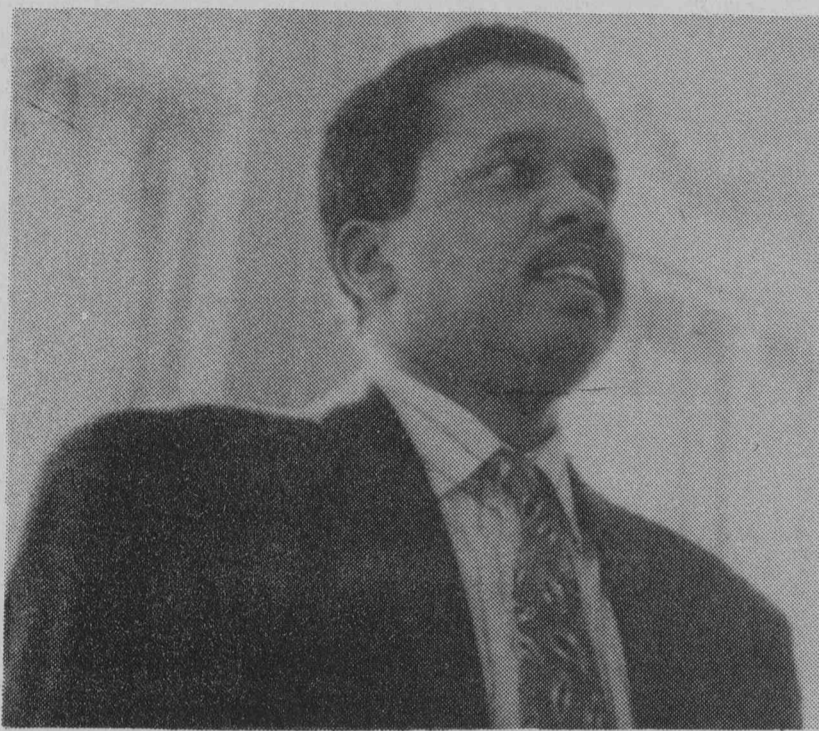


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Juan Williams, reporter for the Washington Post, addressed a luncheon commemorating the 31st anniversary of the historic 1960 Greensboro sit-ins.

Theresa Washington
A&T Register
Chief Reporter

"You got to start fighting, get going, don't sit around, the revolution will not be televised," said Juan Williams, author of "Eyes on the Prize" at the Sit-In luncheon Feb. 1 in the Memorial Union Ballroom.

Williams is currently working for the Washington Post and has recently signed a contract to be a commentator for "CBS Morning News." In 1989, he received an Emmy Award for Documentary Writing.

Williams praised the four former A&T students who initiated the "passive sit-down

demand" in Greensboro 31 years ago. "Who would think a passive act could shake America and bring white students?" asked Williams.

He advised the students to stand up if something is not right. "You face a challenge dealing with race.

I see a potential for another King, the spirit of Nelson, the spirit of students who study even as in Greensboro," Williams said.

He recounted a story about Barabra Johns who helped to desegregate the the schools in Virginia where she lived.

She saw that the condition of the school was poor and she refused to tolerate them, according to Williams.

This case was one of the five cases in Brown vs. Education, according to Williams. Everyone should have the same determination and drive as she had.

Nelson Mandela was another person Williams used to exemplify strength. "He was the head and had the opportunity to become a lawyer and started representing people,

then he became a revolutionary leader. Now he's a symbol to the world," he said.

It was only last year when Williams met Mandela. "He was one of the few people who read "Eyes on the Prize" before the documentary," said Williams.

Mandela wanted to know if the black and poor children in America are being educated and if young blacks and whites are still committed to the struggle for equality.

Williams answered Mandela affirmatively. He said, "This generation has more optimism and challenge." However he forseees a growing diversion between the blacks who have gained and those who have not.

The poor will be isolated, according to Williams. When he asked a group of young, low-income, African-American children in Washington how many of them had ever gone to a Redskin's game or to the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, D.C. no one raised their hand.

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Blue to speak at forum

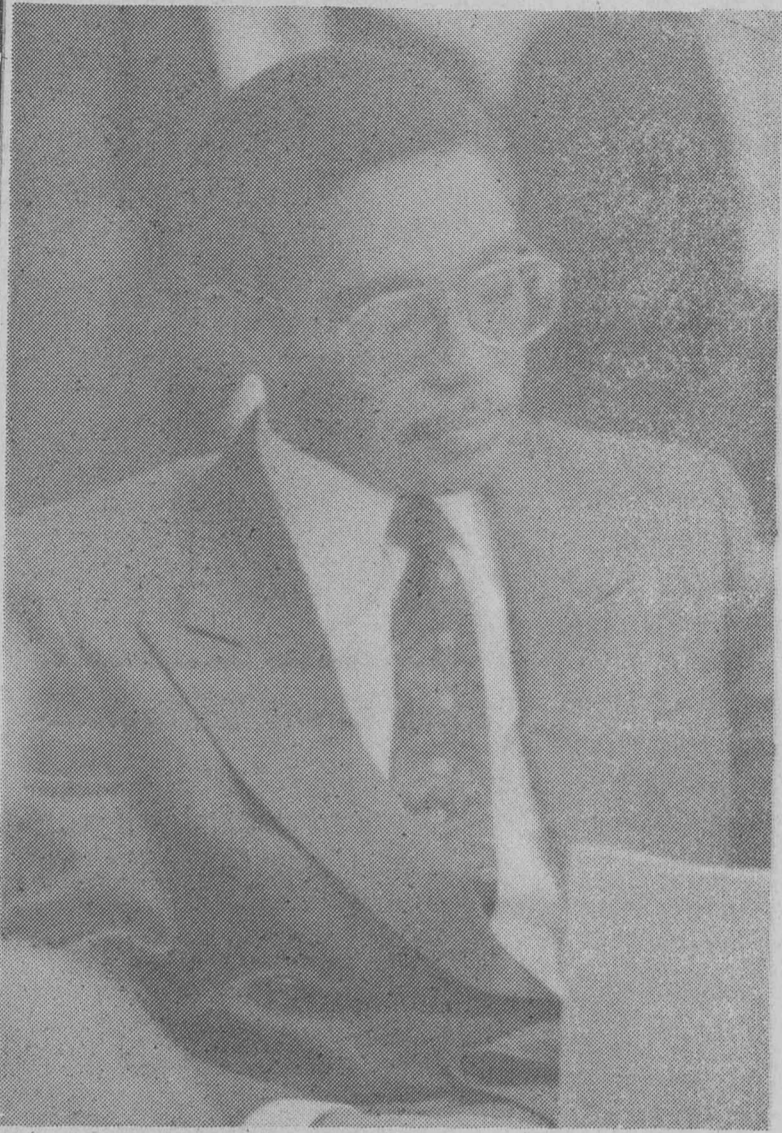


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Daniel T. Blue, speaker of the North Carolina House of Representatives will be the featured speaker at a political forum high lighting A&T's centennial celebration. The forum will be held today at 4 p.m. in Memorial Union Ballroom.



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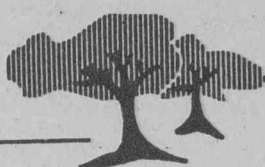
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The Big Score

Aggies Roll to Impressive Victory

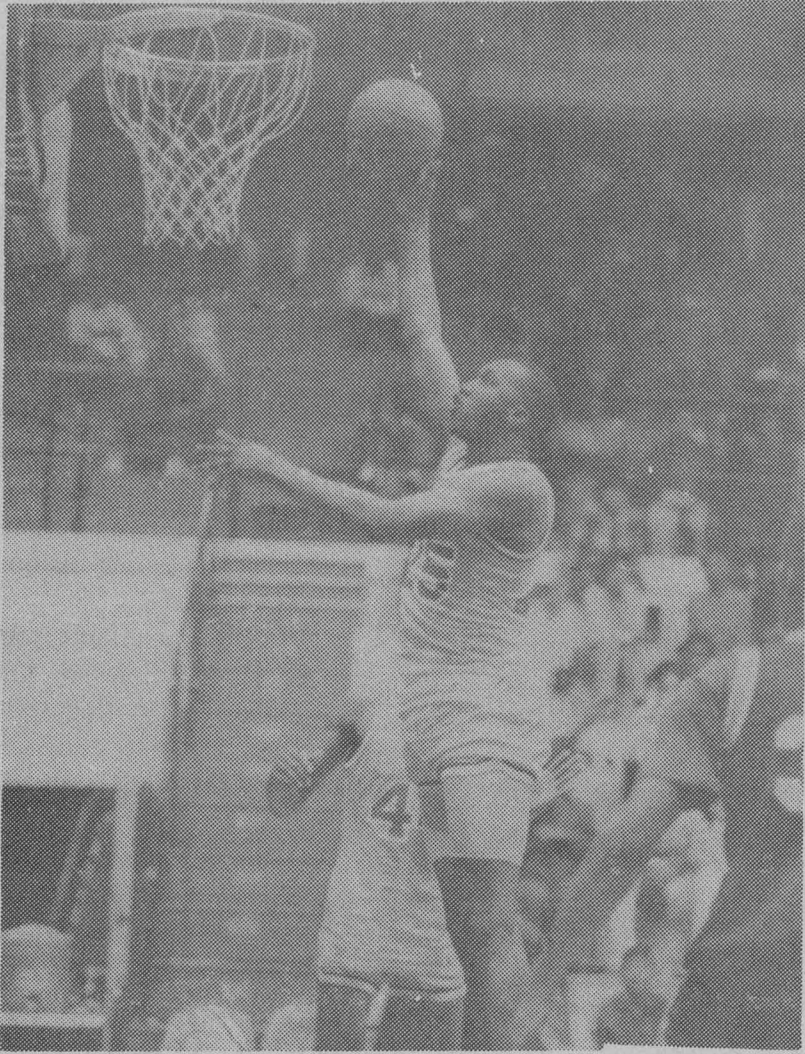


Photo By Wade Nash

Spady leaps for another basket.

B.J. Evans
A&T Register
Sports Editor

Glenn Taggart scored 21 of his game high 31 points in the second half to lead the Aggies to a victory over Maryland Eastern-Shore Monday night.

The Aggies, who finished the contest shooting 69 percent from the field, never trailed, leading by as many as 15 points en route to the win.

Leading 30-22, the Aggies appeared to be pulling away with 3:04 left in the half off of a Taggart steal and lay-up. But two back to back turnovers by the Aggies and a missed opportunity on the offensive end resulted into a 6-0 run by the Hawks to cut the lead to two.

The Aggies recovered, and managed to hold off the late charge to go into halftime lead-

ing 36-34.

In the second half the Aggies used some tough man-to-man defensive pressure to extend their lead to 40-34.

"We wanted to play better defense and stretch them out on the perimeter," A&T Coach Don Corbett said.

The Aggies also forced the Hawks into 21 second half turnovers and began shooting the ball well from the floor.

After a Taggart steal and a driving lay-up with 10:05 to go, the Aggies began to play their game and turned what was once a tight game into a blow-out.

"We played their game in the first half, and we wanted to get more aggressive and play ours in the second," said Corbett.

In the women's game the Lady Aggies used a tough inside game led by Deidra Cheek and Helena Creamer to blast the Lady Hawks 69-38.

From the start, the Lady Aggies were intent with getting the ball inside and take an early 6-0 lead with the better of the period to go.

The Lady Aggies had an equally good game from Tammy Hammond's pin point outside shooting and pressure defense. Overall the team plated good defense also, forcing the Hawks into 28 turnovers.

By the 4:30 mark the Lady Aggies had extended their lead to 30-12 behind a numerous number of steals that were converted into lay-ups and easy shots. At halftime the score was 38-21.

In the second half, the scene was much of the same. Defense, the inside-outside game, and the Hawks turning the ball over made for an relaxing win for the Lady Aggies.

For the Lady Aggies, this was also their fifth straight win and pushed them a pace for the top of the league standings.

A&T Coach Tim Abney was very pleased with the win. "It was a overall good game and everyone played well."

Aggies Host S.C. State Saturday 5:30 p.m. Corbett Sports Ctr. BE THERE !!!

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| 2. S.C. State | 8-3 |
| 3. A&T | 7-4 |
| 4. FAMU | 6-4 |
| 5. Delaware St | 5-5 |
| 6. Morgan St. | 4-6 |
| 7. B-Cookman | 3-7 |
| 8. Maryland E-S | 2-8 |
| 9. Howard | 2-8 |

Glenn Taggart and Helena Creamer were named as MEAC players of the Week.

| WOMEN | |
|-----------------|-----|
| 1. S.C. State | 8-1 |
| 2. Coppin St. | 6-3 |
| 3. A&T | 6-3 |
| 4. Maryland E-S | 5-4 |
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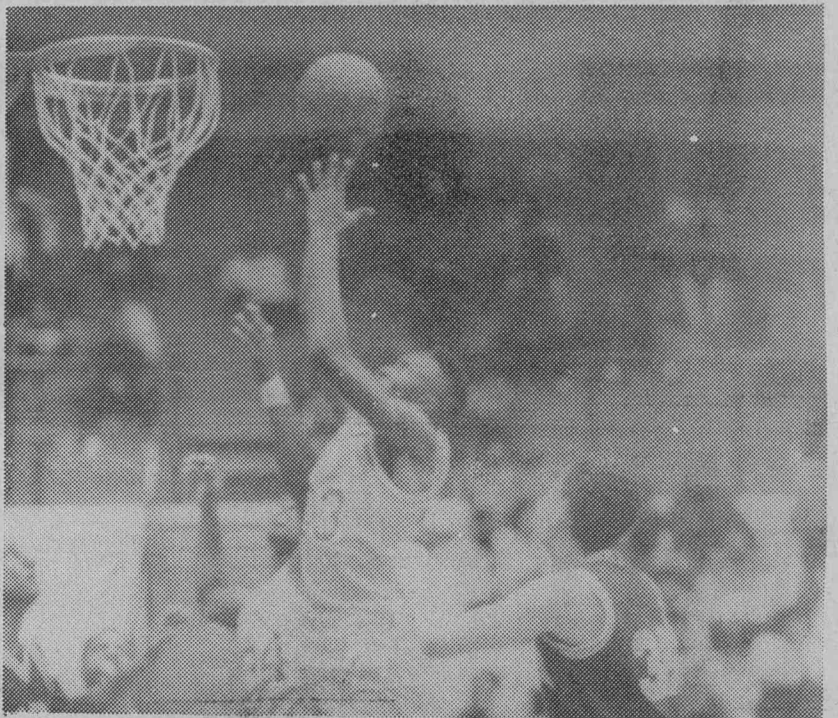


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Morris goes for the ball.

Defense Key to Aggies' Win over Delaware St.

B.J. Evans
A&T Register
Sports Editor

Dana Elliott scored 31 points, grabbed eight rebounds, and dished out four assists, leading the N.C. A&T Aggies to a 95-82 come from behind win over Delaware State Saturday.

Early out the Aggies were playing as if they were going to break the game wide open with an onslaught of treys from Elliott and Glenn Taggart.

However the Hornets countered with some hot inside-outside play from Victor Ford and Tom Davis.

It was a game filled with up and down running and back to back scoring. The Aggies trailed through the first half but managed to close within seven before going into halftime.

In the second period, the Aggies picked up their defense with a lot of intensity; forcing the action until they clawed their way back into the game.

By the 12:50 mark the Aggies received the spark they needed off of a Taggart to Humphries alley oop slam taking the lead by one, 59-58. From there the Aggies never looked back.

The Aggies extended on their lead by sinking 20 of 30 free throws down the stretch and also controlling the boards, preventing any type of come back by the Hornets.

In the first game of the evening the Lady Aggies used some very tough defensive pressure to secure a 61-47 win over the Lady Hornets.

However, the Lady Aggies recovered after a timeout scoring the next eight points to forge a 18-18 tie. From this point the lead changed hands five times until A&T's Tammy Hammond stole the ball two straight times and scored two consecutive baskets to put the Lady Aggies up 33-26 going into halftime.

In the second half the Lady Aggies continued their defensive pressure and picked up their play on both ends of the court.

With almost 8:00 to play in the final period the Lady Aggies had sprinted out to a 47-41 lead. For the rest of the peiod the Aggies played tough on the boards and went inside to Helena Creamer (22 points) to spoil any Hornet attempts to come back.

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The absolute solution to the abuse of alcohol isn't on this page. That's a challenge our society as a whole has before it. We must all continue to take the problem seriously, as parents, hosts, friends and citizens.

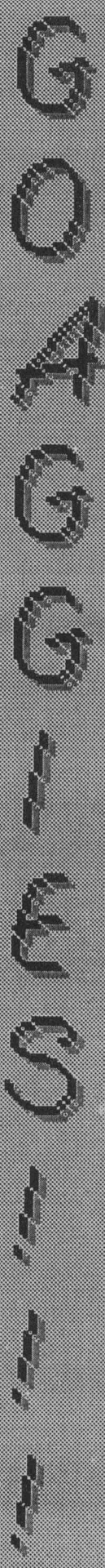
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Greensboro Presents Art Showcase

Greensboro, NC...The United Arts Council of Greensboro and Carolina Circle Mall will present ARTS SHOWCASE '91 on Saturday, February 16, 1991 from 10:30 am to 5:30 pm.

ARTS SHOWCASE '91 is a day-long arts extravaganza that features Greensboro's finest performing and visual artists in live stage performances, exhibitions and demonstrations.

Carolina Circle Mall will be filled with a symphony of musicians, dancers, actors, vocalists, choirs, bands, writers and visual artists who will be entertaining and interacting with the crowds.

ARTS SHOWCASE '91 provides an opportunity for area arts organizations to heighten community awareness of the arts through special

Williams from page 4

Williams also believes that the Civil Rights movement has lost its edge because people are more concerned about the language they use and the quotas rather than the cause.

"The coalition of black and white falls apart," said Williams. Speaking angrily and telling people about the need for education and morale is imperative, according to Williams.

performances and exhibits and provides the public with an opportunity to learn more about Greensboro's cultural organizations and events.

Arts organizations performing on stage at the ARTS SHOWCASE are as follows: AMERICAN GUILD OF ORGANISTS (Classical Organ Music) 10:30 A.M., BEL CANTO COMPANY (Renaissance Choral Music) 11:20 A.M., AMERICAN GUILD OF ORGANISTS (Classical Organ Music), 12:10 P.M., CIVIC BALLET THEATRE (Classical Ballet Excerpts), 1:00 P.M., COMMUNITY THEATRE OF GREENSBORO (Musical Theatre Revue) 1:35 P.M., CIVIC BALLET THEATRE (Classical Ballet Excerpts) 2:25 P.M., COMMU-

He feels understanding is essential to helping African-American youths.

Once in Chicago, an elderly black woman who had participated in the civil rights movement complained that she was now scared of all young black men and she hated them because she was mugged by a group of them.

Williams suggested that she help them rather than hate

NITY THEATRE OF GREENSBORO (Musical Theatre Revue), 3:00 P.M., GREENSBORO CHAMBER PLAYERS (Classical Music), 3:50 P.M. and GREENSBORO TARHEEL CHORUS (Barbershop Music), 4:40 P.M.

The United Arts Fund is the United Arts Council's annual fundraising campaign. Funds raised during the United Arts Fund drive support the United Arts Council and its nine funded member agencies and provides marketing support for its 26 associate member agencies.

This is an event that will be fun for the entire family. For additional information concerning the ARTS SHOWCASE '91, contact the United Arts Council of Greensboro

them.

"Too many people want to say there's nothing they can do," he said.

He told the students to stand up and fight for whatever is not right. "Each and every one of you are history majors," Williams said.

"You're making history. The attitudes today will be the attitudes and values of tomorrow," said Williams.

UNC JAZZ FEST SET

CHAPEL HILL--Concerts by Sweet Honey in the Rock, Ahmad Jamal, Don Cherry and MultiKulti, and Dial and Oatts are among the events scheduled for the 14th Annual UNC Jazz Festival February 20-24.

Other activities during the five-day-long festival, sponsored by the Carolina Union, the UNC Music Department and WUNC-FM in association with the Chapel Hill Herald, include performances by the UNC Jazz Band, area college big bands, swing bands, nightclub jazz and jazz workshops and clinics.

The festival opens with Sweet Honey in the Rock at 8 p.m., February 20, in Memorial Hall. This quintet of electrifying vocalists has performed for sellout crowds all over the U.S., Europe and Japan. Singing unaccompanied, except for body and hand percussion instruments, the ensemble of Black women singers has been central to the recent emergence of the voice as a dominant instrument in contemporary music.

The sound of Sweet Honey in the Rock is rooted in the tradition of the African-American unaccompanied congregation style and branches into its many extensions.

Performances by Sweet Honey in the Rock are American Sign Language interpreted.

The Dial and Oatts Quartet will appear at 8 p.m., February 22, in Memorial Hall.

Their concert will mark the first live performance of music from their newest release, Brassworks, recorded in March 1990 on the DMP label.

Brassworks is a little out of the ordinary for jazz, blending a brass ensemble, usually associated with classical music rather than jazz, with Garry Dial's jazz piano and Dick Oatts' saxophone.

The arrangements, according to James Ketch head of UNC's jazz department, are quite beautiful and the resulting sounds are rather like a blend of Aaron Copeland and big band music.

Pianist Ahmad Jamal will perform at 8 p.m., February 23, in Memorial Hall at 8 p.m. The artist who began playing piano at three, performed Liszt in his first concert at 11, by 14 was declared "a coming great," and whose first album *But Not For Me* was the first jazz album to sell more than a million copies, is still exciting audiences worldwide with his

music.

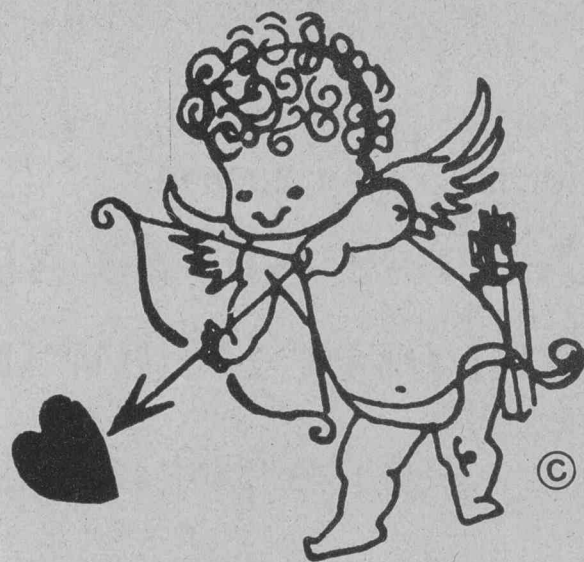
Jazz trumpeter Don Cherry and MultiKulti appear at 8 p.m., February 24, in Memorial Hall. A pioneer in the genre of "world music," Cherry has incorporated the sounds gathered from his travels and studies in Morocco and India, Eastern Europe and Mali, among other exotic locales, into his own unique sound and vision.

Tickets are available from the Carolina Union Box Office. Call (919) 962-1449 weekdays from 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Visa and Mastercard accepted. Tickets for the Ahmad Jamal concert are also available from WUNC-FM. Call 966-5454. Ticket prices are:

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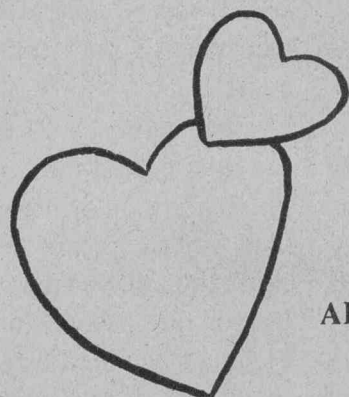
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