

Cheap fares available by e-mail

By Paquita Herring
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Have you started looking for that flight home for Thanksgiving or Christmas break?

Even if you wait until the last minute to book that flight you still may be able to book an inexpensive flight home.

A recent issue of *Conde' Nast Traveler* magazine features an article

about how people can find information about "heavily discounted fares" via the Internet.

According to the article, every week American, Continental, Northwest and USAir, announce cheap fares for the coming weekend and some of these major airlines offer as much as 70 percent off ticket prices to fill up empty flights.

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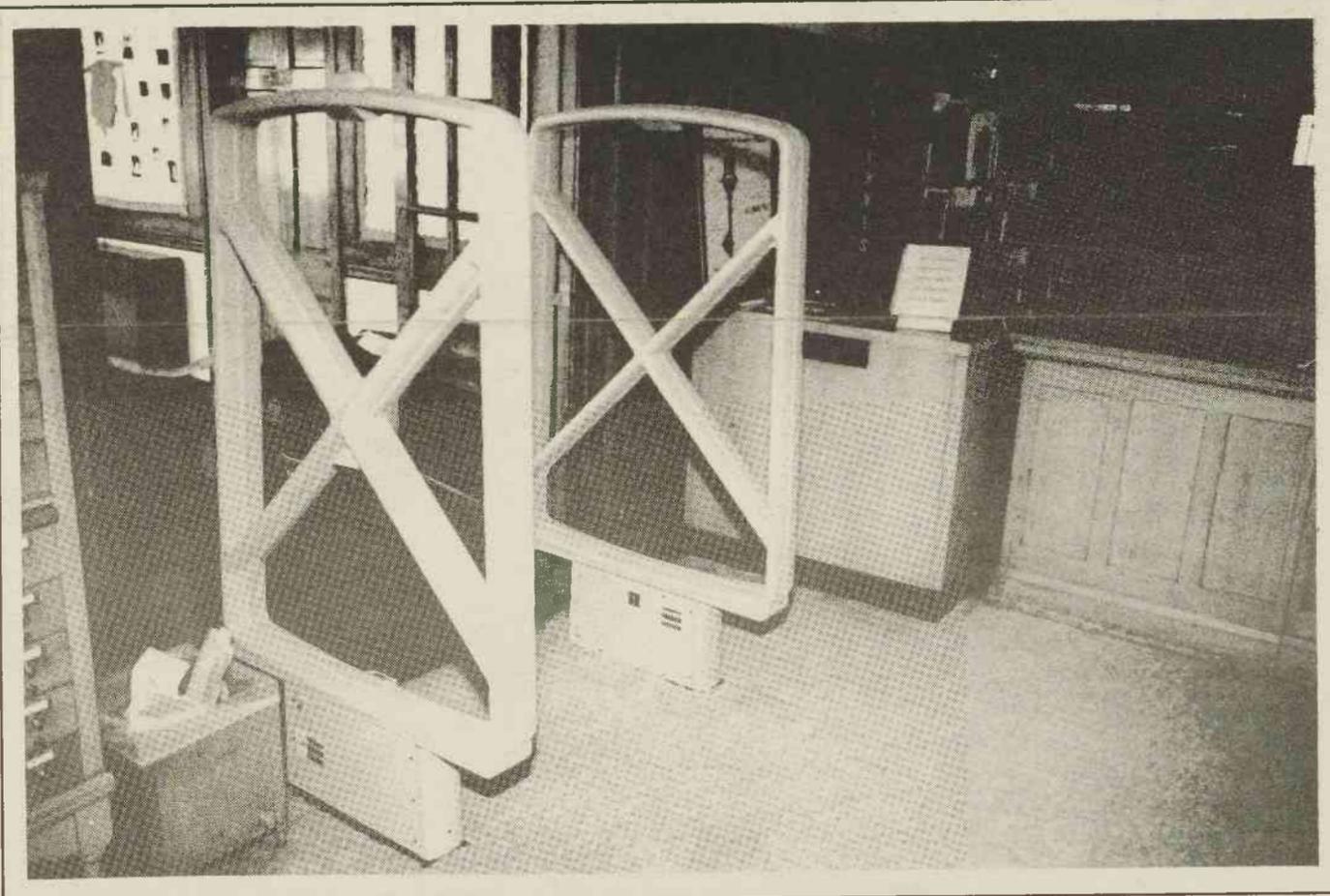
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The 3M Book Security System, located at the entrance of the library, in place to cut down on the theft of library materials. Photo by Bennett College Public Affairs and Marketing.

Electronic security in place at Holgate

By Donna Satterfield
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The Holgate Library has recently taken major step to protect its 75,000 holdings by installing a state-of-the-art security system.

The 3M Book Security System, a security system which is being used in most academic libraries, was installed in September to cut down on the growing loss of valuable library materials.

"We have no way of knowing how

many books were taken because we haven't done an inventory," said Juanita Portis, library director.

"We just know sometimes students went to the shelves to look for a book and couldn't find it."

The system, which cost the College between \$5,000 and \$10,000, is located at the entrance of the library. It becomes armed and sounds an alarm when a book that has not been electronically scanned that passes through the gates. The

electronic devices inside the books and alert the system. Library staff members don't have to be present for the system to become activated.

Although no security system is fool proof, the staff hopes that this new system will deter people who think about stealing a book.

"For the system to be 100 percent effective you would have to have no human errors and no other way of exit," said Ida Johnson, collection development librarian.

Belle is first runner-up in off-campus pageant

By Tamu Johnson
Banner Reporter

A sophomore biology major recently won first runner-up among 11 other contestants who competed in the annual Miss Khalif Temple Talent and Scholarship Pageant.



First runner-up
Chaquanna Cotten

Chaquanna Cotten, a New York native, performed a dramatic monologue as Sojourner Truth on Nov. 10 at Harrison

Auditorium on the campus of N.C. A&T State University. Cotten won a \$100 scholarship.

Cotten, Kendra Winston, a freshman and Tamu Johnson, senior, were the only Belles who participated in the event.

During the talent segment of the event Winston, a Greensboro native, majoring in home economics education, sang a popular Whitney Houston song.

Johnson, a mass communications major from St. Louis, performed a modern dance.

Ladaria Long, from Charlotte, won the title of Miss Khalif Temple. Long, a junior at N.C. A&T also won the title last year.

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