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MIAMI: A Haitian refugee sits in the doorway of an Air Florida jet moments before jumping to the ground as Immigration and Naturalization Service guard (with glasses) restrains another refugee, Nov. 25. Officials were preparing to fly 125 Haitians from the Krome Avenue detention camp to another facility at Fort Allen, Puerto Rico, when immigration officers were forced to carry four screaming and kicking Haitians onto the plane. Later, two of the men forced open the plane's door and one was arrested after jumping. (UPI Photo)



N.C. Central will offer financial aid in Spring

By Winfred B. Cross

N.C. Central received a "positive review" from a federal office in Atlanta, Ga., and has the go ahead to distribute financial aid for the 1982 Spring semester, according to William James, the school's internal auditor.

James said Don Woodside, a financial aid program reviewer from Atlanta, was pleased with the school's progress in its efforts to reestablish its files on approximately 6,000 missing student financial aid affidavits.

"We were ahead of schedule in certain areas," he said. "This good news takes off a lot of the pressure we've been under."

In July of this year Central signed a limitation agreement that gave the school six months to make satisfactory progress in reestablishing its missing records or face termination from the program. It has until December 1982 to complete the task.

James heads a special 16 member task force that is in the process of locating the students by letter and by telephone whose affidavits are missing. The school is also checking currently enrolled students for possible missing affidavits.

"We have two major tasks to complete," said James. "We have to find the students who were over awarded financial aid between 1974 and 1979 and get the students to re-sign their missing BEOG (Basic Educational Opportunity Grants), SEOG (Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants), and NDSL (National Direct Student Loan) affidavits."

"We had to look into over 6,000 student financial aid folders and record the award payment and check for an affidavit. This will determine if the student used all of of his award."

According to Wallace Blackwell, director of student financial aid, the affidavits were lost because of a clerical error. They were discovered missing through a routine check by federal authorities. Central now makes monthly progress reports to the government.

As a result of an investigation by a program reviewer, the financial aid office is using a new system in determining awards. A student's award will not be processed until he has returned a signed affidavit of acceptance.

"If they stick to the new system, the problem should not occur again," said James.

Campus group helps needy

On Saturday, Dec. 5, New York Plus, a social organization from N.C. Central University, helped the Salvation Army "ring the bell" to raise money for Durham's needy.

The club was stationed in front of King's department store in Wellon's Village from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. soliciting donations and singing in support of the Salvation Army. The club made \$82.49.

"The 'ring the bell' day was advantageous to both New York Plus and the Salvation Army," said Winston Majette, secretary for the club. "It helped us get to know the community and build the morale of the school."

"Everything went smoothly except for a rather large woman who almost knocked over the collection kettle," said Majette with a smile.

The members involved were Kenneth Ray, Rhonda McLaurin, Antoinette Graham, Stella Bledsoe, Sandra

Trice, Bernard Jones, Derrick Ellington, Gilbert Benjamin (president), and Winston Majette.

On Thursday, Nov. 19, the club sponsored a food drive and dance at the Odyssey disco for a needy family in Durham.

The club also contributed \$50 out of their proceeds at the door to the family.

"The family was very appreciative for our assistance," said Rodney Bowden, treasurer of the club. "We told the family that if they ever needed our help, we would be available in the future."

Members assisting with this project were Kenneth Ray, Robyn Singeltary, Gilbert Benjamin, and Rodney Bowden.

The social organization New York Plus was founded in the spring of 1981 and was established to upgrade the morale of the school and help support and serve the needs of the community.

X-mas toy survey turns up bargains, rip-offs, dangers

Compiled from reports by
Media—Journalism's English 3000

A year ago that the Echo warned shoppers about "Slime with Worms" and "I Took A Lickin' From A Chicken" and praised the "Backgammon Challenger."

This year journalism students have returned to the toy departments again in search of the "good, the bad, the ugly."

Dangerous Toys

Two very popular pieces of sporting equipment, roller skates and skateboards, topped this category, because they are dangerous themselves and because few purchasers buy the needed safety equipment to go with them.

According to Betsy Caviness, a salesperson for Northgate Mall's Circus World, adults and children are "unaware of safety measures and do not wear elbow and knee pads or helmets"—items sold in sporting goods stores for around \$10 each.

Peggy Hamlet, manager of K&K Toys at South Square Mall, reminded consumers that any toy is dangerous "if purchased for the incorrect age group." Chemistry sets and tool kits, for instance, may be extremely dangerous to young children.

One reporter cautioned against "Science Labs" (\$15-30 from Gabriel) which produce 120 volts of electricity and contain poisonous ingredients such as sodium bisulfate and ferric ammonium sulfate.

Rip-offs!!!

Although the "Rubik's Cube" (\$6—Ideal Toy Corp.) is praised by many, some find it practically unsolvable and frustrating.

But the real swindle may be an item spawned by the "Cube." Called "The Smasher," the item is a wooden

paddle with "Smasher" written on it. Costing \$4, it is billed as "the ultimate way to beat the Cube."

Get it?

Other reporters came across a wide variety of overpriced toys, including "The Longest Day" (Avalon Hill Game Co.) which costs \$55 but has "no more than \$10 worth of material."

And watch out for old, reliable board games that have suddenly become computerized. Same game, but a new, big price.

Children are screaming for Precision's radio controlled "General Lee" (the Dukes of Hazzards' racing car—\$20) and the public is buying them up, according to G.H. Blackburn III, general manager of J.C. Penney and a member of the NCCU Board of Trustees. But one reporter found the car limited to forward and backward motion and not very fast. So, instead of a "yeeeeee-ha!" she gave it a "ho-hum."

Hand-held "Alien Attack" (\$50—Coleco) beeped and buzzed, according to one reporter, but that was about it. After several futile attempts to make the game work, the reporter sought the aid of a salesperson who also struggled in vain. After mumbling about "...getting somebody else to help," the salesperson drifted away.

He never came back.

Dolls—Good and Bad

One reporter considered the "Madam Alexander Doll" (\$25—Madam Alexander Co.) a present to be "cherished for life." It's the big seller at K&K Toys and Circus World, and they often have trouble keeping the doll in stock.

"Love 'n' Touch" (\$13—Mattel), "Tippee Toes" (\$20—Mattel), and "Baby Soft Sounds" (\$30—Fisher

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Eagle running back Benny Tate (No. 44) fakes a Aggie defensive back on his way to the end zone. (Staff photo by Roy Harris)

Eagles stop A&T, 35-7

By Winston L. Majette

NCCU's runningbacks Benny Tate and Clifton Kersey combined for 240 yards rushing to lead the Eagles to a 35-7 shallacking of the N.C. A&T Aggies in Greensboro on Nov. 28.

In the first quarter, the Eagles scored first after a roughing the kicker penalty and got the ball on the Aggie's 30-yard line. Six plays later, Kersey scored on a one yard run.

On the kickoff, the Aggie's Lonnie Harris fumbled the ball and the Eagles recovered it on the 15-yard line. The Eagles, after a six yard run by Kersey and a delay of game penalty on the Eagles, scored as freshman quarterback Gerald Fraylon went around the left end and cut back across the grain for a 14-yard score.

In the second quarter, the Eagle's defense, ranked second in Division II schools this year, recovered a fumble by quarterback Stevan Lynn on the A&T 44-yard line.

The key to the Eagles next score came by way of a Fraylon pass to wide-receiver Audrain Melton for an 11-yard gain to the Aggie's 14-yard line.

On the next few plays, Kersey ran for seven and three yards to the Aggie's one yard line was followed by a keeper by Fraylon two plays later.

The halftime score was 21-0.

In the second half, the Eagles and the Aggies showed the crowd of 14,101 why they are arch-rivals.

Both defenses held their ground. Both tempers flared in the middle of the quarter as the Eagle wide-receiver Vic Hunter back flipped an Aggie defender after the defender apparently applied a late hit and Hunter was charged with a personal foul.

Kersey ended the quarter with a six yard run to the A&T 12 after a powerful 47-yard run by Tate.

In the fourth quarter, Fraylon threw an 11-yard pass to Hunter and Tate went in from the one to make the score 28-0.

The Aggies got the ball at mid-field after a holding penalty by Central. Lynn connected with Harris for a 49-yard gain to set up a keeper by Lynn to give the Aggies their first score.

Kersey acquired Central's last touchdown with a seven yard run with 2:49 left in the game.

National Register winners listed

The SGA has announced the official listing of students nominated for the National Register, an organization similar to Who's Who Among American College students except that more emphasis is placed on academics, according to Curtis Massey, SGA president.

The names, listed as according to rank, are: Curtis Massey and Lisa Brown (automatic nominee's) Mark Yarbro, Winfred Cross, Pandora Frazier, Robert Palmer, Reginald Smith, Karen Stevens, Calvin Williams, Georgette Stark, Myra Moore, Margie Parker, Cheryl Rice, Darryle Williams, Prentice Alexander, Vincent Dudley, Barbara Kennedy, Gloria Moore, Pamela Parker, Rosland Blount, Curtis Brown, Karen Langford, Annette Torian, Kevin Tripp, Selesia Scott, Michael Singleton, Anitra Wright, James Jones,

Stanley Alexander, Quinton Brown, Melvin Davis, Lorie Love, Mattie Perry, Cheryl Ruffin, John Thomas, Tyrone Everett, Laura Vaughan, Sandra Barnes, Donald Perry, Marie Gamble, Cheryl Hackett, Barry Hamilton, Nina Moore, Ray Pettiford, Janis Pinkston, Terry Williams, Milton Thomas, Phyllis George, Lisa Nelson, Wanda Little, and Ronnie D. McNeil.

Massey added that the Who's Who Honorable Mention and Who's Who Among American Colleges and Universities nominees will be announced shortly after January 26.

"This will allow the committee enough time to develop a better system that will evaluate student more fairly," he said.