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## Deadline Nears For Scholarships

Black high school graduates are reminded that the deadline for applying for Naval Reserve Officer Training Corps scholarships is November 1.

Applicants must have arranged to take one of two college board exams, the results of which must be forwarded to the Navy-Marine Corps Scholarship Program, Iowa City, Iowa.

The college board tests, the Scholastic Aptitude Test, or SAT, and the American College Test, ACT, are the two acceptable tests. Deadline for arranging to take these tests was October 11.

Graduates and seniors who are otherwise eligible may apply through any local Navy recruiter.

The scholarships provide for four years of college tuition paid by the Navy plus a \$100-a-month living allowance, uniforms, and other fees required of full-time college students.

Selectees will be enrolled in the Naval Reserve and appointed to the rank of midshipmen upon entering

college. There are 56 colleges and universities from which to choose, including five predominantly black colleges.

Last year there were 43 black and other minority students selected for scholarships, plus 14 women selectees.

The Navy hopes to

## A&T's Jimmie Barber

GREENSBORO, N.C. -- Incumbent Greensboro City Councilman Jimmie I. Barber placed third in the primary last Tuesday. He is one among 12 candidates who will compete for one of 6 seats on the Greensboro City Council in the elections Nov. 6.

Barber is director of housing and assistant professor of psychology and guidance at A&T. He is seeking his third term as a Greensboro City Councilman. Out of the estimated 11,000 who turned out to vote, Barber collected 6,064 votes.

The Black community

increase the number of black men and women serving as officers, through such programs as the NROTC scholarships. Currently 805 blacks are on duty as Navy officers, holding every rank from warrant officer through rear admiral.

Barber campaigned as "The people's man," the same slogan that he used in previous elections. He has served as the mayor's representative to the Greensboro Clearing House Commission and the Housing Authority.

Herman Gist, another A&T alumnus who was seeking a place in the Nov. 6 elections, was unsuccessful in his efforts. He collected 1,649 votes.

## Reading Project Helping Youngsters

A national Right-to-Read Project in Greensboro is having a positive affect on pupils and parents, coordinators of the project reported this week.

"The program has shown great worth in improving the reading and the climate for reading at Alderman School, site of the pilot project," said Mrs. Gladys White, a reading specialist at A&T State University.

The federally funded program is seeking to promote the improvement of reading through staff development, pupil performance, the involvement of parents and the involvement of the community.

Alderman School has been in the program for a year, and the school's principal, Miss Hazel Peritt, said the program has had a number of encouraging results.

At an evaluation session this morning at Holiday Inn

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## Humanitarian W. T. Johnson, Sr.

KANSAS CITY, MO. -- W.T. Johnson, longtime state and national leader in the field of agricultural education, has been honored by the Future Farmers of America with their VIP Citation.

The award was to be presented at the 46th National FFA Convention meeting here on October 17.

Johnson, an A&T State University graduate, who lives in Greensboro, N.C., spent 23 years on North Carolina's agricultural education staff.

He was instrumental in effecting a merger of the formerly white Future Farmers of America with all-black New Farmers of America.

Since his official retirement from A&T as consultant in educational education for the state in 1971, he has served as a special assistant to the chairman of the North Carolina Democratic party.

Johnson is being honored by the FFA for his outstanding contributions in the field of agricultural education for more than 39 years.

As an educator, both on



Veteran Farmer-Training Programs.

He taught four years at West Virginia State College and directed the agricultural education program for blacks in that state.

In 1952, Johnson returned to A&T and helped build the S.B. Simmons NFA Camp, now valued at more than \$300,000.

He served as National Executive Treasurer of the NFA, until the organization was merged in 1965.

Johnson is president of the Greensboro Association for Retarded Children and vice president of a region of the state group. He is also chairman of the Board of Deacons at Providence Baptist Church. He has published a number of articles in professional agricultural journals.

Johnson is married to the former Gertrude Alexander. They have four children, Walter Jr., a successful Greensboro lawyer and member of the School Board; Mrs. Patricia Trice, a music teacher at the University of Southern Florida; and Miss Jacqueline Johnson, an employee of the Kendall Center in Greensboro.

bachelor's and master's degrees from A&T. He began his career as a vocational agricultural teacher in Spring Hope, N.C., then taught for 10 years at A&T.

From 1941-48, he was assistant supervisor in charge of the Defense, Rural War Production and

the high school level, and later on the college and state level, Johnson will be remembered as an humanitarian.

For years, he solicited scholarship funds from a number of industries to send needy black youngsters to college.

A native of Rocky Point, N.C., Johnson holds the

## A Two Part Series

## Watergate and Moral Responsibility

### Part Two

By Jackson Pyles

The problem is that, especially as we think of the Watergate, the apparent attitude of a lot of people seems to be that such behavior is acceptable. It is not something to be condemned, but rather something to be tolerated and explained away. This was illustrated graphically not too many weeks ago when a lady wrote a letter to our local newspaper in High Point.

The lady make the statement that she thought Watergate hearings are getting "unnecessary and unfair" publicity, and that the whole exercise is simply "a political scheme to get back at Mr. Nixon." She then goes on to make her major point; namely, that the same thing has happened many times before and we have not heard one thing about it.

The implication is, of course, that since others have done it before, there must not be too much wrong with it and Mr. Nixon is therefore justified in what he did. He's simply doing more effectively what others have done before him.

Such an argument, however, can be faulted on at least two counts. We need to ask, first of all, when and where have such dirty politics occurred "many times before?" It is one thing to make a generalization like that, but it's often times quite another to support it.

So far as this author has been able to determine from his studies of our political system, there is quite a bit of evidence to the contrary. When we compare our system to that of other countries, we can see that we have been truly blessed with an absence of

wide-spread and persistent scandals. In the long history of our country we have been relatively free of dirty tricks. They have occurred, of course, but the only thing of similar proportion to have happened within the memory of people living in this generation was the Teapot Dome scandal of the 1920's.

Over all we can consider ourselves as having been truly blessed as a nation with a disproportionate number of honest and open politicians.

But this lady's argument is weak on another, more important count. Even if we wanted to grant for the sake of argument that we are indeed shot through with dirty politics, can this serve as a justification for more of the same? Do we really want to measure our conduct against the worst examples we can conjure up? If we do that, then we can measure ourselves by a Hitler and find justification for almost anything that we might want to do. No, we are called not to measure ourselves by the worst that is before us, but by the best. It simply won't work to say that our own evil is justified by the evil we find resident in the lives of others. When it comes to the kinds of misconduct we see displayed before us in the Watergate, we simply cannot approve of it as a matter of basic principle.

**ARROGANCE OF POWER**  
A major difficulty in arriving at a mature judgement of the Watergate affair rests in the fact that many, if not most of us, find it virtually impossible to believe bad things about an administration that sounds so convincing and appears so

sure of itself. We have a quite natural tendency to equate patriotism with loyalty to a given administration. But the two are not equal: a love of country does not mean that we give up thinking, or that we fail to criticize those things which we see wrong. God help us if this becomes true!

But people do become confused and unable to render critical judgments because the government does sound convincing. The government tells its story from its own peculiar perspective, and unless we are fairly well steeped in moral principle, we are many times duped into accepting the line that is thrown at us.

We need to develop in our lives, as Madison would have insisted, such a tremendous openness and sensitivity to moral principles that we are able to look at a given governmental action or rationalization and judge whether it is designed to serve all the people of this land, or only those who are interested in amassing power, privilege, and position.

An example of this can be seen in the way in which Jeb Steward Magruder must have confused a lot of people in his testimony at the Watergate hearings. What he said slipped by a lot of people -- even the Senators on the panel -- but people who have been through the nonviolent struggles of the Civil Rights and Antiwar Movements immediately saw the shallowness of his rationalizations and justifications for the acts of the Nixon re-election committee.

Magruder pointed to the antiwar efforts of William Sloan Coffin as a justifica-

tion for his own illegal activities. The antiwar movement in this country is recent enough history that we ought to recognize William Sloan Coffin as the chaplain of Yale University who lead hundreds of college age young people in demonstrations against our involvement in Vietnam. He opposed the war, he spoke openly against it, and he even lead demonstrations at which draft cards were publicly burned.

In 1958 Coffin taught an ethics course at Williams College. As things turned out, Jeb Steward Magruder took that course. Said Magruder at the Watergate hearings: "I saw people I

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## Wins \$40,000 NASA Research Grant

The Department of Electrical Engineering at A&T State University has been awarded a grant of \$40,000 from the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) to continue research in microelectronics and metallic oxide studies. This represents the fourth consecutive year that this research has been funded through NASA.

The grant was made to Leo Williams, Jr., professor of Electrical Engineering, who serves as the principal investigator for the project.

Dr. Donald Edwards, professor of physics, will serve as co-investigator.

Williams and Edwards will be assisted by Darryl Washington and Dalpat Patel, graduate research assistants, who are currently pursuing the master of science in engineering

## Never Forget The People You Meet

"Never forget the people you meet on the way up, because you'll meet those same people on the way down." These are the words and the show business philosophy of Redd Foxx, star of NBC Television Network's "Sanford and Son". Redd proved to several of the people he met on the way up that he stands by his philosophy during production of the episode, "Fuentes, Fuentes, Sanford and Chico," which will be colorcast Friday, Oct. 26 (8-8:30 p.m. NYT).

The script for what that episode called for a skid row scene and several men to play bums. Redd suggested to producer Aaron Ruben that the show hire several of his old cronies from his lean days in Los Angeles in the early fifties. Ruben agreed and the men were hired.

They are Huckleback (Marlin Jackson), Jonesey (Ocie Jones), Nature Boy (Lee Andrews), Little Caesar (Harry Caesar), Black Dot (Elihu McGee) and Little Beaver (Gayle H. Dooms.)

"I met all those guys about the same time," said Redd. "We used to hang out in front of the Dunbar Hotel in Los Angeles and we were doing about as bad as human beings could. Usually, if we pooled all our money, we couldn't have gotten a dollar together."

At that time, Redd and Slappy White had just broken up their comedy act and Redd was having difficulty getting club gigs. "Around Christmas time," said Redd, "I used to paint greetings on store windows up and down Central

Avenue. That was the best work I could get. To remind me of those years, I keep a little gold Xmas tree, which I've had since then, in my living room all year around. Because right now I'm having Christmas every day."

"Some of the guys we hired for the show aren't doing much better now," Redd continued, "but I've kept in touch with them over the years. Sometimes I go back over to the East Side just to talk." One of the men said Redd usually slips them money when they're in a pinch.

There are four men in the skid row scene who were not of Redd's lean years and one other who make the Tony O'Dare is an actor who was on "Sanford and Son" previously and according to Redd, "was one of the three white men who were added to make the scene realistic." Another white man was Shelly (Sheldon Slusman) who is the owner of Redd's favorite jazz club, The Baked Potato! The third was Louis Guss, also an actor, who plays the mission caretaker.

Jose Busby met Redd in later years and was not

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**BLISSFUL BRONCOS** - Dr. Charles "A" Lyons, Jr., Chancellor of Fayetteville State University, happily kisses Homecoming Queen Lettie Williams during halftime ceremonies. The Broncos fans had to be happy after defeating arch-foe Winston-Salem State University, 14-12 and moving into third place in the tough CIAA football race.

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