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## TOP A&T GRADUATE IS A DETERMINED MOTHER

**GREENSBORO** - A determined Greensboro housewife with a husband, four children and a granddaughter walked across the stage last Sunday as the top graduating student at A&T State University.

"My husband at first thought that I should stay home with the kids," said Mrs. Dorothy Mack Ray, recalling how she reached the top after dropping out of high school. "Then when our youngest got to second grade, that was it. It's been rough."

Mrs. Ray, a native of

High Point, will complete her work at A&T with a 3.939 average on the 4.00 point scale, which means her record of A's was marred by only one B.

She majored in psychology, with a concentration in community mental health, a program which required her to attend classes fall, spring and summer for the past two years.

"I've been in and out of school for a long time," said Mrs. Ray, but I've never quit. I think that other married women can do the same kind of thing if

they are really sincere and study hard, because it takes a lot of will power."

Mrs. Ray dropped out of William Penn High in High Point after completing the 11th grade in 1949. She moved to Washington, D.C. and completed the Annie Burdick Nursing School as a licensed practical nurse.

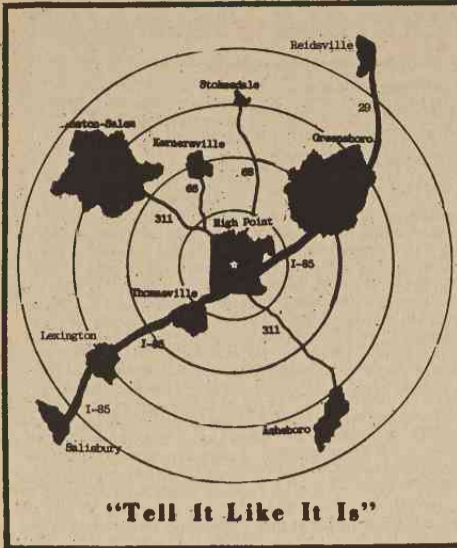
"They took me in without having a high school diploma," she said. Mrs. Ray worked in the field, then decided to complete her high school work at Guilford Technical Institute in 1970.

"By this time, I wanted a B.S. degree," she added, "so I applied to A&T and was accepted in their nursing school. But I decided to switch to psychology, because it's also a form of healing and helping people."

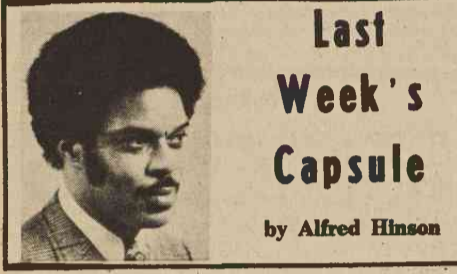
Mrs. Ray is the wife of Mark Ray, is the maitre d'hotel of the Emery Wood Country Club in High Point. Her children include Mrs. Joyce Lee, a graduate of Guilford College; Mrs. Brenda Dawkins, who attended A&T; Sonya Ray, a student at Gillespie Junior High and Rodney, who attends Caldwell Elementary.

Mrs. Ray says her only regrets about her experience is that she hasn't had much time to devote to her family.

"But they have been real nice about it," she quipped.



"Tell It Like It Is"



### Last Week's Capsule

by Alfred Hinson

#### NATIONAL

President Ford made it perfectly clear through his Press Secretary Ron Nessen that he does intend to run for the presidency in 1976. Nessen also cited the article that appeared in Newsweek magazine as false which stated that Ford would not seek election because of his wife's health.

Though President Ford intends to announce his candidacy in the near future, a spokesman for Newsweek said that the magazine will stand by its story.

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Because of an adjustment of federal withholding tax tables, workers will realize a few more dollars in their take home pay for the month of May and the remainder of the year. This adjustment is part of a government effort to perk up the economy by increasing consumer buying power. Though the increase may not be substantial per pay check, it is projected that \$7.8 billion will be available for spending for the rest of the year.

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In February of 1973, former President Nixon froze funds for all federally subsidized low-income housing programs. He proposed as a substitute, a leased-housing program in which tenants were not restricted to fixed housing sites.

Housing and Urban Development officials have found the leased housing program a difficult one to implement. It was projected by former HUD Secretary James T. Lynn that 200,000 of the units would be ready for occupancy by July, 1975. According to Carla A. Hills, current Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, the 200,000 figure was a very optimistic one. Secretary Hill projects that only 40,000 units will be ready for occupancy by July.

#### STATE

Within the next 30 days, the future of two of the eight superior court judges appointed by the governor will be in question. These individuals are Sammie Chess of High Point and Dennis Winner of Asheville both appointed by former Gov. Robert Scott.

Six of the eight judgeship posts are presently held by Republicans who were all named by Holshouser. Individuals close to Holshouser feel that these judges will be asked to succeed themselves. As for Chess, who is the only black superior court judge in the state, it is felt that a black replacement will be sought if Holshouser desires to fill the slot with a black lawyer.

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Alex Armendaris, director of the Office of Minority Business Enterprise, recently made public a statement that the U.S. Department of Commerce found no violations of federal laws or other irregularities in the development of Soul City, N.C. There was "an identity of interest" discovered during the investigation but no conflict of interest emerged. Also, McKissick and his associates were credited with making their personal interest in the success of Soul City known to the investigators.

Now that this matter is cleared, McKissick has been advised that the Office of Minority Business Enterprise would resume negotiations for a new contract.

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University of North Carolina President William Friday informed HEW officials that their argument for placing a veterinary school at A&T State University is unsound and borders on the ridiculous. He further stated in his letter to HEW Civil Rights Director William Thomas that a vet school could be established at A&T but at enormous expense. The expense of establishing the school at N.C. State would be considerably less, according to Friday.

Friday, also told Thomas that objections to his position, should be addressed to the N.C. legislature instead of UNC.

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Guilford County Mental Health officials recently announced the appointment of Dr. David Brody to the post of medical director for the county, mental health and psychiatric program at L. Richardson Hospital. His

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## Blood Pressure, Blacks

The month of May is High Blood Pressure Month, and during the week of May 12th, the National Black Network will donate all of its public service time to the American Heart Association. This will be the first time that the Network has called for a full Network effort on behalf of a National organization. Naturally, the importance of high blood pressure in the Black community was the prime motivation for this unique use of Network time. The National Black Network services 77 affiliate stations throughout the United States, reaching nearly one million Black Americans.

High blood pressure is more common in Black persons than among other Americans. One out of four Black Americans over 18 has high blood pressure. Controlling high blood pressure can prevent sud-

den death and crippling from stroke, heart failure, kidney damage and more. Uncontrolled, high blood pressure often leads to these serious diseases and is one of the biggest causes of death among Black people.

Usually, high blood pressure (also called hypertension) has no symptoms. Anyone (tense people or relaxed people) can have it. The only way to tell is to have a blood pressure check at your doctor's clinic, neighborhood health center or at a local public screening.

It has been estimated that a successful campaign for the early detection and treatment of high blood pressure could avert 20,000 deaths each year.

Gene Jackson, President of the National Black Network, called for all

Black media to support the High Blood Pressure campaign so that the high death toll due to high blood pressure can be reduced.



Vander Jenkins, a news photographer for WFMY-TV for four years, has been named Assistant Chief Photographer for the television station in Greensboro.

In his new position Jenkins will assist Chief Photographer Bill Gordon in the supervision of photographic services and personnel. He will continue to serve as a cameraman for news coverage and documentaries.

Jenkins is a native of Philadelphia and has also lived in South Carolina and Florida. He spent 5 years in the U.S. Marine Corps. After moving to Greensboro he attended Guilford Technical Institute where he completed a course in photography and commercial art. He joined Channel 2 in June, 1971, as a photographer trainee and was soon promoted to news photographer. He and his wife Olive have a son, Chris.

**SALISBURY** - Two Hood Theological Seminars, one a graduate and professor and the other a senior, have been accepted in the doctoral program at Chicago Theological Seminary, it has been announced by Dr. Walter L. Yates, dean of Hood.

The graduate school candidates are the Rev. Jerry M. Scales, professor at HTS, and the Rev. Howard B. Hogan, who is expected to complete studies for the M. Divinity degree at the close of this semester.

Scales, a native of Stoneville, N.C., holds the A.B. degree from Livingstone College and the M. Div. degree from Hood Theological Seminary. He

## Hood Graduates Accepted In Doctoral Program



studied in the Doctor of Theology degree program at Trinity College of the University of Ghana, Ghana W. Africa, in 1973.

Involved with work in the Pentecostal Holiness Church of North Carolina and Virginia Incorporated, he is an ordained elder and a member of Mt. Carmel Pentecostal Holiness Church at Madison, N.C.

Scales lives in Madison with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John W. Scales.

Hogan, a native of Mt. Holly, N.C., holds the A.A. degree from Gaston Junior College, Dallas, N.C. and the A.B. degree from Gardner-Webb College at Boiling Springs, N.C.

He is a candidate for the Continued on Page 6

## Plans For Bennett Commencement

**GREENSBORO** - Under the theme "Opening New Doors in Women's Education," the Bennett College Commencement-Alumnae Week will kick off, May 8 and culminate on May 11 with the commencement-baccalaureate exercise.

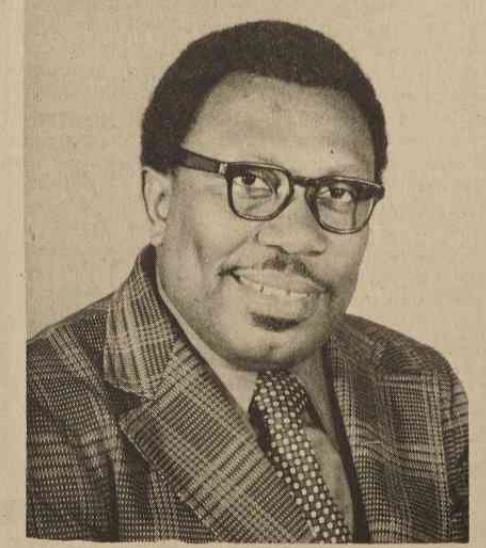
"This year's activities will include two days of business workshops geared to inform Bennett alumnae of their role in college affairs," explained Ellease R. Browning, Director of Alumnae Affairs.

The Executive Committee of the National Alumnae Association will meet at the Royal Villa, alumnae headquarters, on Thursday evening to approve the weekend's agenda and to set goals for next year's activities.

Friday includes a full day of business and social gatherings. The leadership conferences begins at 9 a.m. under the direction of outgoing National President Marion Benton Tasco. Conference participants are Dr. Isaac H. Miller, Jr., "State of the College Message"; Dr. Chelsea

Tipton, "Expanding Academic Options"; Mrs. Mary Eady, "Admissions-Reaching Out"; Dean Harold E. Bragg, "Student Affairs-Caring, Sharing, and Growing," and Mr. Marvin Watkins, "Friend-raising and Fundraising." Guest speaker for the workshop is Earl Raven, associate director of Moton Management Improvement Program who speaks on "College Endowment Funding Plan."

In the afternoon session at 4 p.m., chapter officers will meet to plan their Continued on Page 3



## Record 400 FSU Students To Graduate May 11

**FAYETTEVILLE** - Approximately 400 Fayetteville State University students are expected to graduate Sunday, May 11, in the 98th Annual Baccalaureate Commencement Exercises at the Cumberland County Memorial Arena (located on Highway 300 South) in Fayetteville.

The speaker for the occasion is Dr. Elias Blake, President, Institute for Services to Education (ISE), Washington, D.C. The Commencement Exercise will begin at 2:30 p.m. and Fayetteville State University Chancellor Charles "A" Lyons, Jr.,

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