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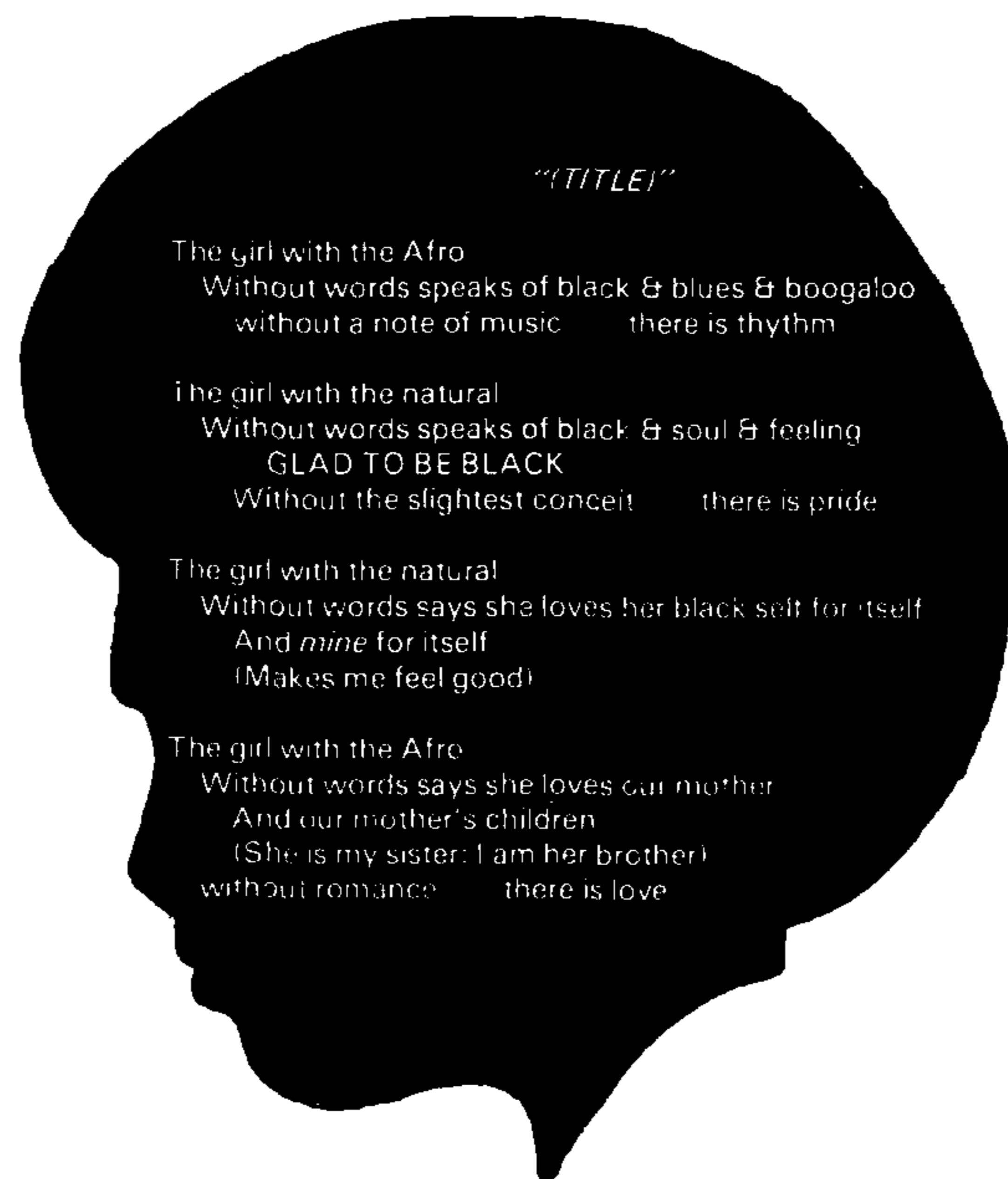
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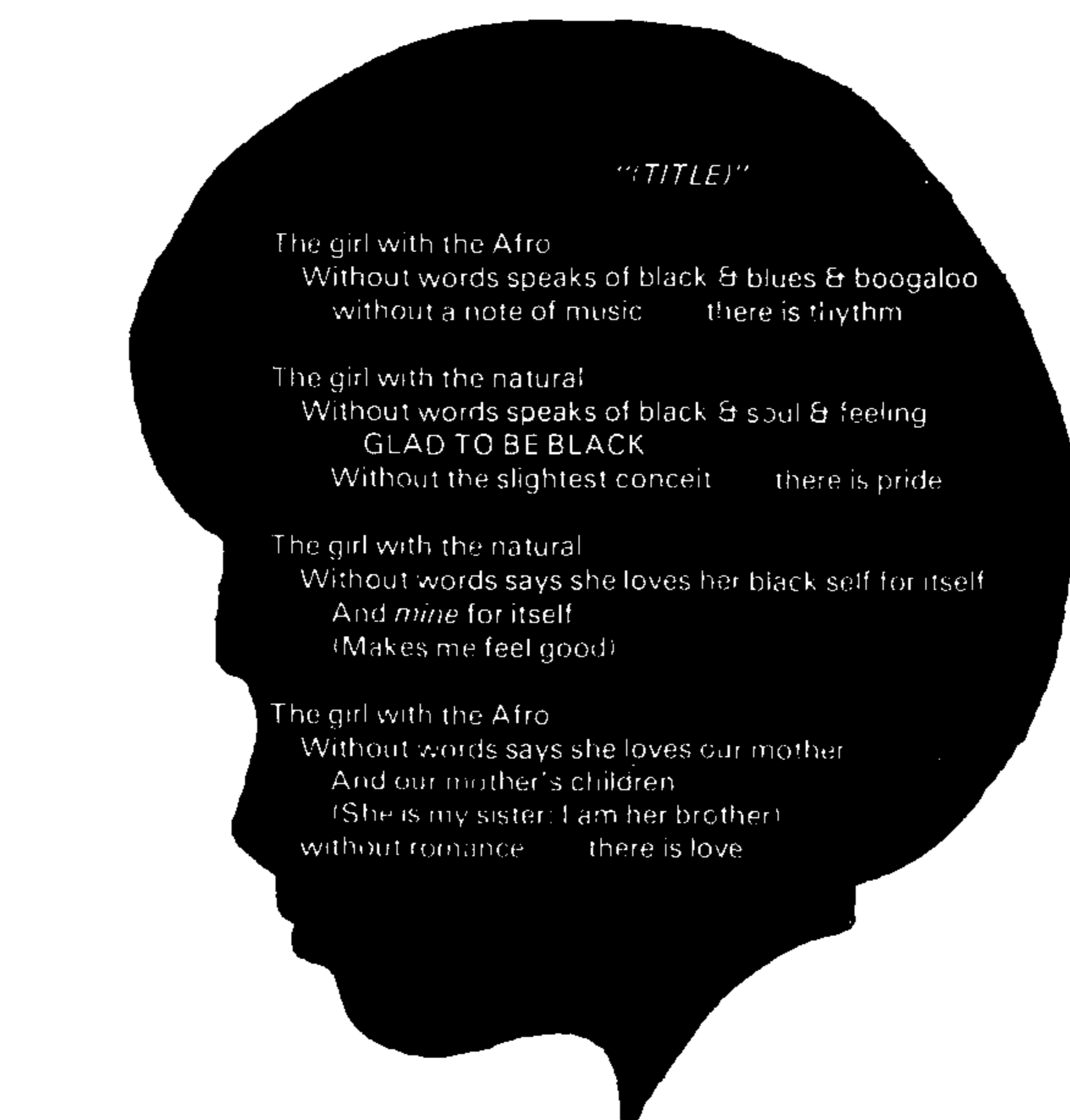
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Mrs. Berry in keeping with the theme of the program chose for her topic "A Greek Salute to Black Woman" Ms. Berry, a non greek spoke from an unbiased view point. She began by giving an overview of the Greek man, stating that they as a people were concerned more with the non physical things of life - heart, mind, and soul. They viewed their women not on their physical things of life - heart, mind, and soul. They viewed



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their women not on their physical beauty alone but on their inward beauty. In keeping with the thoughts of those who they founded upon the Council has chosen young ladies who are also searching for the more perfect society and who are willing to accept the responsibilities of the search.

After Mrs. Berry has covered her topic so beautifully Ms. Batts and accompanist again rendered a selection, this one being the theme song from the movie "Mahogany". The peak of the

evening's events was the crowning of the queens.

The crowning was led by the Brothers and Pearls of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity who stood singing "So In Love With You" as each of the brothers escorted Ms. Kathy Williams a portion of the way toward reigning queen Ms. Mary Fisher who then crowned Ms. Williams and Mr. Cedric Dickerson, President of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity presented her with roses.

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Looking back in retrospective I'm sure that everyone that was present remembers the beauty and wonder of that night and would tell anyone who asked about the program for the evening that they should have been there for there is no way that mere words could express all that happened that evening for it was something that you had to see and allow your mind to interpret. See you there next year.

ANGOLA AND THE WAR

By Maurice Huntley - Editor

A country as vast as Angola some 481, 351 square miles. The front lines seen so scattered that it is always difficult and often impossible to determine what is happening in the war. The National Union for the Total Independence of Angola and the National Front for the Federation

of Angola which are supported by the West are pitted against the Popular Movement for the Federation of Angola, which is supported by the Soviet Union. Some of the area such as Huanbo Angola was under over 400 years of Portuguese colonial rule that ended last Nov. 11. The

Popular Movement for its part has established a government in the north at Luand, the old colonial capital.

The editor has an opportunity recently to talk with a man that he admires and respects for his thought and his intelligence, Dr. John East of the political science

department of ECU. The topic of their discussion was the U.S. in Angola-The side effects. What is the U.S. aim there, is there any future in American forces going into Angola-These were some of the questions. The two did not attempt to decide on the right

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Martin Luther King

A man of faith and conviction, the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, whose birthday we celebrated today, urged his community forward toward a broader understanding of the brotherhood of man. In so doing, the Rev. Dr. King challenged long accepted beliefs, disturbed comfortable consciences, and opened many eyes to racial injustices long ignored.

Calm and mild-mannered in appearance but rock-hard in determination, the Rev. Martin Luther King helped keep the calls of conscience and the demands of civil rights on the cities' agenda long before they became popular or winning causes. As pastor from 1932 to 1968 of Ebenezer Baptist Church, a historic and influential congregation in the black community, he occupied a powerful pulpit.

The activism which marked the Rev. Dr. King's pastorate and public career surely advanced the cause of racial justice in the community. Some would say it helped advance it at the cost of racial harmony, but the passage of time suggests that the reverse is true. Unpleasant truths were faced, old resentments slowly eased, ancient barriers tumbled.

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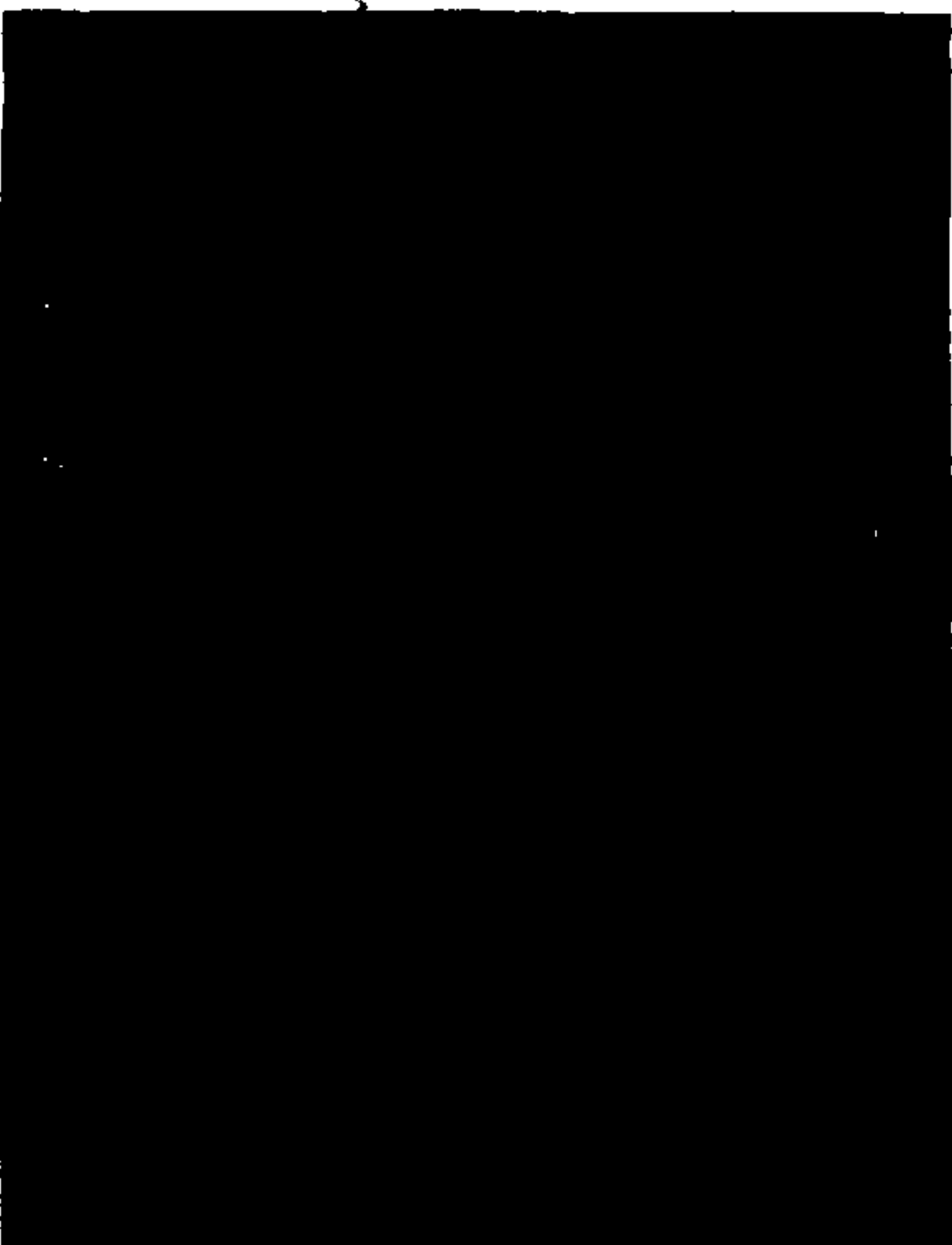
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Spotlight on Alpha Phi Alpha

"First of all, service of all, we shall transcend all." Thus is the motto of the first Greek Lettered organization for Blacks.

Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity was founded on the campus of Cornell University in Ithica, New York on December 4, 1906 with seven founders.

The ground work for the Eta Nu Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha chapter in Greenville. It must be noted that since there were no Black Greeks on compus prior to a AΦA that certain rules had to be changed in order to become an established organization. For example, there was a rule that stated that no one on financial aid could pledge a fraternity. It can be well understood why this rule had to be changed.

Determination and patience and profitable because on April 20, 1971, alpha Phi Alpha became a chartered organization on this campus with ten charter members.

Alpha Phi Alpha is a social fraternity with emphasis on service. In 1973, Alpha Phi Alpha raised enough money to support a family for the entire winter providing food, clothes, and fuel. One of the most successful projects undertaken by Alpha Phi Alpha was to raise \$1600.00 for a pilot study for Sickle Cell Anemia to determine if the Health Department could receive a grant to study the disease extensively.

This year the Alphas have sponsored a bake sale, a

Halloween party, a block show, and a food drive for the needy for Thanksgiving.

The colors of Alpha Phi Alpha are old gold and black. Their pledges are called Sphinxman and during "Hell" week they are know as Apes. In order to pledge Alpha Phi Alpha, one must have an average of 2.2 and complete a service project. The Alphas are brothers to Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority and their "sweethearts" are selected from the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority.

With the National office being in Chicago, Alpha Phi Alpha has established chapters in Europe, Africa, and Haiti.

Many Alpha men have excelled in several areas and have become quite famous. Some of these include Julian Bond, Dick Gregory, Richard Rountree, Thurgood Marshall, Martin, Luther King, Adam Clayton Powell, Jesse Owens, and Edward Brooke.

There are thirteen Alpha men on campus this year. They are James Greene, Michael Harrison, Carter Suggs, Perry Simmons, Jim Adams, Alfred McCrimmon, Limon Cox, Charles Avery, Robert Franklin, Mell Duckingfield, Ben Duckingfield, Arther Best, and Floyd Roundtree.

Officers for this school year are President; James Greene, Vice President; Michael Harrison, Secretary; Carter Suggs, and treasurer; Perry Simmons.

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Alpha Kappa Alpha

On the last day of class the AKA's participated in a block show with the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity. Also in November, a covered dish supper was held to honor the chartering of Theta Alpha.

On December 6, 1975, the Theta Alpha chapter had a heart fund drive at Nichols and raised approximately \$40.00.

On December 12, 1975 a can-can Dance was sponsored at the Baptist Student Center to help a needy family. On December 14, 1975, Christmas caroling was sponsored by the chapter to the various rest homes in the Greenville area.

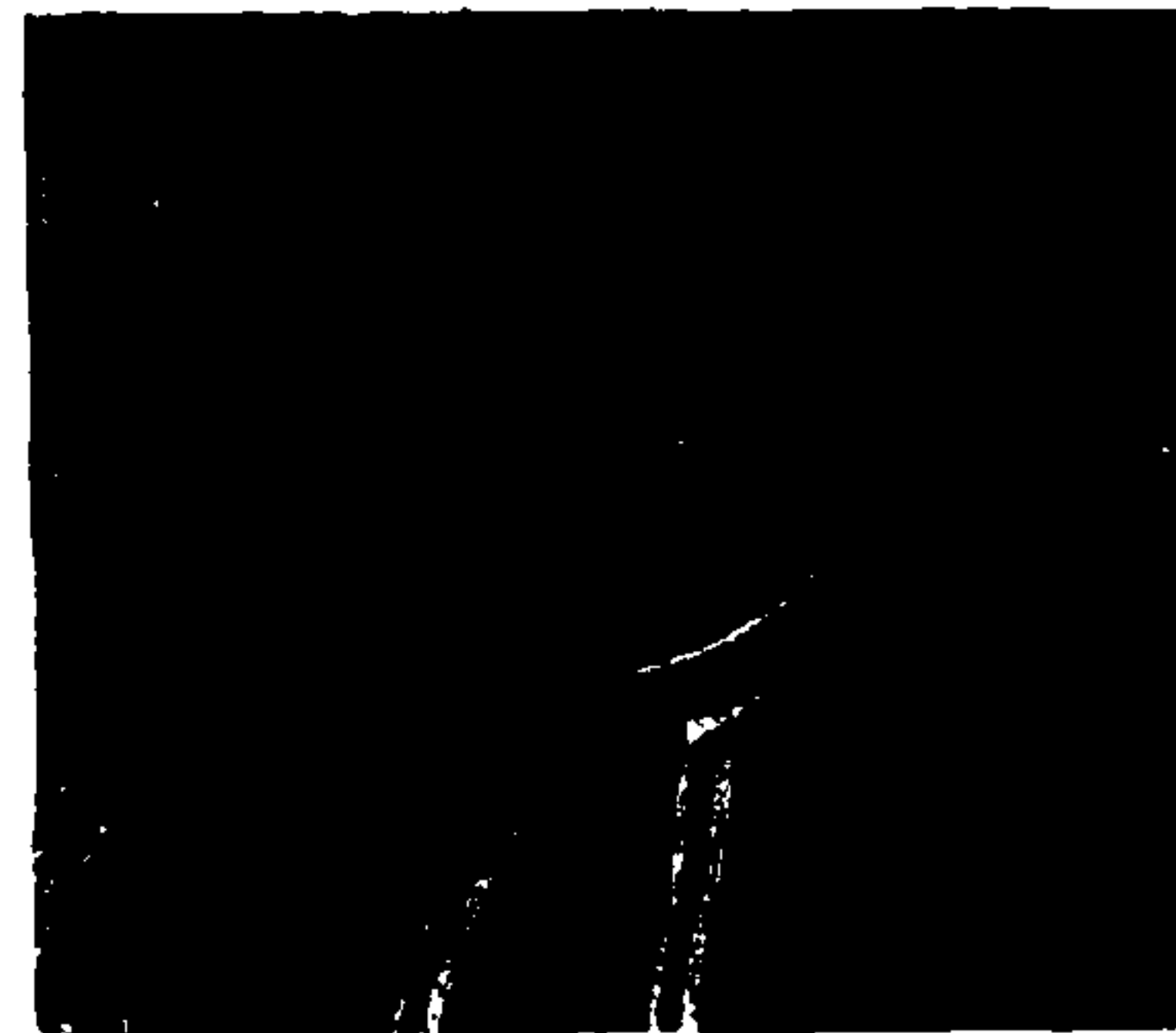
The Theta Alpha chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha is happy to announce that Ms. Gloria Marie Fisher made Who's Who for the academic year 75-76.

New officers for 1976 have been elected. They are as follows:

- Basileus; Shelia Bunch
- Anti-Basileus; Cynthia Heney
- Grammeteus; Janice Parker
- Anti-Grammeteus; Joyce Barnes
- Tamiochous; Linda Clark
- Epistoleus; Tunya Gaither
- Hodegos; Sheila Scott
- Ivy Leaf Reporter; Rolanda Allison
- Philackteer; Janet Jones
- Dean of Pledges; Nelda Caddell
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Omega Psi Phi

Omega Psi Phi is in the process of increasing their service to the community. On January 16, 1976, the Omegas co-sponsored a program held in the Afro-American Cultural Center in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

The chapter has plans to make donations to the Afro-American Cultural Center. Among these include a magazine subscription, a plaque, and a large hand-drawn portrait of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Omega Psi Phi urges other "Greeks" to make donations.

Kappa Alpha Psi

The Eta Psi Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc. will hold a "Smoker," January in pledging are invited to attend. For any further information, please contact Brothers Grover Cooper or Brian Kelsey.

Delta Sigma Theta

Delta as always has been involved in many past activities. Of the important happenings, the sorors of the Kappa Sigma Chapter of DST, gave gifts to Caswell and O'Berry Centers in conjunction with the Pitt County Mental Health Center. The chapter also contributed twelve dollars to sponsor a mental patient for one year. To some, twelve dollars may be a minimum amount to give, but the needs of a patient are not extensive.

Another very important community project the Deltas undertook was the adoption of two little sisters. The girls are from juvenile court, ages 15 and 16. Interaction with these young ladies are important. On Friday, Jan 16, 1976, some of the sorors

had a night out with the girls. Their activities included bowling, playing ping pong and pool, and taking in a movie. Also the sorors talked with the girls which may have been more beneficial than the other activities.

There are always good times in meeting other sorors of Delta Sigma Theta. Saturday, Jan. 17, 1976, the following members of DST attended a Founders Day Celebration at Kinston, N.C. They are: Debbie Collins, A. Mickey Langley, Renee Moore, and R. Denise Patterson. At this time ideas of chapters were exchanged.

Upcoming Delta events include a Rush, February 5 in Mendenhall Student Center. Time and room number will be announced. All girls interested in pledging Delta Spring quarter are invited.

Look out for a gala weekend in March. (That is March 26-8). The sorors of Delta Sigma Theta are planning a Delta Weekend on our campus. We will invade the campus with Crimson and Cream! All Delta chapters in N.C. are being invited. This upcoming activity looks promising.



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 enough for George Washington,
 it was good enough for him. He
 feared that freedom for the slave
 would inevitably lead to
 amalgamation and thus blot out
 the existence of the superior
 white race. After further debate,
 the resolution was finally passed
 with the majority two-thirds
 vote. First there was a moment
 of silence, then came cheers,
 tears, and shouts of joy from the
 crowd. This amendment was
 called the most important step
 ever taken by Congress.

Eight days later, Henry
 Highland Garnet delivered a
 sermon to the Senators and
 Representatives in the House.
 This was the first time a Black
 man had spoken in the House,
 so naturally this was indeed a
 privilege. Mr. Garnet did not
 emphasize the victory won, but
 the work necessary to make the
 victory a reality. In essence, until
 a Black man can be judged on
 merit rather than color, and in
 every respect equal before the
 law, the victory won would be a
 reality.

And so, my brothers and
 sisters, since January 31, 1865,
 we have come a long way, but
 now in 1976, we are not quite
 there yet. That day was just a
 beginning. Let us adhere to the
 words of James Weldon
 Johnson, "Facing the rising sun
 of our new day begun, let us
 march on till victory is won."



The world is full of new
 freedom. The movement for
 freedom of opportunity is one of
 the most radical changes to
 occur in our history. Everyone
 wants to do their own without
 hinderance. Everyone wants to
 be their own without prejudice.
 Everyone wants to get in the act.
 Ebony Herald is getting in the
 act. The freedom of speech has
 been in the act since The
 Liberator, Paine, Jefferson, the
 famous year we are in the
 process of celebrating, and the
 document that brought it all
 about. These were steps forward
 not backward. The press is the
 largest mediator as far as
 stepping forward and freedom of
 speech is concerned. Without
 the newspaper there would be
 no possible way of letting people
 know what is going on and who
 is trying to relinquish the
 problems. The demands for the
 media gets greater and greater
 as the world progresses,
 regresses, and too often stands
 still. The people need to know
 the mistakes and
 accomplishments they make
 because everyone is affected.

Our campus has progressed,

regressed, and in many areas
 stood still too much; in some
 areas too little in others. One of
 these areas obviously is in
 minority affairs. Minorities, like
 the freedom of the press are
 wanting to get into the act.
 Minorities are making changes
 that need to be publicized.
 Minorities at ECU are trying to
 make things happen for
 themselves and those that are
 affected by their presence.
 Minorities have something to say
 and what better way than by
 pen. With pen in fist, the chains
 of apathy and prejudice and
 other corrupt forces that hinder
 progress on this campus can be
 broken. The pen is as powerful
 as the fist and can say what has
 to be said just as loud as the
 mechanism of sound and as loud
 as the chains at the point of its
 long overdue break from
 suppression. The Ebony Herald
 seeks freedom for suppression
 of thought. The publication
 wishes to be committed to the
 job of letting the student body
 see their side of the campus for a
 broader perspective of campus
 life.

Reader's Respond

As a fellow black on campus, I
 have made this observation
 about blacks as a whole.

The blacks on campus are so
 busy being "black" and "cool"
 we don't even know who we are:
 We don't know what it's like to
 be an INDIVIDUAL or how to be
 "one for all and all for one" in
 unity. Instead of trying to unite,
 we thrive on gossip which
 subsequently destroy's each
 other.

Our hearts are so filled with
 jealousy and deceit, we can't
 find a good point in anyone or
 anything. However, we can
 smile endlessly if someone
 makes a mistake for now we
 have the weapon necessary to
 assassinate someone's
 character.

We are so afraid someone is
 going to get ahead, we can't
 even reach out or lend a helping
 hand to a fellow black.

Is this the way to succeed, to
 unify, or to accomplish set
 goals? Or do we really want
 these things?

Maybe you are proud of this
 situation, but I'm not. So think
 about it and see what you as an
 individual can contribute toward
 our UNIFICATION.

Sharon Jones

Editor's Note

As we go into our second issue I hope everyone will be able to learn from the past. A new quarter has started and we are happy to publish the second issue. As I looked around campus to find something to write this article about, I came across the fact that many people seem to find the Afro-American Cultural Center an escape from life and reality. Think about the reason why we seem to flow to the center. How many times have we attempted to put on a cultural enrichment event? The time has come to think about the days after. Many of us are caught up in our daily events of card playing, laughing, lying and joking and forget about the ultimate goal - GRADUATION! Remember, that is what it is all about. One day we may look back on this and the many other years of our college days here at ECU and say, "I thought that was tough, so what?" Perhaps we can put our minds on the future and set our goals for happiness in the future such as a good income, security and family well-being. Next time you cut that class to play cards think about the fact that your taxes help to pay your teachers salaries. The true test of being mature is to be able to pass up immediate happiness for future goals. We have got to become mature now before it is too late. **Awake - it's not too late!**

Until next time,
Maurice

For ECU basketball this has to be a very disappointing stage of the season. None, including Pirate Coach Dave Patton, expected ECU to be 6-8 at this point in the season. Opening the season at 0-3 against ACC opposition was expected, especially against nationally ranked Maryland and N.C. State, but being 4-3 in conference play after 7 games wasn't exactly what Pirate fans expected. Prior to the opening of the season, however, Coach Patton predicted that "No one will dominate the conference as Furman has in the past." He went on to add: "Last year we assumed we only had to beat one team to win the championship but this year the conference is more evenly matched." Never was Patton so Right. Richmond is 4-1, while VMI and William and Mary are undefeated in conference play. ASU which upset East Carolina 50-48 in a past game stands 2-3, while defending champion Furman is 0-3. When asked about ECU's chances of winning the title, Patton said; "If we can get what is in each player out, we'll be alright." After 14 games it is evident that it is not getting out. After a 25 point loss to ODU, Patton commented that he couldn't find anyone that wanted to play ball that night. he said; "We stood around and watched them (ODU) play and we got a good beating." It didn't take Pirate cagers long to decide they wanted to play because they tracked up to Greenville, S.C. and gained a 72-68 victory over the Paladins. Freshman sensation Louis Crosby was high scorer for ECU with 22 points,

E.C.U. Basketball

Earl Garner came off the bench to score 21 points, while Reggie Lee added 11. After the game Patton said; "I am proud of our guys and the way they kept their poise. We beat a good basketball team and we were lucky to come out here with a win." He attributed it to the fact that "down the stretch we made fewer mistakes, we got good play out of our starters and the bench players didn't hurt us while they were in." At that stage ECU was 4-1 in the conference with consecutive road losses to Richmond and ASU dropped the Pirates to 4-3 after 7 games.

A LOOK AHEAD

Despite the fact that ECU's conference losses after 7 games has equalled their season total last year the Pirates are not out of it yet. The three teams they lost to have to come to Greenville and so has Furman whom the Pirates defeated on the road. Mistakes, turnovers, excessive fouls, and poor shooting performances has been the downfall of the Pirate squad in recent games. After 12 games ECU had committed 53 more turnovers than opponents. Once these things are taken care of, (If I can borrow Coach Patton's words), "we'll be alright."



Front row (left to right) Earl Gardner, Al Edwards, Reggie Lee, The General, Buzzy Brahman, Bill Denen, Lewis Crosby Back row (left to right) Wade Henkel, Dean Hartley, Tyrone Edmonds, Larry Hunt, Henry Lewis, Clay Windley

Angola & The War continued.

and the wrong but allowed all of us to think about our nations involvement in Angola.

The most obvious fact and most logical answer to why the U.S. is in Angola is to prevent the Soviet backed functions of the Communist system from being imposed on the people of the African nation. But this seems to raise the question of can the Soviets be stopped at their attempts toward this imposition. It seems in Dr. East's opinion that the United States Congress is not about to allocate any aid to this country. However, The United States has earmarked 35 million through the CIA to assist two factions in Angola's civil war. This aid is to those opposing Soviet M.P.L.A., (Popular Movement for the liberation of Angola. Twenty-seven million has been used to counter Soviet investment that Kissinger estimated at \$200 million.

Understanding that, perhaps the most important fact to remember is that America may be the only country that stands a chance of there in fact is a chance at allowing other alternatives to the people of the world. It is important to

look at the situation at hand. The Soviet's have about 200 advisors in the country and are backing the Cuban troops. America has no advisors and no troops there but an interest. Dr. East brought out the point that Portugal as unfortunate as it seems to be going to the Soviet style, Communism.

Portugal voted 12% for communism and 8890 non-communist- most by socialist. The OAU voted 22-23 on that matter. Dr. East thinks the U.S. is being a little quick at developing foreign policy. He feels that it must be an American desire to give the 3rd world countries a better chance than Soviet Style of communism.

Detente. . . Where does all this fall, Dr. East sees this as surely a failure in Detente's policy. The countries of Indo-China-Portugal, Angola, and even Israel have had an unbearable pressures imposed upon them. If detente means let's think twice and not try and run the lives of others. The Soviet Union should not be directly involving itself in any of these countries. Military Supremacy and National self interest seems to be the over-

being factor upon these emerging areas as they seek new identities. Dr. East questions the soundness of detente. He goes on to say, the U.S. needs to know the Soviet Unions stand and should keep our military ready. If not then we are actually retreating and turning our backs on the issues of the world.

Is there another Vietnam around the corner? No, Dr. East states we aren't headed in any way that direction. No American troops in his eyes will soon or ever go into Angola. He sees America as attempting to go to the extreme of isolationism. This would only leave the field open to the Soviet Union.

Dr. East suggest that we look further than Race and Nationalism "no he isn't saying that nationalism isn't good however Hitler showed us in Dr. East words "what can happen in the name of Nationalism." We must attempt to build a "good ordered" world with more accord accross National and contient lines. Kissinger's Power Politics Concept does not totally satisfy East. Kissingers stasis quo "you will upset the boat, and then there will be war and all the the Soviet Union.

things that go with it. He sees Kissinger's Foreign Policies as that each poltical stand on government of a countries) is good becuase it exist *General acceptance*. The American Leader has forgotten the rule of Idealism everything is don't upset the Soviet Union," can we survive like this? Our World out look East goes on "has to take on a system of value judgements. These values and ideals will shape out foreign policies in a constructive direction. We must implant in the minds of the free countries of the world the ideals to bring continual freedom for these ideals must be put through examination and must be able to stand the test. The True Question Dr. East states maybe Is Africa in the process of trading forms of Colonisms. Portugees for Soviet?