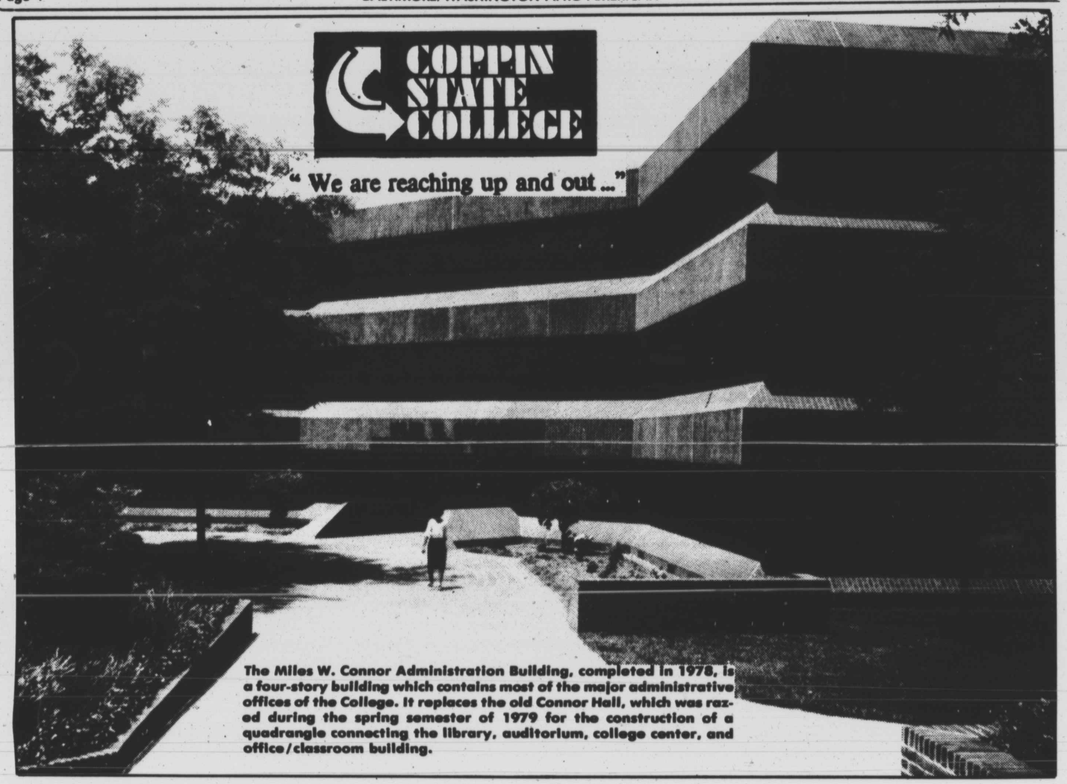

The Miles W. Connor Administration Building, completed in 1978, is a four-story building which contains most of the major administrative offices of the College. It replaces the old Connor Hall, which was razed during the spring semester of 1979 for the construction of a quadrangle connecting the library, auditorium, college center, and office/classroom building.

Coppin reports enrollment increase and improved SAT scores

Located just west of downtown, Coppin State College is a non-residential institution with an enrollment of 2,500 students. Since its founding 83 years ago, the college has continued to serve the citizens of Baltimore by providing a quality education.

At present, approximately 60 percent of the more than 100 full-time faculty members hold earned doctorates. These professors, including several nationally known authorities, set high standards not only for their students but also for themselves.

The 38-acre campus provides an impressive setting. In 1976, the library was expanded, and the gymnasium was renovated and expanded. From 1976 to 1979, a new administration facility and classroom building were built and renovation of the Tawes College Center was completed. The Tawes Center houses a bookstore, a multi-purpose dining hall, a faculty dining area, a rathskeller, spacious student lounges which include conversation lounges, a games center, an arts and crafts center, conference rooms, and other facilities for student activities. The Baltimore community is encouraged to utilize the Tawes Center for various special events, meetings, conferences, and social activities.

As enrollment at many colleges and universities has declined in recent years, this year Coppin State College boasts a 14 percent enrollment increase for fall, 1983. Administrators say that this increase is partially the result of the college's affordable tuition, the outstanding instructional program, and the accomplished faculty. In addition, the college has either established or strengthened several major programs with high student demand, particularly computer science; pre-professional programs in engineering, dentistry and pharmacy; nursing; and management science. The result has been not only a growth in the number of students but a significant increase in the SAT scores of entering students. In the past three years, in fact, the average SAT score of Coppin students has increased by 40 points.

Computer — Science — Coppin's Newest Major Program

The continued growth of Coppin's liberal arts curriculum has most recently led to the establishment of a major program in computer science. To begin in January, 1984, this program will provide qualified students with the opportunity to prepare to enter a profession which is one of the highest in demand today. In addition, the college has held workshops to allow faculty to develop computer-based instructional materials in other areas of study. In the near future, all Coppin students will receive valuable training in "computer literacy."

Coppin also offers additional undergraduate and graduate programs in the arts and sciences and teacher education. Students can select from such diverse fields as criminal justice, philosophical theology, alcohol and drug abuse counseling, social science, special education, and adapted physical education.

Pre-Professional Cooperative Programs Growing

For several years, Coppin has had cooperative dual-degree programs with the University of Maryland in engineering, dentistry, pharmacy, and social work. Students enrolled in these programs complete course work during their first three years at Coppin and then transfer to the University of Maryland, where they enter professional degree programs. Upon completion of these programs they will have earned two degrees, a bachelor's degree from Coppin and, depending upon the field they have entered, a bachelor's or professional degree from the University of Maryland.

Honors Programs Grow

For the motivated and academically talented student, Coppin offers the opportunity to study in the General Studies and Departmental Honors programs. Ordinarily, all students working toward undergraduate degrees must complete a standard set of general education courses in addition to the courses required in their major fields. During their freshman and sophomore years, Coppin students accepted into the General

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Dr. Burnett (center) conversing with students in the College's Honor Program.

President's message

During the past decade, Coppin State College has been in the process of changing from a good public institution of higher education to an outstanding one. The faculty is the difference. The measure of any college or university is the quality of its faculty, and it is here that great strides have been made. We have continued to attract excellent scholars to the institution. These new faculty members complement existing faculty and strengthen the faculty as a whole.

It should not be forgotten that Coppin State College has been a force in this community and State for 83 years. During this time, the College has made a significant contribution to the quality of life of the citizens of Baltimore City and the State of Maryland. The transformation of the College from a relatively small one-year institution for training "colored" teachers in 1900 to a multi-purpose liberal arts college is the result of the commitment and support of countless persons—faculty, administrators, staff, members of the Board of Trustees, public officials, private citizens, alumni, and, of course, students.

The role of the College will continue to develop and expand in response to the needs and aspirations of the people of this city and State.

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Studies Honors program complete honors sections of several general education requirements. The culminating experience of the program is an Honors Colloquium, in which students participate during the second semester of their sophomore year. During their junior and senior years, students enroll in an interdisciplinary honors seminar and then complete their programs of study by either taking comprehensive examinations or writing theses. Since the beginning of the honors programs in 1981, the number of students participating has more than tripled.

Student Activities Diversified

There is more to student life at Coppin than academics. Students may become involved with many of the extra-curricular activities offered — social organizations; the student newspaper and yearbook; the mathematics, engineering, philosophy, and chemistry clubs; the Coppin Players and Coppin Dancers; film, concert and lecture series; and Greek letter organizations. Sports included in Coppin's athletic program are basketball, wrestling, baseball, tennis, soccer, cross-country, indoor track, and track and field.

This year, the college's cross-country team won the NAIA District 19 championship and the team's coach, Michael E. Merrit, was selected by NAIA as the "Coach of the Year."

Weekend College Begins Second Year

Through the Division of Continuing Education, Coppin is able to provide high quality educational programs to students whose particular circumstances require flexible schedules. For the second consecutive year, the college's Weekend College enables many persons who are unable to attend day or evening classes during the week to fulfill their educational goals. Coppin takes great pride in having the only accredited Weekend College nursing program in the city. Students enrolled in the Weekend College may also pursue courses in the Evening College.

Other programs offered by the Division of Continuing Education include the Inmate Extension program; the Workplace Safety and Health program, which provides technical assistance and conferences for business and industry; the Maryland College of the Air program, which offers college courses through the Maryland Public Broadcasting System; and the Business Industry Training Service.

Cultural Calendar

Dec. 7 Lecture: "Anglo-Italian Influences on the Exordia of Paradise Regained," Room 523 of Office-Classroom Building, 3:00 p.m.

Dec. 8 Annual Christmas program featuring the Coppin Choir, Coppin Dancers, and Coppin Players, James Weldon Johnson Auditorium, 8:00 p.m.

Dec. 15 Seminar presented by Dr. Albert Isteero; topic—"The Lebanese Crisis: The Role Played by Religion," Multi-Purpose Room of the Library, 7:30 p.m.

Dec. 18, 19 In-Person Registration for Spring Semester (Continuing Students)

Jan. 20 Registration for New Students

Jan. 23 Spring Classes Begin for Day/Evening Graduate Students

Jan. 27 Weekend College Classes Begin

Feb. 5-11 Coppin Homecoming Week

Feb. 6 Homecoming Basketball Game, Coppin State vs. Morgan State University, Pullen Gymnasium, 7:30 p.m.

Coppin Athletic Schedule

The Coppin State College's Eagles basketball season began last month and will continue through February. The general admission fee for attending the games is $3; for students with a college identification card the cost is $2 and for children under age 12 there is no charge.

Given below is the basketball schedule.

COPPIN STATE COLLEGE
1983-84 MEN'S BASKETBALL SCHEDULE
ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT

DECEMBER

9 — U.M.B.C., (A), 7:30 p.m.
10 — U.M.B.C., (A), 7:30 p.m.
12 — Cheyney State, (A), 8 p.m.
16 — Delaware State, (A), 8 p.m.
17 — Davis & Elkins, (H), 7:30 p.m.

JANUARY

5 — Hampton Institute, (H), 7:30 p.m.
7 — Virginia Union, (A), 7:30 p.m.
11 — U.M.B.C., (A), 7:15 p.m.
14 — Lincoln, (H), 7:30 p.m.
21 — Morgan State, (A), 7:30 p.m.
26 — U.M.E.S., (A), 8:00 p.m.
28 — Mercyhurst College, (H), 7:30 p.m.

FEBRUARY

2 — Norfolk State, (A), 7:30 p.m.
6 — Delaware State, (H), 7:30 p.m.
11 — Morgan State, (H), 7:30 p.m.
14 — Davis & Elkins, (A), 7:30 p.m.
17 — Lincoln, (A), 8 p.m.
18 — U.M.B.C., (H), 7:30 p.m.
22 — Radford, (A), 7:30 p.m.
25 — Mercyhurst, (A), 8 p.m.

Head Coach: John Bates
Assistant: Patrick McKinley

COPPIN STATE COLLEGE
1983-84 WRESTLING SCHEDULE
ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT

DECEMBER

10 & 11 — East Stroudsburg Tour Invitational, (A), 7:30 p.m.
13 — York College, (A), 7:30 p.m.
26 & 27 — Wilkes, (A), 7:30 p.m.

JANUARY

3 & 4 — University of Maryland, (A), 7:30 p.m.
6 — Hampton, (A), 7:30 p.m.
7 — Norfolk State, (A), 7:30 p.m.
12 — Howard University, (H), 7:30 p.m.
14 — Delaware State, (A), 7:30 p.m.
18 — Salisbury State, (A), 7:30 p.m.
21 — Navy, (A), 7:30 p.m.
24 — Morgan State, (H), 7:30 p.m.
27 & 28 — Hampden-Sydney, (A), 7:30 p.m.

FEBRUARY

1 — U.M.E.S., (H), 7:30 p.m.
4 — Allegheny State, (A), 7:30 p.m.
9 — Loyola, (H), 7:30 p.m.
11 — Geo. Washington-Winchester, (A), 7:30 p.m.
17 & 18 — Regionals, (A), 7:30 p.m.
24 & 25 — NCAA II-Morgan State, (A), 7:30 p.m.

Coach: Larry McCoy
Assistant: Jeffrey Johnson

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Prospective graduates of Coppin's nursing program participate in capping and pinning ceremony.