WANT To Air This Semester

By Patricia A. Owens

WANT has run into quite a few problems in the past in broadcasting, but there seems to be a brighter future in store for the radio station when it goes on the air this semester.

The broadcasting of WANT will be heard in three additional dormitories, Morrison, Vanstory, and Gibbs are among the three as well as Curtis, Scotti, Cooper, Senior and the Student Union.

James R. Wiegert, director of Student Activities, revealed that problems with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) slowed down past progress of WANT. The FCC didn't react to a contraction permit for WANT to change with WVAG. The Communications Commission has to be found in order for the radio station WANT to change with WVAG.

Another remote transmitter site had broadcast from Price Hall.

The operation of WANT will be under control of students from A & T who attended training sessions last semester. The students training will travel to Norfolk, Va., where they will take a test for a class permit in order to broadcast.

Training sessions will open up again sometime this semester on Wednesday nights and Saturday mornings for those interested in broadcasting. Ruthie Williams, a graduate from last year, will assist in these training sessions. She is doing her graduate study in broadcasting at the University of Wisconsin.

It will be a very successful semester for radio station WANT if all plans go as scheduled.

Company Gives Workshop
In Merrick On Saturday

The South-Western Publishing Company will sponsor a half-day shorthand workshop on Saturday, Jan. 24, from 9 a.m. to noon in the Merrick Hall Auditorium.

The workshop, coordinated by Ms. Lea Royall, is being sponsored by the university’s Department of Business Education and Office Education. According to Ms. Royall, more than 100 persons are expected to participate in the workshop, which will be concerned with the Century 21 shorthand method.

The consultant for the workshop will be Ms. Betty Raiman, a South-Western representative. She will speak on “The Research and Rationale for Century 21 Shorthand,” and “Hands on and Learning Materials for Century 21 Shorthand.”

Ms. Raiman will also conduct a mini-shorthand lesson as part of her presentation.

Ms. Royall said that one continuing education unit, offered through the A&T Department of Continuing Education and Adult Education, will be available for persons completing the workshop.

Ms. Royall will be receiving applications for the workshop in Merrick Hall, or persons may contact the Continuing Education Center, off Highway 29.

Broadway HiT Opens Semester

By Deborah L. Hawkins

The Paul Robeson Little Theatre opens this semester with the Broadway hit “Fiddler on the Roof.” This musical production is based on the stories of a Jewish writer Sholem Aleichem.

The basic setting takes place in Russia in the early part of the 20th century.

Dr. John Kilimanjaro, professor and executive director of the Little Theatre, said, “The show sells itself; it’s a good play; there’s no real need to sell it to the student body.” He also revealed, “You cannot tell what people will do when they have a full house. This play has been published to various schools and colleges, as well as to the people of the community of Greensboro.”

“Fiddler on the Roof” opens Monday, March 1, and ends Saturday, March 6. Kilimanjaro commented on what he needs for the play, “I have enough actors but more men are needed. The symphony orchestra will play the music for the show.”

He continued, “I’m having some problems with the choreography of the show, and I need people to help with the making of costumes” Mrs. Cathy Clifton, an English Instructor, and Mrs. Faye Smuckler, have been in several productions, are presently working with costumes.

James Forester, instructor and director of the Little Theatre said, “The scenery for the show of this type must coordinate with the rhythm of the show. .. . It must concern.”

The Little Theatre has produced other well-known Broadway plays such as “The King and I,” “The Sky of the Owl Pig,” and “Contributions” to name a few.

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Dr. Kilimanjaro also made reference to theatre-goes: “I would like to solicit the students coming to the theatre as a continuing education unit, meaning when dressing, they should put their best foot forward. There’s a lot of preparation, but this is an evening affair. Remember, prompt, no food or drinks are allowed, and curtain time is 8:15 sharp.”

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By Maxine McNeil

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Get Out Of Angola

It is well known by now that the United States is providing economic and military support in Angola to help racist South Africa perpetuate the slavery system imposed by the U.S. in Angola to support white mercenaries, who are in turn supporting South Africa's rule and domination of that small, Black nation. All of this has been brought about for the most part by the unusual powers wielded by Secretary of State Henry Kissinger and without Congressional approval.

I fail to see how President Ford and Kissinger can ask Black men, in the United States or anywhere else, to die fighting side by side with a racist ally such as South Africa, knowing that South Africa wouldn't hesitate to enslave them at the twinkling of an eye.

After considering the harm, death, maiming, suffering, and callous treatment given to Black soldiers who fought in useless wars, both in Korea and VietNam, and the efforts of Black Americans, it is my opinion that if the Ford/Kissinger administration leads us into another war in Angola, on the side of South Africa, Black soldiers in the American Army should consider the words Dick Gregory said in a speech here a couple years ago, "Those old white men started this war; now let them fight it."

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How Is The State Of The Union?

By Benjamin T. Forbes

One may ask, "How is the state of the union?" Well, as President Ford admitted, the state of the union is not good. However, Ford did not have to admit this statement because we all know it to be true, and we have known it for quite some time.

The President has plans for cutting down on governmental spending and borrowing so that the nation will be able to manage a balanced budget by 1979. This is one of the President's methods of stopping inflation "cold."

Also in the President's speech, he spoke of a reduction in taxes. This is a bill which he plans to put into effect on July 1 of this year. This would be a $10 billion tax cut for American citizens.

Ford has plans for cutting the high rate of spending that the government is doing. But he still has plans for implementing new programs that will cost more. He says that he wants the tax reduction so that Americans can invest more of their money into the nation's industries and other institutions. With the three tenths percent increase planned for social security tax purpose, it will be hard for this nation's citizens to invest in much of anything.

The executive officer also mentioned in his speech a need for creating jobs for the many Americans across the country who are jobless. Included in that plan is cutting down of food stamps. Ford said that food stamps should be "for those who need, not for those who don't need."

In his speech Ford spoke of the need to crack down on the sale of hard drug traffic. He stated that he had spoken to the leaders of such countries as Mexico and Turkey in efforts to get them to control the production of hard drugs in their countries.

Ford is asking for $500 million from federal agencies to combat crime in the nation's worse crime ridden cities. Crime certainty is one of this country's main problems. But most of the major crimes don't occur in the streets. As someone once said, "we need to combat crime in the suites as well as the streets."

Ford's state of the union address was loaded with lots of plans, but one wonders how many of these plans will be carried out.

Blacks Should Participate

Editor of the Register

The Register: Should Blacks participate in the bicentennial of the United States? Throughout the nation, in the bicentennial year of 1976, Blacks are searching for their identity as to where we stand in the progress of America. Black activists such as Hosea Williams, Mr. Conner King, Mrs. Rosa Parks, and Stokley Carmichael cry that we should not participate because the word "bicentennial" means 200 years of freedom and Blacks are far from being free.

On the opposing team are Black activists such as Barbara Jordan, Sammy Davis, Jr., and Shirley Chisholm who definitely have spoken out on the issue and have voted Y-E-S.

They feel that the prayers and contributions of Black Americans have held the United States together.

The main question is how do you feel about this issue? On February 12, 1976, in Merrick Hall auditorium the freshman class extends to all students faculty members, and administrators the opportunity to express their ideas in a formal debate.

The judges will feature Harry Newton from the Speech and Theatre Department; Dr. Alan Pearson from the Political Science Department; Cozine A. Hughes from the History Department, and Mrs. Luqueria Rochelle and Miss Jean M. Bright from the English Department. Mrs. Bertha Miller, advisor to the freshman class, extends her help to any student who needs additional coaching and instructions in preparing for the debate. She can be located in Office 110 of Hodges Hall.

If you are sincere about your position as a Black individualist, then you will make this opportunity beneficial to yourself as well as others. Awards will be extended to the top three debaters.

Where Is Student Justice?

By Daryl E. Smith

The recent disclosure that the Student Government Association had impeached the elected treasurer, Jimmy Woods, left this writer with the opinion that true justice had not been done.

The only such incident that even vaguely resembles this farce, happened in the year 1957, when the then SGA president, William Mason, was removed from his office because of poor grades, with the vice-president finishing his term of office.

It's true, a special committee was elected through the student legislatures, and they were to disbands in reviewing the evidence of arguments submitted by the Executive branch and the indicted treasurer.

First of all, where are the student courts that are supposed to be functioning such as a Student Supreme Court, a Student Judiciary Court and other student judicial organizations?

It's one thing to accuse a person of a violation, and another to railroad an accused person simply because he won't show up.

There are specific guidelines written within the SGA constitution, and one gets the feeling, by checking this guide, that Jimmy Woods, the accused, did not receive true justice, and we are supposed to be the number one people that are seeking true justice for ourselves and others in this society.
I'll be glad when the team gets its stuff together cause these comeback victories are wearing me out !!!

Pep Band Provides Team Spirit

By Lynelle Stevenson

At all the basketball games, over all the hollering, screaming and chanting, one can always hear some music mixed in too. The sounds are coming from the A&T Pep Band or as it is called, The Average Black Band, under the direction of Robert A. Williams.

This is a select group of musically inclined students, who devote their time to bringing music to the basketball games, their only reward being satisfaction at a job well done.

Unable to obtain a statement from Williams, a few members voiced their feelings about the group.

"We try hard to bring spirit to the team at the games. It's a job, but an enjoyable one. We feel as if we're contributing to the team and helping them on to victory," explained Louie Jordan, a three-year trombone, music major from Fayetteville.

There are also female members in this select group. They are Gwen Page and Wilma Marshall on flute, Joan Craig and Donna Bason on trumpet, and Katrina Piatt on clarinet.

Ernest Lee Longs, a four-year trumpet, music major from Mullin's, S.C, emphasized that the school should give more support to the Aggies at the away games. He spoke for every member when he said, "We are a dynamite group."

Aggies Defeat S.C. Bulldogs Despite Numerous Penalties

By Michael R. Davis

Coach Warren Reynolds and his Aggies indeed cast a spell on Coach Tim Autry and the Bulldogs as they upset South Carolina State 80-72. A&T is the number two Black college basketball team. That second half strategy still shames !

It has always been the Bulldog's dream to defeat the number two Black basketball team, and, according to last Saturday's game, it will always be a dream.

Last Saturday night, the Aggies of A&T State University played a hard second half to beat South Carolina State in Orangeburg in front of a capacity crowd at Smith-Hammond-Middleton Memorial Center.

Despite numerous penalties, the Bulldogs of South Carolina were very rambunctious in the late first half of the game, "downing the Aggies 44-34.

Sophomore Harry Nickens of Washington, D.C, was high scorer at the half with 12 points followed by his teammate Steve Singletary of Orangeburg who contributed nine points for the Bulldogs.

For the Aggies, neither defense nor scoring was outstanding in the first half. Ronald Johnson of Chester, Pa., was high scorer for the Aggies with eight points. Raymond Perry, James Sparrow, and freshman Kenneth Small all contributed six points.

The Bulldogs left the first half only returning to be victorious. Everyone knows by now that Coach Reynolds has that second half team.

Tim Autry, the South Carolina coach still saw, however, what could have been a victory for him. Earlier in the second half the Bulldogs still held a commanding 14-point lead.

It proved to be a disappointing evening for the South Carolina crowd as A&T began recuperating with eight minutes left in the game.

Slowly but surely, Sparrow (the Bird) broke out of a slump for the Aggies, scoring 13 in the second half, giving him 22 points for the game. Perry, who fouled out with three minutes left in the game, got a total of 16 points.

Johnson followed with 15 points.

Nickens was high scorer with 16 points for South Carolina State followed by forwards Singletary with 13 and Ronnie Henderson with 12.

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Aggie Wrestling Team Wins Over Campbell

F. Melvin T. McLean

The A&T matmen took to the road to meet Campbell College and Elizabeth City State University last Saturday. The Aggies met Campbell College in the third match and defeated Campbell College's team by the score of 40-1.

In the four matches the Aggies met Elizabeth City State in back-to-back matches with Campbell College but things proved to be in the Aggies' favor. They defeated Elizabeth City State by the score of 45-12.

Coach Pinckney said after the match that his men executed the basic fundamentals. The Aggies had not intended to enter with a "muscle" approach to the match but a finesse attack.

The Aggies take to the road again on Wednesday, January 21, and will travel to Pembroke State College.

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