

Special Programs:

Russell Johnson to Speak Here

Russell Johnson, a prominent member of the American Friends Service Committee and world traveller, will speak at UNC-A Monday, January 3, 1972 under the auspices of the Special Pro-

grams Committee. Johnson, who has recently returned from a tour of Asia and specifically China as a guest of the exiled Prince Norodom Sihanouk of Cambodia, has served as an In-

ternational Affairs Representative of the Friends and is widely known as an expert in Indochinese affairs. He has been a guest repeatedly in North Vietnam, Cambodia, Africa and much of Asia. In

his frequent talks, he presents a critical analysis of present American economic and social institutions and offers an alternative view of the new society required and possible here and abroad.

Johnson will appear as a guest at UNC-A of a committee which faces several formidable problems, among them, a lack of acceptance

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Humanities Sequence Under Investigation

A committee appointed earlier this year by Vice Chancellor Riggs is investigating the Humanities Program here at UNC-A and making suggestions for revisions in that program.

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Chaired by Dr. Richard Reed of the Literature Department, the committee is

composed of Vice Chancellor Riggs, Mr. Robert Trullinger of the Department of History and Mr. Michael Gillum of the Department of Literature.

The committee's suggested changes in the Humanities sequence, which are to be presented to Vice Chancellor Riggs sometime this week,

involve a considerable restructuring of the program which changes both in the matrix within the program operates and the traditional mass lecture discussion section program.

The committee's suggestions, subject to scrutiny and revision at several levels, are cutting down the number of lectures and specifying the lecturers as only one or two persons for one semester, trying to cut down on overlap between the material being read and the lectures changing the role of the Coordinator of the course, making him more a faculty liaison, rather than the controller of the whole course. The coordinator's role would still be decisive in the choosing of textbooks, etc.

One of the major changes to be suggested tentatively by the committee involves a change of the chronological sequence currently in opera-

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It's here . . . at last. The '70 Summit has finally made it through its earlier publishing difficulties and is available. The first issues were distributed Monday and Tuesday of this week but many students failed to claim their annuals. Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, the Summit office (on the second floor of the Student Center) will be open at 9:30 a.m.

Homecoming '71 December 10, 11, 12

Homecoming '71 is scheduled for December 10, 11 and 12, according to Gene Ochsenreiter, SGA Social Commissioner.

This year's festivities will include on Friday, December 10, the traditional Co-ed

Capers at 1 pm and a Concert that night at 8 pm featuring "Fred", "Ribbon", and "Sylvia". The Concert will cost \$1.00 for all UNC-A students and their dates.

A Beer Bust at 6 pm and the Homecoming Dance at 10 pm at the Greek Community Center will be part of Saturday's festivities surrounding the Homecoming Game in which the Bulldogs of UNC-A will meet Lander College. The game is scheduled for 8 pm.

On Sunday night, at 7 pm, A Man Called Horse, starring Richard Harris is scheduled in the Lipinsky Auditorium.

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Political Science:

UNC-A Students Take Simulation Into High Schools

A project which will have Political Science students teaching area high school students about world affairs and political theory is in the works in the Political Science Department here at UNC-A.

The project which was the idea of Dr. Bob Farzanegan of the Political Science Department calls for UNC-A students bringing their talents and enthusiasm to bear in presenting Inter-Nation simulation into the various high schools of the city and county for the next few weeks, in preparation for an area competition to be held at UNC-A sometime in January.

Inter-Nation Simulation, the "game" that really isn't a game, is an abstract model of a social process or set of processes separated by human participants or machines. In the original introduction sheet given the high schools, simulation is further described, "A few simulations are all-man, and we tend to refer to these as games. A few simulations are all-machine, in which case the model is programmed to react to stimuli given through commands to the computer. Other simulations are man-machine combinations Inter-Nation Simulation (INS) is an example of

a man-machine simulation."

INS has been used at UNC-A during the past two years mainly as a supplement to other Political Science courses with a great deal of success. So much success, in fact, that earlier this year, a group of students approached Farzanegan wanting to introduce a course composed entirely of simulation into the curriculum.

The Department, then, created Political Science 198, a one-hour extension of Pole. Sci. 180. The class was open to the earliest 18 applicants and in a matter of days, all see page 4