

Black Culture Week Observed

February 10-16 was designated as Black Culture Week by the Elizabeth City State University Student Body. The week consisted of various lectures, discussions, movies, assemblies, Black poetry and songs, a play and ended with a dance.

Black Culture Week began Sunday the 10th with the showing of two 16mm color movies; "A Luta Continua" and "Malcolm X—Struggle for Freedom," and a discussion led by Kaman Kamari, a former Black Panther. He advised the Blacks to pull together, face reality and solve our own problems.

Monday evening was spent with Paul Lawrence Dunbar Dr. Gossie Harold Hudson, Head of the Department of History and Chairman of the Division of Social Science, Lincoln University, Jefferson

City, Missouri gave a lecture on Paul Lawrence Dunbar poems.

Tuesday afternoon the English Department presented a program called "On My Journey Now". The program consisted of readings and songs of Black American poetry and music. Selections were done to reflect the evolution of the Black man from the time of slavery to his attainment of citizenship and contemporary living.

Tuesday evening at 8:00 p.m. Golden Frinks talked with students about the death penalty. He encouraged students to fight to abolish the death penalty and for justice. He reminded the students that, we as Blacks are along way down the road of dignity and freedom, but we have a long way to go.

Wednesday evening the Elizabeth City State University Family was entertained by it's

own students who performed well in a play entitled, "Black-eyed Peas for Dinner." The play was written and directed by Mr. Leon Pickett. Mr. Pickett is a freshman here at ECSU. The play was written to show the hope and faith of Black people through the years, in hope that they will continue to move forward.

A former ECSU student and SGA president, Mr. Jimmy Sutton, was the guest speaker for the Thursday morning assembly. He centered his speech on the apathetic ways of students and explained the need of working together for a common cause.

Thursday's events ended by showing the movie, "Lady Sings the Blues," starring Diana Ross.

A week of learning through lectures, discussions and assemblies ended with a dance on Friday night.

Professor Visited Israel

The Government of Israel in cooperation with the Institute of International Education sponsored the 1973 Israeli Seminar for American Academician. Mrs. Yvonne Harris, a professor of Social Science at Elizabeth City State University was selected to attend this Seminar.

The Seminar was conducted under the auspices the University of Tel Aviv. The purpose was to foster a better understanding of Israel and the Middle East Conflict. The Seminar began on December 27 and ended on January 16.

The activities of the seminar consisted of lectures and discussions, and field experiences.

The lecture-discussion phase covered Jewish History; Life in Israel-politics, economy, geo-

graphy and population, culture, education, and science; the non Jewish minorities; Kibbutz and Moshav, the Hesadrut, the Israel Defense Forces, The Middle East Conflict, Israel-Arab relation, the Great Powers and the Middle East: The Palestinians; the Administered Territories; Israel and the Third World-program of International cooperation; and Soviet Jewry.

The field experience afforded the academicians the opportunity to see Kibbutz, Moshav, an Israeli Arab Village, Jerusalem, a development town, and many other holy places.

Mrs. Harris said having had the opportunity to travel in Israel and discuss the affairs of the Israeli's with their top Academicians, government officials, economist, socialologists and the military officials has greatly expanded her knowledge and outlook on the Middle East and the third world of tomorrow.

The Union Of N.C. Student Body President

The Union of North Carolina Student Body President is headed by Mr. Terry Carroll, President of the student body at NCSU and consists of students body presidents from the Consolidated University System of sixteen universities.

The Union's initial goal is to organize into an effective information distribution center for all campuses. If a campus needs information concerning a matter which another campus has had experience with, then the president may contact the union, and through a clearinghouse arrangement send the requested information back to the concerned campus. The Union is also considering using its organization for voicing concerns about policies and politics which directly relate to the student, but which over the years has not been coordinated to get joint concerns approved.

This power structure will be able to help smaller colleges, who in the past have been unable to effect change because their student body was not large enough and strong enough to bring about needed changes.

The Union established a policy that, initially membership in the Union would be open only to affiliates of the Consolidated University of North Carolina. A tentative constitution is made and will be studied by each member.

Three campus committees and one adhoc committee have been established. The campus projects committee, chaired by Edna Hathaway of Elizabeth City State University, handles and helps coordinate individual campus problems and projects, works as a "clearinghouse" for ideas and problems, and contain as working members, Eastern Union Representatives.

Richard Butterfield is chairman of the Public Relations Committee, which handles public relations issues in addition to acting as the liaison between the State Legislature and the Union, and contain as working members, Central Union University Representatives.

The Union Newsletter Committee is chaired by Harold Rogers of Western Carolina University and he is vice-Chairman of the Union. The purpose of this committee is to aid and coordinate communications of the Union's objectives and actions by distributing newsletters to members.

The Adhoc Committee on campus governance is for the compilation of a flexible executive government plan to give new student body presidents ideas for utilizations of specific executives governmental structures with respect to various university organizations. This committee is co-chaired by

Students Honored

Eight Elizabeth City State University students were honored and inducted into the Alpha Kappa Chapter of Alpha Kappa Mu, an honor society, during the chapter's 1973-74 biennial induction ceremony.

The eight, honored for their outstanding academic performances, are reported to have averages of 3.30 or above. The honorees included: Gloria Perry, senior business major, Elizabeth City, N.C.; Mural Warren, junior education major, Snow Hill, N.C.; Jerome Spruill, junior biology major, Elizabeth City, N.C.; Melba Murphy, senior biology major, Tomahawk, N.C.; Eva Britt, junior art major, Murfreesboro, N.C.; Janet Miles, senior education major, Yanceyville, N.C.; Charlene Harris, junior art major, Edenton, N.C.; and Ronnie Alexander, senior history major, Columbia, N.C.

Informing the eight honorees, Dr. Edyth B. Cole, Chairman of the ECSU Education Department, stated "Opportunities and responsibilities in education include, but are also broader than academics," during her keynote address, "The Educational Challenge."

A Solution To A Problem

Sisters and Brothers, what is race?

God gave us all a different color of face.

He did not say use it for abhor, But love yellow, white, brown and black neighbors.

What is this you say about class structure?

You should be given a lecture. We are all just as rich as another,

For without one of us, we could go no further.

Democracy is wrong, some say; Communism is the most logical way.

We are all human, so why be separated?

With God, our difference can be modulated.

If we could think clearly, Sisters and Brothers.

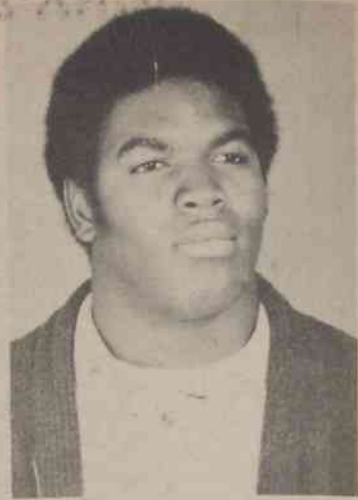
If we could learn to care, what bothers others,

And If we respect peoples ideas and views,

God will bring forth the good news.....PEACE!

Terry Carroll of NCSU and Van Coleman of Pembroke State University.

Scott, A Musician From The Start



Mr. Edwin Scott

Elizabeth City State University has students who are gifted with many talents and who are capable of contributing much to this University. Few of us are aware of the fact that we are among some of our nations greatest people. The Compass Staff will seek information concerning such people and publish such information in each issue.

Mr. Edwin Scott, a native of Florence, South Carolina is a Freshman Instrumental Music Major. He is seeking a degree in Theory and Composition and a minor in conducting.

Mr. Scott is an amateur musician and is trying to establish himself as a professional. He plays tuba in the University Band but is capable of playing other instruments.

He arranged three pieces of Music for the band, "Love-train," by the O'Jays; a number from "Slaughter Big Rip Off Score", and "Gypsy Man" by War. The first two pieces arranged were not used by the band during public performance, but Mr. Scott continued inspite of his disappointments. "Gypsy Man" was used by the band for Homecoming and at New York Shea Stadium. This encouraged him to continue in his efforts.

Mr. Scott is now working on a composition he began in his senior year of high school. He plans to enter it in the Broadcaster's Music Incorporated Contest in March.

Mr. Scott attributes his interest in music to his high school band director, Mr. Leon Harvey. Mr. Harvey helped him with theory and encouraged him to pursue a musical career.

Mr. Scott's first impression of this campus was, "This is just the type of place to settle down and do some serious work because it is small and has a unique building placement, somewhat like a small community. I found that the people

here are totally different from those I had been accustomed. People here accept you for what you are, rather than who you are. I mean that everyone seems to think because one comes from a disadvantaged background, or ones grammar is not standard, or ones apparel is not the latest, he is not capable of carrying out his role as a successful, broadminded, aware, responsible and considerate student, or even making ones own decisions."

Edwin Scott hopes to be an established composer and conductor. "In doing so, I will have set a path for the kids in my home town and my high school.

This may possibly start a breakthrough in the way many people think. I mean exactly the same as Dr. Frank Hale, Dean of the Graduate School of Ohio State University, when he spoke to the effect that we as black people are capable of being more than teachers and preachers. We were not born to be ball players and domestic laborors which has been instilled in the minds of black people. This is the belief and practice of society. That is by no mean all Blacks can do," stated Edwin.

A person must think for himself, set his own goals and map out the way to get there. He must be determined, **persevering** and most of all himself. If he wants to accomplish his goals he cannot be easily influenced by others. Mr. Edwin Scott seems to have these qualities and should obtain his goals.



Elizabeth City State is our name
Producing fine men and women is our fame
We may be small but on the "ball"
We're the best University of them all.