

Theatre Season Opens At WSSU

WINSTON-SALEM - The theatre season at Winston-Salem State University will open Thursday, March 4, with the curtain rising at 8:00 p.m. on James Baldwin's drama, "The Amen Corner". Under the direction of Fred Eady, the drama will play through March 6. There will be no admission charged for these performances which will be held in the Kenneth R. Williams Auditorium on campus.

Baldwin's drama of compassion and frustration, joy and suffering is centered around Reverend Margaret Alexander, lady minister of a store-front church in Harlem. Margaret is caught up in the lives of people she leads, the sister who defends her, the

man she married, and the son she fears she will lose. Director Fred Eady, Professor of Speech and Theatre, is new to the WSSU Theatre, and so are the many talents on stage for this lively drama. Darlene Smith, a sophomore, from Durham, will appear in the female lead as Margaret. Odessa, Margaret's older sister, is played by Brenda Kearney, a sophomore. Brother Boxer is played by Rahn Scott, a sophomore from Chester, Pennsylvania, and president of the Drama Guild. Luke, Margaret's husband, brings to the stage the talents of John Crumbley, a sophomore from Newark, New Jersey. David, Margaret's son, is portrayed by Ray Brown, a

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To Speak In Greensboro

GREENSBORO - Kelly M. Alexander, Sr. will be the speaker for the 11th Annual Freedom Fund Dinner of the Greensboro Branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People which is to be held at the Cosmos Club and Restaurant, 709 E. Market Street, (The Cumberland Shopping Center), Sunday, March 7, 1976 at 5:00 p.m. Mr. Alexander is the President of the North Carolina State Conference of Branches of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. He was also elected Vice-Chairman of the National Board of Directors of the N.A.A.C.P. in January of this year.

Mr. Alexander is also President of the Alexander

Funeral Home of Charlotte, North Carolina where he maintains his office.

It is at the Greensboro Branch's Annual Freedom Fund Dinner where Awards are presented to the "Man of the Year", the "Woman of the Year", and the N.A.A.C.P.'s Service Award.

The Freedom Dinner is used to kick-off the annual membership campaign of the Greensboro Branch. The membership runs from the regular \$4.00 to a life membership of \$500.00.

Tickets for the Dinner

To Campaign In North Carolina

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is coming to North Carolina underlines the importance that both the President Ford Committee and the White House attach to our state. North Carolina is a key primary state, and we know that we need to maintain the momentum that the President has gained as a result of both the New Hampshire primary and the strong grass roots support that President Ford has in North Carolina. Mr. Morton is an especially capable advocate



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for President Ford because of the wide respect that he enjoys through his work for the Republican Party and as a hard working public servant."

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for malfeasance, as mutually determined by the President and designated leaders of Congress. The Attorney General and all assistants should be barred from all political activity.

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among our people. These veils of secrecy must be torn away."

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"In many ways, older Americans have been treated as second class citizens. While elderly Americans now constitute only 10% of our population, they make up over 20% of

the nation's poor. "The rapid increase in health costs dramatically affects older people. The idea that they are protected by Medicare is false. All public health care programs combined pay only about 65% of their medical bills. This percentage has actually dropped since 1969 by about 5%."

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Another purpose he embraced,
For weapons gave advantages
When conquest was the goal in mind.

And then the race acquired speed
For weapons to defeat a foe,
Or terrify an enemy
And curb his eagerness to fight.

So stones and clubs gave way to spears,
And spears to arrows shot from bows,
And arrows later were replaced
By bullets fired from a gun.

And then some chemists made a gas
To poison those with guns and tanks,
And scientists constructed planes
To drop huge bombs on everyone.

And so the struggle still goes on -
With focus on plutonium--
For weapons that will chain-react
And devastate the country-side.

But though such things are made to kill,
The weapon that's most dangerous
Depends not on production lines,
But what goes on in evil minds.

A gun, or bomb, is but the end
Of mental pictures first conceived
With motives hostile to some one,
Or with intent for selfish gain.

An atom does not hold debates
On what man thinks is good or bad,
And it responds - emotionless -
To laws that act upon its parts.

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