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Julian Bond delivered a lecture Sunday night at the U. of R. A member of the Black Caucus; Julian Bond is probably one of the Senate's foremost rhetoricians. His use of artificial eloquence is cute and enchanting. His speech was punctuated by such poetic phrases as: "the gratuitous gratification of the gross and the greedy" and "the victory of the politics of penuriousness, prevarication, propriety, pious platitudes and self-righteous swineishness" used to describe the America's present political situation. These rhythmic pentameters of expression, however, failed to provide the audience with any political insight into why things are the way they are; why conditions for Blacks have regressed. They simply told in a cute way about political and social conditions of which most of us were already aware. In short, Mr. Bond's attempt to ornament obvious realities to the extent that they could pass for political analysis was a failure.

By Elton R. Williams

# This Week in Black History

Sept. 19, 1893: E.A. Robinson, a Chicago inventor, received a patent for the first electric railroad trolley. It was his first invention.

Sept. 20, 1830: The first National Negro Convention assembled at Bethel Church in Philadelphia. The meeting was called by Richard Allen, founder of the A.M.E. Church. The convention was attended by free Blacks from seven states.

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Ms. Susan M. Fried is interested in hearing from Africans studying in the United States who are concerned with writing books for African pre-school and primary school children. The stories should deal with African themes written by African writers, not folklore. Experienced as well as inexperienced and/or unpublished writers are encouraged to contact: Susan M. Fried  
15 Evelyn Place  
Bronx, N.Y. 10468

## Career Wise

The American Library Association is seeking potential minority candidates for graduate library education programs. Monies are available from the U.S.O.E. Library Education and Post Secondary Resources Branch, and from sources listed in the Financial Assistance for Library Education (FALE). Interested students should contact Fred Jefferson at x2864 or the D.S.S.S. office as soon as possible. Remember, the best time to search for scholarship money is now!



Don't be afraid to turn off the lights or reduce the wattage of bulbs because you are afraid of possible eye damage. According to a Cornell University professor, a little bit of light suitably directed is much more effective than too much light. Older people and those with vision problems should use a slightly higher level of light, however, a lower level of light in those cases would not cause physical damage.

Marijuana may offer some relief to those suffering from glaucoma. A UCLA research program discovered several years ago that its principal active ingredient, tetrahydrocannabinol (THC), reduces the intraocular pressure, which is symptomatic of glaucoma.

# Introducing...

Dwight Hubbard and Barbara Harris Smith of the Department of Special Student Services. Barbara comes to us from the Career Services and Placement Office and Dwight is from the Rochester City School District.

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Applications are now being accepted from college students interested in participating in Common Cause Winter/Spring Intern Session. The Intern Sessions offer students a chance to learn how the political process works. The areas of study include legislation, issue development, field litigation, case studies, and publication. Here's how to apply: mail a resume, research paper, two letters of recommendation, a cover letter indicating your interest, and the times you will be available for work to:

Common Cause  
2030 M. Street  
N.W. Washington D.C. 20036

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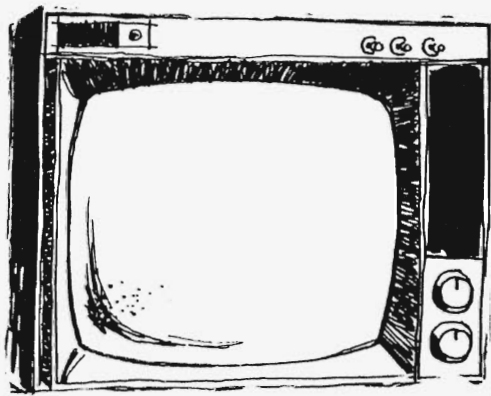
## *What's Happening in the World...*

Cambodia: Cambodia and Thailand are engaged in a border dispute; there have been shooting incidents, pinprick attacks, incursions by Cambodian war planes, and a mortar attack. Part of the reason for "border bitterness" may be that instead of using the 1907 French map of the Thai-Cambodia frontier Thailand is using the U.S. army maps which in some places expands the Thai border into territory claimed by Cambodia.

Uganda: Idi Amin is believed to have feigned a coma after undergoing minor surgery on his neck. The reason: Amin signed the death warrants of two murderers and thirteen others who were convicted of plotting against him. The execution was scheduled during the Moslem Holy Month of Ramadan, and therefore was protested by several Arab nations. But with Amin conveniently in a coma there was no order to delay the executions.

Ethiopia: Ethiopia won a victory over Somalia last week in Jijiga. Israel was of great help to Ethiopia because their mechanics maintained the F-5 jet fighters. Israel supports Ethiopia because they fear a Moslem Somalia victory would strengthen the Arab bloc.

# What is Studio One?



Lattimore Hall 127

Studio One is a speech lab that provides public speaking practice and feedback through the use of the audio-visual system. You may record your speech on video-tape and play it back for self-evaluation.

Lab assistants will be available to instruct you in the use of the equipment. Lab hours are:

Monday-Friday: 9:00 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Monday-Thursday: 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

If you would like to use the facilities of Studio One, contact the coordinator, Barbara Harris Smith, at x2864.