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Office of the Dean of Student Affairs

April 14, 1971

MEMORANDUM TO: Dean Charles A. Keown

FROM: Larry E. Berry, Staff Assistant

SUBJECT: Final Report on Black Awareness Week

The Committee President Downing appointed to cooperate with the United Black Students in programming a Black Awareness Week has completed its assignment. Following is a brief review of the week's activities.

Black Art Exhibit - The Black Art Exhibit held in room 226 of the Downing University Center received considerable acceptance from the University community. Approximately 2,000 students, faculty, and staff viewed the art presentation during Black Awareness Week. Mr. Fred Bond of the Louisville Art Workshop spoke regarding Black art and his workshop.

Black Fashion and Talent Show - The Fashion and Talent Show held in the Ballroom of the Garrett Conference Center was probably the most successful part of the program given consideration to the tremendous amount of input from the United Black Students. It was attended by some 350 students. This program in all probability offered a greater amount of self-fulfillment to those involved than any other single event.

Martin Luther King, Sr. Program - This program was presented very well and planned to detail. Doctor Martin Luther King, Sr. was a most cordial and delightful visitor to have on campus. His theme of unity seemed to be well accepted by those in attendance. A rather disappointing crowd of 220 people were on hand for this program.

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Afro-Ball - The Afro-Ball was a major social event of Black Awareness Week. It was well attended and basically an event of social reward for those students who had put considerable work into Black Awareness Week.

Movie: Cotton Comes To Harlem - The movie was shown in conjunction with Black Awareness Week in the University theatre. 589 students, faculty, and staff saw the movie and all indications are it was accepted well by the University community.

Members of the Committee feel that the United Black Students are to be commended for the excellent program they provided the University community. We of the Committee feel that the program was of a high quality which indeed did provide an excellent educational and social experience.

Unless otherwise directed, the Committee feels that the work assignment has been completed. A file on Black Awareness Week will be kept in the Office of the Dean of Student Affairs for further reference.

cc: Dr. Uveges
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Mr. Paul Cook