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AMERICAN FEDERATION OF MUSICIANS

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January 25, 1963

KImble 5-3342 Dr. William P. Foster, Head Department of Music

Florida A. & M. University

Tallahassee, Florida

Dear Dr. Foster:

I want to take this opportunity to congratulate you, your staff and the members of the FAMU marching band for the magnificent performance and precision you displayed on television January 6, 1963, in the Orange Bowl Stadium.

We (American Federation of Musicians, Local 702 A.F.L.-C.I.O.) were having our election of officers for the year when the half-time show started. Everything had to cease at that point, for now, many people, here and all over the nation, were viewing for the first time what they had only heard about from former FAMU band members and students.

Dr. Foster, I have never felt so proud in my whole educational career as I was that day by the enthusiastic compliments made by my fellow musicians and colleagues, and even when I came to school on Monday by the faculty members and my band students.

I want you to know that I feel highly honored, being a former member of the FAMU concert and marching bands, and one of the first "Virginia Boys" to graduate under your administration, having marched with the band when they made their first appearance in the Orange Bowl Stadium in 1948.

May Allah shower his blessings upon you for the excellent job well done and may the band soar to even greater heights.

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Musically yours,

Sylvester L. Spence (Class of '51)

cc: Dr. George W. Gore, President Mr. G.W. Conoly, Editor

SLS/im

February 7, 1963

Mr. Curtis R. King Department of Music Florida A and M University Tallahassee, Florida

Dear Mr. King:

I am hereby asking you to serve as Acting Director of the University Choral Society - Choir for the period February 15 thru April 15, 1963.

Mrs. Rebecca W. Steele, Director of the University Choral Society - Choir, will be on a leave of absence to accompany the Playmakers Guild on its trip to Europe for this time period.

It is suggested that you confer with Mrs. Steele immediately in regards to activities, programs, performance engagements, rehearsal schedule, responsibilities of faculty assistants, etc., with regard to the choral program by February 11, 1963. I am sure you can depend upon the complete cooperation and assistance of the Choral Division faculty in the successful operation of the Choral Society - Choir.

With appreciation, I am

Cordially,

William P. Foster, Head Department of Music

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Dr. George W. Gore, Jr. Dr. Mahlon C. Rhaney Mrs. Rebecca W. Steels Miss Charlotte E. Giles Mrs. Jodora Middleton Mrs. Mary A. Roberts Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University Tallahassee, Morida GEORGE W. GORE, JR., PRESIDENT February 18, 1963 BFA

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

Dr. George W. Gore, Jr. President Florida A and M University Campus

Dear Dr. Gore:

This comes to seek your reaction and approval for Mr. Wendell M. Logan of our music faculty and five students who comprise the FAMU Jazz Ensemble to perform a program devoted to Jazz Music over Station WFSU - TV on February 27, 1963.

I am asking Mr. Logan to confer with you on details with respect to this proposed performance.

Sincerely,

William P. Foster, Head Department of Music

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Mr. Wendell M. Logan

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Tallahassee, Flavida

GEORGE W. GORE, JR., PRESIDENT

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

February 21, 1963 P. 0. Box 85 BFA
BOX 13 56
FAMU

Dr. William P. Foster, Head Department of Music Florida A & M. University Tallahassee, Florida

Dear Dr. Foster:

The proposed format for the Jazz Ensemble's appearance on the program #"Montage", at the WFSU television studio is as follows:

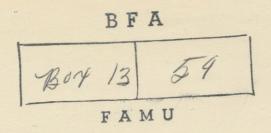
- 1. Date of appearance -- February 27th, at 8:00 P.M.
- 2. Program outline --- The ensemble is scheduled to play four (4) numbers. The opening and closing numbers are to be played with F.S.U.'s Jazz Ensemble.
- 3. The members are:

Jothan Callins, Trumpet Johnnie Logan, Alto Sax Rudy Aikels, Bass Jessie Smith, Piano John Adams, Drums

As far as I know, this will be the first time that any program at the station has been integrated; however, I am sure that the studio director has taken into consideration any retroactive views that might be encountered.

Sincerely yours,

Wendell M. Logan



1740 West Grand Boulevard Apartment 106 Detroit 8, Michigan February 21, 1963

Dr. William P. Foster, Head Department of Music Florida A. & M. University Tallahassee, Florida

Dear Dr. Foster:

This letter comes in behalf of the Dennis Hadley family (Thomasville, Georgia) expressing our appreciation for the interest and assistance given by you, Dr. Gore and the University Staff to our family educationally and financially. Without this training and assistance, it would not have been possible to master the skills and techniques needed for performances through our everyday experiences.

Your outstanding achievements, interest and assistance for the educational and social improvement of boys and girls will go down in history.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Agnes C. Hadley James

cc/Dr. George W. Gore, President Florida A. & M. University Tallahassee, Florida

Florida Agricultural and Alechanical University Tallahassee, Morida GEORGE W. GORE, JR., PRESIDENT March 14, 1963 COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES BFA Dr. George W. Gore, Jr. President FAMU Florida A and M University Tallahassee, Florida Dear Dr. Gore: The Music Department has received an invitation for its Men's Glee Club to render musical selections on the Bethel Baptist Church Men's Day Service at 11:00 a.m., Sunday, March 24, 1963. It is my understanding that the request for the Men's Glee Club is for the fourth Sunday in March. I am favorable toward acceptance of the foregoing invitation. Your reaction to this request will be appreciated. Sincerely yours, William P. Foster, Head Department of Music WPF/dlw

Mr. Leo A. Militello
St. Louis Football Cardinals
Merchants Exchange Building
5100 Oakland Avenue
St. Louis 10, Missouri

Dear Mr. Militello:

I wish to submit the following prospectus of expenses and obligations of the St. Louis Footbal Cardinals as sponsor of performance by the Florida A and M University Marching Band at one of its regular football games during the 1963 season. The total personnel of the FAMU Marching Band is 172.

Regarding performance date, we prefer September, October and early November.

ESTIMATED LISTING OF EXPENSES AND OBLIGATIONS

- Four (4) forty-three (43) passenger Greyhound buses. 1706 miles roundtrip Tallahassee,
 Florida St. Louis, Missouri at .75¢ per mile.
 Intercity mileage and over night charges if any additional.
- Enroute Meals \$7.50 x 172-----\$ 1290.00

 Three (3) meals enroute each way for total of six (6) meals per person. Rates of \$1.00
 Breakfast: \$1.25 Lunch and \$1.50 Supper equals \$3.75 per day for total of \$7.50 for enroute meals per person.
- 3. Lodging hotel in St. Louis for 172
 If additional beds or cots are placed in
 hotel rooms, three persons can be
 assigned to a room.

Mr. Leo A. Militello Page 2 March 15, 1963

4. Boarding - hotel in St. Louis for 172
Two days boarding - three meals per
day.

\$

300.00

5. Band Maintenance----\$

Cost of cleaning uniforms, instrument supplies and accessories.

Since I have no knowledge of the rates charged or the rates the St. Louis Football Cardinals can obtain from hotel, no estimation was attempted as to lodging and boarding expenses at a hotel in St. Louis.

The Florida A and M University Marching Band anticipates the honor and pleasure of performing a spectacular show in St. Louis, Missouri under the sponsorship of the St. Louis Football Cardinals. You will have the possibility of a packed stadium with our band as the pre-game and half-time attraction.

With deepest gratitude for your interest and consideration, I am

Cordially.

William P. Foster Director of Bands

WPF/dlw

cc:

Dr. George W. Gore, Jr. President Mr. H. R. Partridge Business Manager Mr. Ben Flieger
Promotion Department
The Cleveland Browns
Cleveland Stadium
Cleveland 14, Ohio

Dear Mr. Flieger:

I wish to submit the following prospectus of expenses and obligations of the Cleveland Browns as sponsor of performance by the Florida A and M University Marching at one of its regular football games during the 1963 season. The total personnel of the FAMU Marching Band is 172. Regarding performance date, we prefer September, October and early November.

ESTIMATED LISTING OF EXPENSES AND OBLIGATIONS

- Four (4) forty-three (43) passenger Greyhound buses. 1910 miles roundtrip Tallahassee, Florida; Cleveland Ohio at .75¢ per mile. Intercity mileage and overnight charges if any are additional.
- 3. Two nights lodging Hotel in Cleveland for 172 \$
 If additional beds or cots are placed in hotel rooms,
 three persons can be assigned to a room.

Mr. Ben Flieger Page 2 March 15, 1963

- 4. Boarding Hotel in Cleveland for 172 \$
 Two days boarding three meals per
 day.
- 5. Band Maintenance-----\$ 300.00 Cost of cleaning uniforms, instrument supplies and accessories.

Since I have no knowledge of the rates charged or the rates the Cleveland Browns can obtain from a hotel, no estimation was attempted as to lodging and boarding expenses at hotel in Cleveland.

The Florida A and M University Marching Band anticipates the honor and pleasure of performing a spectacular show in the Cleveland Stadium under the sponsorship of the Cleveland Browns. You will have the possibility of a packed stadium with our band as the pre-game and half-time attraction.

With deepest gratitude for your interest and consideration, I am

Cordially,

William P. Foster Director of Bands

WPF/dlw

cc:

Dr. George W. Gore, Jr., President Mr. H. R. Partridge, Business Manager

March 15, 1963

Mr. Ralph N. Elsmo Events Co-ordinator Baltimore Colts 2023 N. Charles Street Baltimore 18, Maryland

Dear Mr. Elsmo:

I wish to submit the following prospectus of expenses and obligations of the Baltimore Colts as sponsor of performance by the Florida A and M University Marching Band at one of its regular football games during the 1963 season. The total personnel of the FAMU Marching Band is 172. Regarding performance date, we prefer September, October and early November.

ESTIMATED LISTING OF EXPENSES AND OBLIGATIONS

- 2. Enroute meals \$7.50 x 172-----\$ 1290.00

 Three (3) meals enroute each way for total of six (6) meals per person. Rates of \$1.00

 Breakfast; \$1.25 Lunch and \$1.50 Supper equals \$3.75 per day for total of \$7.50 for enroute meals per person.

Mr. Ralph N. Elsmo Page 2 March 14, 1963

- 3. Lodging Hotel in Baltimore, Maryland or Washington, D. D. for 172

 If additional beds or cots are placed in hotel rooms, three persons can be assigned to a room.
- 4. Boarding Hotel in Baltimore, Maryland \$ or Washington, D. C. for 172
- 5. Band Maintenance -----\$ 300.00
 Cost of cleaning uniforms, instruments
 supplies and accessories

Since I have no knowledge of the rates charged or the rates the Baltimore Colts can obtain from a hotel, no estimation was attempted as to lodging and boarding expenses at hotel in Baltimore, Maryland or Washington, D. C.

The Florida A and M University Marching Band anticipates the honor and pleasure of performing a spectacular show in Baltimore under the sponsorship of the Baltimore Colts. You will have the possibility of a packed stadium with our band as the Pre-Game and Half-Time attraction.

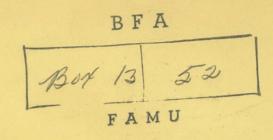
With deepest gratitude for your interest and consideration, I am

Cordially,

William P. Foster Director of Bands

WPF/dlw

cc: Dr. George W. Gore, Jr., President Mr. H. R. Partridge, Business Manager



March 18, 1963

Dr. William P. Foster, Head Department of Music Florida A and M University

Dear Dr. Foster:

It meets with my approval for the Men's Glee Club to render musical selections on the Bethel Baptist Church Men's Day Services, Sunday, March 24, 1963.

Yours very truly,

George W. Gore, Jr.

GWGjr:mz

Tallahassee, Florida 26 December 1963

To: Members of Florida A and M University Marching Band

From: Dr. William P. Foster, Director of Bands

Subject: Reminder in connection with FAMU Marching Band performance in the Orange Bowl Stadium, Miami, Florida on January 5, 1964 at the pro-playoff bowl football game (Cleveland Browns VS Green Bay Packers) and for National Television, C. B. S. with 55 million viewers the Marching Hundred has been alloted thirteen (13) minutes of half-time pageant and eight (8) minutes for post game show. In addition approximately one minute of excerpts of our Saturday rehearsal will be shown to the t. v. audience during pre-game period. This years coverage of the Marching Hundred will be the most extensive accorded to a marching band. C. B. S. has agreed to place microphones on the North, South, East and West sections of the football field. While in Miami, the band will be housed at the Miami International Hotel and meals will be served at the Dobbs House.

Re: With this, the second opportunity of the Florida A and M University Marching Band to be presented to approximately 55 million t.v. tiewers, it is important that every band member expend every effort to insure a successful performance. Due to the fact that the band will leave Tallahassee for Miami on Friday, January 3, it is necessary that we return to condition in marching and musical performance in just four (4) days after a two-week layoff (December 16 to December 30), therefore, the 100 percent response of the total band membership is required for the success of the Marching Hundred. Lodging and boarding will be furnished the band personnel for the period Monday, December 30, 1963 through Sunday, January 5, 1964. Please be reminded that the return date for all band members is Monday, December 30, 1963.

Housing Accomodations

In the best judgement of all parties concerned, it was felt that supervision and security of the three men's dormitories would prove to be inadequate. Because it would be impossible to maintain strict security over the dormitory area, thus placing the personal belongings of band member and other dormitory residents in jeopardy, arrangements have been made for temporary housing in the auditorium of Howard Hall (ROTC Building, 2nd floor). Cots and other necessities will be provided in this area for the period Monday, December 30 through Tuesday night, December 31, 1963.

This facility is being provided for all bandsmen, city students as well as boarding students free of charge for the period stated above. All bandsmen, likewise, are to check into their regular dormitory or city residences Wednesday, January 1, 1964. Therefore, upon arrival in Tallahassee, all band members are requested to report directly to Howard Hall for housing

NOTE: Please use the stairway entrance on the North side of the building. I trust you will be understanding and sympathetic with this situation.

SCHEDULE

Our Monday schedule is as follows:

8:00A. M. Until Check in housing quaters, 2nd floor, Auditorium,

Howard Hall, ROTC Building.

1:45 to 2:15 P. M. Lunch

2:30 to 3:45 P. M. Check out instruments

4:00 P. M. Music Rehearsal, Stage of Lee Hall

6:00 P. M. Supper

7:30 P. M. Drillfield rehearsal with instruments

The staff of the University Marching Band extends to each member of the "Marching Hundred" best wishes for" A Happy New Year". We will anticipate seeing you Monday, December 30, 1963. With best wishes, I am

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FLORIDA A & M UNIVERSITY 29 December 1963

TO: MEMBERS OF MARCHING BAND FROM: Dr. William P. Foster Director of Bands

SUBJECT: TIME SCHEDULE FOR OBTAINING LINEN AND BLANKET(S) FROM YOUR DORMITORY ROOM, DEAN WAPREN SHIRLEY WILL SUPERVISE THE OPENING AND LOCKING OF DOORS TO THE DORMS.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 29 - - 9:30 to 10:00 P.M.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 30 - - 2:30 to 3:30 P.M.

and

10:30 to 11:00 P.M.

CC: Dr. George W. Gore, Jr.
Mr. H. R. Partridge
Mr. M. G. Miles
Mr. Warren Shirley
Mr. Thomas E. Lyle

January 9, 1964 Mr. Robert G. Lingham 18 North Third Street Paterson, New Jersey Dear Mr. Lingham: This comes to acknowledge with grateful appreciation your letter of inquiry regarding engagement of the Florida A and M University Marching Band for a performance in Paterson, New Jersey. I am pleased to inform you of our interest of such an engagement during the period September 20 thru November 10, 1964. These are the only dates the Marching Band will be available for engagements other than those presently under consideration. With gratitude for your interest, I am Sincerely yours, William P. Foster Director of Bands WPF/dlw Dr. George W. Gore, Jr.

Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University Tallahassee GEORGE W. GORE JR., PRESIDENT COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES January 9, 1964 FAMU Dr. George W. Gore, Jr. President Florida A and M University Tallahassee, Florida Dear Dr. Gore: In regards to your inquiry concerning film of the band, it will be forwarded to Reverend Andrew J. Hargrett on January 19 for showing at FAMU Alumni meeting on January 26, 1964. Cordially, William P. Foster Director of Bands WPF/dlw

January 13, 1964 Mr. Nathaniel D. Williams Booker T. Washington High School 715 South Lauderdale Street Memphis 5, Tennessee Dear Mr. Williams: I was very pleased to receive your letter of December 16, 1963. I am referring it to Dr. William P. Foster, Head of the Music Department, for his reaction concerning a music scholarship for Mr. Rice. I would suggest that you write directly to Mr. J. R. E. Lee, Jr., Vice President, concerning loans for students. I am quite sure the young man can apply for a National Defense Loan. A student can be granted work-aid during the time he is enrolled at the University provided he maintains the required average. Mr. M. G. Miles, Acting Dean of Students, is in charge of the work-aid program. I have forwarded you a copy of our 1963-64 catalog for your use. Best wishes for a most pleasant and profitable New Year. Yours very truly, George W. Gore, Jr. /h ce: Dr. Foster