

College Radio Hookup Will Give Only All-Day Report of Protests

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A network of college radio stations, with New York University's WNYU as the coordinating flagship, will provide broadcasting's only sustained coverage of today's antiwar activities in Washington and of weekend protests across the country.

Each of the three television networks has scheduled special programs and if events warrant, they say, will interrupt regular programs with bulletins. Various all-news radio stations, such as WCBS and WINS here, plan to devote great portions of their broadcast day to antiwar demonstration coverage, and WBAL-FM has virtually turned over its entire day to the events. But the Moratorium Radio Network emanating from N.Y.U.'s Loeb Student Center, will supply the only continuous network coverage.

The 60-station hookup, financed with an \$11,000 donation from Playboy Enterprises, began broadcasting Thursday evening. WNYU is at 800 on the AM dial and, although it will be on the air earlier in the day, it will switch to the network arrangement at 4 P. M.

Among the stations that will be connected via American Telephone and Telegraph Company lines are the Ivy League network; WBUR, Boston University; WHPK, University of Chicago; WGTB, Georgetown University, and WDBS, Duke University. In addition, the feeds will be sent into Boston, Chicago, Philadelphia, Milwaukee, Indianapolis, Cincinnati and Detroit, and commercial

radio affiliates for stations to pick up at will.

Acting with WNYU is an organization called Campus Media a national sales organization that sells ads to college stations, university newspapers and the underground press. It was Campus Media's network coordinator, Dean Thompson, who obtained the money from Playboy, and he has been helping WNYU set up the additional electronic equipment it had to rent for the network operation.

Mr. Thompson said: "No ads have been sold, nor were any solicited. This was something we wanted to do."

WNYU acted similarly during the antiwar activities last October and November, but never for such a sustained period of time. A station spokesman said the broadcast hour would consist of 10 minutes of hard news, 30 minutes of feeds from various campuses and from Washington, and pre-recorded tapes from California, which will not be hooked up to the network. There will also be sidelight features on the weekend's events to the hour. The cycle will be repeated.

The National Broadcasting Company hurriedly put together a series of specials. It will broadcast one-hour specials today before and after its "Baseball Game of the Week," and has scheduled a one-hour program "Our House Divided," for 10 P.M. tomorrow. The American Broadcasting Company will have a half-hour network special tonight at 7 P.M.