Editorial:

The Real Test

Prior to the Easter recess there existed, for perhaps the first time in Northern’s history, a constructive school spirit. This spirit was the result of several conditions including a number of unresolved gripes and the restlessness that always precedes a long awaited vacation period.

Whatever the causes, the actions and reactions to campus issues were at a high and promising pitch. Progress was being made.

Students for the first time aired their complaints and problems at an open Student Council meeting with Dr. Harden in attendance. On April 2 this same enthusiasm rose to support Dr. Harden when he announced that he had submitted his resignation.

The atmosphere was electric as students formed a sort of unofficial N.A.A.U.P.U.P. (Northern Association for the Advancement of Upper Peninsula University People).

But the real test is yet to come. Inertia has been broken and the issues are being examined by student committees but new forces have come into play which threaten the progress that has been made.

Some of the more important forces are spring fever, approaching finals and the release of rebellious energies during the past Easter recess. Whatever the combination of forces their threat is toward complacency on the part of the student body.

Only time can show whether this great pre-Easter activity was the democratic process or a short-lived mob rebellion. The initial excitement is past and now is the time when progress is either made or thrown away.

Support the committees that are presently considering the issues or resign yourselves, once more, to being led about like sheep. Follow through with the constructive spirit of improvement or forget the ideal of attaining a real and meaningful student government on Northern’s campus.