Claim Campus In State Of Emergency

Black's Go To Lansing

President Says No To Recommendation

A recommendation that would have permitted any black student who "felt so compelled" to leave campus prior to the end of the semester without penalty to their academic record was turned down this week by Northern Michigan University President John X. Jamrich.

Jamrich, in making an announcement Monday morning, stated that "on the basis of evidence available to me, I am not conversing in the recommendations... Classes will continue as scheduled for the remainder of the semester at Northern..." The recommendation was submitted to Jamrich last Friday night by the University Rights Commission and the Academic Senate.

The recommendation would have allowed any black student who "felt that his life was endangered to leave the University and he would receive either a grade "T" or "WP" or his current grade in his courses.

Jamrich stated that in his opinion the basis for recommendation.

Editor Posts For Next Year Set By Board

The names of the persons who will edit the Northern News—the University student newspaper—and the Peninsula—the NMY yearbook—were announced this week by Northern's Board of Publications.

Named as editor of the News for the 1970-71 academic year was Duane Sapp, a junior from Marquette. Co-editors of the 1971 Peninsula are Marilyn Cook and Karen Kargian.

Sapp, presently Outdoor Editor of the News, came to Northern in January of this year after a tour of duty with the U.S. Marine Corps. While with the Corps, Sapp edited a base paper.

Currently, Sapp is employed also in the production department of WMU-TV, the campus television station.

Miss Cook was Assistant Senior Editor of the Peninsula in 1969 and Co-Editor and Executive Editor in 1970. She was a staff editor with the yearbook in 1968.

Miss Kargian was Editor of the 1970 Peninsula's academic section.

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Hunting Permit” circulated on campus last Friday by unknown persons.

Expressing his gratitude for the work done by faculty volunteers, who made themselves available in the residence halls over the weekend to talk with students about the events of the past several weeks, Jamrich said that the reports of these volunteers “fall in line with my belief that the campus atmosphere has returned to normal.

The president concluded his statement by saying that “I am kept fully informed about any possible need for additional protection on this campus. Should this prove necessary, I shall make the proper request for that additional protection.

Jamrich made his announcement before an invited group of representatives of the Academic Senate and the Human Rights Commission and student leaders.

Housing Requests To Be Available

Applications for off-campus housing will be available at the ticket booth at the end of the University Center (near the housing office) from 1:00 to 5:00 P.M. Monday, May 25, through Friday, May 29.

Deadline for returning the applications is June 12, 1970.

Applications picked up after May 29 and/or returned after the June 12 deadline will be acted upon after those picked up and returned within the deadline, according to the housing office.

Allegation Not True: Jamrich

Responding to a statement given at a Lansing news conference Wednesday by 10 black students at Northern Michigan University, University President John X. Jamrich denied that a state of emergency exists on the campus.

The allegation has been made that a state of emergency exists on the campus,” Jamrich said "This is a complete distortion of the facts.

The campus situation has been normal or near-normal, the entire year. There is no evidence to suggest that the university should be closed, and I, as president, will not close it before the end of the semester,” Jamrich said.

Yet, should additional protection be needed, I have assurances from the Governor that he will provide such protection when I request it,” he added.

The statement by the 10 Black students said that "the situation at Northern has rapidly deteriorated during the past several months, to the point where we are convinced that it is no longer safe for us to remain at Northern University.

"The presence of large numbers of guns and other weapons on campus has created an atmosphere of fear and potential violence that cannot be allowed to continue...

Bill Efforts Quickened

Efforts to pass in the Michigan Legislature a bill giving Northern Michigan University ordinance-making powers were quickened this week by Upper Peninsula Representative Dominic Jacobetti, sponsor of the bill.

"I'm going to get it moved up for quicker action now that the need has been made to clear," Jacobetti said.

Jacobetti's current move came as a result of gun being banned from the campus, President Jamrich said.

The bill was originally drafted at the request of Jamrich and the Governor as a means of enforcing no-smoking rules on buildings and of setting up a checkout system for hunting rifles.

The bill now meets objections from the Michigan State Police.

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