

Leaders Interpret Student Response

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Assistant Professor of Speech Vernon Pierce, Student Government President Don L. Keskey, and former Student Senator Spencer Marks are among the leaders of the McClellan controversy and expressed mixed feelings concerning the current uprising.

Mr. Pierce said, "There are many important factors is obtaining widespread support." "One of the main purposes of last Thursday night's

demonstration in Kaye Auditorium and Hedcock Field House was to channel or direct the students in a way which will be helpful to our case," continued Pierce.

According to Professor Pierce, "Many of the students who will support the McClellan cause will be doing so not because they have a sincere belief in it, but rather because they have been herded like sheep."

Pierce also said that as far as he was concerned "demonstrations like the one we held last Thursday in the Field House are one of the best, and most effective displays which can be held.

When asked who okayed no hours for women Thursday night, Pierce said, "Everyone looked like they were having a good time, so I did."

Student Government President Don Keskey said that he felt "if we are to maintain order throughout this drive, we have to keep the students happy." "If we were to just go out and fire up the students there is a chance that they would become an angry mob which leads to nothing but irresponsible and destructive action," said Keskey. "So far all the action which has been taken has been orderly and has demonstrated the sincerity of our cause," continued Don Keskey.

FORMER SENATOR SPENCER Marks had somewhat different feelings concerning the McClellan controversy. "We have acted in a responsible manner for the past three weeks, if the administration wants to act in an irresponsible manner by not giving the McClellan case more thorough consideration



As part of their protest, several students had a "sit down" in front of the president's office in the University Center.

then we intend to act just as irresponsibly," said Marks. "This is all out war now as far as we're concerned," he said.

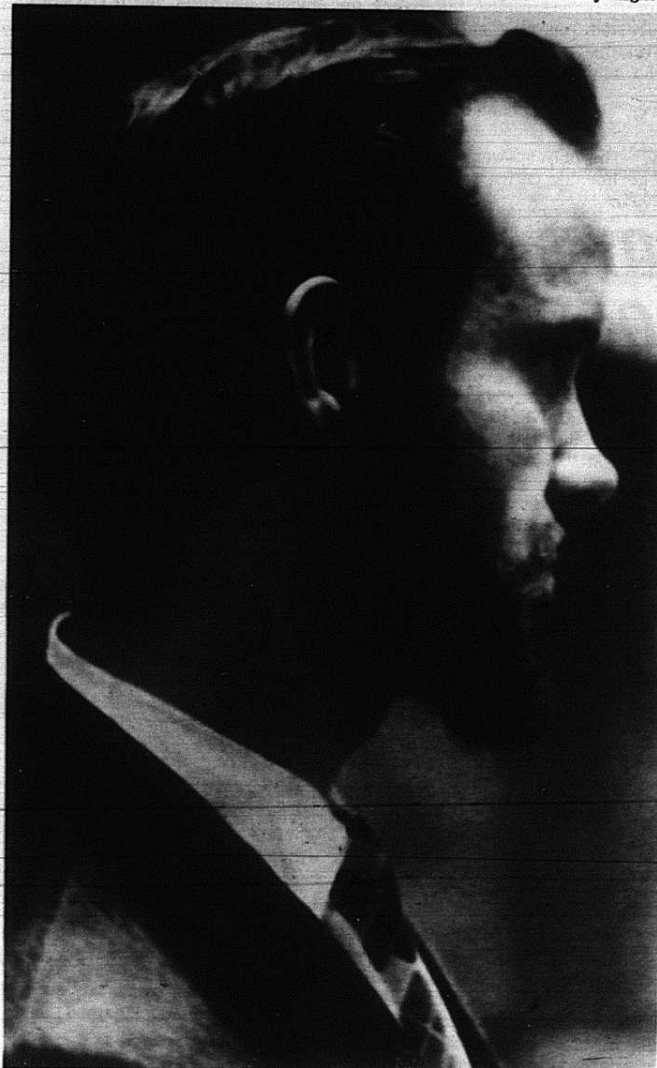
Mr. Marks feels very strongly that the action that is taken now must be loud and if necessary forceful if it is to do any good. He felt that although Thursday night's demonstration might not have been the most fitting protest that could have been staged it was a "good expression of the attitude of the students."

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