

Jamrich Denies Black Students' Amnesty Bid

Sit-In Case Charges Due Next Week

Northern Michigan University President John X. Jamrich told black student leaders that a request for complete amnesty for all black students who participated in the Dec. 17-18 sit-in in the office of the Dean of Students here was not appropriate at this time.

A request for the amnesty was presented to Jamrich Thursday by David Williams of Detroit, a black student who serves as an administrative aide to the university's Human Rights Commission.

94 Signed Names

Accompanying the request was a list of 94 black students who signed their names as having participated in the sit-in.

Earlier in the week, university officials indicated that formal charges would be made against at least 21 of the 94 members of the Black Student Association who participated in the 19-hour sit-in resulting in damages and alleged holding of a university vice president for 40 minutes.

In presenting the list of names, the black student leaders stressed that charges, if made, should be brought against all students who were present, rather than just a few.

Met With Faculty, Students

After receiving the request, Jamrich met with representatives of the Academic Senate, the Associated Students of Northern Michigan University and staff from the Dean of Students office for two hours before replying to the blacks.

"Your letter was carefully considered by my office," said Jamrich in a statement to the black students. "A request for leniency with reference to the alleged university rule infractions must be considered as reasonable, but at this point in time, the request for such leniency is not appropriate."

"The effects which you seek may well be obtained through existing judicial processes and within the provisions for final appeal of any decision so reached by this university."

White Students Incident

"Essentially, your request is for me to interrupt the duly established judicial process for dealing with student life on this campus. It seems to me inadvisable to take that step at this time," Jamrich also added that he felt that the university has sought to create a system which will treat all students

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Dr. John X. Jamrich, president of Northern Michigan University, reads reply to black students' request for amnesty to (from left) David Williams, Detroit, administrative aide to the university's Human Rights Commission; Melvin Payne, River Rouge, a black student leader; Arnold Avant, Chicago, also a black student leader, and Dr. Allan Niemi, university vice president for student affairs. — (NNU photo)

Deep-Freeze Continues In State

(By the Associated Press)

Michigan's frigid weather is here to stay through next Wednesday at least, the U.S. Weather Bureau forecast today on the heels of another snowy and blustery night in which temperatures skidded below zero.

A 15-below reading was registered at Pellston overnight and it was 8-below in Jackson, 4-below in Mount Clemens, 2-below in Detroit and Lansing and 1-below in Flint and Port Huron. Temperatures got no higher than 19 anywhere in the state Thursday.

Wind-blown snow plugged many north-south roads in Monroe County, in the southeastern corner of the state, and schools were closed today in eight districts, plus the Deerfield District, which also includes some of Lanawee County.

In the Upper Peninsula temperatures are expected to average 5 to 8 degrees below normal, with highs averaging from 15 to 20 and lows from zero to 8-above. A quarter-inch of new snow is forecast.

Wisconsin Senate Approves DDT Ban

MADISON, Wis. (AP) — A Bill banning the use, distribution or sale of DDT in Wisconsin was approved by the Senate Thursday and sent to the governor.

Appalachia Impact Called 'Damn Small'

WASHINGTON (AP) — The federal agency created five years ago to pull poverty-ridden Appalachia into the mainstream of American affluence acknowledges its impact so far has been "damn small, damn modest."

Half a decade after the Appalachian Regional Commission came to life the average Appalachian mountaineer's income remains well below that of other Americans, malnutrition still scars his children, employment is only a memory and subpar education preordains his offspring to failure.

But the commission, born from John F. Kennedy's incredulity at the poverty he saw during the 1960 West Virginia primary campaign and given life by President Lyndon B. Johnson, measures success in tiny gains.

80 Pontiac Police On 'Sick' Report

PONTIAC (AP) — None of Pontiac's 80 police patrolmen showed up for work Thursday, a police spokesman said Thursday night.

He said 30 supervisory officers — sergeants, lieutenants and captains — were on duty to cover for the missing patrolmen who called in "sick" after the city and police failed Wednesday to agree on a new wage contract.

Thieu Says Vietnam Needs U.S. Troops Beyond 1970

SAIGON (AP) — President Nguyen Van Thieu said today American combat troops will be needed in South Vietnam beyond 1970 to protect remaining U.S. support troops and to aid the Saigon government's forces.

Thieu's statement to a news conference contrasted with hopes expressed by some U.S. officials that all combat troops might be withdrawn by the end of this year.

"Not all combat troops will be withdrawn in 1970," Thieu said, "because we have not enough combat troops for 1970 to replace all combat troops of the United States."

Tanker With 41 Aboard Sinking Off California

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — A tanker with 41 men aboard and loaded with 280,000 gallons of jet fuel was slowly sinking in the storm-tossed Pacific 250 miles west of Los Angeles today as rescue boats and helicopters sped to the scene.

A C130 aircraft circling above the stricken S.S. Connecticut reported the 676-foot ship's first deck-the well deck jammed with cargo fuel pipes—was awash.

There was no immediate word on the crewmen, said Coast Guard spokesmen coordinating the rescue operation here.

"Secondly, it is very imprudent to withdraw all U.S. combat troops while many U.S. logistical and support troops remain in Vietnam." To do this, Thieu said, would be running the risk of North Vietnamese and Viet Cong attacks on the logistical bases.

President Nixon already has withdrawn 60,000 American troops, both combat and support, and another 50,000 are scheduled to leave by April 15.

Two More Charged In Massacre

WASHINGTON (AP) — With four soldiers now charged, Army sources say it may take another three months to complete investigations of 22 other men suspected of involvement in the alleged massacre of Vietnamese civilians at My Lai.

Formal charges of premeditated murder were filed Thursday against Sgt. Charles E. Hutto, 21, of Tallulah, La., and Pvt. Gerald A. Smith, 22, of Chicago. Hutto also was accused of assault with intent to commit murder.

A sex crime angle entered the case for the first time as Hutto also was charged with rape and Smith with "indecent assault on

This will lower the authorized U.S. troop strength in Vietnam to 434,000.

Thieu said money and material aid are needed from the United States to raise the pay of the South Vietnamese armed forces and thus boost their morale.

"We have a plan," Thieu said. "We are working with the U.S. Embassy here and the U.S. Command. I cannot tell you the content of that plan. But I listed all of our needs, not only for military equipment, but also for funds and, more particularly, the material help to improve the condition of life of the Vietnamese soldiers and their families."

"As you know, we are in a difficult economic situation. The soldiers and their families have a very low salary. They cannot have an adequate condition of life. So that affects the morale of the troops in field."

Thieu added that his troops also "need time for training. We need time to provide leadership for new units. So, I repeat, the strengthening of Vietnamese forces and the replacement of U.S. forces can be done only in an orderly and gradual manner. I cannot disclose any specific numbers."

Riccardo, New Chrysler Chief, Faces Big Task



Nine of 12 Ishpeming-Negaunee white students who gathered in outer office of Dr. John X. Jamrich, NMU president, on Thursday are pictured above. They said they assembled there "to show the president we support his stand against the blacks." — (NMU photo)

Amnesty

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equally and fairly and if it appears that the system does not operate this way, the blacks have the right to present charges to the Commission on Human Rights.

While Jamrich was meeting with representatives of the black students with his statement, 12 NMU white students from the nearby Negaunee - Ishpeming area gathered in his outer office.

"We came here to show the president we support his actions against the blacks involved in the sit-in," said a spokesman for the group. "This is a spur of the moment thing for us, but believe me when I say there are many more with our same feelings.

"There's a 50-50 chance that something would be done by white students if the blacks who participated in the sit-in are not dealt with firmly."

The black students issued a separate statement earlier in the morning stating that "due to certain situations that have arisen as a result of events of Dec. 17, the black students of Northern have decided upon a general class strike lasting until the situation has been resolved and the harassment of the black students stopped."

About 100 of the 161 black students at Northern participated in a boycott of classes yesterday.

The 24 blacks will officially be charged on Monday with breaking university regulations and will be ordered to appear before the Faculty-Student Judiciary Committee later in the week.

Roy Stansbury:

Ishpeming Man Dies; Ill 6 Years

ISHPEMING — Roy Stansbury, 73, of 703 N. Pine St., died at 11:30 Thursday night in Bell Memorial Hospital, where he was a patient two weeks. He had been in ill health six years.

Mr. Stansbury was born July 6, 1896, in Ishpeming and resided here all his life. He was a member of Wesley United Methodist Church, the Masonic Lodge, Odd Fellows Lodge, Twin City Barracks of the Veterans of World War I, and the Ahmed Shrine Temple. He was a member of the Shrine's patrol for 27 years.

Mr. Stansbury was employed as office manager for Narotzkv