

Calm Restored To Campus Here After Sit-In By Black Students

Calm appeared to have settled over the campus of Northern Michigan University this morning after a sit-in by 35 members of the Black Students Association came to an end at 4 a.m. Thursday.

There were no apparent counter reactions to the demonstrations which were held in protest of the Student Judiciary Committee's finding against a black student, Charles Griffin, a senior from Grand Rapids, who had been accused of having a girl in his dormitory room after hours early in December. The committee recommended suspension for the remainder of the school year.

The decision was overturned by the higher-level Faculty-Student Judiciary Committee at 3:25 a.m. Thursday, bringing the sit-in to a close.

Three Steps Taken

During the course of the sit-in, Dr. Allan Niemi, university vice president for student affairs, reportedly was held captive in his office in Kaye Hall for 35 minutes. He said he was threatened by the students. The office was ransacked, windows were broken and office equip-

ment was damaged. Dr. John X. Jamrich, university president, said this morning the NMU administration is proceeding in three areas in the wake of the demonstration.

1. "We are going to seek repayment of the damages from the Black Student Association."

2. He has asked the dean of students to initiate an investigation into any infractions that may be identified and to submit findings to the proper groups for possible disciplinary action.

3. "Our attorneys have talked with the county prosecutor to look into the situation of the forced detention of Dr. Niemi."

Sherlyn Fleming, 21, Detroit, treasurer of the Black Student Association, denied that Niemi had been prevented from leaving the office. "Somehow he had gotten into the room," she said. "He was asked to sit down, but kept getting up and bothering us, so he was told to sit down." She said the office door was not locked, although there were students standing in the doorway.

Jamrich said he was twice forcibly prevented from entering the office while Niemi was inside.

The university president received support for his handling of the situation from the Executive Council of the Associated Students of NMU (ASNMU) and the Academic Senate of Northern, Thursday afternoon.

Harry Campbell, Grosse Pointe Farms senior who is president of the ASNMU, spoke for the student executive council in saying that "it is our opinion that President Jamrich handled the entire situation with the best interests of the university community in mind."

In Complete Agreement

"On three different occasions during the night, he conferred with both faculty and student leaders before formulating his decisions. In every case, we were in complete agreement with him."

"His stand on this issue was a strong one, for it is important to realize that this was not merely an incident involving an individual disciplinary hearing. Instead, the entire concept of student self-discipline and due process under law was on trial."

"If President Jamrich had chosen to take the easy way out, by personally interfering with the legitimate judicial process, all that we have struggled for in the past two years would have been erased in one, tense evening."

Academic Senate Resolution

"We feel that President Jamrich's decisions of last night were both proper and judicious and we offer him our total and unqualified support. Northern is exceedingly fortunate to have a president with such personal courage and foresight."

The Academic Senate unanimously passed the following resolution expressing its "strong support of President Jamrich's actions in the recent events involving the activities of the Black Students Association. In particular, (the Senate) commends the president for his dedication to the rational process in decision making which he demonstrated repeatedly by his determination to act only when he became fully aware of all the pertinent information."

"In addition, it is noteworthy that the president was scrupulously careful to act within the pre-determined procedures for resolving such issues. He avoided the strong pressure to intervene arbitrarily in a way which would have seriously impaired the future integrity of such pro-

cedures and instead used his good offices to hasten the effective working of due process."

'Imagination And Initiative'

"Finally, the president showed imagination and initiative in avoiding the indiscriminate use of police power and in seeking resolution through the court system and especially the instrument of an injunction."

"For these specific acts and for the president's general openness and sensitivity to the interests of the university and the broader community, the Academic Senate wishes to record its support and approval."

Students at Northern are now preparing for the Christmas holidays, which begin at noon Saturday. Over half of the students already have left for their homes.

Death Takes W. S. Talbot In Ishpeming

ISHPEMING — Wendell S. Talbot, 61, of 509 N. Second St., died this morning shortly after admittance to Bell Memorial Hospital.

He was born Feb. 15, 1908, in Ishpeming, and was a lifelong resident of the city. He was employed as a salesman and was a member of Grace Episcopal Church.

Surviving are a son, Jack of Seattle, Wash.; a brother, Albert of Marinette, Wis.; four sisters, Mrs. James (Maie) Johnson and Mrs. Warren (Eunice) Keto, Ishpeming, and Harold (Dorothy) Meyers and Mrs. Wilfred (Lillian) Morrison, both of Menominee; three grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Services will be announced later by Bjork & Zhulkie Funeral Home.

Six Drivers Given Tickets In City Mishaps; Year's Accident Total Reaches 999

Six drivers were ticketed and 14 vehicles damaged in eight Marquette accidents Thursday, city police reported today.

With these mishaps, the accident total for December rose to 64. To date this year, there have been 999 traffic mishaps in Marquette.

David A. Kendall, Dearborn, received a summons for violation of the basic speed law (driving too fast for conditions), after his car struck the rear of one ahead at 1:07 p.m. on Wright St., 75 feet west of County Road 550.

A ticket for having no proof of insurance went to Walter B. Rademacher, 1007 W. Bluff St., after his car hit a parked auto on Garfield Ave., 200 feet north of Washington St., at 4:05 p.m. **Wrecker Required**

James A. Provost, 1016 Pine St., was ticketed for violating the basic speed law (too fast), after his auto struck a car driven by Thomas E. Conrady Jr., 312 Summit St., on Washington

St., 300 feet east of Lincoln Ave., at 11:35 p.m. Conrady's auto had to be removed by a wrecker.

Daniel Makowski, 367 Gant Hall, Northern Michigan University, received a summons for violating the basic speed law (too fast), after his car hit another vehicle at the corner of Birch St. and Fair Ave. at 1:15 p.m.

A summons for failure to yield right-of-way went to Thomas Simula, 145 W. Superior St., Ishpeming, after his auto hit a second car in the intersection of Spring and Fifth Sts. at 6:46 p.m.

The sixth summons issued Thursday went to Joseph J. Erickson, Carlshend, ticketed for making an improper right turn (too wide), after his car hit another auto at the corner of Sixth and Washington Sts. at 7:10 p.m.

Two parked autos were damaged in the other two mishaps here Thursday.

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