

JUDICIARY COMMITTEE ACTS:

Four Black Students Found Not Guilty In Hearings On Sit-In

Four Northern Michigan University black students charged with breaking university regulations during the protest occupation of the office of the dean of students Dec. 17-18 were found not guilty Monday night by the Faculty-Student Judiciary Committee.

The four were the first of 21 to appear before the committee on charges filed by Dr. Allan L. Niemi, vice president of student affairs, last week.

Found not guilty before the committee composed of three students and three faculty members were Linda Martin, Chicago, Gary Bolden, Flint, and Joseph Davis and Michael Gaines, both of Detroit.

Testimony By McClellan

Davis testified that he was present after the usual 5 p.m. closing of the dean of students office, but contended that no one told him he had to leave. "I never heard anyone tell me to leave the offices," said

Davis. "I am sure that no one intimidated Dr. Niemi or threatened him while he was in the office."

Davis also called Dr. Robert McClellan, a history instructor at NMU, who testified that it was "his impression that President Jamrich was not against the black students waiting in the offices until an appeal decision was reached."

Rebuttal By Niemi

McClellan also said he told the black students they could stay because of the purported remarks of Jamrich.

When Niemi was asked by the committee if he told the students to leave the offices, he testified that he asked the student leaders "at least twice" to leave because it was not necessary to sit-in with the appeal taking place.

Davis was the only one of the four who acted as his own defense. The others were assisted by Vernon Smalls of Marquette, a black student leader on the campus.

Both Miss Martin and Bolden pleaded not guilty on the grounds that they were not present after the 5 p.m. closing and during the time of the property damage.

Contending that she was in a dormitory room during the late hours of the sit-in, Miss Martin said it would have been impossible for her to have done any of the \$268 in damage. She also produced a witness who testified she was in the dormitory.

Siting that he was attending the appeal hearing in another building during the damage and the alleged holding of Niemi, Bolden said he did not arrive at the occupied offices until after the sit-in was over and students were filing out of the building. He also produced three witnesses who verified his statement.

Presence Admitted
Gaines admitted he was present during the sit-in, but left

to attend the hearing before any of the damage or alleged holding of Niemi occurred.

Niemi testified he was certain that the four students were present in the offices during the 45 minutes he was being held. "I had nothing better to do than to look at faces during that time," he said. "I know these students were present during my retention."

Court Appearance

The findings of the committee were announced to the individual students at 11 a.m. today by Lowell Kafer, dean of students.

In another development related to the sit-in, six black students were scheduled to appear in Marquette District Court today on a charge of creating a disturbance, a misdemeanor punishable by up to 90 days in jail or a \$100 fine or both.

The warrants were signed by Marquette Police Det. Marvin Gauthier and issued Monday night. The charge stemmed from the students' participation in the sit-in and came after a lengthy investigation by the police department.

Those being charged are Smalls; Patrick Williams, Saginaw; David Williams, Detroit; Christopher Poole, Clarkston; Loren Lobban, New Rochelle, N. Y., and Phillip Harper, Inkster.

They will appear before Judge George E. Hill.

The protest grew out of charges that a black student was seen with a woman in his dormitory room after hours in violation of university rules. He was found guilty of the charge by a student committee but was later adjudged not guilty by the faculty-student judiciary.

Six Pay \$303 Total In Court

Six persons were assessed a total of \$303 in fines and costs on assorted charges and two were given jail terms when they appeared before Judge George E. Hill in Marquette District Court.

John T. Mayo, 26, of Baraga, was assessed \$75 fine and \$25 costs for driving under the influence of liquor. Originally charged with driving under the influence of liquor, Charles V. Wall, 34, of K. I. Sawyer Air Force Base, paid \$50 fine and \$25 costs on the charge of driv-

ing with impaired ability.

Robert A. Belmore, 20, of 140 N. Fifth St., Marquette, was assessed \$25 fine and \$15 costs and given a four-day jail term for driving while his license was suspended. He also paid \$10 fine and \$9 costs on a speeding charge.

In a trial by court, Ronald P. Smith, 36, of 502 N. Front St., Marquette, was found guilty of failure to stop in an assured clear distance. He paid \$10 fine and \$9 costs.

Robert Mouzon, 135 Gries Hall, Northern Michigan University, was given a four-day jail term on simple assault charge. Rosalie Carlton, 48, of 229 N. Fourth Street, paid \$11 fine and \$14 costs for simple larceny.

Christine Kempa, 23, Menominee, was assessed \$25 fine and costs on a careless driving charge.

Police Blame Parents For Teenage Behavior

SOUTHFIELD (AP) — Parents are responsible for recent disturbances by teen-agers at Northland and the Southfield Northland Shopping Center, a

A. A. Anderson:

Rock River School Bus Driver Dies

CHATHAM — August A. Anderson, 64, died suddenly Monday at 5:30 a.m. after entering Munising Memorial Hospital. He was born May 19, 1905, in

Negaunee and had been a resident of Chatham since 1907. Mr. Anderson was a retired farmer and, since 1934, was a school bus driver for Rock River Township.

Surviving are three brothers, John of Florida, William of Dearborn and Alphonse of Clawson, and five sisters, Mrs.

Gabe Broome of Florida, Mrs. Albert Johnson of Chatham, Mrs. Martha Parsons of Southfield, Mrs. Woodrow Anderson of Eben and Mrs. Marlin Anderson of West Branch.

The body is in Boverman-Hullifax Funeral Home, Munising. Arrangements for services are incomplete.


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