Furor Over Job Corps At NMU Premature: Jamrich

The news over the retention of the Women's College at Michigan University is premature, NMU President John X. Jamrich said today.

"The decision to renew or cancel the contract in June with the Office of Economic Opportunity will be made by Northern's Board of Control in several months following a recommendation," Dr. Jamrich stated.

In his statement, which comes on the heels of a recommendation from NMU's Faculty Senate that the Job Corps Center be removed from campus, Jamrich pointed out that he has asked other groups for similar recommendations.

No Racial Overtones

"I vigorously take issue with any implications that the Faculty Senate recommendation or the action of the Office of Economic Opportunity during the past several months regarding black students on the Job Corps at NMU have racial overtones," Jamrich said.

"These students are not in the best interests of the university or the Job Corps program. Our judgement and decision will be made on as factual a basis as we can have."

The NMU president noted that the decision on the recommendation was made several weeks ago, but had to be moved, and therefore is not "in any way related to or connected with the sit-in" last Monday night by a member of the Black Students Association.

Cultural Issue

"It should be emphasized that this is not the cultural problem described in its recommendation to be due to the cultural overtones of the program and some programs, not to be called color," Jamrich stated.

Early in November, Jamrich said, Jamrich called for a meeting and recommendations from several campus groups regarding the continuance of the Job Corps on the NMU campus. At that time, I asked the Faculty Senate to provide me with one such evaluation," Jamrich said.

Conclusions and recommendations of the Faculty Senate were contained in the letter to Dr. Jamrich, Jamrich said it is "important to point out" that their is just one of several recommendations and that their evaluation carries itself with the effect of the Job Corps program on the campus.

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Dr. Jamrich said the Senate also made a final decision regarding the continuation of the Job Corps program, Jamrich pointed out.

Congressman Diggs Steps Into Job Corps Controversy At NMU

DETROIT (AP) - Rep. Charles C. Diggs Jr., D-Mich., has moved to prevent a controversy that threatens eviction of a nearly all-Negro Workers College from the Northern Michigan University campus.

The congressman moved today to prevent the eviction of the college's Job Corps trainees after he was surprised by the sudden extension of a basketball game by setting down on the court and refusing to move.

Diggs said he had asked con...