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 quest 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.

A request for the amnesty was presented to Jamrich Thursday by David Williams, Detroit, a black student who served as an administrator [administer] to the university’s Human Rights Commission at the sit-in.

Accompanying the request was a list of 24 black students who, Jamrich said, were preparing to participate in the sit-in.

University officials indicated that formal charges would be made against at least 21 of the 24 members of the Black Student Association who participated in the sit-in, resulting in damages and an alleged holding of a university vice president. The charges are expected to be filed for at least 40 minutes.

In presenting the list of names, the black student leaders charged that charges, if made, would be based against all students present, rather than just a few.

A request for the amnesty was presented to Jamrich by the Associated Students of Northern Michigan University, the students’ representative body, on Feb. 5.

After receiving the request, Jamrich met with representatives of the Associated Students at the Associated Students of Northern Michigan University office for two hours before agreeing to talk with the blacks.

Your letter was carefully considered by my staff,” said Jamrich in a statement to the black students. “A request for leniency with reference to the alleged university rule violations must be considered carefully.

The request for such leniency is inappropriate.”

The effects which you seek may well be obtained through existing judicial processes and within the provisions for final appeals. Any request for such leniency has not been approved by this University.

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"Essentially, your request is for me to interrupt the duly established judicial process for dealing with conduct like that seen this time. It seems to me inadvisable to do that at this time." Jamrich also added that he felt the university has sought a system which will treat all students equitably.

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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." While the Appalachia Regional Commission's income remains well below that of other American towns, its participants have been active in the region's development.

Half a decade after the Appalachia Regional Commission, "it's time for the average Appalachian mountaineer's income to rise," he said.

"As a result of the efforts of the ACR, we now have 60,000 American officials that have been appointed 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 290 miles west of Los Angeles today as rescue boats and helicopters sped to the scene.

Two More Charged In Massacre

WASHINGTON (AP) — A Los Angeles county judge has charged another two men in the 1970 murder of a group of four U.S. soldiers. The men were charged with murder; the first two men were charged with murder and possession of a firearm.

Riccardo, New Chrysler Chief. Faces Big Task

Michigan's frigid weather is here to stay through next Wednesday, the National Weather Bureau reports today on the heels of another snowfall and widespread cold. Temperatures are predicted to remain below freezing.

A 15-hour low was reported in Jackson, 4 degrees below zero, and in St. Ignace, 6 degrees below in Detroit and Lansing and 10 degrees below in Flint and Port Huron. The temperature at any place is expected to remain below zero for at least another 15 hours.

Wind-chill freezes plunged many north-south streets in Wayne County, in the southeastern corner of the state, and schools were closed today in eight districts in the county and in the Adjacent district, which also includes some of Washtenaw County.

"We have a plan," Thieu said. "We are working with the U.S. Command here and the U.S. forces, and we must keep our troops in the South Vietnamese Army force."
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ercairly 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 Shrine Temple. He was also a member of the Shrine's patrol for 27 years.

Mr. Stansbury was employed as office manager for Narotzky