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ROTC cancels review

By Rich Bergeman
News Editor

In light of the recent disturbances on campuses across the nation, President William T. Jerome III has agreed to the cancellation of Tuesday's annual ROTC President's Review.

The decision to cancel the review was made Friday on the recommendation of the chairmen of the departments of aerospace studies and military science.

Col. Alfred W. Kirchner, commander of Army ROTC here, said the recommendation to the President was made because he did not want the review to present any possibilities of trouble.

"We just thought it would be in the best interest of the University because of the events on campuses in the past few weeks," Col. Kirchner said.

Dr. James Bond, vice president of student affairs, said the University wanted to emphasize that the action was taken "in consideration of and not because of the demonstrations which have rocked campuses across the nation and forced many to close down."

President Jerome said the decision was not necessarily his own, but that of the Army and Air Force ROTC commanders.

"My not vetoing it shows my concurrence with their decision," he said.

Both students and those outside the university are generally unaware of how BGSU is really

run, he explained, adding that most academic decisions come from persons directly involved.

"I'm simply the last hurdle to cross," he said.

The President was called back from Columbus Friday by Vice President of Academic Affairs Stanley Coffman, and informed of the possibility of cancelling the review.

He was told that several student leaders were concerned that the review might be made into an issue because of the two black students killed at Jackson State.

President Jerome said, although he feels ROTC is a worthwhile program, he does recognize and sympathize with the feelings of students who are upset over the events of Jackson.

It would be wrong to expose "such a fine program" to this kind of protest, he added, which would not really be against the review or the University, but against the political process of this country as a whole.

He said he can understand how this political system frustrates many concerned students.

The president also hoped the "piling of tragedy upon tragedy" would not be so much of an emotional crisis that the killing of the two black students at Jackson State would be pushed into the background.

If that happens, he said, the black students here would feel justified in their indignation toward the students at Bowling



PRESIDENT WILLIAM T. JEROME III addresses Friday night's rally in front of Williams Hall where he informed students of the cancellation of the annual President's ROTC

Review. He told the audience that the action was taken "in consideration of, not because of recent events."

Green.

The annual ROTC review, which has prompted anti-ROTC and peace demonstrations for the last three years, is held to honor Army and Air Force Cadets.

Dr. Karl E. Vogt, dean of the College of Business Administration, of which the ROTC programs are a part, said the review would be replaced by private recognition ceremonies for

the cadets who have distinguished themselves.

The time of these ceremonies will be announced later, he explained.



120 BLACK STUDENTS march silently around campus Friday afternoon in a silent vigil for the Jackson State dead. The marchers started at the Administration Bldg and made a

complete circuit of the University before dispersing near Sorority Row.

-Newsphoto by Larry Fullerton

EDITORIALS

forget violence

The incidents surrounding last Friday's senseless and tragic slayings of two Jackson State students are all too familiar.

Once again, law officers fired into an unarmed crowd. Once again, it was reported that students had been throwing bricks and bottles. And students have denied that there was a sniper shot before the police opened fire.

The Jackson State tragedy has touched off a barrage of campus demonstrations similar to those evoked by the Kent shootings. But the atmosphere is different. The attitudes have changed. And the energy has waned.

The cause of the seemingly decreased student concern is not apathy or racism as may be charged.

Some have just resigned themselves to a sense of futility. After all that happened at Kent, and the efforts of students, administrators and officials to prevent such further tragedies, it is no wonder if a feeling of helplessness prevails.

Other students have decided that more militant tactics are necessary to communicate their horror and disgust at campus deaths.

Neither resignation nor violence is the answer.

Even though student demonstrations following the Kent incident did not prevent the Jackson shootings, they were not entirely fruitless. Demands were realized and opinions were voiced.

Only through united, nonviolent protest can students effect a change. Not much was accomplished at the universities that had to be shut down because of violence and destruction. Their actions did nothing to prevent the Jackson shootings, either.

vote of confidence

Dr. Stanley Coffman, vice president of academic affairs, has done the University an inestimable service through his unflagging support of the New University.

Here is an administrator, and an educator, who is willing to give students the chance they've so long sought here to develop curriculum they feel is relevant to their own educations.

Dr. Coffman has issued several recent administrative memos to faculty members asking them to relax their present course requirements, to support a student's interest in the New University, and to offer the hope that in the long run our academic standards here may be solidified through this experimental program.

With men such as Dr. Coffman placing their confidence in this program, and loaning support to its function, the New University cannot help but to prosper.

The University owes Dr. Coffman, and those here with the same open mind, a sincere vote of thanks.

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A LONE COED walks past a wall of Ohio National Guardsmen as they cordon off the Ohio University campus from downtown Athens Friday. Earlier in the day, O.U. President Claude Sowle shut the University down after police and demonstrators became the sixth university of student unrest.

O.U. closes; 3 to r

By the Associated Press

Silence was the keynote on college campuses across Ohio this weekend as most schools found themselves somewhere between conditions of crisis and calm.

Ohio University in Athens, closed Friday morning after student clashes with city and campus police the night before, was virtually deserted Saturday afternoon, the deadline for student evacuation of the campus.

The Ohio Adjutant General's office said 1,000 of the 1,500 guardsmen called into Athens to handle the disturbances would be released by late Saturday, barring renewed violence.

The remainder, the spokesman said, were scheduled for release yesterday.

Claude R. Sowle, president of the

university, said officials of the institution would devote much of the summer to study responses to campus disorders.

Sowle said future campus restrictions would be required to prevent continuing disruption.

He denied charges by certain student groups that the administration at Ohio University had failed to hear them, and

Sowle indicated the closing of the university had demonstrated what 100 to 200 determined students can do.

The school will remain closed until the start of summer quarter June 22. Kent State University, shut down following the deaths of four students May 4, will reopen the same day.

Sowle said students would be notified by letter of options worked out for grades and credits in course work done spring term.

Elsewhere, Miami University, the University of Cincinnati and Ashland College, all shut for one week, made final preparations for their Monday openings. Ohio State University will resume full academic schedules tomorrow.

At Ohio State, selected students began their return to campus Friday without incident.

Security measures were strictly observed as faculty and staff members carefully checked the identification of each person entering university buildings.

A university spokesman said tight security would continue tomorrow when the full 45,000 students were to return to the campus.

Meanwhile, faculty members at

'Hope you guys don't have any trouble ...'

By Jim Marino
Contributing Editor

"Hey! You fellas expecting any trouble up here?" asked Scott Fields, a pitcher for the Ohio University baseball team.

He was speaking from the OU bus which brought his team here from Athens for a three-game series with BG which began Friday.

"I mean, anybody talking up violence?" he asked.

A passer-by said he wasn't expecting trouble.

"Well, that's what we thought, too," Fields said. "But we got a lot of kids at Ohio U. from other campuses that were closed who stirred things up," he said.

Fields' campus had closed as of 3:30 a.m. Friday after the second continuous night of disorders there.

"I hear Logan's Book Store in Athens got hit again," Fields said.

"That place always seems to be in the heart of the trouble." Fields and the rest of the OU team were given until Sunday to get back to their campus and pack up for home.

"We're supposed to get some information in the mail as to how we can complete our present courses," he was saying.

"I think we're expected back for the start of the summer session, sometime in June."

The bus driver beeped the horn to signal he was pulling out, presumably to take the OU team somewhere to bed down for the night before Saturday's doubleheader.

Fields said, "I sure hope you fellas don't have any trouble here."

He was answered with the one word "Peace" and its symbol as the bus rolled away from the Union.

Parents say New U. threatening--Jerome

By Daneene Fry

Many persons outside the University feel threatened by the establishment of the New University and the recent teach-ins on campus, according to President William T. Jerome, III.

"I've never seen such polarization from the outside, from parents," President Jerome told a crowd of 750 students gathered near the steps of Williams Hall early Friday evening.

"It's amazing how many people feel threatened by your wanting to organize your ideas," he said. "We are, you are, making a mark in the world today."

President Jerome commended the students on their efforts to demonstrate their concern over the events of the last two weeks in a non-violent manner, and on their commitments to keep the University open in the face of so many that have been closed because of violence.

"The University is being heard and making a major contribution at making some of the adults in this world realize the depth, the extent of your positions," said Dr. Jerome.

Dr. Jerome said the size of the crowd gathered Friday evening was a significant one, and that he and a number of vice presidents "came to express, by our presence, our deep concern over the events at Jackson State College."

"One tragedy on top of another leaves us drained," said Dr. Jerome in reference to the deaths of the two black students at Jackson State, and the four students killed at Kent State University two weeks ago.

Robert Horne, a spokesman for BSU, explained the series of events which led to the shooting of the two black students Friday morning.

According to Horne, the campus had suffered disturbances since the Kent State shootings, but individual campus problems and rumors resulted in the Friday tragedy.

One Negro coed blasted the University student body for its lack of support at the rally for the two

black students. "This must truly be some kind of a racist institution," she said, "because not even half the people are here that were here last week."

"We are demanding that police on this campus put their guns away to avoid a similar thing happening here," she said. "We in the black community will take whatever steps necessary to protect and defend ourselves."

James Holder, instructor in history, urged students to avoid violence, and seek, instead, unity to accomplish their goals.

"Only the people's minds that are twisted by hate talk with bullets," said Holder. "There's only one way to win--that's by unity."

At noon Friday, 1500 students

gathered in response to the Jackson State tragedy.

An associate of Michael Cross, deputy minister of defense of the Toledo Black Panther chapter, told students "the time to talk is over and it's time to pick up your guns."

"Although we have learned it is wrong to pick up a gun, we have to do something," Cross said later. "We have to have a mass of people first before taking action, and then you have to offer a consequence."

He said the students at Jackson State had offered "a consequence" and as a result, two students died.

"Ohio has enough money to support 2,000 national guardsmen for only three more days," said Cross. He urged University students to "make them use that money here."

An aide to Governor James A. Rhodes later denied the Black Panther claims.

Students were asked to assemble Sunday at 9:30 a.m. on inner campus to march silently to their respective churches in honor of the Jackson State students.

A memorial service for the two blacks is scheduled for today.

Following the noon rally, 120 black students began a memorial march throughout campus. The marchers assembled in front of the Administration Building to hold a prayer service to honor the two blacks at Jackson State.

University students are urged to carry proper identification during these troubled times, according to Dr. James G. Bond, vice president of student affairs.

Kurfess praises students

By Jim Marino
Contributing Editor

Charles Kurfess, speaker of the Ohio House of Representatives, was one of the crowd listening to President William T. Jerome III's comments over the microphone from the steps of Williams Hall Friday.

He turned to Paul Moyer, University treasurer, and said, "Well, I guess Toledo University and BG are the only two state universities, now, that haven't had to close up."

A listening student said, "That distinguishes us pretty well, doesn't it?"

"It doesn't do any of you any harm," the Speaker replied.

Mr. Kurfess and a group of legislators from across Ohio had been on campus the previous day, discussing campus unrest with administrators here.

"I think we're all a little better informed than we were before," Mr. Kurfess said.

He was proud University students here had kept their "cool."

"I'm equally anxious to meet with concerned students and

student leaders from this campus who want to tell me what they're thinking," the Speaker said.

"I want to help any way that I can, at any time."

Mr. Kurfess has a law office in

Bowling Green and reportedly will be in town for several days before returning to the business of the State House.

"I hope to hear from the students," he said.

A reminder . . .

(Editor's note--During the past few turbulent weeks, students at Bowling Green have demonstrated a strong desire to keep the University open, and solve their problems through peaceful channels. The following acts are defined as misconduct by the University Code, and pertain to all students, faculty, staff, and visitors. They are printed here at the request of Dr. James G. Bond, vice president of student affairs.)

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13. Violation of municipal, state or federal law on University premises or in residence halls.

Associated Press Wirephoto
battled in the streets. O.U. close its doors in the wake

open

The Columbus school presented a petition to the chairman of the faculty advisory council asking that all persons who engage in disruptive demonstrations or create disturbances be kept off campus.

The petition asked that action be taken to assure the preservation of the rights of those at the university who wish to pursue academic programs.

Senate support growing to cut off war spending

WASHINGTON (AP)- Senate advocates of legislation to cut off spending for U.S. military operations in Cambodia now appear to have the votes to pass it in defiance of the White House.

But their voting strength could be diluted if Republican leaders and the administration succeed in fashioning an alternative acceptable to President Nixon.

An Associated Press survey of the Senate showed 45 senators now favor the appropriations cutoff, and five more are leaning toward support.

Thirty-four senators are lined up in opposition to the measure; 16 are uncommitted.

That lineup is based on an AP poll and on the public declarations of senators on the appropriations cutoff sponsored by Sens. Frank Church, D-Idaho, and John Sherman Cooper, R-Ky.

At least two senators are certain to be absent when voting begins, probably next week. Sen. Thomas J. Dodd, D-Conn., and Sen. Karl E. Mundt, R-S.D., both are hospitalized. That means a maximum of 98 votes, with 50 votes sufficient for passage.

Senate Democratic Leader Mike Mansfield said Saturday he is confident supporters have the votes they need.

But Sen. Hugh Scott, the Republican leader, said neither side has 50 votes. He said 12 to 15 undecided senators hold the balance of decision.

The White House has declared its flat opposition to legislation the administration insists would infringe upon President Nixon's constitutional powers as commander in chief.

Mansfield said he sees no chance of compromise on the issue. "Frankly, I don't think the

amendment is strong enough," he said. "But it's a good start."

The amendment, attached by the Senate Foreign Relations Committee to a bill authorizing military sales abroad, would prohibit the use of appropriations for the purpose of "retaining United States forces in Cambodia."

Nixon has pledged the withdrawal of U.S. forces by June 30, and sponsors of the amendment--now 32 strong--said their measure could not take effect before that time.

Scott called another conference of Republican leaders Tuesday in his effort to work out an alternative acceptable to the administration.

The Scott formula would have the Senate declare its opposition to a wider war in Indochina, but would permit Nixon to waive the appropriations cutoff if he deemed that necessary for the protection of U.S. troops.

Jackson shootings spur probes

By the Associated Press

Officials yesterday continued to try to piece together information surrounding the fatal shooting deaths of two black youths at Jackson State College.

The youths were gunned down Friday by police who fired into a

crowd in front of a campus dormitory. Officers said there was "some evidence of sniper fire." Nine other blacks were wounded in the 25-second barrage of gunfire.

The shootings followed the second consecutive night of disturbances at the predominately black school in Jackson, Miss.

City police and state troopers had gone to the Jackson State campus to investigate complaints by motorists that rocks had been thrown at their cars. Students contended the rocks were thrown by non-students.

Witnesses at the scene said the policemen opened fire on a crowd

of men gathered in front of a women's dormitory after hearing a sound resembling a shot or a firecracker.

Gunfire swept across the front of the building, smashing windows as the crowd hit the ground or tried to seek refuge.

Immediately after the shootings, National Guardsmen in armored personnel carriers moved to the scene "to keep the peace." They were under orders not to fire, officials reported.

Attorney General John Mitchell dispatched government investigators to Jackson soon after the shootings to determine whether federal laws were violated in the shootings.

"Whenever there are deaths or serious injuries resulting from

confrontations between police and citizens, we intend to determine the facts and take whatever action should be taken by the federal government," Mitchell said.

Jackson Mayor Russell Davis announced Saturday that 20 police officers involved in the incident agreed to testify before a bi-racial committee investigating the shootings. The 20 had balked earlier at testifying, but agreed to speak, Davis said, when told the panel had no legal power.

President Nixon, at the Florida White House, said he and Mrs. Nixon were "deeply saddened" by the deaths of the two boys. He said the deaths make it urgent for every American to make greater efforts "toward understanding, restraint and compassion."



A TOLEDO BLACK PANTHER addresses the Friday afternoon rally on the steps of Williams Hall. The rally, held in memorial of the

Jackson State killings, was attended by approximately 1,500 persons.

-Newspaper photo by Phil Haller

Resolution backs New University

The Executive Committee of the College of Business Administration unanimously passed a resolution Thursday which urges the college's faculty to increase their involvement in "today's questions and problems."

The resolution states: "Because of the gravity and importance of the current events in the total education of students, the Executive Committee of the College of Business Administration recommends that each individual

faculty member of the college make it his personal responsibility to become involved in today's questions and problems, both in the classroom and outside the classroom, and that this be done within the remaining weeks of the quarter."

"We wanted to encourage faculty involvement in the New University, both directly and indirectly," said Dr. Karl Rahdert, chairman of the college executive committee.

In letter to teaching faculty

Coffman supports New U.

By Steve Brash and Terry Cochran

Dr. Stanley K. Coffman, vice president of academic affairs, has sent a memorandum to all teaching faculty explaining the administration's support of the New University.

In the memo, Coffman said that it is important for classes to continue and for students to have the choice of which grading system they want.

It also states:

"The option itself guarantees some relief, even if course requirements are strictly adhered to in determining what constitutes an S grade. It does not, though, guarantee enough relief to give the kind of positive and sympathetic support which in my opinion the responsible leadership of the project deserves."

In explaining the memo, Dr. Coffman said, "We want to make sure that the faculty realizes that we in the administration are supporting the New University."

He continued, "We haven't and don't want to become involved in specific cases of faculty members changing course requirements."

Coffman emphasized that the faculty has the right to decide individually what will constitute satisfactory performance and what will not.

The memorandum continues: "...Then it appeared that difficulties for the university were being generated by faculty members who wished to substitute the new for the old university. Now

it appears that difficulties are coming from the opposite direction, and that chances of success for the student project may be threatened at the outset by rigid adherence to the letter of the law, undoubtedly in the name of academic standards. In the longer run, our standards may be more meaningful if in the short run we do not hold grimly to all requirements, in order to give responsible student leadership an opportunity to show what it can do in a continuation of what it has done so far."

Dr. Coffman said he was not sure what the reaction and effect of the memorandum would be.

"Those who are going to insist on the letter of the law will not be greatly affected, nor will those who have thrown full support to the New University," he said.

He added that he has received little feedback from faculty members thus far, but a sampling by News reporters brought forth a variety of comments.

Dr. Archie Jones, newly elected chairman of Faculty Senate, stated, "Any bill passed by a lawmaking body is subject to various interpretations. Faculty Senate does have the power of stating grade options, but cannot dictate how a class is to be run or determine exactly what academic load must be completed."

Dr. Jones further commented that he is personally in full support of Dr. Coffman's memorandum, though he cannot predict how the rest of the faculty might react to it.

"Faculty Senate has already indicated its favor by implementing the rule," said Jones. "Hopefully the students and

faculty will carry it forward in their independent interpretations, both in letter and in spirit."

Vice-chairman of Faculty Senate, Dr. Allen N. Kepke, added that members of the Senate were under considerable pressure and had a limited amount of time in which to produce the bill. He feels the bill is fairly appropriate despite its openness to varying interpretations.

A sampling of department chairmen shows that, generally, the decisions affecting the implementation of the S-U grading system have been left up to the individual professor. Also, no underlying attitude is evident among the instructors.

Dr. W.H. Hall, chairman of the chemistry department, stated, "Our faculty members cover a wide spectrum of ideas. I feel the typical member of our department, however, is conducting his course just as he announced at the beginning of the year, with the addition of the S-U grading system."

"Since most instructors are training students for eventual professions, most are covering their regular work plans," he added. "Although some professors are conducting classes differently."

Dr. Richard H. Lineback, chairman of the philosophy department, feels that his department as a whole is overwhelmingly in favor of the New University. He thinks philosophy can easily be related to the body of the newly composed courses.



Dr. Stanley Coffman

Dr. Lineback added that many members of the department have reduced academic requirements, some more than others.

"I cannot say for sure exactly what the policies of my faculty members have been concerning the New University," said Dr. F. Lee Miesle, chairman of the speech department. "However, I have not heard of any complaints within our department which has not been carried out to the student's satisfaction."

Dr. Miesle added that he has sent memos to each member of his staff stating his full support of Dr. Coffman's letter, and urging faculty members to act as individuals.

According to Dr. Mars D. Mabry, chairman of the economics department, most members of that department have adopted the strict interpretation of the Faculty Senate's bill. The S-U grading system option has been entirely up to the student, and no additional work has been added.

Today's special

Today's BG News is a special edition, compiled throughout the weekend by regular members of The News staff.

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