

Classes Cancelled for Cambodian Discussion; New Mobe Calls for Capital Rally Saturday

Univ.'s Role

Under Dispute

By EMIL PAVLOVIC'S

In a day of discussions yesterday, administrators and strike committee representatives failed to agree on the role of the University in what many students see as a period of national "crisis" stemming from the Cambodian invasion.

The students urged relief from academic burdens, including final examinations, so that they would be free to work for a resolution of the "crisis," and sought a University declaration of sympathy for their efforts in the weeks ahead.

Last night, administrators presented strike committee representatives with a joint statement which outlined in part the University's dual "obligations to allow all students to complete their academic year in an orderly manner" and "to allow any student to take full advantage of the existing flexibilities in the completion of course requirements."

Students rejected the statement and submitted one of their own which contained a preamble more in line with their position on the "crisis."

Administrators are scheduled to meet at 8:30 a.m. this morning to discuss revising their statement. A strike committee meeting is set for 10 a.m. in Levering Great Hall.

Also yesterday many students and faculty announced plans to move today's 11:30 a.m. convocation onto Charles Street at noon. At press time, negotiations aimed at getting police cooperation were in progress.

Positive Action

The convocation will address itself to "positive action to get us out of Vietnam and Cambodia, and to keep us out of places and entanglements like that," explained Martin Hickey, one of the convocation organizers.

Invitations to speak were extended to both of Maryland's Senators, Charles "Mac" Mathias and Joseph D. Tydings. Tydings, up for re-election this year, was unable to attend due to previous campaign commitments.

Mathias was able to give only a tentative acceptance, since he was uncertain at what time certain key anti-war legislation that he was sponsoring would reach the Senate floor.



Republican Senator from Maryland, Charles "Mac" Mathias, tentatively scheduled to speak today, pending the timing on a key anti-war bill which he is sponsoring in the Senate.

Also contacted were all eight of Maryland's congressman. At press time, the organizers hadn't received replies from any of the eight.

Definitely scheduled to speak are Dr. Wickwire, University Chaplain, Frank Rourke, chairman of the Political Science Department and Richard Pfeffer, Assistant Professor of Political Science. Those from outside the University include Parren Mitchell, Professor of Sociology at Morgan State, Ed Cox of GI's United and Maclyn McCarty, member of the Maryland House of Delegates.

No Official Closing

President Lincoln Gordon indicated Monday afternoon that there is to be no official closing of the University on Wednesday. The faculty statement, he pointed out, was directed to other faculty members urging them to suspend classes and was not addressed to his office or to the Board of Trustees. Hence, the administrative business of the University will carry on as usual. Gordon said he would attend the convocation.

Also on Monday afternoon, Gordon cosigned a letter to President Nixon, which spoke of the "extraordinarily severe and widespread apprehensions" on college campuses as a result of "the American invasion of Cambodia and the renewed bombing of North Vietnam."

"We implore you," the letter continued, "to consider the incalculable dangers of an unprecedented alienation of America's youth and to take immediate action to demonstrate unequivocally your determination to end the war quickly." It concluded: "We urgently request the opportunity to discuss these problems with you directly."

Some of the others who have agreed to back the statement include the Presidents of Princeton, Columbia, Swarthmore, Haverford and New York University.

President Gordon, in expressing his personal feelings, stated that he was "quite surprised by it (the invasion of Cambodia)," and expressed "gravest doubts that it (the invasion) will do what it was announced as intending to do." He added, "I am very skeptical that this will accelerate the American withdrawal from Vietnam as claimed."

Faculty Deliberations

Professor Pfeffer originally proposed that classes be cancelled and that an "educational convocation" be held on the day selected. He recommended this action at a special meeting of the general faculty assembly last Saturday called to consider governance.

Leon Gleser, Associate Professor of Statistics, suggested a form for the convocation which was eventually approved by the faculty.

This amendment was further amended so that the day to protest the Cambodian War would be a weekday, but the classes would be made up on the weekend or at the arrangement of the professor and his class.

Both of these amendments were defeated by the faculty, however, which then proceeded to pass by a 55 to 27 vote the original motion by Pfeffer as clarified by Gleser and other members of the faculty.

The final form of the motion read that "The General Faculty Assembly urges the faculty" to suspend classes on a day to be specified later, as soon as it was determined what day would be most convenient for the Senators and Congressmen.

Defeated was a motion to request the trustees to shut down the University. The faculty generally expressed the opinion that this was unnecessary and was possibly overstepping the authority of the general faculty assembly.

War Protests

Hit Country

By MICHAEL HILL

The New Mobe has called for a mass demonstration in Washington Saturday to climax more than a week of mounting protests over President Nixon's decision to send troops into Cambodia.

At press time, plans for the rally were still sketchy, with the organizers calling for the demonstrators to meet at the White House at noon. The protest will have no permits, although New Mobe officials have been in touch with Washington police.

Tentative plans for Saturday call for staging the demonstration in the 15th to 17th St. area, one to three blocks from the White House. It is not known whether the group, whose size is predicted to be anywhere from ten to fifty thousand, will try to move into Lafayette Park in front of the White House or onto the Ellipse behind the President's mansion.

Baltimore Rally

At noon on Friday there will be a rally at Federal Plaza in downtown Baltimore. Plans call for disrupting traffic after the gathering.

Also, a march from War Memorial Park to Federal Plaza will begin at 3 p.m. Friday.

In addition to the New Mobe's action, colleges around the country have called for strikes to protest the widening of the war. Princeton, University of Pennsylvania and Sarah Lawrence had moved to strike last Sunday. At Columbia, an administration-supported strike and war discussion took place on Monday, featuring an address by University President Andrew Cordier.

Schools on strike yesterday included Goucher, Wellesley and the University of Maryland. At Maryland, disorders have been taking place since last Thursday, after President Nixon's speech on Cambodia increased support for an anti-ROTC drive on campus.

On Monday night, an 8:30 p.m. curfew was clamped down on the College Park campus, enforced by the 600 National Guard troops called up to deal with the situation. The curfew, and a declaration of state martial law, followed a day of demonstrations which blocked highway US 1.

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The War

Tragedy has struck so often in the past week. The actions which resulted in Monday's deaths at Kent State were vivid, chilling examples of the inner torture that has engulfed our nation since American troops invaded Cambodia last week. The four students are the first victims of the government's blindness and blood lust in beginning the Cambodian War. They will live as testimony of the brutality that has overcome the United States.

President Nixon and his generals have elected to ignore overwhelming public sentiment to end the war in favor of developing their own fantasy world. To Nixon, ending the war means beating the hell out of the enemy. We have listened too long to the endless procession of inane and insane arguments for our rising involvement in Indo-China.

Nixon's response to Monday's death is enlightening: he expressed his sympathy but made it clear that such tragedies will become more common if people do not buckle under his decrees. This time, however, people are going to fight Mr. Nixon, and fight him until the war ends.

Hopkins has begun to do its share. The faculty called off today's classes to discuss and protest Cambodia, while President Gordon endorsed a telegram denouncing Nixon's new decisions. Both actions should be applauded, but they are not enough.

Students should be granted a free "pass" in their courses. To penalize students academically for working to end the Cambodian War is unjust and shortsighted. We also urge that the University take steps for a one-day strike this week in protest of Nixon's policies.

Today the war will be brought outside the campus as students and faculty block Charles Street. Such disruptive measures are necessary to exert pressure on the government and to illustrate to the uncommitted our adamancy to stop the war.

But to exert real force, we must go to the source of the crisis—the White House. So far, Nixon has remained secure in Washington ever confident of his silent majority. We'll walk on the White House Saturday to show him he might be the first President after all to lose a war—a domestic war.

America is now in one of her greatest internal convulsions. Students, faculty, administrators and those outside the academic community must ban together. At stake is America's body and soul; all we stand for or envision.

The fight begins this morning.

Students battled police well into the night, driving the troopers back by returning their tear gas shells, until the Guard moved onto campus to enforce the curfew. The administration had previously announced the suspension of Tuesday's classes to allow students and faculty to participate in a one-day protest.

Over 200 were arrested during Monday's disorders. All was peaceful yesterday as several hundred students listened to anti-war speakers.

At Goucher, some 800 students and faculty voted two-to-one at a Monday afternoon meeting to suspend Tuesday's classes. The actual suspension of classes is still left up to the individual faculty member as the vote is not binding. Goucher students are also expected to take advantage of Wednesday's normal absence of classes to support the Hopkins' convocation.

Berkeley, where war protesters started a 10-day fast yesterday, plans to join Hop-

kins in suspending classes on Wednesday and holding a similar convocation. Strike leaders there plan to have a large number of draft cards turned in at the rally. It is hoped that this will be a nationwide movement with all of the cards mailed in to the White House on a day to be decided this weekend.

In addition, University of Virginia, Notre Dame, Brandeis and Stanford all plan protest strikes. Students at Yale called for a continuation of the two-week old strike in support of the Black Panthers.

ROTC Buildings Burned

Strikes were also reported at Drew, Fairleigh Dickinson, University of Rhode Island and Wooster College in Ohio. Building takeovers have occurred at Case Western, Rutgers and Claremont. Numerous burnings of ROTC buildings have also been reported, including one Monday night at Washington University in St. Louis.

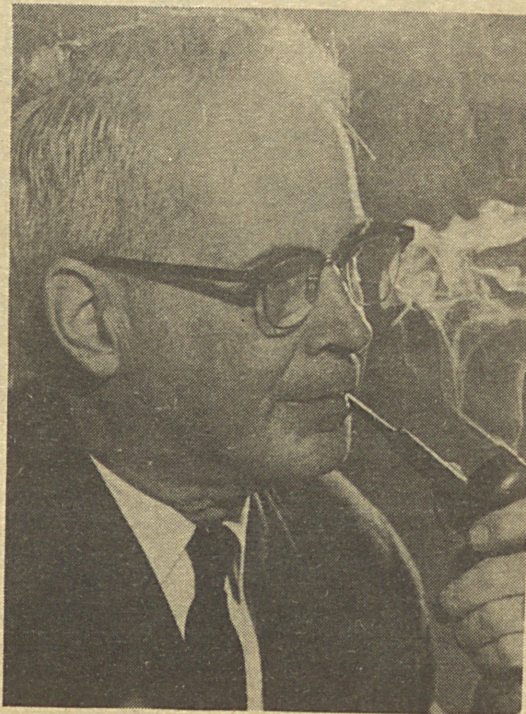
At most campuses, continuing protest over ROTC and similar issues escalated into the current actions following Nixon's announcement of U. S. troop commitments in Cambodia.

The National Student Association called for a general student strike for yesterday, "to mobilize student opinion and build a national consensus against the war."

National Meeting

A meeting was held Monday night on the campus of the George Washington University in D.C. of strike coordinators from across the country. It was hoped that the group would be able to draw up a common list of demands for the student strikes, and make further plans for Saturday's demonstrations.

Herb Held, Baltimore Moratorium Coordinator, reported that most of the participants were so incensed over the killing of four Kent State (Ohio) students by National Guardsmen that the meeting was unable to accomplish anything except affirm that Saturday's action is still on.



Lincoln Gordon, along with 34 other university presidents, has sent a letter to Nixon requesting discussions on Cambodia.

NEWS NOTES

More Governance

The faculty General Assembly voted Saturday to accept the findings of the Howard Committee Report on Governance.

The Assembly, however, decided to give the responsibility of setting up a new Governance Commission to Dean-designate George Benton. Such a Commission would work during the summer and make final recommendations for a governance system at Homewood next December.

Benton commented that the Commission would contain both students and faculty members, although he did not specify their ratios on the Commission. He also noted that the members would receive compensation for their summer work.

Recruiting Quibbles

Dean-designate George Benton declared that "there is no question" that military recruiting will stay off-campus in light of last Thursday's referendum.

Members of the Strike Committee have expressed concern over Benton's statement Thursday night that "military recruiting will continue to be suspend-

ed" instead of banning recruiting from campus.

Meanwhile, the Young Republican Club invited two Army recruiters to speak on campus Monday. The recruiters casually talked about their military experiences to a handful of students and administrators in the Sherwood Room.

Concerning the Club's action, Benton noted, "It seemed to me to be an attempt to see how far free speech could go on this matter. We told them (the recruiters) that they could speak, but not recruit."

"Step on Hitler"

In a Sun interview Monday, members of the Applied Physics Laboratory defended their roles in military defense that have come under increased student attack.

In response to claims that more weapons make war more probable, Dr. Richard Ellis, an APL supervisor, stated, "To achieve peace, you must be ready to step on a Hitler when he comes up, to make the other guy afraid enough of you."

Dr. Ellis pointed out that the protesting students at Home-

wood were distorting APL's work. "They (the students) maintain that we are working for war; we maintain—and firmly believe—that we are working for peace. We are doing more now to benefit mankind in the things we are working on than any of the projects they suggest, such as pollution or environment."

Distortion Charged

Dr. Chester Wickwire, representing the Committee for Political Freedom, charged the *Morning Sun* with "a complete distortion of our position and intent" in a Monday story on the Committee's policy concerning last week's Black Panther arrests by Baltimore police.

The *Sun* reported that the Political Freedom Committee charged the police with increasing tensions in the black ghetto. The article further claimed that the Committee "deplored" the police action against the Panthers.

The committee's written statement, however, counselled restraint on the part of the police and was careful not to blame them for the deteriorating conditions in the slums.

campus calendar

Orientation Leaders

Applications for group leaders for Orientation Week next September may be obtained from Mr. Logan's office on the second floor of Gilman. They must be returned by Friday.

Edward Kennedy

Edward M. Kennedy will deliver the one and only John F. Kennedy and Robert F. Kennedy Memorial Lecture on International Affairs tonight at 8 p.m. in Shriver.

Gordon and Brazil

President Gordon will discuss "Brazil in the 1960's" and answer questions in Shaffer 3 tomorrow at 4 p.m.

Sympathy for the Devil

"Sympathy for the Devil," by Jean Luc Godard, will be shown at 7:30 and 10 p.m. Friday and Saturday in Shriver Hall. Admission is \$2.

Computer Decisions

On Thursday, May 14, a lecture by Dr. Athony Oettinger on "Computers in the Decision-Making Process" will be presented at the SAIS auditorium at 4 p.m.

The Chalk Circle

Theatre Hopkins will present "The Chalk Circle" at 7 p.m. on May 14.