

## Tac Squad hits campus again Innocent bystander bloodied by clubs

The Tactical Squad apparently panicked and drew blood again Friday when it clubbed Experimental College staff member William Talbott in front of the Library, apparently to shock and disburse student protestors inside.

"He (Talbott) was just walking out of the Library with his briefcase, minding his own business," said one student eyewitness, who preferred to remain anonymous.

Talcott said that he was leaving the Library when he "saw that the cops were moving toward the Library."

Talcott, who received five stitches and a tetanus shot at the campus Health Center as a result of the beating, said that he tried to escape toward the Administration Building.

However, Talcott's progress was impeded because "there were too many people."

At this point, Talcott said, "I heard someone go down behind me, and there were two guys on the ground."

Then the cops hit Talcott on the back of the head.

Talcott made it to the Health Center under his own power. There was no attempt to arrest him.

The Tactical Squad officers came to the Library to aid five of their plainclothed colleagues, who were trapped in the Library Office by a crowd of about 250 angry students.

The students had spotted the plainclothesmen in the Commons. Shouting "Pigs off campus" the students chased the cops to the Library.

During the trek a black

plainclothesman drew out a walkie talkie, apparently informing his uniformed counterparts of the ultimate destination of the plainclothed entourage.

The students trapped the plainclothesmen in the office and, in turn, were trapped themselves when the uniformed Tac Squadders rushed into the building.

Students fled in all directions but the Tac Squad chose to merely withdraw, without making a threatening advance.

The cops beat Talcott as they were entering the Library. As they saw Talcott running out, the cops panicked, and instinct told them to deal with the running Talcott.

Leon Moniot, a graduate student who was standing 10 feet from the beating, also said the attack was totally unprovoked.

The infamous "riot squad" moved in formation halfway



Cop moves away after completing his "job" while innocent bystander lies on the ground, blood dripping from a sizeable gash behind his left ear. Crime Commissioner Edison Uno (left) intervening. More pictures on back page.  
—Photo by Bob Wax

up the Library steps, according to Moniot, then broke ranks and ran in several directions, apparently spurred by the fleeing Talcott, and shouting students.

That was when they cornered Talcott and beat him, Moniot added.

"The only reason they did it was for the shock effect to disperse other students," said the other eyewitness, who was standing on the Library steps when the beating took place.

Health Center Director Dr. Eugene Bossi said Talcott's condition was not serious.

However, Talcott's blood was splattered across several

square feet in front of the Library.

The Tac Unit then withdrew between the Library and the Ad Building back to Holloway Ave. They were followed by several hundred yelling, chanting, angry students.

Talcott said the beating only served to cement his convictions about the strike.

"The Tactical Squad is part of the environment" and part of their function is "to occasionally lose their cool," Talcott said.

"So I wasn't surprised. The only surprising thing was that it was me," he said.

Another unidentified bystander said that "the incompetent cops" were sent to campus "to receive free training with no chance of violent retaliation. After all, what can the unarmed students do to fight back? However, the cops are so incompetent that the slightest thing scares the piss out of them."

The bystander gave the example of the plainclothed cop that shot off his gun Thursday.

"That guy was scared shitless," he said, "and one of these days they are going to kill a few students."

### No classes, three-day meeting

## Faculty calls for Convo II to commence today

SF State begins a three-day convocation this morning to discuss the current campus strike, and the demands involved.

The gathering was a result of a full faculty vote taken late Friday afternoon. Convo II will take place in agreement with three specific conditions advanced by the Black Students Union.

BSU spokesman William Phillips told the faculty meeting that convened about 3:20 p.m. Friday that the BSU would agree to a convocation if the following conditions were honored:

#### CONDITIONS

- "That all pigs, plainclothed and uniformed, be sent off campus and away from the surrounding areas;"
- "That all classes be closed;"
- "That during the convocation we only address ourselves to the demands that have been forth."

President Robert Smith followed Phillips, who left the Auditorium with other BSU members as was agreed before he made his statement, and announced the results of the faculty referendum held the day before.

The referendum asked if the faculty supported Smith's efforts to reopen classes. The results were: 612 yes, 277 no.

However, the faculty went against its own vote supporting Smith's reopening of classes by backing the three-day convocation that would close classes.

One faculty member explained that the referendum vote was "more a vote of confidence for Smith at a time when he needs it, than a call to open classes."

#### NO COPS

Smith pledged that the police would remain off campus and not within the immediate vicinity, and that they would not be called unless violence occurred.

He also committed himself to a suspension of the regular class routine during the three-day week, and said that Convo II would not run contrary to the wishes of the Chancellor.

However, Trustee Chairman Theodore Meriam said that there must be "a resumption of classes."

#### THREE DAYS

"I hope you will agree with me when the convocation ends on November 27, we will make a special effort to meet the needs of the minorities through the next semester," Smith said, underscoring that the convocation should terminate after three days

and that normal instructional routine commence after that period.

Smith then proposed that the convocation be handled by a planning committee, and that it be carried out by television viewing, live plenary sessions and group discussions within classrooms.

#### OPPOSITION

BSU member Nesbitt Crutchfield, addressing the faculty meeting near its conclusion, opposed Smith's classroom discussion idea.

"We would like to have a general convocation, not one broken into classes and workshops. We do not want various resource people: we do not want Mayor Alioto and his resource people, Ronald Reagan and his resource people, Dumke or Willie Brown with his resource people.

"We want we students, you administrators and you faculty to participate. We want you to reflect upon the information given by the people on the stage, and hopefully you will understand it," Crutchfield said.

However, it now seems that there will be no classroom discussions, in accordance with Third World wishes.

Academic Senate Chairman Leo McClatchy said the Convocation Planning Committee "would more or less

have the power" to decide the format of the meetings.

Smith has said that the format is the Planning Committee's problem and that he will not even go to the Committee's meetings.

Smith agreed that the convocation should focus on the 15 BSU and TWLF demands but, in a halting voice, said "we may go further, or we may want to have a broader consideration."

#### FOCUS

Apparently the focus of Convo II is also, to some extent, in the hands of the Planning Committee.

The Committee will be comprised of 14 members. Four will be appointed by the Academic Senate, three by President Smith, and seven by the Third World student groups.

#### CAUTION

The details of the convocation are still in the hands of the Planning Committee. While it seems as though there will be a Convo II, students were being cautious, as were some faculty.

"The strike is still on. We see this convocation as one thing within the strike. We are not bound to resume classes at the end of the convocation. If the demands are not met, the strike continues," said Jack Alexis, a member of the BSU Central Committee.



# SF State agenda for Trustees today

by Sheldon Nyman

Facing tumult at SF State, a supportive strike at San Jose State, disruptions at San Fernando Valley State, and growing unrest on at least four other state college campuses, the Trustees meet today in Los Angeles.

Odds makers place the prospects high that the meeting should prove to be a discussion of how best to suppress student unrest.

Appearing on the agenda will be:

- A brief discussion of the Black Studies Program (with a full day devoted to the subject at some later date);
- A general discussion of the situation at SF State;
- A report on George Murray to be presented by President Robert Smith;
- Changes in Title Five of the Education Code;
- The annual report to the Governor and the Legislature on personnel matters;
- A Master Plan revision for SF State.

It is questionable whether or not the Brakebill Report, a proposal which, if implemented, would put all student funds and activities under direct control of the Chancellor and Trustees, will be discussed.

According to AS President Russell Bass the California State College Student Presi-

dents Association (CSCSPA) "has succeeded in getting the Brakebill Report hearing by the Trustees postponed until January."

However it was unclear from remarks made by the Chancellor's press agent James Cole, whether the odious report would or would not come up under "changes in Title Five."

Conceivably, the report could appear at that point on the agenda.

The discussion of approval for the SF State College Union as designed by Moshe Safdie has definitely been postponed until the January Trustees meeting.

"This would be a bad time to bring it up, and the postponement would give Safdie more time to bring up new information and work out differences with the State Architect," said Acting College Union Chairman Albert Duro.

The Murray report, coming three weeks after the black student - instructor's suspension, will probably try to justify the actions taken against him.

The annual report to the Governor and the Legislature on personnel will probably be held in an executive session. There is some speculation that President Smith may be a prime topic of discussion behind closed doors.

# College departments show strong backing for Convo II

An early survey of ten College Departments which met Friday to discuss the campus crisis indicated overwhelming approval for the convocation to continue this week with a cancellation of classes.

None of the ten departments asked for resuming the normal class schedule.

Leading the fight against open-campus demands was the Physical Education Department, which turned in an early vote asking for classes to be closed this week in favor of the convocation.

Over 150 students and faculty in the Political Science Department meeting, waiting until almost 3 p.m. for a decision, voted without dissent in favor of the convocation.

Over 250 psychology stu-

dents and faculty, with an insignificant opposition of about five, voted to support the strike and backed the proposed convocation this week only under three conditions.

- there are no classes on campus;
- there are no cops on campus;
- all other conditions are agreeable to the BSU and TWLF.

In the Sociology Department, 150 people at the meeting elected to pursue the strike

until the BSU and TWLF are satisfied with its success.

According to a statement from "the total student membership of the Film Department," film students here are "on strike in support of the Black Student Union and the Third World Liberation Front in their strike."

The Art, Drama, Urban Studies, and History Departments also turned in early votes calling for a convocation and/or a cancellation of classes for this week.

## Letter

### .An appeal for on-campus classes.

Editor:

I am asking the faculty to please hold their classes and to hold them on campus. Faculty members who do not hold their classes are in effect supporting the strike in all its aspects, including its anti-democratic and violent aspects.

Faculty members who hold their classes off campus are running away from the issues, and surrendering the campus to a minority of rowdy militants.

If the majority of faculty members hold their classes on campus, I am confident that the majority of students will support them, and attend their

classes. It is of course, the privilege of strikers not to attend classes. But faculty and students alike must hold firm against intimidation and disruption of classes.

Have courage. Do your part to keep our campus a viable democracy in which the majority has rights as well as the minority. I believe that the majority of students hold high respect for you, and look to you for leadership. Do not abandon your responsibility by failing to hold your classes. Do not try to lead us into chaos by supporting this strike.

Anthony Rex Thomas

## Today at State

- Poetry Hour — Steven Foster reads Wm. Blake — Gallery Lounge—noon
- African Students Organization — ED 305—noon
- Campus Crusade for Christ—Gym 202—7:30 a.m.
- Experimental College — SCI 265—2 p.m.
- Work/Study — HLL 348—3 p.m.
- SDS Discussion Group — HLL 224—3 p.m.

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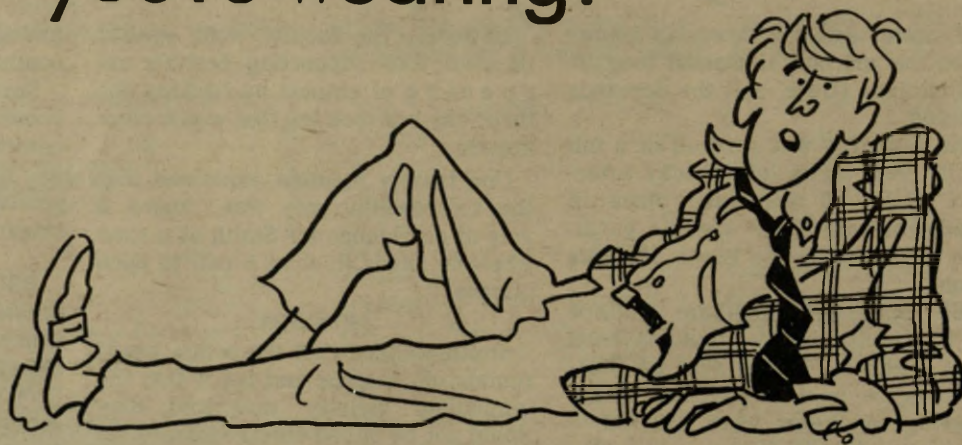
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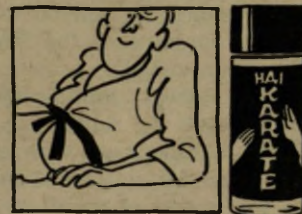
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## Smith put on the spot

# Faculty demands convocation

by Jeff Thomas

President Robert Smith accepted the demand of striking faculty that classes be suspended Friday, and made proposals for a convocation which may cancel classes all this week.

The decision was termed a compromise by the faculty strikers, since it was agreed that departments would meet with students from noon to 3 p.m. Friday to discuss the proposed reopening of the convocation today.

The decision was made in a closed meeting in Library G-1 at 10:15 a.m., between Smith and about 100 faculty.

At the beginning of the meeting Smith was convinced that classes had to continue Friday in order to try and get community support to give the college more money.

The faculty was just as convinced that classes had to be stopped in order to prevent further violence, and work toward fulfilling Third World demands.

While Smith wanted to placate California politicians by continuing classes, the faculty

wanted Smith to lead them against the politicians by declaring that education could not continue under present circumstances.

The meeting was called by Smith after faculty strikers had gone to his office in the Ad building and demanded that he talk to them.

At the meeting Smith first gave the background of the problems and again asked for 90 days to try and get community support for the demands. He again stressed that various groups on campus have different ideas on how the college should be run.

But the faculty would not accept the "cooling off period" plan.

"Assert yourself and stop taking a middle line. We don't want you in the middle but with us. The Trustees are your enemy as well as ours," one member said.

"You didn't stand behind us. You can't get the faculty behind you if you are going to veto all of our decisions," said another.

When Smith was asked if he would abide by the deci-



President Smith emerging from Friday morning meeting with faculty members

sions made at a legally constituted faculty meeting at 3 p.m., he answered, "I don't know that I will." This answer received loud groans and whistles.

After Smith again asked faculty to "cool it" for the day, a faculty member said, "That means we have to stop the bullets until 3 p.m.; is that right?"

"You have to cancel those damn classes now!", yelled another member.

Next a member said, "We must respond to professional responsibility instead of being used as tools by the politicians. The defeat of Max Raftery shows that interested people can mount a campaign to defeat the extremist politicians."

"We're begging you for leadership. Open the convocation and suspend classes as soon as possible," said one.

Smith was told, "You worry about outside pressure too much. An assemblyman threatened me yesterday. He told me that if I thought the campus was bad off financially now, I should wait until next year. We can't operate under threats of this kind."

"The old way to get money won't work anymore. The on-

ly way to get money from politicians now is counterpower," said a member.

A woman member then offered the compromise that was soon accepted. One member told Smith that having departments meet only to discuss suggestions for the convocation would be a "symbolic act which would win back the ground you have lost with students and faculty during the last few days."

"All right, let's do it," Smith replied.

During the meeting Smith suggested that this week's convocation may be held in SF Civic Auditorium, in order to have room for faculty and students.

At one point the members asked Smith to "put it on the

line if you support the black studies program."

Smith answered, "I don't believe in Black Studies under any and all circumstances."

One faculty member received wide applause when he called on Smith to "move immediately toward meeting the BSU demands."

## Stone calls for discussions

# Address issues

Frederica Stone, an assistant professor of social welfare, has urged students, faculty and administrators to get together in order to solve the common problems of the campus.

Mrs. Stone spoke to a crowd of some 500 students and faculty from the Speakers' Platform Friday morning.

Mrs. Stone originally introduced the idea of a convocation involving members of the BSU and Third World in a discussion of the issues of the campus strike.

"We have to cool it today in order to gain anything important," she said, referring to recent actions which have forced the campus to close down.

"We have to get BSU and the Third World Liberation Front to come and talk."

Mrs. Stone pointed out that the convocation was valuable in educating the faculty to the issues. She said that it takes time for faculty people to come around to understanding the issues involved.

When questioned as to why classes were being held dur-

ing the convocation, in direct contradiction to the feelings of the faculty and the Academic Senate, Mrs. Stone said that President Smith cannot stop instruction.

"If classes are closed on this campus, Ronald Reagan has threatened to send in the militia in less than two hours," she said.

The assistant professor went on to explain that the convocation would have succeeded if the BSU and Third World had not insisted that all classroom instruction be dismissed before talks could take place.

"SF State has the opportunity to show the country that we have a new way to deal with problems which does not involve either the police or breaking into classrooms," Mrs. Stone said.

She also explained how more people are now listening to the demands of the striking groups.

"It took me a whole year to get off my thing and get to work," she said. "There is a lack of trust here, and trust takes a long time to build."

—Bob Glick

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## Photo account of Friday's skirmish



The four plainclothed cops above) that were chased to the Library, leading to the skirmish where student Bill Talcott attacked, smile after their rescue by uniformed Tac Squadders.



Two Tac Squadders, armed and ready, rush to aid one of their colleagues who is busy beating Talcott. The Experimental College staff member was armed with books, a notebook and pencils.



Talcott's blood, the evidence of a job well done by the Tac Squad, was splattered over the concrete (above) while students rushed to Talcott's aid (below).



## Art students communicating

by Jeff Clark  
Gater drama critic

Approximately 100 students met in the Art building at 9 a.m. Thursday to discuss further strategy for their support of the college-wide strike. There were two major results.

Assignments were made to a posted committee which would construct signs in support of a convocation between faculty and students.

Secondly, the Communications Committee established Wednesday made known that it was sending delegates to other State College campuses in an effort to acquaint students with the current campus problems and discuss difficulties that exist in similar departments elsewhere.

A press release issued Thursday morning said: "We have established a communication center on campus in the office of the Art Department. We invite all interested persons to visit our campus to observe and inform themselves of the real situation.

"If you are unable to come to San Francisco State College we are prepared to send you information and/or representatives. We are asking for any declaration of support from you, i.e., money for bail, sympathy votes, telegrams, petitions, etc."

As of noon yesterday, a delegation including AS Vice President Al Duro headed for San Jose State.

Early this week, the Art Department resolved that SF State was a "racist institution and that it is imperative that the college faculty admit this fact." The majority of the art students joined forces to cancel classes, support a convocation and begin to revise the

department's curriculum in an attempt to serve as a model department for the campus.

When the convocation collapsed by mid morning, due to President Smith's refusal to commit himself about closing classes, the Art faculty met in emergency session to consider whether they would continue to uphold the department's decision. Reported dissension among professors brought no result by mid afternoon.

Nor did a general faculty-student meeting later yield any positive position. Frayed nerves and consuming fatigue merely produced a colossal orgy of oral masturbation in which everyone came to an incoherent climax. The most sensible suggestion was a mo-

tion for adjournment.

Numerous meetings Friday resulted in a unanimous vote by the Art students, in conjunction with the Film students, to support the strike.

Approximately two-thirds of the faculty met in a two hour session to vote (secretly) on President Smith's call for support to hold classes. Before acting further upon today's possible convocation, students anxiously spent the duration of Friday afternoon awaiting the outcome of the 3 p.m. General Faculty meeting.



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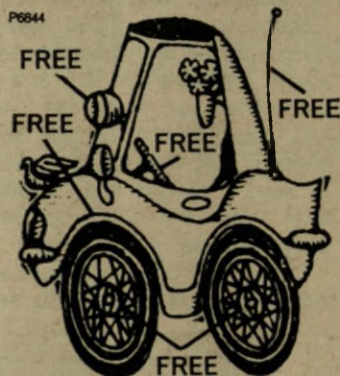
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