

# Convo II dies: suspensions



The Convocation panel lined up with administrators and faculty on left, student leaders on the right  
—Photo by Bob Wax

SF State's second try at a convocation went up in flames yesterday as a result of suspension notices issued by the college administration.

Roger Alvarado, spokesman for the Third World Liberation Front (TWLF), speaking before a packed Main Auditorium, said plainly: "This Convocation is over."

Alvarado revealed that he has been suspended specifically for his conduct on Nov. 13, the first day in which students battled the San Francisco Police Tactical Squad.

#### VIOLATION

The suspensions are in direct violation of strike demand number nine, which calls for no disciplinary action to be taken against any member of the college community as a result of participation in the strike, he said.

"It's time to lay it where it belongs," Alvarado said. The TWLF leader said that if President Robert Smith plays a middle role for Chancellor Glenn Dumke then he (Alvarado) will "lay it on Dumke."

Alvarado called for two "strike votes" today; one at 9:30 a.m. for students, and one at 2 p.m. for the faculty. Both strike votes will take place in the Main Auditorium, Alvarado said.

The afternoon session received a new speaker, Nathan Hare, Chairman of the Black Studies Department, who termed the Convocation "one way to evade the issues."

Hare said that he was against the Convocation from the beginning and that "it has followed the course I had anticipated."

#### 'STALL'

"The purpose of this convocation is to stall for time and co-opt the movement," Hare said.

Hare said "the Sacramento canine corps" (the Trustees and politicians) need time "to get themselves together" to deal with the situation here.

Hare further charged that the college has received at least 100 applications from black scholars from all over the world who "are cognizant" of

the Black Studies Department here.

But Hare continued, the college has seen fit to only suggest that graduate students be allowed to teach, and has ignored the other applications.

In regard to campus power Hare suggested that "they eliminate the whole office of the Presidency, if he doesn't have any power."

#### 'OLD DOG'

Hare said that he has learned that "you can't teach old dogs like Dumke new tricks."

The famed sociologist said that it was necessary for peoples of color to receive relevant education from their own people in order to escape "the defeatist education" they have received in the past.

If non-white people receive education in a School of Ethnic Studies, then they will be motivated "to further their quest," Hare said.

#### LEGALITY

Fenton McKenna, Dean of the School of Creative Arts, explained the administration's legal position on the establishment of a School of Ethnic Studies.

Legally the Board of Trustees, through the executive office of the Chancellor, must review all new programs, McKenna said.

In a press conference nearly three weeks ago Chancellor Glenn Dumke said that he would not permit black people to administer their own Black Studies Department because such a "separatist" approach would create more problems than it would solve.

At that time Dumke also said he would not order the reinstatement of suspended English instructor George Murray.

(At 5 p.m. yesterday, a group of about 75 full and part time faculty members overwhelmingly voted to ask the full faculty to endorse the 15 demands and "direct the administration" to establish an "implementation committee" to negotiate with the BSU and the TWLF about their implementation.)

## Smith resigns

The Trustees accepted President Robert Smith's resignation late yesterday afternoon, and named S. I. Hayakawa to replace him temporarily.

Smith blamed "the conflicts between the Trustees and chancellor, the faculty groups on campus, the militant student groups, and political forces in the state" for his resignation. Like John Summerskill, who quit on Feb. 22, Smith also hit "the desperate limitations in financial resources."

Hayakawa, acting swiftly in his new role, ordered the campus "closed completely" today. The defiant strike Committee, however, called a student meeting in the Gallery Lounge at 10 a.m.

The Ad Hoc Faculty Committee also called a meeting at 10 a.m. in the Ecumenical House and announced plans to organize a full faculty meeting at 12:30 p.m. on campus.

Hayakawa, internationally known semanticist, pledged to work to return SF State to the "beautiful, wonderful institution" it was "15 years ago" when he joined the faculty. "I would love to see it an open campus again," he said.

"I would not hesitate for a minute" calling police if necessary to protect "safety" on campus, President Hayakawa said. "Police in a democracy are there to protect the freedom," he added.

## Trustees in long secret meeting--no decision yet

LOS ANGELES—A day-long secret meeting of the Board of Trustees produced no new actions by Gater press time yesterday, in spite of a host of rumors and statements.

The Board was interviewing candidates to replace President Robert Smith, one faculty source said. Some of the candidates were black, the report said.

Other rumors dealt with the cause of the length of the meeting.

According to various reports circulating among reporters in Los Angeles:

- The Trustees were deadlocked; or
- The Trustees were considering numerous "personnel matters", including firing of several SF State faculty members; or
- The Trustees were trying to talk Max Rafferty into accepting an appointment as SF State's chief executive.

Rafferty, the Superintendent of Public Instruction, took his usual hard line in an earlier statement.

"At least 100 professional agitators will have to be removed. There are at least 40 or 50 faculty members who are hand in glove with the agitators," Rafferty said.

Smith earlier poo-pooed the idea of the Trustees firing him for his allowing the Convocation.

"I would not think they would

disapprove of it. The Trustees are as concerned as I am about finding ways to get this campus going," he said Friday.

Trustee Chairman Theodore Meriam said last week that the Convocation II plan "might be acceptable" if it cooled off the campus and led to a quick resumption of classes.

LOS ANGELES—Rumors of a possible firing of President Robert Smith flew yesterday morning during a Trustees executive session, but there was no action before noon.

Chairman Theodore Meriam said the closed meeting dealt solely with "personnel matters," focusing on Smith. The president was summoned to the second day of the Trustees meeting after an eight and one half hour executive session on SF State Monday.

In an unusual move, both Governor Ronald Reagan and Superintendent of Public Instruction Max Rafferty attended both days of the meeting.

Neither Reagan nor Rafferty had repeats of their Monday statements, in which the governor called SF State "disgraceful" and the school boss called for "a lot more law and order."

Rafferty on Monday was asked about the charge that the Trustees, who are tied to the biggest businesses in California, do not represent the interests of the people of California.

"The Trustees are the people (Continued on Page 4)

## Another reopen try

A faculty meeting today will attempt to resolve the strike issues satisfactorily before classes resume again on Monday, after a one-week freeze on classroom instruction.

"The faculty went into the Convocation with the idea that we would come to a resolution of the demands and classes would resume December 2," said Ann Paterson, vice chairman of the Academic Senate.

The faculty meeting will follow the conclusion of the three-day Convocation II today.

The BSU and TWLF, however, have insisted that their 15 demands are "non-negotiable," and that they will continue to strike until all demands are met.

This may mean a continuation of campus disruptions, with possible police retaliations, next week.

The faculty has attempted to become a buffer between striking students and the Administration, but they may have to surrender this middle position after today's showdown.

Vowing to continue their support strike until the BSU and TWLF are satisfied, the white Strike Committee called for another meeting Sunday night at 7:30 p.m. at 55 Colton Street, the headquarters of the Peace and Freedom Party.

"During the Thanksgiving vacation we will concentrate on trying to win support for the strike from the community outside the College," Strike Committee spokesman Pat Golde said yesterday.

"Students who want to help in this effort should call Susan Bethel at 626-4872," she added.

## Another halt in instruction

Tomorrow is Thanksgiving Day, and with it comes a four-day legal holiday for SF State students. Political climate permitting, and student sentiment permitting, classes will resume on Monday, Dec. 2.

In line with previous policy, the Gater will not publish next Monday, the day after the holiday. Instead, the first day of publication will be Tuesday, Dec. 3.

It is hoped that the readership at large searches deeply to find something that it should be thankful for. We at the Daily Gater haven't been able to come up with anything worthwhile, yet.

Letters stipulating the good things in life would be greatly appreciated at this point. They may be submitted after the holiday at the Gater office, Hut B.

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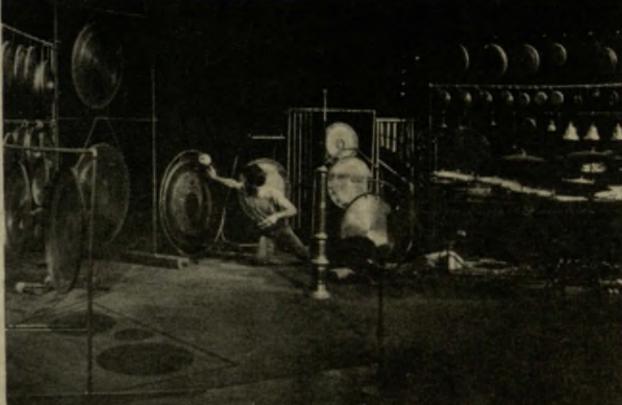
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## Departments backing strike

The students of at least eight departments voted to support the strike in departmental meetings last week.

Other departments supported the second Convocation with cancellation of classes. Still others took various stands against violence and in favor of President Robert Smith.

Here is a run down of several key departments:

- **Urban Studies**—support for the strike, Convocation, discontinuation of classes, and removal of police.

- **Creative Arts**—unanimous support for the strike and opposition to police on campus; support for a public dialogue on the

issues and opposition to violence.

- **Engineering**—backing for Convocation II with departmental workshops and a suspension of classes until December 2; opposition to police on campus unless there is violence.

- **Administration in Education**—no students attended the meeting.

- **Counseling**—backing for Smith's Convocation II plan.

- **Special Education**—support the Second Convocation.

- **Political Science**—unanimous backing for the Convocation.

- **Nursing Education**—backing for the convocation and res-

olution of the issues, leading to an intelligent return to classes.

- **Elementary Education**—unanimous support for Convocation II; "we will not attend classes until there is a resolution of the issues."

- **Psychology**—backing for the strike and second Convocation with no classes on or off campus and no police on campus; setting up a table in front of the Psych Building to dispense information.

- **Home Economics**—support for Smith's Convocation

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A holiday potpourri of animated films for children will be the Thanksgiving Day special, "Click, Click, It's a Film", on **KPIX** from 2-3 p.m.

Tonight at 8:30 p.m. in the Little Theatre, an opera workshop will be conducted by Ed

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# Issues clarified in Convocation II

The second segment of Convocation II got underway yesterday, with the morning session devoted to discussion of the Third World Liberation Front's five demands.

The meeting predictably came to no conclusions, but each side made its points clearly.

According to moderator Heineman Silver of psychology, President Robert Smith was unable to sit on the convocation panel because he "was ordered to the Trustees meeting" in Los Angeles.

The temper of the discussion was relatively quiet, compared to the Monday meeting. However, TWLF spokesman Roger Alvarado explained that "all we are doing is saving our energy for December 2."

According to the administration, classes will reopen on December 2, the Monday following the Thanksgiving holiday.

"We are not going to let this college open up until we get what we want," Alvarado said.

The TWLF is demanding a School of Ethnic Studies, 50 faculty positions to staff it, admission of all Third World applicants and the power placed in the Third World hands.

Joseph Miksak, chairman of the Instructional Policies Committee of the Academic Senate, said that the faculty has approved a Black Studies Department for February 1969, approved transfer of courses to that department, approved a B.A. in Black Studies as early as the 1969-70 academic year, allocated 11.3 faculty positions to the department, and approved a budget for the program.

At this point Clarence Thomas, speaking for the Black Students Union, said "we have heard nothing from the Administration about Black Studies"

and decried the Convocation as "another power move."

Thomas further said that the BSU would not accept a Black Studies Department until "we get our 20 full-time faculty positions, and until we get our 15 demands."

"We're talking about seizing power, controlling our own education. We're talking about change; total, uncompromising change," Thomas said.

Academic Senate Chairman Leo McClatchy agreed that "we must come to grips with the 15 demands."

However, McClatchy didn't specifically say how this would be done.

It seemed the opinion of the faculty and Administration panel members that "progress has been made" and that normal channels were producing results, but at a slow production

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Miksak admitted that "every step of the way" the Black Studies Department "has been blocked" by bureaucratic obstacles.

Juan Martinez, speaking as a Mexican American faculty member in conjunction with the Mexican American Student Confederation (MASC), said the Convocation is "a move of desperation" and is eluding the problems.

Referring to the Administration's position that establishment of a School of Ethnic Studies is difficult and not something that can immediately be implemented, Martinez replied "being generous, we

can say it is 'sincere hypocrisy'."

"There is no excuse for lack of Black Studies and Ethnic Studies programs," Martinez said.

Martinez' talk was followed by loud applause from the audience in the Main Auditorium.

John Hensill, Dean of School of Natural Sciences, said the demand for complete autonomy is unrealistic. No department has complete autonomy, Hensill said.

Martinez answered that Third World people do not want autonomy in an absolute sense.

"We want everything that is to have here," Martinez said.

## Morning session: no action

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The Trustees whisked through an hour joint session of their Educational Policies and Finance committees yesterday morning, quickly getting back to their secret session on SF State.

The joint session refused to hear from the California State College Student Presidents Association. "We all must bear

with the situation in San Francisco," Trustee James Thatcher told the AS presidents, who then walked out.

The committees in short order:

- Raised summer session fees from \$21 per unit to \$22.50 per unit, to pay for a seven and one half percent pay raise for summer session faculty, as promised much earlier.
- Requested five million dol-

lars from the state legislature for faculty research.

• Provided an unspecifed amount of money for the State Colleges' Educational Opportunities Programs (special admissions) "for minority-poority students of all races."

The Trustees devoted the most time and enthusiasm to faculty research resolution, which Chancellor Glenn Dumke called "a landmark resolution."

The statewide Academic Senate, which proposed the additional money for research, called the action "a major step in the recruiting and retaining of faculty."

—Our Correspondent

## Departments striking back

(Continued from Page 2) proposals and small group discussions; call for sanctions against groups which partake in violence during Convocation II.

• Philosophy — asked for no classes during Convocation II and all police off campus, with the Convocation Planning Committee having total authority during sessions; support for Smith if he is fired as a result of the Convocation.

• Sociology — backing for strike until the BSU and TWLF are satisfied with its success; continued departmental meetings.

• Film — support for the strike.

• Art — support for the strike and Convocation II.

• Drama — backing for the strike and Convocation.

• Physical Education — support for the Convocation with no classes.

• History — backing for the Convocation.

The meetings in several departments appear to be the beginnings of student organizations concerned with departmental as well as other issues. Such organizations were in existence in nuclear form in some departments before the strike and Convocations stirred them to greater activity.

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