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S C R A P B O O K

# AUSJ returns hours proposal for revamping

By DELORES MAJOR  
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The Holmes Hall government submitted their implementation procedures for granting special permission to freshmen coeds, to the All-University Student Judiciary last week, but the implementation has not yet been approved by the judiciary.

"Two of the areas presented to the judiciary by Holmes Hall were found lacking and were given back to the Holmes Hall government for review," Michael F. Robinson, of AUSJ, said.

AUSJ was not able to approve the implementation procedure because steps had not been fully set down in written form and were not considered finalized, Robinson said.

On Oct. 17, the Holmes Hall government passed a proposal allowing Holmes freshman coed hours freedom under the special permission in the "Handbook for Students."

AUSJ supported the right of the Holmes Hall government to issue the "special permission" to the freshmen women in a 9-2 decision report issued Nov. 25.

But the Judiciary then warned that the special permission must be granted on an individual basis.

Tom VerBurg, president of Holmes Hall, Beverly Travis and Judd Carlbarg, head resident advisers of Holmes Hall, Joyce Tubaugh and Bud Thomas of Residence Hall Program Operations, Don Adams, director of Residence Halls, Eldon Nonnamaker, associate dean of students, and Sue Landers, president of WIC, met Wednesday morning to discuss the questioned implementation procedures.

VerBurg said, "Their main concern is that special permission would in no way override the use of parental permission for overnights."

Under present University regulations freshmen women are required to sign out for any overnight absences.

VerBurg said that since there are some inconsistencies in the handbook it  
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is difficult for anyone to decide what constitutes an overnight.

"We realize that we are being granted the privilege of granting special permissions, so we have to take a great deal of care in granting and answering the requests," VerBurg said.

VerBurg added that the Holmes Hall government will be complying with AUSJ recommendation that the special permission be granted on an individual basis.

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## FRINGE BENEFITS

# Part-time Santa visits Yakeley

Santa Claus and Christmas Carol made an unexpected appearance Wednesday night, and caught the good little girls of Yakeley Hall trimming their Christmas tree.

Christmas Carol was played by Kathy Nowicki, Rochester sophomore. Santa Claus was really Howard Gabe who, in the off season, acts as mild-mannered columnist for the State News.

The Yakeley ladies were supposed to be in their pajamas, so it took plenty of persuading to get Gabe to act as Santa. Continuous phone conversations between Betty Finn, Detroit sophomore, the brains behind the surprise, and Gabe were made before Gabe consented.

Would you believe one phone call?

The 332 Yakeley coeds were surprised and realized. First they were surprised by Santa's visit and then they realized that Santa was a male.

Santa was rushed by Christmas Carol to a chair in the middle of

the cafeteria. The girls took turns sitting on Santa's lap, requesting gifts which ran the gamut between a train set and a 2.5.

Santa's only complaint was that his darn white hair was continuously blurring his view.

Diane Nutt, Anchorage, Alaska, junior and Yakeley R.A., invited Santa to visit her on the way back to the North Pole.

One little girl asked Santa Claus for an airplane so that she could get away from Yakeley. Santa told Mrs. Stauffer, Yakeley housemother, that he would do his best in getting her that airplane.

The jolly old man then mingled with the girls, handing out candy canes, popcorn balls and oranges.

As the clock struck 11, Santa was forced to turn in his white beard, red suit and pillow and return to the real world as Howard Gabe, mild-mannered columnist for the State News.

EDITOR'S NOTE: The above was penned by Howard Gabe, alias Santa Claus.



### Sneaky Santa

Santa Claus visited East and West Yakeley Hall to honor the coeds, but upon closer inspection, the gals discovered State News columnist Howard Gabe was only testing his new how-to-get-an-easy-date theory.

State News Photo by Lance Lagoni

# Open house <sup>12-6-68</sup> policy viewed with caution

Residence hall managers, head advisers and presidents are reluctant as yet to comment on the Men's Halls Assn. (MHA) proposal on open houses which was passed by the Faculty Committee on Student Affairs and the ASMSU Board this week.

The proposal gives the individual residence halls responsibility for establishing rules and procedures for open houses in their halls.

According to a faculty committee change in the proposal, the establishing of rules will be made by tri-partite agreement of the hall governing council, the manager and the head adviser. Originally, MHA proposed that the governing council alone be responsible for the rules with the manager and head adviser to hold advisory capacities.

The proposal now has to be signed by Milton B. Dickerson, vice-president for student affairs, before it is put into affect.

Rosalyn Reniff, head adviser of Campbell Hall, said that the faculty committee's change is a "good decision."

"It will still be essentially the students' responsibility," she said, "but it's good to have the head adviser and manager know and have some say about what goes on. We have responsibilities too."

"We (the hall managers and head advisers) are student service oriented," Thomas Dutch, manager of Brody Complex, said, "and we want to do as much as we can to help students. I liked Thurman's statement (in Wednesday's State News) that the three part system has worked in the past and there's no real reason to change it."

## Bulletin <sup>12-6-68</sup>

AUSJ approved Holmes Hall implementation procedures for granting freshmen coeds "special permission" Thursday night enabling them to stay out after hall closing hours.

Tom Verburg, president of Holmes Hall, said the new ruling will go into effect Saturday, Dec. 7 at 6 a.m.

# New dorms: apartments, no rules?

BY LINDA GORTMAKER  
Observer Campus Editor

Editor's note: This is the last in a series about the increasingly militant role residence halls have been adopting. This week's story discusses certain campus leaders' conceptions of the residence halls of the future.

Students might want residence halls to eventually become apartment-like dwellings, but some MSU administrators don't exactly agree with this idea.

Both student leaders and faculty members have cited the growing "militancy" and less dependency residence halls have shown in terms of regulations. And many students have suggested, that in the future, "dormies" will be creating their own regulations, have complete privacy

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## Future residence halls

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in their own separate rooms (perhaps with cooking facilities)--voila, apartment dwelling.

"Eventually there will be no specific regulations in residence halls, like apartments. That's the direction they're headed in," said Rod Slutzky, president of Snyder Hall.

Snyder recently attempted to pass a liberal 24-hour closed door visitation policy, prior to the Men's Halls Association (MHA) proposal now waiting final approval from the Vice President for Student Affairs.

Slutzky added that "if they want to make residence halls a success, there's no reason why they can't be apartments with food service. That would be the ideal living situation."

Holmes Hall, for the first time in MSU history, offered "luxury rooms" this term--complete with carpeting, maid service, and more comfortable furniture.

Eric Peterson, president of South Case Hall, commented on this addition of new types of rooms----with dorm rooms more resembling apartments than the traditional resident hall quarters.

"I can see hall autonomy spreading. In the distant future, halls may even be able to determine the type of rooms" Peterson said.

"We might be able to offer carpeted rooms with maid service like Holmes' new rooms and other rooms that would cost less."

Brian Hawkins, president of MHA, supported this idea with some studies his governing group has been conducting.

"Studies that MHA and management are doing indicate that halls might be-

come more like apartments. The closed door open house policy should improve residence halls, but it is still institutional living.

"We should make halls more like the concept of a living-learning unit," he said.

John D. Wilson, assistant provost and director of undergraduate education, heads an ad hoc committee currently student the residence halls programs at MSU. His committee broke up into specific subcommittees in November, and a few will tackle these possibilities of dorms becoming apartment-like.

"We ought to have as many options for students as possible," Wilson said. "And this would include more singles, if this is what students want."

Wilson said his committee is developing a questionnaire to be set to all students---on and off campus---some time next year asking what type of University living units they would favor.

Wilson believes, however, that the University "should not try to duplicate the apartments surrounding the campus."

"The touchstone, instead," Wilson said, "should be to create an environment that would reflect the goals of the University."

Wilson said the attitude of the apartment manager is "I don't care if there are parties all night, just so nothing is broken."

"The advisory staff member, will say, however, 'I think we could have quiet hours for studying.'" "And," Wilson added, "I would like to think that that's what we're here for, to get an education."

# Dorm open house policies would vary, survey shows

12-8-68

BY ANN HODGE

Observer Staff Writer

Residence hall officers indicated there might be a wide range of open house policies across campus next term if the Men's Halls Association (MHA) open house proposal is approved by Milton B. Dickerson, vice president for student affairs.

Several officers expect their halls to implement 24-hour, seven-day-a-week open houses if halls are allowed to form their own policy. Others foresee more limited open house schedules in their halls.

Most hall councils plan to survey

the opinions of their residents through a referendum, questionnaires, or in interviews with house presidents before forming a policy.

Rod Slutzky, Jim Cotton and Tom Ball, presidents of Snyder Hall, North Wonders Hall and West Fee Hall respectively, said a majority of men in their halls seem to favor 24 hour open houses.

Slutzky bases his opinion about the preferences of Snyder residents on the number of signatures on a petition circulated in the hall. The petition to implement "24-hour visitation open house with closed doors" was signed by over two-thirds of Snyder residents.

Slutzky expects men to respond to a referendum the same as they did to the petition.

Tom Ball said about 400 Fee residents signed a petition similar to the one circulated in Snyder.

"It looks like Fee's policy will be pretty liberal from the number of signatures on the petition," he said.

Terry Brock, president of West McDonel and South Case president Eric Peterson expect their residents to be more in favor of open houses if they are allowed to have closed doors.

"The number of open houses probably won't change under the present circumstances," Peterson said. "But feelings will change and open houses will be expanded with closed doors."

Brock thinks most men in Fee Hall would be in favor of open houses from noon to 2 a.m. under the new policy.

Wilson Hall council formed an open house policy Tuesday night that will be implemented if the MHA proposal is approved by Dickerson.

The council decided that the appearance of rooms and dress codes should be determined by individual residents. A questionnaire will be distributed to Wilson residents before the council determines the frequency and duration of open houses.

"I don't think Wilson will move immediately for 24-hour open houses, but I expect we will reach that within two terms," George Gregory, Wilson Hall's MHA representative said.

Greg Spencer, vice-president of Abbot Hall and John Sullivan, MHA representative for Armstrong Hall think their halls might adopt 24-hour open houses on weekends.

Sullivan said Armstrong residents seem to favor 12-hour open houses from noon to midnight during the week.

"Men in Abbott are really fired up about the open house policy," Spencer said. "They've worked hard for this and if the policy passes they will have

a direction for their energy."

Dave Pletzke, president of North Hubbard Hall, and Dave Mellor, vice-president of West Shaw Hall, don't expect their halls to implement 24-hour open houses because of the men's concern for privacy.

They said the halls would be more likely to adopt noon to midnight open houses.

Men in Emmons Hall would be most in favor of open houses slightly shorter than 24 hours, according to Richard Marx, president of the hall. Marx predicted that residents would approve open houses lasting about 21 hours.

Chuck Catlett and Glen Elliott, vice-presidents of East Aker's Hall and East Holmes Hall, said that opinion about open houses is split in the halls.

Elliott said Holmes Hall may adopt 24-hour open houses on weekends but expects residents to favor a variety of alternatives during the week.

Bob Melichar, president of Bryan Hall, said the hall would probably start with less than 24-hour open houses. He expects Bryan Hall to implement open houses about five nights during the week with a more liberal policy on weekends.

# Sections offered for Mason-Abbott residents exclusively

BY HELENE KLADZYK  
Observer Staff Writer

For the first time in the history of MSU, students in a residence hall will be taking a course for credit exclusively with other residents of their hall in their own hall.

Fifty students from Mason-Abbott Halls will be taking a three-credit course in human sexuality winter term in connection with the Colloquy on Sexuality, being held on campus next term.

Mrs. Kathleen A. Alderman, head advisor of Mason Hall, said the two sections being taught within the hall are an experiment to make the residence hall more than just a place to live for its residents.

At the advisory staff workshops before the term began, she said, the idea came up to further the living-learning idea of the halls by making living in a hall "an educational experience."

"Moreover," Mrs. Alderman said, "we wanted to co-ordinate the curricular and extra-curricular activities of the students with students they know."

Robert L. Maurovich, head advisor of Abbott Hall, said that the advisory staff should provide educational experience rather than just being seen as a disciplinarian or a person to go to see for a room change.

Maurovich and Mrs. Alderman explained that their plans are much different now than they were at the beginning of the term. Originally, they had planned to have 13 sections of the class and have it taught on the house level.

After taking a poll in which 450 residents of both halls said they would take a course for credit, head advisors made a formal presentation to the colloquy steering committee.

Because of the experimental nature of the classes, however, the number of sections was cut to two, and the houses will be taught coed in the game rooms or libraries of the respective halls.

William H. Barr, assistant director of Residence Hall Programs, said the experiment hopes to start "issue-oriented curriculum reform."

"We want to make education more relevant to the student," he said. "Students should also be exposed," Barr said, "to concerned faculty and advisory personnel."

"There should also be an integration

of cognitive and emotional aspects of learning," he said. "We want kids to 'say it like it is'," he said, "and to think in terms of their own behavioral patterns."

Barr said that in connection with the colloquy, students will be asked to write position papers on, for example, premarital sex. "But," he said, "what will they actually do? A study last year showed one half of the people on this campus don't date."

Students enrolled in the two sections of Human Sexuality, 400V will be going to the all-University lectures and the discussions sections in the hall, Maurovich said. However, because they are receiving credit for the course, their work will be guided by two team-teaching teams from the Psychology Dept.

Andrew M. Barclay, assistant professor of psychology, is the program co-ordinator and arranged the academic set-up for the courses.

The two teams, he said, are William D. Crano and Elaine Donelson, and Ellen Strommen and James S. Uleman of the Psychology Dept.

Barclay said he chose the text "Human Sexuality" by J.L. McCary because of its instructive nature. "It's one of the best texts I've ever seen of the area of sexuality and it will give us certain common knowledge with which to begin discussion," he said.

All concerned with the accredited course program are optimistic about its success. Maurovich said the staffs of the halls feel they are doing something extra for the residents.

The head advisors said that three programs are really involved with the colloquy on the hall level. Aside from the accredited class, 24 resident assistants are participating in leadership training workshops to lead discussions in the houses for those interested in a non-credit course.

David L. Jordan of the Counseling Center is in charge of the training which, he said, would equip R.A.'s with enough knowledge about group dynamics to keep the coed discussions within the houses alive.

The advisory staffs are also working with student government to provide the appropriate programs for the halls along with the colloquy, Maurovich said.

Although Mason-Abbott are the only halls with the accredited course, other halls will have their own programs in connection with the colloquy.

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Barr said that this is only the beginning as far as classes on a house and hall level are concerned. There is one R.A. in Wilson, he said, whose house wants to have a class in self-concept.

One reason he said this program was pursued was because of the interest shown in several houses in Mason-Abbott. Barr said he worked closely with Sherrie M. Pearson, Homestead, Fla. junior, at the beginning of the program to get what students wanted.

Miss Pearson, an R.A. in Mason, said the reason she worked on the program was because she had house support.

"I knew our house would support a program," she said, "and I hoped others would also. Our house is ideal because it is small with only 40 girls and the kids know each other well. This is the kind of thing the house has to do together."

## Coffee house<sup>12-8-68</sup> campus-wide attraction

BY RANDY MARKEY  
Observer Staff Writer

A new coffee house featuring music and "atmosphere" has opened in the basement of North Case Hall for any interested MSU students.

The new coffee house, open only two weekends, has been called "very successful" by Robin Lawton, Mount Pleasant sophomore and coffee house manager.

"There has been very good attendance so far," said Lawton, "and we have made over \$180 in our first two weekends." Also, most of the people have not been from Case Hall which indicates a campus-wide interest in the coffee house, he said.

"The entertainment is voluntary now but we hope to bring some professional performers in in the future," Lawton said.

Current performers are asked to attend and are given publicity. Types of entertainment so far, include folksinging, blues, folk-rock, popular, and a poet-in-residence, Lawton said.

The coffee house, an idea of Lawton himself, has been called "entirely different" than other such places. There are "black lights" with fluorescent posters and tables that are actually telecable spools. Lawton says the atmosphere is not psychedelic and must be seen to be appreciated and understood.

The initial cost of \$350 to get the coffee house going was given by the Men's and Women's Councils in the dorms, Lawton said.

The coffee house serves free coffee and also sells Coke, but hopes that in the future will be able to feature spiced teas, Lawton said.

The coffee house is run by a small volunteer committee and manager that clean, operate, organize, and release the publicity for the coffee house, Lawton said.

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# In residence

BY GARY KILLWORTH  
Observer Staff Writer

While MSU students are busily preparing for the approaching exam week ordeal, the approach of Christmas may only be an abstract thought.

But residence halls across campus have been offering special hall-sponsored activities to brighten these somewhat dark days.

The women of Butterfield Hall will have their annual Christmas party today. The women on each floor are decorating their room doors to be judged in a contest during the party.

Wednesday night Butterfield women will participate in a caroling party at Frandor.

In addition to Yakeley Hall's all-hall Christmas party held Wednesday night, individual floor parties were held throughout the week.

Today the Christmas dinner at Yakeley will feature entertainment by Pam Best, Pontiac freshman. Miss Best is a music major and will perform on the piano.

Campbell Hall sponsored a tree-trimming party Tuesday night and their Christmas party was held Wednesday night.

Campbell's own student choir will sing for their Christmas dinner today.

East and West Holden students were kept busy the past week by hall parties and decorating the cafeteria for today's Christmas dinner.

While these activities are helping to calm nerves around the campus, many efforts are being made to brighten the lives of others.

A group of West Fee men collected \$300 in contributions to buy toys for 54 underprivileged children. The toys were to be presented to the children during the Christmas party held for them Saturday.

A combined project of North and South Wonders Halls will host a group of children today from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. The party will feature the presentation to gifts to each of the children.

Programs similar to that of wonders are being sponsored today by Wilson, Mason and Abbott Halls.

# Faculty Committee passes 'no hours' for frosh coeds

12-8-68  
BY ANN HODGE  
Observer Staff Writer

The Faculty Committee on Student Affairs approved a proposal Friday afternoon that freshman women be given selective hours.

The committee's approval moves the proposal made by Women's Inter-Residence Council (WIC) to Milton Dickerson, vice president for student affairs, for final consideration.

Sue Landers, WIC president, hopes Dickerson will make a decision before the end of the term so the policy could be implemented winter term.

In addition to eliminating hours, the proposal would strike the special permission clause from the Student Handbook and change sign-out policies from mandatory to recommended.

The policy maintains the present rules forbidding non-residents in women's halls after University closing hours.

A.L. Thurman, chairman of the Faculty Committee, said the major sentiment of the members is that the decision is consistent with other recent recommendations from the committee.

The policy change was first introduced on Nov. 6 when WIC passed the proposal and submitted it to an all-University referendum.

On-campus coeds voted 4-1 in favor of the proposal on Nov. 11 and ASMSU unanimously approved the policy the next night.

The proposal was then sent to the Faculty Committee on Student Affairs with Miss Landers' request that it be given top priority on the committee's agenda.

The proposal must receive final approval from Dickerson before it can be implemented.

"We are pleased that it didn't take a term or two to decide on the proposal," Miss Landers said. "This shows that the Faculty Committee is a viable channel for change."

WIC based its decision that a change in the hours policy is needed on the results of a study started in October.

Freshman women proved that they

avored a selective hours policy in discussion groups and on a questionnaire distributed by the policy committee.

WIC's rationale for the policy centers on the idea that coeds have as much right to regulate their social lives as they do with their academic lives.

The policy states: "There is a large discrepancy between the desire of the University for students to assume the responsibility for their own behavior, and the restrictive hours that remove the need for responsibility."

The policy proposes that social restriction seems to place undue emphasis on the social phase of college life rather than academic commitments.

The policy also asks who is to say that freshman women are not as mature as freshman men.

"Colleges are beginning to prepare men and women to work together, educators are adjusting their attitudes and those of their students toward the college women in our society, and the college scene is changing," the rationale states.

This move by the Faculty Committee climaxes two-and-a-half years of work by Associated Women Students (AWS) and WIC to grant coeds selective hours.

Selective hours for sophomores, juniors, and seniors went into effect fall term in 1967, costing approximately \$60,000 in implementation to set up procedures for "night receptionists" in dorms.

With the success of the new system, W.C. Blanton, former senior member-at-large for ASMSU, proposed in January 1968 to put all but first term freshmen on selective hours.

Further study was requested by WIC, and a summer of study and then this fall's discussion groups followed.

Part of the reason the first hours policy passed was, according to Donald V. Adams, director of residence hall

programs, was that WIC had "done its homework." And last winter, numerous administrators agreed that the new system was working smoothly, "without transition," as Adams termed it.

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# Dickerson returns proposals for reconsideration by faculty

By Marilyn Patterson  
State News Staff Writer

Milton B. Dickerson, vice-president for student affairs, said Monday that he had sent both the Men's Halls Assn. (MHA) open house proposal and the Women's Inter-residence Council (WIC) proposal on selective hours for freshmen women back to the Faculty Committee on Student Affairs for reconsideration.

Dickerson said that he had "indicated parts of the proposals which I cannot accept" and that the Faculty Committee will consider his changes at its meeting Friday afternoon.

He declined to specify which parts of the proposals he did not accept.

"I think we will end up as other universities have in taking these matters to the Board of Trustees," Dickerson said. "The proposals are actively being worked on by all the people concerned."

He said that the Faculty Committee will try to amend the proposals so as to

make them acceptable to Dickerson, the committee and MHA and WIC.

When contacted for comment, A.L. Thurman, chairman of the Faculty Committee, said that he had not yet been in contact with Dickerson.

The MHA proposal calls for individual halls to be allowed to determine the hours supervision and proper attire for open houses. It also leaves the determination of a closed or open door policy up to the individual halls.

The proposal states that the procedures and policies for open houses should be agreed upon by the hall governing body, head adviser and manager. It was approved by the Faculty Committee on Dec. 3.

The WIC proposal would establish selective hours for freshmen women. The proposal, which was made after a referendum of on-campus women indicated they desired the change, was approved by the Faculty Committee on Dec. 6.

Though both proposals were passed before the end of fall term, Dickerson did

not consider them until Monday as he has been out of town since their approval by the Faculty Committee. The proposals must have his approval before they can go into effect.

At its Friday meeting, the Faculty Committee will also consider an Inter-Fraternity Council (IFC) proposal that fraternities be allowed to serve liquor at social functions.

# An open debate?

Without giving satisfactory reasons, Milton B. Dickerson, vice-president for student affairs, has chosen to return the Men's Halls Assn. (MHA) open house proposal and the Women's Inter-Residence Council proposal on women's hours to the Faculty Committee on Student Affairs.

Dickerson returned the proposals to the committee because of parts he "cannot accept", but has chosen not to disclose to the public what parts of the proposals he finds unacceptable.

The Academic Freedom Report, both in policy and spirit has set up the procedures whereby University regulations governing students can be amended. The final step of the process rests with Dickerson. If he has chosen now to shun his responsibility for competent decision in policy consideration it can mean only resentment and disappointment from the student body.

Why Dickerson will not open the matter up for debate to the entire academic community by disclosing what areas he finds unacceptable is unclear. We can only speculate on his reasoning behind this move, but from informal remarks made by several important members of the administration it is clear that they are notably opposed to further liberalizing students' social privileges. It may very well be



**Dickerson**

that Dickerson is afraid of criticism from his colleagues not only if he had approved the proposals, but also if he had merely opened them up for debate.

The proposals, with Dickerson's amendments, will be considered at the Faculty Committee meeting Friday afternoon. If his intent is not disclosed prior to this it will be an apparent violation of the spirit of the freedom report by removing the matter from the healthy atmosphere of free and critical discussion.

If the proposals are sent back to the Faculty committee and

approved with Dickerson's amendments, they must then be returned to the bodies that originated them, WIC and MHA. This could very well tie the proposals up in so much red tape that the matter would not be resolved until later this year, or very easily next, or, (and perhaps this is Dickerson's intent) never.

Dickerson apparently objects to any policy change which would allow the opposite sex in dormitory rooms on a 24 hour basis. It also seems he finds freshmen women too irresponsible to govern their own hours.

It would be most unfortunate if, after having been considered by so many distinguished members of the academic community the proposals were weakened in such a matter that students had to accept a meaningless, weak compromise.

WIC and MHA have labored long and hard for liberalization of these policies, and it is most unlikely that they, or their student constituents will be willing to accept only non-productivity for their efforts.

The first step must be to bring the criticisms Dickerson has into the open where they can be exposed to debate. From there, the proposals can better be considered in the intent and spirit of the freedom report.

# Residence halls air MHA, WIC proposals

By ED HUTCHISON  
State News Staff Writer

Despite the rejection of the Men's Hall Assoc. (MHA) and Women's Inter-Residence Council (WIC) proposals by Milton B.

Dickerson, vice-president for student affairs, work on policy making continues in various stages of development with action largely to be taken by hall councils.

The MHA proposal calls for individual halls to determine the hours, supervision and proper attire for open houses. It also leaves the determination of a closed or open door policy up to

individual halls.

The WIC proposal concerns selective hours for freshmen women. Both proposals were approved last term by ASMSU and the Faculty Committee on Student Affairs.

North Wonders General Council last term passed a policy allowing a 24-hour, 7-day open house with the provision that Dickerson signed the policy and the manager and head advisor approve their action.

James P. Cotton, Alexandria, Va. junior and North Wonders Hall president said that the policy was passed by the general council with 19 members approving and one disapproving.

Cotton said it would be possible to change the policy as adopted by the council should a sizable minority, which is set at one-third of the residents, be opposed.

At North Hubbard Hall, Brian Enos, head resident advisor, said that nothing has yet been adopted by the hall council. Enos expects that there will probably be a

survey taken to determine open house preferences of the residents.

Douglas Zatechka, head resident advisor of East Holden Hall said that there has been little done in formulating policy there, but expects that hall council members will get a sampling of what is wanted through the individual houses.

Zatechka said he was willing to approve "whatever they decide best represents the people in the hall," but added that he expects council members to "think it over."

The results of a questionnaire on open house preferences sent to residents of West McDonel Hall last term will be presented to the hall council when approval comes from Dickerson for consideration in formulating policy, Richard Stimpson, head resident advisor said.

The questionnaire attempted to determine the majority opinion and the significance of the minority, he said.

Stimpson commended the residents in the hall for handling the question responsibly and attempting to find out what they really want.

A committee designed to discuss implementation and make recommendations for a open house policy was appointed last term in East Shaw Hall, Jan H. Blakslee, head resident advisor said.

The committee, Blakslee explained, will meet with the manager and head advisor to make recommendations for a policy for presentation to the

hall council. Composed of council members, the committee will also consider guidelines that may come from Dickerson's office, he said.

South Case is another hall that has not set a policy while waiting for approval of the MHA proposal from Dickerson's office.

A diversity of opinion among the residents will probably ultimately lead to an all-hall referendum, Charles C. Spence, head resident advisor of South Case Hall, said.

Spence said that as an administrator he sees problems should a 24-hour, 7-day open house policy be put in effect. He explained that there could be problems with roommates rights being violated as well as security problems with resident's rooms.

In November 1967, when questioned of the chance for MSU to have a visitation policy such as that of University of Michigan, Dickerson said "if your question really is what chance is there for a visitation policy in the extreme sense, very little."



## Sexuality speaker

Dr. Selig B. Neubardt, a New York City obstetrician, discussed sex and morality at the sexuality colloquy Tuesday night.

## SEEKS NEW SEXUALITY

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# Youth rejects old morals

By MARY ANNE GEORGE  
State News Staff Writer

Today's youth has rejected society's traditional moral attitude that sex is evil and guilt-ridden, Dr. Selig Neubardt, a gynecologist from New Rochelle, New York, said at Tuesday evening's sexuality colloquy lecture.

"The rejection of this hypocritical moral standard forms the basis of today's sexual revolution," he said. This enlightened attitude of youth, Neubardt maintained, has resulted in new approaches to sexuality such as the colloquy at MSU.

Neubardt, the author of "A Concept of Contraception," is a pioneer in introducing the study of sexuality to medical school curriculums as well as an advocate of a re-assessment of current abortion laws and sex education in the United States.

### Emphasis on morals

He found today's medical students less interested in the clinical aspects of sex and more interested in the moral and ethical implications of such things as birth control pills and abortions.

"A doctor reflects the morals of the establishment when he writes a young girl's prescription for birth control pills, Neubardt said. "But refusal to do so may result in an unwanted pregnancy."

"Should a doctor write a prescription even when he feels personally that this girl, often 15-or-16-years-old, will suffer severe emotional damage?"

This is the doctor's problem, Neubardt said. He must be more than an agent for writing prescriptions. He must impress upon the girl the idea that in-

discriminate sexual encounters can result in severe emotional damage even where pregnancy is avoided.

### Youth is pressured

Today's youth, urged by others their age to be sexuality liberated, are often pressured to the point of promiscuity, he said.

To combat this trend, Dr. Neubardt stressed the grave importance of self-affirmation; formulating a personal morality; taking a stand on what you as an individual think is right.

Youth has a responsibility to keep society free of the pressures that cause people to act as unthinking masses, Neubardt said. People must not be forced to adhere to a sexual standard that regulates individual behavior as they have in the past. Neubardt termed this "society's myth of propriety." The myth regulates the type and frequency of sexual encounters before marriage.

It perpetuates the idea that all women must be virgins before their wedding night, and that all men are experienced. The myth treats sex as something that can be turned on and off, he said.

Because youth has rejected this myth, Neubardt said, "the establishment has pressured the mass media to prove that youth is immoral. The tragedy of this is that youth is believing it."

These problems arise from our distorted approach to human sexuality, he said. The medical world is not prepared to deal with the psychological aspects of sex. "People are disturbed by their misused and mistreated sexuality," Neubardt said.

Neubardt places the blame

for this distortion on the lack of factual sex education by parents. Parents perpetuate the idea that sex is evil and young children should be spared the distasteful details. So the stork, myth, he said, is substituted for practical, reliable facts.

"Parents don't realize that to a young mind the truth is much easier to grasp than some fantastic story about a bird and cabbage leaves," he said.

Parents are also a barrier to honest sex education in the schools, he said. When sex education programs are initiated in school systems parents pressure school boards to censor films and texts rigidly. The result is a rehash of the old physical hygiene films, he said.

"When children are taught how babies are conceived they should be taught how babies are not conceived," he stressed. "Any good sex education pro-

gram should include a full explanation of contraception."

Lack of knowledge concerning contraceptives often results in unwanted pregnancies by girls who have had "one exposure without protection." These pregnancies often end in the hands of an illegal abortionist, Neubardt said.

### Abortion laws

Neubardt said there was a definite need to reassess our abortion laws as well as our personal attitudes. Recent polls have shown that most laymen favor reform in abortion laws but not a repeal of these laws to allow abortion on demand.

This, he said, is a result of the need to use pregnancy as a punishment for sin. But, he reaffirmed, "Pregnancy results from intercourse—not sin."

# Board blasts Dickerson on handling of proposals

By DAVE SHORT  
State News Staff Writer

ASMSU leveled a blast of criticism at the actions of Vice-President for Student Affairs, Milton B. Dickerson, in his handling of the Men's Halls Assn. (MHA) open house policy and Women's Inter-residence Council (WIC) proposal for selective hours for freshman women, during its board meeting Tuesday.

Citing Dickerson's refusal to accept the proposals and returning them to the Faculty Committee of Student Affairs for reconsideration, the entire ASMSU Board voiced

dismay over Dickerson's failure to justify his decision.

Board Chairman Peter Ellsworth said that he failed to understand Dickerson's rationale in making the decision and failure to give reasons for it.

"Dickerson did not justify his opposition of the proposals to the students and ASMSU," Ellsworth pointed out.

"By thus declining to justify his actions and by failing to come to this meeting, Dickerson has seemed to indicate his feelings about the role of the students in the whole process involved."

Senior member-at-large Harv Dzodin saw Dickerson's actions as a threat to the Academic Freedom Report.

"After the September resolution incident, it looked like the Academic Freedom Report would survive; but, now this situation represents another challenge to the Freedom Report," Dzodin asserted.

"Other developments will result from what happens here."

Chuck Mustov, sophomore member at large, supported Dzodin.

"By virtue of the course of action taken by the Vice-President for Student Affairs in surreptitiously blocking the MHA and WIC proposals of last term, the established channels of co-operation among the administration and the students, faculty, and administrators that are set up in the Academic freedom report have been seriously threatened," Mustov said.

Inter Cooperative Council representative Fred Fry called the incident a circumstance in which the "students are going to have to unite in order to obtain a very basic right, that of controlling their own personal lives."

A motion by Sue Hughes, Off-Campus Council, calling for the immediate implementing of selective hours for freshmen women and its amendment concerning the

implementing of the visitation policy was tabled.

Although ASMSU did not take any immediate action on the matter, it indicated that it was preparing a position paper that would confirm its firm standing on the compromise and its unwillingness to compromise on the issue.

In other Board actions, the 1969 budget was passed and two new positions were  
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filled. Total expenses for the year for ASMSU under the budget will be \$47,157.30. With the total ASMSU gross funds being \$49,900, the next session of ASMSU under the budget will be \$47,157.30. With the total ASMSU gross funds being \$49,900, the next session of ASMSU will be allotted \$2,742.70.

Due to the resignation of Ray

Doss, vice chairman, Harvey Dzodin was appointed to take over Doss' post.

Doss, who had served two terms as vice chairman, cited personal reasons as the cause for his resignation. He will continue to serve as junior member-at-large, however.

Bill Rustem, Frankenmuth sophomore, was also appointed to fill the Secretary position on

the Board. Rustem has been a member of the Great Issues Board and of President Hannah's tuition committee prior to his appointment.

Ellsworth announced that National Students Assn. had reopened negotiations with the University in an attempt to use the campus as the site of the association's national conference this spring.

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# 'New morality' sheds bias

America needs "a new sex morality—one based on sense rather than mindless prejudice, on compassion rather than rigidity," a University of Houston clinical psychologist said Tuesday.

Opening a seven-week MSU series of talks, courses and discussions on "Sexuality: Search for Perspective," James L. McCary, professor of psychology, called for a comprehensive, school-based program of sex education for everyone.

"We must educate, not indoctrinate; teach facts, not fallacies; be objective, not subjective; be democratic, not autocratic; aid the young in formulating a code of ethics, and avoid passing on to them our own irrelevant, guilt-producing, emotionally based opinions," he said.

McCary pointed out the need

for education because our "sexual behavior is related to our sexual attitudes." "Attitudes are a direct result of the sex education we have had, or the lack of it, and of the misinformation that we carry into our sexual relationships," he said.

Women today are willing to accept a double standard of sexual conduct, and boys are propagandized to believe that their masculinity depends on their success in seduction, the psychologist said. Girls are indoctrinated in the importance of being "sexy" but not promiscuous, and little boys learn that tenderness and compassion are "sissy."

"It must be apparent to each of us that many of our rigid, outmoded, unrealistic and guilt-laden attitudes must be changed," McCary said. "It should be equally apparent that the responsibility for these changes rest squarely upon the shoulders of the parents and other decent citizens of the community."

McCary said that sex education can be approached in many ways ranging from a total avoidance of the problem to a very permissive viewpoint.

"The safest solution would appear to be a course of compromise and selectiveness

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among the various philosophers of sex education.

"Certain sexual needs should be permitted expression; unadorned information about the physiological and psychological aspects of sex should be presented to all; and the Judeo-Christian traditions within

which we live must be understood and dealt with sensibly in the framework of present-day society," he said.

McCary also said, that there has not been a sexual revolution since the 1920s, noting that studies show a significant increase in premarital sexual intercourse among women born after the turn of the century as compared with women born before then.

"Promiscuity," he declared, "is not rampant among college student... There is, on the other hand, considerable evidence that today's young people—especially college populations—are behaving responsibly. Indeed, they demonstrate considerable moral strength in their concern for the welfare and rights of others."

"There is more and more evidence that sexual revolution looms on the horizon."

"One can hardly have escaped noticing a change in sexual attitudes in recent years, as evidenced by the grow-

ing freedom with which sexual attitudes are discussed in the various communication media, schools, synagogues, churches and governmental circles—as well as at cocktail parties and by the man on the street.

"But attitudes (and the ease of discussing them) are not to be confused with behavior. Even those to whom a decision in the matter of a sexual ethic is most pertinent—today's college students—are bewildered and bedeviled by the dichotomy between prevailing sexual attitudes and sexual behavior

## OPEN HOUSE, HOURS

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# Dickerson rejects parts of two student proposals

By MARILYN PATTERSON  
State News Staff Writer

Concern about 24-hour open houses and the well-being of first-term freshmen women caused Milton B. Dickerson, vice president for student affairs, to reject certain parts of two student organization proposals on open houses and selective hours for freshmen women, the organization presidents said today.

"Dickerson is concerned about the overnight question," (under the Men's Halls Assn. (MHA) proposal students might be allowed to have members of the opposite sex in their rooms all night),

Brian Hawkins, MHA president, said.

The proposal, as passed by the Faculty Committee on Student Affairs, allows the individual hall the authority to determine the hours, supervision and dress attire for open houses. It also leaves the determination of a closed or open door policy up to the individual halls.

The Women's Inter-residence Council (WIC) proposal on no-hours, which was also approved by the Faculty Committee, would allow freshmen women to select their own hours on entering and leaving their residence halls.

"There is some question as to whether first term freshmen can adjust to the burdens of their first term of college without some restriction of hours," Sue Landers, WIC president, said. "He (Dickerson) is concerned that they might suffer academically as well as socially."

Hawkins and Miss Landers are "unhappy" that Dickerson has sent the proposals back to the Faculty Committee.

"The policy was passed both by the Student Board of ASMSU and the Faculty Committee on Student Affairs," Hawkins said. "It seems that sudden changes now are not valid. When it is this far through the channels (of the Academic Freedom Report) the objections should have been aired by now. This is an abuse of the channels."

"The concerns Dickerson expressed about the hours policy were brought up in the Faculty Committee meeting and discussed to the approval of the faculty," Miss Landers said. "I don't understand changing the faculty's decision at this time."

"As far as I'm concerned," she said, "this objection is not acceptable and

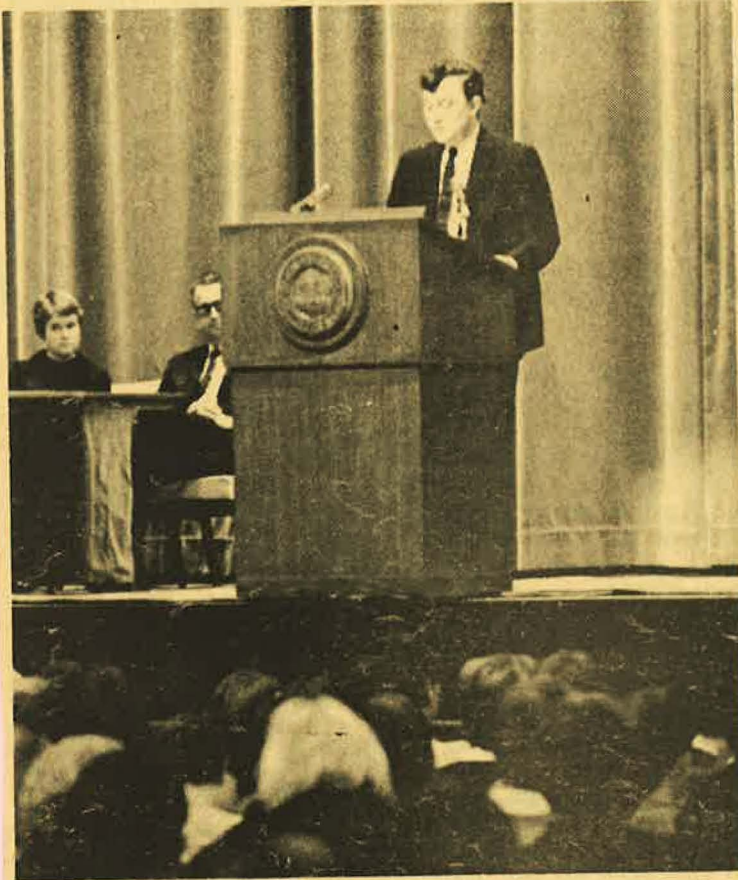
we (WIC) are going to continue fighting for no hours."

Both the MHA and WIC proposals were approved by the Faculty Committee during the last week of fall term.

Dickerson, who was out of town when they were passed, said Monday that he "cannot accept certain parts of the proposals" and has sent both back to the committee for reconsideration. The proposals must have his approval before they can go into effect.

The Faculty Committee will meet Friday to discuss the changes. Presumably, the committee will try to work out a compromise which will be acceptable to Dickerson, the committee, the ASMSU Student Board, MHA and WIC.

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***'Cultural artifact'***

John H. Gagnon, associate professor of sociology at the State University of New York, addressed the Wednesday audience of the sexuality colloquy. His topic was "Sex, a Cultural Artifact."

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# Judiciary halts Holmes' ban on fraternity rush

By ED HUTCHISON  
State News Staff Writer

The Student-Faculty Judiciary's decision Wednesday to prevent Holmes Hall from enforcing its motion which "orders all forms of fraternity rush be banned from the property of Holmes Hall" represents a compromise, Thomas H. VerBurg, Jenison, freshman and East Holmes president, said Thursday.

VerBurg said that the judiciary agreed with their complaints but not the procedures that Holmes used to protect residents from fraternity rushing procedures.

The controversy concerns a motion that Holmes Hall legislature passed Oct. 19, 1968 that "orders all forms of fraternity rush be banned from the property of Holmes Hall" and Inter-Fraternity Council's (IFC) reaction to the motion requesting the judiciary to enjoin the motion "until the end of rush week, Jan. 12, 1969, when a proper judicial clarification can be obtained."

The Holmes Hall motion prohibited advertising in the dorm, mass-mailing and the prohibition of rushing in living areas or lounges. Lehigh Burstein, Meridian, Miss., senior and IFC vice-president in charge of rush, said.

Burstein said IFC wanted to "stop the motion before any incidents would occur

with individual fraternities during rush week winter term."

VerBurg said that his major dissatisfaction is that the judiciary utilized Article 4.3.4.6 of the Academic Freedom Report which includes provisions for "expedited consideration of urgent cases in which it is alleged that a regulation or administrative decision threatens immediate and irreparable infringement on student rights..."

VerBurg maintains that the Holmes Hall motion in no way caused "immediate and irreparable infringement on student rights."  
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rights" and that the judiciary had no reason to utilize the expedited hearing provision of the report.

In requesting the judicial action, IFC said, in part, that the "presence of such a questionable regulation during rush week will lead to a hostile environment until such time as it has been proven that the Holmes Hall Legislature does indeed have the power to issue such a regulation."

IFC said that they were not informed of the motion until Dec. 3, 1968 and did not have sufficient time to properly challenge the regulation through judicial channels before rush began.

Joseph Ennest, graduate resident adviser, said there had been numerous complaints with rushing which indicated violations of the IFC-Men's Hall Assn. rush regulations.

# Sexuality 'invention' of society

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By SUE BELNIAK  
State News Staff Writer

In a speech entitled "Sex: A Cultural Artifact," a New York sociologist said that human sexuality is not an inborn force but an invention of society which owes little to biology.

Speaker at Wednesday's session of the Colloquy on Sexuality, John H. Gagnon, associate professor of sociology from the State University of New York, said that man has a biological capacity for sex which does not determine his overall behavior more than any other biological capacity.

"If sex plays an important role," Gagnon stated, "it is exactly because societies historically have invented or created its importance."

Gagnon noted that sexuality attains the appearance of a basic drive because of the way in which it is talked about and not talked about.

He added that while adolescents and adults are potentially sexual, only a small percentage of their interpersonal encounters have a sexual significance and occur only in a context which

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most persons have learned to regard as sexual.

Gagnon said that the manner in which people talk about sex plays a major role in shaping a child's sexuality.

"Most parents," he said, "do not communicate sexual information as much as anxiety."

Gagnon noted that adolescents learn a little about sex through formal sex education, but the mass media is more influential and peer group talk is the most influential.

He added that boys learn from boys to be concerned primarily with the physical aspects of sex while girls learn from other girls that romantic love is the essential thing.

"For males, the movement will be from sex to love and for the females from love to sex," Gagnon said.

He listed silence about sex as another influence on sexual attitude.

"There is even major difficulty in talking to the self about sex most of the time," Gagnon said.

According to Gagnon, most people lack the ability to talk about their own sexual activity, particularly with persons with whom they are having sex relations.

"For most persons the silence mounts and with it a sense of

guilt, frustration and inadequacy," he said. "These in turn decline as sex itself declines in importance."

Gagnon said that this decline is managed more easily than most people would imagine.

He added that people receive social recognition and support for many things, but ordinarily there is no basis for recognition for sexual competence.

"Conversely, people may be

judged a failure for many things," Gagnon said, "but rarely for failing sexually, as only their partners really know. And they are equally committed to silence."

## OPEN HOUSE, HOURS

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# Six new committeemen join MHA, WIC debate

By MARILYN PATTERSON  
State News Staff Writer

Six new committee members with six new opinions will be heard when the Faculty Committee on Student Affairs meets today to discuss changes in the Men's Halls Assn. (MHA) open house proposal and Women's Inter-residence Council (WIC) no-hours proposal.

The new members were not present when the committee approved the two proposals but will vote on the changes to be recommended by Milton B. Dickerson, vice president for student affairs.

The proposals, one of which gives individual halls the right to determine hours, attire, supervision and open or closed door policy, and the other, which would give freshman women selective hours, were passed by the faculty committee late last term. They were returned to the committee for reconsideration by Dickerson and must have his approval before they can go into affect.

The committee must now decide whether or not it agrees with Dickerson's ob-

jections. It may reconsider both proposals and accept them as originally proposed, in amended form or only in part. Any compromise measure it approves, however, must be agreeable to Dickerson and MHA and WIC before the proposals are passed.

The new committee members are Robert Glenn Wright, asst. professor in Justin Morrill College; Donald Weston, asst. professor of psychiatry; Theodore Brooks, instructor of social work; Helen Green, professor of business law, office administration and education; Vandel Johnson, associate professor of administration and higher education; and Robert Michel, asst. professor of pathology.

Retired from the committee are: T. Clinton Cobb, professor of advanced studies; Allan Mandelstamm, professor of economics; Lauren Harris, asst. professor of psychology; and Donald Twohy, asst. professor of microbiology.

Members of the committee, both old and new, are adopting a "wait and see" policy with regard to changing the proposals. By late Thursday, Dickerson had not yet contacted committee chairman A. L. Thurman to formally present his objections to the proposals.

"My decision hinges entirely on what Dickerson has to say," James Bath, asst. professor of entomology, said.

"It is reasonable that he might have some thoughts that differ from the committee's. He hasn't been there at some of our deliberations and I'd like to hear what he has to say. I am not, however, opposed to compromise."

"I have no idea what his objections are," Matthew Medick, professor of mechanical engineering, said. "He might point out something that we overlooked. The ob-

jections might be serious or they might not compromise the original proposal but be changes that are necessary for administrative purposes. I'll just have to wait and see."



# MHA, WIC reaffirm stand

By SHARON TEMPLETON  
State News Staff Writer

The Men's Hall Assn. (MHA) and Women's Inter-Residence Council (WIC) decided to continue their endorsement of the MHA open house policy and the WIC no-hours proposal for freshman women at their meetings Wednesday night.

The MHA proposal, as passed by the Faculty Committee on Student Affairs, allows the individual hall the authority to determine the hours, supervision, and dress attire for open houses. It also gives each hall the right to decide on a closed or open door policy.

The WIC proposal on no-hours, also passed by the Faculty Committee, would allow freshmen women to select their own hours on entering and leaving the residence halls.

"We see no need to compromise on the proposals which have already gained sufficient support to be passed by both AS-MSU and the Faculty Committee," Brian Hawkins, MHA president, said.

The proposals were rejected Monday by Milton B. Dickerson, vice president for student affairs, due to his concern about the 24-hour open houses and the well-being of first-term freshmen women, the presidents of MHA and WIC said Thursday.

Dickerson said Monday that he "cannot accept certain parts of the proposals" and has sent both back to the Faculty Committee for reconsideration.

The Faculty Committee will reconsider the proposals Friday and decide  
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whether to continue support of the proposals or to withdraw.

"If the committee continues its support, the proposals will not come to a standstill," Hawkins said.

"The Academic Freedom Report is ill-defined to where the proposals should go in case of deadlock between the committee and the vice president for student affairs," he said.

"Dickerson said Monday that if the committee does not see need for revision, the MSU Board of Trustees would have the final say on the proposals at their January meeting," he said.

## OPPOSES AMENDMENT

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# WIC re-asserts stand for selective frosh hours

By MARILYN PATTERSON  
State News Staff Writer

Women's Inter - residence Council (WIC) again has urged the Faculty Committee on Student Affairs to accept their original proposal that all freshman women be included in a no hours policy.

The no hours policy proposed by WIC last term was amended by the faculty committee at the urging of Milton B. Dickerson, vice president for student affairs, to include only second and third term freshman women.

"WIC will continue to work for no hours for all freshmen," Sue Landers, WIC president, said.

WIC has now presented the faculty committee with a new proposal that the first termers be re-included in the policy.

Before the faculty committee hears the WIC plea, however, ASMSU student board will consider the amended no hours policy.

"It is my feeling," Miss Landers said, "that the board will not approve the amendments. If it does not accept them

and if the faculty committee does not approve the new proposal that first term freshmen have no hours, there will have to be a compromise committee to resolve it."

In a letter he presented to the faculty committee Friday, Dickerson said that he could not approve selective hours for first term freshmen because "the new freshman must make a great many adjustments upon her arrival on campus."

"I place the greatest weight upon the necessity for the student to make a proper academic beginning in order to have a successful college career," Dickerson said.

Dickerson noted that parents when surveyed voted in a substantial majority to have hours for their daughters.

"My own conclusion, after reading and studying survey after survey and talking to a number of different girls, is that first term freshman women should still have the support of having hours the first ten weeks of this transition period from home to college," he said.

The definition of a second term fresh-

man, Dickerson said, should be one who has completed one term as a full-time student at the University, not upon the number of credits earned.

# Board to review MHA plan

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The MSU Board of Trustees may rule on the Men's Hall Assn. (MHA) open house proposal at their meeting Thursday.

The trustees will receive a copy of the MHA proposal and the rationale behind it, as well as the objections to the proposal by Milton B. Dickerson, vice president for student affairs.

Dickerson said Monday that he will present the trustees with information on the MHA proposal along with his reasons for not approving the new policy.

The trustees may delay their decision on the proposal until their next meeting in February to hear reports from more people, Dickerson said.

The proposed open house policy would delegate authority for deciding hours, supervision, proper attire and open or closed door policies to the individual residence halls.

The MHA proposal was referred to the board Friday when the Faculty Committee on Student Affairs refused to accept Dickerson's amendments to the proposal.

Dickerson's suggested amendments to the proposal include restricting the time of open houses to no later than 1 a.m. in men's residence halls and no later than closing hours in women's halls.

He approves of each student, or each hall, deciding the question of open or

closed doors, with each hall assuming the responsibility for its decision.

At the committee meeting Friday afternoon, Dickerson presented his objections to the open house proposal in a formal letter.

His main objection to the proposal is that it is an invasion on the privacy of each roommate and the right of an individual to use his own room.

"I am not prepared to accept the almost inevitable discomfort and burden which would be placed upon the non-participating roommate, especially if he or she were not aggressive, if any hall chose to go the limit with 24 hour visitation," the letter states.

Dickerson wrote that the desire for co-ed companionship for some would take away the right to privacy from a considerable number of students.

"The right of an individual to use his own room must be paramount, whether the letter continues.

Dickerson also objected to the fourth sentence of the proposed policy dealing with the social regulations to be placed upon the open houses. He wants the sentence reworded "in understandable language" to say:

"It is not the intent of this policy to permit or condone premarital sexual intercourse or cohabitation and such actions are not expected of responsible people."

Dickerson wrote that he realized that students are willing and able to assume greater responsibility in the organization and operation of open-houses of longer duration, but students must be willing to

accept some of the "societal rules which adults have."

"Student rooms, whether bedrooms or combination living and sleeping rooms, are still not acceptable quarters for all night occupancy by unmarried couples. I do not feel overly 'hung up' on sex in making this observation. I am merely stating a fact," the letter states.

## Dickerson's rationale

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I would approve of selective hours for second and third term freshmen women but not for first term freshmen.

My decision is based upon the fact that a new freshman must make a great many adjustments upon her arrival on campus. I place the greatest weight upon the necessity for the student to make a proper academic beginning in order to have a successful college career.

My own conclusion, after reading and studying survey after survey and after talking to a number of different girls, is that first term freshmen women should still have the support of having hours the first ten weeks of this transition period from home to college. This will be called a crutch by some, or called control by others, but in either case it is intended to be temporary and will last only until, hopefully, the student has acquired study habits and ability to use responsibly her new freedoms. Perhaps I am merely saying that the complete responsibility for her own hours will come in two stages, rather than all at once, when she is also struggling with the responsibility of doing college level work without her parents or high school

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counselors watching over her.

Freshmen women could be repeatedly surveyed, I am sure, until almost 100 per cent would vote for no hours, without having had any college experience. Parents, when surveyed, vote in a substantial majority to have hours for their daughters. I am impressed by all surveys but they do not always answer all questions nor solve all problems. With the overnight freedom most of our freshman have and with freshman hours for only one term, I do not see any social hardships being imposed.

I do hope that a modified proposal can be presented so that second and third term freshmen may have selective hours the balance of this year. The definition of a second term freshman should be one who has completed one term as a full-time student at the University, not upon the number of credits earned.

## MHA-WIC open-house policy

1. During the lengthy discussions involved in the consideration of the open-house policy, I was greatly impressed by the written and verbal arguments of the presidents of the residence hall associations. I am willing to accept their statements that the students are willing and able to assume greater responsibility in the organization and operation of open-houses of longer duration.

2. I am not prepared to accept the almost inevitable discomfort and burden which would be placed upon the non-participating roommate, especially if he or she were not aggressive, if any hall chose to go the limit with 24 hour visitation. We have very few single rooms and each room is still a bedroom where each occupant should be able to sleep a normal portion of each night. Some arguments have done violence to Webster's definition of "privacy" and in effect would take it away from a considerable number of students in the desire for co-ed companionship for some. The right of an individual to use his own room must be paramount, whether he is with the voting majority in his hall or not.

3. I have never yet heard any logical arguments for extending an open-house beyond approximately 1 a.m., at least none with any connection to "the basic purposes of the university". The probability that only one or two halls would

even attempt to have all night open-houses does not impress me as a good reason to subject some students in those few halls to the necessity of staying out of their own rooms all night or of suffering the inconveniences caused by the constant presence of members of the opposite sex in halls not built for such occupancy.

4. Often heard is the plea that students are adults, or rapidly becoming so, and should be treated as such. If this be true, students must be willing to accept some of the societal rules which adults have. Student rooms, whether bedrooms or combination living and sleeping rooms, are still not acceptable quarters for all night occupancy by unmarried couples. I do not feel overly "hung up" on sex in making this observation, I am merely stating a fact.

5. I would, therefore, approve open-houses of longer duration than at present, but not to last beyond approximately 1 a.m. This would specifically not apply to women's residences where no open-house should last beyond closing hours. I

would approve of each student, or each hall, deciding the question of open or closed doors, with the assumption of responsibility for such decisions.

6. I would also like to see some limitation on the number of days each week that a hall might hold an open-house. I believe most of the residents of any hall would really like to have some nights without visitors on the floor.

7. The fourth sentence of the proposed policy does not make sense to me. I assume it was intended to mean that "it is not the intent of this policy to permit or condone premarital sexual intercourse or cohabitation and such actions are not expected of responsible people". If this was the intent, it should be worded in understandable language.

8. I hope that the committee and ASMSU (MHA and WIC) can modify the proposal so as to be responsive to the above comments. If this can be done, I believe that the benefits desired by the students will have been achieved.

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## 2 proposals involved in hours controversy

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** The following is a clarification statement by Sue Landers, president of Women's Inter-residence Council (WIC).

I hope to try and clarify WIC's position concerning the question of women's hours. WIC's policy calls for all freshman women to be given no hours-first, second, and third term and it is still our policy. On Friday the faculty committee passed a motion granting no hours for second and third term. Another motion was made which would grant no hours for first term freshman women-this will be acted upon on Friday, Jan. 17.

It was WIC's position to wait until the entire question is decided in the faculty committee, e.g. regarding whether first term freshmen be granted no hours, before anything could be done. If the faculty committee does not approve no hours for first term freshmen, the hours question will go to a conference committee between the faculty committee and ASMSU. It will be the task of this group to arrive at a settlement agreeable to all parties concerned. Then the settlement is sent back to the faculty committee and ASMSU for approval and to Dr. Dickerson if both groups approve

If the faculty committee passes no hours for first term freshmen then it would go back to Dr. Dickerson for approval. If this happens, in all likelihood it would go to the board of trustees for their approval as with the MHA-WIC open house policy.

Finally, it should be made perfectly clear to all concerned and particularly the freshman coed that WIC is vitally concerned about the hours question, but at this time we must wait for the faculty committee's action on Friday before any final decision can be made. We understand that the second and third term freshmen want no hours now, but it is not our decision at this time. WIC is not going to hold up the question of no hours for freshman women but we have to wait until the motion before the faculty committee is decided one way or the other.

## RESPONDS TO CALLS

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# WIC clears hours stand

By ROSANNE BAIME  
State News Staff Writer

Women's Inter-residence Council (WIC) clarified its position Tuesday on the amended women's hour policy now under reconsideration by the Faculty Committee on Student Affairs.

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The clarification came in response to a State News article printed Tuesday. In the article Sue Landers, WIC president, was quoted to say, "WIC will continue to work for no-hours for all freshmen."

Miss Landers received a number of calls Tuesday from representatives of freshman coeds who felt that WIC,

by taking such a position, would delay passage of no-hours for second and third term freshmen.

This is not the case, Miss Lander's statement explained.

According to Miss Landers the faculty committee considered two separate policies at its meeting last Friday. One policy, approving the WIC proposal for second and third term freshmen, was passed.

Another, approving the same conditions for first term freshmen, was tabled for further action at this week's meeting.

If the faculty committee approves the first term freshman policy, Miss Landers said, the WIC proposal would be returned to Milton B. Dickerson, vice president for student affairs, for his approval.

Miss Landers believes that, if this happens, the proposal would most likely go to the board of trustees for approval with the Men's Halls Assn. open house policy.

The proposal was originally given to Dickerson for approval at the end of fall term. On Jan. 6 he referred it back to the faculty committee, asking Friday that they eliminate the first term freshmen from the policy.

If the committee rejects the first term freshman policy the question will go to a conference committee between the ASMSU Board and the faculty committee.

The job of the conference committee would be to reach a settlement on the issue agreeable to both groups. This settlement, according to Miss Landers, would constitute a new proposal and would require passage by both the ASMSU Board and the faculty committee before going to Dickerson for approval.

"I think it's safe to assume that if first term freshmen don't get no-hours now, eventually another policy will come

out to the end," Miss Lanpers said.

Concern of second and third term freshman coeds comes from the belief they have that WIC is delaying action that would grant them no hours, Miss Landers said.

According to Miss Landers, the matter is out of WIC's control. Any action the body could take, she said, would just be to approve or reject,

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## WIC no hours

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in spirit, the faculty committee's actions.

"We could approve their proposal at our meeting tonight," Miss Landers said Tuesday, "but we feel that morally we have to wait until they have considered all of our policy."

At present, WIC is preparing a position statement in answer to Dickerson's position on no hours for first term freshman coeds.

In addition, Miss Landers said she has uncovered more information on no hours for freshmen which she will release at the faculty committee's meeting Friday.

## NEITHER IS EXPERT

# Sexuality discussions link gap between generations

By REBECCA BIGNALL

MSU students feels that the sexuality colloquy is bridging the generation gap.

At the Home Economics panel discussion, "Sexuality and you

personally. . . professionally," Thursday, Elaine Ebersol, Ho Ho, N.J., junior, said there is a difference in feelings between instructors and students since the sexuality colloquy started. She said sexuality is a topic that can be freely discussed by faculty and students because neither is an expert on the subject.

There is nothing embarrassing about the topic sexuality, a Columbus, Ohio, senior, Sue Furst said.

"It's the first time people are saying 'we're human, let's admit it,'" she said.

Mrs. Vera Borosage, assist. professor of home management and child development, who is not sure everybody is completely free, feels people want to wait for a trust.

Beatrice Paoluee, professor of home management and child development, said, the small sexuality discussion groups on campus offer an opportunity to build this trust.

"When we sort out our negative feelings toward each other," Mrs. Vera Borosage said, "we will get to an honest discussion of sexuality."

"As students and adults begin talking with each other about their negative feelings and real doubts," Mrs. Morrison said, "then they, hopefully, won't have

to act them out in their dating relationships."

"It's the first time I've been in a group, not of close friends, that I could openly discuss it," Miss Furst said. "I believe girls are afraid to say what they really feel."

"We are trying to see sexuality as it permeates our life," Miss Esther Everett, associate professor of home management and child development, said, "not as the sex act but as life."

People are learning what it is like to be a whole person, sexually, Mrs. Morrison said. The meaning of sexuality that one has is what one is, she said.

The notion of sex education involves the old phrase "the birds and the bees," Mrs. Morrison said. "But we don't behave like the birds and the bees as far as I can tell."

"We're all going to be sex educators," she said, "when we teach our children." Children pick up the idea of masculinity and femininity from their parents she said.

"I trust your generation more than mine to teach sexuality," Mrs. Morrison said, "because your generation is honest and open about it."

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# MHA, WIC proposals undergo more changes

By SHARON TEMPLETON  
State News Staff Writer

The Men's Halls Assn. (MHA) open house proposal and the Women's Inter-residence (WIC) freshmen women's hours proposal are returning to lower levels of government for reconsideration.

An ad-hoc committee of representatives from MHA, WIC, the MSC Faculty Committee on Student Affairs and the Dean of Students' Office will meet early this week to seek a compromise on the MHA proposal.

The MHA proposal would allow each residence hall to set up its own open house policies.

The WIC proposal, which would grant all freshman women freedom from University-imposed hours, has been revised by the faculty committee and sent back to the individual residence halls for approval.

The faculty committee, after hearing the report of the board of trustees meeting Thursday, voted Friday afternoon to take no further action on the proposals until they have been revised.

The board of trustees refused to consider the proposals at their meeting, stating that the Academic Freedom Report allows policy changes to come before the board only after they have been fully approved by the faculty committee.

Legally, the MHA proposal should be revised and sent back to the residence halls for approval, but this would require more time than MHA is willing to take.

"Although there is no provision in the Academic Freedom Report for an ad-hoc

committee, all members of the faculty committee suggested that the committee should be drafted," Brian Hawkins, president of MHA, said.

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# MHA, WIC proposals changed

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revealed until after the ad-hoc committee meeting occurs.

"If we do reach a compromise, a decision on the proposal could be made in the next week or so, putting in effect a new open house policy in the near future," Hawkins said.

The WIC proposal for freshman hours has gone back to the individual residence halls for approval in the revised form of the faculty committee.

The faculty committee pro-

posed that only second and third term freshman women be given selective hours, restricting the first-term freshman women to regular residence hall closing hours.

The votes of each residence hall for or against the proposal must be returned to Sue Landers, president of WIC, by Tuesday. She will present the decision to the ASMSU board meeting Tuesday night for consideration by ASMSU representatives.

of students, called for the meeting of the representatives of student government, the faculty committee and the dean of students' office, to discuss the MHA proposal and hopefully reach a compromise.

Although A.L. Thurman, chairman of the faculty committee, feels the MHA proposal is "dead," Hawkins said it is in a "period of discussion."

Hawkins said MHA is prepared to make some compromises on the proposal but they cannot be

If the board approves the amended proposal for second and third term freshmen women, the faculty committee will again be requested to rule.

The Inter-fraternity house social functions was discussed at the faculty committee meeting Friday, but will be the number one agenda item this week.

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# MHA, WIC oppose plan to consolidate

By ROB PORTER

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SHARON TEMPLETON

A proposal has been made to merge Men's Hall Assoc. (MHA) and Women's Inter-Residence Council -- (WIC) into a Residence Hall Assoc. (RHA), representative of all of the residence hall governments.

John M. Engler, Mount Pleasant junior, and president of East Shaw Hall will discuss his proposal at this Wednesday's MHA meeting.

"I think that it is time to evaluate the concept of a men's and women's governing group," Engler said. "Their functions are so similar to each other that both are doing the same thing."

The organization presidents, Brian Hawkins of MHA and Sue Landers of WIC, both expressed disapproval of the proposal Monday.

"This proposal is not a new idea; MHA has been discussing it with WIC for the past four years," Hawkins said.

"Those who favor the proposal seem to think MHA and WIC have been too concerned with policy organization and have legislated themselves out of existence. The other Big Ten universities who do have co-ed government are concerned mainly with social functions," Hawkins said.

Miss Landers also did not see any advantage in the merger.

"There are too many pitfalls in the proposal. Other universities have tried this form of government and it is just not working out," Miss Landers said.

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She also cited the example of Fee Hall, which is splitting its co-ed government due to complications of authority.

The president of the proposed system would be assisted by five complex vice presidents chosen on a complex basis.

"This system," Engler said, "would be stronger than the present system for these reasons:

He said there would be "clearer channels of communication and vice presidents would relieve much of the strain of the president."

"The present tax (25 cents per student) that MHA collects from each residence hall might be raised to one dollar, giving a budget of about \$17,000, Engler suggested. He said this would allow funding of projects which would be more beneficial to the student on campus.

"This would seem like a lot of money, but we would be able to complement, not compete with ASMSU," he added.

There are four areas of concern if RHA were to be implemented.

The first area would be to make the residence hall more competitive with apartments.

Engler cited as example that RHA could work with managers to provide more flexibility of services, with European - plan meals on weekends, and more options and flexibility in room choice.

"Another concern is in the academic area," he said, "where RHA could initiate experimentation with more flexible curriculum requirements. Something more relevant could be tried, like the sexuality colloquy, which has been very well received," he said.

The third area RHA could develop is in community service. Here Engler suggested expanding residence hall involvement with volunteer services and offering credit for participants.

"I think community service projects are a trend," he said. "Other residence halls will follow the example of East Shaw and Mayo," Engler continued.

The fourth area mentioned for RHA involvement is in working with ASMSU in state affairs. Engler said that this would increase residence hall aware-

ness of areas like the 18-year-old vote, equalization of appropriations between colleges in Michigan, and funding the MSU Law School.

"Too often it is said that residence halls deal with nothing but insignificant problems, such as dress regulations. This is no longer the case," Engler said. "There is more awareness and activity to problems relevant to the University and education."

The MHA meeting on Wednesday will be at 6:30 p.m. in Wilson Hall, and is open to all who are interested.

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# Phillips grants special freshman hours policy

By DELORES MAJOR  
State News Staff Writer

Phillips Hall, following the example set by Holmes Hall, implemented a special permission policy for freshman women Tuesday which enables coeds to stay out after University closing hours.

Jan Schoff, St. Joseph junior and president of Phillips Hall, said that coeds were granted special permission only for "special activities as defined by the Phillips Hall Women's Hours Special Permission Policy."

The definition of "special activities" in the hall's policy is: "Permission shall be granted only for special activities: special activities are defined as those activities which are academic, cultural, athletic, or social exclusively, which provide diversion from the student's normal routine."

Miss Schoff said the Phillips policy designates the coed as sole determiner of whether her activities are special enough to warrant the use of "special permission."

"The coed is not obliged to put down

her destination or the time she will return, this differs from the Holmes Hall policy," the hall president said.

"No restrictions are placed on the number of times a coed may apply for this special permission," Miss Schoff said, "but there is only one hour each day, six days a week, that the girls can apply for it."

"This, I think is an important part of the policy. It shows that the freshman women must take the responsibility of planning ahead," she said.

"We don't feel that there will be any abuse of this policy," Miss Schoff said.

Miss Schoff said that Phillips is keeping records of the use of the special permission by the coeds, to see how well it is accepted and to see if there are many abuses.

Early last fall term, the Holmes Hall government passed a motion that enabled freshman women of that dormitory to apply for special permission to stay out after hours, under the "special permission" policy spelled out in the "Handbook for Students."

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## Phillips

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An Injunction was issued against the hall by the Student-Faculty Judiciary banning the hall's permitting coeds to stay out past closing hours.

Dec. 6, the All-University Student Judiciary approved Holmes Hall implementation procedures.

However, Holmes' "special permission policy" is a reality only on record. The government is still tackling legal barriers to its implementation

# Rock band to mix music, religion in dorm concerts

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"Like It is," is the label used by "The Exkursions" to describe their combination of hard rock music and religious dialogue that they have brought to MSU.

For four nights, the Chicago-based group will perform pop, rock and soul jazz in two or three different residence halls each night. The musicians, Phil Johnson, Mike Johnson and Spen-

cer Keyes play drums, guitar and organ.

At Northwestern University 200 students heard Mike Johnson tell how he had spent eight years on drugs.

"I had looked for God through being high on pills and hallucinogens, but I couldn't find Him," he said. For him, he said, "Christ takes the place of drugs."

The group told 1,000 students at the University of Illinois: "Most college students today wouldn't be caught dead being prejudiced against a man for the color of his skin, and yet many of you are immediately prejudiced when we mention the name of a man."

They tell their audience "We ask you to wipe out those prejudices and listen openly as we talk about Jesus Christ."

The group is sponsored by the Spartan Christian Fellowship, a local chapter of the inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship, a nationwide interdenominational student organization.

Performances will be held at 7 p.m. and 10 p.m. Thursday in McDonel and Shaw Halls, at 3 p.m. Friday in the Union, and at 10 that evening in Hubbard Hall.

The last two performances will be held at 7:30 p.m. and 10 p.m. Saturday in Abbott and Brody Halls.

# Hours' proposals hit snag at Roundtable discussion

By PAT ANSTETT  
Campus Editor

Residence hall determination of open house policies and the elimination of hours for freshman women may be a prolonged reality.

The suggestion to accept the recent

rulings on the Men's Halls Assn. (MHA) open house and Women's Inter-residence (WIC) freshman women's hours proposals and to push for modified versions of the policies was voiced by several administrators at the Spartan Roundtable discussion Tuesday night.

The MHA proposal, despite reaffirmation by Faculty Committee on Student Affairs, has been rejected by Milton B. Dickerson vice-president for student affairs.

The WIC proposal is now being reconsidered by the individual residence halls and ASMSU.

Over 40 student leaders, residence hall presidents, faculty and administrators discussed the WIC/MHA proposals at the twice-a-term gathering.

President Hannah said that student could take the "far out position if we want all of it now" on the proposals, or they could accept the approved parts of each proposal and wait until a future date for further action.

"Even if the student position is right and society is wrong, there's nothing like time to educate," Hannah said.

Dickerson reaffirmed his past views that all students' rights have to be considered in the area of open houses including those of the student who does not participate in the open house.

Peter Ellsworth, ASMSU Board Chairman, asked whether the Academic Freedom Report could be amended in the area of determining social conduct to eliminate the veto power of one of the three governing bodies which review student policies.

Several administrators said they doubted an amendment of this nature could be passed.

Hannah also said that final decisions on policies of student conduct resided in the board of trustees.

"In the climate of this particular time in history it is not likely that the board of trustees will overrule the vice-president for student affairs," Hannah said.

"No student body, faculty or administrator has any responsibility that doesn't also reside in the board of trustees," he said.

Dickerson also pointed out the progress of the University in the past few years toward liberizing social policies.

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# Spartan Roundtable snags

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He said the point of difference between himself and the views of the two governing bodies' proposal was "fairly small."

Discussion also centered around the proposed senate committee to probe campus activities.

This committee would be authorized to subpoena witnesses and investigate Uni-

versity records, if needed.

Hannah, however, said that the position of the University would be to "maintain the sanctity of its records."

Jack Breslin, board of trustees secretary, said that he was sure this resolution would see the light of day" and that he thought no combined effort of the universities would stop the formation of this committee.

One residence hall presi-

dent also asked whether there was a "lack of faith" in the decisions of residence hall advisory staffs.

Eldon Nonamaker, associate dean of students, said that this was "not true," and that "hall administrators have a great deal of responsibility--otherwise we wouldn't have hired them in the first place."

Students also asked the question of "who should make the

decisions?"--students, administrators or the taxpayers.

Howard Neville, provost, said that there were several levels of people who were involved in University decision-making. He listed students, Michigan residents, alumni, and potential freshmen as some of the groups which had to be considered before policies could be made that might only affect the present student body.

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# Board moves to strengthen hours support

By DAVE SHORT  
State News Staff Writer

ASMSU stood firm on its support of selective hours for all freshman women during its board meeting Tuesday.

The board passed an amended motion approving selective hours for all freshman women. This motion was passed after the board objected to a proposal by the Faculty Committee on Student Affairs, which designated selective hours for only second and third term freshman coeds.

Because the ASMSU motion differs from the motion passed by the faculty committee, both groups will meet together Friday in an attempt to iron out their differences.

Members of the board voiced reluctance concerning any attempts to compromise on its stand.

Junior member-at-large, Tom Samet, warned that the ASMSU members, who will represent the board in the conference with the faculty committee, should "realize that they shouldn't be going into the meeting trying to get a compromise."

ASMSU Vice-Chairman Harv Dzodin supported Samet. "I object to the vice-president for student affairs having the power to cut down and water down a student proposal as he has done," Dzodin emphasized.

Sue Landers, Women's Inter-residence Council president, called the situation "frustrating." Miss Landers said that although she wanted the issue to get into conference, she was "not happy with the faculty committee's proposal."

The board also passed a motion calling for all residence halls to carefully examine and implement the policy forwarded by Phillips Hall. Under the Phillips Hall policy, freshman women can be granted special permission to stay out later than University closing hours.

With student government elections coming up next term, ASMSU approved the drafting of a referendum to the students in an attempt to clear up the fu-

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ture make-up of the board.

The referendum would question student opinion on changing the current structure of the board. Issues in question are the desirability of the female-at-large position and the number of members wanted on the board.

In other board action, ASMSU passed five amendments to Article 4 of the Academic Freedom Report and appropriated money for a Biafran speaker.

The amendments to the freedom report set guidelines which administrative officers and all "bodies" should use in conducting hearings involving disciplinary matters.

ASMSU allocated \$50 to cover the expenses of a Biafran student who will be speaking here at 8 p.m. January 27 in Wells Hall.

Consideration of the motion for ASMSU to disaffiliate from the National Students Assn. was postponed for two weeks.

ASMSU announced that Jane Lau, Pan-Hellenic representative to ASMSU, Bob Robinson, former associate chief justice of the all-University student judiciary, and Sue Hughes, Off-Campus Council, will participate in a discussion of whether or not campus judiciaries should serve in a legal or counseling function, on WMSN radio Thursday at 8:00 p.m.

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# Bryan carnival stages Dickerson pie-throw

Bryan Hall's first annual carnival this Saturday promises to be a "pie-eyed affair" for Milton B. Dickerson, vice-president for student affairs.

Dickerson has agreed to drop in at the gala event and allow ticket-buying students to throw a cream pie or two at him.

The pie-throwing booth will be just one of many events planned by the hall's residents for the festivity. Typical carnival booths, a fun house and women's tag-team wrestling matches will also be held.

The entire fourth floor of Bryan Hall will be set up as a gambling

casino, while the third floor will be a gigantic coffee house, complete with folk music.

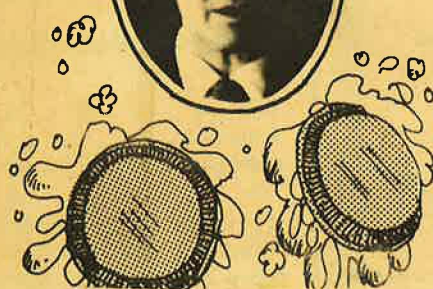
Anyone attending the carnival will be able to purchase a ticket for 50 cents allowing spectators to try the different booths, the fun house and watch the women grapplers. Door prizes will be awarded to lucky ticket holders.

Each house in the residence hall will be sponsoring a booth. The proceeds of the carnival will be used to furnish a lounge for Bryan residents.

The carnival is open to the entire university and will be held in Bryan Hall from 8-12 p.m.

STEP RIGHT UP! HIT  
THE MAN WITH A PIE  
AND WIN A HANNAH  
DOLL!!

OH OH!  
THIS KID'S  
MAD ABOUT  
THE OPEN  
HOUSE  
POLICY!



# 'U' Judiciary<sup>1-24-69</sup> halts Fee bid for visitations

By ED HUTCHISON  
State News Staff Writer

The Student-Faculty Judiciary enjoined West Fee Hall Wednesday from implementing their visitation policy which would have provided for visitation in student rooms 24 hours a day, seven days a week beginning tonight.

In requesting the injunction, Donald V. Adams, director of Residence Halls Programs Office (RHPO), said "the action by Fee Hall, as described above, solicits individual residents to violate All-University regulations."

"Because advisory staff members are obligated to enforce All-University regulations by referral for judicial action; and because we believe the real purpose of Fee Hall is to challenge, through judicial procedures, the regulations prohibiting individual halls from establishing open house policies, the Residence Hall Programs Office requests that an injunction be granted to prevent implementation of West Fee Hall's visitation policy," the request to the judiciary said.

In requesting the hearing, Adams utilized Section 4.3.4.6 of the Academic Freedom Report which provides for "expedited consideration of urgent cases in which it is alleged that a regulation or administrative decision threatens immediate and irreparable infringement on student rights..."

Adams said an infringement on student rights would occur if a student

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acted on a decision of a governing group that would subject him to judicial action by violating an All-University regulation.

In granting the injunction, the judiciary said that West Fee's policy did present an "immediate infringement on student rights," Susan J. Schurman, Mancelona, Mich., junior and chief justice of the judiciary said.

The controversy stems from a referendum held recently at both West and East Fee Halls.

At West Fee, 250 of the 350 residents voting were in favor of the 24-hour, 7-day policy to be implemented by Jan 27, regardless of action taken by Milton B. Dickerson, vice-president for student affairs. A Closed door policy was also approved.

In a referendum held the same time, East Fee residents turned down a similar proposal that was passed by West Fee residents.

Donna O'Donohue, Harbert, Mich., sophomore and co-chairman of the Fee Hall Council said East Fee turned down the 24-hour, 7-day proposal because they were offered more alternatives and were unwilling to "go against Dickerson," and would wait until policy is formulated.

The governing board of Fee Halls has taken the position to uphold the injunction, she said.

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# ASMSU, faculty group to reconsider proposals

By MARILYN PATTERSON  
State News Staff Writer

The Men's Halls Assn. (MHA) open house and Women's Inter-residence Council (WIC) hours proposals may again be one step nearer final affirmation.

Representatives from ASMSU and the Faculty Committee on Student Affairs will meet Friday to reconsider the WIC freshman women's hours proposal.

Although it was amended by the faculty committee to include only second and third term freshman women, the ASMSU Board changed the proposal Tuesday to include all freshman women as stated in the proposal's original form.

The amendments to the MHA open house proposal, passed unanimously by WIC and MHA Wednesday, call for open houses to be restricted between 1 a.m. and 8 a.m. Sunday through

Thursday and for WIC, MHA and the Residence Hall Program Office to submit reports evaluating the new policy to Milton B. Dickerson, vice president for student affairs, on June 1.

Under the amended proposal there will be no restriction of hours on Friday and Saturday.

The original proposal allowed the individual hall to determine hours, proper attire, supervision and open or closed door policy for open houses in its hall. Policy-making was to be by agreement of the hall governing council, head adviser and manager.

The proposal was passed by the ASMSU Board and the Faculty Committee on Student Affairs but was rejected by Dickerson. His approval is necessary before the proposal can go into effect.

Dickerson did not approve the proposal because he objected to the possibility of halls implementing 24-hour open houses which might infringe upon the rights of roommates of students having guests late at night.

An informal meeting of Dickerson and representatives of MHA, ASMSU and the faculty committee was held Wednesday to try resolve the differences.

"Let me emphasize that no 'deal' was made (at the meeting) but merely a better understanding of all views of the parties concerned was gained," Brian Hawkins, MHA president, said.

Dickerson indicated Wednesday that he would approve the amended proposal.

"The latest suggestion is good," Dickerson said. "It will involve the halls and people in the halls. It gives them a chance to have some responsibility and exercise it."

Before Dickerson can approve it, however, the amended proposal must be approved by the student board and the faculty committee.

The student board meets Tuesday evening and the faculty committee,

Friday afternoon next week. Should both groups approve the new policy, it could be implemented within a week and a half to two weeks, Hawkins said.

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Because there would be no hours restriction on weekends under the amended proposal does not mean that all halls would have 24-hour open houses, Hawkins said. This will be up to the discretion of the hall governing council, head adviser and hall manger.

Hawkins said the hours restriction was placed on Sunday through Thursday open houses to comply with academic concerns.

"On the weekends, however, study atmosphere is different and the social aspects are increased," he said. "Also about one-third of the students leave campus on weekends so infringement on non-participating residents is reduced. Therefore we felt there was no need for hours restrictions on the weekend."

The new open house policy, should it be implemented, will affect both men's and women's residence halls.

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## **SPRING WEEKEND**

# Dorm skits used to explain Carny

The spirit of Spring Weekend will visit several campus living units Jan. 28 and 30 through the presentations of the annual Water Carnival convocations and continued open rush.

Convocations are skit performances by the Spring Weekend executive board which introduce the year's Water Carnival theme and continuity and provide living units with ideas for carnival participation.

"After the convocations, women's and men's living units can begin pairing up and selecting representatives and committees," Bob Bicek, Spring Weekend publicity chairman, said.

Bicek encouraged the participation of everyone to assist the board in making Water Carnival what he termed "bigger, better, more entertaining and appealing."

Open rush for positions on the 1969 Water Carnival committees will also be conducted at convocations.

Convocations and rush will be at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in the Union, 9:30 p.m. Tuesday at Brody, 7:30 p.m. Thursday in Wonders Kiva, and 9:30 p.m. Thursday in McDonel Kiva.

"Due to previous interest in Water Carnival, we find it desirable to continue open rush simultaneously with convocation," Bicek said.

Positions are available for students interested in production, publicity, public relations, decorations, theme and continuity, judging and awards committees.

Recent revisions by the executive board have combined Water Carnival with Mad Hatter's Midway and Thieves' Market during the Weekend of May 23-25.

# Students respond favorably to campus colloquy on sex

By KATHY CHIABAI

Student response to the Colloquy on Sexuality has been very good, according to members of the steering committee who represent various student groups on campus.

Committee members said they had heard nothing but favorable comment.

Sue Hughes, steering committee member from Off-Campus Council, said it is "significant that people are willing

to talk about such things. There is some irony, however, in the fact that while a colloquy on sexuality is going on, the proposal on women's hours is having such trouble in being passed."

Miss Hughes said she has received nothing but favorable comment about the colloquy.

## Proves worthwhile

"It was worth the time we've put into it," Roseann Umana, representative for Associated Women Students (AWS) said. Members of AWS discussed the colloquy at a recent meeting and expressed favorable reaction. Miss Umana said it would be worthwhile if a permanent class on sexuality resulted from the colloquy and said AWS is working to establish such a class.

Dave Diesing, Men's Hall Association representative, also expressed the hope that the program would be continued at least through spring term.

Diesing said the colloquy was worth the money put into it when the results included courses like the Great Issues course on morality.

"Response to the classes has been very good," he said, "and I've heard no negative comment."

## Students show interest

Mary K. Marshall, representative for Women's Inter-residence Council, said there had been a "fantastic" attendance

at the private sessions in the residence halls with the visiting lecturers. She said many of the speakers stayed longer than scheduled when they became involved in a stimulating question-answer session.

"I don't think the colloquy is aimed at solving problems," she said when asked about its effectiveness. "I think it's aimed at raising them," she said.

## Permanent course possible

Miss Marshall added that discussions pertaining to the colloquy have been woven into the curriculum of many other classes, as in the Home Economics Dept.

Members of the steering committee plan to compile a book of the lecturers' speeches, which many be used as a text for a permanent course on sexuality, Miss Marshall said.

Charlotte Douglas, representative for ASMSU, also said the feedback from students enrolled in the sexuality seminars has been tremendous.

"I feel not having a class, I've missed out on a lot," she said. "There is a difference between those who have the classes and those who don't. In class, the visiting lecturers go into more depth; students get to know them better."

As Panhellenic Council member on the steering committee, Marylee Camp said she has heard an excellent reaction to the lectures and people who attended seemed to enjoy them very much.

## Response encouraging

"We are very encouraged with the response," Miss Camp said. "The first lecture had the smallest attendance, but the audience at each succeeding one has been getting bigger."

Several fraternities and sororities have invited visiting lecturers for dinner and informal questioning sessions, she said.

"It was definitely worth the money spent on it," said Miss Camp. "The people who gave donated because they thought it was a worthy cause."

# Colloquy to examine shifting sexual roles

Sexual roles in American society will be the topic this week of "Sexuality: A Search for Perspective." Three speakers will examine the shifting sexual roles and their implications for men and women in a complex society practicing a complex society.

Rollo May, practicing psychotherapist in New York, will speak Monday at 4 p.m. on The "Paradoxes In Sexual Roles In America."

May will lecture on the myths of frontier America and how they have affected the sexual attitudes of modern America. The 59-year-old author has written several books including "Symbolism in Religion and Literature" and "Psychology and The Human Dilemma." A new book, "Love and Will," will be published in 1969. He is also adjunct professor of the Graduate School of Arts and Science, at New York University.



MAY

The double standard as applied to women will be discussed at 7 p.m. Monday by Mrs. Violette Seibert Lindbeck. Currently an assistant professor of philosophy at Southern



LINDBECK

Connecticut State College, New Haven, Conn., Mrs. Lindbeck has lectured and written many articles on the nature, place and role of women, especially single or over-forty women. Mrs. Lindbeck's address is titled, "The Other American Dilemma: Sexual Apartheid--Women, Separate But Not So Equal."

An analysis of black sexuality in the struggle for black liberation, sexual relations between the races, and the contemporary ideology of black Power will be discussed by Calvin C. Hernton at 4 p.m. Tuesday. Hernton, an internationally-known sociologist, has taught sociology at four black colleges in the South. He cur-

land. Hernton has written many articles, among them "Sex and Racism in America" and "White Papers for White Americans." He has had several poems published and is the author of the book of poetry, "The Coming of Chronos To The House of Nightingale."

All lectures will be held in the Auditorium and are open to the public without charge.



**sexuality:**

a search for perspective

# Men's halls presidents favor open house plan

By SHARON TEMPLETON  
and  
MARILYN PATTERSON  
State News Staff Writers

A survey of opinions of men's halls presidents shows they favor the Men's Hall Assn. (MHA) open house compromise.

The amendments to the MHA open house proposal, passed unanimously by the Women's Inter-residence Council (WIC) and MHA Wednesday, call for open houses to be restricted between 1 a.m. and 8 a.m. Sunday through Thursday and no restriction of hours on Friday and Saturday.

The hall presidents feel that the time was right for a compromise and that the amended proposal is a step toward freer student government.

"I think the settlement was good. If we didn't go for the compromise we wouldn't have had anything," Rod Slutzky, Snyder Hall president said.

Surveys conducted by the residence halls showed that most residents favored a 7-day, 24-hour open house policy. The compromise was accepted, however, as a fair agreement.

"I think the compromise is a fair agreement and a step in the direction toward freedom of government in the dormitory. If we had kept the old proposal, it would have been a long battle and possibly a dead

policy," Tom Ball, Fee Hall president, said.

"I think the men in Wilson feel that it was better to accept the compromise than to go on fighting for the 7-day policy. The 24-hour policy compromise for weekends only shows the administration that we can go through the channels and reason with the administration," Bruce Smith, Wilson Hall president, said.

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## Halls seek 'no hours'

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selective hours now and that work should continue for the same policy for first term freshmen women.

Linda J. Viswat, president of Mayo Hall said that residents there wanted "what we can get right now" and that a compromise should be worked out. In a recent election over 80 per cent of the residents voted for second and third term freshman selective hours, she said.

"I'd like to see selective hours for all freshmen women, it will be a losing battle if we don't stick to it," Konnie J. Parks, North Case President said.

"The girls really want it and are fighting for it. To back down now would be giving in when we shouldn't have to," she said.

The consensus in Butterfield, according to president Lynn F. Johnson is although residents there would like selective hours for first term freshmen, they would settle for second and third term freshmen hours.

"The proposal has gone as far as it can go temporarily. The time for a compromise has come," she said.

In a vote at Landon, residents passed a proposal by a large majority to have second and third term freshmen hours, Karen E. Moon, president of Landon said.

"We are hurting our chances by waiting, we have nothing now and can work spring term on getting hours for first term freshmen women," she said.

Reflecting a similar view, Sally A. Kernick, president of West Akers, would like to see all freshmen women have selective hours, but would also settle for a compromise.

At Campbell Hall 81 per cent of the residents voting were in favor of a selective hours policy for second and third term freshmen women, Barbara J. Pikka,

A similar controversy arose two years ago when a policy was proposed to grant selective hours for junior and senior women. Selective hours for sophomore women was ultimately implemented in that policy.

# Wilson blasts hours retreat by ASMSU

By ED HUTCHISON  
State News Staff Writer

West Wilson Hall Council has accused members of ASMSU of disregarding the "best interest and viewpoints of the women of MSU" by not approving a proposal allowing selective hours for second and third term freshmen women.

"We agree that ASMSU should not have to back down on a policy that has been so carefully studied, but the stubborn stand of all or nothing is losing everything for freshmen women," the position paper to ASMSU members states.

"It also puts the residence hall governments in a precarious position," the paper continues, "You are asking us to pass policies contrary to hall regulations, putting dorm governments in jeopardy."

The position paper was passed in a special session of the West Wilson Council by an 8 to 7 majority on Jan. 23. It is the result of a discussion of the special permission policy and represents a "new way of looking at the problem," Carol M. Hennesy, president pro-tem of West Wilson said.

"Wilson Hall misunderstood our position," Pete Ellsworth, ASMSU Board Chairman said, "It is easy to misunderstand what we are doing and we expected that some would."

"They think that we've defeated the whole womens selective hours policy, but we have not done that," Ellsworth said. "We've already passed the second and third term frosh proposal before. All we have done is tacked on the first term proposal along with the other."

Several other women's residence halls agreed with West Wilson that second and third term freshmen women should have

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## Men's halls on open house policy

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Several presidents expressed the view that compromise would be used as a test of student responsibility and that a 7-day, 24-hour policy may be accepted in the future.

"The 7-day, 24-hour open house policy was too big a step for this conservative university to take at one time, but I think if we show responsibility, we will have a full 24-hour policy within the next year or so," Tom Harling, Holden Hall president said.

"Eventually we may get more responsibility in our open house policy, but I think the men of Fee have accepted this compromise and will be satisfied with it," Ball said.

The majority of hall presidents said their halls would probably take full advantage of the amended proposal, allowing open houses from 8 a.m. to 1 a.m. Sunday through Thursday and 24-hours on Friday and Saturday.

"The men in our dorm want a new policy as soon as possible. The 24-hour policy on weekends is more practical by not demanding that our dates leave the dorm just because it is a certain hour," Smith said.

"I think the compromise policy reflected the opinions of Armstrong men very well. We will use the weekend visitation

as soon as we can get it through the head advisor," James Harvin, Armstrong Hall president, said.

"Although the novelty of the 24-hour open house policy may wear off after a while, I think the amended proposal reflects the opinions of the men in our dorm," Bruce Fitzgerald, Hubbard Hall president, said.

Eric Peterson, Case Hall president, stressed the advantage of the policy in giving the men the opportunity to choose their own open house policy, but did not feel that they would take advantage of the 24-hour policy.

"Maybe we will not vote for the policy this term, but at least we will have the opportunity to

decide if we want it in the future," Peterson said.

The president of Bryan Hall said he feels the men in Bryan will accept the amended policy.

"The compromise is broad enough for what we want and I think we will adopt the new policy of 24-hour open house on the week-ends," Rob Melichar, Bryan Hall president said.

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# Open house policy OK'd by ASMSU

By DAVE SHORT  
State News Staff Writer

Voting without discussion, ASMSU approved the Men's Hall Association's (MHA) new open housing policy during a special board meeting Monday.

Under the new MHA proposal, open houses would be permitted in residence halls at any hours the individual resident hall governments decide upon except from 1 a.m. to 8 a.m. Sunday through Thursday.

Procedures and policies for open houses will be agreed upon by the governing council, manager, and head adviser of each individual residence hall before they can be implemented in accordance to the MHA policy.

Individual houses in the residence halls will not be able to have an open house  
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## Board OKs MHA policy

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unless the rest of the hall also participates.

Approval from the board came on a 6-3-1 vote after the motion was presented by Brian Hawkins, MHA president.

The board approval represented a compromise on the ASMSU stand concerning open housing. Throughout the open hour controversy, ASMSU has sought to give students sole voice in determining policies and hours of open houses.

ASMSU Vice-Chairman Harv Dzodin called the MHA-WIC policy a "tremendous step forward in the area of students governing their own lives."

"I would have liked to have seen the residence halls given autonomy rather than having an all university policy," Dzodin voiced.

"But, it was the desire of the students and myself to have the policy implemented as it is now, and then work for the remaining little that we wanted at a later time."

Paulette Gross, ASMSU female member-at-large, was also in favor of the MHA-WIC policy. "I'm glad that it passed because that's what the students wanted," Miss Gross said.

Fred Fry, Interco-operative

Council President, regretted having to compromise but deemed it as a necessary ASMSU action.

"If we had not settled for a compromise, we might have helped restrict individual rights rather than to relieve restrictions," Fry said.

Tom Samet, ASMSU junior member-at-large, disagreed with the consensus of the board.

"It was a greater concession than should have been made," Samet said.

Chuck Mostov, ASMSU sophomore member-at-large, basing his decision on a conflict of conscience and representative responsibility, abstained from voting on the motion.

The MHA-WIC open housing policy will now go before the Faculty Committee on Student Affairs for further approval.

# Hernton claims sexuality key in U.S. race problems

By TRINKA CLINE  
Executive Editor

Rise. Erect. Build. MANHOOD.

Black power is sexual...

But then sexuality (sexual paranoia and sexual persecution) has been a major factor in America's race problem from the start of slavery, according to Calvin C. Hernton, author of "Sex and Racism in America."

Speaking in the term-long Colloquy on

Sexuality Tuesday, Hernton described black power as an extension of the black people's struggle against white definitions, a struggle that began in the '50s with the sit-ins and demonstrations.

Prior to that "revolt, with all the ingredients of a revolution," the appearance of a black person in public was "obscene," Hernton said; he was to fade away, non-assertive, non-existent, "nice."

That new militancy of protests, with its sexual and political implications of black

self-assertiveness, sparked "what promised to be a revolution in the roles of black and white sexual contact and has been affecting the sexuality of white people ever since."

But with the current trend to "repudiate all sexual relations with white people because they always end in castration," Hernton has a question for black power. Can sexual love be legislated?

"No group of men or women has had a monopoly in this area," he said. Stressing a need for intimacy between black men and women, without a simultaneous halt to black-white relationships, Hernton said there is "no need to change from one sex pathology to another."

"Sexual love cannot be totally submitted to roles and strict definitions . . . cannot be subdued by Puritans . . . nor limited by skin color . . . it is vulgar, odorous, carnal, human . . . it takes place between men and women with passion and lust, no holds barred . . . sexual love is human love . . . love destroys differences," Hernton noted.

This too is the lesson of his book on sex and racism: "In a supposedly democratic society, I do not see how Negroes (or whites) can ever realize their ambition of becoming free men if, on the basis of race, they are still restricted by law, custom and tradition, in one of the most private areas of their lives--the right to marry whoever will marry them."

Hernton's is not a blind urging of mixing blood.

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*Calvin Hernton*

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## Hernton

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--In fact, his book deals brutally with the myths of "sacred white womanhood" which he said "emerged in the South as an immaculate mythology to glorify an otherwise indecent society."

--He attacked the image assigned black women as "objects of carnal pillage for whites to act out perverted desires," as "loose," as "ugly in their negritude," as the "ignorant, child-like domestic."

--And he dealt with the black woman's aid and abettance to white society in castrating the black man. Black women, he said, worked on a more intimate basis with white society in their homes and thus picked up some of the distortions of black masculinity. "She blamed her man for her rejection in society--her uncultured black rapist."

At one point Hernton noted the contradictions inherent in some of his statements. "The more effective racism becomes, the more contradictory it becomes. Racism seeks to have the victims kill themselves."

--And he examined the "sickness" evident as a base in some black-white attractions, the "prurient" desire, the pornographic implications; the assumption that all black men wanted white flesh but the denial that the reverse was possible--"sacred white womanhood."

Black people, he said, have been "stripped naked by a society excited by its own sickness--Puritanical repudiation of the human body."

"It is better to be 'black'," Hernton said, than to be nigger--"a monstrosity (sexually) of white society's imagination"--or to be "Negro or colored (middle class)--antiseptic, desexed, frigid, without human emotion, true sexual and human love."

# Shaw plans values class, new approach to learning

A novel approach to education is developing in East Shaw Hall's Precinct Six.

That concept is a class in

human values originated by Harry Brumer, Detroit senior.

The class, to begin spring term in the residence hall, will revolve around the interaction between students and faculty on topics relevant to the residents, Brumer said.

The class is sponsored by the College of Education.

The proposal for the class states that it should overcome the impersonal instruction of a big university, offer a "state-of-the-Arts" educational concept and provide a sample for further experiments in education.

"I am distressed by this University's concept of living-learning," Brumer said. "It is in no way related to a living-learning experience."

The proposal offers three options for the men in the precinct.

The first option offers one credit hour for a paper and discussion of a book chosen by the class.

Option two involves discussion of the implications of various campus events, including speakers, rallies, concerts and plays. Two credits can be earned.

The third option combines the efforts of the first two, so that the student can earn three credits.

Reaction to the class has been mixed.

"I think it's a good idea," said James E. Ekdahl, Topeka, Kan., sophomore, "But parts of the class have been awarded with too much credit. Unless the requirements are increased, it will be a way of increasing the grade points of members in the precinct, which is unfair to others."

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## SEX COLLOQUY

# Talks view law, morality

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NOONAN



GUTTMACHER

The historical, philosophical and practical relationships of law and morality will be examined Tuesday and Wednesday

as MSU's series on sexuality enters its fourth week.

The three speakers leading discussions on "Sexuality and

the Law" will be:

John T. Noonan Jr., School of Law, University of California at Berkeley, who will speak at 4 p.m. Tuesday in 108B Wells Hall on "The Protection of the Person in Laws Regarding Sexual Behavior."

Ralph Slovenko, New Orleans lawyer, will lecture at 7 p.m. Tuesday in 108B Wells Hall on "Are Sex Laws Necessary?"

Dr. Alan F. Guttmacher, physician and president of Planned Parenthood-World Population, will discuss the topic, "Who Owns Fertility: The Church, the State or the Individual?" He will lecture at 4 p.m. Wednesday in the Auditorium.

Noonan, a former faculty member of the University of Notre Dame Law School, is the author of numerous articles concerned with the changing concepts of sexual practices and morality in the Roman Catholic Church. He is also the author of the influential book, "Contraception: A History of

Its Treatment by the Catholic Theologians and Canonists."

Slovenko, former New Orleans asst. district attorney under Jim Garrison, served from 1965-67 as joint professor of law at the University of Kansas and the Menninger Foundation. The author of over 60 articles, Slovenko is the editor of "American Lectures in Behavioral Science and Law," and is currently studying in Leningrad, U.S.S.R.

Guttmacher taught at Johns Hopkins University, the University of Rochester, Columbia University and Harvard University and was the director of the Dept. of Obstetrics and Gynecology at New York's Mount Sinai Hospital.

In addition to his duties with Planned Parenthood -- World Population, he is a faculty member of the Albert Einstein School of Medicine.

A strong public advocate of liberalized abortion laws, Guttmacher is the author of the recent book, "Babies by Choice or by Chance."

## RESIDENT REACTION

2/13/69

# Campus living surveyed

By ED HUTCHISON  
State News Staff Writer

The Ad-Hoc Committee on Residence Halls, functioning to "look into every aspect of residence hall life" will begin a sampling of student opinion this week with questionnaires sent to randomly selected students in residence halls.

Formed last September by Provost Howard R. Neville, the committee will approach residence halls, looking at "student reaction to everything." Impetus for formation of the committee was provided after a proposal by Off-Campus Council (OCC) was rejected that would allow sophomore and juniors to move off campus in unapproved housing.

The Committee's report and a combination of the committee-at-large (the work of four sub-committees, discussions with hall managers, students from all residence halls and advisory staffs), will be sent to Neville by the end of spring term.

"Neville has shown consider-

able interest and will examine further feasibility of the community's recommendations before implementation," Alan Mandelstamm, professor of economics and committee member said.

Through its investigation the committee hopes to "make the residence halls a better place to live and more conducive in assisting the University to encourage dissemination of knowledge, pursuit of learning and intellectual curiosity."

Some changes the committee has discussed include converting one dorm to an apartment set-up, meal service five days a week, two meals a day, enlarging or reducing staff, liquor regulations, residential colleges, living-learning complexes and dorms for graduate students.

Mandelstamm emphasized that at this point no recommendations have been made and it is possible that the committee may make no recommendations. Work is still in the investigating

stage, the questionnaires will assist the committee in suggesting recommendations.

Sub-committees include physical facilities, living-learning, staffing and rules and regulations. Each committee has devised their own questionnaire, to be sent to about 300 students.

Questions asked cover a broad range of topics. The regulations questionnaire asks the student about his place of study, student involvement in regulation planning, residence hall government and others.

Staffing questionnaire inquires of the role of the resident assistant, the head resident advisor, social experiences and faculty residence in dorms.

Questions asked on the living-learning questionnaire include the intellectual atmosphere, interaction restriction with other students on campus, bus

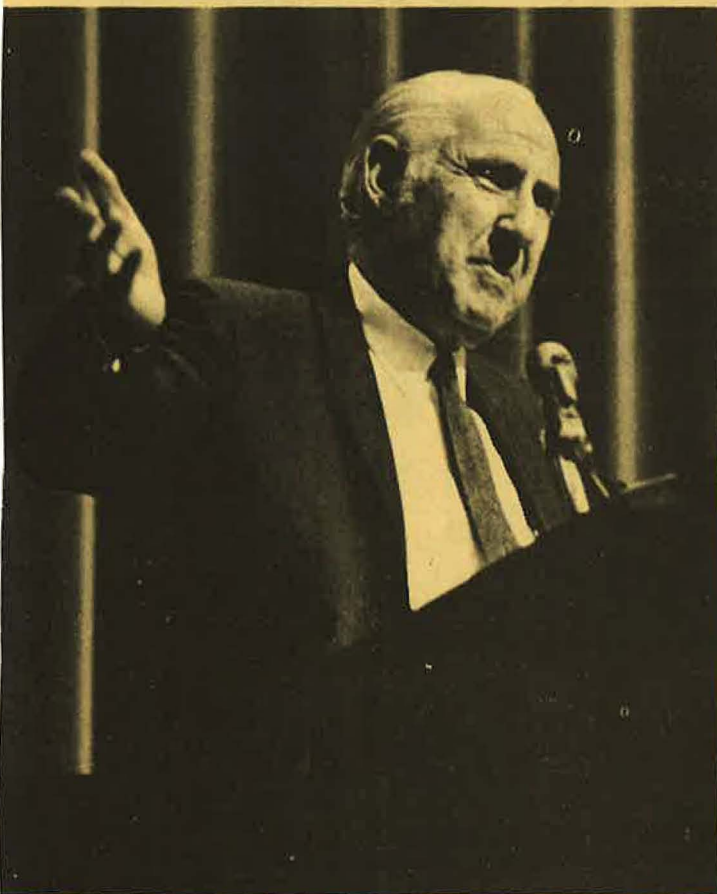
scheduling and transportation problems.

Finally, the physical facilities questionnaire request opinions on food policies, conversion of residence halls to unsupervised apartments, liquor regulations and the adequacy of dorm facilities. Cost considerations are listed in several of the questions.

After the questionnaires have been analyzed, the results will be submitted to the committee-at-large for discussion.

Although Mandelstamm expects the final report to be finished by June, it is unlikely that any recommendations that may be made can be implemented before next year. Possible action may come sooner, depending on the individual recommendation.

The committee also hopes to question students off-campus as well as those who have lived on campus and subsequently left the university.



**Alan F. Guttmacher**

# Individuality key to birth control

By KATHY MORAN  
State News Staff Writer

An unwanted pregnancy is the cruelest thing in the world—for the child as well as the two people involved, Alan F. Guttmacher, president of the Planned Parenthood in New York, said Wednesday.

Guttmacher, who claims to have the "largest pill practice in the country," spoke on "Who Owns Fertility: The Church, the State or the Individual?" in the final lecture on "Sexuality and the Law," the fourth week topic in the sex colloquy.

"Unless pregnancy is desired, birth control should be made available to the married and unmarried alike," Guttmacher said.

"It is here—whether the old people approve or not," he added.

Guttmacher said that it was "absurd and ridiculous" to restrict birth control means to just married women. In order to cut

down on illegitimacy, birth control should be made a positive thing, assuming the right frame mind, he said.

Guttmacher came to the overwhelming conclusion that the individual should be responsible for the decision of whether or not to use birth control.

He said Judaism was concerned about birth control centuries ago because they were dedicated to the philosophic ideal—monotheism, and one of the first orders to the Jews was to be "fruitful and fill the earth."

The concern over birth control has been handed down through the ages by the Jews, who are more progressive, and the Catholics, he said.

The state was interested in birth control long ago because a big nation was considered a powerful nation, and the nations tried to outweigh each other in strength. Also, big armies were a sign of political importance, he said.

Now countries are losing interest in size but the concern for birth control has continued, Guttmacher said.

The Comstock Laws, initiated in 1873 by Anthony Comstock, prevented the importation of birth control devices

from abroad and led to little acts enacted by the States.

These outdated laws are gradually being revised. In 1965 the law in Connecticut banning the sale, display or advice on and use of birth control was repealed by the Supreme Court.

Guttmacher advocated "democratization of birth control," that is, making it available to everyone—not just the elite, who can afford it.

It is just within the last three years that federal support has been given to birth control clinics. The funds come from the

poverty program, the Health, Education and Welfare Dept. (HEW) and the Agency for International Development (AID). The funds these departments have allocated for birth control have increased substantially between 1968 and 1969.

It has been said that the most cost-effective dollar on the poverty program is the birth control dollar, Guttmacher said.

Besides reducing poverty and illegitimacy, birth control is an effective way of improving the infant mortality rate, he said.

Speaking also on abortion,

Guttmacher disagreed with John Noonan of the School of Law at the University of California at Berkeley who spoke on the sex colloquy on Tuesday.

Noonan spoke out in defense of restrictive abortion laws, as-

"If the poor could acquire effective contraceptives, the infant mortality rate would be cut in a dramatic fashion," Guttmacher said.

serting that the child in the womb deserves the protection of the civil law.

Guttmacher felt that legal abortions should be available

to women under certain conditions. Right now illegal abortions are available to women who have the money to pay for them.

He said this is highly discriminatory and that the poor women who are already overburdened are usually the ones who die from an abortion performed by herself or an incapable person.

However, Guttmacher said that he felt contraception is far wiser physically, psychologically and ethically."

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**'NOT PROTECTIVE'**

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# Attorney condemns sex laws

By LARRY LEE  
State News Staff Writer

A New Orleans attorney and author of "Sexual Behavior and the Law" advocated erasing America's "sex laws" from the criminal code because they do not protect society and they deny the accused the right to a fair trial.

Speaking Tuesday night during the fourth week of MSU's colloquy on sex, Ralph Slovenko said many of the ends sought by present-day sex laws can be better reached by other laws not carrying the negative stigma of labeling the offender a "sex criminal."

"The community has a need to control against and to express its feeling about gross violations of established social amenities but it can do this without sex laws," he said. "Individuals who display their privates in public places can be charged with 'public disorder,' 'disturbing the peace,' or 'assault and battery'."

In rape cases where the prosecutor must establish that the woman "resisted to the utmost," Slovenko said the woman is not interested in assisting law enforcement officials in apprehending and prosecuting the offender when the proceedings would tend to humiliate her.

"Women are primarily interested in the prevention of rape, not in the apprehension of an offender."

His solution is to replace the rape charge with the non-sex charge of "indecent assault" or "assault and battery" adjusting the penalty for the crime.

He said prostitution causes too much concern in society. It may actually tend to preserve the institution of marriage and the structure of healthy society, he argued.

"The evidence seems to indicate that the incident of rape goes up as the law on prostitution is enforced," Slovenko gave a justification of prostitution when he quoted Thomas Aquinas as saying that a cesspool is

necessary to a palace if the whole place is not to smell.

Slovenko also said that "laws governing sexual behavior are justified only when the behavior is public or aggressive."

Recognizing the privacy of sex, Slovenko said that "the law ought not to be concerned with activity performed in private and between consenting adults, be it heterosexual or homosexual."

"The issue is really not sex, but rather protection of the

helpless from indecent behavior or attack."

In the area of pornography and the obscene, he said concern over most sex pornography like that over prostitution is misplaced, and that concern detracts our attention from the truly obscene.

"Considering the quality of much of today's society, such as violence and commercialization of human emotions, the fig leaf is like the patch that an adolescent puts over a pimple on his face thinking that it is his only problem or that it will cure all of his worries," Slovenko said.

He said states "liberalizing" their abortion laws may be taking a step forward, but they are also taking a step backward because it requires the mother to proclaim herself either already crazy or to become crazy if she must bear the child, that she will commit suicide or that she has been raped.

"The decision is not a medical decision and it is not a theological one. The issue is whether the law can stand the fraud of these 'therapeutic abortions'."

Also, the fundamental question is whether a woman owns her body.

Divorce is another area Slovenko attacked as being incorrectly handled by American law.

"Spouses breaking up usually need counseling and guidance, not a courtroom type of proceeding."

He said many courts could reduce their congestion a great deal if divorce cases didn't have to be administered through them. "Courts are set up to decide issues, and there is really no issue in a divorce case for the court to decide," Slovenko said. "It is really an administrative matter."

# Colloquy speakers to view trends in sexual standards

Concepts and trends of premarital sexual standards and behavior will be examined today and Tuesday as part of MSU's continuing series on sexuality.

Speakers for the fifth week of "Sexuality: A Search for Perspective" will be:

Ira L. Reiss, professor of sociology at the State University of Iowa, who will speak at 4 today in the auditorium on "Premarital Sex Codes: the Old and the New."

Sidney Cornelia Callahan, New York author, who will speak at 7 tonight in the Auditorium on "The Emancipation of Women and the Sexual Revolution."

Albert Ellis, executive director of the Institute for Rational Living, Inc., New York, who will lecture at 4 p.m. Tuesday in 108 B. Wells Hall on "Sex Without Guilt."

They will be in dialogue and debate at 9-11 p.m. today in the Union Ballroom.

Reiss, who has held three grants from the National Institute of Mental Health focused on

premarital sexual permissiveness, has been a member of the Iowa faculty since 1961.

He is a member of several professional societies and is currently on the board of Sex Information and Education Council of the United States.

Mrs. Callahan, a 34-year-old mother of five, whose husband, David, is the editor of "Commonweal," is a widely sought lecturer on topics of the modern woman and her role choices.

A graduate of Bryn Mawr and a holder of an M.A. from Sarah Lawrence, she has written three books: "The Illusion of Eve: Modern Woman's Quest for Identity," "Beyond Birth Control: Christian Experience of Sex," and "Women, Work and Children: Conflict?"

Ellis has taught and lectured at Rutgers University and New York University. The member of many professional societies he is the past president of the Society for the Scientific Study of Sex.

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## WIC defeats uniform dues bid, returned for halls discussion

A motion for uniform dues in women's residence halls was defeated Wednesday night at the Women's Inter-Residence Council (WIC) meeting.

The motion, which was proposed at a former meeting, was referred back to the individual halls for discussion last week.

Sue Landers, WIC president, said several residence hall pre-

sidents expressed disapproval over the motion.

"The motion was defeated because we did not feel that it was necessary for WIC to set the amount to be paid," Miss Landers said.

"Each residence hall has different needs for their programs and activities," she said.

## SEXUAL ROLES

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# Increased individuality can emancipate women

By TOM HAMP

Initiative, aggression, permissiveness and a sharp commitment to professional individuality is needed to emancipate women from their traditional sexual roles, Mrs. Sidney Cornelia Callahan, a New York author said in a Sexuality Colloquy lecture Monday night.

More permissiveness is needed for women to emancipate themselves from the traditional sexual roles of mother and provider for men. Women should become more professional to prepare for later life when children have left their parents, she said.

Mrs. Callahan, the mother of six and author of three books, spoke on the "Emancipation of Women and the Sexual Revolution."

Women should have a commitment to the community to give them some individuality and to break from the stereotyped roles of the past. The "sexual revolution" should be called the "sexual renaissance," she said.

The flatness of society puts emphasis on sex, because sex gives pleasure, sex is the drama of life and a way to communicate, she said. The

flatness of society is a result of the 19th century ideals, the double standard and hypocrisy.

Permissiveness and economic and social independence for women should be more concentrated in order to develop different sexual roles for women and men, and to give women equality with men, she said.

Mrs. Callahan said there cannot be a relationship between the sexes without first recognizing men and women as individual persons. Women should be granted the freedom to choose their lover, she said.

Common humanity ought to be stressed. The male should become more sensitive and intuitive as women have been stereotyped, she said. The polarity of the sexes should be broken.

"Women have been subjected to men and forced into a meaningful relationship. They have become the provider for men," she said.

"There must be respect for the other person before there can be a meaningful relationship, an alien dignity must be present."

Freedom of choice, absence of necessity and equal respect are needed for women's

dignity, she said.

Pleasure is learned, socially and biologically, and integrated into the person. Women have been the objects of men's pleasure, she said.

"The demands of men on their future wives is damaging to the marriage," she said. Sexual morality and premarital morality are human ideas, she said, but people want to learn to be married well.

Total permissiveness, as the hippies have tried in their communal living has failed because of human failures, she said.

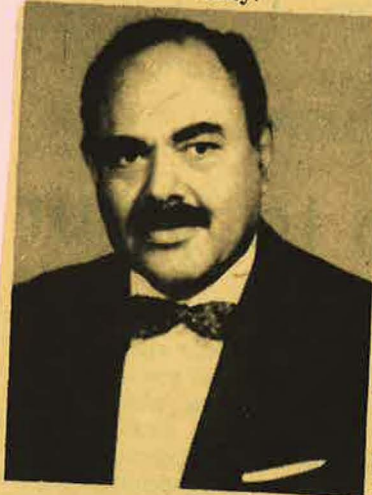
# Marriage, family topics of colloquy

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Marriage and the family will be the theme of this week's Colloquy, the sixth in a 10-week series.

Speaking today and Tuesday will be Charles R. Lawrence, chairman of sociology at Brooklyn College of the City University of New York; Clark E. Vincent, director of the Behavioral Sciences Center at Wake Forest University; and Virginia Satir, psychiatric social worker in San Francisco.

Lawrence will speak on "Culture, Class and Color: A Minority View" in the Auditorium at 4 p.m. today.

He has been on the Brooklyn College faculty for 20 years. Lawrence is a graduate of Moorhouse College and holds advanced degrees from Atlanta University and Columbia University.



CHARLES R. LAWRENCE

Vincent will speak on "Marital and Sexual Health in Modern Society" at 7 tonight in 108B Wells.

Vincent, leading authority on the unwed mother, holds bachelor's, master's and doctoral degrees from the University of California at Berkeley.

He taught at Berkeley for six years and was chief of the Social Science Section of the National Institute of Mental Health. Vincent has been at Wake Forest since 1964.

"The Family as the Teacher of Sex" is the topic of Miss Satir's speech, to be given at 4 p.m. Tuesday in the Auditorium.

A graduate of Wisconsin State University, Miss Satir is a specialist in family diagnosis and marital therapy. She has a master's degree from the University of Chicago.

Miss Satir has taught in public schools, worked at the Chicago Home for Girls and Institute for Juvenile Research and, during 1966-67, was director of the residential program at Esalen Institute in Big Sur, Calif.

## CHILDREN OBSERVANT

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# Sex ideals begin at home

A family therapist said Tuesday at a Sexuality Colloquy lecture that children are like a sponge in the sense that they have no preconceived idea of what it is to be a male or female.

"Discussing 'The Family as the Teacher of Sex,' Virginia Satir said that every culture has an image of how sexes are different.

She explained that the development of the family always starts out of context because at any point in time, one is never really able to start out with a fresh conception of sexuality.

Miss Satir said that because of the nature of children at birth they take in everything, sometimes learning from parents concepts they never intended to relay.

"A lot of what comes into the notion of sexual hang-ups has more to do with how adults who directed us got together on all they believe about maleness and femaleness, than on genital constitution," Miss Satir said.

Sex, sexuality, maleness, femaleness, differentness, sameness and communication are the important aspects of sex, Miss Satir said.

Miss Satir explained that mothers can only give their male children their own views



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on what it feels like to be in the presence of a male.

"What is maleness and femaleness and who can talk authoritatively about it is an important question," Miss Satir said.

She stated that almost without exception, when one parent is not present in the family, children who grow up in this atmosphere have trouble with their sex self and their mate.

"One of the most important

ways to relate to a child," Miss Satir said, "is through your own modeling as well as communication with one another."

She said that what many families desperately need to become aware of is male and female differences.

Miss Satir said that parents should be open with their child-

ren. It is through watching the parents work out their differentness that the children learn sexual notions as interpreted by the two sexes, she said.

"Sexual delineation starts right at birth," she said. There should really not be any babies, but rather girls and boys."

# Sexuality talks conclude with value considerations

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Three noted lecturers will speak at the closing lectures of the MSU series, Sexuality: A Search for Perspective.

"Decisions on Value Considerations for Moral and Ethical Decision-Making," will be the final week's topic in the series.

Besides the individual all-University addresses the lecturers, Dr. Otis A. Maxfield, director of training for the American Foundation of Religion and Psychiatry, New York; Lester A. Kirkendall, professor of family-life, Oregon State University and Dr. Roy W. Menninger, president of the Menninger Foundation of Topeka, Kansas, will conduct a dialogue at 9-11 a.m. today in the Union Ballroom. The dialogue is open to the public.

Maxfield will open the colloquy's final week with "Sex and the Soul," at 4 p.m. today in 108B Wells Hall. He has served as a Congregational minister, received a B.S. degree in Sacred Theology and is president-elect of the American Assn. of Pastoral Counselors.

Kirkendall will speak at 7 tonight on Wholeness.

Kirkendall co-founded the Sex



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Information and Education Council of the U.S. His ideas on sexuality have been aired in over 200 magazine articles and several books he has written. His most acclaimed book is "Premarital Intercourse and Interpersonal Relationships."

Menninger will deliver the final sexuality lecture, at 4 p.m. in 108B Wells Hall, Tuesday.

He will speak on "Decisions

in Sexuality: An Act of Impulse, Conscience or Society."

Menninger has served on the American Assn. for the Advancement of Science and the Group for the Advancement of Psychiatry. He also heads the Menninger Foundation, a non-profit organization devoted to psychiatric treatment, research and education.

The three lectures will be broadcast on closed-circuit television at various locations on campus.

Locations on closed circuit Sexuality Colloquy lectures:

Monday, 4-6 p.m.

Akers	137
Bessey	114, 211, 303, 308
Brody	3, MA, MB, MC
Engineering	100
Giltner	335
Holden	106, 111
Hubbard	31, 32
McDonel	102, Klva
Vet. Clinic	100
Wells	102B, 111C
Wilson	C-1, C-4
Wonders	101, 102, 103

Monday, 7-9 p.m.

Akers	137
Brody	MA, MB, MC, MD
Engineering	100
Giltner	146
Holden	106, 111
Hubbard	31, 32
McDonel	102, Klva
Vet. Clinic	100
Wells	102B, 110C, 111C
Wilson	C-1, C-3
Wonders	102, 101

# Guest speaker cites trend of loveless sex

By IRENE PINCKES

A new kind of puritanism has arisen that attempts to have sex without love instead of love without sex, a religion sexuality colloquy, speaker said.

"Morality is not one part of a set of human acts, but all human acts," Otis A. Maxfield, director of training at the American Foundation of Religion and Psychiatry in New York, said.

Maxfield, addressing a live audience of about 450 in 108B Wells Hall and also a closed circuit television audience, said that this new kind of puritanism poses a "kind of awful problem for the righteous."

Reading an excerpt from the book, "Advice to a Young Wife from an Old Mistress," Maxfield said that sexuality by it-

self is lonely and that sexuality acquires its character from the individual.

He said that the official Catholic standpoint which should be remembered, is that the primary purpose of sexual intercourse is for procreation.

The Protestants, Maxfield said, believe that man, because he is a whole being, is more than his functions. Sex then is good if it fulfills the total being and helps man's longing for perspective, he added.

"Biologically," he said, "sex reduces tension, and psychologically it lets us find new aspects of ourselves."

Maxfield said that, socially, sexuality enables one person to discover depth in another, which is the potential depth in all human beings.

"A young fool becomes an old fool," he said, referring to a man who has cheated himself of the real purpose of sexuality. "A young wench becomes an old witch."

In discussing the problems of the double standard, he said that woman is monogamously oriented while man is by nature polygamous.

"People don't speak about the seduction of a man," Maxfield added.

The growth toward seriousness between sexual partners, Maxfield said, comes not out of puritanism but from the nature of a man and the nature of a woman.

He said that everybody needs affection and tenderness and if it is denied, the young adult tries to recap what is missed by closeness with another.

In discussing the soul, Maxfield said that one has to deal

with the moral problem or what he calls the shadow. The soul, as the capacity of one's self, makes meaning in life possible, provides communication in love and applies religious dimension.

"Marriage can be either holy wedlock or unholy deadlock," he said.

"A uniqueness of marriage relationship can produce a covenant opposed to just a contract," Maxfield added.

He said he thought that trial marriages often lead to a covenant relationship in marriage.

"Sex and the soul ought to be related," he added. "The soul requires we be different from our ancient ancestors to enrich human life as never enriched before."



### ***New Puritanism***

Otis Maxfield spoke at the Sexuality Colloquy and told of a recent trend towards "New Puritanism," where sex without love is being advocated.

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3/5/69

## LEGALITY CHALLENGED

# 'U' judiciary considers election fight in MHA

By SHARON TEMPLETON  
State News Staff Writer

The All-University Student Judiciary (AUSJ) met Monday night to consider a controversy which has arisen around the election of Robert Loerke, Saginaw junior, as president of the Men's Halls Assn. (MHA).

The motion, which was presented to

AUSJ by John Engler, president of East Shaw Hall, challenges the legality of Loerke's nomination on the basis that he is not a member of MHA and is not presently living in a men's residence hall.

Engler said that Loerke was elected illegally to the office at the MHA meeting Feb. 26 because he does not reside in a residence hall and has not paid his annual MHA tax.

"Loerke is not even a member of MHA. Being a member of the organization to which you are elected president comes before holding office," Engler said.

Legally, according to the MHA constitution, Loerke meets all the requirements for the presidency. The constitution states in Art. IV, Sec. 2, Parts C and D:

"The president must reside in a men's residence hall during his term of office.

"A candidate for the office of president must be a past or present president of a men's residence hall, past or present MHA representative or a past or present executive vice-president of MHA.

"He must have an all-University grade point average of at least 2.2 at the time of nomination and must maintain an all-University grade point average of 2.0.

"He must be elected by a majority vote of the voting members of the president's assembly."

Loerke, who now resides at the Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity house, plans to move into a residence hall at the begin-

ning of spring term when he takes office.

He has also served as a member of the president's assembly as chairman of the Social Policy Committee.

Engler said he bases his challenge of the legality of Loerke's election on the implication that he has not resided in a residence hall this year and therefore cannot know the policies of MHA at this time.

## MHA fight<sup>3/5/69</sup>

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Brian Hawkins, present MHA president, defended the election of Loerke on the basis that Loerke has worked closely with him on the MHA open house policy and has served on the Social Policy Committee.

Loerke said he had checked out all the requirements for the MHA presidency before becoming a candidate for the office and saw that he met all of them.

Engler also challenged the legality of Loerke's election on the basis that he had not paid the annual MHA dues of 25 cents.

Hawkins pointed out, however, that since Loerke has not resided in a residence hall for the past two terms he is not required to pay the dues.

The motion requests that an injunction be issued against MHA to prevent Loerke from taking office. Milton B. Dickerson, vice-president for student affairs, said that judiciary may issue an injunction but the Academic Freedom Report gives no such authority to AUSJ.

Loerke is scheduled to take office tonight at the final MHA meeting of winter term.

3/6/69

# Sex expresses conflict

By **DONNA WILBURN**  
State News Staff Writer

Sex is often used today as an expression of discontentment, conflicts and anxieties in society, Dr. Roy W. Menninger, psychiatrist, explained Tuesday during the final lecture of the colloquy series.

The president of the Menninger Foundation in Topeka, Kan., a non-profit organization devoted to psychiatric treatment, research and education, outlined the basic forces that influence sexual behavior during his presentation, "Sexual Decisions--Impulses, Conscience or Society."

"Because sex is such an important part of every individual, it is easy for us to use it as an outlet," Menninger said. "Often it is practiced in expressing other conflicts and emotions, and not as a test of real love, or an actual need for sex."

Menninger said that the difficulty with sexuality appears when the sex act is "piggy-backed" as a means of solving other unrelated problems.

Unfortunately, indiscriminate relations can cause additional anxieties and frustrations, and do not serve to eliminate them, he said.

To understand the internal and external forces that in-

fluence sex behavior, Menninger listed three basic forces. He defined the id as the drives and energies that demand discharge and create sexual aggression. This portion of the personality produces anxiety.

In contrast to this concept, the superego represents the conscience. It provides goals and guidance to the person, but at the cost of conformity and control. When the superego is violated, feelings of guilt are generated.

The third aspect that influences personality is the environment. To perpetuate dependence, support, status, and intimacy the environment must stress conformity as well as productivity.

Menninger explained that the ego is the actual self that interacts with society. It maintains the vital balance between the id and superego. However, the ego should be aware of the inevitability of conflict from both internal and external pressures.

"The ego is not equipped to abolish conflict, but must learn how to successfully manage it," he said.

If people can see these forces as acting upon sex behavior, perhaps they can better interpret their actions,

and evaluate their thinking, he said.

Menninger said that the best method of confronting conflicts and groping for the real cause of frustrations is by talking. "Talk with the right people,

about the right things. Talk to and within groups.

"Our ability to think and to provoke thought is our greatest asset. Sex today is not a new sense of morality -- but a new sense of thought within yourself."

## AUSJ INVESTIGATES

3/6/69

# MHA served injunction against president-elect

By SHARON TEMPLETON  
State News Staff Writer

The All-University Student Judiciary (AUSJ) issued an injunction against MHA Tuesday night denying Robert Loerke, Saginaw junior, the right to take office as MHA president next term.

A motion requesting a hearing on the legitimacy of the MHA elections and an injunction against MHA was presented to AUSJ Tuesday by John Engler, president of East Shaw Hall.

Engler is challenging the legality of Loerke's nomination on the basis that he

is not a member of MHA and is not presently living in a men's residence hall.

AUSJ ruled that there may be valid grounds for questioning Loerke's election and will consider the motion at a full hearing April 1.

Glen Loney, chairman of AUSJ, stressed that the injunction does not necessarily mean that the election was illegal.

"At this point, we have not declared the election illegal or invalid. We have just suspended his taking office right now, but we may find out at the hearing later that his election was legal," Loney said.

Loney also clarified the power of AUSJ to issue an injunction, based on Article IV, Section 9 of the ASMSU Constitution.

Previous reports said that AUSJ did not possess injunctive powers since they are not granted such power in the Academic Freedom Report.

"Injunctive powers of AUSJ are granted by the ASMSU constitution, but are not specifically mentioned in the Academic Freedom Report," Loney said.

The article reads:

"The AUSJ shall have the power to issue injunctions whereby the enjoined party is required to do or refrain from doing any specified acts."

Engler said that Loerke was elected illegally to the office at the MHA meeting Feb. 26 because he does not reside in a residence hall and has not paid his annual 25 cents MHA tax.

"I have been under pressure to drop the case, but now that AUSJ has decided that we do have a case, I am going to carry it through," Engler said.

"The men in residence halls deserve to know what is going on in MHA," he added.

"I was elected legally according to the MHA constitution and cannot see the reason for the case," Loerke said.

Engler has received support in his challenge of the legality of Loerke's election

from Gordon L. Thomas, professor of communications at MSU.

In a letter to AUSJ, Thomas wrote:

"After reviewing the facts, I am of the opinion that Mr. Loerke was illegally elected to the office and that it should be declared vacant.

"Any person who is elected to an office in an organization must by implication be a member of that organization and a member at the time of his nomination," the letter continues.

Brian Hawkins, present MHA president, said that Loerke would not be installed as president at the MHA meeting Wednesday night.

If AUSJ rules in favor of Loerke, he will take office April 2; if he is denied the position, new elections will be held.

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# MHA vote shows support for Loerke as new head

By SHARON TEMPLETON  
State News Staff Writer

The Men's Halls Assn (MHA) voted Wednesday night to support the election of Robert Loerke, Saginaw junior, to the presidency of MHA.

The legality of Loerke's election was challenged Tuesday by John Engler, president of East Shaw Hall, on the basis that Loerke is not a member of MHA and is not presently living in a residence hall.

The All-University Student Judiciary (AUSJ) issued an induction against MHA Tuesday night denying Loerke the right to take office as MHA president next term.

Brian Hawkins, present president of MHA, said that MHA has mandated him to prepare a position paper supporting the election of Loerke.

The position paper will state: "It is the feeling of MHA that the election of Robert Loerke was legal, but we respect the right of any individual to challenge the election on a judicial basis."

... Loerke did fulfill the qualifications for the presidency of MHA," Hawkins said, "but if AUSJ rules against him, new elections will be held April 2," he said.

The Women's Inter-Residence Council (WIC) has not yet taken a position on the case.

"We are in the process of ascertaining all the facts about

the case and drafting a letter from WIC for AUSJ," Sue Landers, former president of WIC, said.

Miss Landers said that WIC is concerned about the legality of AUSJ to issue an injunction against MHA.

The power of injunction is granted to AUSJ through the ASMSU constitution, but is not

specifically mentioned in the Academic Freedom Report.

"We are questioning the power of injunction that is granted to AUSJ through the ASMSU constitution. We feel that the Academic Freedom Report should have precedence over the ASMSU constitution," Miss Landers said.

No further action on the case will be taken until the next meeting of AUSJ on April 1.

# WIC has installation of officers

The Women's Inter - Residence Council (WIC) installed new officers at their meeting Wednesday night for the 1969-70 academic year.

Newly elected officers are:

Donna O'Donohue, Harbert, Mich., sophomore, president;

Sally Kernick, Pittsburgh sophomore, first vice-president;

Lynn Johnson, Ridgewood, N.J., junior, second vice-president; and Jan Rabbers, Richland sophomore, secretary-treasurer.

Miss O'Donohue, a political science major, said her first duty as president will be to set up goals for her term of office.

"We hope to make WIC a continuing body by organizing an advisory council of past WIC members to help the new officers during their transition period of office," she said.

Sally Kernick, a history major, said her main goal is to restructure the WIC judiciary so that more people will make use of it.

Lynn Johnson, a social science major, is working on a spring leadership conference for new hall presidents.

Jan Rabbers, a journalism major, will be the first to hold the office of secretary-treasurer.

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## Residence hall set College Bowl battle

Lights flash on a panel or hands fly up into the air as MSU students battle to answer questions in another year of College Bowl.

Operating on rules similar to the television version, residence halls compete in the campus's College Bowl.

Two teams of four members each are asked a toss-up question which either side may answer within 15 seconds. For each toss-up question answered correctly a team gets 10 points and a chance to answer a bonus question.

Matches continue for 30 minutes in which there are two 15 minute periods of questions.

Tournaments are usually held for the number one teams on the men's and women's sides of the residence hall.

Since the 1966 winter term, Akers Hall has held College Bowl matches. For eight weeks this term Akers has scheduled three matches in the East Upper Lounge from 2:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. every Sunday. There are 20 teams participating and trophies will be awarded for first, second and third places.

West McDonel Hall's Scholastic Committee is sponsoring a \$50 award for the winning men's College Bowl team in

McDonel. There are 11 men's teams competing for five weeks at 10 p.m. on Thursdays. McDonel coeds have six teams participating at 9:30 p.m., on Monday.

Wilson Hall has two College Bowl leagues composed of six teams, each on the men's side. The two leagues are the upper and lower blocks of the hall and each block writes the questions for the other block's match.

The leagues compete within their own block; the blocks rotate their matches every week so that each league only plays every other week at 9 p.m. on Wednesdays. The East Scholastic Committee has the final decision on the correct answer to these questions.

Tournaments for Wilson's two winning league teams will be played during the first week of spring term.

# 'Successful' open houses achieved by cooperation

By JANE SCHOLZ

State News Staff Writer

Student co-operation has made new residence hall open house policies successful so far.

The University policy adopted fall term allows each hall's council and advisory staff to

set its own hours and conditions for open houses.

Bernard Abbott of the Office of Residence Hall Programs said that no comprehensive studies have yet been made of student reaction to the new policies since some

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halls have had their programs in operation for only one or two weeks. Replies to a questionnaire sent to head advisers by the Residence Hall Office indicate that students and staff have successfully adjusted to the new policies.

Major problems created by the more liberal visiting hours are roommate adjustment and embarrassing situations occurring in halls with "community johns." Abbott said that many of these problems have been worked out by students themselves rather than through residence hall advisory staffs.

Don Smith, president of Abbott Hall, said that his floor has tried to solve the "community john problem" by designating one of the floor's bathrooms as a ladies' room during visiting hours.

Abbott said that there have been no major revisions in any of the individual hall policies since they were first put into effect.

Generally, Abbott said, student reaction to the new policies continues to be enthusiastic.

Smith said that his hall will probably have to further liberalize its open house policy. Present open hours at Abbott are 1 p.m. to 1 a.m. on week-nights, with continuous open hours on weekends.

Generally, women's halls have adopted more restricted open house policies than the men's living units.

Marilyn Wilson, a South Wonders RA, said that South Wonders open hours -- 7 to 11:30 p.m. Wednesday, 9 p.m. to 12:30 p.m. Friday, and Sunday from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. -- interfered with studying on the floor during the first week the plan was in effect. In the following weeks residents took care of noisy visitors and the policy ran smoothly.

Miss Wilson said the women on her floor, the majority of whom are upperclassmen, are considerate of other residents and that this consideration has prevented serious squabbles.

Abbott pointed out that this change in open house policy has affected the role of the resident adviser.

"The previous open door policy involved the RA in more supervisory activity than do the present policies," he said. "Responsibility is now more on the students."

Several RA's noted that the change in policy has helped them to get to know floor residents better, by giving them a chance to get to meet resident's friends.

Although none of the halls have had significant problems with the new policies yet, Mrs. Aileen Westfall, West Akers head advisor, said since the policy came into effect during the middle of the school year, most students know their roommates and other house residents well enough to work out informal agreements about visiting hours and study time.



***'I win!'***

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East Holden Hall is one of the many men's residence halls that holds nightly open houses. Sherry Ankli, St. Joseph sophomore, enjoys a friendly game of cards with friends as a break in their studies. State News photo by Mike Beasley

## AUSJ hears issue of MHA election <sup>4/2/69</sup>

By DELORES MAJOR  
State News Staff Writer

The Men's Hall Assn. went before the All-University Student Judiciary (AUSJ) Monday in an effort to resolve the issue of MHA's recent presidential election. AUSJ will announce their decision later this week.

AUSJ had issued an injunction enjoining the installation of the new MHA president Robert Loerke after the legality of the election was challenged March 4 by John Engler, president of East Shaw Hall, on the basis that Loerke was not a member of MHA and was not living in a residence hall.

The injunction issued by AUSJ denied Loerke the right to take office as MHA president this spring term.

Brian Hawkins, present MHA president, defended the election of Loerke on the basis that Loerke has worked closely with him on the MHA open house policy and has served on the Social Policy Committee.

"MHA felt it was correct in its election. However, it will respect the right of anyone to challenge it," Hawkins said.

On March 5, the MHA voted to support the election of Loerke to the presidency of MHA.  
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port the election of Loerke to the presidency of MHA.

"Loerke did fulfill the qualifications for the presidency of MHA," Hawkins said, "but if AUSJ rules against him, new elections will held April 2."

Women's Inter-residence Council (WIC) issued a statement March 26 questioning the legality of the AUSJ's injunctive power involving the elections.

WIC said in their statement that Art. IV, Part I, Sec. 9, Part A of the ASMSU constitution has stated, "The AUSJ shall have the power to issue injunctions whereby the enjoined party is required to

do or refrain from doing any specific acts."

"However," the statement continued, "in the Academic Freedom Report, injunctive power has been given exclusively to the Student-Faculty Judiciary."

"Art. 4.3.4.6 has stated that the Student-Faculty Judiciary shall have the discretionary authority to request the individual or group responsible for enforcing the challenged regulation or administrative decision to postpone action or to withdraw action already taken."

# 4/3/69 Voluntary dorm dues sought

By PAUL HANSON  
State News Staff Writer

A movement to make the payment of residence hall dues voluntary has been started by a coed in Hubbard Hall to the displeasure of the hall president.

Kathy Ohlert, Detroit junior, is conducting a petition drive to put the issue before the Hubbard residents in the form of a referendum calling for a constitutional amendment to revamp the present policy.

At present if a Hubbard resident fails to pay the \$7 annual dues, he can be faced with a hold card at registration resulting from a clause in the University housing contract.

Miss Ohlert's proposal is aimed at correcting what she claims to be unfairness in the

present system. She says each resident is forced to support services that they may not use.

A similar issue arose in Hubbard last year and the dues were reduced from \$9 to \$7.

Bruce Fitzgerald, Hubbard president, said the hall's legislature would actively oppose the voluntary dues issue if it were brought before the students.

He said payment of the mandatory dues is part of living in a residence hall and that if the proposal were adopted the legislature could not continue to provide services to the residents as it has done in the past.

Unless the legislature were certain of its income, it could not plan ahead, he said.

Fitzgerald's view was shared by another dormitory president, Andrew Welper of Akers, also in East Complex.

"Most people are in favor of reducing a direct tax," he said. "But the students wouldn't think of the benefits. The problem is that to provide these materials the dorms have to have money to purchase them."

To replace the funds lost as a result of voluntary dues, Miss Ohlert has proposed a "pay as you go" plan whereby the students who use the services presently supported by

all the residents would pay a small fee each time they play pool or read a magazine.

This idea has come under attack from the two presidents. They have said that without a definite amount the government will be unable to adequately plan ahead.

Miss Ohlert is presently attempting to get 240 signatures on her petition to bring the proposal up before the residents.

She is confident of her victory but Fitzgerald is sure Hubbard residents will defeat the proposed amendment.

# University regulations prove ineffective for coed drinkers

By JANE SCHOLZ  
State News Staff Writer

University regulations prohibiting alcoholic beverages on MSU property are not a significant obstacle to thirsty women's residence hall residents.

A South Wonders resident said that on her floor fall term some women were seen carrying full, open beer cans down the hall.

This resident, who keeps a bottle of whiskey in her room for an "occasional drink," said that a minority of floor residents drink during the week and

that a change of RA's restricted the amount of open drinking but that women still drink in their rooms.

Mrs. Mildred Etling, South Wonders head adviser, said that no one had been referred to her for possession of alcohol this year.

Mrs. Etling said that Wonders RA's are instructed to take action when they are notified of drinking regulations violations.

"But we don't play policeman," she said.

A Campbell Hall resident said that at least once a week, especially during mid terms and finals, four or five girls throw a "party" on her floor.

Rosalind Rennif, Campbell head adviser, said that there was no drinking problem in the hall, and that RA's were instructed to take action against violators.

The Campbell resident said that no one ever checks for violations. The Campbell advisory staff has had no cases of alcohol rules violations brought before it this year. One

case was taken to the head adviser last year.

"Once you live on an upper-class floor, you never see your RA," the Campbell resident said.

In Wilson Hall, some freshmen are joining in on the "fun."

A freshman Wilson resident said that on her floor most of the "drinkers" were freshmen. She said that she was not surprised to find drinking in the residence halls as she had come from a city where students began drinking in junior high.

"Nobody tries to catch kids drinking," she said.

"Since the RA has to have your permission to come into the room, there's not much they can do about it."

A south complex RA, who said she would drink "if she had the chance", said that drinkers are more daring now than when she was a freshman.

"It's easy to get away with drinking in the dorm," she said. "Someone would have to carry a six-pack down the all or be very noisy to get caught."

This RA said that liberalized open house regulations have had little effect upon drinking on her floor, as most girls prefer to drink by themselves on weekends when the RA is gone.

This RA said that her floor is fairly typical of most halls, but that the degree of drinking depends upon the RA.

A South Hubbard RA said that it is unrealistic to suppose that there is no drinking in the hall, but that generally residents observe the rules.

Mrs. Ann Baucom, Hubbard head adviser, said that no one had been referred to her for a violation of drinking rules, and that she was not aware of any violations in the hall.

## 'Miracles' tickets

Tickets for the Smokey Robinson and the Miracles Concert will go on sale Monday.

Tickets can be purchased in the Union ticket office, Marshall Music Store and Campbell's Suburban Shop for \$2.50, \$3.00 and \$3.50.

# 'U' judiciary OKs MHA's new president

4/4/69

By DELORES MAJOR  
State News Staff Writer

The All University Student Judiciary (AUSJ) Tuesday night ruled that the election of Robert Loerke as president of the Men's Hall Assn. (MHA) was legal and not in conflict with the MHA constitution.

Loerke was inducted into the office of president of MHA Wednesday night along with James Harvin as vice president of the association.

Loerke was to have stepped into the presidency succeeding Brian Hawkins last term, however AUSJ issued an injunction enjoining the installation of Loerke as MHA president after the legality of the election was challenged March 4 by John Engler, president of East Shaw Hall. Engler opposed Loerke's election on the basis that he was not a member of MHA and was not living in a residence hall.

Engler's charges were answered by MHA president Brian Hawkins who presented the case before AUSJ.

In a statement issued April 1, MHA said Loerke fulfilled all requirements and qualifications for the presidency of MHA.

"It is our feeling that the Constitutional requirements are clear and explicit and are met fully by Mr. Loerke," the statement said.

## DINNER DONATION

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# All-campus fast to yield funds for Biafran relief

By SHARON TEMPLETON  
State News Staff Writer

Dinner on May 7 will have special significance in the MSU residence halls this year.

Residents will have the opportunity to participate in an all-campus fast for Biafran-Nigerian relief.

The fast, sponsored by Operation Outrage in cooperation with the residence halls food service, has been endorsed by ASMSU, Men's Halls Assn. (MHA) and Women's Inter-residence Council (WIC).

The proposed drive will involve only one meal and will be held on a voluntary basis. Students are not asked to refrain from buying dinner elsewhere, only to donate their residence hall meal to relief efforts.

Residents who wish to participate may sign up this week through Sunday on lists posted in all residence halls. Signatures will then be tallied and the names of participants removed from the evening meal list for May 7.

Those not signing up will be served dinner as usual on the evening of the fast.

The residence halls food service will donate the cost of the food not purchased by each fasting student to Joint Church Aid, one of the major relief organizations working to alleviate the acute starvation now existing in Biafra-Nigeria.

"Over \$4,000 will be contributed if 50 per cent of students living in residence halls participate; over \$6,000 if 75 per cent sign-up is obtained," Pat Price, fast coordinator, said.

At least 25 per cent sign-up in each hall is necessary for the fast to be held in that residence hall.

Sororities, fraternities and residents of Owen and Van Hoosen Halls will be asked to fast and/or contribute to Joint Church Aid on May 7 in cooperation with the all-campus fast effort.

From one to two million persons have died in Biafra during the past six months due to food shortages created by the conflict. Relief transport of high protein foods has temporarily reduced the death rate, but a new crisis will begin this month as carbohydrate reserves are exhausted, the U.S. Dept. of State information series (Feb. 1969) states.

Carbohydrate shortages will be even more difficult to meet than the protein deficiency already encountered since carbohydrate staples are bulkier and more difficult to airlift into the blockaded Biafran region.

"There is fear of poisoning of food in the land routes and no sea route is opened to the Biafran region," Miss Price said.

According to the Report of the Biafran Study Commission presented to the U.S. Congress Feb. 25 by Sen. Charles E. Goodell, R-N.Y., more than one million more people will die of starvation during the next six months if relief efforts are not greatly increased.

About 17 relief flights per night currently reach Biafra. The Goodell Report estimates that 135 flights would be necessary to meet the calorie crisis coming April through July.

Operation Outrage will also sponsor a candlelighting ceremony at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday in Union Parlors B and C.

A film, "Biafra: the Will to Survive," produced in February by the Canadian Broadcasting Co., will be presented at the ceremony.

Those who attend may buy candles after the film for the lighted-candle procession from the Union to Beaumont Tower. The procession is intended as

an expression of concern for the tragic difficulties facing the Biafran-Nigerian people.

The MSU-East Lansing chapter of Operation Outrage began in February. Since then they have collected over \$5,800 in contributions on and off campus.

# Samet elected chairman; Mostov new vice chairman

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By WHIT SIBLEY  
State News Staff Writer

Tom Samet, Shaker Heights, Ohio, junior and ASMSU fourth session junior member-at-large, was elected chairman of the ASMSU Board at Tuesday night's election meeting.

Chuck Mostov, Toledo, Ohio, sophomore and this year's sophomore member-at-large was elected vice chairman of the board on the ninth ballot at 3:28 a.m. Wednesday.

Mostov, before taking the vice chairman's seat was elected to one of the fifth

sessions' junior member-at-large seats at the April 9th ASMSU general elections.

Samet was opposed by Allen Mintzer, newly-elected senior member-at-large and the new vice chairman, Chuck Mostov.

Mintzer declared himself out of the race after the second ballot and on the third ballot at 12:10 a.m. Samet won over Mostov, receiving 10 votes to Mostov's four.

Samet took the chair from Pete Ellsworth, fourth session chairman, at 12:11 a.m.

After thanking all old and new members of the board, Samet took his seat at the head of the table.

"I've never been so terrified in all my life," Samet said.

Samet looks forward to a redefinition of the role of student government at MSU, and stresses that ASMSU must function for the greatest good of the students.

"We must seek out student wants and act on them," Samet said.

"We must strive to get genuine student involvement as we had when we were working for the abolishing of women's hours," he said.

In the vice chairmanship race, Mostov ran against Bill Rustem, newly-elected junior member-at-large and Mike Shore, the new sophomore member-at-large.

After nine ballots, Mostov won, defeating Rustem by six votes. Shore had dropped out of the race after the third ballot.

Mostov said that the vice chairman of the

board must take a new role on the coming year and act as a liaison between the faculty and the board. He said that the vice chairman should not be plagued with so many administrative tasks but should concentrate on being a link with the faculty just as the chairman is a link with the student body.

Also discussed at the meeting was a motion that the board mandate its representatives to the Academic Council to discuss the removal of the Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) from academic status at MSU.

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This would specifically mean that ROTC would no longer be an academic department, offer courses for MSU credit or receive University funding for its operations.

Harv Dzodin, past vice chairman of the board, said this is an attempt to open a dialogue, with the purpose of eliminating the chance of violence which could occur at the ROTC field day scheduled for next month.

The motion said that ROTC's objectives are totally alien to the purposes of the University as evidenced in Sections 1.1 and 1.3 of the Academic Freedom Report.

It is not a motion to remove ROTC from the campus and honors the desires of those who wish to join the program

## 'TOKEN' POWER ISSUE

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# N. Wonders suspends council of 'trivial matters'

By JANE TOPPS  
State News Staff Writer

North Wonders General Council was indefinitely suspended last week.

In questioning the worth of the council, its members decided it existed mainly as a training ground for resident advisers, yet had no power under the veto prerogative of the head adviser.

"Except for the issues of open house policy and a new constitution, the council has dealt in nothing more than trivial matters which can be handled by interested students," Brian Keller, Wilmington, Delaware, junior and council member, said. "All any of our student governments can do is what the administration allows them to do."

Keller cited an instance of council-administrative conflict pertaining to the open house policy question.

"We were pushing for 24-hour open houses, seven days a week," he said. "We thought it was within our grasp until Dickerson said no. Then we waited and waited for

him to give what he wanted to give. It was a compromise, but not what we originally wanted."

The council plans to reconvene under its still-valid constitution only for a specific matter of importance or if student interest reflects the desire for an active council.

Dormitory elections, scheduled for the second week in May, could bring about a reconvening, Keller said.

The council hopes the consequences of the suspension will be threefold.

"We hope students will take certain dorm discussions and activities upon themselves. Students may become more aware of the power structure, the chain of power running from the head dorm adviser to the head complex adviser and all the way up. Hopefully, the suspension will precipitate serious thinking about the place and purpose of student government, and students will find they need the General Council to perform for them," Keller said.

However, "There doesn't seem to be any great loss at the moment," Keller added.

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# Owen's cafeteria stirs protest

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"The attitude of the management seems to be that if the students can't meet the prices then they can just move out. The first concern should be for the students, not with some financial responsibility of the University," he said.

Al Siegel, Providence, R.I., graduate student and chairman of the food committee, said that the committee has been working through channels since last summer in an attempt to better the conditions in the cafeteria.

"Last summer we took a survey which showed that the majority of the residents were discontented with the quantity, quality and prices of the food," he said.

"We took another survey this fall when prices were raised and it also showed that there was much dissatisfaction."

There was no action taken last fall but the food, if not

getting any better, at least got no worse Siegel said.

"Since Christmas, though, the quality of the food has dropped drastically and many students who weren't concerned earlier began complaining. Now the complaints are becoming more and more frequent," he said.

Siegel said that students have been trying to remedy this situation through the appropriate channels for three terms and have not gotten anywhere.

"We want to get some action before this term is over when the summer turnover begins and the issue dies," he said.

"The management figures that if they can stall until summer it will be forgotten and they will be able to raise prices again next fall when it will take a while to get a protest organized," Siegel said.

"We want action soon so we can avoid this. The situation has degenerated to a point where hopefully as majority of the residents are sufficiently aroused to take some action."

Elliot B. Sanderson, Orlando, Fla., graduate student, said that a meeting of the food committee will be held next week and will be open to residents of the hall.

"We want to present the situation to the residents and explain to them what we have done as a committee," he said.

"We will present alternate courses of action and let the residents decide what they want to do."

"It may be a month before anyone of the Board of Trustees acts," he said. "We don't want to let it go that long, we have waited long enough."

# BSA raps Sabine, urges larger role for urban center

4-24-69

By JEANNE SADDLER  
State News Staff Writer

The Black Students' Alliance (BSA) issued a statement today criticizing the replies of Gordon A. Sabine, vice-president for special projects, at Friday's meeting of the MSU Board of Trustees.

BSA also urged that all programs involving minority group and disadvantaged students be transferred to the Center for Urban Affairs.

Sabine was not available for comment late Wednesday afternoon.

The statement objected to Sabine's unqualified reply of "no" when asked if there were 1,000 qualified black students available to be recruited to MSU. Sabine also replied with a simple "yes" when asked if the possibility of recruiting Vietnam veterans had been fully explored.

Robert L. Green, associate director of the center, answered the same question on availability of 1,000 blacks affirmatively, offered several reasons and cited a need for counselors and assistance for the students after arrival at MSU, according to BSA.

Comparing the two, BSA stated that Green's answer was "the type one would ordinarily have expected from anyone supposedly in charge of this responsibility in a university."

"The Black Students' Alliance considers it a personal affront to not only the black students and the board of trustees, but also to all people who have expressed the hope of making Michigan State University a more relevant institution," the statement said.

The statement did not call for Sabine's removal as a University administrator. It did, however, note that unless Sabine's "position be clarified, such a suggestion may indeed be in order."

The alliance said that it was not so much attacking the curt replies, but the attitude BSA sensed in those replies. "It is our contention that the attitude displayed, though possibly not his usual contention, was entirely out of place and detrimental to the success of the board's activities of that meeting," the statement read.

Stan McClinton, ASMSU vice president for black affairs, commented on the statement. "The Center for Urban Affairs would be more responsive to the needs of disadvantaged students and more capable of developing effective programs. If the efforts of Dr. Sabine can produce no more than the vague, inadequate response he gave, then the vital task of recruiting students should be transferred to the center. I do, however, commend his efforts."

The alliance presented several reasons for their suggestion to transfer minority group programs from special projects to the center. Although BSA saw the University as having done very little, they acknowledged a future potential, and indicated the center as "the only viable alternative if this potential is to be fully realized."

The statement continued, "It is time that Michigan State realized that the recruitment of all segments of society to this University is not a special project--but its most important responsibility. This realization could be best manifested by assigning an established, on-going, relevant and receptive structure the responsibility for its execution."

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Recognizing that much of the progress MSU has made has been through Sabine, the alliance felt that he has not shown "complete dedication and recognition of the necessity of such efforts."

The alliance cited Sabine's response to BSA's suggestion that the University recruit thousands of black and disadvantaged students, qualified or not, and assist them once they arrive. Sabine said in last fall's issue of "College Board Review" that this raised questions about "where our responsibility lies." BSA felt that there was "absolutely no reason for such equivocation."

The statement said that the

suggestion of transfer of these programs was even more valid because Green, whom BSA suggested to succeed Ronald Lee as director of the center, is a nationally recognized authority on the education of the disadvantaged and urban school population.

In conclusion the statement said, "The board of trustees has given support to the concepts of equal educational opportunities, urban affairs, and the like in a very meaningful way. The Black Students' Alliance will leave no stone unturned as we work to guarantee that this thrust toward greater relevancy pervades the entire University. Michigan State deserves no less."

# Ride board: use with precaution

4-24-69

By RICH BERNARD  
State News Staff Writer

An attractive, 20-year-old coed switches a stack of books or maybe a suitcase to her left arm and sticks out her right hand, thumb uplifted, in the universal sign of hitch-hikers.

"Don't do it!" Joy Tubaugh, asst. director for Residence Hall Programs and faculty adviser to Women's Inter-residence Council (WIC) said.

"Get a ride on public trans-

portation," Miss Tubaugh said, reminding coeds that the cost "was not much to pay for personal safety."

Miss Tubaugh said that there are a number of "definite things a girl can do" in taking precautions in the use of the "ride board."

"First, after you've decided on a ride, contact the driver and ask his name, student number and address and check it out with the student directory,"

she said.

"Next, leave this information with your roommate and also inform her of where you are going and what time you expect to arrive," she said.

"Finally, call or write ahead to the people at your destination and notify them when you expect to arrive," she said. "And if you are going to be late, call ahead so that they don't worry unnecessarily."

Clarifying remarks Frederic

Storaski had made in a WIC-sponsored address concerning the inadvisability of a coed struggling with an assailant, Miss Tubaugh paraphrased his advice as "going along with the assailant until you get a chance to safely do something to get away."

"The idea is to get out of the situation by waiting until the assailant is thrown off guard, rather than putting up an immediate struggle," she explained.

She noted that the choice of what the wisest thing to do was depended on the situation and setting of the incident.

"The most important thing for a girl to do in such a situation is to keep her head and try to react in the best way possible for the situation," Miss Tubaugh said.

"Most such assaults are by men who have, at least to some degree, emotional or mental instability," she pointed out. "Consequently, it is important that a coed in a situation like this remain more emotionally stable than her assailant in order to outthink him."

While admitting that sex-motivated assaults may happen anywhere, Miss Tubaugh emphasized that there was "no need to go around in mortal terror."

"You can also get into an automobile accident every time you drive on the highway," she said.



Last in a series

"In both cases, its just good sense to take normal precautions."

Lt. David E. Stormer, a MSU police officer, who speaks to coed groups upon request about coed safety measures, had some additional advice.

"Always check the car before getting into it," Stormer said. "Avoid long trips alone at night, since mechanical difficulties or a flat tire might leave you stranded in an isolated area."

"If you are being followed, don't try to ram the car or anything like that," he said. "Rather than risk injury, drive to the nearest police station or public place, or flash your lights and blow your horn to attract the attention of a third, uninvolved party."

Stormer was strongly against hitchhiking, nothing that "once you are inside of a car, the means of escape are greatly reduced."

He said that he knew of instances in which coeds had rolled out of a slow-moving vehicle as it came to a stop sign or turned a corner.

Means of self-defense which Stormer offered for a coed assaulted from behind included bringing her heel down the assailant's shin to his instep and, if he has his hands over her mouth, biting hard.

He suggested countering a frontal assault by "scratching for the eyes and bringing the knee to the groin."

"If the assailant is armed, a girl can only assume that he is prepared to use the weapon," Stormer warned. "What can be done in a situation like that depends upon the girl, the circumstances and her assailant."

He said he knew of instances in which girls had been able to talk their assailants out of the attack and convince them to leave.

"Avoid a situation by not putting yourself into a position which might lead to trouble is much easier than trying to get out of a situation once the action has started," he said.

# Candle kindles Butterfield fire 4-25-69

By RICH BARNARD  
State News Staff Writer

A melted telephone, warped records, charred bedposts and blackened walls are the legacy that a tipped-over candle left in a Butterfield Hall room shortly before noon Thursday.

Sharron K. Brown, Muskegon freshman,

awoke from a doze to find the blanket in which she had draped herself in flames. She had been sitting up on her bed, her back to the wall, with a candle burning on the end table near her feet.

Throwing off the blanket, she ran out of the room and grabbed a nearby fire extinguisher. After unsuccessfully trying to

dial the University emergency telephone number, she ran to the room next door to spread the warning.

With the aid of a girl from next door, she attempted to fight the flames which soon engulfed mattresses, a curtain, the heads of both of the room's beds and a small table between them.

In the process, Miss Brown received first and second degree burns to her arms and first degree burns to her legs.

"The breaking of the glass encasement of a fire extinguisher outside my door first made me aware that something was going on," Mary Ann Epker, Trenton sophomore, said. Miss Epker was reading in her room, separated from the first by another room, when the fire broke out.

"I ran out in the hall and grabbed another fire extinguisher," Miss Epker said. "I saw a girl from another floor who happened to be walking through the hall pull the alarm."

Miss Epker said that the smoke had become very thick by the time she got to the doorway of the burning room and she echoed the advice of other coeds in telling the two girls to get out of the room.

"All the girls actually involved stayed very calm," Miss Epker said, "and nobody got excited or scared."

Three pieces of East Lansing fire-fighting equipment arrived at the scene in response to a call turned in by a fourth floor resident assistant and quickly extinguished the blaze.

Miss Brown's roommate, Pamela K. Noordhof, Holton sophomore, did not return to Butterfield until after the fire was out. She accompanied Miss Brown in a University Police car to Olin Health Center, where Miss Brown was treated and released.

Butterfield Hall's resident adviser, LaDonna E. Adams, who was eating in the Brody Hall cafeteria at the time of the fire, said that Butterfield had been orderly evacuated and that "there was no panic—the girls handled everything very beautifully."

"Although the fire gutted the room," Mrs. Adams said, "there was no other damage to other rooms other than that caused by smoke and soot."

"We happened to have another room open on the same floor," she said, "so the girls will move in there."

After viewing the blackened walls and the mounds of plaster that had cracked and fallen from the ceiling, Mrs. Adams was sure that "nobody will be living there for the rest of the term."

Sam C. Gingrich, fire safety officer, estimated the damage to the gutted room and the coed's personal belongings at \$2,500.

Noting the candle-caused blaze which wrought similar damage to a second floor room in Mayo Hall April 16, Gingrich (please turn to page 15)

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said, "The greatest cause of residence hall fires in the last two years have been candles."

Advising students to at least be careful when burning candles, he compared such warning to "telling someone who is driving 60 mph in a 25 mph zone to drive carefully."

"I can't very well tell students not to fall asleep while candles are burning," Gingrich said, "but if they are going to burn them, they should at least put them in safe containers and not leave their rooms while the candles are lit."

Gingrich pointed out that candle-burning is prohibited by various residence hall rules.

# Owen no longer 'nunnery,' open-hours policy passed

4-25-69

With the passage of a compromise measure on Owen Hall's open house policy, the women's wing is no longer a "nunnery."

Wednesday night the hall's executive council passed a measure providing for open hours in the women's hall from noon to midnight Monday through

Thursday and from noon to 2 a.m. Friday through Sunday.

After the nine-vote defeat of a 24-hour open house policy on Monday, a group of Owen women residents wrote a letter to the State News charging that the lack of a liberal open house policy could not be justified in the graduate hall since graduate students "are mature enough to handle open hours intelligently."

The letter charged that Owen was "never designed to be a fortress, or a convent."

Al Siegal, a member of the executive council, said that the

council recognized that a majority of the women residents wanted more liberal open hours, since the measure, which needed 66 per cent of the women's approval to pass, was defeated by such a small margin.

The hall first voted on an open house policy fall term, when the 24-hour proposal passed by 90 percent in the men's wing and received only 50 per cent approval on the women's side.

Siegal said that he did not expect much opposition to the council's action.

# 'Funeral' marks JMC death

4-28-69

Two Justin Morrill College (JMC) students held a funeral Friday to symbolize the "death" of their residential college.

The mock funeral was held in conjunction with a two-day ongoing dialogue on the problems of JMC.

The students, dressed in black with black hoods, carried a black coffin topped

with candles through the lounges and halls Snyder and Phillips residence halls.

The dialogue grew out of an informal gathering of students and faculty that remained after the end of the JMC Forum, a once-a-term meeting of all JMC students and faculty.

Students discussed such topics as increasing students representation on the college advisory council, changing the structure of the college policy making system and revising the grading system.

Several students also expressed concern over the increase in bureaucratic structure and size of the college, and its relation to the declining "sense of community" felt by many students.

Enrollment in Justin Morrill has more than doubled from 395 students in 1965 to 881 in 1968.

A leaflet distributed by the JMC Underground declared

that "JMC is fast becoming the antithesis of a living - learning experience," and urged students to "recognize and respond to the reality of the disintegrating bonds between each of us."

"The sickness is superimposed structure, the cure is the elimination of these external shells and the realization and recognition of the

structural bonds already available in our everyday relations and experiences with each other. The choice between life or death for JMC hangs in the balance," the leaflet stated.

It also listed apathy, alienation, poor courses, bad teachers and not knowing each other's names as "symptoms of a dying community."

# Provost Lectures expand, explore 'black experience'

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"The black Experience in America" is the central topic of four speakers who will participate in the Provost Lectures May 5-8.

Under the joint sponsorship of ASMSU and the Honors College, Provost Lectures this year will include cor-

responding campus activities for the first time.

Le Roi Jones, poet, playwright and author, will deliver the keynote address May 5.

Jones' play, "Dutchman," recognized as the best American play of the 1963-1964 season, will be shown at 1 and 2:30 p.m. May 5-8 at the State Theatre in coordination with Provost Lectures.

Jones is the founder and director of the Black Arts Repertory Theatre and School in Harlem and has taught courses in literature at New York City's New School.

The executive director and chief administrator of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference will speak on May 6. The Rev. Andrew Young, confidante of and adviser to the late Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., works in secular and clerical activities related to the black freedom movement.

Herbert Woodward Martin, a student from Aquinas College in Grand Rapids, will deliver poetry readings at 8 p.m. May 6 in 104 B Wells Hall.

Charles V. Hamilton, professor of political science and director of the graduate program in Urban Studies at Roosevelt University, will lecture on May 8.

Hamilton's publications include "Black Power: The Politics of Liberation in America," written with Stokely Carmichael. He is currently completing a book, "Black Americans and Political Modernization."

Les Rout Jazz Concert will present music composed by black artists at 8 p.m. May 7 in Erickson Kiva.

The four lectures will be held at 4 p.m. in Fairchild Theatre followed by a reception at 5 p.m. in Fairchild Court.

# BSA holds Wilson cafeteria; claims harassment of blacks

4-29-69

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By JIM SYLVESTER  
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Over 100 black students shut down Wilson Hall cafeteria Monday to protest the alleged harassment of three full-time black employees.

Black Students' Alliance (BSA) said the three employees walked off their jobs because of comments of a racist nature by Joseph Trantham, food service manager of Wilson, and Jennie Miller, asst. food service manager.

Shortly before 5 p.m., the black students took over the cafeteria and refused to allow dinner to be served. "If those who rule or govern the operations

of this University cannot control their racist employees who are in positions of management, black students will do their job for them," the statement said.

The students plan to occupy the cafeteria until Thursday, when they will hold an open forum with Acting-President Walter Adams.

A spokesman for BSA listed three grievances which the alliance wants rectified. First, that the two food service managers be fired. Also, that the University employ more black full-time help and, finally, that a worker who quit because of harassment be rehired to a position of responsibility.

Prior to the sit-in, the three black non-student employees who walked off their Wilson cafeteria jobs, presented a list

of grievances at a meeting with Trantham and the South Complex hall supervisors.

Gary North, asst. director for South

BSA today announced that an open session will be held in Wilson cafeteria at 3 p.m. to discuss BSA demands and grievances and to outline its reasons for the sit-in.

Complex residence halls, said the former employees seemed to indicate that they thought the meeting was generally productive and the outcome of the meeting was in no way influenced by the black sit-in which occurred after the meeting let out.

"Although the meeting was not a decision-making meeting, it was decided that the employers and employees would continue to get together and work out their grievances," North said.

Neither Trantham nor Mrs. Miller could be reached for comment Monday night.

Several administrators met in the cafeteria with the black students to discuss solutions to the problem. Besides Adams, Eldon R. Nonnamaker, associate dean of students, Donald Adams, director of residence hall programs and Lyle Thorburn, manager of residence halls, sat with the students to hear their demands.

Black faculty members and administrators were also present on behalf of the students. Robert L. Green, associate professor of educational psychology and asst. director of the Center for Urban Affairs, said, "This is the culmination of a series of incidents. I wholeheartedly support the shut down. The two managers should be fired. I am willing to stake my job and reputation on this demand."

White Wilson Hall students were served in Case, Wonders and Holden halls while a make-shift meal was prepared for the black students in Wilson.

A BSA spokesman said that from now until Thursday they would conduct a teach-in and discuss among themselves problems related to blacks on this and other campuses.

Only one incident at the rally resembled a physical confrontation. When a State News photographer continued to take pictures despite demands to stop, several black students forced him against a wall and took the roll of film from his camera. Later a black spokesman said the film would be returned.

Approximately 200 white students filed into the Wilson Kiva to direct questions concerning the sit-in to Acting President Adams. Adams answered student questions in a 30 minute session.

Sam Riddle, South Complex BSA representative addressing the crowd, said, "If I were to look at it (the sit-in) from a white person's aspect I would say, 'What the hell are those niggers doing in our cafeteria.'"

# Wilson hearing airs charges; BSA stays; decision pending

4-29-69

By JEANNE SADDLER  
State News Staff Writer

"In the future-- and this is a warning--when racism exists in a component of this institution, we will close that component down."

The warning was made by Robert L. Green, associate director of the Center for Urban Affairs before approximately 1,000 students and the adjudicating committee set up by Acting President Adams to investigate charges of racial harassment made by the Black Students' Alliance (BSA) against two Wilson Hall administrators.

Stewart Dunning, Lansing attorney, and Ron Bailey of BSA were the spokesman

for the prosecution. Sam Riddle, south complex chairman of BSA, presented the witnesses.

Joseph Trantham, food services manager of Wilson, and Elaine Mishler, head manager, were the accused, defended by Lansing attorney Hildebrand.

Carolyn J. Hatcher, Joleen Shane, and Roxie Triplett, the complainants, accused Trantham and Miss Mishler of several incidents involving racial prejudice includ-

The adjudicating committee, composed of administrators, faculty and students (four white--four black), met following the 3½-hour hearing. No decision had been reached at State News deadline; recommendations will go to acting president Adams before being made public. Further action by BSA will depend upon the outcome of the committee's deliberation.

ing: the alleged changing of Mrs. Hatcher's work rating from excellent to sub-standard two weeks later with "personality conflict" given as the reason; the denial of the knowledge of a letter written in support of the complainants; abusive language and threats made by other employees and the failure of the management to act upon the incidents; failure of the management to give Mrs. Hatcher a regular day off; and the reported open acknowledgement by Miss Mishler that she was prejudiced.

Hildebrand, speaking for the defendants, said that some of the incidents did not directly involve the accused, thus requiring no specific comment, and "categorically denied" all the other charges.

Two weeks after Trantham told Mrs.

Hatcher that she had a "wonderful" personality, she said he called her to his office and had changed her work rating to below standard because of an alleged personality conflict.

"All we said was 'Good-morning Joe, good-morning Jean; good-bye Joe, good-bye Jean;--now where's the conflict?'," Mrs Hatcher asked.

Nana Stimson, a white bake-shop employee, was accused of swearing at Mrs. Joleen Shane. Trantham allegedly refused to act on the matter, and would not

answer Mrs. Shane's question concerning the action that would have been taken if she had sworn at a white employee. Alleged insults ranging from a threat to kick a black person "in the ass" to the telling of contrived lies designed to pit the black staff members against each other were also revealed.

When confronted earlier with her inaction on these issues and accused of being prejudiced against blacks, Miss Mishler allegedly told her employees, "Maybe I am a little bit prejudiced."

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## BSA teach-in

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"There have been overt and rather blatant actions on this campus against blacks. Wilson cafeteria is the place where we thought it would have to be stopped."

Riddle said that the blacks "didn't want any physical confrontation" but if "the administration doesn't do its job to corral and throw out racist people like these then we're going to help make them."

Riddle called for a hand count of the white students support of the black actions. Approximately half of those present raised their hand in support of the sit-in.

The BSA statement further adds that "the black students at MSU consider the harassment of black employees a direct insult. Undoubtedly this University is only trying to buy black students off. The University gives us \$1.5 million which shows their commitment. However, this does not tell black students anything as long as blacks are still being de-humanized."

# ASMSU slates talk by reformist Nader

4-30-69

By ROSANNE BAIME  
State News Staff Writer

Ralph Nader, self-proclaimed protector of the consumer's interests, will appear at 7:30 p.m. Friday in the ASMSU Great Issues Lecture Series.

He considers his goal to be "nothing less than the qualitative reform of the Industrial Revolution."

Nader's speech is being co-sponsored by the planning board of Greek Week, Saturday through May 9.

His current campaign is directed against the leadership of the United Mine Workers (UMW). In a letter to Congress this week Nader called for an investigation of UMW leadership, charging that relatives of a union executive received large amounts of money for no visible reason.

Nader's most noted drive was his campaign for auto safety.

He first became interested in auto safety while attending Harvard Law School, when he wrote an article for the "Harvard Law Record" criticizing American cars.

After receiving his degree in 1958 Nader campaigned on local and state levels for effective auto safety legislation. He moved his drive to the national level in 1964 when he became a consultant to the Dept. of Labor



RALPH NADER

Nader's efforts started showing results in 1965 when his expose of auto safety standards, "Unsafe at Any Speed," became a best-seller.

In his 1966 "State of the Union" address, President Johnson acknowledged Nader's work by calling for auto safety legis-

lation from Congress. Nader himself appeared many times before Congressional subcommittees until Congress passed its auto safety bill in August 1966.

Since then Nader has watched over the National Traffic Safety Agency, set up in 1966, and brought about an investigation of that agency by the Senate Commerce Committee, charging that it acted too much in the interest of industry.

Some of Nader's other campaigns include strengthening federal inspection standards for the fishing industry, stopping indiscriminate use of X-rays in dental work, improving safety standards in the gas pipeline industry and improving the lot of the American Indian.

He was also instrumental in the passage of the 1967 Wholesale Meat Act, requiring federal inspection of most of the nation's slaughterhouses and meat processing plants.

Nader majored in government and economics in his undergraduate work at Princeton University and was graduated magna cum laude and Phi Beta Kappa in 1955.

He will speak at 7:30 p.m. in the Auditorium. General admission tickets will be available at the door for 50 cents.

# JMC group rejects idea to alternate coed floors

4-30-69

By SHARON TEMPLETON  
State News Staff Writer

The Study Commission on Residential Aspects of Justin Morrill College (JMC) recommended recently to Dean D. Gordon Rohman that the proposal to alternate men's and women's floors in Snyder and Phillips Halls not be implemented.

The proposal suggests that Snyder and Phillips be converted into coed residence halls with alternating floors of men and women students.

Rod Slutzky, president of Snyder Hall, said the proposal will be postponed until next year due to lack of time to adequately consider all the details of the proposal.

"The proposal was suggested at the Winter Planning Weekend last term, but several complications arose which we don't have time to consider this year," Slutzky said.

"There was a lack of student agreement over such details as which floors would be reserved for men or women, building security and lock-up," he explained.

The problem of women's hours was the major complication, he said.

"Two possibilities were open to us, either hire a night receptionist, which is univer-

sity policy in women's residence halls, or isolate the women's floors so that men could not go through them after closing hours," he said.

The open house policy in Snyder-Phillips allows the maximum freedom under the Men's Halls Assn. proposal passed last term.

By alternating floors, Slutzky

said, they hope to provoke more mixing among JMC students.

The proposal would also be useful to help redistribute the overflow of women students living in Phillips Hall.

Women residents appear to favor the proposal more than the men living in Snyder Hall. The men fear that mixing the floors would end by limiting

their freedom and open house policy.

Slutzky said he thinks the proposal will be passed some time next year as soon as the details can be worked out.

The study commission will continue to review the proposal and make another recommendation to Dean Rohman next year.

# *Bedlam among disarray*

MSU's very own Kangaroo Court opened its doors to the academic community Tuesday. It was quite a show.

Held in Wilson cafeteria under the watchful eyes of the occupying Black Students' Alliance (BSA), the atmosphere was more like a circus than a courtroom. Seldom were the proceedings orderly -- maybe once when Carson C. Hamilton, associate professor of English and a member of the Adjudicating Committee, pointed out the unusual disorder of the proceedings.

It was extremely disappointing to see the two co-chairmen of the committee saying as little as possible while the crowd yelled and clapped and

the ground rules set up for the occasion (adaptations of the rules of the Student-Faculty Judiciary) were eventually discarded altogether.

The opportunity was great for a frank and rational debate among the parties involved. Instead, there was occasional bedlam among the usual disarray.

The hearing had originally been scheduled for Thursday, but apparently BSA was afraid of losing some of its numerical support by then, so it moved the hearing up to Tuesday. Undoubtedly it should have been held as soon as possible, but as the defense stated, they should have had a longer time

to prepare for the presentation.

BSA has an issue that it has tried to present in a clear-cut, rational manner, but the atmosphere of the hearing Tuesday made a joke of the attempt at rationality.

At this point we must withhold judgment on the issues with which the hearing was concerned, but we can frankly comment on the procedures. They were a mockery of due process, not so much because of the raucous crowd, but more because no one tried--in particular the co-chairmen did not try--to maintain order and the rules set down for the proceedings.

--The Editors

# BSA leaves Wilson cafeteria; committee suggests 9 changes

5/1/69

By JIM SYLVESTER  
State News Staff Writer

After nearly 14 hours of negotiation, a special committee appointed by Acting-President Walter Adams made nine recommendations Wednesday in response to the Black Students' Alliance's (BSA) charges of racial harassment of black Wilson Hall employees.

BSA initiated a sit-in Monday at the Wilson cafeteria to protest the "dehumanization" of black full-time employees and to expose racism in the University. It was ended late Wednesday evening after the committee's findings were released.

The black students refused to leave the cafeteria or allow meals to be served until the University acted on their recommendations. The students expected the immediate termination of Joseph Trantham, food services manager of Wilson, and Elaine Mishler, head manager, and an immediate commitment that all those who were harassed and abused by them be promoted.

They also wanted the two vacant positions resulting from the terminations to be filled by blacks that will be selected by black students and workers.

After a three-and-a-half hour open forum Tuesday, during which the demands were made, Adams directed a committee of four blacks and four whites

to reach a settlement acceptable to all parties.

Milton B. Dickerson, vice president for student affairs, and Irvin E. Vance, asst. professor of mathematics, acted as co-chairman of the committee. Making up the rest of the committee were E.G. Foster, manager of dormitory and food services, Lyle A. Thorburn, manager of residence halls, Robert C.

Underwood, personnel administrator for dormitory and food services, Carson Hamilton, associate professor of English, Mike Hudson, Inkster freshman and Maina Kenyatta, Kenya graduate student.

The group began their marathon discussion in the Wilson basement, at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday and continued until 3 a.m. Wednesday. They reconvened

at 10:30 a.m. same day and finally reached a settlement at 3:40 that afternoon.

Shortly thereafter, Adams held a press conference in the Wilson Auditorium. Speaking to over 400 people, mostly newsmen and students, he said, "I find the recommendations perfectly reasonable and justifiable and I intend to act in accordance with them." The substance of the recommendations are as follows:

"That a position be established for a black person in the central personnel office with the general function of recruiting black personnel and of getting them placed in the University structure. If it is necessary to give on-the-job training in some instances, this person should see that it is provided. The selection of this person shall be made with the advice of BSA and the approval of the director of Equal Opportunity Programs and the director of the Center of Urban Affairs."

"That immediate steps be taken to (Please turn to page 15)

## protest ends

merica, so it will be some time in the future, he said.

"Most comments about the bill were struck favorably by the bill to

Another bill introduced by Representative

that would make 30 per cent of all and placed in a permanent non-supervisory position."

"That Mr. Trantham be transferred out of Wilson Hall and placed in a permanent non-supervisory position in food service."

"That the President request some knowledgeable faculty

member, such as Dr. Killingsworth professor of labor and industrial relations, to formulate in conjunction with all interested parties some plan for an arbitration system to adjudicate the sort of controversy involved in Wilson Hall."

"That the President request the faculty not to penalize the students involved in the Wilson Hall action."

"That a progress report be forwarded to the entire University, including specifically the BSA and the black faculty, on the above items on June 1 and Oct. 1, 1969."

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# Wilson protest ends

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upgrade blacks in residence hall employment, with on-the-job training if necessary."

"That there be an immediate search for and subsequent hiring of a black college graduate to be trained for one of the management positions in

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Wilson Hall, with the advice of the BSA."

"That the University administration release a statement condemning the kinds of practices which led to the situation at Wilson Hall."

"That Miss Mishler be transferred out of Wilson Hall and placed in a permanent non-supervisory position."

"That Mr. Trantham be transferred out of Wilson Hall and placed in a permanent non-supervisory position in food service."

"That the President request some knowledgeable faculty

member, such as Dr. Killingsworth professor of labor and industrial relations, to formulate in conjunction with all interested parties some plan for an arbitration system to adjudicate the sort of controversy involved in Wilson Hall."

"That the President request the faculty not to penalize the students involved in the Wilson Hall action."

"That a progress report be forwarded to the entire University, including specifically the BSA and the black faculty, on the above items on June 1 and Oct. 1, 1969."



## *Onward to Adams*

Black students and members of BSA leave Wilson cafeteria Wednesday after their take-over to hear Acting President Adams announce the recommendations of the special committee concerning practices in the cafeteria.

State News photo by Mike Beasley

# Wilson workers to file lawsuits for defamation 5/2/69

By LARRY LEE  
State News Staff Writer

Legal action, including lawsuits for libel and defamation of character, will be taken by a Lansing attorney on behalf of the two Wilson Hall employees at the center of the recent three-day sit-in at the cafeteria there.

Duane M. Hildebrandt, the lawyer, said, "It is clear that Joseph Trantham (food service manager) and Elaine M. Mishler (manager of Wilson Halls) have not been given a fair hearing or a fair presentation of their case."

He said Don Coleman and the Black Students Alliance (BSA) would be involved but he did not know exactly what action would be taken.

Trantham and Miss Mishler were accused of racial discrimination and harassment, and Hildebrandt said there is ample evidence to disprove the claims of the BSA and Coleman.

It must be safeguarded that in the future University employees will not be pawns in disputes between students and the administration, he said.

"The real test is whether people are employed by the University or can be bargained away in a dispute," he said.

They should be given the same opportunity as other persons in a proper adjudicial process, Hildebrandt said.

He charged that the hearing had no formal legal procedure, no formal charges were filed against the defendants, there was no swearing of witnesses, no legal proofs were offered and there was no cross-examination of witnesses.

He said there is no reason for Trantham and Miss Mishler to be demoted until their case is fairly dealt with.

"What bothered me most was that the blacks had control of the personnel records and refused to make them available to the hearing," he said. Those records will disprove the charges, Hildebrandt asserted.

He also said it was significant that all the Wilson complaints were not made through unions, courts or civil rights bodies.

Hildebrandt was especially critical of Coleman's position.

"I am surprised and shocked that a person in a position such as Coleman would destroy his relation between the University and students by siding with the militants," he said.

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## Owen grads threatening to boycott

Owen Hall graduate students voted Tuesday to boycott the Owen cafeteria if demands for lower prices are not met by Tuesday.

The demands, including a 20 per cent across-the-board decrease, were aired at a Owen Hall Graduate Assoc. meeting attended by approximately 160 graduate students. Students voted 112-48 in favor of the boycott proposal.

George Vanburen, manager of Owen, said Wednesday that he could not "comprehensively comment on the demands at this time." Both Lyle Thorburn, manager of residence halls, and Emory Foster, manager of dormitory and food services, were unavailable for comment.

Students at the meeting suggested that costs could be cut by students bussing their own trays and by streamlining personnel operations.

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## Owen grads

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"We can meet every night and discuss the food committee findings, get lots of publicity and talk of a raise in prices next term, but we have a problem," one student said.

"I don't belong to SDS. I'm not a radical. But what about the possibility of a legitimate strike against the cafeteria?" The student asked.

Elliot Sanderson, member of the food committee, said that if a strike is implemented, it will have to be handled carefully. Any coercion of students would be offensive to the board of trustees and to Acting President Adams, he said.

There is a strong possibility that the food committee will be successful at the next meeting, Sanderson said.

"We need to show that the residents will do more than sign petitions and complete surveys to show their discontent," Sanderson said.

The association voted down a proposal for an immediate strike.

## POINT OF VIEW

5/1/69

# A circus resolution at emotional meeting

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** The following "point of view" was written by Roger Sitterly and Norman Platnick, both graduate students from Owen Hall.

Tuesday night at a meeting of the Owen Graduate Assn. a resolution was passed to the effect that the cafeteria must cut its prices 20 per cent by May 6 or face a student boycott. The atmosphere in which this resolution was adopted had the general overtones of a three-ring circus. It could not, by any stretch of the imagination, be termed reasoned debate.

Simple mathematics should show that unless the Owen Hall cafeteria finds a way to reduce expenses, a 20 per cent decrease in prices cannot be taken out of a profit margin of 5 per cent. This figure was arrived at quite arbitrarily, and with little discussion: no effort was made to

suggest a reasonable figure, or more importantly, to draw up a list of suggestions to be presented to the cafeteria management as to how expenses can be cut, and food prices lowered.

There are many legitimate suggestions to be made: a simple renovation of the cafeteria, and a switch to individual bussing of tables; an examination of the managerial staff, which includes one full-time employee whose prime responsibility is decorating the cafeteria; etc.

But none of these things were considered—it seemed as if a certain segment of those present was intent on only one thing: to make a demand so great that it *could not be met* by the management—thereby forcing a confrontation. The attitude was summed up by the resident who, after a few minutes of serious debate, got up to announce that "We've had enough talk. Let's vote!"

We are well aware that the accepted channels have been followed in this matter for eight months, and are just as upset at the pricing and quality in the cafeteria as everyone else. We are also all-too-aware that the current vogue on college campuses is for a forced confrontation with the big "A" Authority, regardless of what or who it is.

But we believe just enough in reasoned discussion and debate that we would like to give the channels a chance to either complete their operation or come to a stop. Then, and only then, should other means to achieve results be used.

What transpired at the Owen Graduate Assn. meeting was a travesty of the democratic process. In spite of well-voiced claims to maturity on the part of the residents of the hall in other issues, it seems that a vast number of the residents show maturity only when it proves convenient in getting what they want. When it is not convenient to act as educated intelligent adults, these people do not hesitate to resort to the juvenile tactic of outshouting one another.

In the atmosphere of extreme emotion prevailing at the meeting, perhaps it is naive to expect anything better than what happened. But we would like to believe that graduate students are capable of rational, mature, and intelligent action, rather than the emotionally adolescent proceedings which took place Tuesday night. Is that too much to expect?

## *Silent grads speak out* 5/1/69

The spectre of campus revolt has finally raised its head in the cloistered halls of Owen. Unless prices are cut 20 per cent, say the residents, the cafeteria will be boycotted Tuesday.

With the exception of very few, MSU graduate students have been a silent lot politically. Perhaps they have felt hindered by University fellowships and assistantships, or

maybe their superior knowledge and maturity have kept them off the streets while undergrads revolted.

The Great Owen Uprising, unlike numerous undergraduate counterparts, is not a hasty or spontaneous action, but the culmination of several years of discontent in Owen's residents over price levels and several years of administrative temporizing.

Now the grads say they have had enough, and are prepared to join their younger predecessors in the revolution for student rights and power.

We would hope that the University community will understand the situation of the Owen students and support them in their efforts to get fair prices in the cafeteria. The lesson for the administration in this affair is that graduate students, however silent they have been in the past, are nevertheless part of the University and have rights like everyone else. If the "channels" do not provide an effective means of securing those rights, then even graduate students will do what they must to protect their interests.

Perhaps this incident is indicative of the tone of the "new" graduate student. No longer can he be stereotyped as the head-in-book, solely information oriented pseudo-intellectual. Trustees, administrators, and anyone else in the academic community concerned with student welfare take note.

--The Editors

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# Recommendations sadly necessary

Nine action-oriented recommendations resulted from the deliberations of the adjudicating committee of the Wilson Hall dispute.

Undoubtedly the most important of these was that which called for the establishment of a plan for arbitration of similar disputes.

We have noted the "Kangaroo Court" atmosphere of the "formal" hearing, but we hope the deliberations of the committee after the hearing were conducted in a more reasoned and rational manner. Certainly this recommendation would show some reservations by the committee about Tuesday's procedures.

If conscientious procedures are outlined by the University for the hearing of charges of discrimination or other harassment of individual staff members in the University, a future re-enactment would be avoided.

Tuesday's hearing was marked by discussion which strayed from the topic of the accused individuals' actions. Consequently, the recommendations of the committee go further than action pertaining to two individuals. Indeed, it would be disappointing if they did not.

We are in a time when we must handle questions of individuals, but cannot forget the more important, broad issues involved.

The recommendations for the transfer of the two supervisors involved in the dispute would be questionable if the



*Acting President Walter Adams and Don Adams, director of residence hall programs, addressed concerned students at Wilson Hall.*

"Kangaroo Court" atmosphere of the hearing was carried on into the private discussions of the adjudicating committee. One hopes it was not.

It is imperative that the recommendations be based purely on a rational evaluation of the merits of the two supervisors, not on any other considerations.

The request for amnesty for the black students who occupied Wilson cafeteria is a reasonable one in view of the strong attempts made by BSA to present the issues of the demonstration as rationally as possible (with the failure of the hearing noted) and their explicit statement regretting the inconvenience they may have caused to white students residing in Wilson Hall.

The other five recommendations of the committee deal with the general issues of racism

in the University and the question of employment of blacks.

Suggesting a central personnel position for black recruitment for employment and the upgrading of blacks through on-the-job training and other programs is without a doubt within the purview of present needs

and expectations.

The specific request for black management personnel for Wilson Hall is certainly a response to the specific demonstration of BSA, and will serve to alert all sectors of the University that the problem cannot be ignored. So too will the official statement of the University administration condemning any racist action by University employees.

The final recommendation--that a progress report on the implementation of other recommendations be made to BSA and black faculty on two specific dates--can only keep the University from saying much but doing little.

It is only unfortunate that such special efforts--the central recruiting office, etc.--are indeed deemed necessary.

It is sad because it would all be so unnecessary if we lived in a mature and sane world.

--The Editors

# Adams draws varied comment for handling of Wilson conflict

5/2/69

By STEVE WATERBURY,  
State News Staff Writer

Acting President Walter Adams drew both praise and criticism Thursday for his handling of the Wilson cafeteria controversy.

The Black Students' Alliance began a sit-in Monday at the Wilson cafeteria to protest treatment of black employees. It ended late Wednesday after a committee appointed by Adams announced its recommendations.

A joint statement issued by Board Chairman Don Stevens, D-Okemos, and Trustee Blanche Martin, D-East Lansing, commended Adams for the "equitable and honorable solution achieved in the Wilson cafeteria affair."

"His (Adams) wisdom in involving students, faculty and administrators in arriving at the solution to this delicate problem shows his dedication to creating a true community at MSU even in these troubled times," the statement read.

The statement also said Adams' "inspired and courageous leadership" and

"his willingness to meet and discuss issues with students bodes well for the success of his administration."

In a letter to Adams, however, R.F. Lanzillotti, professor and chairman of the Dept. of Economics and long-standing friend of MSU's new president, criticized Adams for his handling of the issue.

"Frankly, I am appalled by the bizarre proceedings of the special Adjudicating Committee you appointed. . . and dismayed by your public announcement of the recommendations as reasonable and that you intended to approve them," the letter stated.

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Lanzillotti asked Adams to "not misunderstand the purpose of this letter," but said he was "dismayed" over Adams' actions when "I can recall ever so clearly the frequent criticisms over the years by former rank-and-filer Walter Adams of tragic administrative decisions based upon expediency or external pressures."

Clair White, D-Bay City, lauded Adams for his role in ending the occupation of the Wilson cafeteria and in initiating action on the grievances of the black students.

"This is an example," White said, "of his patience, foresight and understanding of this complicated human problem."

Adams commented on the controversy Thursday, saying he felt there are three considerations people concerned about the Wilson cafeteria occupation should keep in mind.

"First," Adams said, "nobody was hurt, and I think that's important. Secondly, the academic process of this University was not interrupted. Thirdly, to my knowledge there was no destruction of property."

"All three of these factors should be considered in evaluating the overall situation," he said.

"I tend to view the sit-in in the cafeteria as a symbolic act to invite attention to certain specific problems and the importance of installing the type of machinery that could be used in the future to forestall incidences of that sort," Adams reflected.

"If people in the academic community have the faith in the machinery that they are going to get a fair shake, this is probably the most felicitous way of avoiding even symbolic sit-ins," he said.

Adams stated he would address himself to the task of creating responsive machinery at MSU.


"Eventually I will be judged on the basis of what I do," he said, "and

that's what I want to address myself to."

Adams stated he felt the mood of the occupants of Wilson cafeteria seemed to improve during the later stages of the occupation.

"I have this faith," he said, "that given enough time, if people can explore the implications of their thoughts and actions, ultimately reason and rationality will prevail."

Regarding racism in the University, Adams commented, "Society cannot control what is in a man's heart, but it can require of him certain standards of propriety and decency in his official capacity."



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# Businessmen march, protest Wilson sit-in

By WHIT SIBLEY  
State News Staff Writer

A group of East Lansing businessmen marched from Brookfield Plaza to Beaumont Tower Saturday to demonstrate their dissatisfaction with the settlement of the Wilson Hall sit-in and to "mourn the death of the administration."

After placing a wreath at the base of the tower, John A. Marble, the group's spokesman, read a statement of the group's concern with "the destruction of civil rights of a silent majority by a vocal minority in all aspects of American life."

Acting President Adams said that the group never discussed their views with him.

"Some people jump to conclusions without looking at the specific facts," Adams said.

Adams said that people draw upon their impressions from events at other campuses which may not apply here.

"The black students' sit-in had certain notable conditions," Adams said.

He said that there was no damage to life and limb, no disruption of academic processes, and that no property damage occurred.

"The group decided to act in order to in-  
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vite action on their grievances," Adams said, "after they did that, what should have been done?"

One must strive to be consistent and calm and try to set up machinery that will avoid incidents in the future, Adams said.

"We have to break the vicious circle of hate and restore an atmosphere of calm in which reason and rationality can exist," Adams said.

"This is what I am trying to do and I would appreciate help from anyone in that direction," he added.

# East Wilson Council 5/5/69 seeks hearing answers

Responding to recent events in Wilson cafeteria, the East Wilson Council presented the "opinions of the majority of (Wilson) residents" and questions concerning the demonstration to Acting President Walter Adams and members of the Hearing committee and East Wilson residents in the form of an open letter to the University community.

The West Wilson Hall Council endorsed the East Wilson position in a meeting Sunday night.

The open letter said that the council wished to announce its position on "those few things we know, and request answers about many things we do not know."

The letter said members of council

"remained unenlightened concerning the degree of racism in Wilson cafeteria.

"Many residents of East Wilson have indicated a reluctance to accept the recommendations of the committee as entirely valid, because they are unaware of the factual findings on which those recommendations are based.

"East Wilson residents looked to the committee to pronounce judgment on these issues; the committee only chose to make recommendations. The committee's recommendations would be better accepted by East Wilson residents if the committee made public the factual findings upon which its recommendations are based."

The Wilson Council asked the committee to reveal "its findings on each allegation in the seven specific charges" and tell "its general findings on the extent of racism in the Wilson cafeteria."

In the letter to the council "recognized the right of demonstrations" but felt "as a general rule that demonstrations should be designed so as not to penalize third party bystanders.

"In short, while we are opposed in principle to such tactics as the seizure, we recognize the possibility that no other recourse was available. We must ask the committee for its factual findings," the letter said.

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The question presented to Adams was:

--On what basis were the committee members chosen?

Questions to committee Co-Chairmen, Milton Dickerson and Vance:

--Was the effectiveness of the hearing affected by the loose structure of the informal atmosphere?

--Was the effectiveness of the hearing affected by the short notice to all participants?

--Why were other employees not called as witnesses to help illuminate the contradictions between the testimony of the two sides?

The Wilson Council asked the committee:

--Was there information not brought out at the hearing that was considered in reaching the committee's recommendations?

--Why were the views of Wilson residents not sought and considered by the committee?

They asked Don Coleman to "Please elaborate publicly on the conclusions and statements in your testimony at the hearing."

The letter said that it was council's hope that "the dialogue from this particular situation will open channels so that no individual need ever again consider it necessary to shut a component down."

**RECONVENES TODAY**

# Council foregoes agenda to discuss Wilson sit-in

By MARILYN PATTERSON  
State News Staff Writer

The Academic Council Tuesday set aside most of its agenda in favor of a discussion of the actions taken during the take-over of the Wilson Hall Cafeteria last week.

The council will reconvene today to continue its discussion and return to the matters on its original agenda.

At the time of recess a motion was proposed to condemn the unfairness of the proceedings towards Elaine Mishler, head manager of Wilson Cafeteria, and Joseph Trantham, food services manager. A substitute motion to form a committee to investigate the situations

leading to and the consequences of the "Wilson Hall affair" was also before the council.

C.C. Killingsworth, professor of labor and industrial relations and proposer of the motion to condemn the Wilson actions, said that the University was in "bold violation of its legally imposed obligations" in allowing the Black Students-Alliance (BSA) to speak for the employees of the cafeteria and in not providing due process to Trantham and Miss Mishler.

By union contract and by law, Killingsworth said, the union has exclusive rights to represent employees in matters of grievances against management.

Since a union employee made the complaints against Miss Mishler and Trantham, the union and not the BSA has the legal right to speak for the employees, Killingsworth said.

Killingsworth also said that Miss Mishler and Trantham were given "unfair treatment" at the hearing in that they were not extended the "minimum standards" of due process provided in the Academic Freedom Report.

The committee set up by Acting President Walter Adams to hear the issues and recommend solutions was said to be operating under the guidelines of the Academic Freedom Report, he said.

However, it did not notify Miss Mishler and Trantham of the hearing 72 hours before its occurrence as the Academic Freedom Report stipulates, he said. Nor did it give them written statement of the charges against them or tell them how the violations came to its attention. Both actions are required by the freedom report, he said.

"Regardless of what the charge is," Killingsworth added, "you do not punish the man without giving him a fair hearing. This is a question of due process not of whether you approve of what they are accused of having done."

Albert Rabin, professor of psychology, moved that the council appoint a committee to investigate "the Wilson Hall affair" because he did not feel qualified to react to Killingsworth's motion without further information.

Today the council will continue consideration of the motions at 3:15 p.m. in the Con Con Room of the International Center.



## *Academicians*

Acting President Adams, left, and Provost Howard Neville presided over the Tuesday meeting of the Academic Council, which set aside its agenda to discuss the events of the Wilson Hall cafeteria sit-in and suggested solutions. The council will reconvene today.

State News photo by Bob Ivins

# Letters, calls bombard Adams after 'Wilson'

By STEVE WATERBURY  
State News Staff Writer

Reaction to Acting President Adams' handling of the Wilson Hall cafeteria occupation by black students has come from as far away as California.

Letters and phone calls bombarding the president's office have ranged from extensive praise to outright condemnation of Adams.

A letter from the Interim Committee of the Greater Lansing Community Organization "commended" Adams for "being sensitive to human feelings and needs in a very tense situation."

Adams also drew praise from members of the NAACP. The Lansing Chapter of the NAACP has unanimously passed a resolution supporting Adams and condemning the so-called businessmen who marched on campus during the weekend to commemorate the "death of the MSU Administration."

Several sources present at the rally of about 25 men have expressed skepticism as to whether the marchers were in fact East Lansing businessmen.

Rep. Jim Brown, R-Okemos, introduced a resolution in the House attacking Adams for "totally disregarding the civil rights laws" during his action in last week's Wilson Hall incident.

Brown maintained Adams violated the civil rights of Joseph Trantham and Mrs. Elaine Mishler under pressure of "a cut-and-dried necktie party."

Mail critical of Adams for his handling of the conflict varied from letters critical of the procedural imperfection of the Wil-

son Hall hearing, to "hate mail" condemning Adams as "spineless and gutless."

Most of the "hate mail" is unsigned.

One of the letters received by Adams reads, "Your concessions to the black students obviously reveals your weak, simple, yellow-back character. There is no place for you at MSU. Our advice to you, sir, is the quicker you get out the better."

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In other, similar letters, Adams has been labeled a clown, spineless, a fool, gutless and yellow-striped.

Adams said that many of the letters are clearly racist in character. One letter reads, "You surrendered to the black murder boys instead of calling in the National Guard. That is the only way of dealing with these armed bandits. God bless America; damn the niggers."

Adams said, "People tend to think in stereotypes. There was a sit-in at the Wilson cafeteria, but they don't look at the concrete specifics of that particular incident. But instead they conjure up in their minds Cornell, Columbia and Wisconsin, which are totally different situations."

Many of the letters received by Adams urged a strong use of force against demonstrators.

Adams indicated that the majority of letters he has received were not of the "hate mail" variety.

He said he has received complimentary letters from clergymen and other "respected members of the establishment."

A letter-writing and telephone campaign has been roganized in East Lansing in support of Adams and his handling of the Wilson Hall occupation.

Mrs. John R. Fouts, one participant in this campaign, stated criticism of Adams by certain East Lansing residents does not reflect the views of the whole community.

"His action was well-taken," Mrs. Fouts said.

Adams stated that many who

are criticising the atmosphere of the hearing are not aware this is probably the first time administrative personnel have been given a hearing.

"Administrative personnel have been transferred in the past without any sort of a hearing, good, bad or indifferent," Adams said.

"We must break the vicious circle of anger and hate," he said. "Unless we do that, we cannot restore the kind of atmosphere in which a rational solution and reconciliation can even be attempted."

# Owen grads start boycott over high cafeteria prices 5/7/69

By LINDA GORTMAKER  
Executive Reporter

Owen Hall graduate students began a boycott of the hall's cafeteria Tuesday with one-fifth or less of the regular patrons buying meals.

More than 300 Owen residents voted Monday night on the boycott at a meeting with representatives from the administration and management.

Owen Hall Graduate Assn. passed a resolution last week to boycott the cafeteria if a 20 per cent decrease across-the-board in prices was not made by Tuesday.

George Vanburen, manager of Owen

Hall, planned to meet with the association Tuesday night to attempt negotiations with the students again.

"The channels are still open for discussion," Vanburen said.

Acting President Walter Adams set up a special committee last week to study Owen's food prices. The committee included Emery Foster, manager of dormitory and food services; Roger Wilkinson, acting vice-president for business and finance; and Elliot Sanderson and Larry Lang, both Owen residents.

The association sent a letter to Adams Tuesday stating that the committee's appearance Monday night was "to no

avail." The committee will submit its report to Adams by the end of this week, Wilkinson said.

"Legitimate questions posed by Owen Hall residents were sidestepped or avoided by the management," the letter stated.

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According to the resolution, the boycott will continue until the association's executive committee decides the boycott should be terminated.

Arshad Zaman, Owen Hall president, said Tuesday he expected the boycott to "continue effectively," but Foster is not "convinced that a majority of the students really approve of the boycott."

"We want to give the 'silent middle' group a chance to be recognized," Foster said.

Owen's cafeteria is operated much like a commercial cafeteria with students paying for each food item separately. Almost 1,000 students live in Owen. Counting both residents and non-residents, the cafeteria on normal days serves 270 for breakfast and 500 for lunch, Vanburen said.

Estimates by both residents and management show 18 came to breakfast Tuesday and 120 ate lunch.

"It was a significant drop in business," Vanburen agreed.

Residents organized car pools Tuesday to buy lunches and dinners from local eating places (Kentucky Fried Chicken, MacDonald's, and Burger King). More than \$19.00 worth of food was ordered through the pool for lunch, and dinner amount was estimated to be even higher, organizers of the project said.

Zaman stressed that one resident has been trying to contact Ombudsman James Rust, the attorney general, and Leland Carr, the University attorney, to prevent encountering legal trouble.

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Foster said Tuesday that if the present trend in reduced number of cafeteria patrons continues, "we'll have to operate with a reduced staff." He said reducing the number of staff members would be a gradual process.

Neither Owen residents nor management considered Monday night's meeting very worthwhile.

"I thought they'd much rather listen to their own people," Lyle Thorburn, manager of residence halls, said.

Foster felt he had offered some "fair solutions." The options he presented for Owen residents to consider included:

--the cafeteria system be continued as is.

--the cafeteria be discontinued and the snack bar opened during restricted hours.

--a regular board contract such as exists in undergraduate halls be implemented for \$205 a term (\$2.66 a day).

--Owen residents could purchase a pass for 13 meals a week at \$185 a term (\$2.40 a day).

--10 meals a week could be purchased at \$143 a term (\$2.51 a day)

--a private, established caterer could be hired.

Foster reported that Owen's cafeteria has not made money since January "and lowering prices would be out of the question." He said he was "working on" price restructuring.

"It is the opinion of Larry Land and I that no real effort has been made on the part of management to do anything," Sanderson said.

Foster said he would be willing to hire an expert from outside the University to detect any inefficiency in the cafeteria's operation.

"If this expert doesn't substantiate what I have been saying, I will pay for the survey out of my own pocket," Foster said.

Main student complaints centered around the "excessive labor costs" that, if reduced, could mean lower prices for the cafeteria.

Judy Bannan, an Owen resident and cafeteria employee, told her "inside" story of the cafeteria's inefficiencies.

"There's one man, and I'm not mentioning names, who arranges flowers everyday," Miss Bannan said.

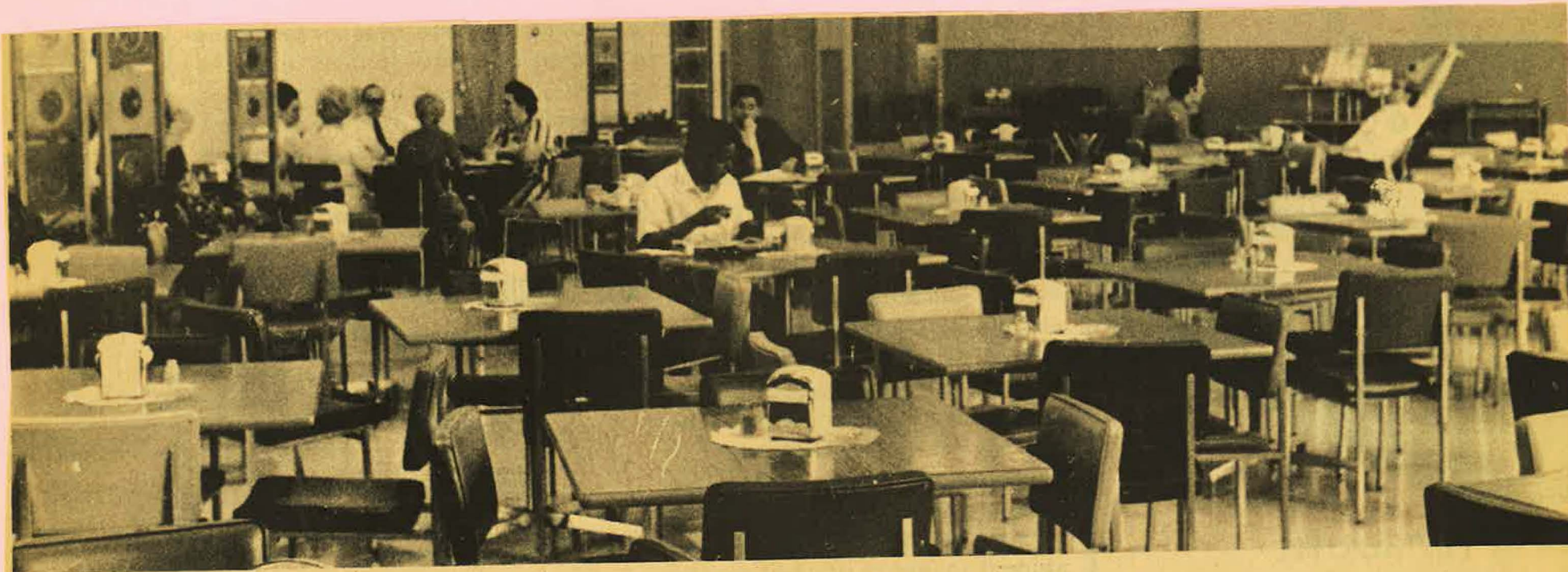
She invited Foster to eat at Owen everyday and observe the prices and quality of food.

"Try eating here, Mr. Foster. Come here every day with your family."

Lang accused Foster of wanting both high volume and high prices with his list of options. He said adoption of the term contract for meals would put the cafeteria out of competition.

"And aren't you counting on people missing lots of meals, anyway?" he said.

"I'm honest about this," Foster replied. "Don't criticize my integrity."



## *A deserted breakfast table*

5/7/69

Residents of Owen Hall began their boycott of the cafeteria Tuesday to protest the high prices and poor quality of the food served there. Car pools have been organized by the residents to bring in food from outside restaurants as an alternative to eating in the

cafeteria. Tuesday morning only 18 people ate breakfast in the cafeteria. Acting President Adams has established a committee to investigate the grievances of the Owen residents.

State News photo by Lance Lagoni

# 'U' can't do too much; man to man relations

The wild frontiers, outer space, disease after disease.

They fall before the mighty mind and sword of man--man the intelligent, man the capable, man the conqueror.

But there remains one savage foe undaunted by man's great and infinite wisdom, unharnessed despite the great force possessed by man--man himself.

Strange that the greatest task before us is still that of teaching men how to get along with men.

We contend that underlying the alleged racism at Wilson Hall's cafeteria is that old and bigger thing--man's inhumanity to man . . . the international and the very unintentional.

Racism is merely an added attraction.

As economics professor Charles Larrowe expressed it in a letter to Acting President Walter Adams last week, "Many (hall managers, food services manager, and other supervisors), I suspect, have had little experience working with black employees, and even less with black employees who refuse to ignore the unintended, indeed unconscious, slights and slurs that are so ingrained in our white culture."

Larrowe compared the situation to that of unionization of a formerly all non-union shop--top management feels threatened; workers assert their rights under contract.

When MSU's non-academic workers were unionized only a few years ago a special course was set up for supervisors to "remove the mystery of how collective bargaining works and to alleviate their nervousness about the challenge it posed to their authority."

The suggestion is, therefore, that a similar idea might be needed for food supervisors, hall personnel at various levels, even if the situation is not a clear-cut switch, such as from non-union to union. A course in race rela-

tions? Or, more realistically, a course in human relations, with stress on race relations.

Lyle Thorburn, residence halls manager, and Emery Foster, dormitories and food service manager, said, "This is all very tough on us . . . We think we've done much more than most in this area of placing blacks." They thought much had been done in supervisor-worker relations.

And they acknowledged, "You can never do too much in this area." Maybe enough hasn't been done. Maybe the question is quality and content of that instruction--maybe some adjustments can be made.

Instruction used by the resident halls and food services programs (using them as an example because of their relevancy of the moment and their position as chief employer of non-academic employees) should be carefully reviewed.

We are not negating their past efforts. Resident halls and food services have an elaborate training program for everyone they employ. However, the Wilson Hall incident has shown that at times it is failing at the day-to-day level.

The tremendous resources of this University--administration people, sociologists, psychologists and labor experts--should be able to develop a program structure that will work to the **maximum**. If our faculty and administrators cannot together construct a workable program in reality, we question their competence to teach us theories about such things.

We merely ask that MSU take a leading role in the field of race (human) relations--specifically in the area of supervisor-employee relations right here on campus.

MSU hasn't been nearly as lax as some of our peer universities, but has also been guilty of reacting to need, to crisis situations. We urge that MSU set a stiff pace for others to try to follow.

--The Editors

# Black faculty statement regarding Wilson Hall

EDITOR'S NOTE: The following is "An open Letter to the University community regarding the Wilson Hall incident, written by the Black Faculty Committee. It is a statement of position.

Much concern has been expressed by the white community regarding the Wilson cafeteria protest, subsequent developments surrounding the protest, and certain actions taken by Acting President Walter Adams. We, the Black Faculty Committee of MSU, are also concerned about the protest, the presidential decision, and the alleged racism which lead to the action of the BSA.

Since much of the negative reaction has centered around the hearing procedures and not the substance of the issue, namely racism against blacks at MSU, certain facts should be pointed out.

1. As a result of a series of seminars--engaged in by representatives of the administration, faculty, students, and staff members--a recommendation was made that a "Committee of Last Resort" be established to consider cases of this nature. High ranking, well known, and highly revered MSU professors opposed the establishment of such a committee on the basis that such an extraordinary procedure was not necessary.

2. At the February 1969 meeting of the MSU Board of Trustees after cases of racial discrimination involving black faculty and staff had come to light, the "Committee of Last Resort" was explained in detail and again recommended.

3. It has been necessary in recent months for Federal investigators to come to campus to attempt to resolve issues involving discrimination against blacks employed by MSU. Indeed, Federal officials are scheduled to visit MSU this week to hear charges of racial discrimination against a black MSU employee of long standing. If the "Committee of

Last Resort" had been established, these type of issues might have been resolved short of Federal intervention. The Wilson Hall incident could have been referred to such a committee.

In the absence of such procedures, Acting President Adams has acted in what is--in our opinion--a fair and courageous manner, and in the best interest of the total University Community. The forthright action, on the part of the president in this case, was in itself precedent setting. His successful resolution of this issue has not precluded the inevitable surfacing of habitual and latent racists from the campus and the surrounding community.

It is our opinion that the proceedings inside the adjudication chambers were orderly, serious, deliberate (14 hours of discussion) and concluded in a manner in which the University should be proud. We would further point out that the adjudicating committee consisted of a vice president and three high ranking staff members of the residence hall (all white), as well as two members of the BSA and two black faculty members. It is, indeed, quite difficult for us to imagine such a committee reaching any unanimous decision without grave concern for the entire University community--we are confident that this was their primary motivation.

For too long, there has been discussion of order and procedure, we feel it is time for us (MSU faculty, staff and student body) to address ourselves to justice. The black faculty at MSU is committed to a sense of fairness and justice for the total University community. We feel that recent actions taken by the present administration reflects this same commitment to fairness and justice at MSU.

The Black Faculty Committee

5/7/69

Switching from John Hannah to Walter Adams as the president of the University involves quite a transition in the style of handling students and student problems.

Whether you liked him or not, Hannah had his own style as the University president. To many students, he represented the concept of the executive, a businessman's businessman.

Hannah was the man who ran things from the distant confines of his office. He was the main cog in the massive administrative machine.

Although he always had administrative representatives on hand, Hannah seldom ever attended student rallies or protests.

Hannah was a busy man who traveled a lot on business.

Even when he was on campus, he was a hard man to get to see.

But the cigar-smoking Adams has acted differently in his role as acting president.

Whenever a student rally or protest has arisen this term, Adams has been there. When the Movement protested at the Placement Bureau, he was there.

Throughout the anti-ROTC rally, Adams occupied a front row position. During the latest University flare-up, the takeover of the Wilson Hall cafeteria by black students, Adams was on hand every day at the scene of the protest.

The Wilson Hall encounter served as a good example of Adams' presidential technique and its effect.

Many of the Wilson Hall students, protesters and watchers, had never seen Adams in person before. But, for many of them, it became a case of love at first sight.

Adams likes to talk to students and gather their opinions about issues. He talks freely and frankly with students. As one observer at Wilson Hall said of him, "Adams is a professor first, and a president second."

Most importantly, though, Adams listens to what students have to say. And they like that about him.

When Adams first arrived at the Wilson Hall protest last Monday, he immediately listened to the complaints of the black protesters. After he had talked to the blacks, Adams went to the dormitory auditorium to answer questions from the white residents.

One of Adams' major concerns on the first night of the protest was that no group of students try to interfere with the blacks who were holding the cafeteria.

"I urge you not to do anything right now--that's the best contribution you can

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By DAVE SHORT

make," he told the crowd in the Wilson auditorium.

"I give you a professor's solution to everything--go back to your books."

But the white students didn't go back to their books. They stood around and waited to see if anything would happen.

After his discussion in the auditorium, Adams wandered throughout the dormitory and talked to students in an attempt to keep things calm.

Wherever Adams went, a large group of students always seemed to follow. He intermediately spoke straightforh with them and joked with them.

Although some of Adams' discussions and jokes became repetitious as the night wore on, neither the students nor Adams seemed to mind.

Adams was not above arguing with students over points though. If he felt a student was wrong in his judgment, Adams told him so. And he got in a couple of point-blank arguments with a few SDS members over the way to carry out reform.

On the first night of the Wilson Hall takeover, Adams spent seven hours on the scene. Although he didn't stay as long as that on the next two days, he returned to Wilson intermediately until the protest was over.

Most of the Wilson Hall students seemed to be impressed with Adams and his actions. They liked the idea of a college president showing some direct interest in what they thought about and wanted done.

As Adams moved about Wilson Hall, there were many who asked him questions like "Will you stay on as President?" or "Do you think there is any chance that the board will recommend you to be the permanent president?"

The blacks who took over the cafeteria also seemed to be impressed by Adams' actions. As Sam Riddle, BSA spokesman, said in the Wilson auditorium on Monday, "I was surprised when President Adams conducted himself in the manner he did."

There were many students in Wilson Hall who weren't in favor of the committee's findings or its procedures.

But even when the administration's committee rules in favor of many of the BSA demands, Adams prestige with the students seemed to hold up.

When people are confronted with a situation in which a person they like sides with an issue that they don't like, they either agree with the person, disagree,

or tend to minimize that person's role in the issue.

Because, several days after the cafeteria takeover had ended, there were still many students voicing the hope that Walter Adams would be retained as this University's president...

# Questions over Wilson conflict spur action to halt MSU funds

By LARRY LEE  
State News Staff Writer

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A resolution threatening to withhold funds from MSU for the next school year was circulated in the Michigan legislature Wednesday by Rep. Joseph Swallow, R-Alpena.

Thirty legislators reportedly had signed the resolution declaring their intent to refuse to approve appropriations to MSU until three requests relat-

ing to last week's Wilson Hall cafeteria sit-in have been answered.

The three requests in Swallow's resolution are:

1. That the administrators of the University reveal to the legislature the full extent of the agreement made April 30, 1969, and present such facts as they feel necessary to show that such agreement was in the best interests of the University, the student body and the

people of the state of Michigan.

2. That the administrators of the University show to the legislature what process was used in extending a "fair hearing" to the two supervisors, Joseph E. Trantham and Elaine M. Mishler, who were demoted as a result of events of April 28-30.

3. That the student body of the University, either by resolution of its student government or by a legitimate poll conducted by its student government, express to the legislature its position relative to violent and unlawful activities which disrupt the orderly process of the University.

Swallow admitted the resolution "may unfortunately work a hardship on the vast majority of students who are mindfully seeking an education."

Swallow said he is not asking that the House vote on the resolution, but that they sign it to "let them know we are serious."

"But this action that we are taking is the only action the legislature can take because control of MSU is vested in an autonomous board of trustees," he said.

Referring to the praise Trustee Don Stevens, D-Okemos, gave Acting President Adams in his handling of the affair, Swallow said, "Autonomous control is desirable for the promotion of academic freedoms, but these freedoms do not extend license to the board of trustees to condone violent or unlawful activities."

Trustee Warren Huff, D-Plymouth, took exceptions to the legislators' intent. "I don't think the legislature has to withhold appropriations to obtain information," he said.

"I do not agree with that part of the resolution that seems to imply that the legislature is without a source of knowledge."

But Huff said, "I would concur with the distinguished representative from Alpena that not only the board should know the facts and decisions and have it clear in their minds that due process was followed, but the board has the obli-

gation to reassure the legislature what was done."

As yet, the board itself has not received a full report, but Huff expects Adams to have a report at the next board meeting beginning Thursday.

"I have a deep respect for the 'public right to know,'" he said.

Stevens and Adams were unavailable for comment.

The Student body already has issued statements revealing its position.

During events surrounding the Garskof controversy during winter term, ASMSU published a position paper in February denouncing the use of violence in settling campus disputes, and a petition decrying the use of force on the MSU campus gathered 13,000 signatures in March.

Trantham said Wednesday evening he had just heard of the resolution and did not want to comment on it.

## Faculty petition backs Adams' sit-in handling

Nearly 100 faculty and graduate students have indicated their support of Acting President Adam's handling of the Wilson Hall cafeteria take-over by black students last week.

In a commendation circulated by five faculty members, the 94 signatories placed their names "on record as supporting and commending Dr. Walter Adam's leadership in handling the 'Wilson Hall Affair.'"

Charles P. Larowe, professor of economics and one of the sponsors of the petitions, said that a great many people are unhappy with the outcome, rather than the procedure, of the entire situation.

"If people in support of Adams didn't speak up, then even their silence would be construed as supportive of the critics," Larowe said.

Among other points, the commendation noted that Adam's has "respected the rights of students to express their grievances, created a climate for the full discussion of crucial issues and responded quickly to prevent violence."

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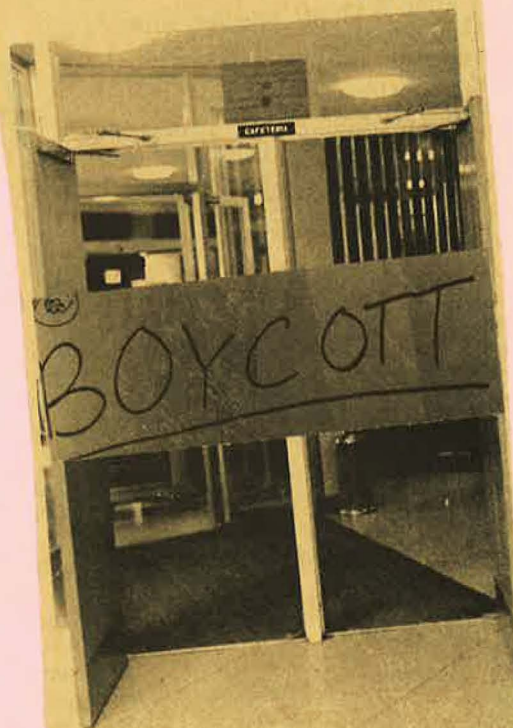
The commendation was circulated in the Dept. of Social Science, American Thought and Language, Mathematics, Economics and the School of Labor and Industrial Relations.



### *Council hears proposal*

Richard E. Sullivan, professor and chairman of the History Dept., introduces a resolution to the Academic Council calling for a new hearing for the two Wilson Hall employees that were charged with discrimination.

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### **Sit-out**

Owen cafeteria stands deserted during the residents' boycott. Plans call for the boycott to continue until prices are lowered. State News photo by Lance Lagoni

# Council adopts resolution for 'U' employe hearings

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By MARILYN PATTERSON  
State News Staff Writer

The Academic Council Wednesday adopted a resolution to correct alleged injustices to two food services employes during the take-over of Wilson Hall cafeteria and to prevent future occurrences of the same situation.

The resolution, introduced by Richard E. Sullivan, professor and chairman of history, calls for a new hearing for Elaine Mishler, manager of Wilson Hall, and Joseph Trantham, food services manager of Wilson Hall, if they so desire.

The new hearing, if it is called for, will

be conducted by a three-man committee that is acceptable to both the administration and representatives of the two employes, the resolution said.

The resolution also asks Acting President Walter Adams to establish a committee to develop a permanent adjudication process for all administrative and professional employes of the University.

It "strongly urges" that the recommendations of the Committee of Sixteen be implemented and that Adams appoint a multi-racial committee "to recommend procedures for investigation complaints of racial discrimination and insuring redress when discrimination is found."

A hearing committee set up last week when members of Black Students' Alliance (BSA) took over the Wilson Hall cafeteria recommended that Miss Mishler and Trantham be transferred to positions in other buildings on campus.

C. C. Killingsworth, professor of labor and industrial relations, said that the two

were denied due process at the hearing last week.

Killingsworth had submitted a proposal Tuesday that the council condemn the unfairness of the proceedings toward Miss Mishler and Trantham.

Albert Rabin, professor of psychology, had offered a substitute motion that the council appoint a committee to investigate the situations leading to and the consequences of the "Wilson Hall affair."

Both Rabin and Killingsworth withdrew their motions in favor of the Sullivan resolution.

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## Academic Council

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Robert Green, professor of education, urged the council Tuesday to see that the report of the Committee of Sixteen be implemented and that a multi-racial committee for investigating racial discrimination on campus be established.

Green said that if the Wilson hearing was unfair, "we (the black faculty and students) would be the first to support a new hearing."

"Our concern is the racial discrimination that has existed on this campus for many, many years," he said. "The individuals who regard themselves as civil libertarians have kept silent about this situation of the blacks."

"Let's for once raise the issue of racism and then maybe we can sit down and face each other," Green said.

"We do not wish to destroy MSU," he said, "we want to be a part of it. But now this is a very lonely place for black people."

In other action, the council approved a statement that departments establish procedures for dealing with appointment and reappointment of non-tenured faculty and commissioned Adams to establish a committee to recommend a successor to Provost Howard Neville, who announced his resignation Monday.

A proposal that the Reserve Officers Training Corps (ROTC) be removed from academic status was sent to the Educational Policies committee and the Curriculum Committee for further investigation.

Proposals to continue the period for drops and adds without penalty until the middle of the term and to eliminate the "x" grade were approved.

The council postponed until its May 27 meeting consideration of proposed changes in the Student-Faculty Judiciary and the report of the Ad Hoc Committee on Student Participation in Academic government.

## PRICE BATTLE

# Owen cafeteria closes as boycott cuts business

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By BILL CUMMINGS  
State News Staff Writer

The Owen cafeteria was shut down Tuesday by Emery Foster, manager of dormitory and food services. The action followed a student food boycott that began Monday.

"We are not doing any business and

so long as our help is being paid, we feel we can put them to work at more useful purposes," Foster said.

Foster pointed out that he had offered a number of proposals to Owen residents regarding possible alternatives to the present cafeteria system. He said that the best proposal is for 10 meals a week (two per day) at a cost of \$143 a term or \$2.51 a day. This proposal would involve an assured volume on a contract basis, he said.

"I don't see how we can operate one feeding operation at a loss," he continued.

If Owen were to operate at a loss, the Owen cafeteria would have to be subsidized by the undergraduate residence halls. This would result in the undergraduate students subsidizing the graduate students eating, Foster said.

"I feel I have done everything I consciously know how to do and have had people both on and off campus examine the problem and suggest proposals," he said. "Mr. Roger Wilkinson and I and my staff have done everything we know how. The next move is up to them."

Georgé Vanburen, manager of Owen Hall, and Wilkinson, acting vice-president for business and finance, had no comment to make regarding the closing of the Owen cafeteria.

Wilkinson said the ad hoc committee that Acting President Walter Adams

set up last week met twice to discuss the problem.

Acting President Adams then asked the committee to do two things, Wilkinson said. First, they were to look at the problem and the trust obligations involved, and second, they were to re-evaluate the pricing structure of the food in Owen Hall.

In the second meeting, Foster presented his proposals to the student members of the committee, Elliot Sanderson and Larry Lang, who asked Wilkinson and Foster to appear before a group of Owen Hall students Monday night. Foster presented his proposals again at the Monday meeting.

Wilkinson said the management feels that a change in the pricing structure is not possible, while the students feel they have not had their problem adequately answered.

# MHA head blasts amendments

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By DELORES MAJOR  
State News Staff Writer

MHA (Men's Hall Assn.) president Robert Loerke said that newly formulated amendments to the MHA constitution were ineffective.

The essential difference between the old MHA constitution and the proposed amendments is the delegation of two additional duties to the vice-president:

the right to represent MHA in the absence of the president and the right to commit MHA without authorization from the President's Assembly.

"They just don't solve the problems they were designed to," Loerke said.

He added that rather than clarify matters, the amendments merely clouded the issues further.

"The whole thing is poorly worded and ambiguous," he said.

He added that the new amendments were "so close to what we have now, that there is no need for them."

He said the amendments left the position of the vice-president in a nebulous state and

added that the amendments do not delegate the duties of the vice president.

"The changes that were made only confuse the duties of the

vice-president and what he is expected to be," he said.

Loerke added that there is some confusion on the delegation of authority between president and vice president.

"The amendments should state who represents MHA and where but it doesn't," the MHA president said.

He explained that as the policy is stated now, the vice-president can represent MHA and speak for MHA at any time the president is not present.

"This could mean that as soon as the president walked out of the room, the vice-president could pick up the phone and speak on MHA policy," he said.

He said that voting on the amendments had already started in the Men's residence halls and would continue into next week.

"In order for these amendments to go into effect, they must be passed by a 3/4 majority."

Loerke said that he noted some apathy on the part of some hall presidents.

"They just don't give a damn about the transition," he said.

"I've talked to some hall presidents about the amendments, but that's all I can do, the group has to do what it wants as a whole," he said.

Loerke said that he would push for more discussion over the proposed amendments because he didn't think that the students had really looked at the amendments carefully.

Loerke said that a committee was initiated earlier this term to settle the dispute that arose from the MHA presidential elections last winter term.

The legality of Loerke's election was challenged by John Engler president of East Shaw Hall, on the basis that Loerke was not a member of MHA and was not living in a residence hall.

However the All University Student Judiciary ruled that Loerke's election was not in conflict with the MHA constitution.

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# 'U' fast to bring \$6,000 for Operation Outrage

By DELORES MAJOR  
State News Staff Writer

A campus-wide fast held by MSU students in residence halls Wednesday night is expected to bring in over \$6,000 toward Operation Outrage, a national campaign to aid the starving children in Biafra/Nigeria.

Graham Kerr, United Kingdom graduate student, and Sue Sing, East Lansing graduate student, co-chairmen of the MSU chapter of the campaign, said that over 12,500 students out of 17,000 residing in dormitories participated in the fast.

In addition, Kerr said, several fraternities and sororities have given monetary donations in lieu of fasting.

"There are three objectives of the campaign," Kerr said, "first, to bring the whole situation before people, second, to encourage people to work for the cause, and third, to collect money for relief as a temporary solution."

He added that nearly 75 per cent of the dormitory population on campus had participated in the fast.

Mrs. Sing added that the campus-wide fast would not be the end to the campaign here on campus.

"We're certainly going to go on," she said, "but now we'll be circulating petitions demanding a cease-fire and government assistance."

Kerr said that the campaign in the Lansing area will put more emphasis on petitions and encourage people to write postcards and letters to their representative in Washington and President Nixon.

"There are bills being presented now asking for increases in foreign aid, we're hoping to put pressure on Fulbright and the President," he said.

"There is no set time for the campaign's end," Mrs. Sing said, "we'll continue as long as our help is needed."

Kerr added that the campaigners will stage another life line, candlelight procession.

"Our last one on April 16 was quite successful," he said. "About 200 were present during the showing of a film and between 100 to 150 joined in the candlelight procession."

Both co-chairmen asked that all interested in aiding their cause contact the headquarters for Operation Outrage, at 327 MAC Avenue.

# Hearing procedures disputed

By PAT ANSTETT  
and JIM SYLVESTER  
State News Staff Writers

The resolution of the "Wilson Hall affair" in the form of nine recommendations has become not only the end of one issue but the beginning of another.

The call for a second hearing for the two Wilson managers who were accused of harassing dormitory employees now centers attention on the procedures of the first hearing and the fairness of the recommendations made.

The question revolves around due process and whether Joseph Trantham and Elaine Mishler were in a sense "lynched," as Duane Hildebrandt, their lawyer, contends.

"Lack of fair play"

C. C. Killingsworth, professor of labor and industrial relat-

ions, said many of the faculty "were shocked at a lack of fair play" in last week's hearing. Killingsworth submitted a proposal to the Academic Council Tuesday condemning the unfairness of the proceedings toward Trantham and Miss Mishler.

Hildebrandt also blasted the proceedings. "No one can question that my clients were not given a fair hearing," he said.

Critics of the hearing point out that regular grievance procedures were ignored, no written charges were presented to Miss Mishler and Trantham before the hearing began, no opportunity was given for cross examination or obtaining of defense witnesses, no recordings, written or taped, were allowed to be made at the hearing and

high emotionalism characterized the proceedings.

"Government by tantrum"

In a letter addressed to the board of trustees, eight faculty members criticized the adjudication committee deliveries.

"We deplore lack of judgment, setting of an unfortunate precedent and government by tantrum," their statement read.

Robert L. Green, associate professor of educational psychology, took exception to these criticisms.

Green cites hypocrisy

"Gross hypocrisy exists on this campus. When blacks were treated in an unjust manner, Mandlstamm and Lanzillotti (faculty who have criticized the proceedings) sat quietly in their offices. These people are recent civil libertarians."

Green said that some critics may worry about the inconven-

ience to white Wilson Hall residents but have never been concerned about the violation of the rights of blacks.

Milton B. Dickerson, vice president for student affairs and co-chairman of the adjudication committee, questioned some of the criticism of the hearing and committee procedures at Wednesday's Academic Council meeting.

"Black faculty and students would be the last to inflict injustice on others, of this I am certain," he said.

AFL-CIO concerned

Question also surrounds the alternatives to which grievances could have been aired.

Lyle A. Thorburn, manager of residence halls, stated that the grievances could have been brought to the Local No. 1585 of the AFL-CIO which University employees belong to. He said that the union was disturbed that these grievances had not been brought to their attention until after the sit-in began.

"Whenever there is a problem of any kind, we would hope it could be resolved at the local level without inconveniencing some of our customers, those being students," Thorburn said.

Appropriate channels

"It is unfortunate that those grievances were not referred to the appropriate channels," Killingsworth said.

Richard E. Sullivan, chairman of the Dept. of History and proposer of the resolution calling for a second hearing for the two Wilson supervisors, said he hopes that the new hearing will improve upon the questioned procedures of the first hearing.

Irvin Vance, co-chairman of the adjudicating committee, indicated he was fully satisfied with the way in which the committee was conducted and with its outcome. He declined to comment on the proposal for a second hearing. Dickerson said that if the two supervisors desire a new hearing "they should have the opportunity."

Green said that if the committee members think it necessary he would favor a new hearing.

Adjudication committee proposed

The Academic Council also proposed Wednesday the establishment of a permanent adjudication process for all administrative and professional employees in the University.

Killingsworth said this committee would be a planning committee and would establish procedures for airing grievances.

"I hope this planned committee will not be called upon to handle disputes, but rather set up procedures," he said.

Sullivan said that the proposed committee would work under the president of the University.



## Reaction to sit-in handling echoes through 'U', Capitol

By JERRY PANKHURST  
State News Staff Writer

Some legislators want to withhold MSU appropriations; some faculty members decry the actions of Acting President Walter Adams; other faculty members want to make their support for Adams explicit lest they be viewed as supportive of the critics; and the debate raged in the Academic Council.

All are responding to the handling of a protest by the Black Students' Alliance (BSA) which occupied the Wilson Hall cafeteria from April 28 to 30.

Stemming from alleged harassment of three black cafeteria employees, BSA held what it described as a teach-in. White residents ate in near-by South Complex halls.

Lyle A. Thorburn, manager of residence halls, stated that Adams was the main communications link between the administration and BSA. BSA had requested one person to act in such capacity, he said.

On the first night of the pro-

test, Adams and about 200 Wilson residents gathered in the Kiva to discuss the demonstration. When asked by Sam Riddle, BSA South Complex chairman, how many were in support of the blacks, about half raised their hand affirmatively.

Gary North, South Complex director for residence hall programs, stated: "there was little or no tension between black students and white students in Wilson Hall" during the demonstration.

Before the sit-in began, residence hall personnel had met with the three black employees who had walked off their jobs to protest the harassment. North said he had left the meeting with a feeling of optimism. Shortly after the meeting, he was informed of the cafeteria take-over.

North felt that communications between black and whites in Wilson was always open, although whites were not allowed in the cafeteria after approximately 6 p.m.

To many black students, the

Wilson sit-in was only one small incident in a much larger struggle.

"Our struggle is truly one for liberation," stated Riddle, "and when people say that some of our tactics are acts of desperation, I call it 'calculated desperation,' if it has to be called desperation."

Riddle feels that whites are not only facing black students, but the black community including black legislators and the black population of the area.

Riddle stated: "Talk among some faculty and others who lean toward 'fairness' seems to be that black students are lucky that Walter Adams is president, however, I feel it's the University that better be glad that Walter Adams is president."

"If completely repressive tactics had been employed by the University," he added, "it is quit possible that what has been referred to as a politically sophisticated organization B.W. (before Wilson) might well have shown its unsophisti-

cated side."

Riddle is not threatening, but is stating a fact that he feels is apparent.

He, along with many other blacks, does not like to see the black students lumped together with other radical groups, because their struggle is unique. It is not that they are opposed to other radical group.

Early plans called for a public hearing of the Wilson case on Thursday, May 1, and the occupation was to continue until the findings of the committee were revealed.

The hearing, however, was rescheduled late Monday evening for Tuesday afternoon at three p.m. It lasted until 6 p.m. The adjudicating committee then went into private discussions which lasted a total of more than 13 and one half hours, breaking only between 3 and 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday.

When the decision of the committee was made public, BSA prepared to leave the cafeteria.

When BSA moved out of the cafeteria, the "Wilson incident" was ended, but its repercussions pervade the halls



TRINKA CLINE

## I know Joe too

Inappropriate laughter. Rules of procedure often forgotten.

Many are unhappy and upset with the handling of the open hearing in Wilson Hall last week. Many-faculty and staff-now fear for their jobs and quake at the thought . . . where will it all end? White backlash. And the state legislators . . .

But then some are pleased with, or at least can see the merit of the attempt. The hearing was an experiment for which the depth of success or failure is yet to be tallied. Ours was an experiment many of our peer schools failed to consider, and it's too late now for some of them to indulge in the "luxury" of dialogue.

I won't argue with those who say the black student take-over was unnecessary and morally (as well as legally) wrong. In the course of human existence, there's no simple formula for determining just when those human events justify an act illegal in nature; is grossly open to individual conscience. Nevertheless, the take-over

be a troublesome atmosphere-it just might never be dramatized as it was last week.

Despite popular opinion and surface appearances, all was not cozy between Trantham and Norman. Rather than take formal action, Norman was hoping things could be solved quietly.

Contacted in Washington, D.C., during the black students' occupation at Wilson, Norman said, "I warned him that this type of things would happen . . . I'm afraid that if I had stayed another year I would have fired Joe or requested his transfer, partly for discriminatory problems, if no change came."

Slights and slurs

Part of it falls back to Charles Larrowe's quote about employees who "refuse to ignore the unintended, indeed unconscious, slights and slurs that are so grained in our white culture."

There are times between close black/white friends when racial remarks are "appropriate" and "meaningful" to that particular friendship to those two

tent or at least unconcern. At a "professional" or "philosophical" level he has tried to be right and has willingly employed blacks. At a day to day, human to human level he has some self-evaluation to undergo.

Joe's lawyer repeatedly discounted incidents brought out in testimony because "if neither Miss Mishler or Mr. Trantham were in the building at the time, the incident doesn't concern them."

Interesting. By virtue of Joe's position, he is responsible for the atmosphere-gossip, pettiness and maybe even racism- which led to those incidents. He has either actively helped create that situation or passively allowed it to build; and he, as 'boss,' must answer for it when trouble comes.

I don't intend to crucify Joe. Neither can I try to justify and excuse him-we all know what the Kerner Report said about white racism. And yes, Joe's problem has racial implications by mere virtue of the fact that he employs blacks.

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...well as legally) wrong. In the course of human ... There's no simple formula for determining just when those human events justify an act illegal in nature; is grossly open to individual conscience.

Nevertheless, the take-over is orderly, non-violent, non-structive.

What more can we ask of man behavior in a day of n-packing whites and blacks Cornell, etc.?

#### Honest attempt

And the hearing was an attempt at being open and honest, and establishing trust and seeking a concrete, meaningful resolution of a problem whether you term that problem actual or merely perceived--reception is often the essence of our so-called realities).

Ultimately the justness of the hearing lies with the truth of the charges.

I know Joe Trantham well. I also know Ellis Norman, black head manager of Wilson last year, who was casually mentioned by Trantham's lawyer during the hearing (and no one pronounced on the subject). And I know a number of students and non-student who have worked in Wilson.

I can only conclude that even there were no black employees in Wilson, there would

Larowe's quote about employees who "refuse to ignore the unintended, indeed unconscious, slights and slurs that are so grained in our white culture."

There are times between close black/white friends when racial remarks are 'appropriate' and 'meaningful' to that particular friendship, to those two individuals only.

But those same remarks are extremely inappropriate, maybe even disastrous when used frequently and casually, perhaps in a neurotic attempt to show one's liberalness, color-blindness or various other diseases of that order. Trying desperately to exhibit one's 'ease' with the subject of race, the image coming across might be one of racism, at best one of ... well, immaturity.

This also applies to non-racial situations. There are things safely and harmlessly said among friends, but hardly appropriate--no matter how innocently said and harmlessly meant--when strewn carelessly around ... for example, among coeds in a dormitory with whom one has no basis for understanding the intentions of those remarks ... and perhaps the ... well, immaturity behind them.

If the message hasn't come through yet--Joe Trantham has some social maturing to do, as we all do to varying degrees.

Racist, by my definition, is perhaps strong: it implies in-

fort when trouble comes. I don't intend to crucify Joe. Neither can I try to justify and excuse him--we all know what the Kerner Report said about white racism. And yes, Joe's problem has racial implications by mere virtue of the fact that he employs blacks.

#### Personality conflict

If you're an administrator, the problem is probably considered just one of personality conflict between Joe and Mrs. Carolyn Hatcher, for example. So you transfer one of them in hopes the conflict goes away.

There is merit to the system since people insist on being people, which means they do not always want to get along with each other. But, constantly transferring "problem" people simply means that they will continue to encounter people with whom they cannot seem to get along.

We must ask whether the transfer system is a solution or a means of avoiding the actual problem--people.

On-the-job training and talk of upgrading black employees--maybe all our white employees could use some upgrading. Much more technically skilled as we white people tend to be (choke) maybe our needs are not how to do the job better, but how to be better people. The emotional, human bag, not one on mechanics of work.

...said that if the two supervisors desire a new hearing "they should have the opportunity."

## 11 DAYS LATER

By CHRIS MEAD  
Executive Reporter

It's a large irregularly shaped room filled with round, square and rectangular tables and hundreds of chairs. Architecturally, it's in the brick and glass motif that characterizes much of the impersonality of the multi-versity.

In a word, Wilson Hall cafeteria is institutional--and hardly the place one would think of as the scene of one of the most important confrontations in MSU's 114-year history.

Eleven days have passed since the Black Students' Alliance (BSA) took over the cafeteria and nine days since the committee's 14-hour decision was made.

Everything looks calm now. Wilson residents are again eating at their home base, and employees are busy preparing three meals a day for the hall's 1,100 students.

But despite the routine exterior of Wilson Hall, an under-

...administration and BSA. BSA had requested one person to act in such capacity, he said.

On the first night of the pro-

current moves through the sterile, polished kitchen since the demotion of Joseph Trantham, food service manager, and Elaine Mishler, head manager.

The air is so tense, even secretive, that an order has gone down to food service employees forbidding them to speak with reporters about last week's "incident."

John Steen, newly named head manager of Wilson Hall,

*"I'm a human being and I can only go so far. The students now look at me like I'm an outcast."*

--Roxie Triplett

said the order did not originate with him, but added that anyone who wished to talk with individual employees should clear it with him first.

But Carolyn Hatcher and Roxie Triplett, two of the key people, had plenty to say, and if the non-communication order applied to them, they didn't seem to care.

Carolyn Hatcher, salad woman, main support of six children, black woman.

"White employees in this cafeteria have been making a lot of cracks and comments to me since the hearing," she said, "But I pity them."

"I'm a proud woman," she emphasized, "and I just put my head in the air and walk on."

Mrs. Hatcher, in answer to those both on and off campus who charge that she avoided "legal channels," said when the first blatant problems of racism came up, she called a representative of the MSU employees union.

"That was two or three months ago," she said, "and he promised to come over here, but he never did."

As far as the three-and-one-half hour hearing goes, Mrs. Hatcher is extremely pleased with the participants and the outcome.

"I am very proud and very appreciative of BSA. Don Cole-

man (asst. director of residence halls) and Professor Robert Green for the way they handled the situation."

And Acting President Walter Adams, who has received his share of criticism from all quarters, received enthusiastic endorsement from Mrs. Hatcher.

"I think he is a man in his rights," he said. He is a real man."

She stood by a large alum-

inum salad - mixing bowl and washed celery sticks as she talked. She spoke of Joel Ferguson, member of the Lansing City Council and head of the city's On the Job Training Program.

Ferguson was instrumental in getting the MSU job for Mrs. Hatcher and has been active in defending her against the charges made by Joseph Trantham that she wasn't working up to par.

Referring to a meeting two months ago between Ferguson and Trantham, Mrs. Hatcher said, "If I were wrong, Joel Ferguson would have given me another job."

Much of the criticism of the BSA-sponsored hearing was that it was extra-legal and therefore its decision to demote Miss Mishler and Trantham was not binding. Though Mrs. Hatcher feels the hearing was fair, she said she would be willing to retestify at a legal trial if the situation ever came up.

Mrs. Hatcher, as she put it is a proud woman--and she is truly "her own woman," too.

"BSA didn't speak for me as the papers said," she maintained, "I speak for myself."

And as the business of preparing meals goes on in Wilson Hall cafeteria, Mrs. Carolyn Hatcher continues to make

been referred to as a politically sophisticated organization B.W. (before Wilson) might well have shown its unsophisti-

salads for the evening meal. She had one last comment:

"The whole situation would have been very different if I were white."

Roxie Triplett, Cook in Wilson Hall, seven-year employee with the University, black woman.

Mrs. Triplett's outlook on the "Wilson affair" is categorically different from that of Mrs. Hatcher.

For one thing, she said, that as far as she is concerned, "my problem was not a racial problem."

While Mrs. Hatcher was enthusiastic about the outcome, Mrs. Triplett said she thought the hearing was "unfair" and that she was irked at having been made the "front target" in the hearing.

As a result of her "front target" status, Mrs. Triplett has received a number of harassing phone calls in her home and has lost some friends ("Or at least I thought they were my friends") among her fellow employees.

"I'm a human being and I can only go so far," she said, "The students now look at me like I'm an outcast. I'm afraid to say hello to them because I don't know what their reaction will be."

Mrs. Triplett's "problem" might have stemmed from the fact that she isn't afraid to speak up when she feels her rights are being stepped on. As she puts it, "I have always bitched and I always will bitch about things that are wrong."

The supervisory job which the committee offered her has no appeal for Mrs. Triplett. "As far as I'm concerned, she adamantly says, "they can have the supervisory job--I don't want it."

Joleen Shane, cook, sole support of two children; three-year employee of MSU; black woman.

At the hearing, Mrs. Shane was vocal in her complaints about Elaine Mishler. She is silent now and says she would prefer not to talk about the "Wilson affair" and would like to forget the whole thing.

When the decision of the committee was made public, BSA prepared to leave the cafeteria.

When BSA moved out of the cafeteria, the "Wilson incident" was ended, but its repercussions pervade the halls of the University and the Capitol in Lansing.

The result is a definite polarization of opinion in the academic community, with some chastising Adams, others commending him; with some local press sensationalizing the criticism; with legislators asking for further explanation from the administration in lieu of granting appropriations to the University and with faculty at each others' necks

## Past manager at Wilson knew of race tension

There were problems in Wilson Hall cafeteria last year, but they were being handled quietly by the black head manager.

When informed of the black students' occupation last week, Ellis D. Norman, former head manager of Wilson and now personnel recruiter for Sky Chefs, Inc., said "I warned Joe (Trantham) that something like this would happen. Had I stayed another year I probably would have fired him or requested his transfer, partly for discriminatory problems."

"I'm the kind who thinks a guy should be trained and developed before you fire him," Norman said. "I tried hard to teach him (Trantham) to understand people, especially blacks. ... he really didn't understand."

As manager, he said his biggest problem was food services. "I was always getting Joe out of hot water with the union for decisions made by him or his supervisors. Employees came in late; they (supervisors) marked their time cards and didn't explain why." Norman noted that there were two black employees he had hoped to see promoted--Robert Parsons and Roxie Triplett, one of the workers who walked off their cafeteria jobs, sparking the protest learning to handle people.

"I told Joe he had a lot of things to learn. And if he didn't, he'd lose his job," Norman continued. "He couldn't go around propositioning coeds"



# 'U' attorney authorized to offer demoted employees rehearing <sup>5/9/69</sup>

By BARB PARNES  
State News Staff Writer

Acting President Walter Adams authorized the University attorney Thursday to offer a new hearing to the two employees demoted as a result of the Wilson Hall cafeteria take-over last week.

Adams' actions were in compliance with the resolution passed Wednesday by the Academic Council recommending that Adams "ask the two employees, Miss Mishler and Mr. Trantham, if they desire a new hearing to be held."

"I welcome this constructive action taken by the Academic Council," Adams said.

He also said that in the future he would be guided by a desire not only "to grant people procedural due process but also substantive due process."

Duane Hildebrandt, attorney for the two employees, said that he was contacted Thursday by Leland J. Carr, the University attorney.

"Mr. Carr has asked us if we want a new hearing pursuant to paragraph one of the Academic Council resolution," he said.

Paragraph one of the Academic Council resolution states that "in the event the two individuals desire a rehearing, the Steering Committee constitute a special three-man committee to structure such a hearing."

The resolution also states that "the Steering Committee shall insure that all three members of the committee are acceptable to representatives of the University Administration and representatives of the two employees."

Hildebrandt was expected to confer with his clients Thursday evening to discuss the offer of a new hearing.

"I will be able to notify President Adams of our decision by Friday morning," he said. "I expect that we will accept the offer."

"I'm pleased that the University all the

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way from employees to faculty have reacted in this way to the events of last Tuesday," Hildebrandt said, referring to the recommendation for a new hearing.

Hildebrandt said that the next step would be to decide on the individuals to conduct the hearing. He said that in these deliberations he will insist on his right to present sworn testimony, to cross-examine witnesses, to present witnesses and to review university records relevant to the case.

Milton B. Dickerson, vice-president for student affairs, registered his approval of the Academic Council's action.

He said that if the individuals involved desire a new hearing, "they should have the opportunity."

Dickerson recommended that the individual in charge of a new hearing should be someone who has no direct interest in the controversy or is a representative of both sides.

He also recommended that the decision on closed or open hearings be left to the two employees.

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# Wilson rehearing authorized

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"Everyone learned a great deal in the last few days," Dickerson said, referring to the original open hearing last week. "The audience, probably having gone through this once before, would learn to control its emotions."

Dickerson said that much of the criticism which has been offered concerning the handling of the Wilson situation has resulted from the failure of the news media to present the "proper perspective."

He said this criticism is the same type offered whenever

there is "a demonstration or temporary occupation of a building."

Criticism of the handling of the Wilson incident has led to a threat to withhold funds from MSU for the next school year.

Richard E. Sullivan, professor and chairman of history and author of the Council's resolution, said that he did not think the proposed legislative resolution had any bearing on the decision of the Academic Council.

Sullivan said that the council's decision resulted from criticism within the University

since most people did not even know about the legislative resolution.

C.C. Killingsworth, professor of labor relations, who submitted a resolution to the Academic Council Tuesday calling for condemnation of last week's proceedings, said that the House of Representatives is "overreacting."

"It is wrong to punish 40,000 students and 2,000 faculty members for the actions of a few," Killingsworth said.

Killingsworth agreed with Sullivan that the Academic Council resolution came from the "deep

concern by faculty" which was "shocked at the lack of fair

play," and not from any legislative pressure.

# Owen management, grads 5/9/69 slate discussion of prices

By MARILYN PATTERSON

State News Staff Writer

The management of Owen Hall and students who began a boycott of the Owen cafeteria this week have "opened lines of communication" and will discuss food pricing at a meeting Tuesday, George Vanburen, manager of Owen Hall, said Thursday.

"We will make information available to the foods committee to bring them completely up to date on pricing," Vanburen said. "Then we will have a firm basis for continuing discussions."

Vanburen said that he doubts that any price changes will be made.

Residents of Owen Hall began Tuesday a boycott of the hall's cafeteria, which sells food by the item.

When a greatly reduced number of people ate in the cafeteria Tuesday, Emery Foster, manager of dormitory and food services, closed it down.

Vanburen said he hopes the cafeteria will be closed "not much longer."

Elliott Sanderson, Owen resident and member of the residents' food committee, said that there is "a change in attitude of the management toward the students."

Sanderson said the foods committee has been trying for eight months to get the food prices changed.

"It finally reached such an impasse that we felt the only way to make ourselves heard was to boycott the cafeteria," he said.

The students, he said, have "taken the stand that they are right and they're willing to bear some inconvenience."

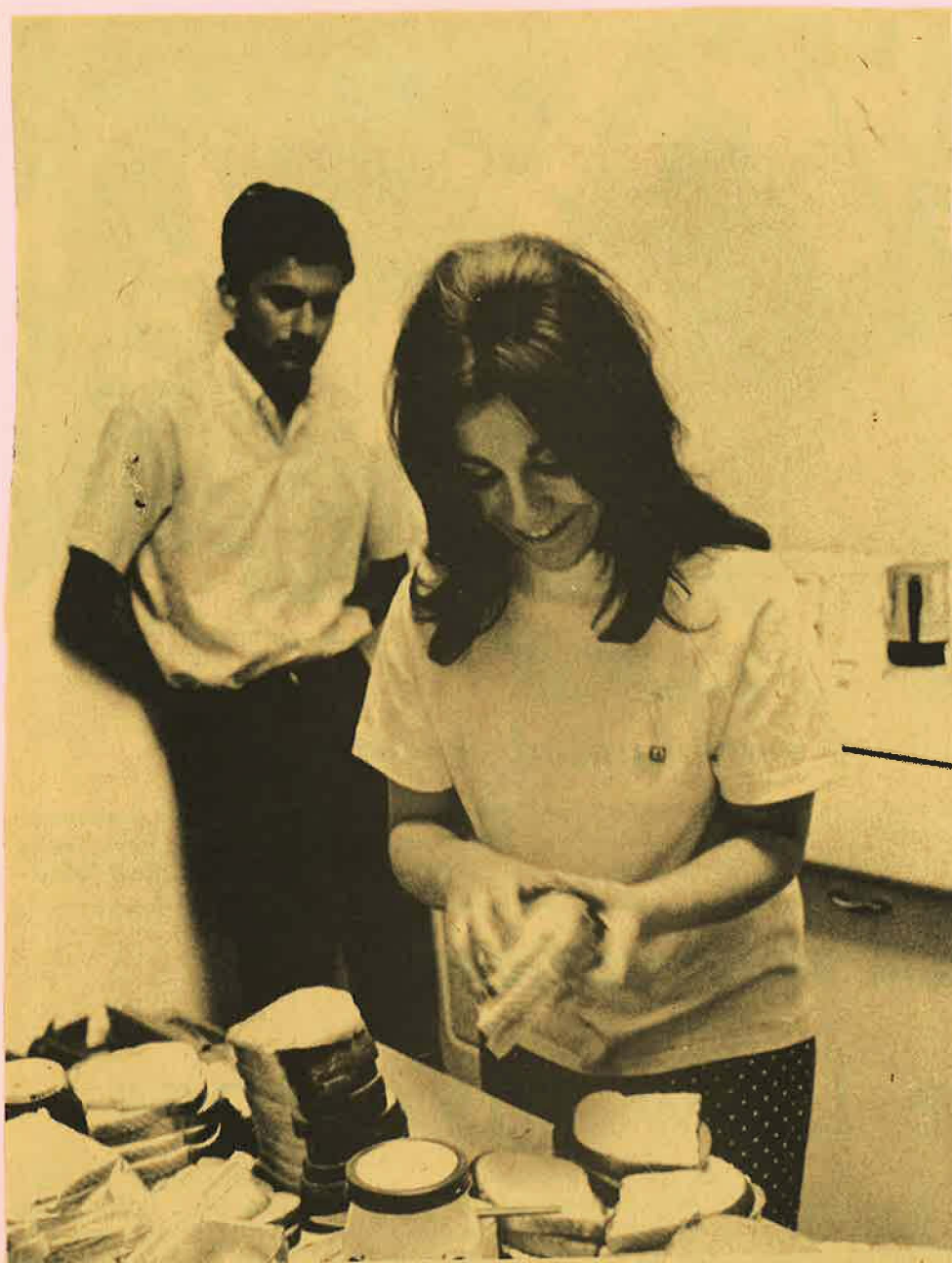
A coffee shop serving coffee, doughnuts and snacks has been set up in the recreation room and orders are taken for hamburgers and chicken from local restaurants for afternoon and evening meals.

Thursday, in-dorm publicity an-

nounced that female volunteers had made sandwiches for lunches.

"We are not starving here," Sanderson said.

"We have been able to organize in such a way that we hope we have met the needs of the students in this situation," he said.



### *What'll ya have?*

Owen residents are trying their ingenuity--and their culinary talents--as a result of the student boycott on the Owen Hall cafeteria. Beryl Klukoff, Flushing, N.Y., graduate student, tries her hand at kitchen duty.

State News photo by Bob Ivins

## ATTEMPTED WITHDRAWAL

5/9/69

# MHA, Bryan Hall face judiciary to clear issue

By DELORES MAJOR  
State News Staff Writer

Men's Hall Assoc. (MHA) and Bryan Hall went before the All-University Student Judiciary (AUSJ) this week to resolve the legality of Bryan's attempt to withdraw from the association.

Robert Melichar, past president of Bryan Hall, said that the major reason for the attempted withdrawal was that residents of Bryan Hall thought that MHA did not represent them.

He said further that since freshmen are required to live in residence halls and are not eligible to hold office in MHA, their function is only to support the upperclassmen in office.

"MHA requires the student to belong to the organization, and since MHA is just an organization like any other, they have no right to make membership mandatory," Melichar said.

"We also feel that we have

a lot more in common with the girls dorms here (Butterfield and Rather) than with the other men's dorms in South or East complex," he said.

Melichar added that the complex's potential governing power was buried within MHA and WIC (Women's Inter-residence Council).

Robert Loerke, president of MHA, disagreed with Meli-

char's interpretation of Bryan's governmental function.

"They feel that MHA is not responsive to the needs and wants of the residents of Bryan Hall, but the policies passed just in the past year prove we are," he said.

# Pool party, concert accent South Campus Weekend

5/9/69

Included as part of the activities scheduled for the annual South Campus Weekend beginning tonight are a pool party, jazz concert, road rally, mixer and an outdoor movie.

Publicity chairman Chris Hanson, Livonia sophomore, said that there are many more activities organized this year than in the past.

Events are scheduled as follows:

A pool party will be held from 6-8 tonight at the Men's I.M. pool. There will be a jazz concert from 8 to midnight to-

night in the complex courtyard.

The Wilson Wipeout road rally will begin Saturday morning. Entry fee of \$2 per car is required. The Spice, the Soul System and The 6-pack will play at 8 Saturday at an all-U mixer on the I.M. tennis courts. In case of rain it will be under the MSU Stadium.

Sunday's noon meal will be served in the courtyard. A Junior Olympics will be held at 2 p.m..

The movie "The Unsinkable Molly Brown" will be shown Sunday night at the practice

football field. Admission is 25 cents.

Bruce Smith, Inkster junior and president of Wilson Hall, said that the weekend has been planned since the middle of winter term.

"Each dorm involved in the weekend suggested and planned an event," he said. "Our funds are coming mainly from the \$500 we had left over from last year, so there were no financial problems."

The weekend is being sponsored by Case, Wilson and Holden Halls.

5/12/69

## 2 employees accept offer for rehearing

The two Wilson Hall supervisors who were transferred following a hearing in the Wilson cafeteria in which they were charged with racial discrimination have accepted an offer for a new hearing.

The original hearing of Elaine Mishler and Joseph Trantham has been criticized on several points for its procedural imperfections.

The offer of the new hearing was made by Acting President Walter Adams through the MSU attorney, Leland W. Carr, after the Academic Council passed a resolution recommending such a move Wednesday.

The supervisors accepted the offer through Lansing attorney Duane M. Hildebrandt, who said the two would accept the hearing if it is to be conducted according to procedures laid down in the Academic Freedom Report.

Among other procedural specifications the report requires 72 hours advance notification of the time and place of the hearing and of the charges which the defendant is accused.

Trantham will be represented in the case by Hildebrandt. Miss Mishler will be represented by another Lansing attorney, Donald G. Fox.

## CONDEMN ACTION AT WILSON

# 'U' personnel sign petitions

5/12/69

By SHARON TEMPLETON  
State News Staff Writer

MSU administrative -- professional personnel signed two petitions Thursday night criticizing the University's handling of the Wilson Hall cafeteria

take-over April 28 by the Black Students' Alliance (BSA).

The first petition, signed by 96 staff members, denounces the behavior of several MSU administrators as "irresponsible." The petition states:

"We, the undersigned, condemn the action of BSA in the take-over of Wilson Hall and believe that Acting President Walter Adams, Trustee Chairman Don Stevens, Trustee Blanche Martin, Dr. Robert Green and Mr. Don E. Coleman acted irresponsibly in condoning this violation of MSU Ordinance 16.01."

The ordinance refers to the prohibition of any assemblage anywhere on campus "for the purpose of creating any noise or disturbance, riot, 'panty raid' or other improper diversion which obstructs the free movement of persons about the campus or the free and normal use of University buildings and facilities, or prevents or obstructs the normal operations of the University."

The second petition, signed by 145 workers, calls for a re-establishment of the due process procedure for the Wilson Hall employees who were recently suspended from their jobs. It states:

"We, the undersigned, subscribe to the principles of 'due process' and protection of the civil rights of all people. We believe these basic rights were violated in the Wilson Hall case involving Miss Elaine Mishler and Joseph Trantham. We ask that Acting President Walter Adams and the Board of Trustees act to re-establish these principles at MSU."

Copies of the petitions were

sent Friday to the MSU Board of Trustees and to Acting President Adams.

William D. Kenney, newly elected president of the MSU Employees Assn., said the petitions were drafted to present the opinion of the administrative-professional personnel at MSU.

"The petitions were signed on an individual, voluntary basis," he said, "reflecting each employee's personal commitment."

Referring to the petition condemning the action of BSA, Kenney said there should be no exceptions made to University regulations.

"In signing the petitions," he said, "we are expressing the opinion that every regulation should be enforced equally."

In the second petition, Kenney said he hoped that the former Wilson Hall employees will receive full protection of their civil rights and the due process of law that they deserve.

Adams authorized the University attorney Thursday to offer a new hearing to the two employees demoted as a result of the Wilson Hall cafeteria take-over. The pair have accepted the offer through their attorney.

Kenney said the petitions were a collective idea of several employees of the administrative-professional staff at MSU.

# Boycott at Owen<sup>5-15/69</sup> enters 2nd week

By DENISE FORTNER  
State News Staff Writer

Owen residents cannot complain this week about the quality of the cafeteria food they had for lunch.

There is no cafeteria food--and there has been none since the Owen Hall cafeteria boycott began one week ago.

Owen residents began the boycott of the cafeteria May 6 to protest the alleged high prices and poor quality of the food served in the graduate residence hall.

The Executive Committee of the Owen Hall Graduate Assn. was scheduled to decide late Wednesday evening whether to continue the boycott or accept restructured price changes.

The Committee met Tuesday night with the dormitory's food management to discuss the student demands for a 20 per cent across-the-board decrease in food prices at Owen cafeteria.

Arshad Zamen, Owen Hall president, said that at the meeting Tuesday night the "management tried to defend their price structure" and "they presented an itemized account of the total cost involved for each of the 600 food products that are sold in the cafeteria."

Zaemn said Wednesday that at the meeting scheduled for that night the itemized account would be examined by the executive committee and suggested changes would be offered. The restructured itemized account of food prices will then be submitted to Owen food management today.

The food management claims the reason behind the high prices of such cheap commodities as coffee and eggs is to offset the selling of more expensive items at a loss, Zamen said.

Norm Potter, area manager, foresees a solution close at hand.

"We're not far from a solution to the problem and I hope for a settlement within the next couple of days. We hope to develop a solution that's satisfactory to both parties," he said.

5/15/69

## Fee Hall might offer apartments on 1st floor

Apartment life might soon become a reality on campus.

Fee Hall is hoping to implement a plan to change the first floor living areas on both the men's and women's sides into apartments.

Occupancy will be for one to four persons.

While the ideas are still in the planning stage, Donald Schmidt, manager of Fee Hall, will be meeting with the architect today to see if the plan is feasible.

If the plan seems feasible after being checked by Norman Potter, head of the Residence Hall Program, work will begin this summer. Schmidt said that he hopes to have the apartments ready for fall occupancy.

Schmidt said that he is presently thinking in terms of a kitchenette with living and sleeping areas, if it is possible to remodel the existing facilities.

Students are quite enthusiastic about the idea, for many become tired of dormitory life after several years, yet are unable to move off campus due to the age limitations, he said.

Occupancy would be on a first-come, first-serve basis with students presently on campus having first choice.

Many of the policies are still in the early planning stages and will be formed after consultation with some of the major student governing groups on campus.

The program will be on an experimental basis its first year, and if successful, will be continued. Remodeling may be done on other floors if students still remain enthusiastic about the program, Schmidt said.

**'NEGRITUDE'**

5/16/69

## BSA holds jazz, black talent show

The Black Students' Alliance will sponsor a talent show and jazz concert this weekend.

"Negritude" a black talent show, will be presented at Wonders Kiva from 7-9 and 10-12 Saturday night. Admission is 50 cents.

"Soul on the Cedar" will be presented at 5 p.m. Sunday near Erickson Kiva. The event will feature jazz by "The Andy Goodrich Quintet," and Les Rout, guest saxophonist. Dee Dee Garrett, Flint freshman, will sing, and Richard Thomas and other local poets will read their work. Admission has been set at 49 cents.

# Carny adds Shaw canoe race

5/16/69

An added attraction to Spring Carnival Weekend will be the Shaw Hall Canoe Race.

The race has been traditionally held in the middle of October, but this year, in an attempt to attract more interest, it has been

moved to Saturday.

The idea for Shaw Hall to sponsor a canoe race dates back to spring term 1963. At that time it was thought to be almost impossible to organize the event, but in the fall the idea was finally

approved.

The \$475 earned from last year's race was donated to Sparrow Hospital for an operation for a needy child.

The money earned from this year's \$10 entry fee will be used

for a scholarship.

The proceeds "will probably go to someone who is a junior, has a 2.8 GPA or better and has need," Charles G. Hamilton, race chairman, said.

He also said that honorary entries will be accepted in the form of charitable donations from those who do not enter the race but wish to contribute.

The canoe race will begin at 9 a.m., last for approximately three hours and will feature a celebrity race, men's and women's on and off-campus races and possibly an East and West Shaw challenge race.

The event will be run in heats beginning at the Farm Lane Bridge and going up to the end of East Shaw for the men and the center of Shaw for the women. They will circle a buoy and return to the bridge.

Distress canoes will be stationed along the river to aid any capsized canoers.

A trophy will be awarded for the fastest time of the day. Last year's off-campus winners were Asher House men and women and the on-campus winners were East Wilson and East Fee.

The University will furnish the canoes. In the past, contestants had to furnish their own.

For those wishing to attend the Lambda Chi Junior 500 after the Shaw Hall Canoe Race, a refreshment stand will be set up where lunch can be purchased.

The official starter for the race will be "Handsome" Al Mandelstamm, professor of economics.

# WIC faces judiciary to end hours

By DELORES MAJOR  
State News Staff Writer

Women's Inter - residence Council (WIC) will go before the All-University Student Judiciary Thursday night in an effort to resolve the constitutionality of freshmen women's hours.

Donna O'Donnahue, president of WIC, said WIC contends that restrictions placed on fall term freshmen women violates articles 1.501, 1.502 and 1.506 of the Academic Freedom Report.

Article 1.501 states "All regulations shall seek the best possible reconciliation of the principles of maximum freedom and necessary order."

According to Article 1.502 "There shall be no regulation unless there is a demonstrable need for it which is reasonably related to the basic purposes and necessities of the University as stipulated herein."

Article 1.506 states that "Wherever rights conflict, regulations shall, to the maximum extent feasible, permit reasonable scope for each conflicting right by defining the circumstances of time, place and means appropriate to its exercise."

"Basically we are just trying to get answers to the questions that have been raised since the first women's hours policy was initiated," Miss O'Donnahue said.

"The present policy seems inconsistent," she said, "and WIC doesn't see how the University can justify this policy."

The WIC president said the present policy is discriminatory because it restricted the hours of first-term freshmen women entering the University fall term.

She explained that first term freshmen women entering winter, spring or summer terms were not placed under restricted hours.

"What the University in effect is saying is that a segment of the students are not responsible enough to handle their own hours," she said.

## ACCEPTS DRAKE POSITION

# Director Adams resigns from residence hall post

By LINDA GORTMAKER  
Executive Reporter

MSU's first and only director of residence hall programs has resigned and will head for Drake University in Des Moines, Iowa, by July 1.

Donald V. Adams, director of residence hall programs since 1962, has accepted a newly created position at Drake as vice president for student life.

Milton B. Dickerson, vice president for student affairs, is expected to announce Adams' appointment today. Dickerson could give no indication of when Adams' successor would be named.

Adams' resignation follows a series of other administrators at MSU who have accepted new appointments at other Universities and with the government in the past months.

In his new post at the liberal arts school

of more than 7,000 students, Adams will serve on the Board of Control (comparable to the MSU Board of Trustees) and be in a position similar to Dickerson's.

"There's never a right time to leave a university," Adams said, "but I'm not running away from something; rather I'm running to something." One reason he accepted the post was because of its uniqueness, Adams said.

Adams said that the new post is ideal and something he has always wanted.

"If the job doesn't work out, it'll be because the man isn't right" he said.

His function will be to guide students' living from the time they apply for admission until graduation. Offices under him will include the health service, counseling center, housing, fraternities, sororities and foreign students.

Administrators who have worked with Adams during his tenure as director had nothing but praises for his accomplishments.

"Without question, he's the best in the business in the whole United States," Dickerson said. He said Adams had always given of himself "far above and beyond what would be considered the normal amount of time."

John A. Fuzak, now chairman of the Athletic Council, was dean of students when Adams first accepted the job as director of residence hall programs.

"He needs to move on in terms of professional challenge," Fuzak said. He repeated that Adams probably knows more about residence halls programs than anyone else in the country.

Eldon Nonnamaker, associate dean of students, said Adams will "leave some pretty big shoes to fill."

Adams has been considering the Drake position for the past six weeks and went through an extensive screening process. A search committee at Drake sent letters to deans of students across the country asking for nominees for the post.

Adams was nominated by eight different deans and was then invited to the campus as one of three potential candidates. He got the job.



## *Ponders new task*

Don Adams, director of MSU residence halls programs, has resigned to accept a position at Drake University as vice president of student life.

State News photo by Don Gerstner



## NEWS summary

A capsule summary of the day's events from our wire services.

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*"There's never a 'right' time to leave a university, but I'm not running away from something; rather I'm running to something."*

*Donald V. Adams  
Director of Residence  
Hall Programs*

## 5/31/69 Summer term hours possible

The Faculty Committee on Student Affairs approved Monday night a proposal that incoming freshman women have hours summer term.

If approved by the ASMSU Board Vice President for Student Affairs Milton B. Dickerson and the Women's Inter-residence Council (WIC), the proposal will go into effect as an amendment to the present hours policy.

"Many of the summer term first term freshmen are let into the University by special testing," A.L. Thurman, chairman of the Student Affairs Committee, said. "They are the most likely to have  
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adjustment problems and, therefore, they have the necessity of hours."

The proposal requires summer term incoming freshman women to return to their residence halls by midnight Sunday through Thursday and by 3 a.m. Friday and Saturday.

The proposal was made by Donald Adams, director of Residence Halls Programs Office.

Donna O'Donnell, president of WIC, said she fears the proposal may be a "regressive step" in a coed's social adjustment.

The proposal will be referred to WIC at the ASMSU Board meeting tonight, she said. It will probably be sent to the WIC Policies Committee for further consideration.

The committee also approved a Pan-hel proposal that sororities open house hours be determined by the individual house.

# Local groups air report on Wilson coverage

5/23/69

The Lansing NAACP and the Greater Lansing Community Organization (GLCO) will hold a press conference today concerning alleged "biased and inflammatory reporting by the Lansing State Journal during the Wilson Hall controversy."

The two groups have prepared a 12-page report on the Journal's coverage of the April 28 takeover by black students of the Wilson Hall cafeteria. The report will be submitted to the Michigan Civil Rights Commission and the Michigan Press Assn.

The report will be made public at 9 a.m., in room 38-39 Union, by NAACP president Vence Bonham and GLCO Chairman Lynn Jondahl.

Speaking about the statement he will make at that time, Jondahl said there is a wide awareness of an anxious and tense racial climate which prompted the statement.

"It is actually a plea for help from the news media in reporting racial incidents and in encouraging understanding of the racial climate and the racial attitudes behind such incidents," he added.

Jondahl said he hopes the statement and evaluation of Journal coverage will underscore "that the problem is racism and the solution is urgent."

He also noted a desire to "re-emphasize that the news media are powerful and must self-consciously apply themselves to telling the truth."

The Kerner Report, Jondahl said, served as the "kick-off point" in the groups' analysis of the Wilson Hall coverage.

"Tomorrow (today) we will offer an analysis of the Journal's coverage and our conclusions about it. We're setting out a few steps of action to get a response to the analysis for the benefit of the media and the public," he said.

The 12-page document relies on the Kerner Report's comments concerning responsibility of the press during times of community tenseness as the guideline in judging Journal reporting.

The report includes some point-by-point analysis of several stories clipped from the Journal.

Early in May the NAACP issued a brief statement of concern about the Journal's handling of the Wilson incident. The NAACP noted at that time that slanted reporting "reflects negatively on the black quest for social justice."

# WIC asks judiciary ruling on freshmen hours policy

5/26/69

By MARILYN PATTERSON  
State News Staff Writer

Women's Inter-residence Council (WIC) asked the Student-Faculty Judiciary Thursday for a ruling on whether women's hours are consistent with Academic Freedom Report.

WIC contended that section 1.5.01, 1.5.02 and 1.5.06 of the Freedom Report are violated by the hours stipulation that fall term, first term freshmen women must return to their residence halls by closing (midnight on weekdays, 3 a.m. on weekends).

The hours policy which was implemented winter term allows no hours for all but first term, fall term freshmen women.

"The policy itself is illogical," the WIC statement said, "selecting fall term as the only term when any student has hour restrictions."

WIC fears, it said, that the ideal role of residence halls staff as guide and adviser has become subservient to the "en loco parentis" philosophy of rule-enforcer, disciplinarian and bookkeeper."

Section 1.5.02 states that "There shall be no regulation unless there is a demonstrable need or it which is reasonably related to the basic purposes and necessities of the University as stipulated herein."

WIC questions how the first term,

fall term freshmen coed has shown her inability to handle her own hours.

"With hours being given to only one segment of the entire University community, there are strong implications that these coeds are not con-

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considered as capable in self-government or as intelligent as are all other students," the statement continued.

"WIC maintains that students should be considered responsible until they, themselves, prove otherwise."

If there are those who still feel that hours are necessary, it said, the 3,000 or 4,000 first term freshmen men entering fall term should not be neglected nor deprived of this same concern that is extended to their counterparts. Where is the evidence that freshmen men are more mature than freshmen women?"

The hours provision also violates section 1.5.106 which stip-

ulates that wherever rights conflict regulations shall permit a scope for each conflicting right by defining circumstances, of time, place and means appropriate to its exercise."

There are not rights in conflict in this case, the paper said, except those of an individual nature and "WIC firmly believes that no one can solve that conflict except that individual."

In addition to the violation of the Freedom Report, WIC contended that the special provision for first term, fall term freshmen coeds violates the trustees' by-laws, which guard against discrimination based on race, sex, color or creed in University housing.

Defending the hours policy was Don Adams, director of residence halls programs.

"Fall term, first term freshmen are in a transition period between being high school seniors and being college freshmen, he said. "We would like to aid in this transition."

# State Journal hit for biased Wilson reporting

By TRINKA CLINE  
Executive Editor

5/26/69

"We are today compelled to issue a plea for help from the news media in responding to the crisis which racism has created."

With that plea the Greater Lansing Community Organization (GLCO) and the Lansing NAACP made public Friday a 12-page analysis of the Lansing State Journal's "biased and inflammatory" coverage of the April 28 Wilson Hall cafeteria take over by black students and the subsequent hearing and community reaction.

The report will be submitted to the Michigan Civil Rights Commission and the Michigan Press Assn. with a request to "publicly evaluate this example for the benefit of the media and the public in this time of tension and social threat."

The statement released continues, "In focusing this example we are: 1) underscoring that the problem is racism and the solutions are urgent; 2) re-emphasizing that the news media are terribly powerful and must self-consciously apply their efforts to telling the true story of race relations in our community and

3) going on record with the promise that we intend to make known more clearly our demands for media responsibility."

## Kerner report used

Using the 1968 Report to the National Advisory Commission on Civil Disorders" (The Kerner Report) as a guide, the groups concluded, "We interpret the coverage to have been inflammatory and contributory to divisiveness and polarity. A distorted picture of the activities and their meaning resulted in furthering community mistrust and anxiety."

The State Journal had not acknowledged the press conference and document as of Sunday.

GLCO is a voluntary organization of people "committed to social change, concerned for human liberation and dignity and concerned for peace.-- GLCO chairman H. Lynn Jondahl explained.

Jondahl commented, "We're dealing with a subtle thing here" and further that "conversation with editors and letters to the editor are not sufficient."

Early in May the NAACP issued a brief letter to the State Journal concerning the Wilson Hall coverage. Vence

Bonham, NAACP president said no response has been received from The Journal.

Jondahl stressed that GLCO and the NAACP are not talking about "controlling" news, but merely pleading for increased initiative in doing the "kind of reporting that helps people live together."

The report contains a point by point commentary on several Journal stories.

## Article excerpt

The following is an excerpt from the reporting dealing with one article:

Headline--"Real Story at MSU Slow to Emerge," by Helen Clegg, introduces a story aimed at discrediting the black students and faculty involved. The term 'real story' is a value judgment and should have appeared in single quotes...

The third paragraph reads:

"From then on, 'pressure' was the unseen but leading character. There was

tremendous pressure from blacks during Tuesday afternoon's hearing and pressure--on the white members of the board at least--to come to an agreement on recommendations."

The report states: We ask, if this pressure was 'unseen,' how its existence can be exerted as fact?

Paragraph 8: "Because of insistence that the board come up with recommendations and because of the pressure of the situation -- blacks still occupied the cafeteria awaiting a decision-- the white members, informed sources say, initialed but did not agree with the compromise hammered out."

Not substantiated. Aimed solely at discrediting the blacks and the outcomes of the hearing.

## Adams not quoted

The above stresses the haste of setting up the hearing. But, never quotes Adams as to why the hearing was moved

up (in fact, never quotes Adams at all). Emphasized that supposedly the Wilson auditorium was first chosen for the hearing, but that "However--so backwaters of talk at the university go--the Black Students' Alliance decided they wanted the meeting in the cafeteria and told Adams so. He agreed."

The term 'backwaters of talk' causes us to refer once again to the Kerner report and its warning against the publication of rumor.

Further into the story: (1) "Blacks and whites admit that the subsequent three hours of hearings got out of control. Emotions among the blacks were running high. (2) Witness after witness testified, among them four cafeteria workers, three black and one white, who spoke to the cheering of the blacks. (3) One worker complained about events that happened years ago before either Miss Mishler or Trantham (the two Wilson supervisors BSA had demanded be fired) were working in their positions."

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Also: (4) "One black member of the panel questioned Hildebrant's integrity (5) Black members of the audience were noisy in cheering and clapping for pro-black statements; interrupted and made derisive remarks when Hildebrant tried to speak for his two clients. It was incorrectly reported earlier that the blacks outnumbered the whites. (6) Actually there were more whites present, but they were not as vociferous."

### Improper atmosphere

1-- Questionable use of 'admit'. Leaves it open to one's imagination as to the extent of a possibly improper atmosphere; this sentence combines with later ones to give the distinct impression of a constant uproar throughout the hearing.

2-- "Witness after witness . . ." How many? The implication is one of a huge string of ranting people. "Who spoke to the cheering of . . ."

correctly and justly should state 'occasional cheering' of the group.

3-- Taken out of context. . . . She was merely giving background information (and it was acknowledged precisely that it was merely intended as background) leading to her present situation. The implication here is that her statements were hysterical, unrelated blubberings.

4-- Absolutely irrelevant unless you explain the exchange taking place that lead to that statement; used here again to discredit blacks.

5-- OCCASIONALLY there were cheers and jeers; distinctly gives the impression, falsely, of constant turmoil.

6-- Editorial comment. Derogatory. Again part of a pattern of discrediting blacks.

The above were excerpts from the 12-page report to the MPA and the Michigan Civil Rights Commission.