

—Barr and Hebditch photos

NERO TOOK THE DAY OFF but he didn't tell the Christians. And so the students fled, and the firemen roared up, to stand around doing a slow burn. Six fire trucks, five policemen and one head of computing science who got

off Scott free joined a cast of thousands outside General Services Building Thursday afternoon. The fuss was apparently created by an overheated air-control system which tripped up the fire alarm but failed to catch it.

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is a four letter word (see casserole)

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Nationwide protests sparked by

Jury verdict in "Conspiracy 8" trial

CHICAGO (CUPI)—At least 7,500 persons demonstrated in cities and towns across the U.S. Wednesday in protest against five convictions handed down the

same day in the "Conspiracy 8" trial here.

More protests are expected today and in the future, as defence Attorney William Kunstler called

for "mass street demonstrations against the American legal system" following the surprise judgment by a jury which defendants believed was deadlocked over the case.

In what defence attorneys described as a "compromise verdict," the ten men and two women jurors in the "conspiracy" trial declared that five defendants—David Dellinger, Rennie Davis, Tom Hayden, Abbie Hoffman and Jerry Rubin—were thinking about inciting a riot when they crossed state lines into Illinois for the Democratic Party National Convention in August, 1968.

The jurors also declared that none of the seven co-defendants in the trial conspired together in the action, and that two defendants—John Froines and Lee Weiner—weren't thinking of anything illegal at all.

The five convictions carry the

possibility of five-year sentences, \$10,000 fines—or both—for each of the convicted defendants. Actual sentencing is expected to be carried out some time next week.

The jury's verdict came as a shock to defendants in the case, who appeared in court Wednesday believing they would hear a defence motion to dismiss the jury, reportedly deadlocked after four days of deliberations.

Instead, a U.S. marshal announced, "the jury has reached a verdict," and Judge Julius Hoffman granted a prosecution request to clear the courtroom of all spectators, including the defendants' families, before the jury was brought in.

Marshalls forcibly ejected Anita Hoffman, wife of defendant Abbie Hoffman, Nancy Kurshan, a friend of Rubin, Sharon Avery, a friend of Weiner, and Michelle

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DIE Board rules Gateways must go

The Gateway may face charges from several sources for not complying with Thursday's DIE Board ruling concerning distribution of The Gateway on election day.

The Disciplinary Interpretation and Enforcement Board ruled that the presence on campus Friday of remaining copies of Thursday's paper was not a technical breach of the elections by-law. This distinction was made because the Thursday editorial, supporting a slate of candidates, was not written under the authorization of any candidate.

However, it was felt that distribution of such literature after the 9 a.m. Friday ban on campaign material would constitute an offence against the intent of the by-law. The pertinent clause forbids "organized public effort to gain support" for any candidate.

Breach of By-laws intent

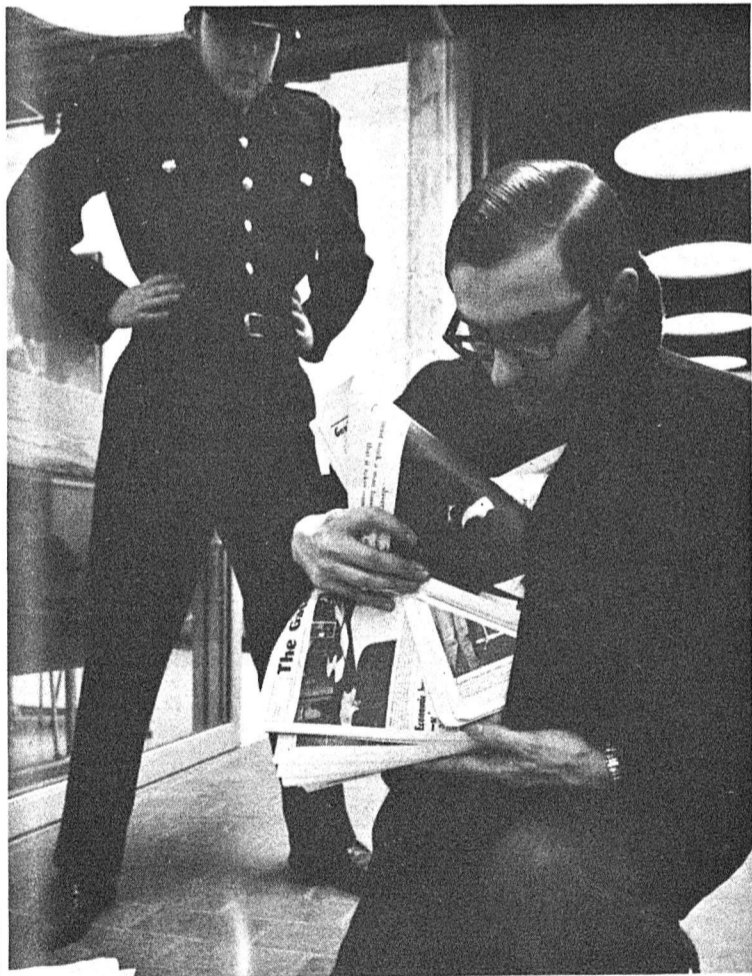
Since support in the editorial was not extended to all candidates, this could be interpreted as a breach of the by-law's intent, explained DIE Board chairman Bob White.

Mr. White criticized the elections by-laws for being too vague and open to a variety of interpretations.

According to both the board and returning officer Derek Bulmer, The Gateway will be responsible for removing their copies before the Friday morning deadline.

Failure to comply may result in charges from the DIE Board, the returning officer, or any candidate.

The Gateway has decided to leave the remaining copies on the stands despite the ruling.



AS CANDIDATES HUSTLED to remove from campus all evidence of their existences last night, a solitary and mysterious soul was caught in the act of removing yesterday's Gateways. The paper carried editorials giving support to candidates for election, and faces possible charges before the DIE Board for "campaigning" on election day. Who is this lonely individual who so despises our fair paper? Some disgruntled candidate seeking revenge? An undercover agent for the DIE Board seeing an archaic sort of justice done? Perhaps a Gateway reporter in a faked shot? Naah!

Housing problems under control; fall could bring crisis

By Elsie Ross

The demolition of Pembina and Athabasca Halls, and homes in the Garneau area could create a crisis in student housing this fall. However, the situation is not too serious at present says Mr. J. Raven, Director of Housing and Food Services.

Students' council has realized the serious shortage in student housing and a commission has been formed. It proposes an apartment-like building on campus at 112th Street north of 89th Avenue, which will accommodate 1,000 students.

The housing complex will offer the units at a total cost of \$5 million and council will be taking out a 50-year mortgage to cover the cost of the project.

The project will offer one, two,

and four-person units at costs of \$40, \$60., and \$80 per student per month.

University-run housing at present includes Mackenzie, Kelsey, and Henday Halls plus Athabasca and Pembina and provides room for only 2,141 students.

This is supplemented by Michener Park, the married students housing development. There are only 299 units however, and priority is given to married grad students although they are outnumbered 2 to 1 on the campus by married undergraduate students.

Athabasca and Pembina Halls were scheduled to be torn down this summer but Athabasca may get a reprieve. Housing and Food Services has no idea where they

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