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BLACK STUDENT UNION OCCUPIES HENION MANOR

Msgr. Justin Driscoll has agreed to Black Student Union demands for a Black Cultural Center after the BSU staged a thirteen hour occupation of Henion Manor on lower campus. The occupation ended early Tuesday morning at 2:30 when the eighteen Black students left the house, and announced their plans to make a statement later that day.

At a 10:15 a.m. Tuesday press conference, Thomas Jackson, spokesman for the BSU responded to the offer made by the administration the previous night. The college had agreed to allocate space for the Black Cultural Center in the lounge at the south end of Smyth Hall.

The administration would not allow the students to locate their cultural center off campus, because this would violate the principle established in not permitting other organizations use of such a facility. Also stated was the fact that no house is available off campus, and that the Board of Regents could not spend money for the purchase of such a house. In addition, any disciplinary action resulting from the occupation of the Manor would follow the procedures as outlined in the student handbook.

The BSU objected to an administration proposal which called for the Black Culture Study Committee consisting of Rev. Stanley Hayek, Mr. Gerard Noonan, Ocia Drake, and Pat Winn to work out the details for the Cultural Center. In their objections, the BSU indicated that the details for the center should be established by themselves without the approval of the committee or the College President. They also wanted assurance that the cultural center would be a permanent facility on campus.

When Msgr. Driscoll would not allow the BSU to plan the center without the committee study or his final approval, Jackson and the other Black students walked out of the meeting room. This followed Jackson's announcement that the BSU would discourage any future enrollment of additional Black students. The press conference ended with a final comment from Msgr. Driscoll restating his position.

On Tuesday afternoon the Student Senate Cabinet released a statement indicating their support for the Cultural House Committee appointed by Msgr. Driscoll, "as long as the rights and needs of the administration, the Black students, and the white students recognized by it."

The Cabinet also announced its intentions of making proposals to the college to alleviate the conditions leading to the present situation. The Cabinet recommended to the College Board of Discipline, "that no serious disciplinary action be taken against the participating students."

VICE DEBATERS COMPETE AT BRADLEY

The debate team of Kevin Sherlock and Ed Klimesh compiled a perfect 4-0 record at the Bradley Novice Debate Tournament held Oct. 25 at Bradley University. Their record left them in a tie for first place with the U. of Illinois. Thirty-two colleges and universities from the Mid-west attended the tourney. Another Loras debate team, Tom Feredy and Gary Olson also did well, compiling a 3-1 record.

WAHLERT MEMORIAL LIBRARY CEASES PAGING SERVICE

As of Oct. 23, there will be no further paging in Wahlert Memorial Library. This courtesy, extended in the past, has been abused recently, resulting in constant interruptions to the staff and to students attempting to study, and is therefore being discontinued, according to a statement issued by a spokesman for the Library.