

Some Answers Behind The Student Revolt At UC

Berkeley (AP).—Ludwig Fountain bubbles near Sather Gate on the University of California's Berkeley campus. It is named officially by the board of regents for a dog.

Ludwig, a brown Labrador, strolls sleepily each morning out of the modernistic, many-windowed student union building and basks in the sun. He is lazily unmindful of noisy student arguments there. Ludwig

stirs out of his inertia only if he has to chase off other dogs. Across the red brick mall near Sproul Hall, the administration building, a fat, gray rat sneaks out of a box hedge hourly, nibbles cautiously under an oak tree, then darts back into hiding.

Ludwig and the rat are just about the only constant symbols of contentment near Sather Gate, for many years a breeding spot of unrest on the Berkeley campus.

The brick mall, fronting on Bancroft Way across from Berkeley stores, is frequented by placard-bearers for such causes as civil rights; distributors of printed matter on the Congo, Cuba and Viet Nam; and loud-voiced haranguers, each with his cluster of curious, book-laden listeners.

Today a revolt rocks the 1200-acre campus on the wooded hills lining the east shore of San Francisco Bay.

Pushed by an aggressive minority and led by Mario Savio, a student who spent last summer in civil rights work at McComb, Miss., it has affected each of the 27,412 students — from all 50 states, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands and 103 foreign countries.

The rebels say the university has no right to discipline anyone if something he advocates on campus — such as recruitment of students for civil rights work in the South — leads to conviction and jail off campus.

Some of the students, expressing fears the revolt will damage the university, quickly formed a counteraction — the University Students for Law and Order (USLO). Its leader, Robert Dusault, economics senior, charged that Savio's group has outside help and financing.

The revolt, still in the process of being resolved, has focused world attention on a 96-year-old university which has taken the

Editor's note: Revolt by a student minority rocks the University of California's Berkeley campus. The heated dispute is over just how much freedom a student has to advocate causes on campus that might land him in an off-campus jail. What is the background of the university and its ferment? Here are some answers.

By Harold V. Streeter

United States by master strides into the atomic age.

On campus in the early 1930s, Dr. Ernest O. Lawrence invented the cyclotron, smashing atoms by acceleration. The age of nuclear energy was on the way. Dr. Lawrence, who died in 1958, was the first of 10 Berkeley campus faculty men to win Nobel Prizes.

Dr. Glenn Seaborg, who shared a Nobel with Edwin McMillan, current director of the university's Lawrence Radiation Laboratory, helped to develop the cyclotron prior to its involvement in the Manhattan district project and the atomic bomb of World War II. Today Seaborg heads the Atomic Energy commission.

"The new frontier may well owe more to Berkeley than to Harvard," the late President John F. Kennedy said in a campus address March 23, 1962.

Robert McNamara, secretary of defense, is a Cal man, class of '37.

Head of the Central Intelligence Agency is John McCone, UC, class of '22.

Secretary of State Dean Rusk did some of his studying at UC, Berkeley.

Chief Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court, which has been turning out history-making decisions in such controversial fields as civil rights, is Earl Warren, UC, class of '12.

But it is the torment, not the glory, of the University of California which now has a world watching.

The torment is not new. During Earl Warren's unprecedented 10 years as governor of California, 1943-1953, the university was rocked by a faculty revolt against a special loyalty oath.

Warren, as president of the Board of Regents, sided with those who called the oath discriminating. But the regents voted it in and 52 professors quit before the state supreme court threw it out.

Telegraph and Bancroft, near Sather Gate, was the focal point

power is a newly formed organization called the Free Speech Movement and made up of some 20 off-campus organizations.

Interviewed on campus this week by Associated Press staffer Hollie West, Savio said firmly there was no Communist influence in the movement.

"We resent all the credit for our success going to the Communist Party," he said.

"There are some communists in the ranks but they are the meek and mild type and have no effect on policy."

"The student radical of the 1960s doesn't want any part of doctrinaire positions," chimed in a Savio co-worker, Steve Weissman, English graduate student.

"The movement is more existential, more of a search for personal values in a world that destroys individual identity."

Many FSM members wear punch cards pinned to their clothing to signify scorn for automated existence.

"I have no reliable information that any communists are involved," Governor Brown told a news conference this week.

UC President Clark Kerr said after an October 1 demonstration that experienced observers estimated up to 40 per cent were off-campus elements, including "persons identified as being sympathetic with the Communist Party and Communist causes."

Commenting another time on the same demonstration, Kerr said:

"I am sorry to say that some elements active in the demonstrations have been impressed with the tactics of Fidel Castro and Mao Tse-tung. There are very few of these, but there are some."

Organizations listed by FSM in the movement include the W. E. B. DuBois Clubs. J. Edgar Hoover, director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, said on October 1 the clubs were spawned by the Communist Party as a new national Marxist youth organization to attract young Americans.

Another FSM listing is SLATE, an off-campus organization that has espoused leftist causes. SLATE this week scored its biggest triumph, getting seven members elected to the university's student senate on a platform which included having the university medical clinic distribute birth control

graduates.

Lack of coordinating goals except in wartime. As one university spokesman put it: "Their minds go off in a million directions. They are caught up in a myriad of off-campus interests. The result is splinter groups."

Charles Powell, president of

the Associated Students of the University of California — SLATE calls ASUC a sand box group where kids play — has his own viewpoint:

"The university is so far out in front of other colleges that it has attracted students who are not interested in the

rah-rah college style."

They are students vitally interested in social and political problems. And the administration hasn't figured out how to cope with them, Powell says.

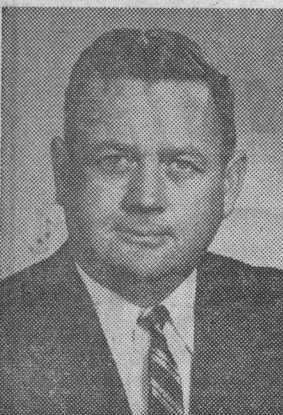
"As to who's right in the last analysis, I can't say," Governor Brown observed at the news

conference in which he called the revolt "the most unnecessary quarrel."

But he said he had advised Savio and all his supporters:

"I want you to observe all laws of the State of California and you'll achieve your objectives far better."

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last spring for organizing the sit-ins at hotels, auto show rooms and a grocery chain in San Francisco in support of more Negro hiring. Hundreds, including UC students, were arrested and convicted of trespassing on private property.

The current freedom-of-advocacy revolt is by far the most frenzied.

Angry Gov. Edmund G. Brown calls it "the most unnecessary quarrel I've ever seen in my life."

Already it has split off many faculty members from the administration.

November 20, impelled by demonstrations, the Board of Regents voted in a new rule: permit campus advocacy; but allow administration-controlled discipline if on-campus action leads to off-campus conviction.

That touched off a protest sit-in at Sproul Hall. Police broke it up by arresting Savio and 813 others, including at least 130 outsiders. Savio called the university a "human factory" and said it must be brought "to a grinding halt." Then the 1300-member faculty Academic Senate met quickly, voted 8-1 for no restrictions on campus advocacy and to switch disciplinary control to the faculty.

The regents, meeting next week in Los Angeles, would have to approve to make it so. Already one, Max Rafferty, state superintendent of public instruction, not only has said he will vote against it but also voiced belief that dissatisfied professors at Berkeley should get out.

Who is behind such ferment?

Primarily students, all sides agree. But they differ widely over how many.

Savio insists the motivating

information.

Other FSM groups include the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee which sent Savio to Mississippi and the campus chapter—operating off campus—of the Congress of Racial Equality. Shortly after the Sproul sit-in, CORE's national president, James Farmer, said the work of the campus chapter was vital and he was willing to come to Berkeley in support of the rebelling students.

What are the seeds of the UC ferment?

There is general agreement on these factors:

Bulky size—classes up to 600 where, in some cases, professors have teaching assistants conduct the studies and students never see their professors. Some classes are conducted by television, prompting Art Goldberg, a rebel cited with Savio for disciplinary action, to say: "How can you ask a television set a question?"

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Burglary Charge Is Dismissed

A felony burglary charge against Darryl Lee Whorton, 22, of 17th avenue and East Cliff drive, was dismissed in Municipal Court last week.

Judge James J. Scoppettone refused to hold Whorton to answer to Superior court after a preliminary hearing. He had been accused of entering and ransacking the residence of Carrie L. Smith at 2-2122 East Cliff drive.

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