



24 Units Align With Senate Plan



Senate President Barbara Caulfield vehemently conveys a point during the discussion of student autonomy with living unit representatives last night. Although Dean of Men Seward Weber expressed "strong exception" to the senate methods

of pursuing autonomy, senate went ahead. Freshman Class President Roger Copeland (left foreground) and MRHA Senator David Schuler (right foreground) followed the discussion. (Photo by Mike Sing)

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More than 75 visitors jammed Harris 107 last night to hear Student Senate explain autonomy.

The developments:

•Twenty-four living units petitioned for autonomy rights and received senate support.

•Senate passed an amendment to last week's house self-rule resolution, saying freshmen will live under university rules for their first quarter on campus.

•Dean of Men Seward Weber took "strong exception" to the manner in which autonomy is being pursued although he said some of the suggested changes were "heartening and welcome."

SENATE PRESIDENT Barb Caulfield announced she will take the autonomy issue to University Vice-President and Dean of Students Roland J. Hinz next Tuesday and, unofficially, "for discussion" to the Council on Undergraduate Life Wednesday.

ALSO EMERGING at the meeting were differing student points of view about problems autonomy poses.

Both the Men's Residence Halls Association and Associated Women Students representatives urged the need for freshman rules. MRHA asked for conservatism by students "at this time" because of "complex issues" involved.

Senator Rinda Wright, expressing a sorority viewpoint, said autonomy was impossible under many nationals' rules.

Interfraternity Council President John Regan outlined problems in

handling inter-house rule differences.

But the main purpose of the meeting was senate's reaffirmation of students' right to rule.

"I DON'T THINK senate or any house involved has to justify why it has taken this step. We have acted in good faith," Miss Caulfield said.

She told representatives after the meeting that she and senate were placing themselves in direct responsibility for the autonomy—which, she said, starts now.

"If they are going to throw anybody out for disobeying rules, they are going to have to start with us," she said.

Miss Caulfield asked each living unit to vote on and define its autonomous rules and submit a copy of those rules to senate.

AMONG THE 24 living units appearing for autonomous rights at the meeting were Rogers House, Willard Hall, McCulloch II and III, Bobb I and II and Hinman. Seventeen others had earlier announced their autonomy intentions. Beta Theta Pi, Pi Kappa Alpha and Bobb IV, who earlier had announced autonomy intentions, did not appear at the meeting.

Eight living units announced their members had turned down autonomy.

The freshman-quarter amendment passed unanimously after limited discussion. A similar amendment had been defeated last week with the understanding that the matter would be reintroduced this week after on-campus discussion.

Weber Criticizes Methods

By BOB GREENE
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The first administration reaction to Northwestern's burgeoning bid for student autonomy came midway through Student Senate's two-and-a-half hour meeting last night. It did not foster hopes for top-

level official acceptance.

Senior Senator Rinda Wright, talking about sorority problems, said "A lot of us don't like what is going on, but we don't deactivate. We have to try to change things from within."

"I'D LIKE to applaud Miss

Wright's message," said Dean of Men Seward Weber. "Working within the organization to bring about change is a good idea."

He added softly, "But that's exactly what the senate is not doing."

On that note, Weber indicated that the senate's attempts to secure self-rule for living units may not be tolerated by university officials.

"I must register my strong exception though, to the manner in which you are proceeding," he said. "It appears that you are going totally outside of proper channels."

Earlier, Weber expressed hopes that the spirit of the bill could find its way into university policy.

Students should have a part in determining the rules that govern them, he said.

"It disappoints me terribly to see the whole thing being purposely and knowingly bulled through, totally out of channels," he said. "I sympathize with the sense of frustration that led senate to say, 'we are not even going to try to do it through channels this time.' But this sympathy does not permit me to agree with what they're doing."

Memorials Set for Dr. King

By ROY HARRIS
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The earnest discussion by Student Senate and about 75 visitors on living unit autonomy hardly lagged during the two-and-a-half hour meeting last night. But several members of the audience thought it should have.

Through about 80 minutes of the meeting, the audience knew that the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. had been shot to death in Memphis, Tenn.

FLAGS TODAY are at half-mast at Northwestern in memory of Dr. King, 1964 Nobel Peace Prize winner and founder of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, University President Dr. J. Roscoe Miller said late yesterday. As students mourned, black and white student groups last night planned memorials, some in conjunction with an Alice Millar Chapel service.

Grad student James Turner, a member of NU's Afro-American Student Union, said last night that black students here would meet today at 4 p.m. in Harris Hall to mourn Dr. King's death.

"My reaction was one of deep



MARTIN LUTHER KING
Slain in Memphis

shock and hurt," Turner said. "A man who predicated everything on the belief in love is now dead."

TALK ABOUT the shooting of Dr. King began to filter through the senate meeting last night as latecomers brought the news fresh from bulletin radio reports. The first announcement to senate came from President Barb Caulfield just after eight o'clock.

Her statement that Dr. King had been shot and had just died stunned the audience for a few seconds—then the autonomy discussion resumed. Not until 9:15 did Dr. King's name enter senate's records again.

Two latecomers, having heard about Dr. King's assassination, and anxious to hear what senate would say, watched in disbelief as the assembly continued discussing

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Representatives from 45 living units attended the Student Senate meeting on student autonomy last night. Twenty-four of the units requested and were granted autonomy by senate. Most of the unit representatives stayed for the entire two-and-a-half hour meeting. (Photo by Mike Sing)

In Stevenson Panel

Alliance for Progress Blasted

By JOANN LUBLIN
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A Latin American expert last night attacked the failure of the Alliance for Progress to achieve agrarian reforms and social change during a panel discussion in Harris 107.

Brian D. Beun, a former foreign service officer, spoke on a panel entitled "Revolution and Latin America," which was sponsored by the Adlai Stevenson Lectures. Other panel members were Edward Gude, Northwestern political science instructor, and Frank Safford, assistant professor of history.

After seven years and \$7 billion, the Alliance has resulted in some

physical accomplishments and a widespread policy of repression, Beun told an audience of 50 persons. But the Alliance has failed in its pledge of revolutionary change to eradicate Latin American poverty.

"PHYSICAL accomplishment without social change is meaningless," Beun said. "But this has been the essence of our policy." If social change were supported, he said, then the need for counterinsurgency and repression would be eliminated.

"The Alliance for Progress-policy was sold out from the outset," Safford said. "From the beginning, we were buying votes against Castro, conceding that anti-Castro sen-

timent was the fundamental part of the Alliance and not progress."

Gude explained that one of the Alliance's drawbacks was that the U.S. hoped the ruling elites in Latin American countries would recognize the need for social change through redistribution of land.

HE SAID that reform of the land tenure system will come only through American support "of things like rather aggressive labor unions, peasant and agricultural groups."

Beun agreed with Gude. "Peasant federations are on the cutting edge for bringing pressure to bear on governments for agrarian reforms," he said.