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ROTC disorders

Students plead innocent to all court charges

Two students arrested last week at the University on misdemeanor charges connected with demonstrations against ROTC entered innocent pleas in Lane County District Court Monday.

The two are sophomore Howard Kimeldorf and Richard Welch, a student at Bellevue Community College in Bellevue, Washington.

Both are charged with assault and battery and disorderly conduct, and both also entered innocent pleas in Municipal Court on a charge of interfering with a police officer.

Kimeldorf and Welch were arrested Thursday afternoon after a brief scuffle in which they allegedly attacked state police officer Robert Pinnick while he was in the process of making an arrest.

Another arrested individual, graduate student Phillip Gregg, pleaded innocent to a charge of trespassing at the ROTC building in municipal court.

Meanwhile, a detachment of Eugene police officers maintained their presence Monday at the University's ROTC building, scene of the disorders.

According to Eugene Police Chief William Smith, no decision has yet been made by the police department in consultation with the administration as to when the detachment will be removed from campus.

Contacted Monday, Smith refused to discuss the number of officers that are present at the University, but would say that in addition to the detachment at ROTC his office is also still carrying on an investigation of last week's activities.

The office of Gov. Tom McCall said Monday that National Guard units are no longer on alert in downtown Eugene, and that eight squads of state police dispatched last week to Eugene have gone home.

McCall placed two detachments of local Guard units on alert Thursday after Wednesday evening's torch-light parade and the damage inflicted at that time to the ROTC structure.

Four students arrested Thursday on the charge of "inciting a riot" were released from City-County Jail late Monday afternoon after posting \$300 cash bail each.

Of the four, for each of whom bail was lowered Monday in Lane County District Court from \$10,000 to \$3,000, two were bailed out by their parents and two by a student defense fund.

Lane County District Atty. John Leahy said Monday that other warrants have been issued for individuals involved in the demonstrations, although no additional arrests have been made since Thursday.

In another matter related to last week's anti-ROTC actions, the Physical Plant said Monday that damage to University property, including broken windows and smashed doors, may total as much as \$5,000.

Morgan not registered; ASUO presidency open

Kip Morgan is not a registered student for spring term.

In fact, according to the University Registrar's Office, the ASUO President has been a full-time student only one of the last four terms.

And if the ASUO by-laws are adhered to, this would mean that Morgan officially ceased being ASUO President winter term.

According to the by-laws, "Each undergraduate member or officer shall be registered at the University of Oregon for at least twelve hours during each of at least three terms during his term of office and shall be registered for twelve hours at the time he petitions for and takes office."

Morgan was carrying twelve hours during last spring term, at the time he petitioned for and took office. But according to the Registrar's Office, the ASUO President was only a part-time student during summer term and again during winter term.

The ASUO Constitution expands upon the rules concerning office-holders: "No student shall take office nor continue to hold office under this Constitution unless he shall have complied with the academic requirements as set forth in the By-laws."

Morgan was a full-time student only one term since his election and that was fall term.

If the by-laws are adhered to, Morgan should have officially lost his office when his second term as a non-full time student began winter term.

The ASUO Constitution provides for the eventualty of the office of president becoming vacant, saying, "The office shall be filled by the ASUO Vice-President upon its vacancy."

According to EMU Director Dick Reynolds, Morgan continued drawing his salary of \$160 per month during winter term.

"At the beginning of the quarter he was carrying sufficient hours to qualify as a full-time student," Reynolds said. He added that his office had not been aware that the ASUO President had dropped below the 12 hour full-time student limit.

As for the salary this term, "it just doesn't get expended," Reynolds added. He said that since Morgan was not a registered student, he would



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not be receiving any salary for the months during this term.

According to ASUO Administrative Assistant Ron Eachus, Morgan's duties have been shared by ASUO Vice President Sonja Sweek and the administrative assistants much of the time since last term.

Even though he maintained the position and received the salary of ASUO President last term, Morgan spent some time in Mexico.

Employee uses rented recording device

University contributes video tape to police

Videotapes of last week's demonstrations on and off the University campus, taken by a University employee with a camera rented by the University, are being used by police authorities for identification purposes.

An Emerald investigation has answered questions regarding the use of a videotape recorder by a previously unidentified

man since last Jan. 14. The following information has been compiled through telephone and in-person interviews of the sources quoted:

• John Gibbens, an administrative officer in the School of Music, is the operator of the videotape equipment. Gibbens has been a University civil service employee since 1965.

• Last week Gibbens was asked by Associate Dean of Students Robert Bowlin to take pictures of disruptions on campus if they were "in progress or immediately imminent." According to Bowlin, "this is the first time we've ever asked Mr. Gibbens to take pictures."

• The videotape recorder is owned by E. A. Cykler, acting dean of the School

of Music, who "rented" it to the University last week at Bowlin's request. Cykler said he did not supply the University with recording tapes for the machine.

• Gibbens also took videotapes off-campus last week on at least two occasions. He explained Monday, "any pictures which were taken off-campus were taken as a concerned citizen of this community and nation."

• Tapes taken by Gibbens of last week's disruptions have been viewed by the Lane County District Attorney's office and the Eugene Police Department. Gibbens said the tapes were requested by police. However, Eugene Police Chief William Smith said Monday, "He (Gibbens) has made them (the tapes) available to us voluntarily."

• Dean Bowlin and other University administrators have not seen Gibbens' recordings of last week, do not know their whereabouts or who supplied the tapes to Gibbens.

Gibbens had been seen by students at two events prior to last week's filming. On Jan. 14 he was taping on the steps of Johnson Hall during the "Jan. 14 Coalition" confrontation with University President Robert Clark. On Feb. 20 Gibbens was seen at the Eugene Park blocks taping "Chicago Conspiracy 7" rally activities.

Last week Gibbens was first seen Wednesday at a noon rally at the Internal Revenue Service offices downtown, the same day he attended the University faculty meeting at 3:30 p.m. At 6 p.m. he was also seen inside the ROTC buildings with the videotape recorder. On Thursday the University employee filmed groups of students outside ROTC buildings as arrests were made. Thursday night Gibbens was seen behind police lines at the City-County Jail without recording equipment. He was carrying a police-type flashlight.

Gibbens was spotted at the Lane County Courthouse Friday morning, taking pictures of those leaving the arraignment.

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JOHN GIBBENS, University civil service employee, was photographed at the ROTC disruption arrests last Thursday, the Chicago 7 rally at the Eugene Park blocks Feb. 20 and the IRS rally downtown last Wednesday.