

Protesters sit in outside Jordan's office

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Nineteen pro-divestment students occupied University President Bryce Jordan's office for two hours and 23 minutes yesterday afternoon, protesting the school's investments in South Africa.

Protesters moved from the shantytown to Old Main at noon and marched, carrying placards and singing civil rights anthems, into the president's outer office.

University police immediately sealed off the area, forbidding anyone not having "official business" in the office from entering.

Jordan was not in town yesterday, but senior administrators huddled with the University's lawyer to develop a plan to deal with the demonstrators. Acting Vice President for Student Services William Asbury, after visiting several times the office where students were sitting, directed the students to leave at 2:35 p.m.

The students complied, returning to the shantytown.

A spokesman for the students said future sit-ins are

planned within the next week but did not say where demonstrations would be held. Graduate student Todd May said that next time protesters may not comply when asked to leave.

The students included were members from the Black Student Coalition Against Racism and the Committee for Justice in South Africa who have engaged in a campaign of civil disobedience to force the University to divest \$6.1 million from South African-related firms.

During the sit-in, 10 students left to go to their classes, leaving nine students sitting on the floor, about 10 feet away from Jordan's locked inner office.

Asbury said after the students left that he "doesn't expect (a demonstration) to happen again. I would be surprised if they came to the president's office after they were told they can only be here if they have business here."

He added that he "wouldn't be surprised if they demonstrated in offices other than the president's."

The administrators contacted Jordan to brief him on the situation, Asbury said.

"The president has stated a number of times that he

will not tolerate the disruption of the University. It was felt that this was a disruption of the University."

The students began protesting a few minutes after noon on the steps of Old Main by quietly walking in a circle singing "We Shall Overcome" while carrying signs with anti-racist slogans and the names of slain South African political prisoners.

The students held hands while discussing their strategy. Then they moved inside Old Main to the second floor presidential suite, which includes several offices, such as the offices of the provost, Jordan's administrative assistants and about a dozen secretaries.

As the protesters climbed the steps to the office, secretaries eating lunch in the lobby scurried into the president's suite. The protesters filed past the receptionist's desk to the back of the room, where two glass doors separate the suite. They sat down and began singing "We Shall Overcome" while the secretaries nervously looked on, called the police, then left.

After moving throughout the suite, the protesters settled in Jordan's outer office.

The students chatted freely among themselves, passing

around the Penn State brochures and joking with Jordan's administrative assistant Carolyn Dolbin, who was at her desk as the protesters sat on the floor around her.

"I myself could spend a couple of days here," said Todd May, adding "it certainly is bigger and more comfortable than our shantytown."

Then two University police officers arrived, at first discussing the situation with the secretaries, then asking the protesters how long they planned to stay.

"For at least a while to make a statement about Penn State's investments in South Africa," May responded.

"If we have to take you out of here we will," Officer Paul E. Stamm said. "But we don't want to. You can't disrupt University business."

Replied May: "Don't you find the University's business disrupting?"

Police then locked all the doors around the suite, allowing only employees to enter and exit. Police refused to allow protesters to re-enter once they left the suite and posted officers at the entrances to Old Main.

Executive Vice President and Provost William Rich-
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ardson arrived at 1 p.m. and walked through the suite several times but didn't talk to the demonstrators.

At 1:20 Larry Govedich, supervisor of investigations for University police, relieved Dolbin from her desk amidst the students, talking and joking with them.

Four minutes later, Asbury arrived for the first time, and asked "Do you people have an appointment?"

"No," the students responded. "Do you want to make an appointment?" Asbury asked. "No, we're going to sit here for awhile," a student said.

During the next hour, while the students sat in the hot office, other students, barred from re-entering, gathered beneath the office window chanting "let us in."

Meanwhile, Richardson, Asbury and the University's legal counsel gathered in Senior Vice President for Finance and Operations Steve Garban's office on the

other side of the second floor to plan a strategy to deal with the demonstrators.

At 2:30 Asbury returned and told the students that the presidential suite was for conducting University business. He asked if the students had any business in the office.

May said the business was to make a "non-violent statement about the University's investments in South Africa."

Asbury asked if the students would be willing to meet with Richardson outside of the suite. The students asked why Richardson wouldn't meet with them where they sat.

"Your purpose as stated, I conclude, is not appropriate for being in this office," Asbury said, "and so at this time I am asking you and directing you to leave this area."

The students glanced at each other and quietly stood, walking out of the office, down the stairs and outside, to return to the shantytown.

Shanties to go up today

Students will erect shacks near Willard

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University students, echoing a trend at colleges and universities nationwide, were set last night to build a shantytown at 4 this morning to protest the University's business holdings in South African-related companies.

The Black Student Coalition Against Racism and the Committee for Justice in South Africa — which are building the shantytown — strive to "demonstrate to the Penn State community and Pennsylvania generally the effect upon black South Africans of (University) President (Bryce) Jordan's and the trustees' refusal to carry through with divestment," committee member Todd May said last night.

Although the shantytown was planned for the Old Main lawn, May said it will be built beside Willard Building, and will consist of three wood and cardboard shacks. However, May said if University police request that the shanties be moved to the Old Main lawn, the organizations will comply.

The shantytown, which students will occupy at all times, is designed to mirror living conditions in South Africa, where thousands of Blacks — forbidden to live unemployed in the cities — live in shacks and huts along city boundaries while seeking jobs, May said.

"Imagine your bedroom, then take that size and cut it in half, remove carpeting, insulation, all electricity, phone lines and plumbing, and then you can imagine what these Blacks are living in," BSCAR Chairman Carlton Waterhouse said.

Jordan has said the University will not interfere with the shantytown once it is built — as long as its existence does not impede University functions.

"Certainly the prospect of these structures at the University's front door gives me concern," he said in a press release late last month. "But it should be remembered that this administration and the Board of Trustees are firmly committed to opposing apartheid and all other forms of racial discrimination."

William Asbury, acting vice president for student services, has said the shantytowns would be tolerated if they are "directed at students for educational purposes."

One of the primary objectives of the shantytown is to educate the University community about living conditions for Blacks in South Africa, although both May and committee member Tracy Wellens said they expect reactions ranging from taunting to apathy.

"A lot of people won't understand it and will feel it is ugly for the campus. But I think as time goes on, people will understand its purpose," May said.

Throughout the week, students will distribute leaflets about apartheid and hold discussions, speeches and slide presentations on the subject.

"We are showing the University administration that we are not through with this issue and will continue to react until something is done," Wellens said.

May added he does not expect students to react violently to the shantytown, as has happened at other U.S. universities where shantytowns were built. Shantytowns at Dartmouth University came under violent sledgehammer attacks in late January.

Other universities and colleges nationwide, such as University of Vermont, Stanford University and Keene College, have built the symbolic shantytowns in protest of business holdings in South African-related companies.

Students' reaction toward erected shantytown mixed

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A few hours before dawn yesterday, students equipped with hammers and saws arrived on the sidewalk in front of Willard Building to erect a symbolic shantytown, raising three wooden, plastic and tar shacks which returning Spring Break students would pass by.

About 25 members of the Committee for Justice in South Africa and the Black Student Coalition Against Racism — two groups that have been active in advocating the University divesting its \$6.1 million in South African related companies — began building shacks covered with graffiti

reading "PSU Supports Brutality" and "No business in South Africa."

Students said they will stay in the shantytown around the clock throughout the next week in protest of the University's policies concerning South Africa.

Police drove past the site, but did not attempt to stop the construction.

"One police officer told us at about 6:30 (a.m.) that we would have to move the shanty on to the grass, but at that point moving it would have been impossible," said committee member Todd May.

University Police Officer Dale Neff said security will not be increased because of the shantytown.

"It will just be routine patrol," he said.

Throughout the day, responses from the University community varied. Some students reacted with approval for the shantytown, which has been built to "demonstrate to the Penn State community . . . the effect upon black South Africans of (University) President (Bryce) Jordan's and the trustees' refusal to carry through with divestment," May said.

Others taunted and laughed at the students, arguing that the shantytown was "an eyesore" and "won't change things in South Africa."

"I think it's good for them to stand up for what they believe in, but I think this is too strong of a stand. It's a rash thing to do," said Wendy McCartney (sophomore-agriculture business).

McCartney added that she, like many other students passing by the shantytown, did not accept leaflets that were being handed out or stop to talk to the participants.

"I don't want to be bothered with it," McCartney said.

But May and other organizers said they welcomed the diversity of opinions and took the opportunity to pass along additional information about apartheid.

"I think people have begun to realize that we are not idiots, that we are educated about the issue."

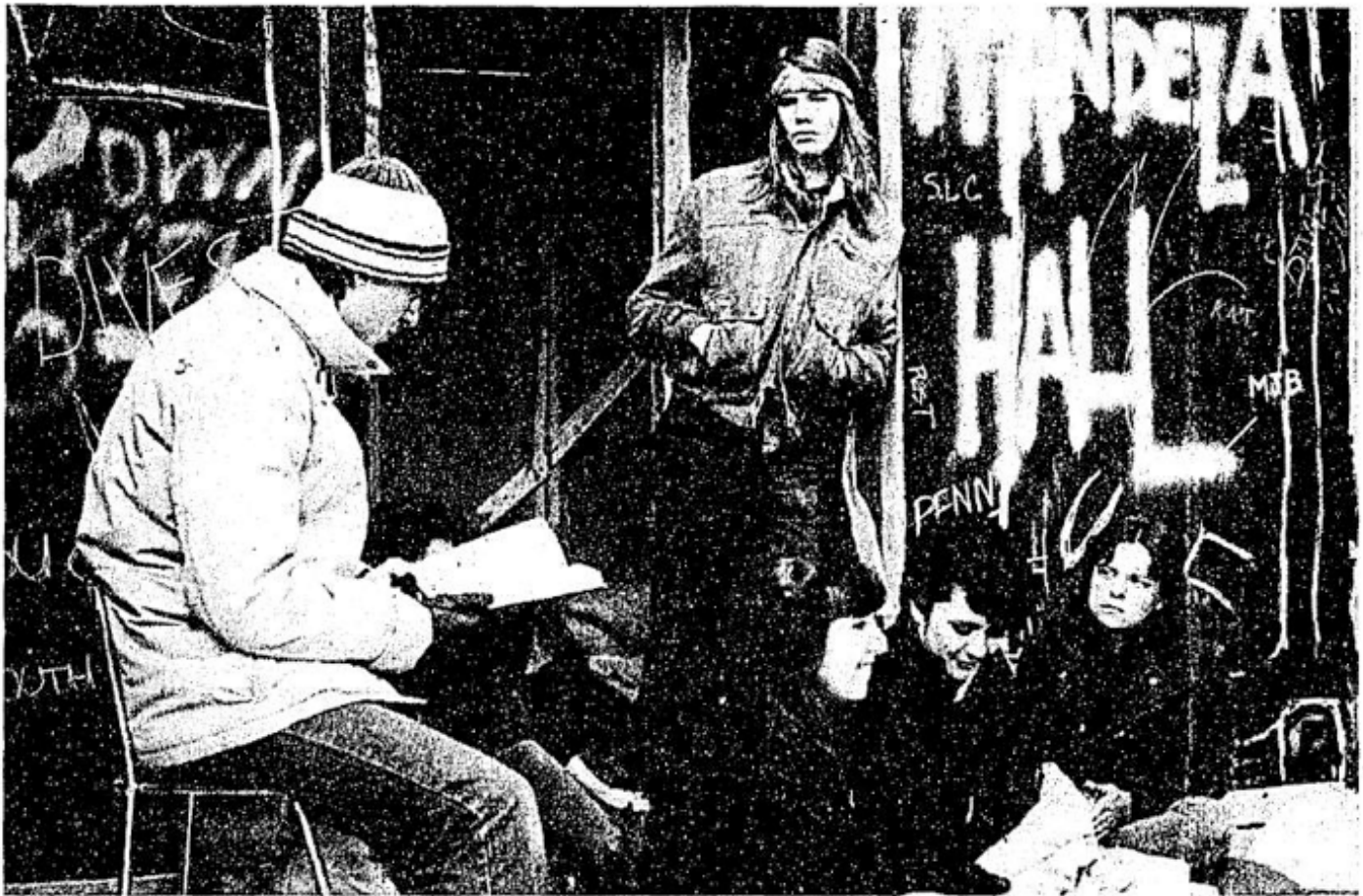
BSCAR chairman Carlton Waterhouse agreed, saying he was happy to have the opportunity to explain his position to so many students.

On Feb. 23 Jordan said the University would not interfere with the shantytown once it was built — as long as



Collegian Photo / Mike Moss

Stephanie Cooper (Junior-English) distributes anti-apartheid handouts yesterday morning at the shantytown near Willard Building. Some students praised the efforts of the groups that erected the shantytown while others called the shantytown an eyesore and refused to read the handouts.



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Todd May (graduate-philosophy) reads anti-racist literature to a group of anti-apartheid demonstrators at the shanties near Willard Building early yesterday morning. Members of the Black Student Coalition Against Racism and the Committee for Justice in South Africa erected the shanties early yesterday morning to protest the University's investments in companies with operations in South Africa.

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its existence did not impede University functions. He had no further comment on the issue when contacted yesterday.

Mike Bedrick (graduate-MBA) said he is pleasantly surprised by the

"degree of social consciousness" exhibited by the organizers and participants.

"South Africa has major problems. I think it shows a surprising degree of ethics," he said.

Local architect Larry Warner aided the students by designing the shantytown. Warner, a 1968 University graduate working with the students, was not available for comment yesterday.

BSCAR and the committee began planning the shantytown after the University Board of Trustees voted in January not to divest holdings in companies doing business in South Africa. Both groups have attempted to pressure the University administration into changing its decision on divestment.

Paint-bombers hit shantytown

Police still investigating; 4 males seen running from scene

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Four males early yesterday morning attacked the shantytown outside of Willard Building with paint-filled lightbulbs while students manning the site shivered from the cold.

Committee for Justice in South Africa member Stephanie Cooper said members of the committee and the Black Student Coalition Against Racism — the groups that built the shantytowns — first became aware of the incident at about 3 yesterday morning when they heard thumping noises on the back wall of one of the shanties.

When Cooper and several others went to the rear of the shanty, known as Tutu Towers, they found the remains of paint-filled lightbulbs and splashes of blue and green paint on the pavement between the shantytown and Willard. Four males were then seen running between Willard and Sackett Buildings. Paint was also splashed on the surface of Pollock Road.

University Police Services Supervisor Robert McNichol said police are investigating the incident but have made no arrests.

One of the paint bombs narrowly missed a woman sleeping in front of the shantytown. The woman pulled her sleeping bag over her face as the bulb shattered, spraying paint and glass over her sleeping bag, said committee member Todd May.

May added that University police recommended that the students stay awake throughout the night.

"Hopefully, this was just a random act of nastiness," Cooper said. "It could have been dangerous." Sleeping bags, books and other items were damaged by the paint, she said.

At the time of the incident, 15 committee members were sitting on

the pavement outside the shanties facing Pollock Road, Cooper said.

"Hatred like this is nourished at the upper levels of the University," May said. "If you're going to excuse racism, then you're going to promote it — I think the administration will have to take some of the blame for this."

Prior to the paint bomb incident, Cooper said several people driving along Pollock Road stopped and verbally abused members of the committee.

Other incidents of verbal harassment were reported by shanty residents earlier this week.

"There's not many things we can do to protect against this sort of thing," Cooper said. "We will have extra people here at night, especially over the weekend."

The committee may station group members at various vantage points along the mall to "spot possible incidents before they happen," Cooper said, explaining that committee members had no advance warning of the paint because their view of the rear wall was impaired.

The shantytown was erected by the groups to protest the University administration's investment policies in South African-related companies.

Carol Herman, executive assistant to University President Bryce Jordan, said the administration would have no comment on the incident, adding that the administration's position was expressed in a statement Jordan released Feb. 23.

In the statement, Jordan called on members of the University community to "be understanding and tolerant" of the shantytown, which at that time was planned for the Old Main lawn.

He also said the University would not interfere with the protesters as long as the shantytown did not impede University functions or endanger people or property.

Shanties to stay as meeting yields no compromise

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Both the University administration and the students for divestment described last night's summit as a "disappointment," as the two sides couldn't reach an agreement on the University's role in South Africa.

The five top University administrators met with 10 leaders of two student groups — the Black Student Coalition Against Racism and the Committee for Justice in South Africa — and both sides had different expectations of what would result.

During a rally at the shantytown, the students talked about the private, 90-minute meeting held at the Nittany Lion Inn, N. Atherton St.

University President Bryce Jordan said after the meeting he wanted to find out how the University could work with the students, but the students insisted that no progress could be made until the University divests.

"I was disappointed that we were not able to begin to work together on the issues that have been creating tension," Jordan said. "They expressed no interest in working on (improving the climate for black students) until the University totally divests."

BSCAR Chairman Carlton Waterhouse said he stressed the need for divestment as a "first step" before anything else could be done. "We cannot make progress for blacks until substantial progress is made on divestment. It is impeding everything else."

"I described divestment as trying to proceed up a mountain with a ball and chain tied to you. (Acting Vice President for Student Services William) Asbury said you could still do it. We disagree. Why not remove the ball and chain?" Waterhouse said.

Jordan said he "pointed out to them that the University has adopted a new policy and a new report has come out recommending selective divestment."

Students decided that wasn't

enough. After the summit they decided the shantytown won't be taken down and began planning for civil disobedience. Those plans include sit-ins at administrative offices, such as the bursar's or Jordan's office.

"They asked me to recommend to the trustees that the University divest. I told them I would not do that," Jordan said.

"They asked me to recommend a deadline to pull out. I told them I wasn't going to commit to them what I would recommend to the board. The decision the board made is not going to be reversed before it is played through," Jordan said.

Todd May, committee spokesman, said he understood the meeting's purpose "to get a concrete move toward divestment. That move was shut off when the question was raised."

Both sides said a future meeting may be held. Waterhouse said he asked Jordan to arrange a meeting with members of the University Board of Trustees. He said Jordan promised he would call Trustee President Obie Snider today to discuss it.

Jordan said he has "given no thought" to when the shantytown may cease being educational and ask for its dismantlement.

The shacks would stand until "substantial progress toward divestment" is reached, Waterhouse said. One example would be for the University to sell stock in a company that has complied fully with the Sullivan Principles. He said the move would send a signal to the black community that the administration was taking "positive steps."

However, Waterhouse said he did not present that proposal to Jordan.

The only conflicting report of what took place in the meeting concerned the issue of racism on campus.

"I asked specifically for names, dates, and places of racism so that we could take some action. None were forwarded," Jordan said.

Waterhouse said Jordan didn't ask for any examples of racism.



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Students gather for a press conference at the shantytown outside Willard Building late last night after the summit meeting with University administrators.

Faculty and staff fast for divestment

By NANCY FUNK
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University faculty and staff members began a week-long, liquid diet fast yesterday, taking shifts between teaching their classes to stand in front of Old Main in support of pro-divestment student demonstrators and in protest of the University's business holdings in South African-related companies.

About 50 faculty members from colleges ranging from liberal arts to engineering went from classes and office hours to stand in shifts from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

And staff members spent lunch hours in front of Old Main to make a symbolic statement about apartheid in a non-violent, non-confrontational way, said Robert Corrington, assistant professor of philosophy and co-organizer of the fast.

When asked if organizing the fast was difficult in light of his teaching responsibilities, Corrington said, "It would hurt my soul if I didn't do this."

The faculty members stood around a table spread with anti-apartheid literature and a large bottle of apple juice, while students walking by looked on with curiosity.

"The reaction to the fast has ranged from curious to indifferent to enthusiastic," Corrington said. "There has been no anger shown today."

The University administration has yet to respond to the fast, Corrington said, but he said he believes the fast will be tolerated by University officials.

University President Bryce Jordan said in a recent statement that the University community should be "understanding and tolerant as

we all seek constructive alternatives for expressing together our strong repugnance to apartheid and racial discrimination."

Faculty members say they will fast throughout the week, and will refrain from eating for one to three days beginning today, and will spend a portion of their time in front of Old Main.

"I am fasting because I am against apartheid and I believe fasting is to act against it, whereas not to divest is to support it," said Richard Devon, assistant professor of engineering.

Don Smith, a graduate assistant in the department of speech communications, said he is participating in the fast because he supports divestment and the efforts of the Black Student Coalition Against Racism and the Committee for Justice in South Africa.

Smith said he will fast "for as long as I can."

A closer black community at the University is one of the positive changes resulting from these groups' protests, Smith said.

"The best universities in the country are characterized by their commitment to publicly debating critical human issues," Devon said. "Participating in the debate about apartheid means contributing to the intellectual and ethical vitality of the University community."

He added that the University divesting its \$6.1 million in South Africa would have a positive effect because it would be heard by the South African government and recognized as a sign of disapproval.

"Economic pressure works," he said. "It always works."



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Standing in front of Old Main at the site of the PSU Faculty-Staff Fast for Divestment are, from left to right: Kwadwo Osseo-Asare, professor of material science; Ray McCoy (seated), coordinator of the Office of Minority Programs in the College of The Liberal Arts; Larry Young, director of the Paul Robeson Cultural Center; Robert Corrington, assistant professor of philosophy; and Peter Hagen, of the Office of Undergraduate Studies in Liberal Arts.

More than 150 rally for African divestment

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On the eve of the 18th anniversary of the assassination of Martin Luther King Jr., more than 150 University students and faculty came together in front of Old Main Friday to fight for a cause King started in the 1960s — divestment of business holdings in South African-related companies.

The crowd swelled while students chanted "No business in South Africa" and "Apartheid kills, Penn State pays the bills," and as student leaders and faculty members spoke to the enthusiastic gathering.

The pro-divestment students and faculty seek divestment of the University's \$7.6 million in South African corporations.

As the afternoon rain began to fall, students and faculty joined hands, forming a circle, raised their clasped hands and sang "We Shall Overcome."

A university should be a beacon for justice, a place where "ethical reflection becomes social action," said Assistant Professor of philosophy Robert Corrington, citing divestment as the ethical path to follow.

Lawrence Young, director of the Paul Robeson Cultural Center, remembered the great sense of loss he felt on April 4, 1968, the day of King's death.

"The country was denied its greatest moral voice in 1968. And a nation that loses its conscience is capable of incredible evils," he said.

King would be disturbed with America today, Young added. He would be ashamed of the continued purchase of weapons when aid is cut for college students, the poor, farmers and the elderly.

"This is madness. Justice is indivisible," Young said.

Young said the University's divesting will not end apartheid, but the South African government realizes that with each institution that divests, a brick from the wall of apartheid is removed.

"We cannot wait for another Martin Luther King to arrive. We must act. The struggle goes on," Young said to the cheering crowd.

Newly-elected Undergraduate Student Government Vice President Susan Sturgis challenged University white students to educate themselves about apartheid and "to find out what is going on right here at this University with Blacks."

"King was murdered before his dream of racial harmony was realized and it has not been realized at this University," she said. "We have to have the courage to do something and today is a day of great hope because we have all come together."

While Sturgis challenged white students, Black Student Coalition Against Racism member Venus Young challenged black students, saying King and other leaders of the civil rights movement sacrificed and struggled for the welfare of future generations of Blacks.

"And that doesn't mean we can just take a lackadaisical attitude and say 'I'm just here for the education,'" Young said.

Later that night, about 60 pro-divestment students gathered at the University's main gate for a candlelight vigil, also in commemoration of King's death.

The students distributed candles then slowly walked in single file to the shantytown, where they formed a circle around the shacks and listened as Esther Golton (sophomore-music) played folk songs on a dulcimer.

Later, the students marched to Old Main and sat on the steps, sharing songs from the '60s and '70s with one another.



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Janine Althaus (freshman-general arts and sciences) listens to peace songs as the Penn State League Against Racism stops at the shantytown during its march and candlelight vigil Friday. More than 150 students and faculty members attended a rally outside Old Main honoring Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. before the vigil.

150 march in 'last major demonstration' of the semester

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During a steady drizzle yesterday, some 150 pro-divestment protesters held what a spokesman called "the last major demonstration" of the semester.

Students and about 25 faculty staged a 45-minute demonstration, which included forming a human ring around Old Main while chanting a number of anti-apartheid slogans.

As has been the practice for the past few months, the protesters convened at Old Main at 12:15 p.m. and listened to speakers calling for the University to divest \$7.6 million invested in companies operating in South Africa.

Faculty member Leola Johnson, a journalism instructor, said University President Bryce Jordan "is essentially thumbing his nose at the Black South African people themselves" by his refusal to embrace divestment.

"The overwhelming majority of their internationally recognized leaders have called for international economic pressures against the apartheid regime," Johnson said.

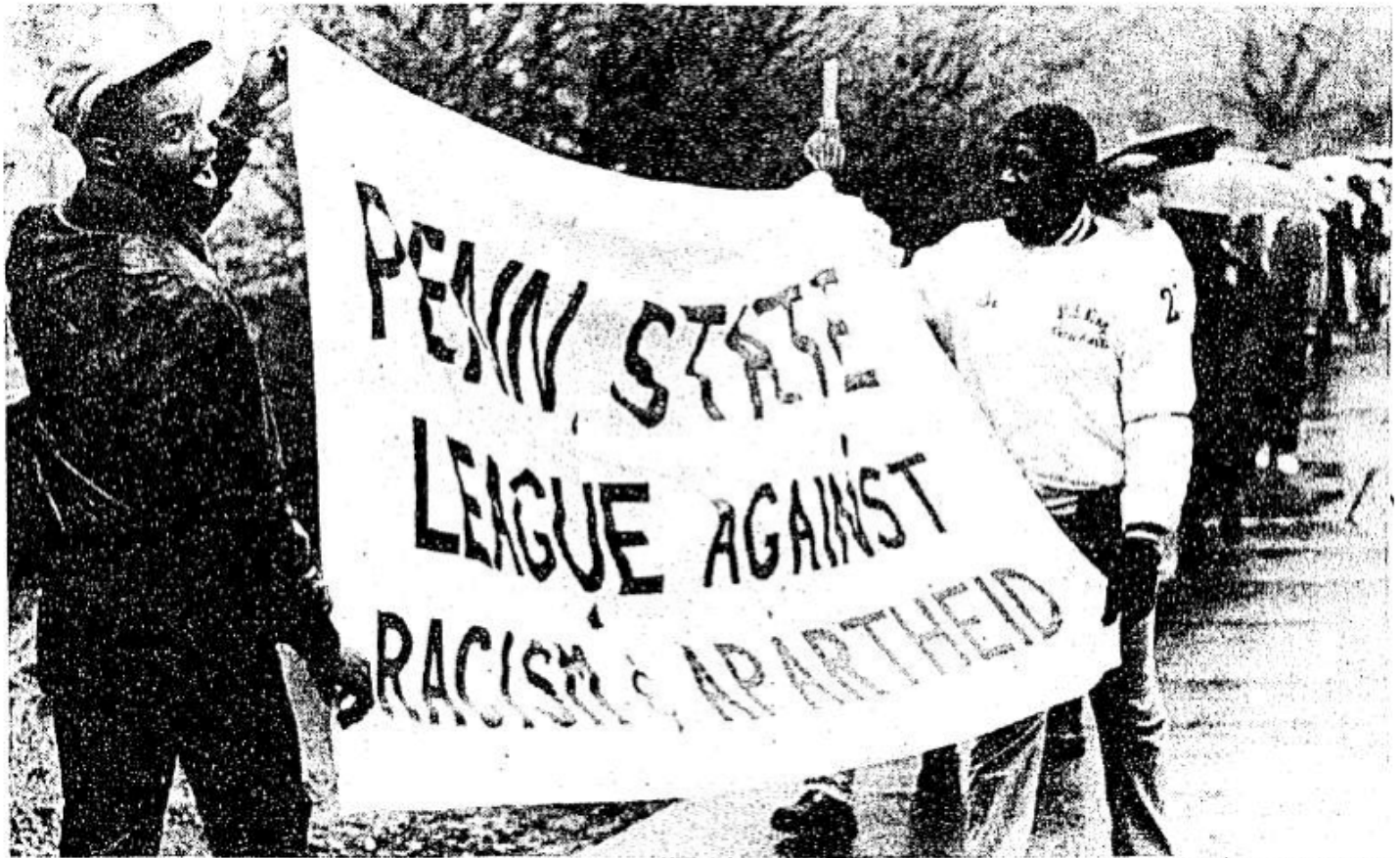
Black South Africans "say that the (ruling Whites) are a bunch of terrorists, and I believe them because I respect their perceptions, their sincerity and their right to self-determination.

"If there were real justice in the policies of the United States, Reagan would have turned the bombers loose on Pretoria and not Tripoli," she added.

As the rain continued to pour the protesters marched around Old Main and joined hands and formed a human ring capped by multi-colored umbrellas.

The demonstrators stayed in the circle for about 30 minutes, chanting various slogans and waving signs.

Among the demonstrators were about 25 faculty members and leaders of the pro-divestment movement and newly-elected Undergraduate Student Government



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Black Caucus Vice President Bill Saulsbury, left, and Black Caucus President Darryl King chant an anti-apartheid slogan as protesters formed a human ring around Old Main yesterday as part of a pro-divestment demonstration.

President Matt Baker clad in a yellow rain suit.

Todd May, spokesman for the Committee for Justice in South Africa, said yesterday's rally was the last scheduled event of the semester.

He added that the divestment movement has educated people

about apartheid, garnered support of powerful University groups and forced the University administration to confront the issue.

May said he believes a "good chance" exists for the University to divest next year. He didn't say what the plans are for the shantytown as the semester winds down.

Carlton Waterhouse, chairman of the Black Student Coalition Against Racism, however, said that his group may yet stage more activities by the end of the semester.

Those plans will be discussed at 6:30 tonight in 317 Willard, he added.

PSU hopes plans stifle apartheid

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The University is taking steps that University President Bryce Jordan said will "reach into the very heart of the horrible apartheid system in South Africa."

Measures include increasing scholarships for non-white South Africans, strengthening educational ties with South African universities and divesting from corporations that aren't working to combat apartheid.

Jordan yesterday called for the immediate implementation of the steps, which were developed by a committee of faculty, students and administrators last month. At that time Jordan said he wanted to review the committee's report and decide the logistics the proposals.

The program, known as SHARE: Penn State and South Africa, was developed after a year of campus protests that called for the University to divest its holdings in companies that operate in South Africa. The University Board of Trustees, after rejecting full-divestment as a way to deal with apartheid, allowed the administration to design a program that emphasizes education and partial divestment in 1987.

Jordan said the University will take the following steps:

- Four qualified non-white South African students will be given full scholarships to attend Penn State for the 1986-87 academic year.

- Deputy Vice President for International Programs W. LaMarr Kopp will travel to South Africa and consult with educational leaders about their needs and desires in continuing education, teacher preparation and academic programs.

- Kopp and Executive Vice President and Provost William Richardson will soon meet with the head of the University of Cape Town, Stuart Saunders, who is in the U. S. discussing the role higher education leaders can play in positive change.

- The University will support the establishment of a national inventory and coordinating center for educational initiatives in South Africa. This will avoid duplication of programs and help coordination with other universities responding to apartheid.

- A plan has been authorized to develop co-curricular activities to better inform the University community about the economic, political and social issues within South Africa and southern Africa. James B. Stewart, director of the Black Studies Program, will direct the effort for the 1986-87 academic year.

- The University will no longer buy the stocks of companies that

received a low rating on their progress in helping black South Africans in the workplace. About 200 companies subscribe to the Sullivan Principles — guidelines that prohibit segregated working conditions.

Additionally the administration is reviewing its investments in three companies — Johnson Controls, Tenneco, and United Technologies — not achieving satisfactory progress under the Sullivan Principles. It will divest from those companies Dec. 1, 1987 if they haven't improved.

Jordan said "these actions are tackling the South African government's apartheid system head-on, and we think Penn State has a responsibility to be a leader in the fight."

Administration officials wrote those companies last month to inquire why their ratings were poor.

"We sent them a copy of our (trustee's) policy and we strongly urged them to improve their rating by the next Sullivan report," said Special Assistant to the Treasurer David Branigan. The University also asked what plans the companies had for improving their rating.

Branigan said two of the companies returned "pretty good, thorough responses," but added, the administration hasn't reviewed them yet.

The administration is preparing to meet May 6 with the principal of the University of Cape Town in New York to discuss further initiatives for improving the apartheid situation.

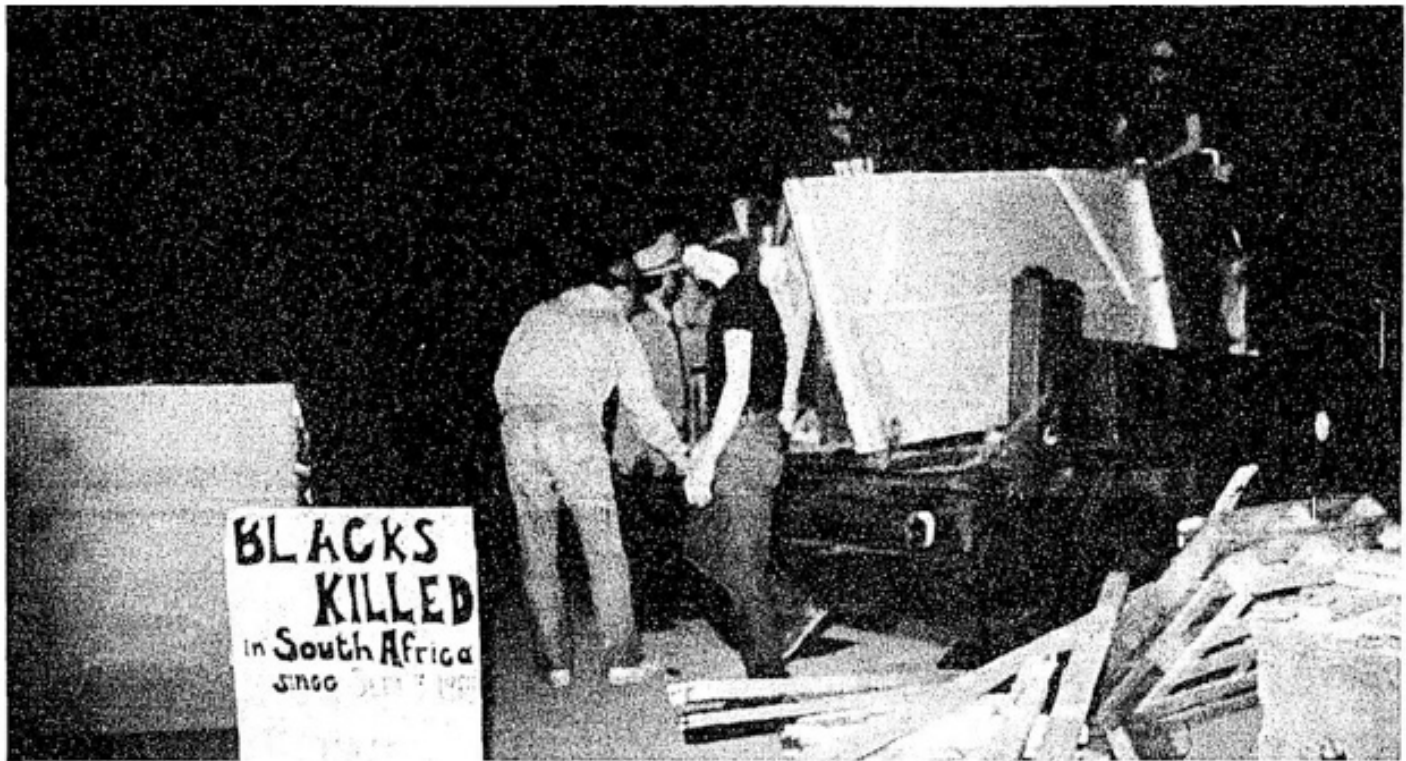
After that meeting, Kopp will go to South Africa in late May to meet with "enlightened education leaders to see what we can do and where the areas are that we can help," Kopp said.

Kopp, a frequent traveler to South Africa, said he wants to avoid going with a plan already mapped out and would rather consult with leaders there about what should be done.

He said South Africans resent foreigners coming into the country with all the answers. He pointed to U.S. Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., who had an ill-fated trip to South Africa last year when he was booed and shunned, and to the failure of other American universities that started programs in South Africa without consulting South Africans.

At the student shantytown, protesters dismissed the SHARE programs as "totally ineffective" and "avoiding the issue."

"Just because you're helping a few black South Africans does not mean you are working to solve the problem of apartheid as a whole," said Joe Cole (sophomore-engineering science) a member of the Committee for Justice in South Africa.



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University maintenance workers tear down the shanties outside Old Main just after midnight. Dan Weaver, a foreman from the Office of the Physical

Plant, said the shacks would be put in storage overnight but he said he did not know what would happen after that.

University takes down shanties

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The shantytown that stood in front of Willard Building for 43 days fell early this morning as five University workers dismantled it in front of Old Main, where the demonstrators who built it had placed it less than 24 hours earlier.

At 12:45 a.m. a University maintenance truck pulled away scraps of wood and tar paper, the

only remains of the protest shacks built March 10 by the Black Student Coalition Against Racism and the Committee for Justice in South Africa.

The task of removing the shacks took less than 45 minutes under the Old Main lights while three officers of University Police Services looked on. The police and workers would not comment on the timing of the removal, saying only the University would put out a press release later today.

Dan Weaver, a foreman from the Office of the Physical Plant, said the dismantled shanties would be put in storage overnight.

"Tomorrow someone will make the decision as to where it will go from there," Weaver said he did not know who would make that decision.

Other onlookers included Committee President Stephanie Cooper and BSCAR member Darryl Gregory.

"We've been expecting it all day but we were hoping the University would not resort to using the cover of darkness," Cooper said. "The shanty was a powerful force for good, which the University destroyed. To hear the sound of the hammers was sickening."



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Forty-five pro-divestment protesters move the shanties from their original resting place in front of Willard Building to Old Main early yesterday morning, where they "dedicated" it to the administration.

Cooper said she was at Old Main at 9 last night talking to University police officers and "checking on it to make sure it was still up."

But at midnight the maintenance truck came and the workers "pushed the shanty up and over," Cooper said.

"They unbolted some of the panels and put it on the truck. It was very loud," she said. "I personally felt I wanted to be here. For having seen it go up, I wanted to be here to see it go down."

She added: "I find it very disappointing that the University refused to use (the shanties) for its own education."

A less sympathetic observer, Dave O'Brien (junior-finance), clapped and said the administration was doing the right thing by tearing down the shacks at night.

"The University had a lot of class to put up with this," he said, referring to the three shacks that had been constructed to dramatize the living conditions of many South African Blacks. "Students just got sick of it. If the purpose was to educate, it didn't do its job."

Gregory said he was upset by people who clapped.

"(Their) attitude was 'I'm glad it's all over . . . it didn't matter anyway,'" Gregory said. "For all these weeks for us to try to get a certain point across for the whole campus and for someone to walk by and just not care brings a sick feeling to me."

University President Bryce Jordan said after the shanties were moved to Old Main yesterday that the protest "has promoted useful dialogue" on the divestment issue. He also praised the "environment of respect for differing points of view" that allowed the shacks to stay up as long as they did.

Cooper, in response, said yesterday that "while the shantytown has been a huge educational success for students, the University Board of Trustees and the administration have failed to take advantage of the educational opportunities of the shantytown, so we are dedicating it to them."

PSU trustees vote to divest

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The University's Board of Trustees voted Friday to divest its \$6.3 million by December 1988 from companies doing business in South Africa.

In an unexpected 20-1 vote, the board agreed to sell its equity securities from corporations that do not withdraw from South Africa by the end of June.

Chairman of the Board Obie Snider, who presented the motion, said the vote was not the result of any political or student pressure but an attempt to bring unity to the board, which was deeply divided on the issue.

"The debate on divestment has already taken too much of our time, energy and good will toward one another," Snider said.

repeatedly stated his opposition to divestment, said afterwards it is an issue that keenly tested the board.

"I am encouraged that board members' dedication to Penn State has allowed them to move forward," Jordan said.

While members seemed unified in their vote, the attitudes on divestment's role at the University and in South Africa continue to split the trustees.

Trustee Cecile Springer said while she was pleased with the vote, it is disappointing that the University is not a leader in the movement.

Trustee H. Jesse Arnette, who called on the board to take a moral stand against apartheid last spring, said Friday he was delighted with the board's decision.

Both he and Springer, also a longtime propo-

Trustee Larry Foster, vice president for corporate communications for Johnson and Johnson, was the only dissenting voice.

"American companies have given blacks in South Africa their first taste of democracy in action and their first hope for the future," Foster said.

"I share that hope. I do not believe that voting in favor of harmony for this board is a justifiable reason for compromising one's strong convictions on a major moral and social issue like South Africa," Foster said.

Foster, who left the room for several minutes following his remarks, asked that his statements appear in the meeting's record.

The Committee on Finance and later the full board passed the resolution without further objection.

University President Bryce Jordan, who has

ment for divestment, said the board now could move forward.

However some board members said they still believe divestment is not the answer for the University or the end of apartheid.

Trustee Lloyd Huck said "in principle (divestment) is not right" because the University's board should not use economic power to influence politics.

Snider also said he viewed divestment as counterproductive. He said he believed businesses in South Africa are a positive force for change and racial equality.

Despite these views, both insisted the movement was passed for the sake of unity and denied there was pressure from state officials in Harrisburg.

In July, Gov. Robert P. Casey sent a letter to

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Jordan and Snider calling for University divestment action.

Secretary of Education Thomas Gilhool has also been vocally pro-divestment at previous board meetings, voting in favor of March's defeated resolution.

Additionally, the Casey administration recently chastised the University for not meeting its enrollment goals for black freshmen.

Both Casey and Gilhool, in Philadelphia this weekend for the Constitution ceremonies, were unavailable to comment on whether the board's decision was the result of their pressure.

operating subsidiaries," Snider said.

"As this trend continues, the question of fiduciary responsibility will become progressively less of an issue," he said.

After the meeting, Jordan said he does not think the University's relationships with companies targeted in the \$200 million Campaign for Penn State will be hindered.

The University will continue to solicit gifts from companies doing business in South Africa, he said.

The board will also continue the SHARE program, the University's five-point plan that offers scholarships and educational opportunities to non-white South Africans.

But Trustee Marian Coppersmith said, "We work in part in a political arena and some of our decisions have to keep that in mind."

"I don't think we should split hairs," Coppersmith said, referring to the reasons for the vote.

"We achieved our goals. It's a smart policy to permit people to save face, if you will," she said.

Snider said a prudent plan of divestment can be accomplished while meeting the University's financial responsibilities.

"In the past year, American companies have been withdrawing from South Africa at an accelerating rate by selling or otherwise disinvesting

Don Rallis, a native white South African doing graduate work in geography at the University, said SHARE coupled with divestment was the most effective means for combating apartheid.

"Jordan has stressed that Penn State's educational efforts under the SHARE program are independent of the divestment issue," Rallis said.

"I trust that the University's educational responses to apartheid will in no way be diminished by divestment," he said.

William Asbury, vice president for student services, said the effect of the trustees' decision to divest remains to be seen.