

Class Boycott Called By Bello

Student Body To Meet Today At 1 PM



NEAR VIOLENCE AVOIDED AT NAVAL ARMORY—Casey Donovan, a member of SDS, climbed on one of the exhibition guns in front of the armory Tuesday when several students clashed over whether the flag would be lowered to halfmast

and stopped the disturbance. Donovan told the crowd of several hundred not to worry about ROTC but to return to the campus to help get students in class to support the strike. There was no violence. (Staff Photo by John Gellman)

2,000 Students Protest War With Tuesday Rally

By Rick Gray
Associate Editor

A meeting of the student body is scheduled for 1 p.m. today in Polk Place in conjunction with a student strike to protest U.S. involvement in Cambodia.

The strike actually began Tuesday morning when approximately 15 graduate teaching assistants in the English department refused to meet their classes in protest of the riots at Kent State University in Ohio which resulted in the death of four students. They were joined in their protest by approximately 2,000 students.

Today's strike and meeting was called by Student Body President Tom Bello last Friday after the Student Legislature passed a resolution Thursday calling for the class boycott.

The National Vietnam Moratorium Committee has called for a national student strike Thursday and for a march on Washington, D.C. Saturday.

The UNC Student Government is planning to charter buses to carry students from here to Washington.

The buses will leave Chapel Hill early Saturday morning.

There is no complete schedule of events for today's rally. Bello will speak and chair the meeting, and representatives of student groups will also speak. But a final schedule of events had not been announced as of late Tuesday.

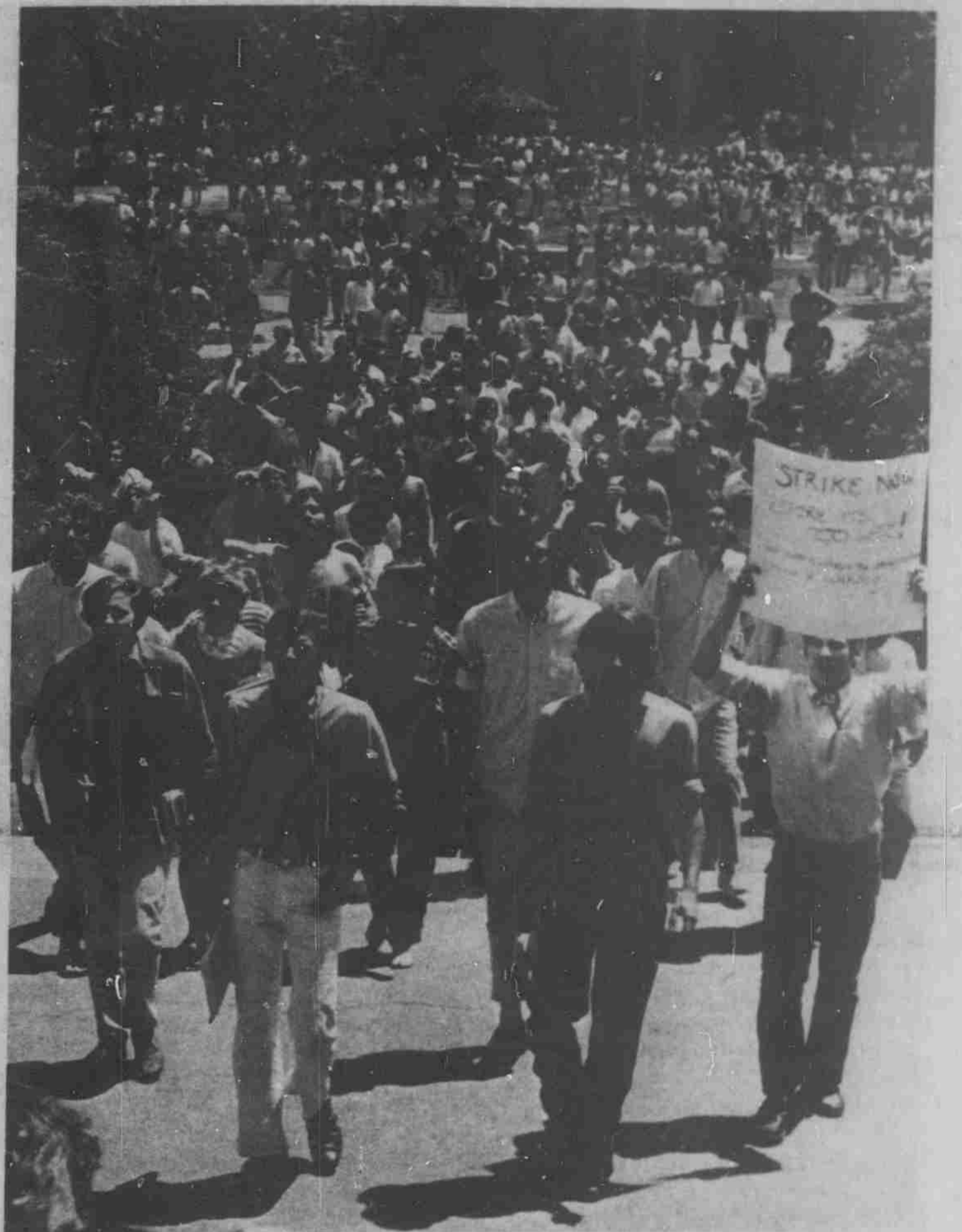
The Tuesday demonstration reached its peak shortly after 1 p.m. when approximately 2,000 students marched across campus chanting "On Strike! Shut It Down!"

The line of march started in Polk Place at the end of an hour-long rally and went past South Building, through Murphey Hall, past the AFROTC buildings, through the Union, past the NROTC building and back through South Building to Polk Place.

There were two incidents along the line of march. The first was at the Naval Armory where a number of the marchers stopped and lowered the flag there to half mast for the four students killed at Kent State Monday.

A group of NROTC students in red, white and blue armbands rushed through the marchers and raised the flag back to full staff.

As marchers turned back to re-lower the flag, one of their number mounted the anti-aircraft gun in front of the



MARCH ON SOUTH BUILDING—More than 1,000 students shouting "On strike, shut it down" marched through South Building Tuesday after leaving the Naval Armory. The doors to the main offices were closed when marchers entered but were opened by some of the demonstrators.

Dean of Student Affairs C.O. Cathey stood in the lobby and watched the march. Three panes of glass in the north door to the building were broken during the demonstration. (Staff photo by John Gellman)

Bello Condemns Violence

Working To Keep Peace

By Lou Bonds
Staff Writer

Student Body President Tom Bello yesterday released a statement condemning the use of violence by the University community in its protest against President Nixon's actions in Cambodia.

In other Student Government action yesterday, Student Body Vice President Bill Blue called a special session of the Student Legislature for 7:30 tonight in the event of any violence occurring in this afternoon's demonstration.

In his statement Bello warned against violence and indicated he is making efforts to insure against it.

"I am doing everything I can both to keep police and state troops off this campus and to insure that the emergency meeting tomorrow (of the student body) is a united, nonviolent protest.

"I share with all UNC students, workers and faculty bitter emotions of disgust and horror at Nixon's unconstitutional expansion of the war in Asia, and at the murders of my fellow students at Kent State.

"I feel as if I had been staked out and forced to watch the slaughter of my brothers and sisters," Bello said. "I have



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an indescribable emptiness in my stomach.

"The violence of war is intolerable, whether it be in Cambodia or Kent State."

Bello stated he would not justify any violence on the student body's part because today's meeting of the student body is a protest of violence.

"We will meet in an emergency session and we will seek meaningful answers to this unprecedented crisis," Bello said.

In calling the special Legislature session for tonight, Blue said any session of the Legislature must be called 24 hours prior to the meeting and "the Legislature should be in some position to remedy any violence should it take place," position to remedy any violence should it take place."

In last week's meeting of the Student Legislature, a resolution passed urging students to support a class boycott scheduled for today.

Blue said he is in favor of a peaceful protest but added "no one wants to see it turn into a riot.

"It would be easy for national leaders to dismiss protests that end in violence," he stated. "If we have a peaceful demonstration and show honest concern in a dignified manner then we can have a positive effect."

Blue noted other universities across the nation have closed their doors because of violence and expressed hope that would not happen at UNC.

According to Blue, 10,000 people are expected to turn out for the 1 p.m. rally in Polk

Place. He added that legislators have been contacted and asked to get in touch with as many of their constituents as possible for opinions on the rally.

Speaker Pro Tempore of the Student Legislature Charlie Dean viewed last week's passage of the boycott resolution as placing responsibility on legislative shoulders for any future violence stemming from the rally.

"In view of the fact that we initiated the boycott action, we are responsible for any violent or nonviolent action," Dean said. "However the Student Government is doing everything possible to make it a peaceful demonstration."

Representative Gene Yates who opposed the resolution last week doubted the effect of tonight's scheduled meeting.

"If any violence does occur, there will be nothing the Legislature can do about it tonight," Yates said. "I opposed the resolution last week on the grounds it was illegally passed and because I feared that violence might be caused."

The Judicial Committee, the Ways and Means Committee and the Rules Committee were scheduled to meet yesterday afternoon to discuss resolutions that will be introduced in tonight's meeting.

Inside Today

National

In North Carolina, as well as South Carolina and Virginia, college students held rallies and boycotted classes to protest the deaths of four Kent State University students Monday. A complete story of campus reaction in the state and region is on page 6.

State

More details on the situation at Kent State University can be found on page 5.

Many colleges and universities across the nation staged non-violent demonstrations Tuesday protesting the killing of four Kent State students by the Ohio National Guard during a demonstration there Monday. See story page 6.

Campus

Joe Beard has filed suit for \$35,000 against David Adcock and Bob Hunter charging libel in a recent petition circulated by members of the Young Republicans. Also, student government funds to the Black Student Movement have been frozen for the third time. Both stories are on page 5.

Majority Does Not Want Violence - Nixon

By United Press International

WASHINGTON—The White House said Tuesday in the aftermath of the Kent State University shootings that President Nixon believes "the great majority who demonstrate are opposed to violence and it is not the majority who bring about violence when it occurs."

Press Secretary Ronald A. Ziegler told newsmen Nixon understands "the deep feeling of many students and faculty" against the Southeast Asia involvement but feels he made the right decision in sending U.S. troops into Cambodia. The White House aide told

newsmen Nixon does not intend to meet with 34 college presidents who petitioned him to demonstrate his intention to end U.S. involvement in Southeast Asia.

Ziegler's remarks followed a statement Monday by the President on the slaying of four Kent State students in which Nixon said the tragedy should stand as a warning against the consequences of violent dissent.

Nixon issued the following statement after four students died in an antiwar demonstration at the Ohio school Monday:

"This should remind all (See Nixon, page 6)