

"We will not allow amoral institutions to trap good men," Boger said, referring to Knight. "We must do something important now. We are non-violent, but we will not be moved." Whereupon the demonstrators, the president of the student government among them, cheered and sang the old labor song, "We Shall Not Be Moved."

Advising the students throughout most of the demonstrations was John H. Strange, an assistant professor of political science who had been interested in the problems of the nonacademic employees since his days as a Duke undergraduate. Most of the student leaders had known Strange previously, some of them through his course on Negro politics. With his encouragement, the demonstrators left Knight's home Sunday for the main quadrangle and began the silent vigil.

Knight had indicated Saturday, at a memorial service for King, that he would establish a broadly representative university committee on the problems of the nonacademic employees. Otherwise, up to that point the demonstrators had accomplished little, although some of the student leaders understood Knight to have said, in his conversations with them, that he might soon resign from the country club.

Their numbers now multiplying, the demonstrators brought blankets and sleeping bags to the "quad," set up logistic groups for food and other essentials, and settled down for an indefinite stay. Monitors insisted on observance of the vigil rules against any behavior that might create a holiday atmosphere. Politically, the participants fell to the right of center as well as to the left. "Some people that even I consider reactionary were taking part," says Jim McCullough, editor of the *Chronicle* and a Goldwaterite from Honea Path, South Carolina.

On Monday, Local 77, encouraged by the student support, voted to strike; all members except hospital workers were to leave their jobs. Meanwhile, the students' support of the workers had become widely known and discussed in Durham's black community. The union leaders say they are convinced that this discouraged violence and kept Durham relatively calm following the King murder. All but a few members of Duke's Afro-American Society, however, disdained to take part in the vigil, doubting that it was militant enough to produce results.

A major break in the Duke crisis occurred Wednesday, the 4th day of

## NEWS IN BRIEF

● **SST BILL:** Senator Clifford P. Case (R-N.J.) has introduced a bill that would ban nonmilitary supersonic flights over the United States and its territories and possessions for an indefinite period. The bill (S. 3399) would also provide for a 2-year program of intensive investigation by the FAA into all aspects of the sonic "boom," and give the decision on overland supersonic flights to Congress. Noting that the U.S. SST fleet might eventually number from 200 to 1200 planes, Case said, "... as a nation I believe we are moving from blind idolization of technology to recognition that we must also be concerned with its effects on the quality of life and the livability of the environment."

● **NEW URBAN INSTITUTE:** On 26 April, the White House announced the creation of the Urban Institute, a private non-profit corporation which will have a \$5-million budget in its first year. The Washington-based institute will be funded by both the federal government and by private groups, such as the Ford Foundation. The director, William Gorham, now an assistant secretary of the Health, Education and Welfare Department, said between 25 and 75 researchers would be employed by the end of 1968, including scientists, economists, city planners, and engineers. The institute is modeled after the Rand Corporation and will operate as a private organization partly to overcome the salary limitations placed on government employees.

● **RESEARCH AND SOCIAL IMPLICATIONS:** The social implications of research in biology, medicine, and chemistry will be studied over a 3-year period by a new committee within the National Research Council's (NRC) Division of Behavioral Sciences. The new group—the Committee on Biological Research, Social Behavior, and Social Policy—will study social, moral, legal, and ethical issues and their relationship to research. Henry David, executive secretary of the NRC's division of behavioral sciences, cited a number of developments that may pose social questions in the near future, including determination of the sex of unborn children, extensive genetic control over plants and animals, alteration of complexion and skin color by inexpensive means,

and use of new biological and chemical technologies for military and policing purposes. More than half the committee, which will have about 15 members, is expected to be drawn from the social and behavioral sciences. Lawyers as well as biological and medical scientists are also expected to be on the committee. It has received \$90,000 from the Russell Sage Foundation to partially support its activities. No committee members have yet been named.

● **UNIVERSITY MANAGEMENT:** Four universities have been awarded grants to develop and test new management techniques for institutions of higher education. According to the Ford Foundation, which made the grants, "The aim is to increase college and university efficiency without dehumanizing the academic community or limiting academic freedom." Universities receiving the grants are Stanford, \$700,000; University of California, Berkeley, \$500,000; Princeton, \$250,000; and University of Toronto, \$750,000.

● **NEW PUBLICATIONS:** A survey of the marine activities of U.S. state and local governments has been prepared for the Commission on Marine Science, Engineering and Resources. The 480-page report, *A Perspective of Regional and State Marine Environmental Activities*, publication 177765, is available, at \$3 a copy or 65 cents on microfilm, from the Clearinghouse for Federal Scientific and Technical Information, Springfield, Va. 22151.

*Applied Science and World Economy*, the proceedings of the ninth meeting of the panel on Science and Technology before the House Committee on Science and Astronautics, is available, free, from the subcommittee, Room 2321 Rayburn House Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20515. A compilation of all papers given during the meeting, also titled *Applied Science and World Economy*, is available, at 35 cents a copy, from the U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402. *Sleep Bulletin*, a bimonthly publication listing references to current works on the physiology, biochemistry, and psychology of sleep, may be obtained, without charge, by writing to the UCLA Brain Information Service, Biomedical Library, Los Angeles, Calif.