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## Dorm resident claims shooting occurred after failed drug deal

BY JULIE LANNING  
Staff Writer

A male resident of Hill House told police he was shot at Feb. 14 after a drug deal involving LSD fell through.

Mel Gilroy, assistant director of Public Safety, said the student was brought in for questioning after the Hill House head resident told police that the student had informed him of the incident.

Gilroy said the student was apparently a middle man in the drug deal. He added the student said he received 10,000-15,000 hits of LSD from one party and delivered them to another party.

The student told Gilroy the first party shot at him because he did not have the money. The student said there were three or four people in a car belonging to the man who allegedly fired the shot.

Gilroy said he doesn't know if this incident occurred or not. The only evidence is the student's statements.

"Friday night is a busy night on campus. We had patrolmen cruising campus who didn't hear any gunshots and students who (See LSD, page 3)



## Aye, sir

The Oakland Sail/  
Mark Winkelbauer  
Dave Robinson of Rochester plays the bagpipes on campus Thursday as part of a CIPO noontime program.

## Racial gripes voiced to school administrators at Congress input forum

BY TIM MARINE  
Staff Writer

Racial complaints dominated University Congress' Input Committee Forum held Wednesday in the OC.

Student Derrick Lewis read a statement he sent to some administrators.

"Why is it that the Oakland black students are in such a state of disachievement?" he asked the panel of Dave Herman, dean of students, Cameron Brunet-Koch, director of CIPO, Alan Miller, vice president for campus operations, Eleanor Lewellen Reynolds, director of residence halls, Public Safety Chief Richard Leonard, Jack Wilson, associate vice president for student affairs and Registrar Larry Bartalucci.

Lewis said, "You rarely see a black student at Oakland for more than two years, mainly because of financial reasons."

He said CIPO's rule stipulating that registered clubs must have 10 members or more is "only going to affect black clubs."

"We're caught in the problem where there's a greater need than ever before for college-educated minorities," but availability of financial aid is declining, Wilson said.

After pointing out that the new state-funded Martin Luther King-Rosa Parks program brings seventh grade minority students to OU to acquaint them with college, Wilson said better preparation is the real barrier to minority students.

"The high schools aren't providing them with the mathematical and science background they need," Wilson said.

"All of us are doing our best to change the negative things," Herman said.

Engineering major Nicole Howard said she couldn't get help with a computer program from the student volunteers at Tau Beta Pi, alleging she was racially discriminated against.

"I'm so discouraged with the engineering program," she said.

"We don't get paid for those services," said Congress member

David Stillman, a member of the society. He said he doubted Howard wasn't able to get help because she was black.

Political science major Stacy Bolden complained that OU has no women's or minority studies programs, and that she had to go to the University of Michigan library to find alternative publications on women's issues not found in Kresge Library.

Wilson pointed out that the library gets more funds every year, although he called their funds "woefully inadequate."

In other issues, Julia Plevnia complained of being turned down for federal financial aid, as well as private bank loans, to pay for tuition.

Herman agreed it's getting tougher for students to get financial aid, but said OU has no plans to let students pay in installments.

"Oakland isn't big enough to float all these loans," he said.

Congress member Carl Hitch complained of the school staying open when there is a snowstorm.

"I get into accidents with (bad) weather conditions," he said.

Miller said OU is closed "when we're unable to provide support services, when (snow) is falling faster than we're able to remove it."

Bartalucci said he wasn't happy with the new computer system's performance during this semester's late registration period Jan. 5, but some of the 2,000 students should have pre-registered.

## Congress approves formation of committee to find solutions to student housing crunch

BY TIM MARINE  
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University Congress approved a bill creating a committee that will study the student housing crunch, replacing the task force that President Keith Faber set up recently on the same subject.

Faber said there are many possibilities for student housing. He thought apartments built on campus by private developers would be a better solution than building another dormitory. A new residence hall could raise the cost of room and board by as much as \$1,000 per year.

Higgins said the Congress committee will try to persuade apartment managers off campus to be more receptive to students who want to rent.

Congress member Steve Lundy said the board of trustees wasn't aware of the housing shortage until Faber's recent presentation "when we've been bringing it up for a long time."

"It should be a Congress committee, because it's something we're looking into," said Congress member David Stillman.

Congress member Randy Straughen, co-sponsor of the bill, said he wanted to see more results out of the committee than

came from last year's probe of the subject.

"I want student government to know we did something about this," he said.

Faber said he didn't oppose the committee formation, as long as it didn't get too large.

After the vote, when Stillman asked if Faber was going to disband his task force. Faber said, "Yes, providing Congress will accept" his nominations for the committee: Congress Executive Assistant Sean Higgins as chair, and Congress members Stillman, Nicole Bolden and Glen Grenevitch. Congress voted to accept them.

At the Feb. 16 meeting, Congress members were upset when Higgins announced the formation of the committee by Faber, in the president's absence.

"I don't like the process that is being used to put this through," Straughen said. "I can't see anywhere (Faber) has the power to do this," he added.

Congress also filled a vacancy at the March 2 meeting with the only nominee—junior Carl Hitch

He said he has "become very concerned about students and their rights," after finding out that a book he bought at the

bookstore was marked as being a desk copy that wasn't for resale. He is proposing a student book exchange.

The Student Activities Board was given a check for \$1,000

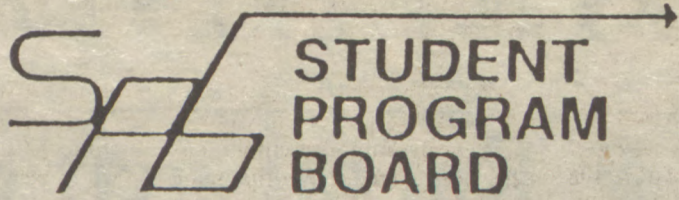
from business students who organized the John Naisbitt lecture last semester. They said they

had taken in more money from the speech than they'd expected.

## Truck blows its top



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# LSD

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were out who didn't hear any," said Gilroy.

He added that the student has a history of mental problems and has been in his office for disorderly conduct, which may indicate he made the story up to get attention.

Gilroy said even after questioning the student, he could not make a case because the student did not make a formal complaint and because he would not give names or descriptions of anyone else involved.

But Gilroy also said he spoke

with police in the student's home town, who said he is known to be a "nickel and dime dealer" when he goes home on weekends.

He added there is no new information on the alleged shooting and there is nothing else that he can do at this point.

Gilroy said he informed Oakland County narcotics officials of the deal so they could look for large quantities of LSD. Gilroy said he believes the drugs were not meant to be distributed at OU.

## Student arraigned in theft of Sweet Sensations cigarettes

BY JULIE LANNING  
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Student Meredith Kadlec will be arraigned March 16 in Oakland County Circuit Court for her part in the Feb. 6 burglary of Sweet Sensations.

Kadlec, 19, of Rochester, is one of three people who have already been issued warrants in connection with the theft of more than \$470 worth of cigarettes and lighters from the pastry shop on the upper level of the OC.

Kadlec was bound over for

trial on charges of breaking and entering a building with the intent to commit larceny after her preliminary exam in the 52-3 District Court March 2. She was released on a \$5,000 personal bond at that time.

Mel Gilroy, assistant director of Public Safety, said a fourth person involved has admitted his part in the burglary and a warrant will also be issued against him.

Gilroy added that more cigarettes and lighters have been recovered, bringing the total property returned up to about 80 percent.

# Minority enrollment lagging

BY TIM MARINE  
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While enrollment has increased about 14 percent in the last nine years, minority enrollment has been stagnant over that same time.

The combined minority—black, American Indian, Asian or Pacific Islander, and Hispanic—enrollment was 8.08 percent of Oakland's students in 1977, and only 7.95 percent this school year.

Black students are the largest minority on campus, with 5.23 percent or 664 students, down 10.5 percent from 742 students in 1977.

Lack of money and poor public school preparation, in addition to geographic barriers, keep OU out of black students' consideration, according to some university officials.

Jerry Rose, director of admissions, said it's mostly middle class students that are being squeezed out of federal financial aid programs.

"If you look at the dollars being spent, that might not say they're cutting back. But they're tightening up the eligibility requirements," Rose said.

Rose said many minority students considering Oakland are

from low-income families in Detroit or Pontiac, and can't afford to commute a few times a week. While there might be federal aid available for those students' tuition, there probably won't be enough for them to live on campus.

If "you have a student with full need (tuition, fees and housing)...it now costs \$5200 per year," Rose said.

Because of the poor public transportation link between Detroit and OU, or even nearby Pontiac and the university, black high school students consider Oakland to be an outstate college.

"We're competing against Michigan State University for students," said Rose.

Asian and Pacific Islander students only constitute 1.65 percent of the university's enrollment, but their numbers have quadrupled in the past few years. Rose said they're mainly math and science and majors.

"Most of the Asian students are sons and daughters of professional people," said Rose. He added their academic success in technical fields isn't surprising.

There will continue to be increases in Asian students on campus as long as they increase their percentage of the total population, said Rose.

For the economically and educationally disadvantaged minority students who don't plan for college, the university has increased its recruiting and academic support programs.

Wilma Ray-Bledsoe, vice president for student affairs, said this past fall's non-traditional recruiting paid off in the increase in black freshman enrollment from the fall of 1985.

By opening ties to community groups and churches, the school was able to reach students it might not have otherwise, Ray-Bledsoe, said.

She said a new state-funded recruiting program reaches far-

ther into the public schools, starting in seventh grade. The students tour campuses and are encouraged to excel in high school to prepare for college.

"The retention of minority students is another serious concern," she said.

The program brings high school students who have a grade point average between 2.0 and 2.5 to campus the summer after high school to sharpen their skills. Though it's not legally mandated to be, it has primarily helped minority students.

"(It) provides an opportunity for students who might not have demonstrated their full potential," she said.

Administrators are divided as to whether standardized tests are biased against minorities.

Nationwide, blacks have averaged about 700 on the SAT, while whites averaged about 900.

Though Oakland doesn't consider SAT scores as a factor in admitting a student, David Beardslee, director of institutional research, said a student should have at least a 900 to consider attending.

Beardslee sees blacks' low scores as a failure of the public schools.

While many black educators have attacked the SAT tests as biased, Rose also believes the tests are unfair to black students because they just aren't educated well enough for them.

"Our conclusion is the test score doesn't reflect the ability to compete," as much as parental reading habits and students' lack of study skills.

"There has been a considerable debate about the degree of cultural bias on those standardized tests," Ray-Bledsoe said.

"It's probably a combination of the inadequate preparation and a range of exposures that don't get at ability," she said.

## Campus crime committed by outsiders, Leonard says

BY TIM MARINE  
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The university's most serious crime problems result from non-students committing larcenies, according to Public Safety Chief Richard Leonard.

There were 193 larcenies at OU last year, up from 175 in 1985.

Leonard said the expanding population of Oakland County almost mandates that more non-students will appear on campus in the future.

Leonard said outsiders will sometimes roam the residence halls looking for open doors, and if they find one, and "nobody's there, easy pickings."

"We have to make a more concentrated effort of questioning people we don't know in the dorms," he said.

Leonard also said if people took proper precautions, like locking offices and vehicles, his job would be much easier.

But his job isn't made any

easier with a staff of only 14 people, including four supervisors. Leonard only has a couple officers patrolling OU at a time, he said.

He will ask for a full-time detective and full-time dispatchers, both necessitating more money.

Leonard said he thinks media coverage of crime scares people into thinking, "if it's happened (elsewhere), it's going to happen here," he said.

Sixty-seven malicious destructions of property occurred on campus last year, up from 49 in 1985. There were also 28 assault and battery cases last year, up from 24 in 1985.

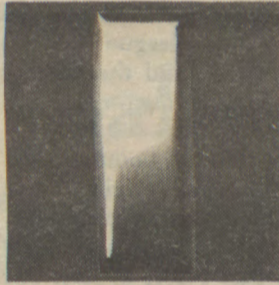
Leonard also said he wished the residence hall staff monitored student drinking better.

"I would like to see them enforce their rules (about drinking) a little better than they do," he said. "I'm not saying they aren't doing the best they can do with the guidelines they have," he added.

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