

# RACIST "EGGED" by STUDENTS

NEW YORK--Former Mississippi governor Ross Barnett, heavily guarded by local police, was able to duck a barrage of eggs as he invaded the City College of New York campus last week to deliver a diatribe against the civil rights bill. But his ears must still be burning from the torrent of indignant abuse heaped on his head by 2,000 protesting students.

Smiling tautly, the segregationist ex-governor arrived at the campus in a taxicab crowded with plainclothes policemen. For a few moments after he stepped out no one in the waiting crowd recognized him. He had time to say into a cluster of microphones: "I'm used to this kind of crowd." Then a few eggs splattered on the sidewalk near him.

"Get the governor moving," a plainclothesman barked.

HURRIED PAST a bust of Lincoln inscribed "Charity for All," Barnett stepped over a whitewashed greeting, "Block Barnett," and was hustled up the back stairs into the Great Hall.

The platform, in front of a vast mural showing youth accepting the torch of learning from symbolic figures representing the Disciplines, was empty of faculty.

The college president, Dr. Buell G. Gallagher, had said: "For myself, I shall express my disdain for racism by being absent from the meeting." Consequently, rows of empty chairs confronted the 64-year-old former governor when he mounted the platform, although the main floor was jammed with about 1,100 students.

For security reasons, no one had been allowed in the two balconies. More than 200 uniformed policemen were deployed around the building. Additional private guards inside the hall tried to suppress an uproar of dissent that began as soon as Barnett attempted to speak.

ROBERT ROSENBERG, the president of the student government, was received with a mixed chorus of applause, hisses and boos as he introduced Barnett and defended the ex-governor's right to be heard.

"A college is a place to explore ideas and thoughts, to hear ideas expressed from different sections of America," Rosenberg told the audience.

Barnett, carrying a handful of notes, strode to the podium.

"I'm grateful for the ..." he began. The rest of the sentence was lost in a howling gust of abuse.

"Fascist, get out!"

several students shouted.

"You're a murderer!" a young woman screamed.

Rosenberg went to the podium and raised his hands for quiet, but the uproar went on for several minutes. Most of the heckling came from supporters of the Ad Hoc Committee to Oppose Barnett, representing 14 campus groups. The committee had distributed paper armbands bearing the words "Human Dignity."

Some students yelled "Shut up!" at the hecklers, but several hecklers had to be ejected by the guards before Barnett could be heard.

HOOTS AND DERISIVE laughter as-

salled Barnett when he charged that Communists were behind the civil rights movement, that the Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr., once attended a Communist training school and that the civil rights bill would install tyranny.

More laughter greeted his comment that "If New York wants to integrate and end up with a mongrel race, that's all right--that's your business."

Barnett spoke for 35 minutes. Then he was whisked out a side door and off the campus before the pickets on Convent Avenue were aware that he had gone.

Barnett had been invited to speak by the Student Government



KICKING CABINET--Kenneth Kaunda (third from right rear), Prime Minister of the new African nation of Northern Rhodesia, is a firm believer in the benefits of physical fitness. Kaunda organized his cabinet into a soccer team (above) and it was able to battle its way back to a 4-4 draw in a recent game after trailing 4-0. Kaunda immediately flung a challenge to the British cabinet.

Public Affairs Forum, which paid his traveling expenses of about \$200 and \$175 rental for the Great Hall. The

money comes out of the student activities fee that each student must pay. The fee is \$3 a semester.




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