

A Tragic Time for University

Where law ends, there tyranny begins.

— William Pitt, 1770.

This is a tragic time on the University of Wisconsin campus when National Guard troops and hundreds of police must be called in to maintain order.



But the troops and police are necessary because a small, hard-core minority would disrupt a great university and

deny the civil rights of the great majority of the 33,000 students who attend the university to obtain an education.

And if there ever was a time for cool heads and rational decisions by every strata of officialdom it is now.

Those few legislators who would make political capital out of these

tragic times by foolish proposals for widespread "investigations" are playing right into the hands of the disrupters who would like nothing better than to close this great institution of learning.

Gov. Warren Knowles has rightly proposed necessary legislation to "put teeth" into directives adopted recently by the University Board of Regents and regents of the State University System to handle the disrupters and the rioters.

Certainly all reasonable citizens will agree with the governor when he said, "thoughtful and aggressive—but peaceful—dissent is a natural part of the inquiring nature of the educational process, but violence, no matter what the cause, has no place on our campuses."