

Campus Unrest and Generation Gap

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KENT, Ohio — "The Kerner Commission said a very beautiful thing," a black student named Robert S. Pickett told the President's Commission on Campus Unrest last week, "which you guys could probably say, too."

He opened a paperback copy of the report by the Commission on Civil Disorders and changing two phrases

News Analysis began to read from the conclusion:

"Our nation is moving toward two societies, student or intellectual, and hardhat. . ."

The finding of the Kerner Commission that the nation was moving toward a black and a white society and that "white racism" was at the root of much of the problems of American society has had little effect on the lives of Negroes. And it seems doubtful that whatever the campus commission says when it makes its report in late September or reearly October will calm the nation's troubled youth.

The commission and its staff have held public hearings at Kent State University. Four students were shot in a volley of National Guardsmen's fire last week at Kent State.

Panel Finds a Wide Gulf Between Young and Old

lieve that Cambodia and Kent galvanized previously undemonstrative students into action and note that there was fierce street fighting at such disparate campuses as the University of Wisconsin, Southern Illinois and the State University at Buffalo.

Further Radicalization

And they feel that police action has caused further radicalization. At the University of New Mexico, for instance, several students were bayoneted along with a television cameraman whose multiple wounds, the Guard asserted, were caused by a fall into a rose bush.

Throughout the country, particularly in cities where there are large universities, "youth colonies" are being formed in parks and other places where the young gather. Last week Tom Hayden, one of the astute of the movement, suggested that the events we

Mrs. Doris Aick, a middle-aged housewife who, by July 5, had collected 8,011 signatures on a petition supporting the action of the Guard.

"Seven years ago it was perfectly safe for me to take my daughters to the movies," she said. "Now, all the movies are about sex and violence, and we do not go downtown at night, any night. The students sit on the sidewalk with their feet in the street, and you have to step over them."

(The features at the Kent theaters last week were "Chisum," the John Wayne Western, Walt Disney's "The Boatniks" and a Tarzen movie.)

Some Canvassers Afraid

The only difficulty she had in getting signatures, Mrs. Aick said, arose because some canvassers were afraid to go to houses where students live.

"There's a youth hood in the neighborhood."