

# Nixon Names A Campus Task Force

KEY BISCAVNE — (AP) — President Nixon appointed a special commission yesterday to seek causes and cures of campus unrest and violence. Four of the nine panel members are Negroes.

Nixon signed an executive order creating what will be known formally as the President's Commission on Campus Unrest.

The chairman is William W. Scranton, 52, former Republican governor of Pennsylvania.

Spurred by the shooting deaths of four students at Kent State University in Ohio and two youths at Jackson State College in Mississippi, Nixon directed the commission to "report to me before the beginning of the coming academic year."

He will ask Congress to supply the commission with subpoena powers and promised it would have access to the investigative facilities of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and other federal agencies.

Nixon said of the upheaval in the college world:

"While the overwhelming majority of those who live and work in the academic community are dedicated to nonviolence, there have nevertheless been over 100 campuses on which violent acts have recently occurred.

#### Objectives Told

"The tragic results have included loss of life, vast property damage and serious disruption of the educational process. This situation is a matter of vital concern to all Americans."

He said he wants the commission:

- "To identify the principal causes of campus violence. . . ."

- To assess the reasons for breakdown in the processes for orderly expression of dissent.

- "To suggest specific methods and procedures through which legitimate grievances can be resolved.

- "To suggest ways to protect and enhance the right of academic freedom, the right to pursue an education free from improper interference, and the right of peaceful dissent and protests."

#### Members Listed

Negro members of the commission are Dr. James E. Cheek, 37, president of Howard University, Washington, D.C.; Benjamin O. Davis, 57, public safety director of Cleveland and a former Air Force lieutenant general who became the nation's highest ranking Negro military man; Revius O. Ortique Jr., 46, a New Orleans attorney and former president of the National Bar Association; and Joseph Rhodes Jr., 22, a junior fellow at Harvard University.

#### Other commissioners:

James Ahern, 38, chief of police, New Haven, Conn.; Erwin D. Canham, 66, editor-in-chief, the Christian Science Monitor, Boston; Martha A. Derthick, political science professor at Boston College, and Bayless Manning, 47, dean of the Stanford University Law School.