

Reagan Doubts Job For Angela

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SACRAMENTO — A restrained Governor Reagan today said Angela Davis' acquittal underscores his belief in the American judiciary but he doubted the University of California would rehire her.

Reagan told a news conference in his Capitol office that he was not surprised by the not guilty verdict adding he thought the prosecution had a tough case to prove.

"I've always said the establishing of a connection (between Miss Davis and the Marin County shootout) would be extremely difficult," Reagan said.

The Governor said now that Miss Davis has been acquitted her supporters "ought to think about whether the demonstrations they've staged" are worth the civil disruptions.

"I would think they'd have second thoughts now and would give the system another chance," Reagan said. He said the system required proof beyond a reasonable doubt for conviction.

"Such proof was not forthcoming (at the trial) and she has been determined to be not guilty by the jury," the Governor said.

Reagan, as chairman of the UC Board of Regents, led the efforts several years ago to oust Miss Davis from her assistant professorship at UCLA. He denied again today his opposition to her was based on her Communist Party membership.

"The same conditions that

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caused the Regents to believe she should not be rehired still exist," the governor replied to a question over whether Miss Davis' future employment may be at UCLA.

Asked to list the "conditions," the Governor said Miss Davis spoke against the system which hired her while she advocated revolutionary change.

He said she was "speaking and inflaming against the system" which she sought to overturn.

Reagan also noted a condition for rehiring Miss Davis was for her to show work toward a doctoral degree. He said she stopped her advanced degree work, which disqualified her from the faculty.

Asked specifically his reaction yesterday when he heard of the acquittal verdict, Reagan responded: "Nothing more than acceptance. I happen to believe in the system."

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