Saloma fears funds cutoff

By Joe Kashi

Threatening to slash federal aid to colleges, a number of current Congressional bills would penalize universities which fail to discipline students engaged in violent protest.

Professor John Saloma (XVII) sees these measures as a result of a strong backlash against campus dissent prevalent among many Capitol Hill figures. The reaction is still forming along regional lines, though it appears that heavy criticism and restrictive laws will spread to areas yet to be struck by disruptive disturbance.

But Saloma foresees problems ahead even in the area of mental health, Education, and Welfare when it tries to enforce such legislation. He sees the tension between the United States and Peru, he pointed out the potential embarrassment and harm to all parties involved.

Politically beneficial

Politically, disruptive unrest appears to have become a lightning rod for President Nixon because of his right-center image. Even Senator Edward Kennedy is apparently downplaying his association with student masses in elite schools when most of the unrest has occurred.

Saloma indicated this could be considered a reliable sign that identification in the public’s mind with the aspirations of student activists will be a distinct liability for the future and in political campaigning. Most of the opposition is coming from the middle class, which cannot understand why the militants are marching away from the right, which doesn’t want to.

Professor John S. Saloma

The tactic employed at present by radicals is inviting prosecution. Rather than enacting new laws, Saloma feels that the violence can best be curbed by the enforcement of existing laws. The success enjoyed by officials at Dartmouth and Columbia, who chose to court orders rather than police action, was indicative of the developing ability to cope with radical tactics.

Dissent tolerated within

The university is the primary enclave of dissent and has tolerated in forms which are not approved outside the academic community. Prof. John S. Saloma

Detail an attack on the Pentagon.

The data of the 300-plus page report will be published shortly in book form, prefaced with an introduction by Kennedy. The study was commissioned, explained Dr. Wiener, to correct the lack of information among both the Congress and the general public. Written for the scientific community, it will provide another source of data besides the official Department of Defense figures.

Other contributors

Wiener said he did not attempt the entire study them- selves. "We were swamped," he said. "We couldn’t do it by ourselves."

"The two decided to ask for help. The third decided to be asked."

The final schedule for Kaleido- scope has not yet been determined, but listing all of the events will be available Friday morning in the Building 10 lobby and the Cen- ter."