ISU Meeting Objects
To ‘Plainclothesman’

The organizational meeting of the Independent Student Union (ISU) Tuesday night revolved around the alleged presence of a plainclothed member of the Campus Security Police at the meeting.

Organizer of the ISU and one of last year’s candidates for vice president of Student Assembly, Robert A. Bercus, arts-4, told the group a middle-aged male sitting in the front row at the meeting room was a member of the security force.

“We have a perfect example of what is going wrong with this University in the presence of this policeman in the front row,” Bercus said.

The alleged plainclothesman, a middle-aged, balding man, was asked why he was present for the meeting. He refused to comment and did not leave upon request by Bercus.

At the request of spokesman Bercus, the group adopted a statement criticizing the man’s presence at the meeting.

The statement, to be sent to top administration officials, members of the security staff and the Lantern, read in part:

“We would like to call to your attention an event of Tuesday night, Oct. 1. That night the ISU was legally holding an organizational meeting in Page Hall, Room 100. The meeting was attended, without invitation, by a plainclothed officer of the Campus Security Force.

Be it known that we refuse to be intimidated by such low class espionage and harassment.”

Of some 30 present, 16 members of the ISU signed the complaint, which will be given, according to Bercus, to the following people:

President Novice G. Fawcett, Vice Presidents Carson, Corbally and Mount; Marion Curry; Okie Starr; Charles Gambs; Gordon Grigsby; and the editor of the Lantern.

Heated debate proceeded adoption of the statement, but its passage carried with only three dissenting votes.

Principal speakers at the group’s first meeting of the year were Bercus; William Schmidt, arts-5; and John Alloway, arts-3.

The group agreed to meet bi-weekly during the school year.

ISU Members Eject Reporter From Meeting

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The ISU decided at their Tuesday night meeting to wait to see if today’s Lantern carried anything on their expulsion of a Lantern reporter before they print handbills to explain their reasons for asking the reporter to leave.

The leaflets are scheduled to be handed out on campus Thursday.

A second reporter attended the meeting after the first was ejected.

The ISU tentatively approved a statement for the leaflets saying that Lantern reporters would no longer be permitted to cover their meetings because they are no legitimate members of the press. The statement said Lantern reporting, because of pressure of grades and editing, is not accurate and has not been fair to the ISU in the past.

Members were also asked to consider a week-long picket of the Administration Building in support of a possible strike by the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME).

Robert Bercus, Arts-4, said that if there is no AFSCME strike, they could picket in support of ISU principals more student rights and the like.

The idea was to be considered and a final decision to be made at a later date.

In other action support was asked in passing out leaflets at the Ohio Union Saturday at 10 a.m. at the meeting of the Big Ten dorm conference.

After the meeting, hand-painted ISU posters were sold for 25 cents. Proceeds will help defray costs of paper for making handbills, Bercus said.
ISU Pickets Challenge
Fawcett Keynote Speech

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Ohio State.

President Novice G. Fawcett, keynote speaker for the Ohio Association of School Administrators (OASA) Wednesday night, was picketed by approximately 65 persons who were protesting the manner in which Fawcett and the Board of Trustees "rule"

The picketing, which was sponsored by the Independent Student Union (ISU), began at 7:30 in front of the Neil House, at Broad and High Streets, and drew a small crowd. Leaflets citing examples of student problems which the demonstrators say have been neglected, were distributed.

Robert Stabile, OASA member from Akron, commented that he thought the group was demon-strating to the wrong person, and if anything was to be accomplished the group should picket the mayor and Columbus city council.

William A. Schmidt, a businessman from Fairfield Park, said anyone who does not like what a school administration does should get out, and he did not know what gave students the idea that a campus was a democracy.