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Nobel Laureate Linus Pauling Thursday night criticized the suspension with pay of Stanford Professor H. Bruce Franklin as "an extraordinary and unprecedented violation of the principles of academic freedom and individual rights—a really dangerous introduction of authoritarianism in the University."

His remarks were made public following a faculty Senate meeting, where President Richard W. Lyman explained the actions he took in accord with University tenure policy and recent efforts to obtain a court injunction to help maintain peace on campus.

The President said it was difficult to discuss in detail the reasons for his judgment that Professor Franklin should be suspended last Friday, since the case is now progressing in accord with the tenure policy provisions. He indicated that Professor Franklin had until Feb. 25 to indicate whether he wished additional charges made by the President, which could lead to his dismissal, to be included in a hearing before the Advisory Board as a result of Professor Franklin's alleged participation in the Henry Cabot Lodge incident. The President said he understood the Board, a group of seven full professors elected by the faculty, was ready to set a time for the hearing soon after Professor Franklin's preferences were known. Tenure policy requires both a formal filing of charges and an opportunity to develop a defense prior to such a hearing.

Citing student newspaper columnists, President Lyman said "very energetic efforts" were being made to "create confusion and sow fear" about the provisions of a temporary restraining order issued by Santa Clara County Superior Court Judge Homer Thompson.

Professor Franklin and several other named defendants obtained a continuance to Mar. 1 for a hearing on the order. Other individuals, named but not served with the original order, are covered in a second document with identical provisions, issued by the court Thursday.

Noting "widespread misunderstanding" over the inclusion of 1,000 "John Does" in the order, President Lyman reiterated that the only way further named defendants can be added to the order is if the individuals are identified as having committed certain acts described in the document between Jan. 11 and mid-February. He said it was "extremely unlikely" that "any significant number" of persons would be so added.

While critics have said the injunction was designed to curb "effective protest," President Lyman maintained that this argument implies the only effective means of protest are those enjoined by the court order—trashing, occupying buildings, and other disruptive or destructive acts. Picketing and other lawful means of protest clearly are not enjoined, he indicated.

Pending a court ruling on the preliminary injunction, Professor Franklin is at liberty to talk with students, "some enrolled, some not," President Lyman said.

President Lyman reported that John Keilch, a library employee who faces possible suspension as a result of the Henry Cabot Lodge incident, had chosen not to have his case heard by a single hearing officer, nominated by the President and subject to Keilch's approval. Instead, a three man panel began to review his case under grievance procedures Thursday.

In a separate report to the faculty Senate, Provost William Miller said a controversial SRI computer programming project, cited by demonstrators prior to occupation of the Computer Center, was unclassified. While it fell "within the letter of the law," it "skirted very close" to the borders of the spirit of University policy. Provost Miller said he had been informed by SRI officials that they did not intend to use the Stanford computer for this project Monday, Feb. 8, two days prior to the Center's occupation.

Provost Miller said President Nixon's budget proposals are the first in four years to call for significant expansion in federal funding for academic research, especially in civilian oriented areas. The 1971-72 Stanford budget, outlined last fall to the faculty Senate, includes a modest fund to provide "seed money" for proposals in these same fields.