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Students Mobilize



SICC TAKES ACTIVE

POSITION!!

by EILEEN BRENNAN

What Has Gone Down So Far

Last week hundreds of Students, Faculty, and Staff solidarity grew to over a thousand. They mobilized in the Auditorium to discuss all of this and what actions to take.

COMMITTEES FORMED:

Immediate Action Committee—Which began discussing the issues at hand; and who the REAL ENEMY is. How to strike back? They began to understand Rocky's plus other Cooperation-Industry owners power. People also began to understand how that power means them deciding our education; if we eat; if we work; basically every facet of our existence.

This committee began fighting back.

They demonstrated continuously at Rocky's Banks. This process showed the enemy we mean business; and was a building towards this massive Rally and Demo, Thur. Dec. 5th).

They demanded a restoration of all CUNY money. But not from Welfare, Day-

Care, other Social Services; the Poor—But from Cooperations and Rockies...

Community and School Outreach Committee—This committee began informing Students, Faculty, Staff, Community People, and all workers of the many areas being cut in all parts of our lives; and that only united will we win.

Administration Committee—They drew up demands and presented these to President Birenbaum. These demands are: 1. Immediate reinstatement of priority registration; which allows students to register early for next semester's courses; 2 Restoration of all adjunct and full time teacher; 3 No cancellation of Friday and Saturday classes; 4 No reduction in maximum credit hours allowed a student per semester; 5 Summer school "or else"; 6 No shutdown during Christmas holidays; 7 Full Library service on weekends

CUNY Committee—These people started contacting all other CUNY Colleges to begin a united force, of all

STUDENTS ASSEMBLE AT CITY HALL

On November 26, 1974, the students from SICC met with students from John Jay Richmond, and Baruch Colleges in front of City Hall to demonstrate against Mayor Beame's Budget Cut from the CUNY.

The SICC students met at the school at about 10:00 a.m. and boarded buses to drive them to the ferry. They then marched to City Hall where they met the other students. About four hundred people

assembled, complete with picket signs, megaphone, and hot coffee, and carried on a peaceful demonstration of clapping hands and chanting that at times even drew the support of the police there on duty.

The students left at about 1:30 after sending a delegation in to confront the Mayor. The entire demonstration was without incident despite cries of "wolf" from student leaders that it would end in violence and bloodshed.

universities, in fighting back.

WHY

In the last six months CUNY as a whole has been cut by 34 million dollars. Financial aid has been cut by the Federal Government, and the state. This is forcing students out of the university and effectively destroying Open Admissions.

They are not only cutting our Education and Financial Aid, but Welfare, Jobs, Wages, Veterans Benefits, and other Social Services.

If educated we leave school to enter a very heavy competitive Labor Market with nothing or very little to compete for.

Many people competing for few jobs means lower wages. This is because if you demand decent wages, your job can be filled from the masses of unemployed.

When unemployed we are forced on inadequate Welfare or other government subsistence programs.

Those unemployed become a Reserve

Labor Force (people shuffled into industry when corporations, owned by and benefiting a few, decide to expand. Like when the U.S. goes to war.)

On the State level Rockefeller still controls education, through a variety of ways. Permanent or long term education laws written by Rockefeller, still control how education operates in New York. He still has many loyal supporters in the state legislature. Much of the executive bureaucracy is Rockefeller's creation, and the people in it were appointed by him.

On the local level, Rockefeller has hand picked seven of the ten members of the BHE (Board of Higher Education). Even three of the BHE members are bankers, two of whom work for Chase Manhattan and Chemical.

On the Federal level Rockefeller is soon to be Vice-President, and hopes to be President. It is the federal level that is cutting and passing out financial aid, except for loans, which you borrow from the banks.



1. PROBLEM

CITY UNIVERSITY 1974-75 EMERGENCY BUDGET REDUCTIONS

University Budget Office
November 13, 1974

1974-75 EMERGENCY BUDGET REDUCTIONS

City Problem: Budget shortfall of \$400 million

- Declining revenues \$150 million
- Increased costs—\$250 million

Steps to meet the gap:

- Special revenue increases of \$70 million
- Budget reductions of \$330 million (8.5 percent of controllable tax levy)

Impact on CUNY:

- Total budget . . \$585.2m
- Tax levy share . . \$192.7m
- “Controllable” tax levy . . \$166.8m
- Savings . . \$14.2m (8.5 percent)

The \$14.2m reduction becomes \$24.3 because of state aid matching funding formulas.

THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE STATE AID SHORTFALL MAKES THE PROBLEM EVEN WORSE

In addition to the \$24.3 million savings, CUNY must meet the community college state aid shortfall:

The originally estimated \$9.5m has been reduced by:

- An anticipated overage in fee collections . . \$1.9m
- Estimated enrollments 3,700 greater than projected, less additional \$1.2m allocation . . \$1.9m

\$3.8m

Total shortfall . . \$5.7m

Total savings:

- City cuts . . \$24.3m
- State aid shortfall . . \$3.7m

\$30.0m

WHAT WILL BE THE IMPACT OF SAVINGS ON CUNY UNITS?

Of the \$30 million to be underspent in the 1974-75 budget, \$8.2 million can be achieved by technical savings in fringe benefits and other centrally held funds.

To achieve the remaining amount, \$21.8 million, a 3.94 percent budget reduction will be needed at each CUNY unit.

Senior Community SEEK College Discovery
University Management
Other Programs

Each college must save 3.94 percent of its budget.

The college budgets include:

- 1974-75 base budget
- Workload allocations
- Supplementary and management systems allocations
- Collective bargaining funds

Savings of 3.94 percent must come from:

- Personnel service
- Non-fringe OTPS

Savings cannot be made by increasing deficits beyond present levels in fuel and heat, light and power codes.

ENROLLMENT PROJECTIONS

Senior colleges

-No new funds available for overenrollment

-Spring UAPC allocations will attempt to assign students to underenrolled institutions

Community colleges

-Overenrollment generates \$845 in state aid per FTE

-We estimate 1,500 additional FTE's this year

-\$1.2 million set aside for later allocation

-Spring UAPC allocations will assign students to underenrolled colleges

SEVERAL POLICY ISSUES

SEEK to minimize impact on quality and enrollments

Required cuts appear to be “for real”

Increase graduate tuition

Impose hiring freeze

Payroll rollovers into 1975-76

POSSIBLE STEPS TO SAVE FUNDS

Cut back hourly employees and adjuncts

Reduce OTPS

Eliminate provisional employees

Cancel sabbaticals (PSC issue)

Reduce funded leaves of absence

Cut back on released time

Eliminate small courses and sections

Increase contact hours and class size

CITY UNIVERSITY 1974-75 EMERGENCY BUDGET REDUCTIONS STATEN ISLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE

I. 1974-75 BASE BUDGET	\$17,168
II. INCREASES	
A. Supplementary Allocations	64
B. Collective Bargaining Funds To Be Allocated	213
Total Increases	277
III. 1974-75 Net Budget	\$17,445
IV. 3.94 percent Savings Required (687)	
V. Revised 1974-75 Budget	\$16,758

o Excludes SEEK and College Discovery; Budget condition of 9-26-74

2. CONTRADICTION

REQUEST BUDGET FOR 75-76 SUBMITTED

With its open admissions pipeline near filled and a moderate rise in enrollment expected near year, the City University of New York's budget is levelling off, according to CUNY Chancellor Robert J. Kibbee who today made public his proposed university funding model for 1975-76.

Dr. Kibbee's budget request, submitted to the Board of Higher Education, comes to \$699 million. But the chancellor emphasized that while the requested increase in such inflation-related areas as fuel, supplies, electricity and salaries was \$65.1 million, this 11.1 percent increase was below last year's 12.1 percent escalation in the cost of living. A \$22.5 million increase in debt service on CUNY Construction Fund bonds accounts for a total mandatory increase of \$87.6 million.

To cover these massive mandatory increases in cost that CUNY must meet next year, and “at the same time continue to pursue our academic mission,” Dr. Kibbee said, “will demand increased productivity from administration, staff and faculty as well as the continued in-

duence of students, who will be without many of the amenities routinely provided in more generously financed academic institutions.”

The university's mandatory obligations for the coming year account for more than three-quarters of the overall 19.4 percent budget increase. Of the \$87.6 million total, \$20.7 million is needed to cover higher prices of fuel, electricity, equipment and supplies; \$9.2 million will be needed to fund a moderate enrollment increase of 3,250 full-time equivalent students; \$5.0 million will support new rentals and costs of maintaining and equipping new facilities.

The \$22.5 million in debt service for CUNY Construction Fund bonds will pay for new campus construction scheduled for the next academic year.

Chancellor Kibbee noted that the debt service rise is largely a consequence of the back-up in CUNY's building program over past years. “In the long run this investment in capital facilities will yield economies to the university by enabling us to reduce the heavy rental payments we must now carry in our operating budget.”

The university's space needs require an additional \$2.5 million for rentals next

year, bringing CUNY-wide rentals to almost \$17 million annually. Another \$2.5 million is needed to equip and maintain new facilities as they are completed.

Full funding by the state of their portion of CUNY's community college budgets was said to be a key factor in the budget request. “Since 1971 our community colleges have been funded through a restrictive formula rather than the 40 percent state aid share intended by state law. This lack of proper funding support from the state seriously threatens the existence of vital technical programs. Return to the full 40 percent state funding is essential if advanced career education is to survive in this city,” Dr. Kibbee said.

Dr. Kibbee is requesting \$12 million in additional funds for “strengthening the university.” Included under that budget category are

- \$1.5 million for internal program evaluation and analysis
- \$2 million for cooperative programs with the city's high schools
- \$4 million for adult programs
- \$2 million for veterans programs
- \$2 million for technical education programs

-\$0.5 million for improvement of public safety on CUNY campuses.

In submitting his request for a total \$699 million budget, Chancellor Kibbee noted that the city was being asked to provide \$311.3 million of CUNY's operating needs, and that the state's share would come to \$284.8 million. The rest of the budget would come from student fees and tuition (\$52 million), city funding of CUNY Construction Fund debt service (\$38.6 million), federal funds (\$6 million), and other sources such as pension interest, Board of Education support for Hunter College elementary and high schools, facilities rentals and transcript fees (\$6.3 million). CUNY's budget this year is \$585.2 million.

After the public hearing on November 21, the budget request was presented to the Board of Higher Education at its November 25, public meeting. If approved by the BHE, the request is then transmitted to the Mayor, who must certify the city's level of support by December 15th. The budget request is then submitted to the state for its approval.

President Birenbaum Makes No Waves by René + Warren

Nov. 26, 1974

Today, President Birenbaum invited the members of SICC press to a news conference. In this conference he re-iterated his position concerning the effects of the budget cut on SICC, and what measures will be implemented to close the budget gap, as he presented it to the Faculty Council meeting on Nov. 21.

Some of the suggested budgetary alternatives offered by President Birenbaum were discussed. A member of the press asked Birenbaum what he was doing to restore the SICC budget rather than cutting school faculty, courses, and

facilities. The president responded to the questions by passing the buck up to the Board of Higher Education. He stated that he was subject to the rulings of the Board of Higher Education and that any action on his part, outside of his choosing the budgetary alternatives, would be incongruent with BHE mandates.

According to current information, there is a definite fiscal plight in the city, and the president believes that close adherence to the economic policies of the Board is necessary. That is his present stand.

Birenbaum did, however, consult with a committee of faculty and elected student leaders to ascertain advise in solving the

problem. When asked why information about student participation in the committee was not disclosed, he said that was because the Student Government never responded to his invitation to attend.

At this time, President Birenbaum is prepared to sit out the threatening budget cut and depend on the method of operation proposed by the Board of Higher Education. In closing the interview, President Birenbaum submitted the list of budget alternatives which he will have to choose from in his compliance of BHE directives.

1. Do not admit projected new student enrollment for Spring Semester. . .
2. Reduction in Evening Session.
3. Reduce average student hour load to 14
4. Reduce Science Labs by one hour
5. Require teaching hours to equal credits.
6. Close Library on Weekends
7. Additional Savings in OTPS Budget
8. No classes under 20 except remedial
9. Reduce miniversity budget by \$15,000
10. Abolition of Catalog
11. Redeployment of counsellors to teaching positions
12. Instructional contribution by administrators
13. Released time reductions
14. Increase of standard teaching load in College from 12 to 15 hrs.

B.P. REACTS

TO: The Student Elected Leadership of S.I.C.C.

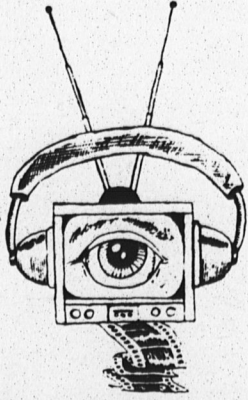
FROM: The Editorial Board of The Black Press

Your ignorance is only surpassed by your inability to see the current trend towards the utilization of your student body by the agent provocateurs, of the various colleges around the island, to implement their distaste for the recent budget cut.

During the mock stage of the Teach-in sponsored by the Peoples' Group here on campus, we witnessed the agitation of a significant number of your student body by a faction of student radicals, who for the most part do not benefit from the educational processes here at the college, with the exception of utilization of their collective budgets to finance these out dated demonstrations.

Be it far from the journalistic goals of the publication committee to go entirely against the grain of dissemination of the relevant information. But it would seem that your disregard for the communications from the President of your College in reference to Telecommunications tape Cherry Hill, N.J. The Consolidation of Day and Evening Session student governments-S.I.C.C. Student Federation.

This is not to say that you should have completely believed every word that came out of the mouth of your President, for politicians are not to be taken for their words: actors not being responsible for the



content of the scripts they play. We will say that it is impossible to set strategies for positive action if the main communication network has been clouded before the issues are clear.

Militant action is dead, mass demonstrations cause overt injuries, covert psychological injuries and anxiety that does not dictate a realistic learning atmosphere. When will the leadership of these halls of higher education realize that the student who is not a student of 1974-75 but a throw-back of the 1967-68 student leadership can not lead the people you are supposed to lead? When will this "old ass" student leadership realize what year this is? For your information, the year is 1974, the last of 1974.

To conform to the dogma of no master
The Editorial Board of The Black Press
S.I.C.C.



"We'll be through in a few minutes, Miss Weemish! ... and incidentally, we refer to this as an executive conference, NOT a bull session!"

EDITORIAL



Rene Madrazo

Regardless of the relentless hassle after hassle thrown at us by the Administration, it seems to me that most students have managed to build themselves the proverbial "shell". Despite constant plunges in administrative concern for the individual student, those same apathy ridden reactionaries have taken it upon themselves to destroy any student unity and allow the Administration to rob them of their self-respect and stagnate their intellectual growth. They seem to have forgotten the awesome power of the present "sovereignty of reason." These same students are in for an abrupt awakening and devastating shock when they are suddenly enlightened that a valuable educational asset such as open enrollment is no longer in existence.

To conform to the dogma of no master except thy self! And they people are thyself.

The cuts in the budget by the illustrious Vice-Presidential nominee, N. Rockefeller through his Mayoral puppet and Board of Higher Education is an indiscreet kick in the ass to the student born into the "working class". City colleges enable the working class high school graduate to learn of the real value of education as well as understand what his position in the Game really is all about, a privilege previously enjoyed only by elitist and snobbish, we-don't-give-a-shit-as-long-as-our-parents-send-money Up-Up-Upper middle class ne'er do wells. Fortunately, the majority of the students here at SICC are aware, and determined to protect their right to this education, despite pessimistic cries from the side lines.

It seems to be that the presidents of the City Universities are sitting back and waiting for the BHE to tell them what to do. The BHE is waiting for the Mayor to tell them what to do. The Mayor is waiting for Rockefeller to tell him what to do, and I think that by now any halfway informed student knows where Rocky's head is at. So what does that leave us with?

"I was wondering," said the Savage, "why you had them at all—seeing that you can get whatever you want out of those bottles. Why don't you make everybody an Alpha Double Plus while you're about it?"

Mustapha Mond laughed. "Because we have no wish to have our throats cut," he answered. "We believe in happiness and stability. A society of Alphas couldn't fail to be unstable and miserable. Imagine a factory staffed by Alphas. . . It's an absurdity. . . Alpha-conditioned man would go mad if he had to do Epsilon Semi-Moron work—go mad or start smashing things up."

—Aldous Huxley
"Brave New World"

Rocky has not really been able to go this far yet, but I'm sure that given the chance he would attempt it—for the "good" of America. The present CUNY system is very efficient in producing educated workers to feed the capitalist machinery of the Rockefeller Empire, as well as his subordinates and competitors (who are few and far between).

Why is a college degree being redefined as a higher form of working papers? Why does a Harvard BA get you a better job than a Queens BA? Why does a Queens BA get you a better job than a Richmond BA?

The way the system is programmed, it would be safe to say that certain incomes determine the type of secondary education demonstrated. Blacks, Puerto Ricans and low income white are in almost menial labor. The curve marking system in these Vocational and Technical High Schools produces low point average which keeps them out of the upper echelon city colleges such as Brooklyn and Queens. The rest are thrown into community colleges where the BHE doesn't have to deal with them because they claim that the education provided has been out of the assumption that

students should "develop realistic job expectations." These jobs are those that Rocky and his crew designate the BHE to train the people for. Educational factories for the production of better workers.

I don't mean by this that there is some group of capitalists somewhere plotting to take over the entire educational system. The problem is not that they operate out of smoke filled rooms. The problem is that we have not taken them seriously enough to keep track of what they have been doing!

Their think tanks, commissions, foundations, councils, consultants and specialists define "objectives", discuss "options" and "trade-offs" and then let individual schools and colleges work out their own "game plans" within the generally accepted "guidelines." No cloak and dagger stuff, no conspiracies. They simply structure the educational order so that "standard operating procedure" works to their advantage and not to ours.

"Education has a market value; . . . it is so far an article of merchandise, that it may be turned to a pecuniary account: It may be minted, and will yield a larger amount of statutable coin than common bullion."

—Horace Mann, 1841



Rocky & Mal Signal GOP That They're Still on Top

By THOMAS POSTER / Excerpt FROM NEWS

In a private letter sent out to 1,000 fat cats of the state's Republican hierarchy, Vice President-designate Rockefeller and Gov. Wilson made it clear yesterday that they plan to continue running the party in New York.

The letter went out to members of the Governor's Club, a select group of public officials, businessmen, labor leaders and party hacks who paid \$500 a year to stay in the good graces of Rockefeller and Wilson.

The club, formed by Rockefeller 15 years ago and kept alive by Wilson in his brief tenure as governor, will be officially known in the future as the Governors Club rather than the Governor's Club.

In the letter, signed by May Preston Davie, one of the biggest GOP fund raisers in the nation, the club members were told they would meet twice a year to honor Rockefeller and Wilson.

The first meeting will be at a dinner soiree at the Waldorf-Astoria in February to honor

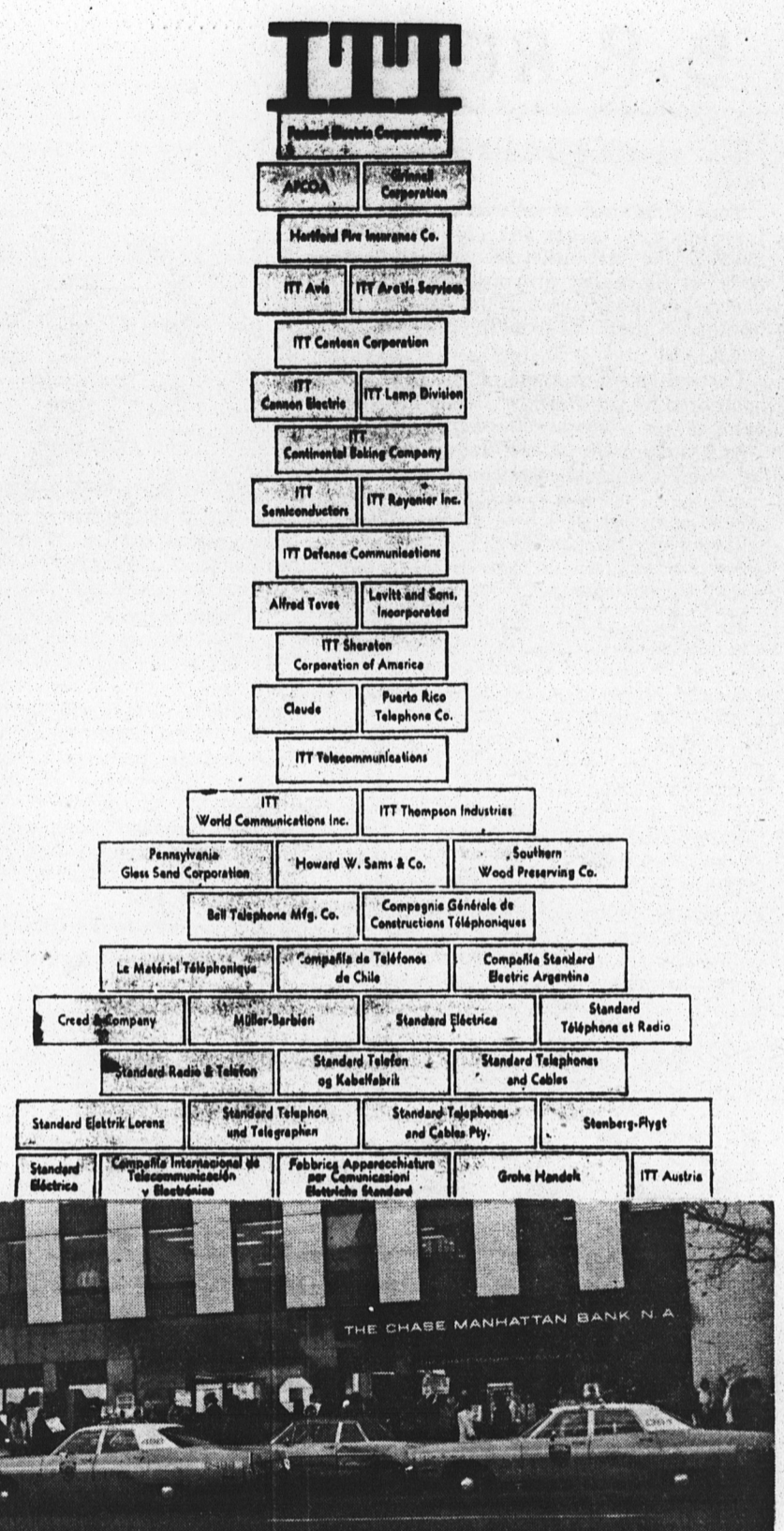
Wilson, Rockefeller and their wives.

The letter also promises that those who keep paying the \$500 annual membership fee, even though the Republicans are out of office in Albany, will be guests at a really private party at Rockefeller's estate in Pocantico Hills, in Westchester.

"If you read between the lines, the letter is telling us that Rockefeller will become vice president and wants to run the state party through his faithful lieutenant, Malcolm Wilson," a high-ranking GOP county leader said yesterday. "There is nothing wrong with that. It gives Rockefeller control of the state delegation to the Republican presidential convention. No question about it, he is running for reelection even before he is confirmed."

Several other county leaders said that Rockefeller and Wilson apparently approved the letter as a means of alerting Republicans that any battle for political leadership of the party between such men as Assembly Speaker Perry Duryea of Montauk — a strong Rockefeller critic — and Senate Majority Leader Warren Anderson of Binghamton would be meaningless because Rockefeller, as vice president, could dictate national policy as well as state policy in the GOP.

Proceeds of the Governor's Club are normally turned over to the Republican State Committee, which, in turn, pays Chairman Richard Rosenbaum \$40,000 a year plus expenses, as well as the salaries of a large staff in Albany and Manhattan.



**THIS IS
WHAT
WE ARE
FIGHTING
!!!**

Report Nixon & Rocky Owe State, City Taxes

By SAM ROBERTS

Former President Nixon and Vice President-designate Rockefeller owe New York City and New York State thousands of dollars in back taxes, it was learned yesterday.

State tax investigators are expected to conclude soon that the former President was a state and city resident for tax purposes and "will owe some money."

The state investigation, which was confirmed last spring by Tax Department officials, is said to have centered on the sale of Nixon's Fifth Ave. cooperative apartment, the distribution of

profits from his law firm partnership when he returned to the White House in 1969, and the donation of Nixon's vice presidential papers which a congressional investigation disclosed had been predated to allow for illegal federal deductions.

A spokesman for State Tax Commissioner Mario Procaccino said last week that a "definitive" report on Nixon's returns would be issued by the end of the year. The spokesman, who declined to disclose any specifics of the inquiry, explained, however, that "in the case of a federal delinquency involving a New York State taxpayer, presumably there is a state delinquency" as well.

The city's Finance Administration also is awaiting a state ruling on Nixon's taxes, particularly those involving the apartment sale. Nixon reported a capital gain of \$142,000 from the sale but apparently paid no taxes on it. A key to Nixon's tax responsibility is whether he was technically a New York resident at the time.

Rockefeller has until early February to file a report with state tax officials on the additional \$900,000 plus interest the Internal Revenue Service said he owed in federal income tax and gift tax since 1969.

Rockefeller has 90 days, since he was officially notified of the federal tax adjustments Nov. 11, to calculate additional

state taxes, interest and send his check to the state. Tax officials have estimated that in general, the state and city income tax bites are about 25% and 4%, respectively, of the federal rate.

When he disclosed his back-tax tab in a letter to Congress in October, Rockefeller explained: "The net effect of this, prior to the resultant recomputation of state and city taxes, is to bring my total taxes in the 10 years from \$21,703,012 to \$22,599,185."

State tax officials declined yesterday to say whether Rockefeller had filed a report on the federal adjustments. A spokesman for the vice-president designate said Rockefeller would not contest the federal tax adjustments and still is calculating how much he owes the state.

LAWYER TALK

