

The statement has been to some extent verified by an individual who was present. He said, "This is the first budget in my fourteen years at the University that fails to meet reasonable requirements of the University."

This really concerned me and I immediately went to the Budget Bureau to request some information about whether this was really an unusual year in respect to not meeting the requirements of the University, and I developed this information which will be distributed to you later.

In the fourteen years that Dr. Elkins has been at the University — In 1962 the increase in the University's General Fund budget was only 5.88 percent although the University's enrollment increased 8 percent that year. In 1963 the University's General Fund budget increased only 6.4 percent although the enrollment increased 14.2 percent. In 1959 the increase of 7.7 percent in the General Fund was only four-tenths of one percent higher than this year's, but enrollment increased 5.1 percent. This year the General Fund budget was \$51,524,000 for the University, an increase of 7.3 percent — and get this — although the projected enrollment will increase only 2.3 percent.

I find it very difficult to understand when you compare these figures that the University is being so severely curtailed this year in contrast to the preceding fourteen years.

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