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DR. KEN PITZER WAS A SCHOLAR WHO ASSUMED AN ADMINISTRATIVE POSITION. DESPITE HIS SERVICE AS PRESIDENT OF RICE UNIVERSITY, HE WAS ESSENTIALLY THE NATIONALLY RENOWNED CHEMIST THAT HE WAS WHEN HE WAS APPOINTED.

IT IS UNFORTUNATE THAT A SCHOLAR, AN EDUCATOR AND A SCIENTIST SHOULD BE REJECTED BY A PART OF THE STANFORD COMMUNITY CONCERNED ONLY WITH DEMONSTRATION AND DESTRUCTION. AS A SCIENTIST, EDUCATOR AND ADMINISTRATOR, DR. PITZER DEMONSTRATED THAT HE COULD UNDERSTAND THE MODERN PROBLEMS OF COMMITMENT IN VIET NAM AND STUDENT REVOLT ON THE CAMPUS.

HE COULD NOT UNDERSTAND INTOLERANCE AND IMPATIENCE. HE

WAS FOR ORDERLY DEVELOPMENT AND SCHOLARLY APPROACH.

UNDER THE STORMS OF STUDENT UNREST HE WAS ADAMANT, HIS INTEGRITY AND HIS SINCERITY BOUND HIM TO CONSIDERATION. BUT IN WORKING TOWARD ACCEPTANCE OF A POLICY AND PROGRAM FROM ALL FACETS OF THE UNIVERSITY, HE WAS ATTACKED ON ALL SIDES. HIS RESIGNATION WAS PROBABLY INEVITABLE, BUT THE INFLUENCE HE EXERCISED WILL CONTINUE TO BE FELT. DR PITZER WAS AMONG THE GREATEST. HE WILL BE MISSED AND REMEMBERED

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