

## ATL controversy

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additional year at Wyoming, and from September 1960 to June 1963 he was a graduate assistant in English at Northwestern University.

While at Northwestern he completed preliminary work on his Ph.D. He came to Michigan State in 1963 on a two-year contract running through 1965. The contract was renewed in 1964 for another two years through Aug., '67.

The note on the ATL bulletin board defended Zeitgeist's "intellectual and emotional commitment to youth and literature," and asked concerned faculty members to sign.

Seventeen signatures had been appended to the statement by 5 p.m. Monday, despite an adjoining memo from Strandness which said that the statement was misleading.

Lawless, meanwhile, also went to see Dean Carlin, who told Lawless Monday morning that he, too, had been recommended for termination of contract.

Lawless has had several poems in *Zeitgeist*. A short story by him in the summer issue of *Zeitgeist* was vigorously attacked and praised by local social and literary critics.

Lawless joined the ATL faculty one year ago, on a two-year contract. He has an A.B. in Social Science from Albany State (1961) and a M.A. in American history from the University of Pittsburgh (1962).

A graduate assistant at Pittsburgh teaching American history during the 1963-65 school year, he was a Mellon Fellow from 1963 to 1965.

In 1965 he completed his preliminary work on a Ph.D in modern European history while at Pittsburgh.

At 3 p.m. Monday a third instructor, Fogarty, was called into Dean Carlin's office. He was

told that a recommendation to terminate his contract had also been forwarded to the central administration.

He, like Groat and Lawless, said that no reasons were given.

Fogarty, a graduate of Fordham College (A.B. in American Civilization, 1960), entered the University of Denver's graduate school in 1960 on a National Defense Education Act fellowship. He received his M.A. in American history in 1962.

He finished his preliminary Ph.D work in 1963, and his revised dissertation is now in the hands of his committee.

Since coming to Michigan State as an ATL instructor in 1963, he has taught ATL courses, including honors sections, and history courses in MSU's extension program.

This term he is teaching Social Science, and next term he is scheduled to teach an American Studies course. Colleagues say he received a \$700 raise this summer.

Fogarty has had articles published in *North Eastern Quarterly* and the *New York Folklore Quarterly*. He has a contract with a publishing company for a book tentatively titled "The Utopian Novels of Ignatius Donnelly."

A member of the ATL advisory committee stated emphatically that all three men's cases were decided by the October 1 deadline.

This would rule out widespread speculation that Fogarty was thrown into the package as a sacrificial lamb, so as to divert attention from an attempt to squelch the two *Zeitgeist* men.

Tuesday, department members who oppose one or all three of the terminations, as well as those mystified by all the rumors and petitions floating around the department, visited Strandness.

The result of these individual conferences is not yet apparent.