

Mobilization forces plan national antiwar protests

By the Associated Press

Hundreds of gatherings, large and small, were being readied Wednesday around the nation for the weekend's Vietnam Mobilization, the second big antiwar protest in a month.

At the same time, antiwar demonstrators converged on Washington, D.C., where a mass march down Pennsylvania, a rally at the Washington Monument and a 40-hour "March Against Death" were planned as the key elements in the three-day protest.

Efforts also were under way in some areas to organize counterdisplays in support of American policy in Vietnam.

U.S. senators, including Republicans Jacob Javitz and Charles Goodell of New York and Democrats George McGovern of South Dakota, Abraham Ribicoff of Connecticut and Frank Church of Idaho, plan to take part in antiwar activities.

Another Democrat, Sen. Eugene McCarthy of Minnesota, has endorsed the mobilization but has announced no plans to participate.

Candlelight parades will mark the opening day of the mobilization Thursday. Before it ends Sunday, names of war dead will be read at some gatherings, and there will be door-to-door canvassing to seek support for antiwar views.

A draft card turn-in is scheduled at the University of Minnesota. At Denver University, protesters announced that a Viet Cong flag will fly beside an American flag at half staff at noon Friday.

In Washington the government began Wednesday to move about 9,000 riot-trained regular troops into the area as a precautionary measure. However,

Mayor Walter Washington of the District of Columbia, said, "I don't anticipate at this point any violence."

However in New York, a coalition of radical groups calling itself the Revolutionary Contingent and including Students for a Democratic Society announced plans for a separate Saturday afternoon march on the Justice Department, a move which a coordinator of the regular Mobilization activities said might lead to confrontation.

A spokesman said President Nixon definitely plans to be in the White House during the three days of antiwar demonstrations. The White House will be open to tourists as usual Thursday and Friday morning.

Young Americans for Freedom in Arizona said they planned to send a petition to the Paris peace talks, asking the Hanoi delegation to agree to negotiate a cease-fire and to the holding of free elections in South Vietnam under international supervision.

The American Legion in Indiana was distributing 400,000 auto tags reading "Silent Majority."

Radio station WJHO in Opelika, Ala., announced plans to play the national anthem every hour throughout Friday and Saturday to "back up our men in Vietnam."

In New Mexico, demonstrators will stand in protest during the Thursday and Friday rush hours at a bridge leading to the Los Alamos laboratory.

Students at Northern Illinois University at DeKalb voted down a proposal to allocate \$7,500 from the student activity fund to send more than 300 students to Washington for the mobilization march there.

Crowd psychology

Marches raise 'mob' theories

By ART BUSHNELL
Of the Emerald

How does a crowd become a mob?

Since large crowds of demonstrators are expected across the country for this month's Moratorium observances, the question hovers at the top of people's minds.

Evidently, the answer to the question is not determined by the crowd itself.

According to a representative of the Eugene Police Department, "a crowd can become a mob through one small incident, through one improperly handled person."

The EPD, like several other police departments across the country is becoming increasingly aware of the importance of proper handling of demonstrators. For that reason, it has set up a riot control school.

However, the Eugene Moratorium marches will not call for the riot squad as it will be escorted by a group of only four policemen.

According to Russ Husted, campus Moratorium director, student marshals have the control of the local marches. Their duties include telling the crowd when to stop, when to turn and generally to direct them.

"A crowd becomes a mob if it starts out to be a mob," he says.

The campus Moratorium chairman hastens to point out that since the objectives of the demonstration are peaceful, the crowd will be orderly.

Psychology professor Myron Rothbart agrees with the police view.

He feels the likelihood of a crowd becoming unruly is greatly affected by the behavior of police. "Most violence is in response to an attack," he said.

Rothbart added that a hard core of trouble makers cannot really "provoke" individuals to action, unless they can succeed in provoking police to attack.

He also points out the idea of an individual's allegiance to the crowd being important in determining crowd feelings. He says even though an individual may feel that he is a marginal member and lacks an attachment to the crowd, his allegiance will increase to the extent that the crowd is threatened or lumped together.

An example is Vice President Spiro Agnew's lumping together of all demonstrators in recent criticisms which gives an individual a higher feeling of allegiance to the crowd.

Oregon demonstration activities to include picketing, OSU paint-in

Picketing and a paint-in are part of the planned Moratorium activities at the University's neighbors to the north, Portland State and Oregon State Universities.

The schedule for M-day in Portland starts at 7 a.m. Thurs-

day with approximately 200 student pickets to be stationed at University buildings to protest the failure to close classes.

Demonstrators will block tax offices at 11:30 a.m. in the Multnomah Building. At 1:30 p.m. they

will march to the Federal Building in downtown Portland and attempt another mill-in. High school students plan to protest at the administration building of the Portland School District immediately after school.

Picketing of night classes is also planned.

On Friday, protesters plan to block and try to close the Selective Service Induction Center from 5:30 to 8 a.m. At 11:30 a.m. the steering committee plans a mass march on the Pioneer Post Office.

Classes will not be canceled for the two-day Moratorium at Oregon State University. However, activities such as community teach-ins, canvassing, and continuous movies are planned by OSU Moratorium workers Thursday and Friday.

Friday a paint-in on the main floor ballroom floor of the Memorial Union will be featured. Also scheduled is a march to downtown Corvallis.

Some sort of demonstration is also planned Saturday where peace balloons may be released at the football game.

Dean of Faculty David Nicodemus called for all classes to be held during the Moratorium and stated no teacher could arbitrarily cancel his course.

Today's Moratorium Schedule

10-11 a.m. Memorial Services McArthur Court.

12-2 p.m. Film Program in EMU.

3:30 p.m. Teach-in. Vietnam veterans speaking. 138 Commonwealth.

7:00 p.m. Town meetings in the community:

Acme-Bijou Film Club (Vietnam films)—642 Oak

Central Lane YMCA, Y Hall—2055 Patterson

Episcopal Church of the Resurrection—3925 Hilyard

Grace Lutheran Church—710 E. 17th

Human Rights Center—941 Lincoln

Labor Temple, Room 1A—135 E. 6th

McKenzie River United Presbyterian—1950 N. 19th,

Springfield

Our Redeemer Lutheran, Parish Hall—255 Maxwell Rd.

Our Savior Lutheran—2200 Coburg Road

Trinity Methodist, Social Hall—440 Maxwell Road

Unitarian Center (songfest)—447 E. 40th

Wesley Foundation—1236 Kincaid

9:00 p.m. Torch light parade. From EMU, 11th, Oak, Park Blocks.

All night vigil at Park Blocks. Songs, poems, guitars.

Although University classes are officially in session, the Moratorium Committee is urging students and faculty, "For the sake of 600,000 dead, and as many more fated . . . skip your classes and join the Moratorium."

"The Moratorium is designed for the individual to take time out and examine his ideas about the war and its consequences. Teach-ins, town meetings, speakers, and films are for this purpose."



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