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Fifteen members of Vietnam Veterans Against the War (VVAW) gathered around the memorial cross at Skinner's Butte Monday in observance of veteran's day. Speeches were followed by the burning of discharge papers and the playing of taps.

Photo by James Link

VVAW honors veterans

By GEORGE CURL
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A cold damp Monday morning greeted members of the Vietnam Veterans Against the War (VVAW) as they gathered on the downtown mall to prepare for Veterans Day observances. Veterans Day was commemorated in Oregon on Monday, even though the national observances were held nearly three weeks ago on Oct. 22.

No flags or marching bands were present when the 15 veterans began their twenty-minute march to the cross which serves as a war memorial on the crest of Skinner's Butte.

Pete Peterson, a VVAW member, began the services in front of the memorial by explaining the reason for the observance, "We have come to remember all who have sacrificed, not just veterans, but civilians as well, from all the countries who were part of the conflict in Vietnam." Before the march Peterson had said the ceremony was an alternative for those who did not feel it was so honorable to be a veteran of the Vietnam War.

Speaking next, Cris Strum, the local head of the VVAW, called for "unconditional amnesty" for all who opposed the war.

"It is time for reconciliation, to let an entire generation know this country can still display humanitarian concerns," Strum said. "We believe," he said, "a majority of the people in Oregon favor amnesty, though we don't have scientific studies to back that up."

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Plan will control tenure

By TOM SOWA
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Numerical index, steady-state model, departmental contingency plan; these are some of the terms that now are lodged permanently in the vocabulary of the University. They are the working terms of what the Office of the Vice President for Academic Affairs calls the Faculty Staffing Plan.

In brief, the plan has been developed, at the request of the State Board of Higher Education, as a response to the expected decline in student enrollment during the next 15 years. It hopes to insure a balanced distribution of tenured faculty at a time when tenure appointments are already at a level that can impede the influx of new faculty.

If enrollment does decline,

whether from general drop of over-all population or from increased community college enrollment, the University will face serious budget reductions. President Clark, who sees the plan as the best way to "protect the vitality of the faculty in terms of age and experience," remarked "it would be a gamble on the University's part to believe that enrollment will not decline." He told the Emerald last week that the plan would also provide the continuity of appointment for those faculty already on "tenure-track."

Because of the commitments already made to faculty, the Faculty Staffing Plan projects an increase of the present numerical index, of 65 percent, to an estimated maximum of 74 percent in 1978. The numerical index

is "the percentage of the headcount of all tenured staff of the University to that of the total State budgeted full-time equivalent staff."

To explain this, professors engaged in full-time instruction are rated one FTE. Graduate and research assistants, lecturers, part-time instructors are rated less than one. And not all tenured faculty are rated one FTE because of non-instructional assignments, such as departmental or administrative work. According to figures compiled in May of this year, the total number of tenured faculty is 516. The total budgeted FTE is computed to be 820.19. This roughly works out to a 63 percent index of tenured faculty to total FTE.

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IFC conflict ends

By MARIANNE RINALDO
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The recent controversy between the ASUO executive and the Incidental Fee Committee (IFC) has come to an end with the ASUO Constitution Committee releasing a report dealing with the duties and powers of the IFC.

The Constitution Committee, composed of five University students, four of whom are from the law school, ruled that:

- The IFC should operate continuously;
- Once the IFC has determined the incidental fee budget, it no longer has control over the money allocated;
- The IFC may establish Reserve Accounts;
- The IFC may maintain a contingency fund for supplemental allocations.

In addition, the committee ruled that, "since there was no election held for the IFC spring term 1973, the committee directs that the ASUO vice-president call and hold an election fall term 1973 for new IFC members."

The final paragraph of the report states that the

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