

Survival Center announces anti-nuclear plant stance

The ASUO Survival Center had adopted a position statement calling upon Oregon citizens to act to stop the construction and operation of nuclear power plants in Oregon.

Arthur Rosenholm, co-author of the statement and a former college philosophy professor, presented the statement at a Monday morning news conference. The other co-author is Jerry Schave, a University student.

The statement urges the people of Oregon to halt further building of nuclear plants by "informing your state legislators that you support the 1974 Democratic party platform plank calling for a state ban" on such construction and by "signing an initiative petition to put a moratorium on the November ballot."

At present, the Trojan nuclear power plant is under construction 38 miles northwest of Portland along the Columbia River. Other nuclear sites have been proposed near Roseburg, Leganon, Cape Kiwanda on the coast and at Boardman in Eastern Oregon.

The statement lists four reasons why the Survival Center is op-

posed to nuclear power: First, the low-level radiation emitted by nuclear generation plants is dangerous to all forms of life.

Second, there is a possibility of a major catastrophe through either accident or sabotage at a reactor facility or while transporting nuclear wastes.

Third, the statement charges that nuclear power plants present "a virtually uninsurable risk of catastrophe. Personal insurance policies exclude nuclear accidents. By federal law, the owners of such plants will have to pay only about one-fourteenth of the possible property damage. Most of that will be paid by the government, i.e., the taxpayer."

The last reason given is that nuclear plants are too costly and that uranium is in far shorter supply than coal.

Tim Shelley of Vida also spoke at the news conference. Shelley, along with his brother Matt, co-authored the petition that is currently circulating statewide which calls for a six-year moratorium on the building of additional nuclear plants after Trojan is completed. He said

about 1,250 persons have already signed the petition and that the signatures of 40,000 registered voters are needed to place the issue on the November ballot. He urged those who would like to sign or circulate the petition to come to the Survival Center in the EMU.

Shelley also accused the state's Nuclear and Thermal Energy Council (N-TEC) of ignoring basic issues. Before addressing the issue of whether to permit nuclear

power plants in Oregon, N-TEC has held public hearings throughout the state on a N-TEC study concerning suitable sites for all types of power plants. The N-TEC study concludes that most of the Willamette Valley is suitable for nuclear plants, except for the areas immediately surrounding major valley cities.

"There is a more fundamental issue at hand here and that is: do we want nuclear power plants in Oregon at all? I think we should

address this question before we get to the point where we are trying to decide where we want these plants," Shelley said.

N-TEC will hold public hearings on its study in Eugene at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. today in the City Council chambers.

The Survival Center is sponsoring a workshop for anyone interested in learning more about the nuclear power issue at 7:30 p.m. Friday in the Eugene City Council chambers.

Symposium to explore how humans see humans

"An attempt to come to terms with how people perceive the human being, how individuals can differ in their perceptions and what these people may have in common," is how Edward Diller, director of the Honors College, describes today's event entitled "A University Symposium on the Human Image."

The symposium will bring together five noted professors from the fields of English, biology, psychology and dance for a day of individual talks, culminating in a 3 p.m. panel discussion in the EMU ballroom.

The day's events will be highlighted by the appearances of internationally-known author and professor, Maurice Friedman.

Friedman will moderate the afternoon panel discussion and also be present at a reception and informal discussion at the Koinonia Center at 8:30 tonight. Friday at 10:30 a.m., he will lead an informal discussion in the Honors College lounge.

Friedman is currently professor of religious studies, philosophy, and comparative literature at California State University, San Diego, and serves on the core faculty of the California School of Professional Psychology. He is the author or translator of more than a dozen books, including *The Worlds of Existentialism* and *Touchstones of Reality: Existential Trust and the Community of Peace*.

Other persons will be presenting individual speeches during the morning and afternoon today. The presentations will take place in the Gerlinger lounge starting at 9:30 a.m. and last approximately an hour.

In order of appearance, the speakers will be: Edward Rose, professor of English, University of Alberta; Gunther Stent, biologist from the University of California at Berkeley; David Galin, M.D., research psychologist at the Langley Porter Neuropsychiatric Institute, San Francisco and Joanna Harris, dance specialist from Oakland, California. All events at the symposium are free.

Diller said the purpose of the symposium is to "establish a dialogue between people who have spent their lives asking the big questions about 'what is man?'" He continually emphasized that the program will be "trying to find a common ground of thought."

Two years ago, the Honors College was in danger of being cut from the University. A symposium similar to the one this week was instituted at that time. Both Diller and Larry Owens, a visiting professor at the Honors College, attributed part of the reason for the continued existence of the College to the success of the first symposium.

Moths to be sprayed

In a last-ditch effort to save some 400,000 acres of forestlands in Northeastern Oregon from destruction by tussock moth infestation, the Forest Service and the United State Department of Agriculture have cleared the way for the spraying of DDT on specific areas in Oregon, Washington and Idaho.

The estimated date that spraying will begin is June 10.

Regional Forester Theodore Schlapfer said the required review period on the final Environmental Impact Statement for this program ended May 13.

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Events Will Include:

May 24:

- (I) Arts & handicrafts exhibition from African countries. 10:00 a.m.
- (II) Soccer-African students XI Vs Chinese students XI 4:00 p.m.
- (III) Movies of African Liberation Movement 7:00 p.m.

May 25:

- (I) African dinner in EMU Ballroom (tickets \$2.50 per person) - obtainable at EMU Main Desk and at the door). The dinner will be exclusively with recipes from Ethiopia, Egypt, Kenya, Ghana, Nigeria, Sierra Leone etc. 4:00 p.m.
- (II) Commemoration speeches will feature African students from Stanford & Utah 5:00 p.m.
- (III) Cultural show, e.g. 'OVIONG' and 'OWAMBE' dance from Nigeria. 5:30 p.m.
- (IV) Oyoyo group from Portland, specialists in African drums, music & symbols, will present its latest in traditional show. 6:00 p.m.
- (V) Social dance in the night - to round off the occasion. 10:00 p.m.

ALL INTERESTED PERSONS ARE INVITED