

As draft registration resumes

Protesters voice anti-war sentiments

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Eugene's peace movement went out into the cold Monday to protest the most recent round of draft registration.

Approximately 150 demonstrators braved chilly weather to gather at the Eugene Post Office and hear songs and speeches against the draft and what was described as a resurgence of American militarism.

Men born in 1962 are registering for the draft this week. The latest registration is a continuation of the program begun last summer when men born in 1960 and 1961 visited post offices around the country to fill out registration forms.

Speakers at the rally included Ron Phillips of the University Veterans Association, Ellen Bondurant of Parents Against Registration and the Draft and Marian Malcom, a member of the steering committee of the Coalition Opposed to Registration and the Draft.

"They're going to use 18-year-old children to fight their wars for them and spill their blood for them," Phillips told the crowd. Fifty percent of American casualties in Vietnam were 19 year olds, the former Marine said.

While most commentators speak of an East-West split, Phillips said, the real conflict in the world today is between the North and South.

"The Northern Hemisphere has the money and it has the power," he said. "They've been raping the Southern Hemisphere for many years now."

Bondurant echoed Phillips, claiming children are being asked to fight and die in order to procure resources for their parents' and grandparents' generations.

"Our enemy isn't the Soviet Union," she said. "Our enemies are ignorance and apathy."

Bondurant cited El Salvador, South Korea and Jamaica as countries con-

trolled by American corporate interests.

El Salvador, under the control a military government, currently is undergoing waves of violence from both right- and left-wing terrorists. Voters in Jamaica last year turned out the pro-Cuban socialist government of Prime Minister Michael Manley.

Malcom, also a member of Clergy and Laity Concerned, described draft registration as a major step toward reinstitution of the draft which "makes intervention feasible."

She said that instead of increasing military strength, draft registration was intended to prepare both the American public and the world community for an interventionist foreign policy.

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"It's a warning to the world — a signal of an aggressive American stance," she said. "Uncle Sam is in a mood to show some muscle somewhere — to reassert our claim to cheap labor."

Malcom also expressed solidarity with Third World movements.

"We're here to join with people in El Salvador and Guatemala, Korea and the Philippines. We must continue the struggle!"

Despite the rhetoric, the young men registering for the draft seemed unmoved.

"That's their business, I guess," said one registrant. "I don't know how many of them have ever actually been in the service."

CORD members announced at the rally that the government was not following through with prosecutions of those men who did not register last summer.

Draft counseling sessions are being held daily at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. this week at the CORD office in the Koinonia Center at 1414 Kincaid Street. With the resumption of school, counseling activity is picking up, says CORD director Alan Siporin.

"Because of the lag of school being out, we weren't inundated," Siporin says. "But we're expecting a pretty steady flow."

CORD will hold a teach-in for University students in the Adams residence hall lounge Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. A similar teach-in will be held at Lane Community College earlier the same day.

Siporin says CORD hopes to devote more time to activities directed to high school students because registration is now required of all men on their 18th birthday. The organization has been encountering "roadblocks" in dealing with high schools because administrators say military recruiters must be heard to have a balanced discussion of the draft issue, he says.

"Right when we're walking out the door, the recruiter is walking in," Siporin says.

The Selective Service System says the purpose of registration is to build a pool of names and addresses which could be used in an emergency.

"Registration directly improves our capability to respond... reducing lead time by at least four weeks," says Director Bernard Rostker. "We think that provides a significant advantage, especially when matched with the very low cost of the registration effort."

The selective service says the direct costs of registration are less than \$2 per registrant.



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Neon highlights \$167,000 Fishbowl remodeling



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Acting University Pres. Paul Olum strolls through the remodeled EMU Fishbowl.

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As the University plunged into 1981, students returning from Christmas vacation found that one of their favorite haunts — the EMU Fishbowl — has finally reopened.

The Fishbowl officially opened its newly remodeled doors Monday at 7:30 a.m. when EMU Director Adell McMillan, helped by EMU Board Chair Greg Rutten and board member Kyle McGuinn, cut a ribbon hung across the main entrance.

Students and administration officials generally reacted favorably — if conditionally — to the Fishbowl renovation, which began in August.

"I like it except for the neon light," said ASUO Pres. Dave Eaton of the light bordering the ceiling around the main eating area. "It makes it look like a disco."

"It looks real modern, except that the chairs are old," said NancyAnn Lofgren. She said the booths' cloth seat covers look good but might not withstand heavy student use.

"Unless people are real careful, they're going to get ripped up real quick."

Lofgren also said it appeared no arrangements had been made for allowing live bands in the Fishbowl.

"I like the fact that it's lighter and airier," said Acting University Pres. Paul Olum.

Despite Lofgren's misgivings, the administration doesn't expect students to abuse the Fishbowl, according to Jim Covington, EMU food service director.

"The area looks nice, and I believe the students will keep it that way," Covington said. "They realize what things cost."

Once students and food service employees get used to the new arrangement, service will probably improve.

The double-winged service counters and central cashiers will improve the flow of traffic and not require employees to prepare food and count money, he explained.

Although most students said they felt the new Fishbowl is worth the \$167,000 spent on the renovation, not everybody agreed.

"I don't really know why they changed it," said Lisa Lindley. "Why couldn't it (the money) go to the library or something?"

Initial planning for the project began almost two years ago after the State Board of Higher Education and the Legislature granted money from a student building fund. The funds could be used only for Fishbowl renovation.