

## Recruit in EMU

# Marines search for 'a few good men'

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Service in the Marine Corps seems far removed from student life at the University, yet conspicuously short-haired men in uniform sit at recruiting tables in the EMU several times a term.

Are these men out to snatch up struggling students and sneak them out to fight on the front lines?

Not at all, says Sergeant Hubert Woodbury, Marine Corps officer selection assistant. Woodbury says the Marines are looking for a few good men here at the University to serve as officers.

"We're trying to find good students — not necessarily outstanding — but those who work hard at school so they'll be able

to finish," says Woodbury, explaining that a student must receive a bachelor's degree in order to be an officer in the Marine Corps.

"We have no desire to get people to quit college to become an enlisted man," he says.

However, Dave Isenberg, University veterans association director, says he believes the so-called information tables cannot be taken as completely objective sources of information.

He says the Marines manning the tables are like salesmen who tell untruths and omit important details about the programs.

Whatever the case, Woodbury says some of the programs — such as the platoon leaders

class — are indeed oriented toward students. The program involves no commitment to the Marines while students still are in school and they can receive \$100 a month from the Marines in financial assistance.

Freshmen and sophomores who choose to take advantage of the platoon leaders class are required to attend two six-week training courses during the summer. Juniors, seniors and graduates must spend 10 weeks in a summer training session.

After students receive their bachelor's degree and attend the training sessions, they must serve for three years as a ground officer, plus an additional six months for every year the student received financial aid.

Students who want a flying position in the Marine Corps often take advantage of the pilot's program, Woodbury says, a popular choice even though it involves a six-year commitment.

Although there are a variety of programs for men, Woodbury says there are few training programs available for women. Problems exist in recruiting women because a Supreme Court prohibits women from participating in combat.

Still, Woodbury says there are some career possibilities for women within the program.

One myth involving the Marines implies that once people start in the officer training program, there is no way out, he says.

"If a person decides that a job in the Marine Corps is not the kind of life he wants, he can drop out," Woodbury says.

Signing into the program only means the person has agreed to take the officer's training, and he must stay for the minimum amount of training. But the person does not actually make the commitment to serve in the Marines until completion of the training program, Woodbury says.

Isenberg, however, terms this commitment "a contract that drastically shortens life expectancy." Because the Marine Corps' primary function is to land and secure the beach during an invasion, its members have the highest fatality rate in the armed forces, he says.

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"We are at this time running down leads in the Metropolitan area in other parts of the country," said FBI spokesman Neil Herman.

He said two special police-FBI task forces previously formed here to combat bank robbery and terrorism were at work. He agreed, without elaboration that "this is a case in which the bank task force and the terrorism task force have intersecting interests."

While one of the getaway cars led to the New Jersey apartment, another led to Eve Rosahn, a New York woman who led a violent protest here against the traveling Springboks rugby team from South Africa.

Rosahn, had bail set at \$10,000 when she appeared Thursday in court with four other persons accused of incitement to riot.

Meanwhile, in Albany, N.Y., federal authorities were reported to believe there may be a link between the Weather Underground and the bombing last month of a rugby club in Schenectady that planned to play a match with the Springboks team.

"It was similar to a bomb attributed to the Weathermen in years past," according to Walter Blyerman of the Federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms.

At the Rockland County jail, some 25 miles north of Manhattan, Superintendent Elijah Coleman said Boudin and Clark and the two men, were being held in cells apart from the general inmate population.

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