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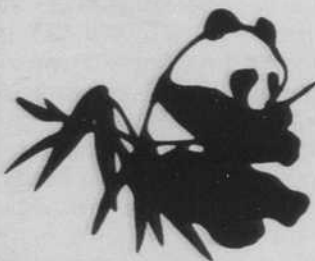
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Peace Corps seeks help

Recruiters to visit EMU

Recruiting representatives for the Peace Corps will be at the University March 2-5, seeking volunteers for two-year overseas assignments that begin in the next 3-12 months.

Recruiters for the agency will be at an information booth in the EMU lobby from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and a film seminar hosted by former volunteers is scheduled for March 3 at 3:30 p.m. in the EMU Forum. Scheduled interviews will be held in the Career Planning & Placement Office in Susan Campbell Hall. Students must sign up in advance for the interviews.

The drive comes 10 days after the Peace Corps was granted its full "independence" as a separate agency reporting directly to the executive branch of government. For the last 11 years, the Peace Corps has been a part of ACTION, the national volunteer agency.

According to Tim McCormack, Director of Recruiting for the Pacific Northwest,

approximately 5,500 Peace Corps volunteers are currently serving in 60 developing nations in Africa, Asia, Latin America, and the Pacific. Nearly 90,000 Americans have served with the Peace Corps since the first volunteers arrived in Ghana in 1961.

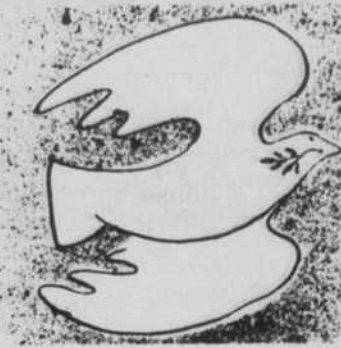
The skills being sought for Peace Corps positions include both degreed and non-degreed persons, with current emphasis being placed on the selection of persons who are qualified to work in either fisheries or forestry programs. Academic credits in the biological sciences will qualify most applicants for Peace Corps fisheries assignments.

Other specialties sought include graduates in math, the physical and life sciences, French, home

economics and nutrition, health, business, and engineering, while practical experience in the skilled trades is also desired.

McCormack explained that applications can be accepted for up to a year before a person wishes to become a volunteer. Applicants must be U.S. citizens, and if married, have no children. There is no upper age limit, with good health the only limiting factor.

Inquiries can also be directed to Paul Bartel, University Peace Corps Coordinator, who can be contacted in Susan Campbell Hall. Bartel says there will be a gathering of former Peace Corps volunteers from the greater Eugene area March 2 at 7:30 p.m. in the EMU. All former volunteers are welcome to attend.



Emerald graphic

Calls for arms freeze

European fears nuclear war

By Barbara Morgan
Of the Emerald

Limited nuclear war in Europe, suggested as a possibility by Pres. Ronald Reagan and other American and Soviet officials, would result in a holocaust far worse than that experienced during World War II, says Peter Jones, an activist in the European peace movement.

Europeans "bitterly resent being seen as the possible guinea pig for the military to experiment with the idea of limited nuclear war that won't actually involve their own two territories," Jones said at a recent forum on a petition to freeze nuclear arms production.

To prevent a holocaust, organizations are working throughout Europe for global disarmament. Jones said the first step is a nuclear freeze, and petitions already are circulating in the United States calling for one.

One of the petitions states, "To improve national and international security, the United States and the Soviet Union should stop the nuclear arms race. Specifically, they should adopt a mutual freeze on the testing, production and development of nuclear weapons, and of missiles, and new aircraft designed primarily to deliver nuclear weapons. This is an essential first step toward lessening the nuclear arsenals."

Nuclear disarmament has become a major issue in Europe largely because of the heavy concentration of nuclear weapons on that continent, Jones said. Currently, North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) countries have 7,000 tactical nuclear weapons in Europe and Warsaw Pact countries have between 5,000 and 6,000. If 100 of those were detonated toward cities of more than 200,000 people, one-third of Europe's population would be killed.

"So much for General Haig's limited nuclear war as far as Europe is concerned," Jones said.

While the two sides obviously

have sufficient arms, Jones said both the Soviet Union and the United States are pushing to bring in more weapons — the United States with the cruise missiles and the Soviets with the SS-20s. He said each side argues that the weapons are needed to offset build-up by the other side.

"The fact is," Jones said, "when you've already got 13,000 tactical nuclear weapons in Europe, what the hell does it matter who's ahead?"

Nuclear war will not start in Europe, however, Jones said. It will begin in the Middle East or some other Third World area. "The forces of Europe will be put on the alert and as the crisis develops... then will come the moment when General Haig fires his trial nuclear warning shot, or a trigger-happy general starts something off by accident."

Once that war starts, he said, things can easily get out of control. When fired, nuclear weapons exert a great electromagnetic pulse which can cut off communication. This will create a major dilemma for a battlefield commander who knows the war has begun, but who has lost touch with the base, Jones said.

"And it's in that kind of situation that war will begin in Europe — war through crisis mismanagement."

That is what those in the peace movement are afraid of, although they are not anti-American, as some have charged, Jones said.

"What we are against is the U.S. military-industrial complex and the Soviet bureaucratic military complex and the plans they have for our continent."

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