

FREELANCE MEETING

For
writers, photographers

Thurs., Jan. 29
7 p.m.

In Emerald
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powering experience that I've ever gone through and deepened my commitment to peace and non-violence," Becker said.

There are two reasons why the Reagan administration believes a comprehensive test ban is not in the best interest of the United States, said Steve Johnson, a scientist and military analyst who spoke at the rally. The public reason is the inability of the United States to verify that the policy is being upheld by the Soviet Union, and the lesser-known reason is that the United States wants to continue

its present testing of new nuclear-related weapons and equipment, he said.

In 1985, the Norwegian government built a highly accurate array of seismic stations around the perimeter of Norway and the Soviet Union to detect very small nuclear explosions, he said.

In addition, both the Soviet Union and the United States have agreed, in principle, prior to the Reagan administration to build permanent seismic stations very close to nuclear test sites and to allow on-site verification for any suspicious event, Johnson said.

The United States wants to develop equipment that will operate in a nuclear environment, and it needs the additional nuclear tests to perfect the equipment as well as to produce additional offensive weapons, he said.

There are three things necessary to stop the arms race: a comprehensive test ban, a non-proliferation treaty and an international regime that can monitor nuclear power, Johnson said.

"The Soviets have made public statement after public statement in favor of a test ban. I say let's find out," Johnson said.

The issue of promoting peace is taken differently in high school — "some people are really proud of you for what you are doing; other people wish you would shut up once and a while," said Anna Grace, a 15-year-old freshman from South Eugene High School who missed a class to attend the rally. Grace is also a member of the South Eugene Peace Club.

"I think everyone wants to speak up, but some times it is a little hard," she said. "I think peace is possible, and I think that is something we can do."

The Eugene Chapter of American Peace Test, a group dedicated to non-violent direct action to the struggle against the nuclear arms race, sponsored the noon rally. The group plans to protest at the Nevada Test Site on Feb. 5, the day of the first scheduled nuclear test of 1987.

Organizations who endorsed the rally include APT, Families for Survival, the Lane County Gray Panthers, Women's Action for Nuclear Disarmament, Clergy and Laity Concerned, Citizen Action for Lasting Security and the Student Campaign for Disarmament.

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