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Going for the boards

Center Sven Meyer, pictured here with two of Stanford's forwards, Etic Reveno (center) and Todd Lichti (left), got a game-high 10 rebounds in Sunday's 68-55 win over Stanford University. About 7,500 spectators turned out for the match in McArthur Court.

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Group asks Nelson, Rasmussen to resign

By Carolyn Lamberson
and Stan Nelson

Of the Emerald

Five University students called for the resignation of ASUO President Steve Nelson at a press conference Friday, charging him with neglecting and covering up problems with the ASUO's student health insurance program.

The group also called for the resignation of ASUO Legal Services attorney Karsten Rasmussen, charging him with conflict of interest, even though he is no longer handling insurance-related complaints.

The five students, Willy Bils and Timothy Cushing, members of UO Students for Equity in Insurance, James Randall and Ron Munion, members of the Incidental Fee Committee, and Timothy Chase, a student senator, claim Nelson chose to ignore difficulties that have cropped up since the ASUO took over the student insurance program in 1985. UO Students for Equity in Insurance is a small group that centers around



Willy Bils

Bils.

The group contends Rasmussen had conflicting interests by representing both the ASUO and students with claims against Lone Star Life Insurance Co., the ASUO's student insurance carrier for the 1985-86 school year.

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Students to join protest of U.S. nuclear testing

By Will Holbert

Of the Emerald

Several University students and local organizations plan to take part in civil disobedience at the U.S. Nuclear Testing Site in southern Nevada later this week. Peace groups from around the nation will participate in the non-violent demonstration Thursday to protest this country's resumption of nuclear testing.

The Soviet Union has said it will end its 18-month unilateral moratorium on testing when the next U.S. test is conducted.

Some students will underline their opposition by trespassing onto the site, committing civil disobedience, and facing certain arrest.

"I think civil disobedience is a really important tool for us to use in this country," said Stacey Cozart, a University junior. Cozart plans to commit civil disobedience at the site with about a dozen people from the Eugene area. They will be part of a larger group trespass-

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Two groups help addicts achieve new start on life

By Neal Robinson

Of the Emerald

Randy, a 30-year-old University psychology major, bounced back from alcohol addiction. "Anne," a 24-year-old University elementary education major overcame drug addiction. The two were able to kick their habits with support from Alcoholics Anonymous and Narcotics Anonymous.

At about the age of 18, Randy, who asked that his last name be withheld, was smoking an ounce of marijuana a week. Because he lived in Southern California, he blamed the environment for his problem and sought to remedy the situation with a change of scenery, he said.

He moved to Lake Tahoe, where he found work in a casino and replaced his pot habit with alcohol, which was free to employees, he said.

Randy said he got into financial trouble due to his drinking, and the situation

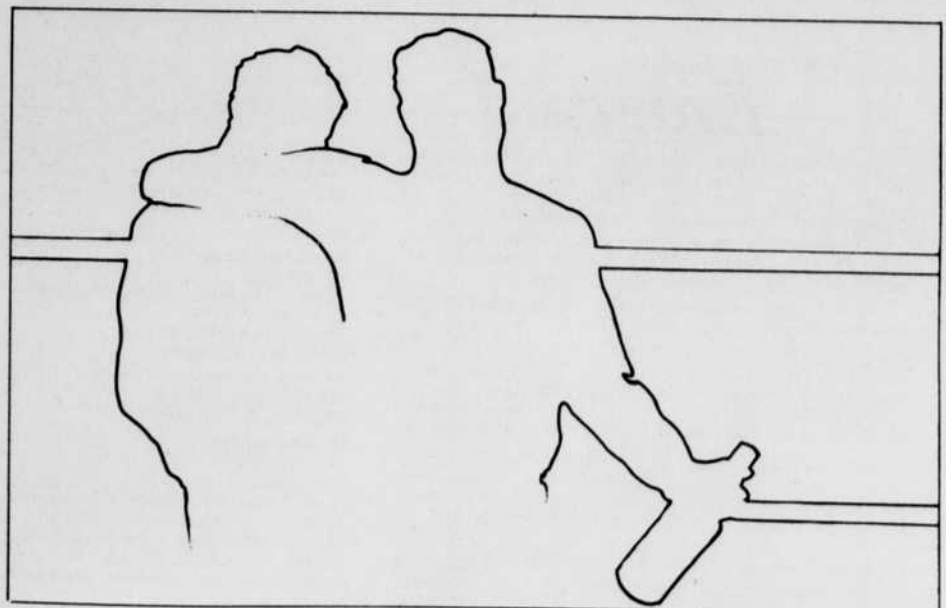
became worse when he began using cocaine.

"I used to be the big, dumb guy who stood there with a gun while drug transactions were going on," he said. "I could have killed someone. My life had become totally unmanageable."

Randy then joined the Army because he wanted to stop taking drugs, and he went into the field of nuclear weapons, knowing the Army would test him for drugs, which was the incentive he needed to stop using them, he said. He continued his use of alcohol.

According to Randy, his commanding officer suspected his drinking problem and sent him to a counselor, who told him he didn't "look like an alcoholic," he said.

She set a daily drinking limit for Randy that he followed until he drank too much one day, blacked out and tried to



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