

# The home front



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(Top) University students Marie Taylor (left), Megan Taylor, Sam Pierce and Linda Rose react with sorrow in the EMU Recreation Center as they listen to news that war has broken out in the Middle East. One-year-old Quinn Seiffert (above) expresses his view of the war with some help from his parents.

War supporters (right) march through the streets of Eugene the first week of February.

More than 300 protesters (below) blocked all lanes of Interstate 5 south of the Willamette River before Eugene riot police used teargas to clear the highway.

Pro-Desert Storm advocate Don Frisbie (above) wrestles his flag back from an anti-war protester the night of Jan. 16. Violent confrontation was the exception that night was the exception rather than the rule, however.



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## Their peace was marching on

Where were you when the war broke out? Most were glued to the TV set as CNN *et al* doled out the first facts and figures of the Persian Gulf War the night of Jan. 16.

But for others, the night the first bombs fell on Iraq was a time to hit the streets and protest.

More than 2,000 students and community members gathered at the Federal Building in downtown Eugene, marching east and through the University campus. At one point, the protesters covered all of 13th Avenue between University and Kincaid streets, chanting anti-war slogans such as "Hell no, we won't go/We won't fight for Texaco."

As the protest past the dorms, residents joined the protest, and the ranks swelled as it returned to the Federal Building.

Some local government representatives shared their own anti-war beliefs with the crowd.

"This war will not bring a new world order," said U.S. Rep. Peter DeFazio. "You do not preserve peace by launching a war."

A slight scuffle was reported between a marcher and a supporter of the U.S. effort to drive Iraqi forces from occupied Kuwait, but the march for peace was mostly just that — peaceful.



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