

## Black Caucus states position on war protest

Alice Lytle To General Assembly  
May 9, 1970

The Black Caucus originally supported the protest against the brutality in Southeast Asia in the belief that the people protesting saw a direct relationship between the horrors in Southeast Asia and racism at home. We have now come to realize that many of these protesters do not see the direct relationship between racism at home and a racist war in Southeast Asia. This is how the Black people see the conflict. We would like to remind the protesters that the fight at home started some 400 years ago and was escalated to Southeast Asia and if the war in Southeast Asia were to end tomorrow Black people still would have the fight at home. The genocidal war being waged in Southeast Asia is only an extension of the genocidal war that has been waged and is still being waged against non-white peoples in USA.

The second issue that student protesters on campus and throughout the nation are outraged against is the vicious, senseless, wanton and legally sanctioned murder of four white Kent State students. We share your outrage. But, deepening our sense of outrage is a long standing and far more painful realization that our people have been the victims of legally sanctioned, traditionally ignored assassinations, we speak of: Malcom X, Emmett Till, The four little children in Birmingham, Alabama, students in Tennessee, Orangeburg, Mississippi, Fred Hapton, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., Jimmy Lee Jackson, Bobby Hutton, Medger Evers, the nameless dead in the jungles of Viet Nam, Korea, Laos and now in Cambodia and other political prisoners soon to join this list of dead.

If the American people, as a result of their legitimate protest, regain the control of their own destinies and we sincerely hope this happens, we would like to ask some hard, very relevant questions. What will happen to the returning non-white soldiers? Are you prepared to expend the same energy you are expending now to assist minorities in getting what we choose to call a "piece of the action" and what you call "entering the mainstream of the American life". A difference in terms, but you get the message. If your commitment is real are you prepared to do the following things:

1. Fight for funds necessary to train non-white doctors, nurses, technicians, lab personnel, office personnel, skilled craftsmen in this center.
2. Are you prepared to demand necessary funds for EOP program on this campus.
3. Are you prepared to fight for non-whites in positions of power and decision making right here on this campus.
4. Are you prepared to fight for an increase in non-white faculty members right here on campus.
5. Are you prepared to hold the university to a strong, well-enforced affirmative action policy in regard to construction and other types of employment right here on this campus.
6. Are you prepared to answer these questions.

Can you see the effects of the war in Southeast Asia on these questions? Do you see the connection? Are you ready to forsake a short-sighted goal for a long term struggle at home that really involves the destiny of us all? Our

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were they necessary?



ucsf civic center peace rally



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# RACIST OPPRESSION AMERICAN IMPERIALISM

## emergency basis instruction

Editor, the SYNAPSE:

It is very important to most of us at UCSF, personally, and as part of the socially responsible direction of the campus, that professional education **not** be interrupted or delayed as a byproduct of Peace Activities on campus. For financial and other reasons, many students will find it very difficult or impossible to keep going if they are delayed now. The federal and state governments may provide extra money some day — I hope they will — but this cannot be depended on.

Therefore I propose that all instructors make themselves available on an emergency basis — off campus, in their offices, or otherwise — for instructional activities as desired and requested by students.

Peace and Love,  
Bill Garoutte, M.D., Ph.D.  
Professor, Anatomy and Neurology

## correction

Dear Editor:

Two words can make all the difference in the world. The deletion of NOT in the third paragraph of my story on May 11th and the inclusion of NOW in the fourth changed the whole meaning. Those paragraphs should have read:

"I have opposed this war NOT because it has undermined the national economy; NOT because it has left our human needs unmet and our urban problems unresolved; NOT because it is the wrong war in the wrong place at the wrong time; NOT because it might well invite retaliation in Asia or the Middle East, Africa or Latin America; NOT because it might bring upon World War III and with it, a nuclear holocaust. These are all good and sufficient reasons.

"I have opposed this war for the same reasons that I oppose abortion and capital punishment, for the same reason that I oppose denial of human rights to members of minority groups and social justice to the farm worker, for the same reasons that I oppose pollution of the environment and destruction of the earth. I oppose it because it is immoral."

There are many valid objections to the war in VietNam. Mine has been; is now; and will continue to be - moral.

Please correct the false impression conveyed by deletion of the first not and inclusion of now before "because it is immoral". This war has been immoral for a long time.

Thanks so much.

Sincerely,  
The Rev. Charles Carroll

Jim Hilger's cartoon



## academic senate responds to war crisis

by John Amsterdam  
Commissioner on Academic  
Senate and Regental Affairs

The past week has been full of challenges and the Academic Senate as well as the rest of us did what we could. A series of Senate sessions were held between Friday, May 8, and Monday, May 11, 1970, which resulted in what may be described as "a reasonable response to current events."

At the session of the Academic Senate held Monday, May 11, the Senate, observing that "the current nationwide and university crisis makes normal conduct of courses difficult if not impossible," resolved that: 1) no examinations or term papers would be required and that mechanisms would be implemented wherever possible to increase the flexibility of grading and completion of course requirements along with permission for the deferral of the completion of this quarter for students so requesting, 2) that the chairman of the Academic Senate appoint one or more members of the Academic Senate to travel to Washington D.C. with the U.C.S.F. Washington Delegation, 3) that the Academic Senate of U.C.S.C. be authorized to appoint an ad hoc resolutions committee, 4) that the Administration reorganize the fall quarter providing for a two week vacation immediately preceding the national elections

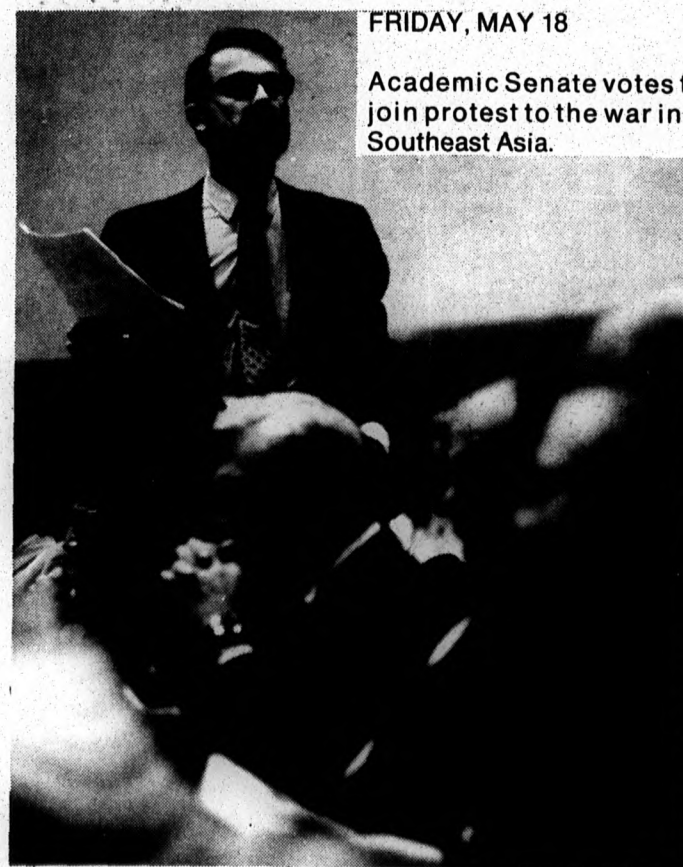
to facilitate participation of students, employees, and faculty wishing to do so."

Dr. Malcolm Jones' resolution designating a Saturday as a "day for peace" with open clinics and free medical care for the community at large was referred to the Resolutions Committee for clarification. A motion expressing solidarity with other campuses in the nation and calling for a halt to all activities except for maintenance of essential patient services through Wednesday, May 13, was tabled by the Senate.

The Academic Senate, in

FRIDAY, MAY 18

Academic Senate votes to join protest to the war in Southeast Asia.



observance of a national crisis, as well as current needs, responded in a way which can help foster greater unity and creativity among members of our campus community at large. They have provided constructive pathways for students to pursue normal or timely activities, and formed an AD HOC Resolutions Committee from which we may expect constructive action. We have all seen the faculty of a state university take a thoroughly reasonable and creative stand. Unfortunately, we live in an insanely unreasonable time.

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# ucsf: how to mobilize for action

## INFORMATION

The most important committee. All inquiries for information about any activities by this campus community are being centralized in this office. All groups (individual schools, faculty meetings, committees, employees, etc.) are strongly asked to report all information on new and revised activities. Elain Levy is the coordinator of this committee. S-140, Ext. 2347.

## PRESS RELEASE

Chairman Harvey Eisen, Ext. 2019, 240 M.U. Barbara Squire's office). The purpose of this committee is to collect, organize, and prepare all information released to the press (radio and TV stations, newspapers) from the committees and meetings of the Medical Center community. This office will be manned from 9 a.m. until 9 p.m. each day. Anyone with information or questions pertaining to the preparations of press releases is urged to call or stop by.

## TELEGRAM COMMITTEE

This committee is organizing efforts to get telegrams sent to elected representatives. In addition to the table which is set up in the M.U. lounge, we have tables up in various parts of the San Francisco-Bay Area to give the people of the community a chance to take a stand and express themselves. People are needed especially to man the tables in the community. Our coordination efforts are centered in the Madrone Room. We have a telephone, 666-2541, for this weekend (a new number will be posted on the bulletin board after the weekend). As of Friday evening we have sent out over 1200 telegrams.

## FINANCE COMMITTEE

This committee is handling all financial matters during the duration of the protest. All requests for money to be spent on paper, food or any other protest-related activity should be made to this office. The committee is headed by Lawrence Eugenio in the Music Room, Millberry Union. Phone: 666-4005. Donations should be brought to this office, checks in the name, "Stop the Killing."

## COMMUNITY CONVAISING COMMITTEE

This committee is interested in extending the scope of the protest to constructively involve and inform the surrounding community. If you are interested in circulating petitions, go to the table set up in the Millberry Lobby and you will be assigned a particular area. The committee is headed by Bob Edmund and Ernest Mak and has an office located in the Faculty Club.

## LETTER WRITING COMMITTEE

Complete information on who, what, and where letters can be most constructively sent is provided at the table of this committee in the Millberry Lobby. Stamps, paper, and envelopes are provided. This committee is headed by Jan Stickney. Office is in the Faculty Club.

## SPEAKERS BUREAU

This committee needs per-

sons wishing to participate as an informative "speaker" relating the events and policies of this campus to outside groups and organiza-

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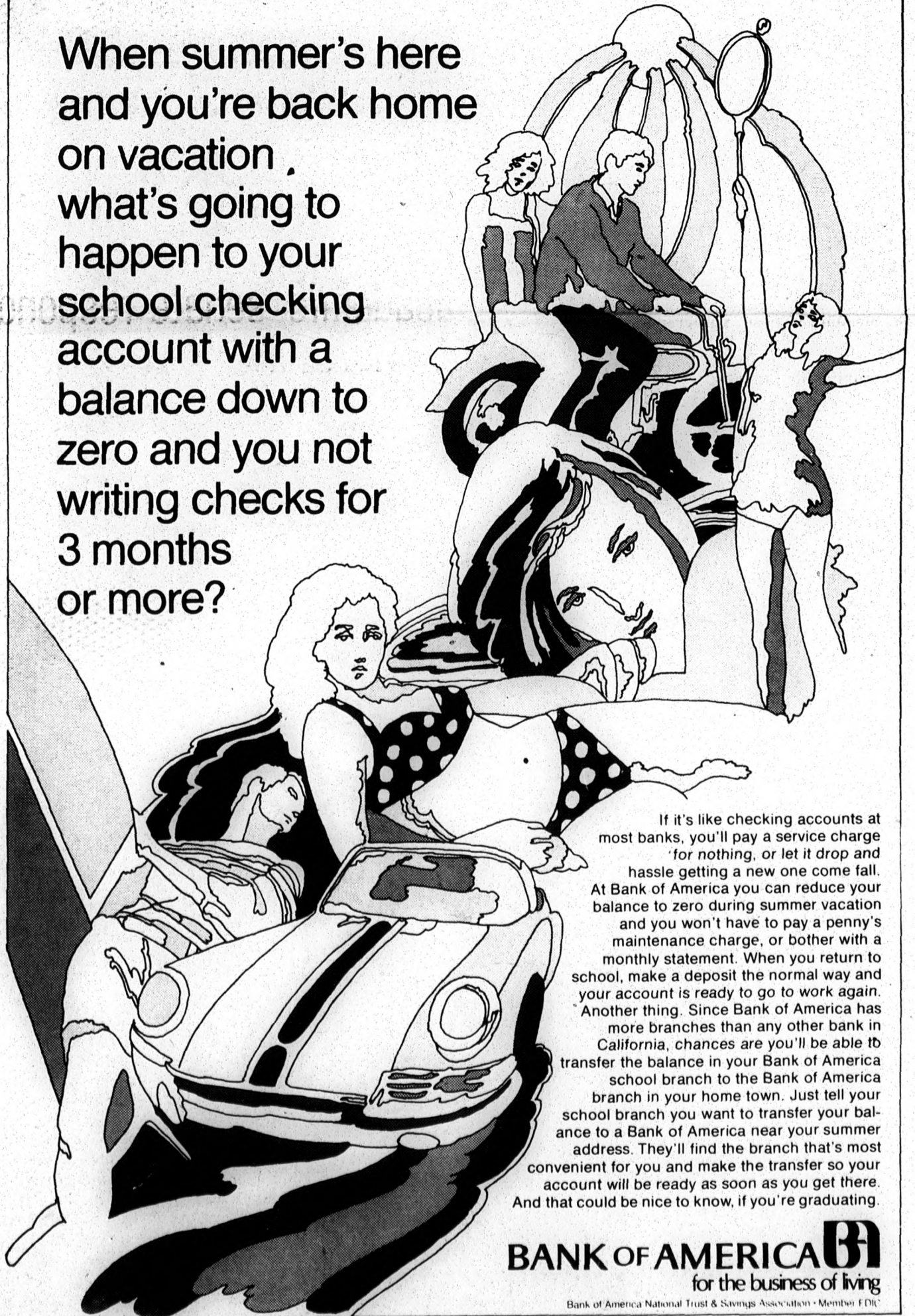
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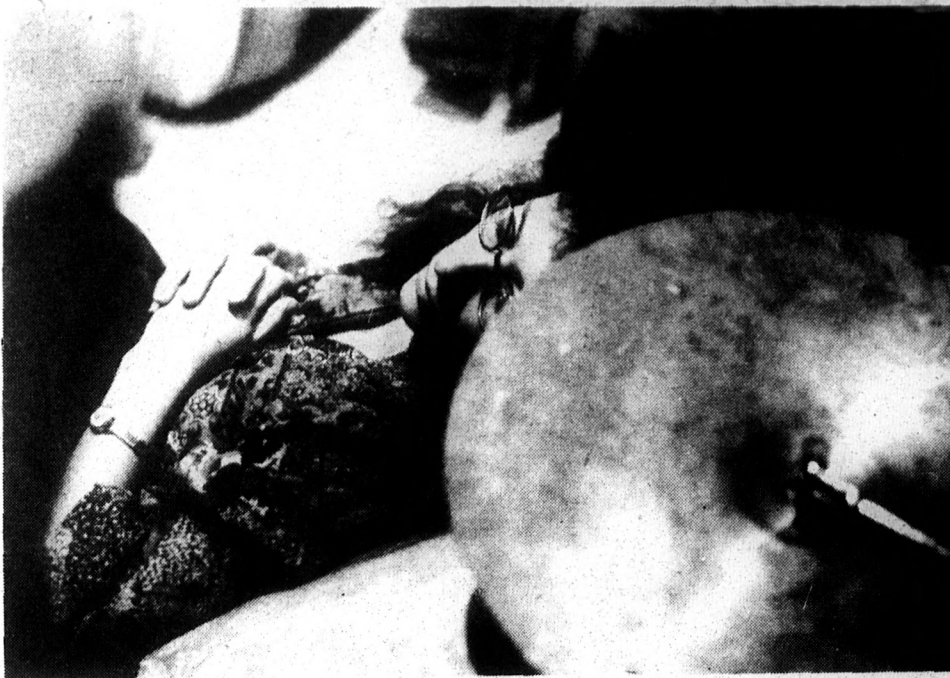
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WEDNESDAY, MAY 6

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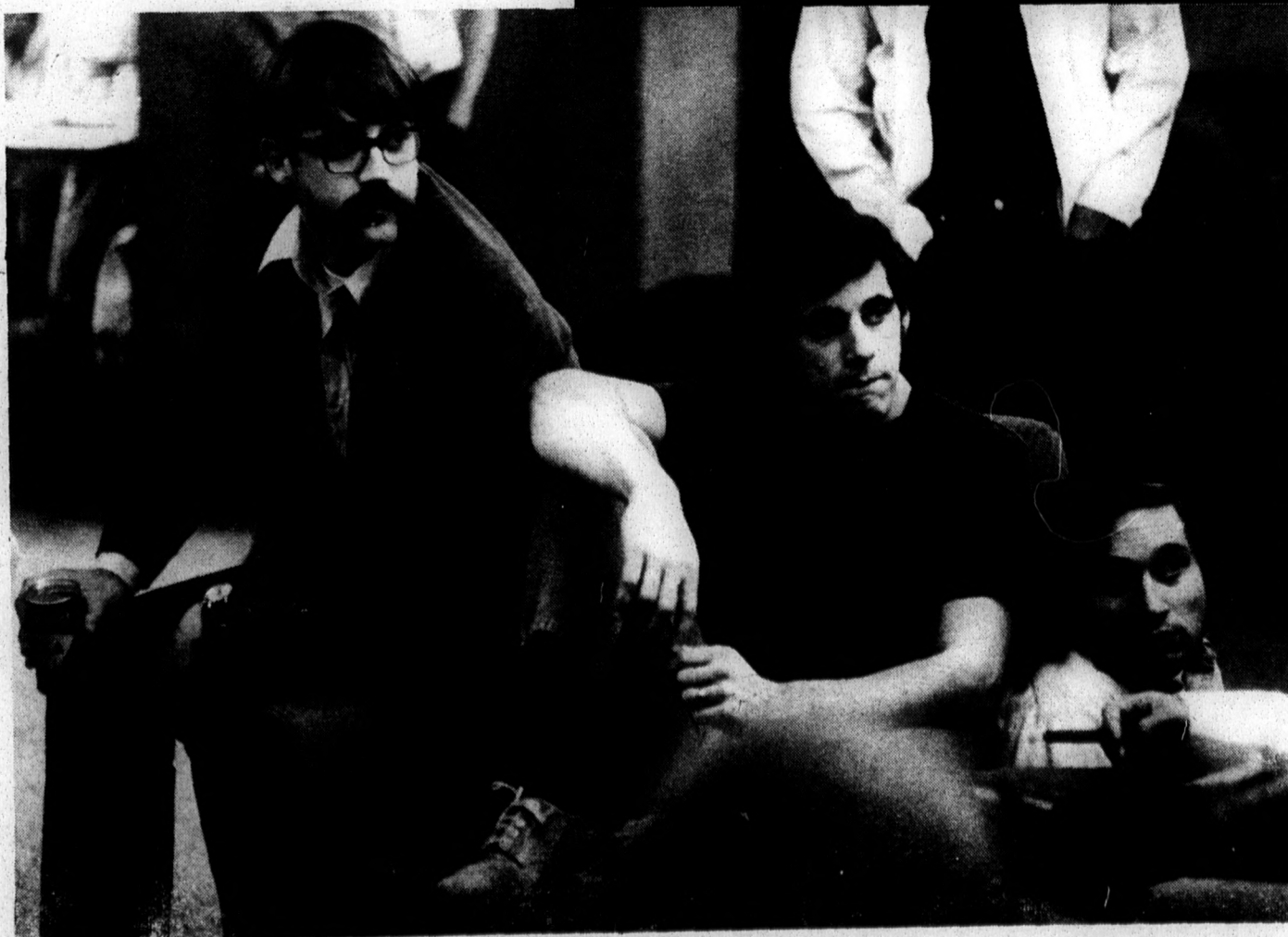
MONDAY, MAY 12

Chancellor Philip R. Lee speaks at convocation on Millberry Union garage roof preceding peace march to Civic Center Plaza.



WEDNESDAY, MAY 6

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In recent years, our campus Educational Opportunity Program has been expanded, but government funds have been cut drastically. The MAY FAIR is planned as a community-campus effort to meet the deficit: only \$62,000 were provided to fund a \$350,000 budget.



"Confrontation" presents concert Friday, May 29 to benefit campus EOP.

"Dr. Spock and His Babies" will be shown Thursday, 21 May, 12 noon, Medical Sciences Auditorium as part of the May Fair festivities to benefit the campus Educational Opportunity Program, for which 50c admission will be charged.

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**may fair special events**

Thurs. 21 May, special noon film, "Dr. Spock and His Babies", concerning Dr. Spock's case against the Vietnam War, his growing political involvement joining with the young resistance movement, and his conspiracy trial. 12 noon, Medical Sciences Auditorium, 50c admission. All proceeds to benefit the campus Educational Opportunity Program.

Thurs. 28 May: Mr. John Wheatman, noted Bay Area interior designer, to speak on "Decorating on a Limited Budget". 7 pm, Millberry Union Lounge. Admission: students - \$1.00, general - \$2.00. Advance ticket sales: Millberry Union Central Desk. All proceeds to benefit campus EOP. Refreshments will be served.

Fri. 29 May: "CONFRONTATION" presents "A Powerful Peace of Happiness", a live concert. 5 pm, Millberry Union Lounge. Admission: \$1.00 including fine refreshments. Advance ticket sales: Millberry Union Central Desk. All proceeds to benefit campus EOP.





Fri. 22 May: "Battle of Algiers"...a starkly realistic re-enactment of the rebellion against the French between 1954 and 1957. Winner of eleven international awards. Directed by Pontecorvo who has achieved an extraordinary sense of authenticity through use of non-professional actors and dramatic camera-work. 7:30 pm, Med Sci Aud; Students—50¢, General—75¢—Sponsored by the Committee on Arts and Lectures.

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gram will be given at Sonoma State Hospital where learning experiences will be offered through lectures, seminars and supervised clinical practice.

The program will last from July 6 through 31 Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. The Enrollment fee is \$200 and it is limited to 25 participants.

Housing during the course is the responsibility of the student. Students will be required to provide their own transportation to clinical agencies.

Those interested should contact Maura C. Carroll, R.N., Continuing Education in Nursing, University of California, School of Nursing for information and applications.

## free painting drawing workshop

Every Saturday, from 2-5 p.m., a free painting and drawing Workshop is taking place at LA RAZA WORKSHOP, the only one of its kind located in the Mission

District, at 3001 22nd Street, San Francisco.

Materials are not supplied, and donations are accepted to cover the Workshop costs. Ten to twenty students are usually present and discussion and critique take place.

Co-sponsors of the Workshop are Casa Hispana and Horizons Unlimited. For

further information please call 586-0435, Francisco Camplis, or 992-3345, Ralph McNeill.

## backpackers

Backpackers are invited to join the Medical Center Hiking Club on a trip to Lake Schmidell in the Desolation Wilderness Area.

The trip will begin Saturday, May 23, from Wright's Lake campground (located about 8 miles off Highway 50). The group will hike about 7-1/2 miles to Lake Schmidell and will camp

there Saturday night. Sunday activities will include fishing, hiking to nearby lakes, loafing, etc. Although most people will probably need to return Sunday, some hope to continue the backpack trip until Tuesday.

To sign up or get additional information, contact Kurt Ries (621-9698, evenings) or Nancy Kull (666-1523, days) by 3:00 p.m. Wednesday, May 20. Food arrangements will be made later.

## financial aid

The Financial Aid Office will have an informal meeting Tuesday, May 19, from 12:00 to 1:00 p.m. in the Marin Room, 278-A Moffitt Hospital.

Students are invited to come and discuss any questions or comments they have regarding financial aid with members of the Financial Aid Office staff. They are urged to bring lunch and eat at the meeting; coffee will be provided.

## foreigners at ucsf

Those foreigners at UCSF who want to participate as a group of individuals in the cause of peace have formed an "International Community Against War."

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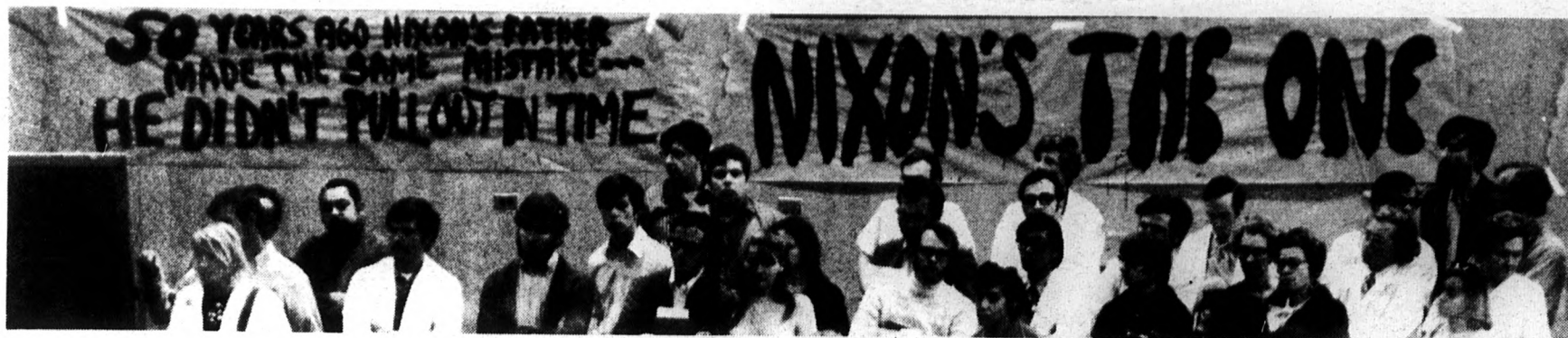
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# “hell no, we won’t go!”

by Carl Yorita

On Friday, May 8, the following resolution was presented to the Regional Headquarters for the Selective service:

“We, students of the University of California School of Medicine at San Francisco, feel that it is our moral duty as citizens of the United States to protest our country’s involvement in Southeast Asia. The recent invasion of Cambodia, taken without the counsel or specific consent of Congress, has shaken our faith in the democratic and constitutional processes for which this country stands.

As students of the Healing Arts, we recognize our basic commitment to the maintenance of the well-being of our fellow men. In further affirming our commitment to the ideals of our profession, we feel compelled to express our despair at the incredible human suffering in Southeast Asia. With these considerations of our basic responsibilities, we cannot in conscience aid or abet the military effort of this nation in Indochina.

THEREFORE, IN ORDER TO EFFECT AN END TO THIS SENSELESS SUFFERING, WE FEEL THAT WE HAVE NO RECOURSE BUT TO REFUSE TO SERVE AS PHYSICIANS IN THE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES IN SOUTHEAST ASIA.”

This resolution was drafted on Wednesday, May 6, and presented to the student body on Thursday and Friday. 120 students from the first and second year medical classes signed the document; had there been more time and had more of the third and fourth year classes been notified of this resolution’s existence, probably more of the 520 medical students at this school would have signed it. (Note: 10 percent of the 520 students are females and hence exempt from military obligation.) In total, approximately 150 future physicians affixed their commitments to this resolution.

Three copies of the document were signed. One of the copies was presented to the Selective Service Headquarters in a brief gathering outside of the Federal Building in San Francisco. One copy will be sent to President Nixon, and one to Director of HEW Dr. Roger O. Egeberg.

Although this resolution was created by a group of second-year students, it embodies the desire in all students to “do something about the war.” The moral question of how such signees can reconcile the duties of their profession of treating wounded soldiers with the refusal to serve in the UC Armed Forces may be answered by the following arguments, which are only a portion of the constellation of debate in the minds of all individuals. In terms of military, political, economic and social objectives, the war has accomplished nothing positive. Rather, it has taken more lives than all the efforts in the lifetimes of all the members of this Medical Center could save. It has wrought unbelievable suffering upon the land and people of Indochina, for the

sake of half-maintaining a cruel despotic government.

Thus, this war is a basic contradiction to the ideals of our profession, and to ignore it is tantamount to pulling the trigger of those guns at My Lai, or to closing those chamber doors at Auschwitz. This war is a contradiction to our national ideals; it has made a mockery out of the democratic process, out of what many in the past have sacrificed their lives for.

One may question the sagacity or the morality of physicians entering into essentially a legal and political action. This is not a time of normality, this is a time of crises. We are at a point in the history of civilization where our wrong actions will have a more devastating effect upon the human race than can be imagined. Either we become “politicized,” or we bear the guilt forever for the butchery in Southeast Asia.

The growth of militarism, repression, and political polarization in our nation has reached a point where we can no longer take comfort in the prestige and roles of our profession; where refusal to support the “war machine” may just be adequate to halt its malignant growth. We cannot ignore the wounded and maimed, but by refusal to take part in the processes of war, we may prevent more from becoming wounded and maimed.

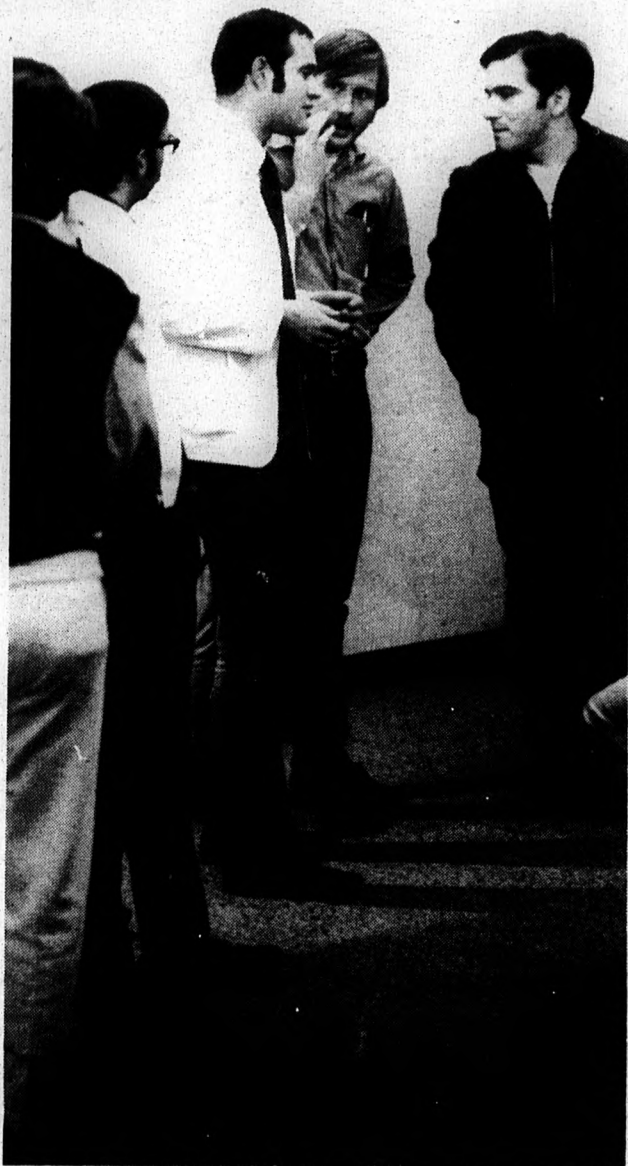
It is the purpose of those who drafted the resolution to embrace as many degrees of commitment as possible. Hence, the wording of the final sentence of the resolution, which allows many latitudes of interpretation. Some may say that it is inadequate and lacks strength, but it is unprecedented and more powerful than the silence which has cloaked the medical profession until now.

It is not only the Indochinese holocaust which threatens us; it is the very existence of the “war machine,” and the “war mentality,” which will destroy our lives and all that is meaningful in Life itself. If not Vietnam, it will be someplace else. It is time to halt further military adventures, violations of the constitutional process, arms developments, repression and all those evils which stifle the human spirit. And it is our task as guardians of the body and mind of Man that we must act now, or face harsh judgement later our consciences.

Presently, there are 36,000 students of Medicine in this country. If a significant number of these students will commit themselves to the philosophy of this resolution by signing it, perhaps publication in a news vehicle with national circulation will present enough of a persuasion to discourage further expansion of the war in Southeast Asia.

Communication regarding this matter is welcome:

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## academic neutrality

The Committee on Arts & Lectures has invited Professor Philip Rhinelander of Stanford University to give a lecture on “The Concept of Academic Neutrality in Today’s World”.

Dr. Rhinelander was dean of general studies at Harvard University for two decades before joining Stanford as dean of Humanities. He is author of many articles on ethics and legal philosophy.

The lecture will be on Wednesday May 20 at noon in Millberry I lounge.

## Black Caucus

concern with the danger of being fired as a result of this strike is only symptomatic of the traditional job insecurity non-whites have always had on this campus. Don’t ask us to sacrifice an already precarious economic position for a shortsighted goal. Don’t ask us to sacrifice when sacrifice is a way of life for us. Sacrifice of pay is something most of you can choose to do. We are presented with no choice. If you are born non-white in this country, you are born to a life of sacrifice. You are born to a life of living from paycheck to paycheck. We are telling you that we will not strike to get the men out of Cambodia, Laos, Vietnam or anywhere in Indochina, if our men come home to racist conditions here in these USA. It doesn’t matter where we die — in Southeast Asia, the barrios, Chinatowns or Harlems people must live and life in these United States as conditions exist now is no life at all.

It is time American fought for the principles America has always maintained she stands for. If you can understand and agree with what we say, stand up for that and we will support your strike.



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