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patory democracy at the AEL sit-in, events yesterday laid them to rest. Debate at the liberated laboratory began at one o'clock in the afternoon and lasted an hour and a half before small discussion groups formed for the rest of the afternoon. Nearly thirty different proposals were introduced at the marathon six hour meeting after dinner which also included an hour of small discussion groups.

Weary students overwhelmingly rejected a plea to end the sit-in, and decided for the present time to remain at AEL without expanding the sit-in to the nearby Space Sciences building. Sit-in participants further scheduled a noon rally and planned intense educational work in classes throughout the day.

The People-Spirit

The People-spirit is a beautiful thing growing out of this experience. The People are living their work. They are so intense in their thing that it can truly be said they are work-freaks. People are research-freaks, printing-freaks, co-ordinating freaks--People groove on documenting the entire history of huge conglomerates; People run machines on a 24-hour basis, treating them as friends of the revolution; people distribute hundreds of thousands

of printed pages to the Stanford Industrial Park and the Stanford Research Institute and other virgin territory.

People are on food-trips, legal-trips, sweeping-trips, music-trips, mediatrips.

The People-spirit is a high-it says living in here is better than
living anywhere else we've ever been.
Moral consciousness runs heavy in
our veins--it is truly our blood. And
its flow shall sustain our trip.

8TH IN A SERIES:

TODAY'S TRUSTEE: Thomas V. Jones

Trustee Tom Jones, like trustee Roger Lewis, makes his living in the aerospace industry. But while Lewis' General Dynamics makes the military's Cadillac, the F-111, Jones' company, Northrop Corporation, makes the military's Volkswagen.

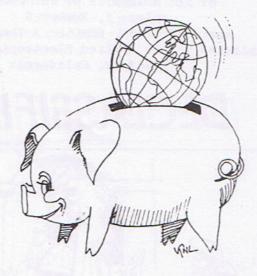
Northrop's supersonic F-5 jet is cheap; it costs just under 1 million each. But that's not all Northrop makes. Electronics work, which accounts for 20 per cent of Northrop sales, includes test systems for the Polaris and Poseidon submarine-launched missiles. The submarines, of course, are made by General Dynamics. Northrop also makes navigation systems for the Air Forces new C-5A super transport, which is made by Lockheed.

As chairman of the board and president of Northrop, Jones holds much power over Northrop's policies. Perhaps a quick listing of Jones' organizational connections will give us some insight into what kind of man he is.

Besides being a director of SRI, Jones is a member of: Aerospace Industries Assn.; Air Force Systems Command Board of Visitors; Industrial College of the Armed Services Board of Advisers; U.S. Department of Defense Advisory Council; American Ordnance Assn.; U.S. Army Assn.; Navy League; Air Force Assn.; and the Stanford University School of Engineering Advisory Council. Jones is also a trustee of California Institute of Technology (Cal Tech).

The board of directors of Northrop shows what kind of company Jones keeps, including:

-Lloyd Austin, president of Security Pacific National Bank (2nd largest in California; trustee Ducommun is a director). Austin is also a director of Pacific Mutual Life Insurance Co., which owns the building in San Francisco where the Stanford trustees meet. (Trustee W. P. Fuller III is a director of Pacific Mutual Life.) Austin is also a trustee of Cal Tech.



-Earle M. Jorgensen, a director of Transamerica Corp., also a trustee of Cal Tech.

-John O'Melveney, another director of Security Pacific National Bank and another trustee of Cal Tech.

-A. E. Ponting, a director of Ampex Corp. (Stanford chancellor Wally Sterling is also a director of Ampex). Ponting is chairman of the executive committee of Blythe and Co., an investment firm which was founded by former Stanford trustee Charles Blythe.

-Richard W. Millar, chairman of the finance committee of investment firm Glore Forgan, Wm. R. Staats, which, as we learned yesterday, is financing trustee Tom Pike's grotesque ventures with the Fluor Corp.

-James Allen, consultant to the RAND Corp. (Pitzer and Hewlett are RAND directors).

Perhaps the scariest aspect of trustee Jones' story is that four Northrop directors, including chairman Jones himself, have secured places on the Cal Tech board of trustees.

Stanford's problems are not unique. The Stanford trustees are part of a larger family that has the facilities of every major American university at its disposal. As we smash Stanford's involvement in the U.S. military-industrial machine, we set rumblings throughout the entire military-industrial-university complex.

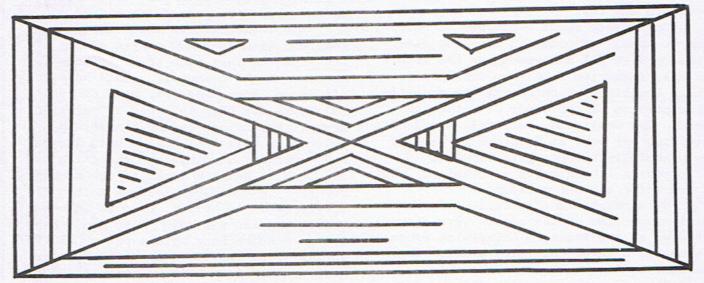
Who said there wouldn't be an earthquake in April?

Reflections on Last Night's Meeting

1. Some people have been disturbed by the fact that at almost every general meeting people come forward to propose that we vacate the AEL and in effect end the sit-in. It is important to realize that these suggestions have not been generated, as some believe, by doubts occuring time and again in the minds of the seven-day sitters-in. Rather, I believe, they come from persons we have recently attracted to the movement and who are just beginning to come to grips with the responsibilities of the sit-in in a personal way. The making of a proposal (regardless of

motion made clear their willingness to employ the tactic as soom as the time for its greatest effectiveness would arrive. And it is important that we realize (and admit) that these persons did not come to that willingness from a previous ideological stance, so much as they gained it from their recent direct experience in the sit-in itself. We should be happy to realize that we are teaching ourselves -- and that we are learning:

a) how to recognize our situation



its content) is a first act of participation by these persons, --- and is an outward manifestation of their greater involvement. We need not misunderstand those proposals, therefore, or be dismayed by them; for they signify increasing membership to the movement from its periphery, not general self-doubt at its core.

2. Although many people might have felt, individually, that the vote on escalation was concluded negatively, it should be apparent that many people are becoming quite favorably oriented toward the seizure of another building. The question on their minds was specifically one of timing, and for that reason they voted not to seize the Aerospace Research building last night -- but only last night. Most of the speakers against the

- (e.g. what stages we are progressing through)
- b) how to create for ourselves real political power (especially in the extremely difficult task of simultaneously winning support from the wider community by our restraint while being militant enough to pressure the trustees and their allies), and
- c) how to plan to use that power most effectively (e.g. understanding the distinctions between organizing and escalating, and how to combine and co-ordinate the two).

We are learning, as a constantly growing community, how to use power - not for vicarious thrills or self-deluding fantasies, but for the achievement of our concrete political goals.

HALF A REPORT IS STRANGER THAN NONE

On Monday afternoon, April 14, all employees of Stanford Research Institute received part of the SRI Study Committee report on the future relationship between Stanford University and SRI. That portion of the clearly printed report recommended severance of the existing ties between the two institutions.

What SRI employees did <u>not</u> receive that afternoon was the 17 page minority position portion of the report, which revealed in detail the direct military and counterinsurgency work performed at SRI for the United States Government, and recommended strengthening the ties between Stanford and SRI.

On Tuesday night employees of SRI, due to spend Wednesday in day-long discussion with SRI management on the future of SRI, requested help from the April Third Coalition in obtaining the unavailable portion of the Study Committee report. The Coalition, currently engaged in stopping war work at Stanford University by peacefully occupying the Applied Electronics Laboratories at Stanford, went to work for the SRI workers.

By midnight Tuesday copies of the missing portion of the report were discovered at the Stanford University Press. Wednesday morning Coalition members learned that 3000 copies of the minority position report, originally printed for SRI employees, had been locked in the office of Peter Allen, an employee of Stanford's ''University Relations'' Office. Also in Allen's office were 3000 copies of the full report, printed in tabloid form in Tuesday's Stanford Daily. When Allen was confronted by members of the Coalition early Wednesday afternoon, he termed the delay ''unfortunate'', and added that ''I guess I was expecting them (SRI) to call me, and they were expecting me to call them. ' ' Allen then informed the Coalition that the Daily copies were about to be delivered to SRI. ''The University paid for both the Daily copies and the offset copies, and it's just a matter of which one of ours I give to SRI, ' Allen said.

Members of the Coalition who had strained their tired eyes plowing through

the 6 point type format of the <u>Daily</u> demanded the existing offset copies for SRI but got nowhere with Allen. Upon proceeding to SRI they were informed by management there that SRI had tried in vain for 48 hours to procure the minority report from Stanford.

Fearing that SRI management would still not press their request strongly enough to the University Relations Office, Coalition members demanded that SRI call Stanford, and told SRI management they would wait for a positive response and then fetch the copies themselves.

A half hour later the offset copies of the minority report were at SRI.

For their efforts the Coalition was rewarded with the 3000 copies of the Daily, which they plan to distribute to members of the community. Late Wednesday afternoon, Homer Meaders, head of Public Relations for SRI, informed a Coalition member that he had called Stanford's University Relations Office both Tuesday and Wednesday morning, and each time had received no help in locating the minority report. On Wednesday Meaders talked directly to Lyle Nelson, head of University Relations, and was told ''We don't have it''. Meaders hung up the phone, and SRI workers were further denied the full report, until the Coalition came to their rescue. ''It's a free country, and a free press alright, '' commented a member of the Coalition -- ' 'just watch out for the bastards who run both. ''



ONCE AROUND THE QUAD



The university holds a sacred place in American tradition, but it's difficult to pinpoint just what its functions are.

The revolution I support will be of professionals in the fields of science and the humanities who have faced reality and realized that the only way to change this society is to gain the education, self-control, and stamina to get to positions of authority.



AND AT SRI!



This conclusion is based in part on the consideration that "SRI is engaged in a form of business of proven value and highly technical skills, but one which has only limited overlap University activities, as demonstrathe slight extent of interaction spontaneously occurred. Attinvolve the two more cloprobably work to the









Rambo, Black Crow

Rambo, Rambo, Rambo black crow
Don't you fly 'round this house no more
Your black wings beat a murder's song
You've hid in the darkness entirely too



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Rambo black crow play with your toys

Make believe you don't know that they're

used to destroy

Rambo can't you understand

You can't live off the dying of another

Rambo black crow go tell your flock
There's nothing sacred 'bout your doors
and your locks
By the light of our fire we're going to
explore
And remember that your nest is only made
out of straw

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WHERE'S PITZER AT!

The letter from President Pitzer tried to say many things, but two points are worthy of special note to us.

By his attempt to slander us and the character of the sit-in which has won us much of our support, Pitzer points out our strength. His own words were: ''Unfortunately, there exists in certain segments of the Stanford community an impression that the demonstrators at AEL are harmlessly focusing attention on an otherwise neglected issue of principle. '' What he is alluding to, and is so perplexed and uncomfortable about, is the support for our cause by many of his own colleagues. They have been persuaded to our position on the issues, to a large extent by the style of our political action. Our combination of militancy through seizure of a building, with self-discipline through precise application of our tactics has won support from a significant number of persons whom the President thought would be solely concerned with the stagnancy of academic routine (read 'normal functioning of a university').

So, in order to try to dispel that support, Pitzer finds he has to try to slander us, painting a false and vindictive portrait of our real actions. He pretends to be presenting facts, when

all he can muster is angry distortion: '' In fact'', he states, '' the demontration is inherently an ugly, sometimes fierce threat to and infringement upon the rights of researchers to research, students to study, and teachers to teach." Read the San Francisco Chroncile to see if other observers (who are less subjectively involved with the issues) have found us '' inherently ugly '' or ''fierce''. And what teachers have we infringed upon in their attempts to teach, or students in their attempt to study? If anyone has committed those infringements it has been the university itself: the Political Science department's acting chairman threatening the instructor of a course on Marx not to hold classes (i.e., not to teach, and his students not to learn) at the AEL. And notice that for Pitzer, the proper behavior of students is to study; he does not automatically say ''to learn'': Clearly we at the sitin are learning at a great pace, learning about ourselves, about politics and about the university. Has Pitzer forgotten that the proper function of a university is learning? If so, we should not be surprised --- what with all the research and adminstration going on!