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STANFORD —

Twenty members of Stanford's faculty and staff urged a White Plaza audience to fight the Indochina war with brains instead of brawn Friday noon, Feb. 19. All opposed to the war in Southeast Asia and their suggestions on how to help stop it ranged from nonviolent civil disobedience to enlisting the aid of parents and alumni in a letter-writing campaign to Washington.

About 300 persons braved a chill north wind to hear the 45 minute rally, sponsored by a new coalition of Faculty and Staff Against the War. The suggestion of civil disobedience was put forward by Robert McAfee Brown, professor of religion, who said that "our words must now equal our deeds."

"I prefer to be found guilty of acts that save lives than guilty of complicity in acts that destroy lives," Professor Brown, an ordained Presbyterian minister, told the applauding audience.

Thomas M. Newell, director of the Stanford Alumni Association, said the "vast majority" of Stanford's 100,000 alumni are "deeply concerned" about the Southeast Asian war. "The alumni share with you their concern," he said. "They, too, hope we find a way out of this appalling mess as soon as possible."

Prof. David Abernethy, political science and University Fellow, suggested that Stanford use its total resources of faculty, students, staff and its research facilities to develop alternatives to war-related industries on which the residents of the community depend for their jobs.

A. Berkley Driessel, assistant to the provost, called for the stamping out of imperialism, "not with guns or clubs, but with ideas." Force has not been successful anywhere during the past decade, he said, so the alternative must be ideas which universities are equipped to supply.

Joe Jurow, a staff member at the Stanford Linear Accelerator Center, pointed out the University has the power to shut itself down in protest against the war—"that's the kind of power Nixon understands," he said. "It was used last spring and it can be used again."

Robert Moulton, associate director for administrative services at SLAC, said he supported Professor Brown's suggestion for nonviolent civil disobedience. "Nixon and What's-his-name are afraid of the American university."

Professor Henry Breitrose of communication urged letter writing by students' parents. "If it's true that they are the members of the American ruling class," he said, "they ought to be able to offer some help."

Other speakers included Prof. Sanford Dornbusch, chairman of the faculty Senate; the Rev. B. Davie Napier, dean of the chapel; Howard Gorman, mathematics; Robert Ackerman and Albert Guérard, English; Philip Dawson, history; Julian Ripley, physical sciences; Dorothy Neumeier-Perkins, biology; Leonard Herzenberg, genetics; Mark Mancall, history, history; Paul Berg, mathematics; Howard Kahn, history; and James Simmons, special assistant to the President for minority affairs.

Simmons said "the nation should feel a sense of shame" about its activities in Southeast Asia, and suggested that "we should do as much as we can to express our indignation in a constitutional way."

A group of young women identifying themselves as "Stanford workers" suggested that the audience boycott Tresidder Union because of the dismissal of eight workers (Tresidder Union recently announced reduced hours of service because of economic problems.) "This is what the war is doing to people," a spokeswoman for the group said.

Herzenberg solicited support for the newly formed Faculty Political Action Group. Gorman suggested rescinding all suspended persons "until the greater moral issue of the war is looked into."

Professor Dornbusch told the gathering: "What unites us is the fight against despair and apathy—each of us is convinced of the basic immorality of the war. The war is tearing the world, the nation and the University apart. You must exercise all your talents for 'Peace Now.'"

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The Stanford Judicial Council has recommended that seven students be suspended for terms ranging from one to four academic quarters for disrupting a scheduled speech Jan. 11 by Ambassador Henry Cabot Lodge.

The recommendation was given by Council Chairman Howard Williams, professor of law, to President Richard W. Lyman, who will make the final decision on the sentences. Since the Council's formation two years ago, its recommendations usually have been followed.

The recommended sentences:

Janet Weiss, graduate student from Palo Alto, four-quarter suspension; Jeffrey Youdelman, graduate student from Palo Alto, four quarter suspension, with two quarters stayed; Geraldine Foote, sophomore from Portland, Ore., and Theresa Ramirez, sophomore from Denver, four-quarter suspension with three quarters stayed; Michael Hoiman, sophomore from Stanford, two quarter suspension with one quarter stayed; and Bradley Dowden, graduate student from Los Gatos, and Merle Rabine, graduate student from Beachwood, Ohio, one-quarter suspension. The stays all are subject to good behavior. Suspension means termination of all student and residence privileges. —30— 2/19/71