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Faculty wives protest job recruiter

Five Stanford University faculty wives sat peacefully in the doorway of the placement center Friday afternoon to protest campus recruiting by FMC, a San Jose based corporation which manufactures military hardware.

They impeded but did not actually block entrance to the building, which was guarded by six uniformed campus policemen. About 50 persons marched in a picket line sponsored by the New Left Project, the Peace Union and the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom.

Rachelle Marshall, wife of political science Prof. Hubert Marshall, spokesman for the newly organized Stanford Women for Peace, said, "We are doing this as a symbolic gesture of our objection to the manufacture of military hardware" produced by FMC.

"We are suggesting that our students think hard before going to work for FMC," said Mrs. Joy Napier, wife of B. Davie Napier, dean of the chapel.

About 20 faculty wives were present.

Protestors particularly objected to FMC's "beehive bomb," an antipersonnel device which sprays hundreds of barbed steel darts over a wide target area.

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Stanford Wives in 'War Job' Protest

A dozen Stanford faculty wives joined a campus demonstration yesterday protesting the presence of a job recruiter for military manufacturing.

Some of the women, who had brought children along, sat for two hours on the doorstep of the student job placement center while others of the group of 40 pacifists picketed the building.

The protest was against interviews conducted with engineering students by a representative of the FMC corporation, a San Jose-based firm whose business includes the production of military supplies.

POLICE

Two policemen were posted in the doorway of the Career Planning and Placement Center during the two-hour demonstration by the newly organized Stanford Women for Peace and three other anti-war groups — the New Left Project, the Peace Caucus and the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom.

There were no incidents or arrests.

"We are doing this as a symbolic gesture of our objection to FMC's manufacturing of military hardware, especially the 'beehive' bomb, said Rachelle Marshall, wife of a political science professor and spokeswoman for faculty wives.

BOMB

The "beehive" bomb is an anti-personnel device that sprays hundreds of barbed steel darts over a wide area.

An FMC official said later the company manufactures a

broad line of military vehicles, including an armored personnel carrier. But he would not comment on the production of beehive bombs, other than to say, "We're engaged in defense technology and classified projects."

A contingent from the peace groups met with Ralph Keller, director of the job placement center. Keller stressed that the center serves to bring job-hunting students and employers together without "influencing anyone one way or the other."

FRANKLIN

In other developments, English Professor H. Bruce Franklin declared that he will not request a faculty hearing on his suspension until he receives a detailed explanation of the charges brought against him.

A letter detailing the charges was then hand-delivered to Franklin about 5 p.m. yesterday. In a covering letter, Stanford President Richard W. Lyman said the request "seemed rather belated" and gave Franklin until 5 p.m. Wednesday to decide if he wants a hearing.

Lyman suspended Franklin from all his professional duties on February 12 for inciting campus disturbances and said he faced possible dismissal from the university.

Franklin and several others have been ordered to appear in Santa Clara County Superior Court on Monday to show cause why they should not be barred from the campus under a temporary injunction obtained by the university.