

# Blockade Continues

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"Off-ROTC" has had to share attention with Cambodia, "Free Burnell," and other demands recently. And blocking doorways ceased to be a campus-wide controversy when the Kevins and research laboratory blockades were lifted.

But protestors are still blocking the ROTC-Athletic Building doorways for over ten hours every weekday to protest military training on campus. After eleven days of "militant nonviolence" their policy is unchanged—courteously allowing those on Athletic Department business to pass while physically blocking people involved with ROTC.

The big difference from the blockade's first days is that no one in ROTC even comes by any

more. The second floor ROTC offices and classrooms are locked and empty.

Army and Navy ROTC officials confirmed that their classes had been moved to other classrooms on campus. Drill activities reportedly have been moved off campus. Army ROTC award ceremonies were held at Moffett Field yesterday, and Navy awards are planned there today. Air Force officials could not be reached for comment on their classes.

## Papers Removed

Col. Robert Thomas, Director of Naval ROTC, said that important NROTC administrative papers had been moved from the building at night, when it was not blocked.

He said, "We're conducting our daily work, but at tremendous inconvenience to a number of people."

The Army ROTC chief, Col. Stanley Ramey, refused to comment on what administrative work is continuing.

But at least five "Off-ROTC" demonstrators still appear before 7 o'clock every morning, just to be sure ROTC business does not return to its official headquarters.

## Symbolic Blockade

As they sat at the building's front and back doors, the protestors yesterday discussed their continuation of the picket line. One person believed that ROTC has definitely given up on using the building this quarter, making continued blockading only "symbolic."

But Jill Joseph, almost 9 months pregnant, sits at the doors every day. And she answered, "In my mind, that we're doing a symbolic thing is not synonymous

with doing an impotent thing."

Mrs. Joseph added, "My doctor said it was alright for me to be here, and I say it's important."

Last Wednesday and Thursday, Stanford Judicial Council (SJC) representatives came by to declare the protestors in violation of the campus disruption policy. Forty-four students gave their names rather than face immediate suspension for the rest of the quarter.

## ROTC 44

But some of the "ROTC 44" are now back on the lines as they plan their trials, and the SJC has not returned.

Mrs. Joseph said she gave her name because she believed her actions were right and "I'm willing to face the consequences."

Others had expected the SJC to come every day. They had planned to greet its representatives with a new group of demonstrators daily, willingly giving their names in hopes of overloading the SJC docket.

While ROTC offices upstairs are empty, first floor Athletic Department activities were described by one coach as "just short of business-as-usual." Ted Glarrow, Athletic Department Office and Ticket Manager, said that off-campus visitors were hesitant to pass the pickets even though they were not blocked. He added it was necessary to set up a booth across the street from the building to give information on season football tickets for next year.

But Glarrow said Athletic Department employees were having no problems in getting past the seated demonstrators. He explained, "They say they recognize our knees."

## Hearing Set

The President's Advisory Committee on ROTC Affairs will hold its second hearing on Friday from 4 to 6 p.m. in Tressider.

Testimony will be heard on basic issues of the termination or retention of ROTC and credit arrangements needed by students currently enrolled in ROTC programs.

Individuals or group representatives who wish to testify should write the Committee before Thursday at P.O. Box 2329, Stanford. Letters should include the specific questions which will be addressed and the main points of the intended testimony.