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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

STANFORD -- Commissioning ceremonies for some 200 Stanford University senior ROTC cadets will be held Saturday, June 13, at nearby Moffett Field instead of on the campus.

The commissioning officer is Rear Admiral Robert McNitt, superintendent of the Naval Postgraduate School at Monterey, who will also address the gathering.

The ceremonies had previously been scheduled for 10 a.m. on the same date in Dinkelspiel Auditorium. Admission to the Moffett Field ceremonies, to be held at 10 a.m., are by invitation only.

The move of the traditional ROTC commissioning ceremonies to an off-campus site was the first in local memory.

The Army, Navy and Air Force ROTC detachments will commission 81, 100 and 36 junior officers, respectively.

Senator Charles H. Percy (R.--Ill.) will address the 79th annual commencement ceremonies which begin at 5 p.m. Sunday (JUNE 14) in Frost Memorial Amphitheater.

Senator Percy, who climaxed a spectacular business career by becoming president of Bell and Howell Inc. at age 29, was elected to the Senate in 1966. He is a member of the Banking and Currency, Government Operations and Joint Economic Committees and of the Select Committee on Nutrition and Human Needs. He is also the ranking GOP member of the Small Business Subcommittee.

Senator Percy is a trustee of the University of Chicago and a former trustee of California Institute of Technology and Illinois Institute of Technology. His son, Roger, is a member of the senior class at Stanford.

Estimates range from 300 to 700 of the number of seniors who will not wear caps and gowns. At least 300 have chosen to forego academic garb and donate the \$10 fee instead to peace candidates in the November general election. About 950 seniors will attend the ceremonies.

Class Day exercises, set for 2:30 p.m. Saturday (JUNE 13) will take the form of a panel discussion with Stanford President Kenneth S. Pitzer and two or three faculty members chosen by the seniors to discuss "The University in Crisis."

After the 4 p.m. ceremonial laying of the Class of 1970 brass plate on Inner Quad, the seniors and their guests will adjourn to the president's home, 623 Mirada, for a reception.

The annual installation of Phi Beta Kappa members is scheduled for 8 p.m. in Dinkelspiel Auditorium. Prof. Philip Rhinelander is the speaker.

Sunday's Baccalaureate ceremonies at 11 a.m. in Memorial Church will be addressed by the Rev. B. Davie Napier, dean of the chapel. Dr. Napier welcomed the senior class when they were freshmen and will bid them farewell.

After the address by Senator Percy Sunday afternoon, candidates for advanced degrees will adjourn to mark individual ceremonies at their respective schools.

Both baccalaureate and commencement ceremonies will be preceded by carillon concerts on the Hoover Institution's bells, played by Prof. James B. Angell and Mrs. Margo A. Halstead.