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(This 'newsletter' is published by the S.F. Resistance. It is an attempt to spread information about happenings in the entire Bay Area. If you have information about demonstrations, inductions, trials, etc., call Loren Basham, 626-1910 or 626-3157. An attempt is made to publish this every two weeks)

STEVE MASON and JOHN CAMPBELL.....

On February 6th, Steve Mason and John Campbell turned themselves in to officials at Letterman General Hospital at the Presidio after being AWOL in excess of two months. Both men had requested 'CO' forms from the Army before taking their short vacation. Both men were denied permission to even fill out form #1049 requesting discharge. This, of course is against Army regulations.

Atty Terance Hallinan got an injunction from Federal Judge S. Weigel prohibiting the Army from moving Steve (to Vietnam) until the question of his CO request is answered. The injunction will protect both men. This, needless to say sets an important precedent. We will now have the ability to protect men such as Fred Chard and others from being forcefully removed from this country after they have refused to go willingly.

Steve is going to be Court Martialed on March 5th at 1:30 P.M. at the Presidio for being AWOL. Men are not usually Court Martialed for being AWOL at the present time. It appears that this gets the Army where it hurts. We should all try to attend this trial in support of Steve. It takes a great deal more courage to fight the system when you are being held captive by that system, Steve needs our support.

Both men can be visited any evening at the Special Processing Detachment (SPD) or on Sundays. There are very minor rules for visiting. Basically the men are able to move around in complete freedom.

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The following is taken completely from John Campbell's #1049 form as it was filed with the Army this week:

I am an American Indian. I believe the indians have their own God. Why must we kill? I think there is a time to die. You don't have to kill a person, she or he going to die anyway. We are all sinners, little sinners, some of us steal some drink, but why must there be big sinners? The ones who kill. I don't believe in killing.

I learned the meaning of death, when I was little, 6 or 7 years old. My ~~older~~ brother was sick, I was supposed to watch him. I took off, when I got back, he was lying on the ground, with my other brother kneeling over him. He was having a heart attack. He died. I went to the funeral. I looked down in the ground. I realized I would never see him again. He's gone. I always felt that was my fault. that is the meaning of death, and that is why I couldn't kill any person. No matter who it is.

I believe everyone has a slate in which, you have to keep it clean. Everything you do wrong goes on it. You ask God to forgive so you can keep your slate clean, you're saved this way. You're risen out of the water on to solid rock, when you're saved.

Killing is the biggest sin. It goes upon your slate. I don't know if it can be removed or not?

I think the military service is wrong, in teaching a person to kill, in which is a big sin.

Hear me, my warriors; my heart is sick and sad.
Our Cheifs are killed
The old men are all dead
It is cold, and we have no blankets;
The little children are freezing to death.
Hear me, my warriors; my heart is sick and sad.

It's real!

Two weeks ago some people in a meeting began discussing community. (novel). It was felt that we could not accomplish our goals of shaping a new future society, without first developing the benefits that society (government) should offer. It was felt that we should begin to actively begin gathering the services of professional men and others to help individuals in the community.

Discussion led to the idea of establishing (while trying not to use that word) clinics for medical aid (free), or at least finding doctors who would be willing to dispense free service from their own offices. Free job co-ops and housing referral services were also discussed. It becomes important when you are trying to create a new way of life that you consider all the needs of the members of that community at the same time that you are organizing to get new members

People who feel skilled at developing some of these ideas should feel free to set about doing something on their own. We are only going to progress when individuals feel a certain need and ACT on it.

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For those of you interested in the success of The Resistance in attacking the Selective Service Act and its statutes in the courts, there is important work to be done now, and we need volunteers who are willing to commit some of their time to this effort. Aubry Grossman, of the National Lawyers Guild, needs researchers to help him gather material for court briefs which will be challenging various aspects of the Selective Service Law. This work will require approx. 10 hours per week of research of library material on the draft. We urge anyone interested in this work to contact Aubry Grossman immediately if you feel sufficient competence for such an endeavor, and can commit maybe a month to carrying through with the research. This work is crucial to our cause, and unless we can do it now, these issues will not be raised as we now begin our battle to bring the laws of our nation into accord with principles of justice.

Aubry Grossman's phone number is 861-2630 his address is 1095 Market Street (at 7th)

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ON REFUSING INDUCTION: Last week (Feb 12 - 16) the staff of the induction center were permitted to participate in almost 30 refusals of induction! It began on Tuesday when Blind Timmy and others from Palo Alto made known their own refusal. By the end of that morning alone it became apparent that 10-13 people had reached the point of refusal. On Wednesday there were 13 people and on Friday an additional 6. These numbers can not be absolutely verified but it is clear that enormous numbers of people (by usual standards) are refusing induction. It should also be said that the number that week was a little higher than normal.

It is clear to those that have been leafletting in the mornings, that the presence of some members of the Resistance greatly influence the inductees. We have been able to counsel on the spot, and save some people from taking that final step, at least until they have thought about their response to the will of the government. Additional people are needed if we are going to cover the center every morning. Interested persons (especially with cars) should phone the Resistance office nearest you (phone numbers on the first page of the newsletter.

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The voice of Dennis Sweeney has been heard - he just received his 1-A delinquent card.

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It appears that graduate student and occupational deferments are going to be cancelled, at least on an across the board basis. This means that literally hundreds of thousands of draft age men will now be facing the draft when they didn't expect to. We should all be actively working to talk to these men presenting to them the Resistance position. Our story is told best on a one-to-one basis, and that means that we all need to be involved in the telling. Now every chair and lunch counter is a speakers platform.

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There is an effort by some groups in the country to capitalize on the success of the notion of Resistance. There are now major efforts emerging to turn resistance into words. It is essential that all of us continue to make clear the specific issue of confronting the draft openly. Making clear that we are ready to stand by our acts and pay the penalty for those acts. We should make clear the resistance is not shooting a cop.

THE RESISTANCE

JANUARY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

We are going to begin sending out a calendar each month noting the Resistance things that are going on during the month which concern us. Remember that we should show up at inductions and court hearings in order to demonstrate to the folks that we will remain a community (they just never get it into their head). Keep this page with you during the month or post it on your wall and add new dates as they arise

Jan 2 A vigil is planned for Cliff Shembri a resister from Orinda. Cliff is coming before the Master Calendar Judge to file his plea. For the time and place of the vigil call 933-4200 (if this arrives in time) Check with the Federal Court Clerks office to find out which Judge is hearing the Master Calendar (556-3035).

Jan 5 A rally is being planned on the Sproul Hall steps (Berkeley campus) in support of John Shipee and three men in Denver arrested for non possession of draft cards 12 noon to 1 p.m.

Also: Tom Houstead and Tim Biggins from Davis and St. Mary's college will be entering pleas before the Master Calendar Judge (see above). They will be bringing some friends from their own areas but it is up to San Francisco and the bay area Resistance to FILL THE COURT ROOM. The time is 10:00 a.m.

Jan 9 For those who have an interest in the various court procedures: The Federal Appeal Court is two cases of Selective Service violations. The court is located on the 2nd floor of the Old P.O. Building at 7th and Mission Sts. This appeal level is the first beyond the U. S. District Court, and, unlike the U. S. Supreme Court, it must hear any appeal that is properly and timely presented to it. The first case:

Chester L. Hoapili vs. The United States #21712 Rm. 330

Jan 10 Paul Hunter vs. The United States #21751 Rm. 338

Jan 10 REMEMBER Greg Gregory is celebrate his induction. Peo le can gather at the Greyhound bus depot in San Rafael (3rd and Tamalpias) at 5:30 a.m. or at the Oakland Induction Center at 6 - 6:30 a.m. for leafletting and support.

Jan 17 David Harris from the Peace and Liberation Commune in Palo Alto has received an induction notice for January 17. His leadership has meant a great deal to the Resistance. Now its our turn to support him. Plans have not yet been made but you may phone the office (626-1910) around the middle of next week or get the information in Oakland on the 10th.

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SAN FRANCISCO--TOWARD APRIL 3: The San Francisco Resistance has reorganized itself for an intensive push toward April 3. As of now, we have five people who are prepared to work full-time, at least until that date. Adrienne Fong is resigning her job with the federal government (!) to bring order out of chaos in our Hearth office. As of Monday, March 4, the office will be manned continually. Call any time. John Kangas is quitting a part-time job to intensify his work with high school students and coordinate activities at San Francisco State. Loren Basham will continue to work full-time, concentrating mainly on our support of men who are being court martialed, arraigned, tried, etc. Steve Kessler, who turned in his draft card on January 29, has been working full-time since then. He will take responsibility for City College and will help John with the high school program. Bruce Nelson is leaving the University of California to give more time to Resistance work. He will take major responsibility for literature and the "Liberation Education" project, and will help out on college campuses in the area.

Obviously, these five can't do all the work by themselves. In fact, part of their job will be to create work for other people, so you may be hearing from us soon. Also, with an enlarged staff and an intensified program, we are badly in need of funds to carry us through the next month. Fortunately, Clergy and Layman Concerned About Vietnam will be supporting Bruce and Adrienne for now; John's salary will be coming from Women for Peace and CDR; and Steve is living with Dr. and Mrs. Paul Kaufmann of CDR. But both Loren and Steve will need subsistence pay, and we've got many other expenses (e.g., the enclosed leaflet.). Please send contributions, or better yet monthly pledges, to our Hearth address. Thanks! We're depending on you.

SPREADING THE WORD: A group of Resistance and CDR members are going to be making a concerted effort to spread the Resistance message and the word on the April 3rd event to a wider audience, by manning tables at different points around the city. Individuals are already moving ahead with this project on Haight St. and at the Surf Theatre and City Lights Bookstore. Other suggested spots are the Public Library, Fisherman's Wharf, and Ghirardelli Square. Those who would like to plug into this effort should call the Hearth. We're very much open to suggestions concerning other locations.

UPCOMING S.F. RESISTANCE MEETINGS: On Wednesday, March 6, the theme of the Resistance meeting in S.F. will be "The Long March." A group of Bay Area resisters are planning to march to Chicago this summer in order to arrive in time for the Democratic Convention. They plan to spread the Resistance message in towns along the way, using films, town hall meetings, etc. They also see the march as a tool for building consciousness about the Resistance and its goals. What think ye? You say the soles on your walking shoes are a bit thin? Come discuss the issue with members of the Peace and Liberation Commune (Palo Alto) on March 6.

On March 13, we will be showing David Schoenbrun's film, "Vietnam: How Did We Get In? How Can We Get Out?," and playing the tape of David Harris's recent speech at Fresno State College. There will be a special effort to get high school students to attend this meeting.

March 20, ...

On March 20, several lawyers and draft counselors will answer questions on the legal aspects and consequences of draft resistance.

Remember: The Wednesday evening meetings begin at 7:30; we try to get to the evening's special theme by 8:15. (The Hearth will not be serving meals for the next few weeks, so don't plan to come for dinner on these evenings.)

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FINANCIAL NEEDS IN OTHER AREAS: The Bay Area has provided as much support for Resistance members as any other area of the country. And although virtually every Resistance group in the Bay Area is badly in need of money right now, we do feel the obligation to bring to your attention the needs of resisters in other, more isolated areas.

From Colorado, Tom Harris writes of the legal status of the four Colorado Resistance members who are up for trial. The case of Mendel Cooper, who partially burned his draft card before returning it on October 16, is being rushed through the courts. The other three cases are progressing quite slowly. But, in each case, there are legal expenses. Defense money should be sent to the Colorado Draft Resisters Legal Defense Fund, P.O. Box 20065, Denver, Colorado, 80220. Another need is for signed, notarized affidavits from people who have been to Vietnam, giving specific details of any atrocities or other violations of international law which they personally witnessed. Anyone who can provide such information should contact the resisters' attorney, Harry K. Nier, Jr., Denver U.S. National Bank Center, Denver, Colorado.

In the South, Ron Moyer has dropped out of Virginia Tech to work as a Resistance organizer in that area. Ron turned in his draft card on October 16 and, as he put it, "went back to bed and felt sorry for myself." But at a University Christian Movement conference in Cleveland, Ron discovered a community of resisters, and he's been working ever since. In January he dropped out of school and began travelling to colleges and universities all over the South. In addition to his own speaking gigs, he's lined up seven to ten speaking engagements for David Harris; it looks as if he's successfully organized a Resistance group at the University of Tennessee; and he's coordinating the work and communication of resisters in the South. Ron has made it very clear that he's dependent on us for moral support. You can send him letters of solidarity at 500 South Main St., Blacksburg, Va. He also needs money. If you can up with a contribution to his work, please send it to us at the Hearth (Make checks payable to Ron Moyer), and we'll forward all contributions.

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NOTES FROM A TRAVELER: David Harris has been "burning up" the West Coast and the Southwest as a prelude to a national speaking tour with Joan Baez beginning March 6. His latest report, dated Feb. 24: "I just got back from Arizona. Things are good there. Small but good. There were three non-cooperators when we got there. We found six more in Tuscon and three more in Phoenix. They all seem very solid which, of course, they have to be in Arizona. In Phoenix the cowboys ride down the street of the hippy section and shoot at anything with long hair. All the gas stations fly immense American flags the size of two double beds.

"Before Arizona, it was San Diego. Spent one day and did three gigs: San Diego St., Cal Western, and UCSD. The response was good al all places. In fact, the response has been good everywhere. Down here momentum seems to be picking up fast."

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"I CHOOSE PRISON... I'LL BE BACK": Irv Kurki, a Milwaukee resister who refused induction in 1965, was arrested recently, with a small group of supporters present. His public statement, dated February 22, 1968, contains some very interesting passages: "As I write this brief statement, U.S. Marshalls search the city of Milwaukee--for me. They search for me because I am what probably is called an 'enemy of the state'... I believe that two years in prison for a person involved in the peace movement should simply be considered alternative service in the national interest." His closing remark, "I'll be back," must be our statement as well as his.

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"URGENT ACTION MEMO" FROM SNCC: Recently we received the following memo from SNCC and other Movement groups in the South: "On Monday, March 4, John Parker, 20, of Houston, Texas will be tried for murder. Parker is one of five former Texas Southern University students who face the possibility of the death sentence.. . . . The five were arrested in the wake of last spring's police attack on the TSU campus, then charged with felonious rioting and having caused the death of an officer who was killed during the incident. These students are not charged with having actually fired the shots that killed the policeman--even the state admits this would have been impossible. Instead they are alleged to have incited the riot in which he was killed. Under Texas law the penalty for this is the same as for first degree murder. There is no doubt that these black militants were singled out and framed because of their political activity." We are urged to send telegrams and letters of protest to: Mayor Louie B. Welch, 900 Brazos, Houston, Texas; Dist. Attorney Carol H. Vance, same address; and Gov. John Connally, State Capitol Building, Austin Texas. Defense money can be sent to: TSU Five Defense Fund, Box 21085, Houston, Texas, 77026.

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IN THE NAME OF AMERICA: In early February Clergy and Laymen Concerned About Vietnam published a book entitled In the Name of America, a 420 page record of American war crimes and other violations of international law in Vietnam. This book should prove to be an indispensable reference work for all of us. It will undoubtedly strengthen the legal defenses of those of us who plan to base our cases upon Nuremberg and other principles of international law. Copies are obtainable at \$2.95 from Northern California Clergy and Laymen Concerned About Vietnam, 330 Ellis St., Rm. 413, San Francisco 94102.

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HIGH NOON IN CHEYENNE: On February 27 four Resistance members on their way to Chicago were arrested in Cheyenne, Wyoming on (trumped up) vagrancy charges and then charged with non-possession of draft cards. The four, Wayne Green, Kent Hutchings, Vince Mannino and Darrell Gauff, are being held until \$6000 can be raised for bail. It is significant that Cheyenne is in the Denver federal court district, where four Colorado resisters are being prosecuted for non-possession. Atlanta is the only other federal court district in the country where men are being prosecuted on this charge. The Berkeley Resistance has secured an excellent lawyer in Mel Wolf of the ACLU. If you can help pay for bail, please send a contribution to The Resistance 1514 Grant St., Berkeley, and earmark it for legal defense.

Calendar

- March 6 Buddy Clark of the Berkeley Resistance refuses induction .
Support demonstration at 7:30 a.m., Oakland Induction Center.

S.F. Resistance meeting, 7:30 p.m. Discussion of "The Long March."
- March 13 Flint Anderson, member of the Christian Resistance and former .
student body president at San Francisco Theological Seminary refuses
induction. Support demonstration at 7:30 a.m., Oakland Induction
Center.

S.F. Resistance meeting, 7:30 p.m. Film: David Schoenbrun's
"Vietnam: How Did We Get In? How Can We Get Out?" Tape:
David Harris's speech at Fresno State College, Feb. 9, 1968.
- March 14 Appeals Court hearing on Vincent O'Connor's case and the issue
of whether his attorney should be allowed to take testimony from
General Lewis B. Hershey on the nature and function of "channeling".
The hearing will be at the old Post Office, 7th & Mission, S.F.
A silent vigil begins at 8:45 a.m. around the old Post Office.
- March 20 David Kenny of the Davis Resistance refuses induction.
Support demonstration at 7:30 a.m.

S.F. Resistance meeting, 7:30 p.m. Discussion of legal aspects
consequences of draft resistance with lawyers and draft counselors.
- April 3 In case you've forgotten . . . April 3 is the next nationwide day
of non-cooperation with the draft. We'll be getting an emergency
notice of plans for April 3 out to you within a week. THINK APRIL 3rd!
RESIST!

Spring '63 Eastern States
March for Peace 200¢ &
Freedom 1500 MN
Small Party

June,
~~Summer~~ '63 Ricket Kennedy
Civil Rights (small Union
cuba, etc) 100

Fall '63 Ricket M' Nhu
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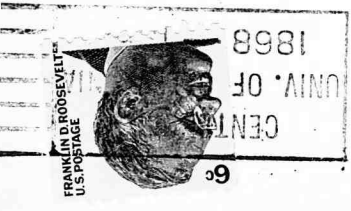
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GREETINGS TO YOU O READERS OF NEWSLETTERS and also you who merely receive them, Attention (pardon the regimentation):

Among the hundreds of young men now being incarcerated at the Presidio and elsewhere for not following the procedures of our military brothers are nine who have recently gained wide attention. Community support is being gathered to send letters to the men, their parents, etc., in order to help them through this ordeal. Enclosed in this newsletter is complete information about the proceedings of the past week and the aids which will help YOU to become involved. Steps are being taken to assist the men through their legal problems but only you (all of you) can make the support felt.

In addition to the story of "the nine" are several announcements which should receive your attention and action. Grasp this slender thread of information and clutch it to your bosom, in peace.

RESUME OF PAST WEEK

WITNESS OF NINE FOR PEACE

On Monday July 15 at 1:00 P.M. eight young men who were AWOL for varying lengths of time (up to 7 months) arrived at the Hearth here in S.F. and publicly announced their resignations from the military. Each of the eight men was chained to a clergyman; chains "symbolizing the bond of unity between the clergymen and ex-military men, the bond of brotherhood shared by all men, and the bond of guilt shared by all Americans for their country's military involvement around the world." During Monday's press conference, the men stated their reasons for their actions; summed as 1) they could not be a part of or support the oppressive and dehumanizing activities of the American military machine, 2) they hoped their public confrontation with the military would serve as a loud protest to the American government's involvement in Vietnam, Guatemala and scores of countries throughout the world. They hoped that protesting with their lives they might touch and awaken the minds and consciences of the American people.

Monday evening the men were joined by a ninth Oliver Hirsch, formerly a Sarge in the Air Force, who chained himself to adult supporter Sandy Sanderson of S.F.

Joan Baez came Monday evening and sang to the nine. More songs were sung and before final preparations were made for sleeping in David Harris gave the latest on his appeal case and more on the Nine for Peace.

The scene moved Tuesday evening to Marin City at St. Andrews Church after a bomb threat.

On Wednesday morning at approximately 9:15 A.M. the military police arrived near St. Andrew's. The co-minister of St. Andrew's went out and talked with the military. They said they were there to arrest the nine men but had no charges against the clergy. The military was informed that if they attempted to arrest the nine men they would have to interrupt a communion service in the church to do so. They were also informed that the clergy wanted to remain chained to the men and wished to be taken to prison if the men were.

At approximately 10 a.m. the military police entered the church. There were about 12 mp's representing the four branches of the military the nine men were formerly associated with. The mp's broke through the circle of the support community which was in the process of receiving communion and arrested the nine men who were kneeling around the communion table. Each man was approached separately asked his name, arrested and led out of the

church chained to the clergy...

The chains were cut outside the church and the men were put in military vans and taken to the Presidio stockade.

Right now, a supporting "Vigil for the None for Peace" has been continuing since the arrest Wednesday. Visitors who have met with some of them say that "morale is very high knowing that people outside the stockade are concerned about them." For those who can attend for some time the vigil lasts 24 hours each day and rides can be arranged at our office or at W.R.L. 626-6976. Hope you can join them!!

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ROCK BANDS. "Although some persons regard the Resistance as part of the cultural revolution we unfortunately seem to be lacking organized musicians. The S.F. Resistance is searching for rock bands to play at the birthday party next month for 2 non-registrants, Richard Johnston of Los Altos and Stanford Smith of Berkeley. If you're in a band or have a contact with one which would like to help the revolution please get in touch with Chris Jones, at 397-7463 or leave a message at the Resistance Office 626-1910.

INDUCTION REFUSALS. On July 22rd Steve Durst of San Francisco refused induction. On July 24, 1968 at 6:30 a.m. Dale Van Pelt from the Migrant Ministry in Delano will refuse induction. Steve Lerner, Lew Richmond, and Gilbert Smith of San Francisco will also refuse induction.

On Friday July 26, 1968 at 8:00 p.m. the Free Church in Berkeley is going to have "A HAPPENING" at the vigil site on Lyon and Lombard Streets. We hope to see all of you out there!!

THE NINE FOR PEACE

support letters to our nine brothers and to their parents would be much appreciated... also...in order to have the armed forces people understand that there is a support community for these men letters to the commanding officers at the bases would probably be good...

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***As the only ex-Marine among the nine, Jack Robinson may be in the deepest trouble. He was moved on July 19th to Camp Pendleton, and because of his isolation and former status in the Armed Forces he is in special need of support letters and letters to his (former) Commanding Officer...

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Greetings,

Bruce Nelson has returned from Oregon!!!

OREGON RESISTANCE WORK: As many of you know, a group of resisters from the Bay Area travelled to colleges and communities in Oregon and Washington during the month of May. The contacts made on this trip were very promising, and some of us decided that Bay Area resisters should continue to focus on the Northwest during the summer and fall. Thus, in mid-June, BRUCE NELSON and SUSAN ROBERTS left for Portland, while JOHN SULLIVAN, a draft resistance organizer at Western Washington State College, assumed responsibility for organizing in Washington.

Portland has had good draft counseling and information services for some time, and there had been major draft resistance demonstrations on both October 16 and December 4. But resisters in the Portland area never succeeded in building a community of work and mutual support. With the exception of the Reed Draft Union, the level of work tapered off during the spring, and there were no draft cards turned in on April 3.

Now, however, things look more hopeful. There is an active Resistance office at the Centenary-Wilbur Methodist Church; there are weekly Resistance community dinners attended by about 50 people; the induction center is leafletted every day and the draft boards are leafletted several days each week; and Susan and Bruce were kept busy with meetings and speaking engagements practically every evening.

Things are also looking up in Eugene and Salem. In Eugene, home of the University of Oregon, the potential for resistance appears to be very good, and a number of students at the U. of O. have made the draft issue very visible by encasing their draft cards in clear plastic and wearing them with chain and padlock around their necks. (This unusual phenomenon made at least one revolutionary slogan--"You have nothing to lose but your chains!"--seem very relevant!) In Salem there is a very hip coffee house called the Vagabond House where we've had several terrific rap sessions. One of the Vagabond's leading lights, DENNY CROGHAN, refused induction on July 10, and he is anxious to do Resistance work in the Salem area.

A real highlight of our work in Portland was the Oregon Resistance conference held at Reed College during the weekend of July 19-21. The conference was attended by close to 200 people (about 125 for the full weekend), and the vibrations were very warm indeed. DAVID HARRIS gave a general rap on The Resistance; JOE MAIZLISH (of the L.A. Resistance) and AUBREY GROSSMAN led a workshop on legal problems and strategy; DARRYL SKRABAK and BILL NYGREN, a recent Lompoc "graduate" from Salem, Ore., led a prison workshop; and Darryl, JEFFREY SHURTLEFF, KENT HUDSON, and JOAN HARRIS gave a really fine concert on Saturday evening. But perhaps the most fruitful moments at the conference were the informal discussions which followed so many of the workshops and evening sessions. People came away from the conference with a very strong sense that The Resistance is not only a political strategy, but also a way of living. The energy generated by the conference will hopefully give rise to meaningful and effective work in several Oregon communities during the coming months.

Bruce has left Portland, but Susan will remain there indefinitely, possibly for another year. Resisters in Oregon are planning a "freedom ride" for November 14. A caravan will journey from Eugene (U. of Oregon) to Corvallis (Oregon St. U.) to Salem (Willamette U.) to Portland (Portland St. Col. and Reed Col.), hold rallies on campuses

in each town, and end the day with a draft card turn in at the Federal Building in Portland. The bread is rising!

A note on Washington: There will also be a Resistance conference in Washington; it's scheduled for the weekend of August 23-25. We'll have more details soon. Also, there will be a draft card turn-in in Seattle in late August, probably on August 26, the first day of the trial of MIKE LEAVY, an organizer for Draft Resistance--Seattle. This will be the first day of noncooperation in Washington since last October 16. Yes Hubert, the BREAD IS RISING!!

News from Berkeley: BOB VALLEY (a supporter), and KIRBY LINSEY are on trial for a draft card burning in Sacramento on August 6, 1968. Bob is married - his wife is expecting a baby soon. There will be a petition of Support circulated. This will occur at the Federal Building in Sacramento at 10:00 a.m.. People will be gathering outside the building at 9:00 a.m.. The Judge is the Fresno Judge that has been sentencing people for three years.

INDUCTION REFUSALS, AN INVITATION! You are hereby invited to attend a celebration of freedom, Wednesday August 7 at 6:30 a.m. in front of the Oakland Induction Center. On this day, in the interests of freedom and democracy, MICHAEL KARN (and others) will refuse induction into the Armed Forces of the United States. This is to be an occasion for the joyous celebration of mans inherent right to be free. If possible, it is asked that you bring cookies, home baked bread, and other such things to share. No admission fee, and refreshments will be served at the door. Be Free!!

DUANE GALL, 24 year old Yale Divinity School student who turned in his card on December 4 and was reclassified 1-A on January 15, 1968, will be refusing induction on August 7, 1968 in Denver Colorado. This act will make Duane one of the few clergyman or seminarians in the U.S. to refuse induction. It is recommended that you write letters of support to:

Local Board No. 11
Selective Service System
P.O. Bldg., P.O. Box 512
Fort Collins, Colo. 80521

Editor
Coloradoan Newspaper
145 E. Mountain
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Mrs. Fern L. Gall (mother)
420 S Locomis
Fort Collins, Colo., 80521

Methodist Church Headquarters
2200 S University Blvd.
Denver, Colo., 80210

Duane really needs our support - virtually no one refuses induction in Colorado and the courts are stiff to those that do.

CRAIG THOMAS of Berkeley will refuse induction on August 15, 1968 in Oakland.

The War Resisters League invites you to the first national W.R.L. conference, to be held in Golden, Colorado, from August 30 through Labor Day, September 2.

The precise agenda for the conference is still being worked out, but it seems clear that the meaning and application of "militant non-violent direct action" within the contexts of war, poverty, and revolution must be openly discussed. We will also discuss making WRL a truly national organization in which local chapters are represented on a national steering committee or advisory council.