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Jill vom Saal, 7, of 3412 Valencia Drive, participates in the silent vigil at the Federal Building.



Don Choate, left, of 103 S. Walnut St., joined other protesters, right, in Thursday's silent vigil protesting nuclear arms. The vigil came on the anniversary of the atomic bomb attack on Hiroshima, Japan.



## 26 here protest A-bomb deaths

By Brad Bonhall  
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The chants and shouts that usually mark anti-war demonstrations were absent as 26 protesters stood in quiet vigil at noon Thursday in front of the Federal Building, 600 E. Cherry St.

Members of the Fellowship of Reconciliation, the Columbia chapter of the War Resisters League and the Crowdad Alliance were assembled in memory of those killed by atomic bombs in Hiroshima and Nagasaki, Japan. The first of the bombs, which killed 70,000 people, was dropped on Hiroshima 36 years ago Thursday: Aug. 6, 1945. Nagasaki was hit three days later.

The chance that nuclear bombs again might be used against humans is "overwhelming," said protestor John Schuder, a research biophysicist at the University.

"It's impossible to overstate the magnitude of the threat" of nuclear war, he said. "The enemy is not the Soviet people," but rather "those in the Pentagon that strip the wealth of citizens" to build weapons, he said.

Several protesters lamented the guns-over-butter policies of the Reagan administration. "We have to redefine strength," said Jim Windsor, who is unaffiliated with any pacifist group. His sign claimed that despite being first in defense, the United States is ninth in life expectancy, 13th in infant mortality and 20th in its doctor-patient ratio. "If the people are not strong, the nation's not," he said.

## Local air tower should survive cutback order

From staff and wire reports

WASHINGTON — Transportation Secretary Drew Lewis said Thursday 1,000 critical air traffic controller posts will be eliminated by closing down all but about eight of 66 little-used control towers deemed expendable by a recent government report.

The move is an attempt to reduce the impact of the walkout of about 12,000 air traffic controllers.

Columbia's tower was one of the 66 considered for closing, but it could not be determined by late Thursday night whether it is one of the eight or so to be saved. However, Airport Manager A.O. Cappadony said, "We haven't heard anything, but we would be one of the last to be closed."

He pointed out that Columbia's tower was rated the most cost-effective of the 66 considered for closing.

Cappadony said he expects definite word from Washington today.

Nationally, another 500 striking controllers made the "gut-wrenching" decision to return to work Thursday as the final deadline for President Reagan's back-to-work order expired.

That left at least 12,000 who refused to break ranks and give up in the face of massive government pressure on the fourth day of the illegal strike.

Transportation Secretary Lewis said dismissal notices had been sent to 2,291 controllers who refused to heed the presidential ultimatum. The firings started Wednesday after Reagan said the controllers had 48 hours to return to work or lose their jobs.

Lewis said a total of 1,000 to 1,200 controllers have returned to work since the strike started Monday. The striking Professional Air Traffic Controllers Organization assembled similar figures.

PATCO president Robert Poli declared, "We will not go back to work."

Poli paid a visit on striker Steve Wallaert, president of the Norfolk-Newport News, Va., union local, at the Fairfax County Jail. He gave Wallaert, who became the first controller jailed on Wednesday, a big bear hug and said, "We are not losing, we are winning."

Wallaert said he was "proud to be a PATCO member" and showed no signs of weakened resolve.

Lewis said non-strikers and supervisory personnel were able to keep 79 percent of normally scheduled commercial airline traffic flying Thursday, despite the worst weather since the strike began Monday morning.

Lewis also said that flight activity at 22 major airports — including St. Louis and Kansas City — would be kept at present levels at least for the next month.

The Federal Aviation Administration reported investigations of two incidents of violence. Six shots were fired at an FAA facility in Oakland, Calif., and a fire was set at a radar building in Columbia, S.C., early Tuesday.

Lewis complained of harassment and possible sabotage, and said the FBI was investigating. He said one controller reported being told, "The next plane you control will be your last."

## Air service 'normal' at Columbia airport

By Calvin Lawrence Jr.  
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Although two of Columbia's seven air traffic controllers continue to follow the lead of striking union members across the nation, there is no need for travellers to say their prayers as they enter air space at Columbia Regional Airport.

The airport has been run safely in the past with only two controllers on duty at any one time, local union president Gary Gardner said. Gardner is one of the two local controllers on strike.

"There's not that much out of Columbia," he said.

The small amount of air traffic in the Columbia area probably accounts for Ozark Air Lines' decision to operate five of its six flights today. Only the 3 p.m. flight to St. Louis and Chicago has been canceled. Likewise, Air Midwest expects to provide full service to St. Louis and Kansas City, Mo., today, as it has for the past two days.

Despite relatively light traffic at Columbia Regional, Gardner noted that controllers here, like their counterparts at large airports, have tremendous mental and physical pressures. "All of us (air traffic controllers) are going through the same thing," he said. "Your fatigue level is reduced."

He believes the 40-hour work week, coupled with long-term tension and pressure from the job, is the prime source of fatigue. The national union, the Professional Air Traffic Controllers Organization, has asked the government for a four-day work week.

Gardner also agrees with his union's demands for earlier retirement benefits; they're needed because of possible job-related pressures that sometimes force controllers off the job before retirement age, he said.

"For me, personally, retirement benefits are the most important," he said.

Air traffic controllers want the right to retire after 15 years of service, as opposed to the current 20 years.

Gardner expressed concern about another issue — paying controllers extra for training new controllers — that takes on more significance as the strike drags on. Gardner said experienced controllers should receive some kind of compensation for that on-the-job teaching.

Speaking about the strike and the impending loss of his job, Gardner said, "There's been a lot of soul searching, but something has got to be done."

## Support services at M.U. hit hard by cuts

By Barbara Wogan, Youyuan Liu and Yongxing Yang  
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Although most of the attention has been focused on the budget cuts being inflicted on the University's academic departments, the support services are being hit equally hard. And their cuts may mean reduced maintenance, cuts in student programs and even some decline in alumni giving.

The three vice chancellors who oversee the nonacademic divisions are cutting 3.5 percent from their

budgets, as is Provost Ron Bunn, to whom the academic divisions report. The only difference is that 3.5 percent of the nonacademic budgets adds up to only \$700,000; the total cut from the academic budgets totals \$2.5 million. Another \$48,000 will be cut from the offices of the chancellor, equal opportunity, University relations and institutional research and planning.

Of the five divisions answering to the chancellor, only the athletic department, which is largely self-supporting, is escaping reductions. The athletic department budget will in-

crease by 10 percent this year.

In all other divisions, virtually the entire cut is coming from salaries and wages. Chancellor Barbara S. Uehling said Thursday that is inevitable because the University is a "labor-intensive industry." Expense and equipment budgets, the other major category besides salaries and wages, have already been reduced as much as possible, she said.

The chancellor also said there are no immediate plans to lay off people from their jobs.

"But I can't guarantee there wouldn't be cuts in personnel," she

warned.

Though nobody is yet slated to be fired, the nonacademic divisions — Administrative Services, Student Services, and Alumni Relations and Development — are trimming staff numbers just as the academic divisions must.

Ria Frijters, vice chancellor in charge of Administrative Services, said Thursday she has ordered each unit under her to submit three impact statements by Monday.

In those written evaluations, each (See SERVICE, Page 8A)

## Reagan's key advisers tighten hold on power

By Fred Barnes  
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WASHINGTON — The other day at the White House, the discussion turned to the subject of where President Reagan should ceremonially sign the tax cut.

Lyn Nofziger, the long-time adviser and now assistant for political affairs to Reagan, suggested the Capitol, if only as a conciliatory gesture to Congress.

"It was a pretty good suggestion, worthy of being considered at least," an official who attended the meeting said, "but nobody paid any attention."

The signing ceremony will be held at the White House or in California during Reagan's vacation.

The incident pointed up the lesser status to which a number of supposedly influential aides have fallen in the Reagan White House. This has occurred, officials said, as the trio of senior presidential aides — James A. Baker III, Michael A. Deaver and Edwin Meese III — have tightened their hold on the White House bureaucracy.

### Insight

"The loop has tightened," said an official. "If you're not Baker, Meese or Deaver, you don't have much influence around here."

Under most recent presidents, the 8 a.m. session of the senior staff was a crucially important meeting. But under Reagan, it is preceded by a 7:30 a.m. breakfast daily attended only by Baker, Deaver and Meese. The breakfast is the significant meeting.

There are other signs, too, of the monopoly on influence which the three have achieved at the expense of other White House aides. For years, the national security adviser delivered a daily briefing to the president on world events, but that is presented to Reagan by memo.

One of the trio had complained that Richard Allen, the national security adviser, was "only reading" the memo to Reagan and that the

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### In town today

Boone County Fair activities:

9:30 a.m. Archery Contest.  
19 a.m. Saddle Seat Medal Class, Arena.

19 a.m. Tractor Rodeo.  
7:30 p.m. Horse Show, Arena; also Horseshoe Pitching.

8 p.m. Bluegrass Music, Merchants Tent; also Animal Rodeo.

8 p.m. Hound and Bird Dog Show, Ball Diamond.

Other events:  
7:30 p.m. "Sleeping Beauty," Maplewood Barn Community Theater, Nifong Park. Tickets \$2 adults, \$1 children, senior citizens and students.

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## Development authority rejects MFA's \$375,000 bond request

By Karen Small and Greg Jensen  
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MFA Inc. wanted a delay but got a rejection Thursday night from the Boone County Industrial Development Authority on a \$375,000 bond request.

Alan Floyd, MFA controller, said representatives of the cooperative decided to ask the commission to delay its final vote, and to continue a public hearing on the tax-free bond request when it was discovered that only six of nine IDA members would be present at Thursday night's meeting. It takes five votes to decide an issue.

"We knew we had some opposition coming in and we weren't sure about the new members," Floyd said.

Consequently, MFA officials presented more detailed information about the Centralia grain storage project for which the bond proposal was intended and asked the commission to reaffirm the tentative approval — tantamount to delay — MFA received in May.

The commission, however, agreed to vote on the May approval and promptly rejected the MFA request. Veteran commissioners Gene Cunningham, Walter Johnson and Bill Bayer, along with newcomer Gerald "Jerry" Holiman, voted no.

In other action, the commission reaffirmed its tentative approval of a bond request from Columbia Development Group, and approved a \$3.6 million bond request from Toastmaster Holding Co. to buy the small appliance division of McGraw-Edison, 1601 N. Stadium Blvd.

Floyd said he wasn't surprised by the decision on MFA's request. "This body has given us continuous trouble," he said. "I don't expect to come before this board again. They have a reputation in Jeff City of being one of the toughest bonding authorities."

Floyd said MFA officials will probably meet Friday to decide what to do about the Centralia grain storage project. He said three likely options were to ask Centralia to authorize its own industrial bonding authority, to

seek conventional financing or to eliminate the project altogether. Centralia's former mayor, Paul Sturgeon, has agreed to help MFA pursue the Centralia industrial authority option, Floyd said.

Commission members Bayer, Johnson and Cunningham indicated that the project's lack of new employment and the cooperative status of MFA were important factors in rejecting the project.

"The taxpayers subsidize MFA already," Cunningham said, referring to MFA's tax-exempt status. MFA pays no direct taxes on the profits its members receive. He said he didn't like the idea of also giving the cooperative tax-free bond financing.

Floyd pointed out that although MFA doesn't pay taxes, the individual members do.

"I saw very little in the line of tangible benefits to Boone County," Johnson said. "I feel that tangible benefits, including employment to Boone County, is what these bond is- (See MED, Page 8A)