

A Strong Threat At War Protest

Madison, Wis.

About 2000 anti-war protesters demonstrated in subzero cold yesterday at the University of Wisconsin and heard a speaker threaten to "stop the government" if the war in Vietnam is not ended.

Dozens of law enforcement officers were on hand — some of them equipped with a "mothball fleet" of old cars with windows wired to protect against a barrage of rocks.

CLUB

Defense Secretary Melvin R. Laird, who had been scheduled to address a service club luncheon at the field house, canceled last week because of other engagements. Brigadier General Daniel James Jr., highest ranking Negro officer in the Air Force, replaced him on the program.

Rennie Davis, who was convicted in the Chicago Seven trial of crossing state lines to incite riots at the 1968 Democratic national convention, told the protesters:

"Laird is not all fool. If he would have come here today, we would have really kicked some —."

"If the government doesn't stop the war," Davis said, "we are going to stop the government."

The luncheon was over and James and the service club members were gone by the time the demonstrators reached the field house.

VIEW

University Chancellor H. Edwin Young told James to take to Laird the message that "we urge most rapid withdrawal" from Vietnam.

"Our university communi-

ty is gravely concerned about the war," Young said. He said the war and the opposition to it were "doing great damage to our country."

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