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WE "APOLOGIZE"

Yesterday we issued a leaflet supporting the Student Council Peace Committee. We apologize. We thought it had enough backbone to stick by its own decisions. After it had arranged a representative anti-war demonstration including all important shades of opinion, it backed down under the threats and pressure of the Young Communist League.

To those students who have not been following this three ring circus, a history of the acrobatics of the Student Council is in order.

Last week the S.C. initiated a conference of City College Clubs to arrange an anti-war demonstration. Apparently this conference got out of hand because it elected a committee which decided to permit all points of view to be represented; from the Pacifist to the Revolutionary. We are that committee.

The Student Council, at the instigation of the Young Communist League, supported by the Administration (represented by Prof. Babor), promptly repudiated its own Conference and elected a brand-new simon pure committee. But to the consternation of certain elements the decisions of the second committee were a duplicate of the first. Hence yesterday's leaflet.

The YCL tried to use the executive committee of the ASU as a battering ram to force the Student Council Committee to back down. As a matter of fact, however, a majority of the ASU Exec. approved in general the decisions of our committee and the Student Council.

As a last resort, our thrice repudiated friends came to Yesterday's meeting of the S.C. Committee with thinly veiled threats that "there might be disorder" if certain people were permitted to speak at the meeting. Apparently it had the desired result. The Student Council backed down. The remodeled peace assembly will be a patriotic prayer meeting.

We stand for a peace meeting that fights against war and the war-makers in the old militant tradition of City College.

The Anti-War Committee of City College Clubs will carry on as per schedule.

Prominent speakers representing all shades of Anti-War opinion are being invited.

Demonstrate against War! All out on the Campus, this Friday at Noon!

Anti-War Committee Of City College Clubs.

- ABOLISH THE R.O.T.C.!!
- DOWN WITH THE ROOSEVELT WAR BUDGET!!
- BOYCOTT JAPANESE GOODS!!
- DEFEAT FASCISM IN SPAIN!!
- DOWN WITH IMPERIALIST WAR!!

SUPPORT THE OXFORD PLEDGE: REFUSE TO SUPPORT ANY WAR THAT THE U.S. GOVERNMENT UNDERTAKES!!!!