

The ASU AT THE CROSSROADS

As a result of an irresolute and spineless leadership, the past term has seen a decline in the growth and activity of the CCNY American Student Union. On the important issues facing the students, the ASU had a very weak, and belated answer, or, more often, none at all.....

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LET'S LOOK AT THE RECORD !.....

The RECORD

1) THE FIGHT AGAINST WAR --

The April Strike - wishywashy and placid - a washout. NO labor speakers, - but plenty of demagogues and politicians. The Oxford Pledge, center of the Anti-War struggle, pushed into the background, and replaced by a call for support of alliances of all the "Nice" imperialist powers.

2) SOLIDARITY WITH LABOR --

No cooperation with the unions. No strike activity. No union speakers at meetings.

3) Oust Robinson Campaign --

No continuous drive to kick him out. No adequate education of Freshman as to his reactionary record; nothing but feeble attempts!

4) ROTC -- An increase in popularity of ROTC. No counter-demonstration, no picketing on "Jingo Day"; it was called off by our "militant" leadership.

5) Free Books Lunchroom, Coop-Store

What happened to the petition for free books? ASU missed the boat on the Coop scandal. We still eat in a slop house. Endless committees, but no action.

6) Inside the ASU -- No recruits on the basis of struggle, (only a flock of politicians that come like locusts before elections). No representation on exec. for minority opinions. Membership meetings called irregularly and infrequently, and at the whim of the exec.

WHAT WE PROPOSE

1) A vigorous Anti-War Campaign.

A militant strike with Labor and Revolutionary speakers. No Phony Politicians! Make the Oxford Strike address - rehearsal for what we we'll do when war does come. Reassert the Oxford Pledge

No support of "Collective Security" Pacts between sets of Imperialists, - but independent action by labor and progressive allies.

2) The election of an Industrial Director. Aid to strikers - picketing, leaflet distribution, speaking and money. Thorough education of ASUers in the Labor Movement.

3) An offensive against Robby.

Make him shiver in his boots! Leaflets, pickets, letters, demonstrations. That's the only way to talk turkey to the Board of Higher Education! We will not rest till he is gone!

4) Militant demonstrations in the traditional "Jingo Day" spirit. The nature and purpose of the ROTC must be made clear to all students. It must be exposed as a weapon of the War Dep't. of our imperialist govt.

The ROTC Must Go!

5) A driving, live-wire campaign with petitions, mass-meetings, and even strikes if necessary! Direct mass action is the only method which gets results. -----

6) For regular, bi-weekly meetings. For internal democracy which concretely means proportional representation on leading committees for all opinions. Collective leadership.

THAT IS OUR PROGRAM FOR THE ASU!

YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIALIST LEAGUE
(4th Internationalists)

SSUPPORT THE YPSL IN ITS FIGHT FOR A MILITANT, PROGRESSIVE ASU OF STRUGGLE