BERKELEY strikes again

by John W. Anderson

On Tuesday, November 8th, when the people of the United States went to the polls, the administration crossed its fingers in the hope that its war effort would bring it re-election. The reality was very different. The people spoke against the administration's war policies.

The referendum was not merely the casting of a ballot for or against a resolution on the Vietnam War. It was a real exercise of democracy and rights. It was a case where a real town hall meeting of Dearborn citizens was held and where both sides of the issue could be presented. The issue was first discussed at a special meeting of the City Council, which voted to hold the referendum. The Mayor appointed a committee of three who were asked to make a recommendation to the regular council meeting on the following evening. I was one of those he appointed to the committee.

There was a lengthy discussion on the merits of holding the referendum on the war as well as on how the resolution was to be worded. This discussion took place at two regular meetings of the city council.

Those speaking against placing the ques­ tion on the ballot included Mayor Lawrence P. Straub, State Senator Charles F. Kenney, and columnists also dealt with the issue. Much was made of the fact that the Mayor had made the referendum meaningless even if a majority had voted for it.

The officers of Local 600 of the UAW, which has 30,000 members working at the Ford Dearborn plant, were on the ballot for Dearborn. Forty percent of those casting a vote on the referendum, voting for a cease fire and withdrawal of American troops, the American people were also speaking. The referendum was seen as a real town hall meeting.

It is possible that in the not too distant future, in some cities, a majority of voters would speak against the Vietnam War. This was in a real sense, exercising their democratic rights and obligations as American citizens. This was in a real sense, exercising their democratic rights and obligations as American citizens. This was in a real sense, exercising their democratic rights and obligations as American citizens.
To the Editor:

At the large anti-draft conference in New York City recently, Michael Scott of Britain argued that America's Bush administration is prepared to use force against any important revolutionary developments in the New World. Africa, emerging African countries, and the United States, as well as other countries, are being challenged by the struggles of small and large left-wing movements.

New working for Antiotch College as an 'activist scholar,' Carolyn L. Hughes of them at a meeting where there was a great deal of confusion and passion. She then proposed a new group called Southern Education for Action. Similar groups are found at Oberlin, Union Theo, Sem., Berkeley, the University of Chicago, and elsewhere. Emphasis is on getting the people to read, and as this is appropriate to the traditions of the old SDS, one can then appeal to and correspond with the new group in order that national coordination may be discussed. Presy Neshitt and Barbara Houser, co-chairmen, S.A.E.A., Antiotch Union, Yellow Springs, Ohio 45368.

Until a campus traveler can be found, I agree with the Antichots to function theresa - so a carbon of all correspondence should kindly be sent to,

yours,
F. Paul Saltstrom 1320 - 20th Street Rock Island, Ill 61201

Dear SDSers,

Dear Editor: You ask what is happening here. Nothing. LBJ arrives in 2 days and will not be a whisper here against him, or Americans. There is no student movement (unless it is further understood that the word "movement" can be brain-washed as the Americans). Often there has been some stirres of reassessment about there not having been elections for 8 years, and the slowness in drafting the "new constitution" but since the U.S. looks the present clique of generals up to the top there is no immediate hope of any revolution against your people. The Thae Slovakia everything Americans. I hope to write the old article or essay (or I shalI2] (actually doing doctoral research) - I don't know if you are interested in my observations?

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Letter to the Berkeley Strikers:

Students for a Democratic Society lends its enthusiastic support and encouragement to the students of the University of California in their present struggle. Your comrades in arms with military recruiters and the police and your counterparts in the army once again, on the military, the government, and the university administration that students are determined to resist in defense of our community and, if necessary, to puruse the form of armed self defense in the city. Your student organization is being prepared to strike, and to win for students an effective voice in university policy.

SDS calls on its members on campuses across the country to demonstrate their support for your strike, and to join you in solidarity with your comrades in a wide-ranging effort to take our universities to the streets and to win for students an effective voice in university policy.

K.R. Davis

STUDENT POWER

DONT MOURN, ORGANIZE

Across the ocean, too much seemed to happen. Daniel Cohn-Bendit's speech at the London School of Economics and Political Science is well known. Thomas and his student union president being tried by a Disciplinary Board for defying school regulations. Now there is a new development at any university here in Britain. Student leaders have launched a boycott of the school's 300,000, including 1,100 postgraduate students, in various courses, as well as the United States, on several SDS symps and visiting SNCC black Panther Courtney Cox was surprised to see these reactions. Cox wasשבוגר by these English kids get so hung up over commos that I never thought they'd even go for this, forget it even the mention of the issue itself. The issue itself had been discussed for weeks by stuedents here, much more so than in the United States, with as many as 12,000 students and typically far more than the similar number of radicals and leftists. Cox was aware of the action.

But let's think how we pull kids off campuses, but we may well be talking about a whisper heard against him, or Americans. There is no student movement (unless it is further understood that the word "movement" can be brain-washed as the Americans). Often there has been some stirres of reassessment about there not having been elections for 8 years, and the slowness in drafting the "new constitution" but since the U.S. looks the present clique of generals up to the top there is no immediate hope of any revolution against your people. The Thae Slovakia everything Americans. I hope to write the old article or essay (or I shalI2] (actually doing doctoral research) - I don't know if you are interested in my observations?

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DECEMBER 2, 1966 NEW LEFT NOTES

DECEMBER N.C.

Work begins. The December Conference several weeks ago and the plans for the conference have now solidified to the point that the overlying theme and the majority of the workshops are fairly well set. The conference will be held from December 24 through the 31st on the Berkeley campus. Most of the housing will be arranged in private homes, and any overflow will be housed in co-operatives. The fee for the conference will be $15. This will not apply to non-members. There is no official fee for the conference as of yet, but it will deal with the campus, students, and society. The 27th and 28th will be the National Council meetings. The following three days will consist of workshops on the following topics:

1. THE CAMPUS AS ECONOMIC INTEREST
The corporate function of the university, its role as an educational institution, the issue of governmental and private property, the role of student employees, teacher's unions, etc.

2. THE CAMPUS AS COMMUNITY
The role of the educational system in corporate systems, the role of education in the industrial complex, and the impact of campus social change on other institutions.

3. CAMPUS AS POLITICAL FORCE
Campaing against in loco parentis, the young and labor relations, the impact of the campus to the non-student environs. Student and underground newspapers.

4. CAMPUS AS POLITICAL FORCE
Student participation in electoral politics or the Schen campaign, the Black Power Power Conference, the Green candidates, etc.

5. THE CAMPUS AND THE DRAFT
Campus organizing against conscription, protectionism, imperialism, and the complexity of conscription, the issue of deferment, the non-student draft, the Black and Puerto Rican draft, etc.

6. CAMPUS ORGANIZATION VS. ORGANIZATION
The effect of mobilizing students for reform demands as opposed to long-term organizing demands. The role of local, national, and international policy. The Schen campaign, etc.

7. JUNIOR COLLEGES
Access to junior colleges. Organizing working class youth. Facultar in loco parentis problems.

8. THE HIGH SCHOOL CAMPU
The in loco parentis issue, the young poor whites, the relationship of the public school to the family, the poor in the political party.

9. STUDENTS AS A SOCIAL CLASS
Access to housing. Organizing working class youth. Facultar in loco parentis problems.

10. STUDENTS AS ORGANIZERS
Students in the South, in poor white communities, on the reservations, etc. Students as a Social Class.

11. STUDENTS AS A SOCIAL CLASS
The gulf between students and the working class. Students as a force for social change.

12. STUDENT SYNDICALISM
The organization of student federations and campus parties. Human relations and power relations within the school, particularly the relationship of the campus to the non-student environs. Student and underground newspapers.

13. COMPOSITION OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY
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14. HISTORY OF THIRD PARTIES
Reasons for the collapse of such parties in the past.

15. ORGANIZING POOR WHITES
Time will also be set aside for workshops by the Radical Education Project. If you have ideas for more workshops, please let the Regional Office know. Please also send working papers on the above topics to the office. No will be taken as many as we can possibly handle before the conference so that people can begin to discuss them.

NATIONAL COUNCIL DELEGATES
SSS Constitution, Article VI, Section 1: The National Council shall be composed of a total number of SDS members representing the Headquarters for the National Student Strike and are within the distance of the SSS (the National Student Strike headquarters, etc.). We have been informed of SDS meetings and other groups that will be present to discuss and determine the form of the National Student Strike Action in the Spring.

A. Call has been circulated nationally, calling for a campus strike this Spring. It is probably too early to ask the question of just who it aims at. A National Campus Action. Whatever demands you issue from the National Strike movement must be united enough to be considered a National Action. This is particularly important for weak areas. It will also be the opportunity for people to discuss strike related to the last strike and the National Student Strike. The strike can be a particularly appropriate avenue for people to discuss issues which draw a connection between the war in Vietnam and the academic community. With a probable major step-up in the war early next year, accompanied by high draft calls and the possible use of nuclear weapons, the Spring must witness to a new and more organized opposition to the war and to efforts here and abroad. This is the time to plan for this action. While unfortunately (and uninvitingly), your National Council will probably not be able to send a National Strike. 

Conference proponents believe that the organization of the Strike Conference should be considered and hope to see you in Chicago on December 24.

Before the Strike Conference dates were set, I (Marjorie Kinsella) consulted with the NO about the dates for your meeting in California. At that time, I was informed that the NO way of doing a mail call for the members of the National Council and therefore would allow other SDSers free to participate in the Strike Conference. As you were concerned that a date be picked which would not interfere with the learning habits of knowledge eaters, and therefore, vacation time was our only alternative.

Don Friedlander & Marjorie Kinsella

In Chicago these days, friendly landlords regarding the nationalization of housing. Please also send working papers on the above topics to the office. No will be taken as many as we can possibly handle before the conference so that people can begin to discuss them.

Mr. President . . . here is my Harvard Report

National Student Strike

By Mark Kleiman

National strikes are deliberately aimed at overthrowing or crippling either a specific institution, or the government itself. Since a Student Strike will neither overthrow the American government, nor will it paralyze every man, woman, or child, any discussion of the logistics involved in such a strike must be prefaced by a hard examination of the political goals involved. A national student strike will accomplish none of the goals it purports to achieve. It will probably be started, with the hope of turning it into permanent organizations. I think that our experience with the last three major days of protest (March 29-31, August 6-7, and May 2-4) is most instructive to contradict this notion. Virtually all of the preliminary organizing has been done, and no groups will not spring up where there was previously no springing. As far as appeals to the students movement go, I think we've gone about as far as possible. It is not necessary to call a national student strike to make a statement about SDS. There are already numerous anti-war groups a new student may become active in. What does the student strike do, you say? Is it the only way to make a statement about SDS? This is hard to say because of the unplanned nature of the strike. Conference proponents claim that there will be a student strike this spring, but that the conference shall decide what specific issues that strike shall face. In other words, there shall be a nationwide fluxing of mass movements for some issue, which couldn't be terribly clear or there'd hardly be a need for an elaborate conference to search out on what. What part of an issue can the conference find for us?

A. The strike could be centered around the draft. There are two problems with this. One is that there is little position in favor of the BES, and given the ideological biases of the quarter, which is pushing the call most eagerly, the whole thing could very easily degenerate into a save-our-asses demonstration. Aside from this, few, if any, would succeed in isolating students from the rest of the campus. A second problem is the December 5-9 Establishment draft conference at the University of Chicago, which will sponsor a big push for the liberal program of national servitude. A student strike on the draft could only serve to push the national servitude program. Also, there is the potential for SDs to make a statement of political significance. Because of uneven development in different areas, which would make it impossible for all the effective strike, nor would they be interested in such a strike because of pressing other issues.
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The UK chapter of Students for a Democratic Society has organized the SDS-March on Washington to End the War in Vietnam (April, 1965). It is a master’s degree in mathematics from the University of Chicago, and is a practitioner in mathematics at Mundelein College in Chicago. He is 25 years old, married, and a native of Henderson, Kentucky. He is also an associate editor of Studies on the Left.

Dr. Butwell has been director of the Pennsylvania School of Diplomacy and International Relations at the University of Pennsylvania. He was a Fulbright Professor, University of Rangoon, Burma, 1959-60. He is co-author, with Amy Vandenbos, of The Changing Face of Southeast Asia (US Press) and his newest book, Indonesian, will be published by Ginn next month.

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