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NC REPORT

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SDS held what observers agreed was the smoothest and most and most workmanlike National Council meeting in its history last weekend at Antioch College. It adopted a major national program of an exam on the war in Viet Nam which it resolved to have distributed at every one of the 1700 Selective Service examining centers on May 14th.

In brief summary of the action of the NC (which are spelled out in detail in this issue) it:

Passed the Viet Nam Exam program.

Sent to the chapters a proposal for a boycott of the Selective Service exam.

Passed a resolution on political perspectives for 1966.

Passed a statement on student-labor efforts.

Set late August as the date for the National Convention, and resolved to attempt to write an organizational document at that meeting.

Launched a \$10,000 chapter emergency fund-raising campaign.

Raised National dues to \$4/yr.

Endorsed and began to implement the Radical Education Program.

Asked regions to set up summer Viet Nam projects to turn America into a town meeting on the war.

Authorized the present National Secretary to prepare candidates to succeed him by getting them around to chapters, and otherwise informing them of the organization's working.

Pledged to continue support of the farm workers movement in California.

Turned down a proposal for a national fast in solidarity with Buddhist students.

The major debate of the meeting took place over the "Booth Amendment", which was later sent to a National Council ballot because of the split opinion of the NC delegates, received four hours of debate and carried 39 to 29 with 2 abstentions.

In the debate, the supporters of the amendment argued that SDS needed to demonstrate its heightened seriousness of opposition. Bill Hartzog, of Topeka, Kansas, told the group that he was going to jail, probably this week, for refusal to report for induction. The underlying assumptions of most proponents of the move to boycott the draft exam was that any other move would be seen as capitulation to the war machine and its comfortable 2-S exemption; Mendy Samstein, a SNCC worker, argued that this serious opposition to the war would win the confidence of Negro movement people, who have made at least as heavy a commitment in that struggle.

The opponents of the amendment stressed that what matters is "where you are", and that the proposal would cut SDS off from the bulk of students who will be taking the exam. One

delegate argued that her chapter would leave SDS. Dan Millstone, of MacMurray SDS, invoked the early history of Christendom and suggested that we follow the example of St. Stephen, the organizer.

## Summer Convention

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The National Office was instructed to poll the NC on location, and to arrange camp sites, length, and precise dates.

## VIET NAM EXAM PROGRAM

The overall assumptions of the program are:

- (1) That any program aimed at preserving the privileged status of 2-S for students is contrary to our democratic and egalitarian values, as well as to the strategic principle of broadening the anti-war movement beyond the university community.
- (2) That the draft must be confronted by students and exposed as an authoritarian institution forcing support and participation in American imperialism.
- (3) That over 2,500,000 students will be taking these tests in relatively few places gives us an excellent opportunity of reaching them with our message and beginning to involve them in anti-war activity. The nation's attention will be on the exams and thus on any protests and demonstrations that occur. The tests will be very emotionally charged situations, which hold excellent possibilities for exposing the war in Vietnam and the nature of the draft.

- (4) That a national program on these draft exams should have a minimum of national coordination, and a maximum possibility for local initiative and varied programs.

On the national scale the program is the preparation and distribution of an "exam." The purpose of the exam is to raise questions in students' minds about the war, the morality of America's position, the deception of the American government, and the authoritarian nature of the draft. A group of nationally known figures is being invited to submit questions and answers to the Ann Arbor group that will write

the exam. An answer sheet to the factual questions would also be distributed at the exam centers, containing references to source materials.

The only national coordination will be a call for the activities and the preparations for and the distribution of the exam. Local chapters and other groups are encouraged to plan their own other activities at the testing centers, including rallies, speeches, demonstrations, and other activities.

## Argument For:

It is incumbent upon SDS to carry the level of seriousness of the opposition to the war to a higher point. The draft exam is a direct challenge to the campus-based anti-war movement. If the anti-war movement submits to the exam, with all its implications of preserving the 2-S class privilege for a few students, it will confirm the suspicion and hope of the administration that our commitment is half-serious. This impression, which the press has already tried to implant among the public, is that we are willing to have our parades and petitions because we have that 2-S classification that means that other kids have to go off and die.

The seriousness of the Administration must not be underestimated. LBJ is serious enough to escalate the war in the midst of his "peace feelers," even into Laos and Cambodia. He is serious enough to seek to eliminate opposition in the Democratic Party, as was seen in the White House-promoted removal of the Chairman of the California Democratic Council. He is serious enough to scorn the Constitution, and the Senate hearings. He is serious enough to cut back the domestic program upon which he used to pin his claim for a place in history. And he may be serious enough even to crush the Buddhist opposition against which the puppet Ky has proven inadequate.

We must not believe that we can coexist with this Juggernaut. Either we alter our lives to accept it as a part

of those lives, or we alter our lives to make a more serious opposition to it. This is not only a matter of moral principle, it is a very practical concern. It now means that very few of the men in the movement are available for the full-time organizing jobs in community organizing on which we depend for building the opposition. This resolution would mean that some of us, with the organization's sanction, would renounce the 2-S protection (which we all oppose intellectually as an anti-democratic device) and thereby prove the seriousness of the opposition to the war machine. In conjunction with the Vietnam test, which is primarily an educational device, it would succeed in meeting the challenge posed by the draft exam.

There is, additionally, a strategic concern for building the war opposition. As individuals, we all are in a concern for building the war opposition. As individuals, we all are in a bind, caused by a personal problem -- conscription -- which is completely rooted in social conditions. We understand that, and poignantly, and we are frustrated by our inability to forge a collective action and solution to this collective problem. For SDS people, who have learned so well the lesson that the radical's job is to find collective responses to such problems this is doubly frustrating. After the exams,

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## FLASH! NEWARK OFFICE RANSACKED

The office of the Newark Community Union was broken into around 10 P.M. the night of Wednesday, April 13. Five people from the Central Ward Negro Democratic Machine overturned desks, destroyed literature and typewriters, and broke windows. NCUP workers were rebuffed in an attempt to file a complaint at the police station; armed machine thugs attempted to provoke a fight outside the station, but were unsuccessful. NCUP members repaired the office Thursday, and continued with preparations for the May 10th elections.



## NFWA Boycott

A rally in Sacramento attended by 10,000 farm workers, other unionists, ministers and students heard Cesar Chavez, leader of the National Farm Workers Association, announce a national boycott of DiGiorgio Corporation products.

The Easter Sunday rally was the culmination of a 30-day pilgrimage of farm workers from Delano which forced Schenley Industries to formally recognize the NFWA as the sole collective bargaining agent of the grape pickers.

DiGiorgio is the largest grower in the grape industry and is tied into the Bank of America agri-business complex. It has made an offer which the Association considers inadequate.

The three main national DiGiorgio products against which the boycott is aimed are S&W label fine foods, Tree Sweet juices, and White Rose grapes.

Meanwhile, as DiGiorgio holds out, its position is weakening. Christian Brothers signed today (Tuesday) for its Central Valley and its Napa Valley locations -- this is the first breakthrough in the north. Other signings are anticipated over the coming days, according to Marshall Ganz, SNCC staffer in Delano.

Another key aspect of the farm workers movement is its relationship to the merged labor movement. Various unions in the AFL-CIO have coveted the jurisdiction for agricultural labor, and a number of them have been involved in costly organizing drives over the past thirty years in the long struggle against the growers. Among them are the Packing, Meatcutters, and other unions. FWA is asking a full international charter from the AFL-CIO with the exclusive jurisdiction for California and the Southwest.



Viet Exam Pro and Con

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if we do not make a very serious response, this will be demoralizing to the student movement.

This is not a call to a final confrontation with the Juggernaut. This is a call for a political program. With this principled stand on the draft, we can go to Negro movement people who have felt that the war protest was "not for them" and prove that we are not simply out to save our white skins. We can reverse the recent tendency of the public to take the protest movement for granted. And we can offer a program for the thousands of young men on campus who are now confronted by a direct challenge on behalf of the war they know is wrong.

Paul Booth

Argument Against:

First of all, I want to emphasize that the point at issue in this referendum is an amendment to the national draft program that was overwhelmingly passed by the NC. It is the amendment that is at issue here, not the total program.

The National Draft Exam Program that the NC passed holds tremendous possibilities of publicizing the massive resentment of students against the war and the draft. It also holds the possibilities of reaching countless thousands with the message against the war.

Because of the varied levels of development of our chapters and their constituencies, the program was specifically written to minimize national decision making, and maximize local initiative and decision making in light of different campus situations. We realized that some chapters were capable of more militant activities, and some were not because of their student bodies. So we wanted individual chapters to decide what activity would have the best results on their campuses.

Regrettably the amendment goes out of its way to undo this principle of minimal national coordination, and maximum local decisions and initiative.

Personally, I believe strongly that SDS should take national decisions that set policy for chapters and the whole organization. However, only after long discussion and as consensus emerges. The issue, however, of whether we urge students not to take the draft exams, is very controversial in SDS, with about an even number of people on either side. In this situation, it is the height of folly and, I believe, irresponsibility to make such a national decision.

However, rather than writing a theoretical argument, let me just communicate to you many of the arguments that were made against the amendment by chapter and at-large delegates.

(1) A small majority is pushing a program on a large minority that is strongly opposed. As pointed out above, less than 60% majority passed this amendment. The next day over 60% voted for reconsideration, but lost because 2/3 was needed. Many delegates, particularly from new chapters or ones in small cities and rural areas, felt the program coming from the amendment would have disastrous consequences for their chapters. They could not understand the necessity of a national decision, when local chapter situations were so different.

(2) Amendment is vague and open to any interpretation. What does the amendment say? Is it a statement of principle or a call to action? Most delegates who spoke for it considered it a call to action and militant confrontation with the exams. The maker of the motion was himself confused. On one occasion he introduced the amendment as "simply to put SDS on record against the Administration's attempt to demoralize the anti-war

movement." Yet on another occasion he said that the amendment "would show the government that we will not allow the tests to take place." Now which way is it?

(3) Amendment is a Pandora's Box. The delegates who supported the amendment did so from many different perspectives. They all believe strongly that the amendment makes their own position the official SDS position. This amendment is so open to interpretation (just ask someone who was at the NC) that political chaos will result. Unless the amendment is defeated, all sorts of activity will occur under the banner of "national SDS policy."

(4) Amendment is undemocratic. Those chapters who want to urge students not to take the test (or blocking the doors, harass the proctors) will not be affected by the passing or rejecting of this amendment. They can make up their own minds. On the other hand, those chapters who do not want such a program are being forced into it. They will be forced through newspaper publicity (that will come) to defend and support a program they do not agree with. Many of these delegates believe the result will be disastrous for their chapters.

The defeat of this amendment will allow all chapters to decide what program is most suited to their own campus situations.

I do hope that we can reject this amendment -- allow local chapters to make up their own minds about what kind of attitude they will take to the draft exams. I think that if we allow local decision making on this, we will have less chaos and recriminations, and a much higher and more dramatic protest around the draft exams.

Lee Webb

REGISTERED NC DELEGATES

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|-----------------------|-------------------|
| Molly Coye            | Bennington        |
| Alan Zaslavsky        | Harvard           |
| Ralph S. Butcher      | Kansas U          |
| Paul Booth            | At large          |
| John Evansohn         | Harpur            |
| Don Bacheller         | Baltimore         |
| Mark Gould            | Penn State        |
| Terry Koch            | Washington U      |
| Claire Meyer          | U of Wisconsin    |
| Hal Benenson          | Harvard           |
| Steve Goldsmith       | Chicago           |
| Robert Stanton        | U of Wisconsin    |
| David Evans           | Northwestern      |
| Michael Harty         | Southern Ill.     |
| Carol McEldowney      | At large          |
| Diok Magidoff         | At large          |
| Helen Garvy           | At large          |
| Mike Goldfield        | U of Chicago      |
| Paul Goldstein        | NYU               |
| Bob Gottlieb          | CCNY              |
| Al Haber              | At large          |
| Steve Kindred         | U of Chicago      |
| Milton Kotelchuck     | Johns Hopkins     |
| Brent Kramer          | U of Chicago      |
| Paul LeBlanc          | Pittsburgh        |
| Guy Loftman           | Indiana U         |
| Kathleen McAfee       | Vassar            |
| Mary Mattson          | Washington Comm.  |
| Jackie Mauro          | Harpur            |
| Don Miller            | Dartmouth         |
| Daniel Millstone      | MacMurray         |
| William W. Moore, III | U of Texas        |
| Russ Neufeld          | Ohio Wesleyan     |
| James Funston         | Brandeis          |
| John Newman           | Carleton          |
| Bob Novack            | Toledo            |
| Hugo Pruter           | UICC              |
| Jon Seldin            | Penn State        |
| Jeff Sharlet          | Indiana Univ.     |
| S. Eisenstein         | Harvard-Radcliffe |
| Thomas Ehrlich        | Rutgers           |
| William F Couch       | Oklahoma U        |
| Geoffrey Conklin      | Manhattenville    |
| Larry Clawson         | U of Nebraska     |
| Dena Clamage          | Detroit           |
| Bob Sink              | Rutgers           |
| Robert A Seidel       | VOICE             |
| J. Tepperman          | Harvard-Radcliffe |
| Cynthia Wegman        | MIT               |
| George Woywod         | Ball State        |
| Clark Kissinger       | At large          |
| Carl Oglesby          | Pres              |
| Robert Tenny          | Syracuse          |
| Gerald Tenny          | New School        |

- Marilynn Schwartz
- Marty Sawma
- Susan Simensky
- Rick Salter
- Gary Rothberger
- Brando Monterrey
- Phil McKinney
- Dennis Mazer
- Mike Locker
- David Kukafka
- Ronald Kenyon
- Paul Jung
- Robert Gross
- Jenny Green
- John Fuerst
- David Finkel
- Beryl Epstein
- Teresa Davis
- Steve Baum
- Susan Auerbach
- Mike Ansara
- Lawrence Felt

Alternates:

- Barry Radbone
- B. Flynn
- David Mork
- Gery Stahl
- Philip Urbanski

- Toledo
- Harvard-Radcliffe
- Ohio Wesleyan
- MIT
- Toledo

Summer Projects

The National Council adopted a summer program emphasizing the "Town Meeting" concept of Vietnam community education.

Regional organizations were called on by the NC to try to set up summer programs. These programs would have the aim of bringing the issue to the people with vastly stepped-up speaking and debating programs.

To back up this program, Staughton Lynd is organizing a committee of Americans who have been to Vietnam to commit themselves to speak around the country this summer at community teach-ins and other community meetings in conjunction with the Town Meeting activity.

In addition, the National Office was mandated to appoint summer coordinators for SDS activity for cities in which chapters will be inoperative this summer. Chapters will be asked to provide for continuity of SDS and radical activity in their areas.

These summer coordinators will be responsible for building the local Town Meeting program, the pre-convention education program, the farm workers boycott against DiGiorgio products, and other national priorities adopted by the June National Council. An institute and workshop will be held around the time of the June NC for the summer coordinators.

The National Council also asked the San Francisco office to pursue discussions with the Farm Workers Association about their summer project; we hope to be able to have SDS people work in the Valley and around the country on the DiGiorgio boycott in political organizing.



SDS Labor Resolution

Goals and Purposes.

Up to now SDS has shown little or no national program or thought about student work with labor and the labor movement. This lack of coherent approach to labor has been most evident recently in view of the growing participation of students and chapters across the country in local labor activities. Opportunities for SDS involvement in labor projects exist on many levels: in Boston, students have joined in UAW picketing at recent Thomspin strike in Waltham; they have leafleted packing house workers about Vietnam and are arranging long-range Vietnam

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- VOICE
- Brooklyn
- Syracuse
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- Williams
- Simmons
- Columbia
- Brandeis
- Queens
- Mann Comm.
- Roosevelt
- Bucknell
- Harvard-Radcliffe
- Northwestern

programs with other unions; they have initiated a summer labor organizing project to be financed by the UE; in New York, SDS members are supporting the Sloane YMCA workers strike and are organizing university employees such as cafeteria and library workers. They are planning for a summer labor organizing project, and have approached various local unions, for instance, in Maine, students of the University of Maine were largely responsible for the workers victory in a local strike in Old Town. Boycott activities for the now successful Delano grape strike have been going on across the country and many campus chapters have expressed interest in organizing university employees.

We feel that these activities should be encouraged and coordinated on a national level. SDS, as a national, multi-issue organization concerned with radical social change must of necessity develop a programmatic approach to the labor movement and labor organizing.

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Fund Raising

The financial report to the National Council described an acute financial crisis affecting the national office, the printing office, and all regional offices, save Boston.

The central theme of the National Secretary's report to the NC was that the organization had for four months turned inward, concentrating on servicing the membership and chapters, turning out this paper and creating new offices, and that this had proved expensive beyond the support of the chapters. Due to the absence of visible national program, fund-raising had dried up.

In this spirit, the NC resolved to take on a \$10,000 fund drive based in the chapters. The office was asked to assign quotas to chapters, taking into account their membership and an estimate of their means. This drive will pay off outstanding debts of all the offices.

A national fund drive is therefore being launched. Chapters are being asked this week to appoint coordinators for the drive, and to send their names to the NO. A fund-raising how-to-do-it booklet is being written in the NO containing suggestions from films to buttons to parties.

Chapters will be asked to raise something along the line of \$2.50 per member. For the first week of the campaign, the goal is to set up the machinery, and to pass the hat at the weekly chapter meeting.

The national office will publish the Emergency Fund Drive Bulletin every two weeks for this drive.



## NAC MINUTES

submitted by Mike Goldfield.

Members present: Paul Booth, Steve Kindred, Lee Webb, Bob Speck, Aerlin Weissman, Mike Goldfield.

The bulk of the time at the meeting was spent in discussing implementation of the National Council mandates.

**NC Ballot.** Speck will check all the addresses of our present contacts. Also a copy of our present chapter contacts and a list of chapters for which we do not have contacts will be sent to each regional office. They will send NC ballots to those chapters the NO does not have contacts for; they hopefully will have more updated contact lists.

It was felt by the NAC that the ballot was important enough so that poor mimeographing should not keep anyone from being able to read it. Jim Russell will have it photo-offset.

**Fund raising.** Not much was said except that we have to do it. We also discussed implementation of the NC mandate to collect money from each chapter. It was mentioned that we could also have a summer fund-raising project if we could get a skilled person to handle it.

**Staff Apartments.** Webb volunteered to check with a local realtor he knows, so that the NO staff could have a place to live again.

**NLN.** Since Jim Russell is leaving, we are stuck without an editor for NLN. Also, there is no one in sight who is available for this position. Until someone is found, Aerlin will do the pasting and a friendly typist will be hired to help her with making up the copy. Speck will start working on change of address plates for the summer.

**Draft test.** Booth spent some time outlining what things had to be done in order to implement our draft test for May 14. Besides checking on printing procedures, finding out exactly where all the test centers are, and coordinating with Ann Arbor, where the test is being written, money has to be raised so that a WATS line can be put into the NO in the next few days. Booth is preparing a mailing to each chapter on how to mobilize, organize, proceed or whatever on the draft exam. His suggestions will mostly concern how to get the test (which will be printed locally), and what types of things people can do on May 14.

**Ramparts.** Ramparts has made an offer to chapters to distribute it. They will pay shipping and send quantities to chapters on consignment. Chapters will send the 45 cents per copy and return unsold copies, keeping 30 cents (75 cents is the single copy price). If chapters assume the cost of shipping; they can keep 35 cents per copy. The forthcoming issue contains an expose of the role of Michigan State University in the Vietnam war.

**Dominican Republic.** A committee of American notables organized by Norman Thomas is preparing a report on conditions in the Dominican Republic prior to the June 1 elections. They will undoubtedly uncover considerable evidence of repression of the left under the Garcia-Godoy regime.

This report will be presented by telephone hookup on April 24, the anniversary of the uprising there. To hook in, contact Mr. Thomas at 112 E. 19th St., New York City.

The Fellowship of Reconciliation is organizing a summer project in the Dominican Republic in conjunction with the youth wing of the PRD (left-wing) party there. They are eager to have SDS and other movement people go there -- especially people who speak Spanish. The summer project will in-

volve workcamps, and will start June 15. It will cost \$200 per person, which should be raised here (FOR will help). Contact Ron Young, box 271, Nyack, New York.

**Draft Exam.** SDS has adopted a major national program around the upcoming Selective Service exam. The student movement in opposition to the war today faces an almost overpowering fact of life: all of us are trying to deal with a personal problem -- conscription -- that is rooted in the war, and we have yet to find any successful means of dealing with it collectively and responsibly. The particular program that is being considered at our National Council meeting this weekend is a national examination on the war in Vietnam.

This exam will be handed out May 14 as students enter the Selective Service exam. It will have two sections, one factual section with questions on the war, recent Vietnamese history, etc., and another section of opinion questions. The object is to confront the students with the primacy of the war: the war is responsible for making you take a test upon which your life depends, and you must resolve your attitude toward the war on the basis of the facts. An answer sheet, with references to sources, would be handed out as people leave.

We are persuaded that May 14 will be a day of national protest against the war, and of focus on the draft. We hope to direct attention to our claim that the facts of the war (as well as the morality) lead to the conclusion that it should be ended. The emotional state of the students subjected to this exam is hard to predict, but we feel that we should be offering an explanation for the dilemma that they face. We hope to be able to distribute the exams at all 1700 testing centers, and to reach literally millions of students as never before.

A committee of faculty and students in Ann Arbor is responsible for working up the exam and answer sheet, and we are soliciting questions and answers from seventy prominent Americans, both in and out of the universities. Because the exam is being used as an educational device, to provoke thought and focus attention on certain problems (rather than to test knowledge), we want the questions which you think are the most important for students to resolve in their minds before confronting the draft.

The Ann Arbor faculty are proposing that the Inter-University Committee co-sponsor this project; they also hope to assemble a group of the consultants at a press conference.

Our timetable is very tight; we hope to have the exam prepared in a week or ten days. Please help up by sending ideas for questions to Mike Locker, 203 W. Hoover, Ann Arbor, Michigan.

### BRING THIS TO THE ATTENTION OF YOUR CHAPTER VOTES COUNTED APRIL 23

At the April 8-10 National Council meeting in Antioch, Ohio, the motion stated below passed as an amendment to the Vietnam Exam Program, which was adopted. Sentiment in favor of the national program around the draft exam was practically unanimous. Paul Booth offered the amendment in question; after close to six hours of debate it passed by a vote of 39 to 29.

The next morning a motion to reconsider was made, which failed 22-30. Subsequently, the NC decided to submit the Booth amendment to the NC by mail ballot to give the NC another chance to vote after holding chapter meetings and consulting with local members.

"We are opposed to the Selective Service Exam; we will not participate in it; and we urge other young men not to take it. We do this because we oppose the war in Vietnam."

## REP Report

### Project Working Paper

1. The current draft should be approved in its basic orientation and circulated to the membership for further comment. The balance of the draft (page 7-24) should be printed in NLN. Each NC delegate should be charged with soliciting comments from his chapter and communicating these to the project office within the next two weeks.

2. The draft should be revised by a subgroup of the implementation committee to take into account suggestions and criticisms.

3. When comment on subject analysis suggests a significant difference of viewpoint, the draft should be revised to indicate that disagreement exists and the nature of the difference.

4. The revised draft should be submitted to the implementation committee for approval as the basic working paper for the project.

5. The working paper, along with a reply form, should be mailed to the membership and to as many other contact lists as are available to determine the initial human resource pool for the project. The working paper should be presented not as a rigid, immutable framework, but as a beginning point for analysis and implementation.

6. The summer should be spent in appropriate follow-up to this response.

### Structure

1. The implementation committee should be expanded and should continue to function until the Fall National Council meeting. The present members of the implementation committee are: Al Haber, Jerome Badanes, Mike Locker, Carl Oglesby (all of Ann Arbor) and Dick Flacks, Todd Gitlin, Bob Ross and Lee Webb (all of Chicago).

2. The additional people should be added to work on specific tasks: (see section below on implementation) (a) membership education -- at least 10 people. (b) Bulletin -- at least 1 person. (c) Program area implementation -- at least 10 people.

3. The additional people should be recruited from volunteers at the NC and from others who volunteer.

4. The project office, until the Fall NC, should be in Ann Arbor.

5. The project co-directors, until the Fall NC, should be Barry Bluestone (full-time volunteer) and Mike Locker (almost full-time, money needs unknown).

6. Each chapter and region and the National Office should be asked to appoint an education chairman (1-3 people) as REP liaison. These people will serve as the initial project work list.

7. At the Fall NC, a proposal for REP structure and membership on the steering committee will be presented, based on the contacts and progress made during the summer.

8. An organizational meeting of the implementation committee should be scheduled after the Saturday evening session of the NC, April 9.

### Implementation priorities until the Fall NC

1. Developing membership education program. (a) Take a chapter survey and membership skill and interest inventory -- on local study groups that chapters want to set up, contributions that individual members want to make to the project, publications or programs that chapters and members want the project to work on, etc. (b) Survey pamphlets already available -- from every group left of center (1 person) -- to develop an annotated literature list and explore arrangements to make the best of this material available to the membership (5 people). (c) Develop a comprehensive film catalog (1 person). (d) Prepare a chapter education program guide as a "how to

do it" book for the implementation of REP objectives on the campus level (1 person). (e) Develop an initial speakers lists by topic and region (2 people).

2. Bulletin and pamphlet series. (a) Recruit a summer editor for the REP Bulletin (1 person). (b) Feed material into NLN until adequate funds can be raised to insure one year printed publication of the Bulletin/pamphlet series. The printing, mailing, etc., should be done commercially. (c) The REP implementation committee should serve as the Bulletin editorial committee until the fall NC. (d) a \$5.00 membership assessment should be made to support the Bulletin and publications of the project.

3. Begin work on implementation of study groups or initial tasks for each of the major project areas. At least two people should be added to the implementation committee to work on each of these areas: (a) The academic disciplines -- begin on national study groups. (b) The professions -- begin on conferences and national study groups. (c) Ideology and Political Analysis -- begin on getting commissions for books and local study groups. (d) International Education -- begin on an intelligence network and local study groups. (e) Arts -- begin on magazine.

### Fundraising

1. A subcommittee of at least four people should be formed by the implementation committee should work on fundraising.

2. The project should be divided into discrete task or program areas for fundraising from specialized sources, foundations, etc.

3. The general mailing of the working outline should have a fund appeal.

4. An "advisory committee" of prominent people should be organized to assist in fundraising.

5. The national office should underwrite costs until independent funds are raised, up to a maximum of \$2000 until the Fall NC.

6. Arrangements should be made with the "Movement Fund" to receive tax exempt contributions. Steps should be taken so the project can qualify for tax exemption in its own right.

### VIETNAM EXAM IMPLEMENTATION

The immediate jobs of SDS chapters for the Vietnam exam includes:

1. Contacting friends at neighboring campuses which will be hosts for the Selective Service exam to arrange distribution.

2. Pricing local printers for the cost of offset printing of the Vietnam exam. The national office will supply offset plates for the four pages (two sides of the exam and two sides of the answer sheet) to any chapter or region or friendly group -- these will be prepared by the end of the month.

**Leaflet Ideas.** Concern and Student Action, two groups at the University of Utah, have put out a Viet Nam leaflet that is a model of what can be done to adapt to local conditions. They suggest the use of the pamphlet if Mormons are a sizeable minority in your area; order at \$1.25/hundred from Michael W. McKain, CONCERN, 1014 E. First South, Salt Lake City, Utah.

### Ann Arbor Defendants.

The national office has available a brochure outlining the facts of the reclassification of the Ann Arbor anti-war sit-ins. These are 12 SDS members who have been given 1-A status for a sit-in in the draft board there last October to protest the war.



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**RESPONSE**

**Elk River, Minnesota (from Liberation USA):** An Elk River, Minnesota youth demonstrated against the war recently by dumping two buckets of human excrement into six file cases in the office of his local draft board.

Barry M. Bondhus, 20, took his action, so the Minneapolis Star reported, to protest against his I-A reclassification. Earlier he had refused to take a pre-induction physical. Bondhus was arrested at his home by FBI agents and formally charged with destruction of government property. He has been released on \$10,000 bond until he appears before a Federal grand jury.

Bondhus' action won the full approval of his father, Thomas Bondhus, 43, inventor and machine shop owner. The elder Bondhus, who has 12 children, 10 of whom are boys, said he repeatedly told the draft board that he wants none of his sons serving in the armed forces.

"If you draft Barry," he said, "I have nothing to look forward to for the next 24 years but flag-draped caskets."

It has been rumored that the elder Bondhus has lost several government contracts because of his support for his son and opposition to the draft.

After Bondhus' "shit-in", the draft board moved from the Elk River American Legion building, where it formerly was housed, to a new office in the First National Bank. Professional fumigators have been brought in from Minneapolis to air out the old office, but it is still not in use.

**Lexington, Ky.:** A Festival of Southern Folk Music will be sponsored by the SDS chapter at the U. of Kentucky. A troupe composed of Hedy West, Rev. Pearly Brown, Bill Turner, Edna Ritchie, Bernice Reagon, Eleanor Walden, and Mable Hillary will conduct workshops in the afternoon of April 23, and perform in an evening concert.

The Kentucky performance will be one of the last stops for the Festival which has been touring the South under the sponsorship of the Southern Student Organizing Committee. There have been around 16 performances in 10 states.

**SUMMER ADDRESS**

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Present Address \_\_\_\_\_  
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 Summer Address \_\_\_\_\_  
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Do you expect to return to your present address after the summer?

Yes                      Maybe                      Definitely not

Will you assume responsibility for an SDS program where you are this summer \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosed is \$4 for dues and New Left Notes subscription for 1966.

**NC FINANCIAL REPORT**

These are the July '65 to March '66 Figures on income and expenses for the National Office.

Expenses - July 1965 - March 1966

National Office Income - July 1965-March 1966

Dues	208.00	163.00	234.00	1021.05
Lit.	237.27	139.45	186.87	358.13
Contrib.	913.00	12194.94	257.15	2269.85
Pledges	7.00	5.00	53.00	
Confer.	50.00	89.00	149.00	
Sales	75.00		42.50	14.25 Total
Misc.	169.50	224.29	152.82	90.20
Subs.		3.00	127.00	428.00
Total	1559.27	12818.68	1202.34	4181.48

\*includes Duncan receipts

Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	March
985.00	1172.50	1567.50	705.00	897.50
1480.98	1581.75	1180.97	889.56	974.32
205.40	185.08	634.42	122.90	175.00
316.50	714.95	498.90	451.75	558.89
386.66	821.25	1482.22	527.35	1195.55
790.70		208.40		25.00
844.63	870.15	80.00	49.00	25.00
120.85	326.00	3243.23		
80.00	57.50	20.00	25.00	34.85
182.50	88.00	2.00	79.35	522.00**

		111.38	99.14	
67.50	13.00		100.00	100.00
5460.72	5890.18	9149.02	3349.05	4508.11
1483.00	679.00	311.00	519.00	377.00
634.49	741.81	634.52	649.44	818.12
7062.30	4604.28	6538.43	417.35	892.00
20.00	60.00	21.64	80.00	35.00
9.00		2533.54	30.00	
		118.19	1.00	17.00
49.94	101.50	30.00		942.25*
809.00	325.00	177.00	312.50	204.00
10067.73	6629.78	10247.13	2025.29	3271.37
	July	August	Sept.	Oct.
Salary	674.32	1653.75	770.75	817.50
Utilities*	1545.94	1207.10	689.42	1235.01
Office	108.47	118.43	136.87	195.38
Postage	305.90	819.16	150.01	426.00
Printing	443.51	1890.01	293.54	434.17
Publicity				25.00
Travel	40.00	598.93	192.66	163.00
Conferen	10.20	64.25	456.63	
Petty Cash	45.00	60.00	21.50	23.30
Misc.	19.27	140.12	52.80	20.00
Legal Equip.		662.75	25.00	
Photo		615.83	58.00	51.85
Expenses	3192.61	7830.33	2847.18	3291.21

\* Utilities includes rents, lights, phone, gas

\*\* Includes Don Duncan program

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