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Students Rally to Protest Proposed Fee Increase

by peter grad and ben ptashnik

"I'm not about to pay \$550 to sit in a fucking classroom of 200 students, built for 30 . . . we've got to get together now to force the government to

give money to where it belongs—to the people!"

Such was the sentiment setting the scene for the college's first spring protest of the year. The issue concerned the impending threat of a fee increase to be imposed upon all City University students if appropriate funds are not allocated by state legislators presently meeting in Albany. Instead of paying the present \$57 fee, students may be required beginning next term to pay a tuition of \$550.

Three hundred students gathered in front of Cohen Library to listen to Student Senate representatives' plans for actions that will be taken to fight the fee hikes.

VicePresident Lee Slonimsky suggested a mass refusal to pay the increase

"The issue is yours, the power is yours," he said. "If we don't want to pay, we don't have to."
He added that he felt there was no point in calling a strike to shut the school. "Right now, massive civil disobedience is more important.

In a private meeting held Tuesday night, President Marwas questioned as to whether he would support a mass refusal to pay fees and what actions he would take. He said that he would refrain from committing himself until the budget is signed in Albany. He did, however, indicate that he

would consider resigning if, as a result of state fund cutbacks, no freshman class could be admitted

In Albany, the State Senate adjourned last night before taking final action on the governor's budget proposal, with conservatives holding out for further cuts in expenditures. The budget will be considered today.) The tuition fee was an example of the State Legislature's inof the sensitivity towards sensitivity towards problems," said Student Senator added that problems," said Student Senator Paul Hoffman. He added that certain elements in the Legislature were bent on ending open enrollment in CUNY. place to go to is Albany, let's let them know we won't be played with."

Geary Greenidge from seek student government also felt that tuition was a legislative action aimed at destroying op missions. He stated that it would



Students gathered outside Cohen Library on Tuesday to hear speakers discu disobedience in response to the proposed fee hike. One suggested action was mass refusal to pay any increased student fee next term.

eventually mean the end of SEEK programs as funds needed for stipends and book allotments will entually be directed to pay the tuition fee

Ed Goldman, spokesman for 'The Coalition,'' related the "The Coalition," related the Budget crisis to the war in Vietnam. He stated that tuition will be imposed on students because all state and city money is wasted on the war. He also asked why the city could find 24

can be spent on the war research on the City College campus yet no money can be found to keep free

Bob Yanagida, member of the Asian American Student Community, spoke about the effects of tuition on Asian students. "Most Asian students are from poor immigrant families," he said, "and they can't afford Higher Education." He added that City College has traditionally been an institution for educating the sons and daughters of immigrants. Yanagida addressed himself to the Asian students in the and spoke to them about "the invicibility." "Asian students have been taught by their parents not to rock the boat" he said "and they therefore

do not have much political power." Yanagida stressed the need for all third world students

Morty Kaplan, chairman of the Jewish Collective, warned that students won't continue to be quiet about budget cuts. "And we're going to back anything we say with action

-The rally ended-some called for immediate confrontation with the administration, others called for patience, the WNEW TV crew sought the reamining students for reaction, and the rest of the crowd who braved the not so chilly springlike 40 degree weather, shuffled back to cafeteria, the benches, the IND, classes and other busine

Anthropology Majors Sit-In At Department Head's Office

Forty anthropology majors confronted Anthoropology chairman Dr. Diane Sank esterday in front of her office. They were there to demand a er voice in the hiring of the department's faculty and to decry the "lack of com-munication between the whole department and the students.

The confrontation was sparked by the firing of an additional two facuity members in the last week, Diana Brown and Dr. Warren Kinzey. Along with Dr. Philip Silverman and Dr. Jerry Jacobson, who were let go last fall, Brown and Kinzey bring the figure to four recent Anthropology firings.

waited in the The students department's office for about thirty minutes until Sank came out to listen to them.

One student shouted, "What about our voice, our feelings? Don't we count? We want to be consulted about things that directly affect our lives." Sank directly affect our lives." Sank replied that she was gathering information from anthoropology departments at other schools in an effort to create "a more exciting department."

Answering a student's question about the reasons for the recent firings, Sank said that it wasn't ethical for the appointments committee to reveal the reasons for denial of tenure; that furthermore during the committee's deliberations it is a custom for



the person being discussed to the room.

"The only way I can bring about change is through the bureaucracy. I must answer to the dean--please cooperate with me so that we can attract more qualified faculty."

The chairman emphasized the broadening of the four major fields of anthropology. She said that before 1967, the College's department was mainly cultural and that that had changed. "Students should have a general conception of anthropology; they should not limit themselves.

Then the students, feeling that they weren't communicating any longer with the chairman, left the

office.

student. protesting discussing the denial of tenure for Diana Brown, said, "She was hired to keep out another 'undesirable' tea cher. She was used. She was told that she didn't know what her interests were.

"Three people in this department make all the decisions for everyone," the student continued. They decide who gets hired and what is taught. We have no voice at all. We can't help but feel helpless.

Some of the teachers getting fired are really good. Some are getting fired for intragetting fired for intra departmental political reasons

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Defense, Fee Hike **Rallies Today**

epresentatives from six CUNY ampuses met last night at Hunter College and organized a mass student rally against the roposed tuition fees

The representatives from Hunter, Lehman, C.C.N.Y. and Bronx, Queenxborough and Manhattan community colleges all agreed that immediate action vas necessary and will urge all students to attend today's 2 PM Goernor Rockefeller's offices at 22 West 55th St.

Student Senate Executive Vice President Maureen Sullivan represented City College at the Hunter meeting. She had previously met with representatives of Lehman and Bronx community colleges to plan for CUNY-wide action against tuition. Police permits and press coverage for the rally were already provided for before last night's meeting took place.

After setting the stage for today's action, the representatives planned for further demonstrations and the ossibility of a student boycott of A mass demonstration in front of City Hall is scheduled for

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rally protesting military reserach on campus at Cohen Library today at noon.

The students are calling for an end to all military-related projects and are demanding to open up files files of the University Research Foundation to the public. These files contain a list of all grants sponsored by the university, and are presently

not open to public surveillance.
Professor Morris Silverberg
(Civil Engineering) and an official of the Research Foundation, said of the planned demonstration:

"Because of threater actions at our office, my secretaries are afraid to come to work." President Marshak stated that the plan of groups to release files was "unnecessary promised Silverberg.

Although Marshak continued to deny vesterday that classified earch is conducted at the College, he said that current policy permits "hasic" research sponsored by the Defense Dept. lie refused, however, to permit reporters to examine the files explaining that he had to "protect

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zeev kranzdorf

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Sit-In ...,

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"It's our education and we should have some say."

The protesting students, who during the past six months have circulated petitions and attended meetings with College officials, last night met with Dr. Chavarria Aguilar, Dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences to discuss the situation in the department.

The Anthropology Department conflict has been carried over from last term, when six dissident faculty members asked for Sank's removal from the department's chairmanship. At the time, one of them, Karen Sider, blasted "the intolerable conditions existing in the department, making effective teaching and research impossible." Sider charged Sank with "unethical and unprofessional behavior." Sider accompanied these charges with her resignation.

Anti-Sank forces claim that the chairman is a very unpopular one, citing the last department election. Silverman had been nominated for chairman, and had the support of the majority of teachers, but votes were only counted from the "legal faculty"—professors and above. After the vote was split 2-2, Silverman withdrew from the election, allowing Sank to become chairman.

The protesting students are

meeting today in W107 at noon to discuss further action.

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Defense Rally ...

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his faculty." He suggested that
instead, students should talk
directly to individual instructors,
since the files are of too personal
a nature to be read by the public.

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A new charge was raised by Bob Heisler, a member of the Young Workers Liberation League, about a research project concerning a "spring-driven primer striker system." Marshak denied that the project had direct military application.

Earlier this month, Heisler accused the college of conducting "closed-door" military reserach projects, and called for the termination of such projects on campus and a student-faculty hearing to determine the qualifications of the faculty members involved in the project.

Fee Rally ...

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April 21.

The "City University Student Alliance," as the members of last night's meeting called themselves, have but one statement: "Let us hope apathy does not cost \$550."

A demonstration is planned for 1:00 this afternoon in front of Cohen Library. After a short rally the students will march to the D train and go downtown to join the students from the other campuses.

—ntashnik

SOUTHLAWN IN SUMMER

beneath the cold grey crust asleep the memory of romping feet slick ice coats the brittle trees who sigh for greenness, dream of bees

southlawn in summer's a of sultry heat and both kinds of grass an open-air delight azy-eyed activity textbooks kicked aside. sandals shed music, football, frisbees whirling sidelong to plop in the soft grass snatched from space with an expert leap and the sudden, transistor-shaking yell LINE DRIVE INTO DEEEEP LEFT CENTER, AND GARRETT GOES IN WITH A STAND-UP DOUBLE!!!"

to sing, to love,
to breathe, to be
southlawn-stoned-in-summer
free!
a gypsy-child—hair crowned
with helis—
attains Nirvana;
sprawled back, face up,
his closed eyes see the
red image
of the burning sun

Iris Perry

Letters to the Editor

To the Editor:

"It is necessary, above all things, to undermine and destroy the army in order to overcom the bourgeoisie." So wrote N So wrote N. Bukharin and E. Preobrazhensky in ABC of Communism back in 1919. In a "Resolution on the Youth Question," adopted in 1959 at its 17th National Convention in New York, the Communist Party gave No. 1 priority to the abolition of ROTC. Since then a veritable roster of leftist organ-izations, sharing many of the Communist Party's objectives, have come out strongly, sometimes violently against ROTC and military research on the campus. Such groups as SDS, YWLL, YAWF, YSA, PLP, etc. will find satisfaction in the Faculty Senate's recent decision to oust ROTC from the campus. They will also be happy in the knowledge that by the end of 1970, ROTC enrollment had dropped to the lowest point in the almost a

quarter of a century.

I, for one, do not share the "delight" expressed by some faculty members at the Senate's decision. Rather, I am very much concerned and deeply saddened,

for I hear of no such developments occurring in the USSR or Red China. On the contrary, massive military buildup has held and continues to hold the highest priority in these Countries. Many authorities on the subject of National Defense believe that the USSR already holds an overall edge over the U.S. This will develop into a commanding lead as they continue to stifle progress in this area.

In conclusion, I quote a few passages from an article by Francis J. McNamara appearing in Human Events (March 13, 1971):

"The importance of ROTC is obvious. Through the draft and enlistment, the United States could field an army of 10 million men at any given time, but if it did not have the officers to train and lead it in combat, an army of this size—or any other size—could be decimated in short order by a military force one quarter its size, or even smaller. Without officers to lead it, you have no army."

army."
"Reserve Officers Training

Corps is the principle supplier of our military officers. Over 100,000 ROTC graduates served as commissioned Army officers in World War II. Gen. George C. Marshall, Army Chief of Staff during the war, said ROTC officers "made the difference between defeat and victory" and that "The most valuable asset we have had in the emergency has been the product of ROTC."

"Harold Dodds, when president of Princeton, pointed out that in World War II, "The reserves supplied the backbone of the officer combat personnel... At the end of the hostilities, the majority of Army officers at battalion and company levels were former ROTC students."

"In peacetime, 80 per cent of all new officers entering the active Army are ROTC-trained.... The message is clear. Hit ROTC and you hit the ability of the U.S. to defend itself."

My thanks go to those on the Faculty Senate who voted to keep ROTC on campus.

Prof. Roger C. Verdesi Department of Music

'I'm An Apeman, I'm An Ape Apeman'



No doubt about it—Ray Davies is the Apeman and he has just landed on this distant shore with The Kinks in a new attempt to save us. True, it's a hard business, and it's probably burt him inside. But he tries to control himself. Sometimes he forgets, like Tuesday night at Philharmonic Itall.

From the moment he stepped out on the stage with that pixyish look, it was clear that he hit the sauce before the show. He began flirting with the audience, leading us on with a few false starts before launching into "Till the End of the Day." Davies is known for his stage antics, for suddenly stopping a song to sing a ditty or two. His left arm stretches out, his hand droops, his lips purse and he begins imitating Johnny Cash or Maurice Chevalier "Every little breeze seems to whisper Louise").

But wait, the real high point of the night came as he prepared himself for "Apeman." Suddenly it all came to his head: "I'll tell you what. Let's forget what this fuckin' world has done to us. Let's enjoy ourselves." A few minutes later while he was singing about being a king kong man, he stumbled backwards and fell against a set of six foot Hiwatt amplifiers, knocking them and himself to the floor. Before the count of ten, he was up again, singing.

Somehow, it became an audience participation. He kept on telling us how much he loved us, and of course, we had to return the compliment. When he finished "Apeman," he prompted us to sing it back to him, and then he joined in and sang it once more. By the time "Lola" came around, we had plenty of practice and sang that once for him too. Then he took us by surprise and asked us to sing what he said was his favorite song, "You are my sunshine." My only sunshine

only sunshine.

As a concert, perhaps it was really bad. The Kinks never knew what to expect from Davies or what he wanted to do next. And when he did sing, he missed several lines and slurred other words. But as a piece of theatre, it was fun. When The Kinks came back to do "Top of the Pops" as an encore, dozens of kids jumped on stage, kissing him, shaking his hand, and pounding on his back. Soon, they were swarming all over the group, blocking the view from the audience. Davies wasn't phased, but in any case he was dragged away by a stagehand to fight another day.



-barry taylor



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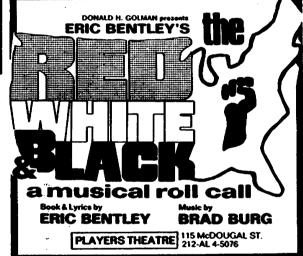
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