

SPU-sponsored speakers. Ten thousand of these have signed a meaningful petition and a thousand more have walked for peace in a number of cities.

The Student Peace Union has not yet built a mass movement. Apathy and moral insensibility are still the order of the day on many campuses. But we have made the beginning. The sit-in movement has shown the way. We can build the kind of movement for peace on the campus that may make the crucial difference. In our crisis-culture, the hopes are greater -- but so are the perils.

WILL YOU JOIN US?

The SPU is a broad organization encompassing many viewpoints. The organization contains pacifists and non-pacifists and the whole range of political and religious beliefs. It is not so much a philosophy we have in common; rather, it is a unity of concern and a desire to explore new issues.

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Name
Address

School

() Please enroll me as a member of SPU.
(Membership qualification is agreement with Statement of Purpose.)

() \$3 encl. for annual dues.

() I can't afford dues at present.

() Please send the SPU Constitution and policy statement.

() I wish to contribute \$ toward the work of the Student Peace Union. Please send me the monthly Bulletin.

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Student Peace Union



STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The Student Peace Union is an organization of young people who believe that war can no longer be successfully used to settle international disputes and that neither human freedom nor the human race itself can endure in a world committed to militarism.

Without committing any member to a precise statement of policy, the SPU draws together young people for a study of alternatives to war and engages in education and action to end the present arms race. The SPU works toward a society which will insure both peace and freedom and which will suffer no individual or group to be exploited by another. After years of bad faith shown by both East and West in disarmament negotiations, the Student Peace Union believes that to be effective, any peace movement must act independently of the existing power blocs and must seek new and creative means of achieving a free and peaceful society.

THE CAMPUS AWAKENS

After years of silence, the campus has again begun to assert itself as a center for dissent and political action. The American college student is beginning to grasp the magnitude of the crisis which faces our culture. He sees racial injustice and, above all, is aware of the spectre of the nuclear destruction which hangs over our heads.

The total insecurity of modern life has made ours a generation noted for its silence and lack of concern. It is difficult for us even to grasp the problems facing us because of their very immensity.

Against this background of pessimism, cynicism and escape, a new force is emerging -- American student life -- which may very well be the catalyst for a reawakening in all sectors of

our society. This force has shown itself in the sit-in movement, in the struggle for civil rights and liberties, and in the peace movement. A new dynamic and concerned student is rising from a decade of cynicism and apathy.

STUDENT PEACE UNION - STRUCTURE

In the spring of 1959, less than two years ago, the Student Peace Union was just an idea in the minds of a few students at the University of Chicago. Today the SPU is a nationwide organization with members on 120 campuses and affiliated groups on 40. The Student Peace Union was conceived as a vehicle for continued student peace action and to provide leadership for the campus movement. The structure of the SPU reflects this basic philosophy. It combines the democracy and individual autonomy necessary in any quickly-growing organization with the effective centralized leadership which makes increasing, coordinated activity possible.

As several peace groups form in an area, SPU regions are set up so that local activity can be coordinated. The SPU, however, rests on a base of autonomous local groups and individuals and serves these groups in what ever way possible.

For more information on structure, write for a copy of the SPU Constitution.

THE SPU PROMOTES

STUDY --

During the past year, the SPU supplied interested groups and individuals with more than 60,000 pieces of literature on peace and related topics. This figure includes the Bulletin, which has grown both in size and scope and has increased its circulation to over 3,000. Several pamphlets have been printed by the SPU, and articles re-

printed, and 3,000 copies of a GLEE poster (General Lethal Engineering Enterprises) were almost immediately sold out.

Qualified speakers are sent to campuses upon request. Last year the SPU sponsored tours by speakers such as Nobel prize-winner Linus Pauling, theoretical physicist William Davidson and David McReynolds of the War Resisters League. The SPU National Office has issued a complete bibliography on peace and has a library of tapes and other literature.

The SPU encourages individual and group study in specific aspects of disarmament and foreign policy. Several excellent studies on testing, accidental war, and others have already been produced by various local groups and members. These are circulated with other articles of opinion in the SPU Discussion Bulletin.

ACTION --

The SPU engages in activities on the national level. Last year, for example, the SPU distributed a meaningful peace petition which collected over 10,000 signatures. Two students were sent with these petitions to Paris to deliver them to the Summit Conference.

On the local and regional levels, SPU groups have engaged in peace marches, vigils, soapboxing, canvassing, and other projects in the attempt to bring the issues before the campus and its community. Local groups have found a variety of ways to dramatize their message and they will doubtless find more.

AN EFFECTIVE APPROACH

The Student Peace Union has proved itself, in the past two years, to have tremendous potential for growth and for action. At least 25,000 students have seen SPU literature or have heard