

INTRODUCTION TO A DETAILED HISTORY OF THE MOVEMENT FOR SOCIAL CHANGE IN BRISBANE.

The following is a detailed history of the movement for social change in Brisbane. To gain an overview of the movement as it stands now, as it was, and as it will be in the future, it was necessary to look to the historical origins and development of the movement in Brisbane.

It became clear that over the past ten years, the movement in Brisbane grew and operated in a different fashion from parallel groupings elsewhere in Australia. It was a new movement, a young movement, and it grew from origins that were unique to most cities of Australia, yet not unlike the "New Left" of America.

The history was compiled chiefly on the basis of research done into private historical collections of long standing activists in the Brisbane movement, (John Stanwell, Dan O'Neill, Mitch Thompson, Robyn Bardon); interpretive and historical articles by self-styled movement historians (Dan O'Neill, Jim Prentice, Roger Stuart); and detailed personal interviews with key activists (Jim Beatson, Lilla Watson, Robyn Bardon, and Betty Hounslow).

EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR WOMEN ASSOCIATION.

Defeated marriage bar in the Public Service.

Documentation and research into discrimination.

Demonstration:- Women chained themselves to the bar of the

PEACE COMMITTEE.

Treasury, Regatta Hotels.

Traditional town based group.

Consisted of Unionists, Communist Party members, Christian
Pacifists, Quakers.

Originated in C.N.D. movement.

EUREKA YOUTH LEAGUE.

In effect, the young Communist Party, became Young Socialist
League. (Y.S.C.).

NEWMAN SOCIETY.

Campus based group of Catholics.

A left of centre group formed within the Newman Society, including
Dan O'Neill and Peter Wertheim.

This radical element began holding forums on the nature of the
University etc.

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VIETNAM ACTION COMMITTEE (V.A.C.)

- University based group
- Formed early in the year mainly as a gut reaction to particular issues, especially Vietnam and Civil Liberties.
- No real theoretical basis: similar to American New Left.

YOUTH CAMPAIGN AGAINST CONSCRIPTION. (Y.C.A.C.)

- Town based group
- formed in reaction to Vietnam and Conscription.

SAVE OUR SONS (S.O.S.)

- Town based women's group.
- Anti-conscription, anti-Vietnam.

LABOR CLUB.

- University based group.
- Democratic socialist, pro A.L.P., fairly inactive.
- V.A.C., Y.C.A.C., Newman, S.O.S., PEACE COMMITTEE, and LABOR CLUB often worked together.
- attempts at forums on Campus met with physical resistance.
- Attempts at forums/demonstrations in town prevented by police under Traffic Act

MARCH: VIETNAM DEMONSTRATION.

- footpath protest, corner Queen and Albert streets.
- 29 participants, 31 arrested (including two bystanders, one a young liberal)
- 2 hour live telecast by channel 7.

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AUGUST VACATION: ^{Democracy} STUDENTS FOR DEMONSTRATION ACTION (S.D.A.)

- Resulted from influence of American New Left (V.A.C. & S.D.S. = S.D.A.). This influence was supported by local American students/ Lecturers e.g. Ralph Sammy, Church Long, Bob & Barbara Gaines.
- Based on a critique of Australian society in terms of "participatory democracy" and "liberalism".
- Issues dealt with included Vietnam, conscription, education, the university, civil liberties, aborigines, conservation, local government etc.
- Developed a very efficient organization (mainly due to Mitch Thompson).

LATE '66 :

- University Administration interfered in a conference on S.E. Asia sponsored by off-campus peace groups.
- Protest meetings of 2,000 in Great Court.
- Petition signed by hundreds

V.A.C./ S.D.A. organized public forums at Centenary Park on Saturday afternoons.

- Well attended, controversial.
- Main speakers were Brian Laver and Tony Bowen

UNIVERSITY REFORM GROUP (U.R.G.)

- formed following Great Court meeting and call for University reform.
- Held regular forums, seminars, did surveys on Uni. reform.

OCTOBER 5 : N.V.A.U.S. CONSCRIPTION DEMONSTRATION

- S.D.A. sponsored meeting in Relaxation Block on Conscription, Vietnam, and Civil Liberties.

- January- February: March to the City by about 40 students.
Violent clash with police as soon as marchers left the university, 27 demonstrators were arrested, with obvious police brutality.
- Mid Year: - University Of Queensland Liberal Club reformed.
- small "l" Liberal, but basically supporting the Liberal Party.
- formed largely to oppose S.D.A. ect.
Organized opposition to forums and the actual march for the October Conscription Demonstration.
- November: - FEDERAL ELECTIONS.
- Caldwell rally at City Hall; Holt rally at Astor Theatre (New Farm); violent clashes at both meetings.
- Election fought and lost by A.L.P. on Conscription and Vietnam.
- November: - President Johnson's visit.
- Violent clashes with police and F.B.I.
- Demonstrations were^{by} students and members of the Old Left.
- DECEMBER: - Large S.D.A. meeting, formally formed the Society for Democratic Action (S.D.A.) Still largely student orientated.
University Vacation:- S.D.A. Summer Campaign.
- Established S.D.A. house (Gladstone Rd, Highgate Hill), with a printery (to become Action Printers)
- much group discussion/ activity; leafleting, doorknocking (especially in Auchenflower, Toowong etc.)

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January- February:

- Jailing of Brian Laver, Mitch Thompson, Gail Salmon, and Barbra-Jane Gaines for refusal to pay fines from October Conscription Protest

February-March: COUNTER ORIENTATION ON CAMPUS.

- Full scale political displays, forums, leafleting ect. by S.D.A.
- Main topics were- effect of nuclear attack on Brisbane, Vietnam, role of the University, Disparity between rich and poor Nations.
Dan O'Neill & Peter Wertheim gave talks on the role of the University as part of the official Orientation Program.
- The University Reform Group was revived as a result of interest shown in these orientation activities.
- Held seminars on the University.

APRIL:

- NEW STUDENTS MOVEMENT. (N.S.M.)
- Formed from U.R.G. seminar by Don Mannison on the 1964 Berkley student movement.
- Main aim was to contest the 1967 student Union elections.
- Was to be an alliance of all progressive on-campus groups. It was in fact just this, but was continually attacked not on it's policies, but as being an S.D.A. front.
- Seminars, forums, mass leafleting ect.

MAY:

- CIVIL LIBERTIES CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE.

(C.L.C.C.)

- Formed to fight restrictive sections of the

Queensland Traffic Act.

- Initiated as a small action committee (Mitch Thompson, Brian Laver, Ralph Summy ect).
 - Mitch Thompson organized broad support till the C.L.C.C. Consisted of S.D.A., Labour Club, Liberal Club, Mewman Society, Student Christian Movement, Staff representatives.
- JUNE
- C.L.C.C. began forums, leafleting. Relied heavily on oratory ability of Laves, O'Neil, Wertheim, Bowen.
 - Set deadline for Government of July 11.
- JUNE/ JULY:
- Union President, Frank Gardner intervened and began negotiations with the State government.
 - A new deadline was set for September 5th.
 - Police waited for possible July 11 march.
- JULY:
- STUDENT UNION ELECTION
 - N.S.M. fielded 40 candidates.
 - Laver chosen as N.S.M. candidate for Presidency, but fear of the S.D.A. smear forced him to run as an independent, against moderate Alf Nucifora.
 - Massive activity around elections, excessive interference from off-campus, and anti-radical "scare" articles prevelant in daily media.
 - record vote, 40% for Laver, narrow win for Nucifora.
- AUGUST:
- C.L.C.C. building up to mass demonstration on deadline date (sept 5)
- SEPTEMBER 4:
- Nicklin (Premier) promised decision on september 7 re freedom of speech and of assembly under traffic Act.
 - C.L.C.C. postponed march to sept. 8.

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September 7:- Government offers totally unsatisfactory.

September 8:- Students Union (Gardiner) granted permit during nite of September 7.

- Mass forum (about 5,000) rejected permit, voted to march.
- 4,000 marched to city, about 1,5000 to 2,000 sat down in Roma St., violent clash with police, 114 arrested.
- Much public reaction to obvious police brutality- support from Trade unions, A.L.P., Qld Council of Civil Liberties ect.

UNIVERSITY VACATION:- S.D.A./C.L.C.C. SUMMER CAMPAIGN.

- Only Moderately successfull.

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- MARCH:-
- FOCO at trades Hall. FOCO COMMITTEE formed & founded by S.D.A as an independent radical cultural centre, every Sunday Night.
 - Consisted of disco, poetry & folk, film, bookshop, theatre, workshops, regular newsletter, open management committee.
 - Largely run by off-campus activists
- TRADE UNION LINKS (EARLY 1968)
- Brian Laver appointed research officer for Trades & Labour Council.
 - FOCO at Trades Hall.
 - Students supported January National Postal dispute (pickets, leaflets ect.)
 - Dip. Ed. students joined campaign against Government "Emergency" crash teaching course.
 - C.L.C.C. sought (Union support for a July Civil Liberties March.
- S.D.A.- Established new town headquarters called The Cellar (Roma St.); incorporated Action Printers.
- MARCH 19:
- S.D.A. began publishing weekly newsletter "Student Guerrilla".
 - "We Want Go" established as Anti-Conscription group (linked with S.D.A.)
- APRIL:
- Communist (C.P.A./University (S.D.A.) Dialogue Seminar.
- APRIL 26:
- ANTI-VIETNAM MARCH to U.S. Consulate from University.
 - Over 100 participated (mostly students).
 - No permit, but no police interference.
- MAY 11:
- PEACE COMMITTEE march to Dow Chemicals.

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- JUNE: - LABOUR CLUB CONSCRIPTION COMMITTEE formed (also KNOWN as University Conscription Committee)
- Mainly Campus based, consisting of members of Labour Club, Liberal Club (^{mainly} executive members), and S.D.A.
- JUNE 15: - City "Picket" Demonstration in City on Conscription.
- JUNE: - C.L.C.C. campaign continued for July 4 March and applied for a permit for reverse route (Albert Park to Botanic Gardens) of 2nd Battalion Vietnam veterans March.
- JUNE 27: - Mass forum (1,500-2,000)
- Voted 9 to 1 for march, and for the Students Union to support this.
- did leafleting in city.
- JUNE 28: - Union Council voted 20/17 to support the march since permit had been granted.
- Democratic Reform Movement introduced anti-march petition, seeking 1000 signatures, and hoping to force reversal of student Union decision.
- JULY 3: - Union Council revokes support for March.
- The basis for this reversal was ,
- (a) Trade Union involvement (implying outside manipulation).
- (b) fear of violence from soldiers from the 2nd Battalion (implying bringing the student Union into disregard).
- JULY 4: - PROTEST MARCH
- over 2,000 participated, no incidents.
- Trade Unionists, labor senators, dissenting Union councillors at head of March.

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JULY:

- Brian Laver left for Europe for world student Conference.
- Mitch Thompson began working as secretary to senator George Georges.

AUGUST:

- Russian invasion of Czechoslovakia.
- Student Union president Nucifora immediately organized a night-time protest march (despite his refusal to take part in the legal July 4 march.)
- Large S.D.A. Contingent under slogan:
SOCIALISM - YES; STALINISM - NO.

AUGUST, SEPTEMBER:

- S.D.A. Newspaper "The Brisbane Line"
- followed decisions of national Socialist Student Alliance conference.
- Editor was Dave Nadel from Monash Labor Club
- Failed after 3 issues because of lack of intellectual commitment, and of the massive problems of distribution.

SEPTEMBER 4:- Anti-Conscription March.

- University to Australia House (Dept. Labor and National Service); organized by University Conscription Committee.

OCTOBER:

- International weekend of solidarity with the N.L.F. for October 26 and 27 declared (U.K.) etc.
- S.D.A., Labor Club etc. called for Brisbane solidarity demonstration for Friday 25th.
- Regular series of forums on Campus

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- Labor Club decided to leaflet high-schools with leaflets written by past students of each school.
- met with intense public and press reaction ("Keep politics from Schools").
- distribution continued with a second leaflet dealing with government and press attempts to suppress dissent.
- a third leaflet was distributed to Catholic schools (dealing with N.S.C. etc.)
- OCTOBER 25: - SUPPORT THE N.L.F. demonstration.
- 200 tried to march from Queens park to U.S. Consulate.
- street battles, 41 arrested.
- OCTOBER - FOCO under attack from the press, Don Cameron etc. (drugs, prostitution, subversion etc.)
- also criticised by most Uni, radicals as having failed.
- UNIVERSITY VACATION:- S.D.A. SELF-EDUCATION campaign.
- Theory, leader-syndrome, student-worker alliance ect.
- STUDENTS IN DISSENT (S.I.D.) formed as a high-school group, meeting regularly in the Cellar.
- Campaign on the Barrow by the Botten Boroughs Committee for May state elections.
- Trades and Labor Council began a Drift Centre.
- Uni Conscription Committee and Draft Resistance Centre organized mass protests - Registrations for National Service - Offered advice on refusing

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ORIENTATION WEEK:- S.D.A. bookstall, "STudent Guerrilla", Forums.

Labor Club bookstall, selling N.L.F. flags etc.

S.D.A. opened The Red and The Black Bookshop in the Cellar (Roma St.), and on campus (Zac's Bookstall).

MARCH 1: - "Stupid Gorilla" published by Anti-Left front.

MARCH 6: - Margaret Bailey suspended from Inala High. - Had advised fellow student of her rights re uniform.

MARCH 17: - Conscription/Crimes Act demonstration at Australia House. - Pre-publicity of planned "violence" by D.L.F. and daily press. - Ten arrested. - organized by University Conscription Committee.

APRIL 3: - "Third World" weekly newsletter published by S.D.A.

APRIL 11: - National Anti-Conscription and Crimes Act Demonstration at Australia House. - Mass city leafleting using the rally as a cover; organized by Uni Conscription Committee.

APRIL - Campaign on University Reform, including involvement by the students Union.

- Campaign on the Gerrymander by the Rotten Boroughs Committee for May State Elections.

- Trades and Labor Council began a Draft Resistance Centre.

- Uni Conscription Committee and Draft Resistance Centre Organized mass false - Registrations for National Service - Offered advice on failing medicals,

Distributed illegal "How not to join the Army" booklet.

MAY 5: MAY DAY PARADE: Over 300 marched as an S.D.A. contingent with red and black flags, sitdowns, songs, and slogan of: "Workers run your factories, Students run your Schools."

Disrupted the march, clash with A.L.P. officials.

Marched under/auspices of B.W.I.U.

invited the Wharfies Club social.

MAY: FUCO CLOSED: By T.L.C. in reaction to May Day "disruption"

MAY/JUNE:

- Radical section of Uni. reform movement

called for Starr-Student Control in regular series of forums;

culminated in occupation of Senate Chambers in the

Administration building. Occupiers left after being

given right to address Senate meeting (that night), and on the

arrival of several police.

Call for $\frac{1}{2}$ day holiday for mass forum on June 24;

rejected by senate.

JULY 2- GREAT COURT MEETING- Administration, Union, radical speakers; 3000 attended (regarded as poor showing), no agreement reached. Radical grouping continued meeting in Relaxation Block that night.

JULY 4: -ANTI-U.S. DEMONSTRATION- Outside Park Royal Motel for Australian - American Friendship Dinner ("Guess who's coming to Dinner?" demonstration), night time, violent clashes with police.

JULY 7; REVOLUTIONARY SOCIALIST STUDENT ALLIANCE: formed from S.D.A. Weekly newsheet "Paper Dart"; City based section called Revolutionary Socialist Alliance.

JULY 16 "EROTICA DISPLAY" on campus. protest against censorship, University statutes.

JULY/AUG: ABORIGINAL AND ISLANDERS TRIBAL COUNCIL: - planned for campaign to seek support for meeting later in year.

AUGUST:-STUDENT UNION ELECTIONS:- Mass nominations for presidency to ridicule elections.

AUGUST VACATION:- DISCIPLINE CHARGES:- from "Erotica" served.

SEPTEMBER:- "MOCK TRIAL" of the University Administration over discipline; large occupation of Administration (Professional Board Room), over "Erotica" discipline, all charges dropped.

- BOUGAINVILLE DEMONSTRATION;- in city. Violent clash with police.

OCTOBER:- DIANNE WIENEKE:- sacked as teacher from Clontarff High over opposition to the school inspectorial system, supporting students expelled or disciplined.

- RED AND BLACK BOOKSHOP:- moves to Elizabeth Arcade, City.

OCT/NOV - First meetings of the Women's Movement held in U.A.W. rooms, in town; involved broad cross section of women; organized by off-campus women (Lynda Boland)

DECEMBER:- TRIBAL COUNCIL:- mass meeting, Anne st Methodist Church; proposed black controlled political pressure group; opposed by Nevelle Bonner, Chris King, O.P.A.L.; major black support for Tribal Council.

UNIVERSITY VACATION:- R.S.A. and R.S.S.A. having several conflicts. Small meetings questioning growing inhuman/anti-personal trends within the movement.

- R.S.A:- gained control of Red and Black Bookshop.

R.S.S.A./B.S.S.A. split over Justice of R.S.S.A. to form a
 formal organization (as opposed to an alliance) and
 their emphasis on the "political" as opposed to the
 "cultural" revolution.

NATIONAL F.U.A.S.T. CONFERENCE: - Large Brisbane
 movement, part of move to demand black control of

WOMEN'S LIBERATION: - continued closed meeting in the city.

R.S.S.A.: - published regular leaflets on imperialism
 including "Enragé"; R.S.S.A. manifesto published (March)

ROMP STREET THEATRE Troupe formed.

DRAFT RESISTERS UNION (D.R.U.) formed (town & University)

CAMPUS MORATORIUM COMMITTEE formed included members of
 R.S.S.A., New Left Group, Labor Club, Liberal Club,
 Revitalization of Christianity (R.O.C.), D.R.U., faculty
 groups, etc.

discussions, cultural activities, many
 lectures cancelled or turned over to discussion of
 Vietnam, political Counter-Culture emerges.

1,500 marched from University, 1968
 in formation, contingent with red, black, N.L.G. flags.
 Rally at base of organized by town moratorium Committee
 (over 1000 Brian Laver, Marlene Crowe, (Campus
 moratorium Committee representatives) prevented from
 speaking by town committee; over 5000 marched through
 city, no incidents.

AMERICAN ANTI-RAACISM FESTIVAL: - Canberra, large
 contingent, Wednesday demonstration on a, a, a, a
 to U.S. Embassy, both violent clashes, political Counter
 Culture Committee.

1969 - Dropped the "REVOLUTIONARY" slogan
 (above) and has little to do with the University.

CONCRETE ACTION: - (C.A.) recruiting group

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EASTER: - R.S.A./R.S.S.A. split over desire of R.S.A. to form a formal organization (as opposed to an alliance) and their emphasis on the "political" as opposed to the "Total" revolution.

- NATIONAL F.C.A.A.T.S.I. CONFERENCE: - Large Brisbane contingent, part of move to demand black control of black matters, failure of this move lead to formation of National Tribal Council during the conference; important alliances made with interstate blacks.

APRIL 16 Major VIETNAM FORUM on campus; vote of 800 to 30 for Moratorium despite organize right wing speakers.

MAY: MAY DAY PARADE: - large R.S.S.A. contingent; marched with wharfies; invited to wharfies social.

MAY 6-8 PEOPLES PARK: - in Great Court, live in Moratorium centre, with forums, discussions, cultural activities, many lectures cancelled or turned over to discussion of Vietnam; political Counter-Culture emerges.

MAY 8 1st MORATORIUM: - 3,500 marched from University, 1000 in R.S.S.A. contingent with red, black, N.L.F. flags. Rally at Roma St organized by town moratorium Committee (over 200), Brian Laver, Carlene Crowe, (Campus Moratorium Committee representatives) prevented from speaking by town committee; over 5000 marched through city, no incidents.

MAY: MAY VACATION: - AQUARIUS ARTS FESTIVAL: - Canberra, large QLD contingent, wednesday demonstration on apartheid to South African Embassy; Friday "Day of Rage" demonstration to U.S. Embassy, both violent clashes. political Counter Culture Consolidates.

MAY/JUNE: - R.S.A.: - Becomes the REVOLUTIONARY SOCIALIST PARTY (R.S.P.) and has little to do with the University.

- CONZINC RIOTINTS OF AUSTRALIA: - (C.R.A.) recruiting employee on campus, 45 students occupied the Administration Building.

7 students disciplined, (2 leaders charged with inciting)

- DISCIPLINE CAMPAIGN: - Mass breaking of statutes; Mock
Tribal of Administration, occupation.

- DEFENCE DEPARTMENT: - Recruiting on campus, demonstration.

- CAMPUS WOMENS LIBERATION MOVEMENT: - formed, regular
closed meetings.

JULY: - UP THE RIGHT CHANNELS: - published. Produced by Dan
O'Neill, Jim Prentice etc. Extensive course/administration
critique
of every University department.

JULY: 29/30 RADICAL FILM FESTIVAL: - at the Balmoral Theatre.

AUGUST: 25 BUDGET RALLY: - called by T.L.C. radical grouping of
over 200 marched from rally to the Stock Exchange, marchers
attacked by police; George Djordjevic (ironworker)
hospitalized for one week, charged with assaulting police
jailed for 9 months.

AUG.: REVOLUTIONARY MORATORIUM: - Committee formed.

AUG.: UNIVERSITY CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE: - formed to fight for
University reform.

sept: 2 200 student demonstrate at campus C.M.F. base; 50
students occupied C.M.F. Headquarters and destroyed
contents of building. All escaped by back way and well
known demonstrators went underground.

SEPT: 4 BLACK FRIDAY: - QUANG: - (South Vietnamese consul) detained
on campus; battle with Special Branch and uniformed police
Mark Georgiou charged with assaulting police.

SEPT: 7 Jim Prentice terrorized by Commonwealth police, charged
re C.M.F.

SEPT: 10 police raid Crystal Theatre seeking C.M.F. demonstrators

SEPT: 14/18 2nd PEOPLES PARK: - Zelman Cowen (Vice-Chancellor)
confronted in Great Court over banning of Peoples Park.
Forced to move to lake area; live in Moratorium centre
with forums, discussions, cultural activity; much of
Counter Culture becomes more Anti-political.

SEPT: 18 2nd MORATORIUM: - Large march to city, lead by R.S.S.A..
 Rally at Roma St with town group, vote on sitdown.
 Combined march through city. (opposed by R.S.P.); short
 sit-down, no incidents.

OCT/NOV Disciplinary Hearings from Black Friday, four students
 charged; Georgiou and Shearman suspended for 2 years,
 Thompson barred from Campus; Appeal to Senate, demonstration
 of support outside.

DECEMBER: NATIONAL TRIBAL COUNCIL: - Conference in Melbourne, large
 Brisbane contingent; black movement consolidates

- JUNE 1968 - Large march from campus; rally at
- SOCIALIST UNION - formed (on campus), regular leaflets on imperialism, the University, including newsheet "Metropolis" by State Government for
- TROTSKYIST - Members of R.S.P. split off to form the
- YOUNG SOCIALIST LEAGUE (Y.S.L.) - What You Say?
- MARCH 15: students supported University parking strike.
- MAR/APR - WOMAN'S LIBERATION MOVEMENT: - Began regular series of closed meetings, some open meetings, and forums. Monthly meetings continue with town movement.
- JULY - WHITE CONTACTS: - increasing with Tribal Council; Act Confrontation Movement formed. attack, several injured.
- APRIL: 15 CAMR INC: - Opened Club Rooms in George St (City).
- APRIL/MAY: PUBLIC INTEREST RESEARCH GROUP: - (P.I.R.G.) formed in (mainly law and economics students).
- MAY: 14 Sekkai Holland and Tony Abrahams speak at apartheid forums, anti-apartheid movement formed. incidents since
- MAY/JUNE: Moratorium campaign; Benjamin Spock spoke on campus
- JUNE: 28 PSYCHOLOGY LECTURE: - "disrupted" during Moratorium campaign, confrontation with Administration officials; 12 discipline charges resulted. out of 500 there voted to support the strike; clash with students union over use of Union complex begins.
- AUGUST/SEP: "THE HUMAN FILM" - Festival, Hialeah Theatre.
- JULY/AUG: DISCIPLINE HEARINGS - From Psychology Lectures (June 28), 12 disciplines (included 6 expulsions, 3 court actions); forms a division vote at strike forum, 4-3 against supporting disciplined students.
- SEP 27: "BLACK PANTHER" - demonstration, 150 march to town; protest at Melville Hotel, Regatta Hotel, Dan O'Neill arrested. Students union president (David Lusk) gives evacuation of Union rooms building (July 28) to shapers carpet.

JUNE 30: 3rd MORATORIUM: - Large march from campus; rally at

JUNE 30: - Roma St, revolutionary position given; mass march through city by over 5,000.

JULY 14: - STATE OF EMERGENCY declared by State Government for Springbrook Tour.

JULY 14: - Opening night of revue "I hear What You Say"

JULY 19: - Teach-in on "State of Emergency".

JULY 21: - "State of Emergency" Demonstration. 1,000 march from University to parliament House, violent clashes, several arrest.

JULY 22: - Springbrooks arrive. Tower Mill demonstration, 300 demonstrators, 500 police; police attack, several injured, 18 arrests, battle inside Trades Hall.

JULY 23: - STRIKE declared at University by meeting of 3,000.

JULY 24: - Refec. strike meeting.

- VICTORIA PARK RALLY: - Major public anti-apartheid rally.

- MASS DEMONSTRATION: - To Tower Mill, no incidents since all police at boycotted football match; police attack demonstration at Tower Mill, more injuries, arrests.

JULY 25: - Refec. strike meeting.

JULY 26: - GREAT COURT MEETING: - 4,000 out of 5000 there voted to support the strike; clash with students Union over use of Union complex begins.

JULY 26/28: - "NEW RADICAL FILM" Festival, Rialto Theatre.

JULY 27: - DISCIPLINE HEARINGS: - From psychology lecture (June 28), 12 disciplined (included 6 expulsions, 3 court actions); forced a division vote at strike forum, 2/3 against supporting disciplined students.

JULY 27: - "BLACK FACES" - demonstration, 150 march to town; protest at Adelaide Hotel, Regatta Hotel, Dan O'Neill arrested.

- Students Union President (David Luck) gives evacuation of Union rooms deadline (July 28) - to shampoo carpet.

JULY 28: - 133 students booked by Union, Court Injunctions sought

- "BLACK" Pickets in lectures; Racism teach-in.
- 20 students plus supporters decide to defy injunctions, major fear of police raid.

JULY 29: - No police raid.

JULY 30: - GREAT COURT MEETING: - Zelman Cowan spoke.

- Union Council withdrew injunctions.

JULY 31: - "MODERATE STUDENT" street theatre

- Further "Black faces" demonstrations.
- Strike "Union Night".

AUGUST 1: - SILENT VIGIL At springbrook football match.

AUGUST 3/7: PHASE 2: - Racism discussions in lectures, seminars etc.

AUGUST 4: TOOWOOMBA SPRINGBROOK MATCH: - 80 Demonstrators, violent clashes with spectators, injuries, one arrest.

AUGUST 5: Mass campus collection for Tribal Council, \$3,000 raised.

AUGUST : UNION ELECTIONS: - Radical Activist Ticket (R.A.T.) ran on policy of abolition of Union.

AUGUST/SEPT: - TRIBAL COUNCIL Crisis, Accusations of misappropriation of funds and personality domination.

Watsons, Coolwells, and others expelled.

SEPT :- Leafleting St. Margarets School over discipline.

SEPT/OCT: "SEXUALITY" LEAFLET: - Distributed by Womens Liberation to private schools. Public furere; leaflet banned, P.O. Box cancelled, Communist Party printery raided by police, school students intimidated, W.L. members booked or arrested.

NOVEMBER: WOMEN'S LIBERATION and supporters continued "follow-up" leaflet campaign.

NOV 22/24: AUST COUNCIL OF CHURCHES conference on Racism (Southport).

NOV 24: - ABORIGINAL AFFAIRS DEPT DEMONSTRATION: - 200 blacks plus white supporters and conference delegates marched from Leichhardt St black Community Centre, violent clashes with police, seven arrests.

NOV/DEC : BOMB SHELTA: - formed as a drug referral/welfare counselling group for the counter-culture.

Black Solidarity: - consolidates; publishes "nargo" newspaper, holds Black out (The Alternate Organ).

Black Liberation: - consolidates; regular forums, social meetings.

Black Centre (Red Hill) opened by women lib, W.S.L.; and Children by Gholos.

Black Solidarity: - consolidates.

Black Solidarity: - publishes newsletter "what's left".

Black Solidarity: - emerges as major Trotskyist group, publishes newspaper "Millitant".

Black Solidarity headquarters bombed while occupied.

Associated with Hitler's birthday; three days before destruction; over \$3000 damage, narrow escape for 9 Black members.

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JAN 28: - ACTION CONFERENCE ON RACISM AND EDUCATION: - Local and interstate blacks, white radicals; Act Confrontation Movement consolidates.

JAN/FEB: - D.R.U. active on campus, and at Trades Hall Draft Centre.
- Blacks form PANTHER PARTY, emphasis on black self help programmes.

MARCH :- HARPO: - consolidates; publishes "Harpo" newspaper, holds night out (The Alternate Organ).

- WOMENS LIBERATION: - consolidates; regular forums, closed meetings.

- Womens Centre (Red Hill) opened by womens Lib, W.E.L; and Children by Choice.

- GAY LIBERATION: - consolidates.

- SOCIALIST UNION: - Publishes newsletter "what's Left".

- COMMUNIST LEAGUE: - emerges as major Trotskyist group, publishes newspaper "Millitant".

APRIL 19: COMMUNIST PARTY headquarters bombed while occupied. Co-incident with Hitler's birthday; three days before Moratorium; over \$3000 damage, narrow escape for 9 C.R.A. Members.

APRIL 21: 4th MORATORIUM: - large march from Uni; met rally at Roma St Forum, vote for Queen St sit-down; over 5000 march through city, during sit-down students announce intentions of going through police to U.S. Consulate, Unionists form line in front of police; clash with police, 37 arrests.

APRIL, MAY: - STUDENT UNION REFERENDA CAMPAIGN: - attempt to replace executive for mis-man agement.

MAY : MAY DAY PARADE: - Two radical contingents marched.

MAY 8: - NIXON BLOCKADES HALPHONG: - Violent worldwide reaction; 150 students in illegal march to city.

- MAY 10: - Blockade demonstration at DU PONT offices (Toowong) over 200 march from Uni, clashes with police, stoning of buildings.
- MAY 11: - DU PONT BUILDING BOMBED: - solicitors office below Du Pont gutted by molotov cocktail; C.M.F. (campus) attacked, army truck burnt.
- MAY 12: - BLOCKADE DEMONSTRATION: - several hundred students march to King George Square; over 800 march to U.S. Consulate, violent clashes with police; attempt to take city hall, further clashes; total 10 23 arrests.
- MAY 15: - STOCK EXCHANGE DEMONSTRATION: - eight people including Anglican priest throw blood over Stock Exchange in Vietnam protest
- JUNE: - Harpo opens Wholefoods Organic Food Co-Operative.
- JUNE 22: - ABORIGINAL EMBASSY: - established in Canberra.
- JUNE/JULY: WOMENS RIGHTS COMMITTEE Formed on campus; breach developing between town and Uni sections of Womens Movement.
- JUNE, JULY: PILLAR NACO redundancy "Sit-In" strike; sought support from student body.
- JUNE, JULY: - "SYMPOSIUM ON SURVIVAL": - (Mayne Hall)
- JULY 5: - RALPH NADEK speaks on campus, over 6000 at lecture (by the lake); entire Brisbane tour successfully organized by P.I.R.G.
- JULY: - P.I.R.G. released "The State of Queensland" pollution report.
- JULY 8: - Harpo night out.
- JULY 14: BLACK MORATORIUM: - over 1000 march from campus; rally at King George Square, several black speakers; mass march through city, illegal sit-down but clashes avoided; extensive black support, fairly high black participation.
- JULY 23: BLACK EMBASSY BATTLE in Canberra.

Busloads of Brisbane blacks and white radicals travel to Canberra, fully involved in the demonstrations; bus paid for by Trade Unions, students, student Union.

JULY 30: OPERATION LOYALTY march.

AUGUST: ABSCHOL: - moves towards black control.

AUG 28: - 7 Stock Exchange demonstrators begin jail sentences (eight consecutive weekends).

AUGUST: - C.R.A. recruiting on campus, demonstration at Admin building.

- STUDENT UNION ELECTIONS: - radicals run on a "restructure" ticket; radicals, moderates win majority, but no radical majority.

- P.I.R.G. prepares pollution report on Qld.

OCT/NOV: Black delegation visit china.

NOV :- NAZI ACQUITTED of Communist Party bombing, judge uses technicality to free Nazi; police had allowed him to abscond on bail in July.

- Leichhardt St Church becomes Black Community Centre.

- Black Legal and Medical Service began.

NOV 11: - Brisbane Freeway Protest and Compensation Committee formed.

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COUNCIL FOR DEMOCRACY IN SCHOOLS formed

RE-STRUCTURE CAMPAIGN began in students Union, most students felt that radicals had majority in Council, which was not the case; several moderate reforms were however implemented.

WOMENS RIGHTS COMMITTEE given full status by the Union. Began series of weekly seminars on women in history, sexuality, abortion, racism etc.

HARPC established as student Union Activities group.

FEB 6:- NTH VIETNAMESE Trade Union delegation in Brisbane, violent clash with right-wing demonstrators at airport.

FEB 7:- RECEPTION for Nth Vietnamese at Terrace Motel, right-wing demonstration outside, emotional welcome given by anti-war activists.

MARCH 9: PRO-ABORTION RALLY in King George Square, organized by Womens Liberation.

MARCH 29: ^{Lewin} Blazeovich (moderate) resigned as Union President, claimed obstruction by radicals but radial claims of mis-management and manipulation left unanswered.

MAR/APRIL: -UNION MEDIA COMMITTEE formed to plan for campus F.M. Radio Station.

-POLITICAL PRISONERS IN VIETNAM campaign begins organized by Y.C.W. and some students.

APRIL 12: Campus Camp formed.

MAY DAY PARADE:- Womens Lib, Gay Lib, Black, radical contingents.

MAY 12/21 AQUARIUS ARTS FESTIVAL at Nimbin, major involvement by Brisbane people; clash with police over arrests, "prisoners" released.

MAY 16/2nd NTH VIETNAMESE AND P.R.G Unionists delegation in Brisbane, airport welcome, large reception by activists at Wharfies club.

JUNE : "THE STATE OF QUEENSLAND" published by Qld University Press.

- JUNE 30: PRO-ABORTION RALLY in Roma St Forum, organized by Womens Liberation.
- JUN/JULY: SYMPOSIUM ON SURVIVAL: - Mayne Hall.
- JULY 6: - EDISON ZVOBOGO: - forum on Zimbabwe.
- JULY 16: HERBERT CHITERO: - forum on Z.A.N.U. - Z.A.P.U.
- JULY :- WOMENS STUDIES COURSE group formed; arose out of forums on Sydney Uni Womens Studies clash.
- AUG :- ANTI - FRENCH BOMB TEST RALLY in King George Square.
- AUG :- Learing Exchange established in City and on campus.
- SEP 16: - Freeway Protest Committee occupies resumed house 28 Hurworth St Bowen Hills. Trade Union support gained to retain gas and electricity services; Building Unions agree to demolition bans on any house in Freeway path where ban request is forthcoming.
- SEP 28: - EARTH DAY: - organized by friends of the Earth; films, seminars on campus.
- SEP 29: - EARTH DAY RALLY in King George Square.
- SEP 30: - ANTI-FREEWAY FESTIVAL held at Hurworth St. Freeway group now involving residents, students, Unionists, C.P.A. members, Y.C.W. members etc.
- OCT 25: - FREEWAY COMMITTEE: - occupies resumed house at No. 5 Markwell St Bowen Hills.
- OCT 27: - police raid both occupied houses at 5.00am.; over 50 police plus main Road Officials smashed down doors with sledgehammers to evict six people from each house, 2 arrests; 24 hr police guard kept on both houses.
- OCT 29/30: 5 Markwell St demolished by scabs; no action by Union despite demolition ban on house; emotional reaction by Bowen Hills residents.
- DEC :- Freeway Committee rent No 15 Markwell St as Headquarters.

Orwell Society opens "The Orwell School", an independent high school.

MEDIA RESOURCE GROUP formed.

WOMENS COMMUNITY AID ASSOCIATION formed, affiliation of town and campus women, aim to establish womens counselling Centre.

JUNE 2:- Freeway Committee occupies 13 Markwell St, intending to repair house for re-use.

JUNE 3:- POLICE RAID 13 Markwell St, 24 hr guard on house.

JUNE 5:- DEMOLITION of No. 13 by scabs; 200 demonstrators battle police in violent clash; 3 arrests.

JUNE 9:- Major freeway rally.

JUNE 12: Freeway demonstration, over 200 march to Main Roads Department, distribute leaflets.

JUN/JUL: CORONATION HOUSE Community Arts Centre project begins.

AUG 6:- First Edition of newsletter "Labour Power".

AUG 9:- First edition of "Galah" newspaper.

AUG 16:- TOM UREN:- Spoke at forum on freeways.

SEPT 11: CHILE SOLIDARTY demonstration, over 150 march from University; over 200 rally in King George Square, one arrest; march to U.S. Consulate.

SEPT 13:- ERNEST MANDELL speaks in Brisbane, lunch time meeting at Uni, clash with uniformed Nazis at door to meeting, discipline threats by Sam ^{Rayner} (Registrar); Nite time meeting at Trades Hall, interrupted by bomb scare, meeting continued in nearby apark

OCT 9/12: PRG. Students delegation visit; reception by activists Trades Hall (Oct 10); public Meeting at University (Oct 11)