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Dear Eleanor:

My apologies for the delay in replying to your letter of December 18, 1975.

The Executive have read your letter and noted its contents. We appreciate the effort you took in presenting your views.

There will be discussion of the issue of union membership and democracy in forthcoming newsletters. If you wish to receive copies of our newsletters containing these articles, please let me know.

Sincerely,



Peggy Smith  
Union Organizer  
on behalf of the Executive of  
AUCE Local 1



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To AUC Executive,

A. U. C. E.

This is a letter to inform you that I am leaving the union; consequently my job.

I am very disappointed in the way the union has handled the affairs of the past few months and encouraged its members in negative attitudes towards members with "minority opinion."

When I first came here - I'll admit I didn't have a total understanding of how unions operated. Now that I know, I realize they are run against my own personal moral principals, so I cannot be a member of AUC and "be true to myself"

One thing that really disturbs me is the attitude displayed from people who picketed to those who didn't. The union executive has encouraged the attitude of hassling and making it hard for those who didn't picket.

I feel this is highly undemocratic, as most of the people who didn't picket, did so because they felt it was the wrong thing to do & would not participate



in anyway. Sure there were a few that used it wrongly for a holiday or were just too apathetic to care, I don't condone that at all, but I believe these people are a minority.

I voted against the strike and felt strongly that it was wrong to do so - So I didn't picket. I respected those who picketed & their right to do so by not crossing the lines.

You could say I am a conscience objector. I respect you! So why did I and many others have to return to cold shoulders, rude remarks & threats of "you just wait & see what we have planned for you!"

I am disappointed that the Executive has encouraged this bitter & unfair attitude. As you asked for the students, faculty & <sup>the</sup> public's respect & to listen to you - (and were disappointed in their attitude) So am I let down in your attitude towards us.



If I had faith in the basic structure of this union I would stay & fight this infringement on freedom of choice & action. - But this union has proven to me what it's made of & I can't support its principals, so I'm leaving.

Why? Why does there have to be greed . . . and bitterness. Rude and hurting attitudes?

Why do you have to reach for things with a knife in your hands to stab in the back, those who will not look your way. And slash the hands of those who try to take the knife away?

Why?

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