

Who Were the Tempe Ten?

On Friday April 25th 1969 ten individuals who occupied the ROTC Building on the Tempe campus were arrested by Arizona Highway Patrolmen, but who were they? *State Press* reporters identified six students and four others, they were: Chad Smith, Nick I. Workman, Douglas J. Cooper, Dayne A. Coffey, Sheldon Swerling, James L. Dyar, Richard P. Bartky, Anthony Cooley, Don J. Knight, and Duane L. Stormont. Chad Smith was the vocal leader of the ASU Students for a Democratic Society (SDS). The protestors issued demands on behalf of the SDS and the Young Socialist Alliance. The Radical Student Union and MASO, the Mexican American Student Organization, did not support the action.

In Tempe Justice Court the arrested protestors pleaded innocent on Monday April 28th, they were released upon posting \$330 bail late that evening. The trial date was originally set for June 10th, but then delayed pending a higher court ruling on the constitutionality of "rout". On May 29th Chad Smith was suspended for one year by the Student Conduct Committee for posting antiwar rally "pamphlets" in a campus building.

Six students/ four not: *State Press* 9/24/1969 p. 4

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