

Memories of Student Activism

Ultra Left-Wing in the college
Occupation* of office room
Desks and files topsy-turvy
The floor badly needs a broom...



Lay your sleepless head my love
On a pillow-less sleeping bag
My faithless pouch ran out of grass:
“Somebody, pass me a fag”**



Typing leaflets through the night
Punching on the typewriter
Arguing a point all day
Campus guerilla fighter...

Fighting for social justice
The hand that signed the paper
Only to fail the final exams!
Grass*** does pacify bad temper...



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* Occupation – is not some type of employment, but the forcefully taking over of a part of a college or business

** Fag - college slang for cheap cigarettes in England

*** Grass – a 70s slang for weed or Marijuana, in the England of that era