

# UNITY AT LAST

## LC-UFCT Merger Proposed

The Executive Board of the United Federation of College Teachers and the Governing Board of the Legislative Conference voted March 28 to approve and recommend ratification of an LC-UFCT merger agreement.

The agreement provides affiliation with the parent affiliates of both existing organizations—AFT, UTNY, NYS AFL-CIO, NYC Labor Council, NEA, NYSTA—with membership dues of \$120 for full-time personnel and \$60 for part-time personnel. Full terms of the agreement have been mailed to all members together with their ratification ballots.

If approved by our memberships, the merger would unite the CUNY instructional staff at last, create the largest, strongest collective bargaining organization in American higher education, give us the muscle of both NEA and AFT, and hopefully allow us to start negotiating a new contract soon—before the expiration of the present contracts August 31.

Upon ratification, both organizations will be for one bargaining agent for the entire instructional staff.

If you are a member of either organization, **VOTE YES** on the ratification ballot to approve the merger.

If you are not a member of either organization, **JOIN**. Our strength at the bargaining table will depend on the number of members we represent.



Belle Zeller, Chairman of the Legislative Conference, and Israel Kugler, President of the United Federation of College Teachers, said at a press conference March 29: "For too long we have been rivals, needlessly dissipating our human and fiscal resources . . . We are embarking on a new course of activism, progressivism and responsible militancy. We call upon all our colleagues to join us to build our united strength."

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