12 O'CLOCK THE FLAGPOLE

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On April 13th, twenty-five thousand students left their classes in a protest strike against the policies that were recklessly plunging the world into war. High school principals locked school doors in an attempt to keep pupils from going out on strike. From Columbia to the University of California students took part in the greatest student anti-war and anti-R.O.T.C. protest in the history of our nation.

So effective was our action that the R.O.T.C. in a panic immediately called an emergency conference in

Washington to consider measures to stem the growing tide of anti-war sentiment.

The setting up of Vigitante Committees composed of "loyal students", mass suspensions and arrests of students, suspension of the Student Council, are the methods being used by the administration of the University of California in Los Angeles, and of C.C.N.Y. in order to stop effective anti-war and anti-fasc st activity on the campus.

The need for vigilance and action is by no means past!

America's war budget has been precipitately increased. The hold of the R.O.T.C. on campus life, though loosened, still continues. Jingo papers urge that C.C.C. recruits be given rifle practice. Hardly a month has gone by since our April strike without its war crisis. The assassination of two fascists tyrants, Dollfuss and Alexander instantaneously provoked mobilizations on several borders.

SARÁJEVO SEEMS ABOUT TO BE REPEATED

In the Far East the declarations of Japan's war lords are ever more belligerant. Having torn Manchuria from China, new plunder is sought, this time at the Soviet Union. The approaching referendum in

the Saar has made the hair-trigger relations between France and Germany even more precarious.

Assassinations, border clashes, war alarms are only symptoms of the more fundamental conflict between imperialist nations. The economic crisis has increased these conflicts because the need for colonial markets and advantageous trade relations are today life and death questions for every capitalist country. In its desperation, Capitalism seeks stabilization by establishing open fascist dictatorships which only strengthen its antagonisms and bring war closer.

The only restraint upon the war makers has been the opposition of the masses of the people.

THIS RESISTANCE MUST BE STRENGTHENED

Armistice Day this year must become the occasion of tremendous protests not only nationally but internationally. The students of Mexico have already announced that they will strike on November 9th in protest against war preparations.

The student League for Industrial Democracy and the National Student League call upon the students of the United States to join with the sudents of other nations in common opposition to imperialist war. is necessary to understand; and it is necessary to act. "WE CAN AND MUST PUT A HALT TO THE MARCH TOWARD ARMED CONFLICT."

- 1. On November 9th—Demonstrate on your own campuses against
- 2. November 9th, 8 P.M.—Come to mass rally at Columbus Circle. Representatives from the Communist Party, Socialist Party, American League Against War and Fascism, The American Federation of Labor, Student League for Industrial Democracy and The National Student League will Speak.

3. Torch-light Parade will follow mass meeting. At the concluding rally, the Oxford pledge never to support any war which the United Sta es may enter into, will be taken. It is your duty to be there

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