

Down with the R.O.T.C.!

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WAR CLOUDS DARKEN THE CONTINENT OF EUROPE! THE BREAKING OF THE STORM IS IMMINENT, THREATENING TO PLUNGE THE WORLD INTO A HELL OF FLAMES! THE STRUGGLE FOR PROFITS BY THE MONIED CLASSES OF THE CAPITALIST COUNTRIES IS LEADING THEM AGAIN TO PIT THE WORKING PEOPLE OF THE NATIONS THEY CONTROL INTO A SLAUGHTER MORE HORRIBLE THAN 1914-1918!

IN GERMANY: IN 1914, a nation ruled by Kaiserism and militarism...mobilizing and declaring war "to defend our most sacred Fatherland and possessions against the reckless assault of enemies on all sides of us"..."know no parties now"...

IN 1935, a nation ruled by Hitlerism and militarism...trying to regain its lost colonies...feverishly arming "against the enemies who surround us on every side"..."There is but one party now."

IN FRANCE: IN 1914, a nation quickly mobilizing to carry out its pledges to Russian autocracy...pushing forward on its imperialist policies..."defending the Republic and the Revolution"..."Against Hohenzollern tyranny."

IN 1935, a nation pushing a feverish "national defense" program...piously using the League of Nations for its own imperialist aims...pledging mutual assistance to the Soviet Union..."defense of democracy" against "the threat of Hitler to world peace."

IN ENGLAND: IN 1914, wavering, a la Grey, between one camp and the other, then keeping secret promises...frantic to hold its colonies in Africa and the East...

IN 1935, wavering, a la Baldwin...still enmeshed in secret treaties...trying to hold ground against Italy in northwest Africa...fearful of Japan in the East.

IN ITALY: IN 1914, seizing Tripoli in Africa...hypocritically declaring "neutrality"...out for colonial expansion.

IN 1935, out to rape Ethiopia...Under Fascism's hysterical prodding still more frantic for expansion.

IN AUSTRIA: IN 1914, a last desperate gamble to hold together a crumbling empire over minority people...to maintain access to the Adriatic.

IN 1935, a cruel clerico-Fascism maneuvering to regain an economic empire...hemmed in by nations eager to seize it...seeking access to the sea and new markets...trying to suppress all opposition within.

AND IN AMERICA: IN 1914, a "Great Democrat" in the White House, preaching the "New Freedom"...talking peace...allowing the nation to drift rapidly to war...Wall Street reaping war-time profits...propagandizing a nation into sympathy for "democracy", against Kaiserism.

IN 1935, another "Great Democrat" in the White House, preaching the "New Deal"...talking peace...helping the war-makers with huge armament appropriations...Wall Street investments...profits in Bolivia, Japan, Italy...newspapers whooping up a crusade for "democracy" against Hitlerism.

WHAT ARE YOU DOING TO PREVENT OUR BEING DRAWN INTO ANOTHER WORLD SLAUGHTER?

FIGHT AGAINST WAR BY FIGHTING THE R.O.T.C. ON OUR OWN CAMPUS!

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