Strike Against War

FRIDAY from 11 to 12 m.

"All right, go ahead. Strike if you like. But any student who cuts military and can't give a 100 per cent ironclad excuse that he was not out because of the strike will be permanently suspended from the R.O.T.C.

COLONEL C. A. ROMEYN, Military officer at Massachusetts State College, Springfield Republi-can, March 17, 1934.

FELLOW STUDENTS OF AMERICA!

The anti-war movement in the colleges has been openly challenged by an army official. Threats have been made against the carrying out of plans for Student Anti-War Week, April 6-13, and particularly against the holding of a

Protest Strike on Friday Morning, April 13, from 11 to 12 o'clock.

We must answer clearly and unequivocally. We accept the challenge. The strike must go on. The plans for the remainder of the week must be vigorously pressed. We must demonstrate NOW that neither the speeches nor the threats of the war-makers can stop the student anti-war movement.

Vigorous action is called for at once. The threat of war looms larger than at any time since 1918. South America today is torn by the struggle between Bolivia and Paraguay and the clash of British and American oil interests. On the eastern frontier of the Soviet Union Japan is preparing feverishly for armed struggle looking to the expansion of her sphere of influence. Fascism is sweeping over central Europe, destroying all cultural values and annihilating the working class movements of Germany and Austria. Nationalism is drugging the minds of men, rendering them susceptible to the pleas of the patriots and the plans of the munitions manufacturers and industrialists. Naval and military expenditures are everywhere being rapidly increased. In America a quarter of a billion dollars has been appropriated for naval construction. Public Works funds have been turned over to the military machine. Youth is being disciplined and militarized in the C.C.C. camps and in the R.O.T.C. Newspapers, movies and newsreels have been drawn into the campaign for greater war preparations.

There can no longer be any doubt that the munitions makers and the financial and industrial interests are getting ready once more for a final bitter struggle to determine who shall dominate the world markets. Imperialist interests daily come into sharper conflict. National and racial rivalries are being exploited with greater and greater intensity.

Fellow students, what is to be our answer to these plans? We can stop war if we want to. We must do so before it is too late. With the workers, who, like us, will have to be the fighters in any war, we can and must serve notice on the statesmen and business leaders that we will not serve their ends any longer. Our task is to create a warless world.

Our fight against war must be unified and coordinated. We call on all students to support Student Anti-War Week to the fullest possible extent. We call on them especially to answer the challenge of the war-makers by a 100 per cent student strike April 13th. We call on all faculty members to dismiss their 11 o'clock classes in support of the strike. We must make all those who call for national preparedness and who shout military slogans understand that the student anti-war movement means business. The desire for peace is everywhere. Our task is to make that wish effective.

Support Student Anti-War Week! Strike against War! Regardless of your political or economic beliefs, work with us to stop war! We can and must put a halt to the march toward armed conflict!

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