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Students Join National Viet Protests

First reaction to the National Student Association's call for a nationwide student strike today appeared to be widespread, but low key. Organizers at several campuses were hoping for momentum to pick up last night and today, the day of the strike.

Several colleges and universities in Connecticut besides Trinity have planned events.

Between seven- and eight-hundred students marched on the University of Connecticut campus at Storrs Wednesday night. Two hundred of the marchers went to a student senate meeting which passed a one-day moratorium resolution. Workshops are being planned.

After the Senate meeting about 150 UConn students marched to the ROTC building. A number of statements were made and against the advice of the organizers many participants broke a few windows and bent a sign at the ROTC building.

One UConn student said that most of the marchers were curiously seekers who had come not because of good weather.

About 300 Wesleyan students met outside their Chapel Wednesday afternoon and voted to strike. It was not known whether workshops will be held. Students were urged to participate in the mass demonstration in New York Saturday.

Some Wesleyan people also plan a fast there for Friday.

Another meeting will be held Sunday to decide whether to continue the strike.

About 250 students met Wednesday night at the University of Hartford to plan a strike. An all-college meeting was held last night and eight workshops planned for Friday. A mass rally will be held at noon today in New Haven. Yale students met last night to discuss their strike plans which call for a strike at the ROTC building and for a general strike of workers and students on May 4th.

Sunday night, Pete Seeger will sing at Yale as part of their anti-war activities. Yale's employees union will hold a fifteen-minute work stoppage today in sympathy with the striking students.

A special service will be held in the Yale Chapel this morning at 9:30. Yale's chaplain, William Slowe Coffin, will hold the service along with Yale's dean of women.

The Yale Daily News had called for the strike by printing an editorial endorsed by the eight Ivy league newspapers supporting the National Student Association's strike call.

Students interviewed at Yale said activities there were less intense than during the 1970 student strike protesting the intervention in Cambodia. A reporter for the Yale Daily News characterized the strike as "open-ended."

Outside of Connecticut, many colleges and universities are holding their own activities today. In the Ivy League, Brown University students voted to go on strike today at a meeting Monday attended by 200 people. A meeting of 400 people at Cornell University on Tuesday also called for a strike today.

Columbia University, whose newspaper, The Spectator, wrote the editorial endorsed by each of the Ivy league schools, has been on strike since Wednesday.

On Monday, 2000 Columbia students attended an all-college meeting, and on Tuesday some 300 students blocked traffic on Broadway. Continuous picket lines have been set up around Columbia by students.

Amherst, Smith, University of Massachusetts andMount Holyoke College are all on strike.

Other colleges in the East have not yet acted.

On other campuses in the East, students have voted to strike but had not reached a decision when the trip was over.

Students in other regions have also been voting to strike.

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Anti-war Protest

The Hartford Peace Action Coalition is arranging for buses to Saturday's rally in New York City.

Reservations for round-trip tickets are now being accepted at $6.00 a person.

The buses will leave at 9 a.m. Saturday morning from the United Methodist Church on Bloomfield Avenue. Over the block from the University of Hartford.

The picket line should assemble at Columbia Avenue between 72nd and 77th Streets in New York City between 10 a.m. and noon.

The march will begin at noon and will proceed south on Columbia Avenue and then on Broadway, and end in a rally at Bryant Park (Broadway and 40th Street) at 4:30.

The rally will continue from 1 p.m. until sunset at 6:30 o'clock at which time buses will bring back the Hartford Convenants.

To make reservations or get further information, call the Hartford Peace Action Coalition, 527-9868.

Today's Activities

9:30-12:00

Michelle Doonley, instructor in psychology

"Social Influences and the War: How to Change People's Minds"

Alumni Lounge

10:30-11:30

George Higgins, College counselor

"The Social-Psychological Consequences of War-Making"

South Campus A-B Lounge

11:00-12:30

H. McKim Steele, chairman, Non-Western Studies

"U.S. Foreign Policy After Vietnam?"

Alumni Lounge

Norman Miller, chairman, sociology

"Where do we go from here?

Senate Room

Thomas A. Keilly, lecturer, political science

"Voters' Reactions to Student Strikers"

Wean Lounge

1:30-3:00

Ivan Bacner, director of community affairs

"Poetry and War"

Wean Lounge

4:00-5:30

Neil Garaton, instructor in economics

"Why the Bombing and What to do?"

Wean Lounge

4:00-5:30

Father David Lonergan, advisor to Newman Club

"Political Protest and Religion"

Wean Lounge

4:00-5:30

Hugh Ogden, assistant professor of English

"Prophecy and War"

South Campus A-B Lounge

6:30 p.m.

Open meeting to plan anti-war action

McCook Auditorium

Saturday 1:00

Peter Basch

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Steven Barkan

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"Resistance to the Draft"

with Campus A-B Lounge