Day of Commitment
Peaceful

Students March for Peace in Our Time

At 4:45 yesterday afternoon, approximately 5000 members of the U.C. academic community marched silently from campus to downtown Cincinnati in protest. The protest, known as the "Day of Commitment," was organized by the University Senate as a major activity for the Day of Commitment.

The march was aimed at an expression of the need for non-violence in protest of the Nixon administration's policy in Southeast Asia. The protest was supported by the Administration of U.C., the University Senate, and the Student Senate as indicated in resolutions passed yesterday and the day before.

A large group of the non-violent demonstration was the alleged "mugging" of four students at Kent State University on Monday. Protest at U.C. has been on a peak scale since President Nixon's announcement last Thursday of American troop movements into Cambodia.

Following several choruses of "We Shall Overcome," yesterday afternoon, the thousands of students joined closely together in groups of 6 to 12 people, started out for Fountain Square.

The first procedure was issuing to everyone that everyone saw the leaflet entitled "The Sound of Silence," which epitomized the nature of the demonstration. Joined six abreast, and with pink, white, and blue flowers, they followed the Clifton to Fifth and Walnut route, similar to the one used by marchers last Friday.

The seemingly endless line made their way through busy city streets, often blocking traffic. Approximately 250 to 300 people were participating in the march, while the Cincinnati police were rarely seen, similar to the one used by marchers last Friday.

The march itself was quiet and uneventful, except for one reported injury to a U.C. rodeo, struck in the forehead by a rock thrown by a rock thrower. The student arrived at the hospital to begin at 7:30 a.m.

Included in the march were approximately 500 students from Xavier University who were also marching, though the two groups marched together; while U.C. people did the same.

Mood of U.C.

"Action Without Violence"

"The mood of the University Cincinnati campus community is one of a deepening violence in America and the world," according to Dr. Ralph C. Burstein, executive vice president of U.C. "It is in this spirit," he continued, "that the University Senate adopted the recommendations of the Student Senate to cancel classes today and to permit voluntary absence from classes for the remainder of the week.

"Understanding the solemn intentions of the faculty and student body, the University Administration has determined to carry out the recommendations of the University Senate," he said.

Dr. Burstein, in the absence of President Walter C. Langsam, who is out of town, is the chief U.C. executive officer. He said that in addition to the cancellation of day classes yesterday, no evening classes, either on the main campus or at Ohio Mechanics Institute, would be held last night.

Evening classes will meet as scheduled, however tonight and Thursday. Day classes, as proposed both by the Student Senate and the all-University Senate, which is composed of students, faculty, and administrators, will be on a voluntary basis Wednesday (5/6) through Friday (5/8).

"Yesterday, at an urban university in northern Ohio, violence broke out that turned into tragedy. Provos of Academic Affairs Thomas N.

Bonner, speaking for the University administration, began his address to the crowd assembled on the Bridge yesterday. Bonner went on to speak about the fear, mistrust, anger, and frustration that is widespread on every campus in the nation today. He stated that at U.C., "instead of individual violence, the university, faculty, and administration, we must think of ourselves as one solidified University community.

Bonner stressed that the upcoming march was not to be against the national guard or Governor Rhodes, but against the violence, mistrust, and anger that brought about the tragedy at Kent State University.

"For this march to succeed, we must be non-violent. We must have the support of the entire community. We would like to see a massive showing of support from campuses throughout the nation."

The lack of violence, he believes, is due to the fact that both the American and American Flag were at the center of the march. He suggested this should "teach us all a lesson in non-violence. We all have varied backgrounds, yet here we stand working for our country.

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The Governor's Actions

Condemnation of Governor James Rhodes for his lack of moral perception in the action of committing National Guardsmen to the University of Cincinnati to quell student demonstrations is a political necessity.

In official statements by high level officials of the National Guard in Columbus, we note that the troops did fire into the crowd of students at the University of Cincinnati. They have committed to the cause of non-violence; as such, they deserve the recommendation of the University Senate, in the support of the entire community. Their cause is a worthy one.

In the case of Kent State, those who first destroyed property were not learned, nor analyzed, with news credentials had a sniifer fire and that one individual had to be called to put out the fires in campus buildings.

At Syracuse University, ap New York, two windows were broken and dormitories were erected to off the force and directives traffic away from highway-I leading to Washington.

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Investigations Underway

Gen. Speaks on Kent

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The Guard then fired 38 rounds, not into the crowd but on the campus. Wenger stated that "the troops did not open fire that the radical element on campus was, in fact, a true expression of the rights of the students." Wenger suggested that "there was not certain of the events at Kent State and reserved his judgment on the events."}

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Minority Editorial

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Senate Pass Strike Bills
Univ. Senate Supports Protest
Students Propose 4 Day Stoppage

Applause and cheers drowned out the
two votes at adjournment at yesterday's
special session of the University Senate
after University Vice-President Ralph
Burkert rose and announced that the
administration would implement the
Senate's decisions to cancel all classes
Tuesday, to stage a peaceful protest
march, and to support the student-faculty
strike.

The Senate convened in emergency
session at 8 a.m. in the Losantiville
Room, Chairman Gene Lewis, professor
of history, called the fifty faculty,
student, and administration senators
together to deal with the campus
situation precipitated by the deaths of
four students at Kent State University in
confrontation with National Guardsmen.
The Senate began by considering a bill
calling for the cancellation of classes and
staging a peaceful protest.

The bill concerning "Day of
Commitment Against Violence" had been
passed at Monday night's special Student
Senate meeting and had received the
approval of the University Senate
Steering Committee which met at 7:30
p.m.

Student Senate voted unanimously in approval
of the anti-violence bill, then considered
the student-strike bill.

The bill, "Proposing Strike for Four
Days," was also passed by Student
Senate. Debate in the University Senate
centered around the controversial issue
of the University sanctioning the strike
and of the rights of students to miss
and faculty to call off classes. When roll-call
voting was taken the strike endorsement
passed thirty-nine to seven.

Below are sections of the two bills:

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commitment against violence at the University.
University Senate further requests that classes be cancelled and that
the day be devoted to discussion of the
issue of violence. Further, University
Senate supports a silent march against violence.

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Be It Further Resolved: That the University
Senate urge the U.C. administration to uphold temporarily the voluntary
class measures as passed by Senate Bill 8, 385, passed by Student
Senate on February, 1970, and further
that this measure be construed as
including the right of the faculty to refrain without penalty from holding
classes during the strike period.

Passage of two measures, one
concerning cancellation of classes
yesterday, the other supporting the
rights of these students who oppose this violence
(on campuses) to strike for four
days, highlighted an emergency Student
Senate meeting Tuesday night. The
meeting was attended by some 300
official students.

The later bill was a substitute measure
after the defeat of an earlier bill that had
urged "that the university cancel classes
for four days starting May 8, 1970 in
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Students Jam Union Bridge

by Linda Meyer

"By reverting to violence to impose your views upon other people, you are all a bunch of long-haired Nixon's," proclaimed at the rally by the Union Bridge. The resolution requested the University to strengthen their commitment not to call police in calling for class cancellation and the march, and called for a voluntary strike of classes for the remainder of the week.

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Farmer Gives Support

Yesterday at 2:00 p.m., the Ad Hoc Committee of the Faculty met to discuss and vote on resolutions concerning this week's protests. Notice of the meeting was given to as many members of the faculty as possible in the hope of a large response.

The meeting was at the Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity house late Monday night. The bills passed earlier that night in an emergency meeting of the student Senate.

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The motions passed by the faculty were: for a condemnation of violence and to the maintenance of peace on this day.

Greeks Voice Support for Two Senate Proposals

by Richard Kata

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Subjects of Peace Now.

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