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HARLEM ANTI-WAR MARCH AND  
DEMONSTRATION AT COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY

APRIL, 1968

HAYDEN, TOM  
RUDD, MARK  
PATTON, OWEN

Anti-War

Horlem March in  
support of blk students at Columbia  
and against Vietnam war  
4/27/68

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Speeches by

Bill Epton

Gwen Patton

Jim Hargeton

David Dellinger

Ellie Baker

Vivica Linders

Livingston

Schumann

Linda Morse

Pedro Riva

Coretta King

and others

Columbia Demo

Tom Hayden

Mark Rudd 4/27

Visit to Columbia

4/30

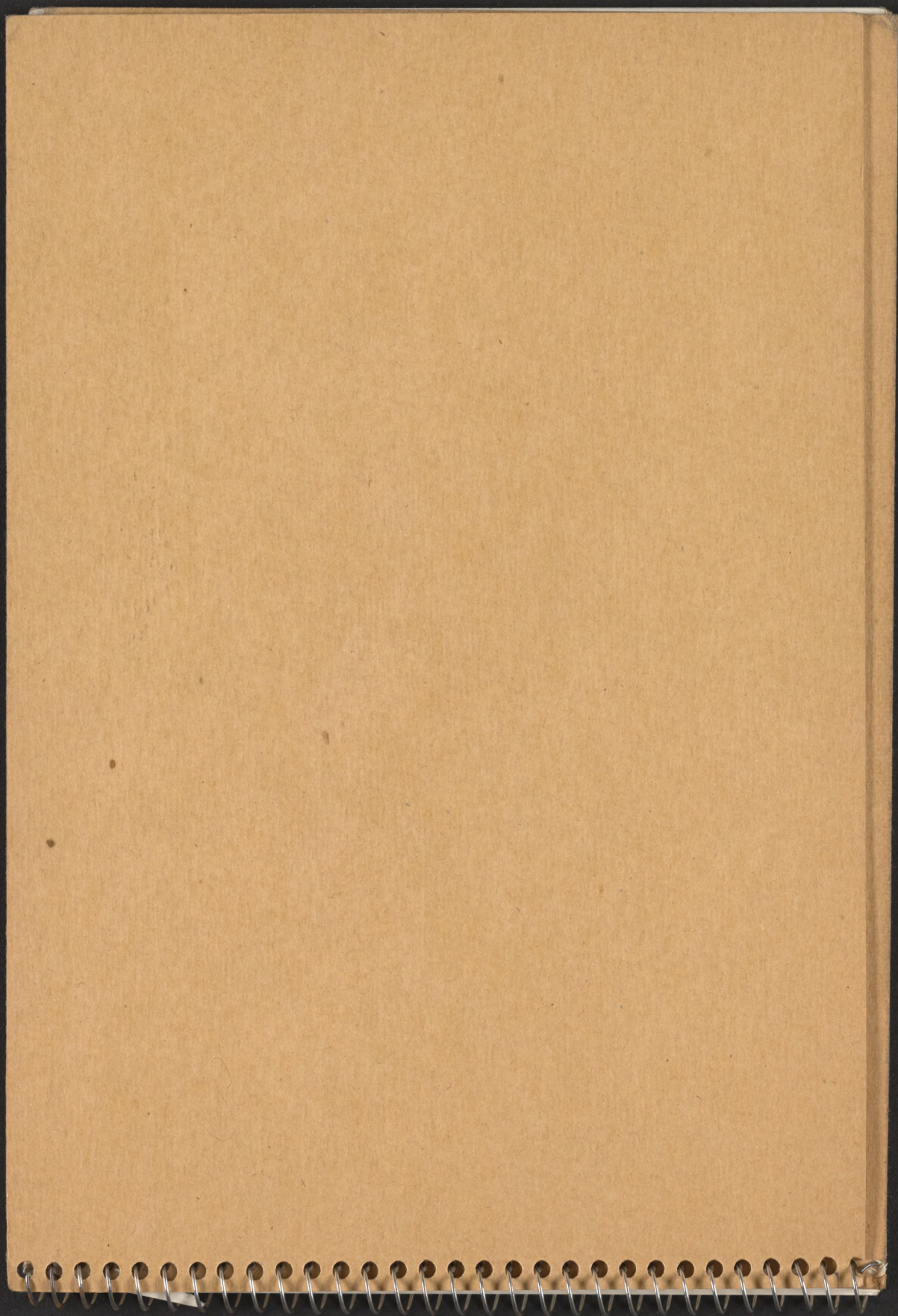
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4/27/68<sup>2</sup> Harbor march  
as much against Columbia  
as against war. Sound urged  
bystanders to oppose war  
& support Columbia <sup>black</sup> students.

"We've got a battle here in  
Harbor not in Vietnam and  
those Columbia students are  
fighting our battle." Let's  
come on out & support them

Led by guy of black Viet  
Kets <sup>red & black button</sup> carrying banner. "Don't mess  
with Black students!"

Michael Frail, 12 yr old, kid  
like. "Master are you a reporter?  
Want me to tell you what I  
think of this? All the war's

America has fought have been  
to defend someone else, and I  
think black people ought to  
stay here & defend themselves"  
another banner (2<sup>nd</sup>) "Down with  
Columbia Support our black students"  
third banner: "U.S. get out of  
Vietnam". Sponsor of march

BUAF

145 down Lenox to 116 then  
to ~~Columbia~~ down 8<sup>th</sup> to 110  
where met MFI East Harlem  
contingent.

Up Amsterdam to Columbia  
chanting "Harlem supports black  
students". At 114 & met  
group of white student demos.

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People Against Racism *prec*

Answer to Oglesby

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Bill Epton made speech  
saluting black & white students  
"who have united against Columbia  
University." + proving unity  
of issues of black struggle & war.

a girl from "Harlem Comm  
for Self-Defense" which has  
been opposing gym spoke. <sup>also</sup> <sup>other</sup> <sup>not</sup> <sup>spoke</sup>

(Gwen Patton of SNCC  
explained position on Lindsay  
said it forced people to confront  
issue of Lindsay as rep. of power  
structure. "It's impossible for  
Lindsay to be an ally for  
5 mins while the rest of the  
time he's an enemy")

MPI speaker, Gwen Patton

Given red reason Lindsay  
is against war is because war  
is being lost. "I wouldn't be  
surprised if Lindsay said he  
was black if black people were  
winning ~~the~~ <sup>laboratory</sup> struggle in U.S."

Group then split. some went  
to Cent Ph, others stayed at  
Columbia to show solidarity.

(say had originally wanted to  
march thru Columbia campus  
but cops stopped them).

Jim Houghton of BUAF  
sent SNCC to "mount"  
position. Sent SNCC speaker  
"should have taken platform to  
announce Lindsay & racism in  
city govt."

Group went down Columbus  
to 72 st.

No hostility from bystanders,  
unlike last year.

# Sheep Meadow rally:

people seated on wet grass  
and standing mowed

Pollinger said he "saw they  
were allowed the right of free  
assembly & free parade" ref.  
to anti-imperialist march altho  
didn't ref them by name  
said Parade Comm. says 150  
guys and had no monopoly on  
peace activities and didn't  
condone.

Mayor got more cheers than  
beer.

DBC raised banner demanding  
racism and granting of emergency  
powers. "I'm done this apt to

re-affirm <sup>(opportunity)</sup> my <sup>(that moment)</sup> conduct of war  
and to join with you in  
calling for a swift and just  
settlement of that ~~urgent~~  
unwanted war "applause"  
applause 3<sup>rd</sup> time.

applause 4 times (brought down <sup>us</sup>)  
applause 5 times (red color dimmed  
its stations)

referred to King's nonviolent  
applause 6 times. &

ended with less enthusiastic  
applause (was hushed throat)

Plenty Section. <sup>referred to problems</sup> of discrimination

(Lindsey appeared briefly, quickly  
spirited away, did not sit  
on Platform)

Elia Baker. presented  
Dr. J. Area. <sup>spoke abt our race</sup> & redirecting war funds.

Another large group chanted  
(while Sutton spoke)

As our started speaking large  
group broke than <sup>(west)</sup> out  
and rushed to boundary of press  
area when sat down. police  
brought up reinforcements

Eric Wentz with bullhorn  
advised people to sit down &  
be quiet to hear (main PA  
system failed to work) (police  
appeared nervous as Lindsey spoke,  
brought men in front of platform

Black Vet Vet. denounced  
the "Conscience machine" that  
kills in Viet + at home.

"We don't want our share of the  
tox money sent to Vietnam. We  
want it sent to the Delta + I'm  
not talking abt Mekong D. I'm  
talking abt Miss. Delta's ~~approval~~  
denounced ~~inaction~~ in Congress.  
was one of most energetic speakers.

Bellinger then referred to  
~~themselves~~ ~~themselves~~ of protest: stop  
wars against Viet + black people.

Vivica Lindafos (just returned  
from Paris meeting of DRV + NLF  
women) (Flying of 19 <sup>blue + black</sup> peace symbol  
balloons flying).

She read message calling on all  
women to take "determined +  
immediate" efforts to end war  
inc. stopping men from going  
and stopping flow of arms traffic  
Livingston. <sup>ended ending both wars</sup>  
<sup>Viet + racism</sup> <sup>only be ended at the same time</sup>  
(Line of <sup>3 white</sup> black men wearing red  
buttons stood before platform. 4 men  
surrounded each speaker

L. said war "wrong"

Lindsay said it "mistake"

others said "conscienceless"

<sup>Livingston</sup> attacked critics of demo. "we'll  
go on demonstrating + fighting for peace  
until it's won"

(Got other PA syst. to work)

Schumann - described 18-day trip  
to N. Viet with Mary McCarthy

Sond read two poems.

Linda Mason: red strike yesterday  
was "first international student  
strike over any issue" To protest  
"the war, <sup>the</sup> draft and racial oppression"

100,000 students on strike in NYC.

red received telegram from Viet students  
Fed.

urging more protest actions. Red

anti-war movement must demand  
"immediate withdrawal of troops for  
that is the only way to end the war"

Called for ending war at home

Peter Ruc (Pelling) referred to fact  
that war not accident in introducing  
Ruc. Mrs. King's car caravan  
surrounded by enthusiastic dance as she

entered park)

He interrupted his speech to  
announce Coretta entered platform  
standing ovation. Aunts completely  
flooded all sides of sphere platform

Dellinger intro Coretta

(one NLF play held by asian + white)

Mrs. King: Read notes taken

from ML's pockets: 10 Commandments

in Vietnam

1. There shall not be war in military action

2. There shall not be war in military action

3. That they, the lists

4. That Saigon govt has support of people

5. That majority of S.V. people look upon VC  
as terrorist

6. Figures of killed many & killed owners.

7. That the generals know best

8. that the enemy's victory near  
common  
9. that the world supports the U.S.  
10. You shall not kill.

~~was~~ ~~ago~~ 'warned against being  
"deluded by talk of peace" called  
to work on "until the last gun  
is silent."

Referred to MLK's agonizing over his  
position on Viet war. referred to possibility  
"two peace candidates as front runners  
for presidency" "new day for the  
peacemakers" said MLK "always  
saw racism and poverty at home  
and militarism abroad as two  
sides of same coin" Urged support  
of D. C. march so that you  
might "enjoy a fair share of America's  
blessings"

~~4:45~~ 3:45

attached cutbacks in social welfare programs - & new welfare law

called for "guaranteed annual income instead of these racist and archaic measures" in march May 12

May 2 march in Memphis to D.C.  
arrive D.C. May 17.

Special plea to women to use "woman power" to "the task of remaking our society" quoted Hughes <sup>(former)</sup> poem "Mother to Son" on hardship of mother's life & struggles & administering can not to "sit down on the steps cause you finds it hard"

(Standing ovation)

Seeger (at Coretta's request) sang "There's a place in the land"

(Skies overcast at abt 1:30 but  
no rain)

People started leaving at  
Mrs King spoke. many multi-  
colored balloons, gold kite, concession  
stands dotted meadow. Mrs. King  
left after choir sang. all  
guards left surrounding Mrs. King

Houghton: <sup>did not</sup> ~~not~~ enough to  
see that war is Viet ~~disproportionate~~  
war of aggression against a colored  
people "or racism at home, or  
relationally. "What is needed is to  
stop that war by any means necessary."

ed Lindsey appeared in  
"incriminating act" when he just  
<sup>called for</sup> \* got "emergency powers to represent  
the black community"

Sen Lindsay should be dealing  
with economic problems in  
black community.

(Small fracas broke out)

Called for <sup>ind</sup> program to deal  
with black community problems.

Called for "raising the level  
of demand" in ~~for~~ D.C. campaign  
"massive jobs program, not more  
welfare. "public works program"

~~Foster~~: Coffin: called war

"bad cause" Sen so shouldn't

close ranks around LBJ's poor  
offensives. Called for continued

Resistance to Pax Americana

"Problem today not to make world  
safe for democracy but to make Amer.  
democracy safe for the world."

endowed black capital version  
of black power.

Earl Brown: 78% of NYC h.s.  
student struck - 225,000 and this  
showed operation to be not simply  
middle-class phenomenon. Strike  
destroyed many illusions.

Bradford: former Marine corporal.  
(Several fires in garbage cans)

Hallinwell: reported on Columbia.  
called student "precipitated a revolution  
crisis in managerial Hts." struck  
out against CU "death grip" on  
N. S. & Harbor and its role in war

Sel won IDA demand. Refused to  
fact that Lindsay brought TPF to  
Columbia. Sel Lindsay not

opposed to war until it became  
"clear that Viet people are winning"

Sed 2<sup>nd</sup> Viet has begun in  
U.S. in war against blk people.

asked for support at Columbia. &  
march to some. & to morningstar  
to fill in excavation at Gym site.

(Dick Gregory not present)

Eddie Ortiz

YAWF report

Fcker.

5 p.m. police raced up CPW  
to head off bus headed for  
Columbia

demo chanted "Fill in the hole"  
stopped demo at 84 & CPW  
arrested several demo.

demo chanted "Seig Heil!"  
"Fascists"

Someone threw rock - cops  
chased crowd into park.

effort to break up group  
unsuccessful ~~on~~ group on west  
side of CPW kept walking..

Some marchers went up  
Columbus Ave.

Group stopped 94 by police  
turned over to ~~Columbus Ave~~ <sup>B'way</sup> <sup>street</sup> on 95

Some walked along Morningside Dr.  
& poured into park looking for shots

dozens cop cars & large no.  
cops moved on 116 betw. Anst.  
& inside Dr. Cop cars parked  
from 113 to 118 st.

People began moving at 5:30 pm

Cops all over campus

(Some Wash. D.C. people  
made it to Hilton but got beaten.)

Talk that some people in the  
sabotaging machines

By 6 p.m. few hundred marchers  
at Columbia, others apparently  
intimidated by cops.

6:15 Cops gave crowd 11/6 st for  
rally

Halliwel spoke from <sup>promenade</sup> ~~balcony~~  
of around Low bldg. Discouraged  
efforts to enter campus (quoted strike  
comm on that) Said UBF planned to  
move into Mgride ph., but asked  
demos not to go to ph because of  
cops.

Tom Hayden (was in Math bldg)  
sed mood high, plenty of food.

"The barricades are built very firmly  
+ we are prepared to resist to the end"

Sed demands he not changed.

stressed basic demands: amnesty,  
Permanent stoppage of gym construction,  
break with IDA. "Sed there <sup>has been</sup> ~~are~~  
break in situation, & the students  
he no alternative but to hold out"

Called on demo "to spread  
this liberation movement throughout  
NYC and across the U.S."

pointed out that solidarity actions  
provided protection from cops.

H.S. teacher reported on presence  
of h.s. students on campus among  
strikers.

Math bldg liberated these  
Holliswell and 800 students  
sitting in by these.

Presy's of CUSC, CSC, and  
Vick <sup>4 months</sup> advising student comm  
on 7/26 endorsed all demands.

These faculty got prevented cops  
from visiting students. Plainclothes  
cops smashed Faculty adm. school  
WKCR to close itself.

Students prepared themselves using  
vaseline and getting buckets of water.

Another former SDS Presy Teddy (?)  
and Columbia had made clear that  
two major contradictions in U.S. society  
are racism & imperialism

Mark Rudd: soul action initiated

by abt 45 SDS students has  
mushroomed into big movement.

(Hoyden had asked if Sen Kennedy  
& McCarthy were in crowd, etc)

Sid found Kirk's draft card + sent  
it back to his draft bd.

(Math: Seelye Rudd Hall)

Other arrests at 99<sup>th</sup> St + 116 St.

(Davidov <sup>mayor's office</sup> shouted at big crowd.)

Math Liberated with other

Many left

Columbia 4/30 1pm

Quiet Crowd of several hundred at  
~~entrance~~ betw gpts. Several hundred cops  
occupied corners, scattered all over  
in groups & before ex-liberated  
bldgs. Some students with  
bondaged heads, bloodied clothes.

Members of strike comm read  
telegrams of support from gyps in  
NYC and through U.S. Said most  
of arrested were being released on  
parole. Those with other charges  
released on \$25 + 100 bail. Crowd  
chanted "Kirk must go!"

Gyps pouring in from other schools  
& community. Lge contingent marched  
from CCNY -oklyn College, UTS

Mark Kudd, Chmn. Stud. Strike Comm.

Saw some members of Majority  
Coalition regarding their opposition  
& joined strike. Saw <sup>Chairman</sup> Faculty ad  
hoc comm. had ~~not~~ <sup>opted to</sup> joined strike.  
(Also saw police & adm. repression  
aided strikers) "I think the faculty  
& students are now going to take  
over this univ. from the admin.  
In other words, there ~~has been~~ <sup>is</sup> a  
rev. at Columbia."

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Strike Comm.

% Citizenship Council Office  
Ferrer Booth Hall

Columbia

% Ted Kaptschok  
419 W. 115 St. #53

Sign on West Gate  
"Aduly Hiltner is alive and  
well at Columbia U."

We reject Gregory Kirk's  
'final solution' to student  
protests"

## Films

2 mailing pkgs \$ 8.00

mailing costs expensive

Total collected \$ 205.

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\$75 Calif }

Commitments \$ 225

