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Antiwar Lobbying in Capital Among Proposals at Yale, Columbia and Princeton

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A nationwide effort to get student and faculty delegations to go to Washington to lobby in Congress against the war in Southeast Asia has been started at Columbia and Yale.

There was also a growing movement at Princeton University to enlist students—primarily those who usually shun political involvement—in a program of practical politics in which they would actively campaign for Congressional candidates opposed to the war.

At Columbia more than 60 professors spent yesterday and Wednesday telephoning colleagues on campuses around the country urging them to send faculty delegations to the capital.

And the university's president, Dr. Andrew W. Cordier, joined with Dr. James M. Hester, president of New York University, in a telegram to the New York Congressional delegation urging that it meet with them here Sunday to discuss "in these anxious and possibly decisive days" the war and the crisis on the campuses.

At Yale, the president, Kingman Brewster Jr., announced that he would lead a delegation of 1,000 Yale teachers and students to Washington on Monday to meet with Yale

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alumni who were members of Congress. The delegation will include at least two members of the Yale Corporation, the university's governing body.

There are 22 Yale alumni in the House of Representatives and seven in the Senate. Senator John Sherman Cooper, Kentucky Republican, and Representative Ogden Reid Jr., New York Republican, both Yale alumni, "have generously agreed to put their office and staffs at our disposal," Mr. Brewster said.

The meetings in Washington, he said, will constitute an attempt to express the university community's opposition to the war and "to counter the White House's effort to isolate and make scapegoats of the universities and their scapegoats."

The Yale president declared that he was urging the meetings because the "clenched fist and 'shut-it-down' rhetoric" of many of the student radicals have "simply helped Mr. Agnew and Mr. Nixon sterilize the political influence of the universities, their faculties and their students."

At Princeton University about 800 enthusiastic students

decided to get into national politics, working in support of Congressional candidates opposed to the war.

This week the Princeton faculty voted a special two-week fall vacation to allow them to work for antiwar candidates in the campaign for the general elections next November, and the students promptly formed a group called the Princeton Movement for a New Congress.

"It's fantastic how the moderates have jumped into this thing," said Dr. Gray A. Orfield, an assistant professor of politics and faculty coordinator for the organization.

"There is a huge block of students," he said, "who are doing research on the Congressional voting records involving antiwar and civil-rights legislation.

"From this research, which we will feed into a computer, we will be able to select marginal districts where the good guys have a chance, and go out and see that they're elected."

All this activity gratified Senator George S. McGovern, South Dakota Democrat, a sponsor of a proposal to cut off funds for continued military activities in Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia "unless there is a declaration of war by Congress."

"I'm gratified by the re-

sponse of the students and young people to the appeal we made for them to undertake constructive action," he said.

The Columbia lobbying effort was started by Dr. Cyrus Levinthal, head of the university's biological sciences department, and Dr. James Darnell, a professor in the department.

They and about 60 other Columbia faculty members and teachers from other universities in the city formed an organization called the Academic and Professional Lobby for a Responsible Congress. It seeks support for the proposal sponsored by Senator McGovern.

So far, the Columbia group reported yesterday, they have been able to get faculty delegations set up at Harvard, the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Boston University, Connecticut University, the University of Oregon, New York University, Cornell University, Haverford College, the University of Wisconsin, the University of Virginia, Indiana University, John Hopkins University and the State University at Stony Brook, L. I.

"Only Congress, which has control of the expenditures, can now put an end to the tragedy of American involvement in the war," said Dr. Levinthal.

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NEW YORK UNIVERSITY: Demonstrators gathered outside Courant Institute of Mathematical Sciences, Mercer at Fourth Street. Inside, students were demanding \$100,-

000 for the safety of a \$6-million computer owned by the Atomic Energy Commission, money they would use to bail out a jailed Panther. Faced with court order, they left.