Bombing Protests Escalate

By The Associated Press

The call for campus strikes to protest the bombing of North Vietnam escalated today after hundreds of college students took to the streets to protest continued U.S. involvement in Indochina.

"Not since the Cambodian invasion in 1970 has the Nixon government's aggression in Asia so urgently demanded protest from the American people," said an editorial by the Harvard Crimson and seven other Ivy League newspapers.

They called in the joint editorial for a "one-day moratorium on business as usual Friday."

In addition they urged "all

Americans to join in massive demonstrations of protest in New York, Los Angeles, and San Francisco this Saturday or to engage in some other effective form of protest."

The National Student Association also has urged the nation's 50 leading universities to strike and said it was planning mass mailings to its 515-member colleges to heed the call.

"We are asking that every campus shut down on Friday and devote its collective energy and skills to organizing sustained, intensive, antiwar actions this spring," Margery Tabankin, president of the NSA, said yesterday in Washington.

Arthur Lubow, managing

editor of the Crimson, said strike calls have been endorsed by students newspapers ranging from the University of California at Berkeley to the University of Wisconsin in Madison.

"Nothing much may come out of this," said Scott Gibson, editorial chairman of the Daily Pennsylvanian. "But it would be far worse not to do anything about the bombing."

David Elkind, chairman of the Daily Princetonian, said "We hope to reawaken people to the urgency of what's bzing done in Vietnam."

Even as the call was going out demonstrations were being done in Vietnam."

An estimated 2000 Colum-

bia University students shouting protests against the was flooded into an intersection along New York City's upper Broadway and demanded that the school be closed.

The demonstrators waved banners "Stop the bombing!" and passed out leaflets reading "It's happening-again!" before moving onto the campus for a rally.

Then about 300 streamed to the home of Columbia President William J. McGill.

"I can sympathize with your thought," he said. "But I cannot close the school down."

"We will close it ourselves!" the crowd shouted back almost in Unison.