In the grim headlines which come from Europe, the American people can see the manifold unfolding of the imperialist crimes against which the Communists, and their spokesman Earl Browder, have been warning.

The flames of the Allied-German war have descended upon the heads of Scandinavia. The people of Scandinavia did not want to have anything to do with the Allied-German war. They fled to Save Scandinavia. The Allied-German war has engulfed new nations.

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By wiping out the Manstein line as a military base for a wide-open "Northern battlefield," the Soviet Union not only secures her neutrality, but also the Allied war fires out of the Baltic, and opened up for all of peace-loving mankind the opportunity to halt the gigantic sufferings of the imperialist war before they broke forth in full fury. It defends its neutrality effectively.

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The Red Army's cranking of the Manstein line, its peace with Finland on March 12, literally saved millions of human beings in the Baltics from being drawn into the "spread the war" conspiracy.

The war aims of London, Paris—and Washington. But the forces driving for war in this country are not seeking to involve the United States on the side of German imperialism. They are seeking to involve the United States on the side of the Allied powers. Here is the crucial danger to America's peace. Here must the people direct their utmost vigilance to prevent a repetition of the 1917 sniveling.

T IS to Washington and the Roosevelt government that the people must direct their alert watchfulness and protest. Has not the Roosevelt Government steadily involved America deeper and deeper on the side of the Allies? Did it not advance from its initial slogan of "neutral in deeds but not in thought" to making America the open arsenal of the Allies?

Has it not advanced from this to active intervention in Scandinavia, in Finland, as the collaborator of the "spread the war" policy, especially against the Soviet Union?

It is not to be expected that the Roosevelt Government will abandon it's policy of "spread the war." On the contrary, the latest events will see an increased drive in Washington to spread the war even to the United States. The Presidential attacks on the "peace headlines," the mysterious Welles report, take on an explicit significance in view of what has happened since.

The fight for peace cannot and will not end. While the war spreads, the popular will for peace spreads. The peace forces are stronger. The prospects are that the struggle for peace will extend the war-makers by its power and extent. The warring governments will come face to face with million-strong humanity which refuses to endure another Bolshevik, or another 10,000,000 corps, for the sake of the munitions-makers and imperialist financiers.

The peoples cannot depend on their imperialist governments for peace. Their profit-seeking governments argue for war. The people must rely on themselves.

Immensely organized protest against the war is in the offing.

In their struggle to keep America out, to halt the war fires, the American people have an ally of great power in the peace policy of the Soviet Union. This makes it a practical necessity for the peace movement to oppose the anti-Soviet provocations of official Washington policy.

Strengthened by the April 6 anti-war demonstrations, American Labor can summon the nation to declare: "Keep America Out of War!" To the million-makers who scent new war profits America says, "The Yanks Are Not Coming." The two Wall Street parties, despite trifling disagreements on details, are agreed on the main aim—to spread the war. The people cannot depend on them nor any of their representatives; they must rise to the task of the workless, "Thunder, Work Not War!"

The people will not die merely for the Lords and Masters. They will strike the last word. Louder, louder than ever will rise the cries: "Keep America out of War!"" "We Want Yanks Are Not Coming!" and "Work, Not War!"

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