A HISTORY
OF THE AMERICAN PEACE MOVEMENT
FROM COLONIAL TIMES TO THE PRESENT

Charles F. Howlett
and
Robbie Lieberman

With a Foreword by
Harriet Hyman Alonso

The Edwin Mellen Press
Lewiston•Queenston•Lampeter
TABLE OF CONTENTS

EDITORIAL NOTE ..............................................................................................................i

GLOSSARY OF PEACE TERMINOLOGY ........................................................................v

LIST OF PEACE AND JUSTICE ORGANIZATIONS AND GROUPS .........................ix

SOME NOTED PEACE MAKERS IN AMERICAN HISTORY .....................................xiii

FOREWORD by HARRIET HYMAN ALONSO ..............................................................xxiii

PREFACE .........................................................................................................................xxix

INTRODUCTION ...............................................................................................................1

I. THE ORIGINAL INHABITANTS, RELIGIOUS PACIFISM, AND THE CALL FOR INDEPENDENCE .................................................................15
Original Peacemakers; European Religious Peace Tradition; Puritans and Scriptural Ambivalence; Quakers and Nonviolence; John Woolman; Quakers and Revolution; Dr. Benjamin Rush’s Peace Plan; Quasi War with France and Dr. George Logan

II. THE PEACE REFORM IN ANTEBELLUM AMERICA .........................................51
Opposition to War of 1812; Organized Peace Movement; American Peace Society; Abolitionism and New England Non-Resistance Society; Pacifist Perfectionists; Dorthea Dix and the Humanitarian Impulse; Female
Abolitionists and Equality; Anti-Slavery Movement Splits; Internationalism and Elihu Burritt; Plight of Native Americans; Opposition to Mexican War; League of Universal Brotherhood; Criticisms of the Civil War; Draft Opposition; Conscientious Objectors; Northern Female Peace Activists

III. PEACE SEEKERS ENCOUNTER THE INDUSTRIAL AGE

Love and the Universal Peace Union; Jim Crowism and the New South; Peace Education and Post-Bellum Female Efforts; Cosmopolitanism; Peace and Labor; Utopian Thought; Pacifists and Native Americans; Limits of Cosmopolitanism; Tolstoy’s Influence; Spanish-American War and Anti-Imperialism

IV. APPROACHES TO PEACEMAKING AND CONFRONTING A WAR AT HOME

Organizational Efforts for Internationalism; Practical Peace Machinery; Religious Mechanisms; Peace Education for Internationalism; A 'Moral Equivalent' of War; Progressivism and Social Justice; Social Gospel Advocates; Jane Addams; Socialist Peacemaking; Peace Treaties; Conflict with Mexico; Opposition to World War I and Birth of the 'Modern' Movement; Expansion of Women’s Peace Activism; Anti-Preparedness; U.S. Enters World War I; Patriotic Loyalty and Domestic Suppression; Dissent and Conscientious Objectors; Anti-War Organizations Speak Out

V. INTERNATIONALISM AND PEACE REFORMERS IN ACTION

The Drive for Peace Begins and the Modern Movement Takes Shape; New Organizations at Work; Marketing Peace; Clergy against War; World Court and Geneva Protocol; Issues in Latin America; Brookwood Labor College; Schools and World Peace; Committee on Militarism in Education; Promoting Peace and Nonviolent Activism; Great Depression; Sit-Down, Class Struggle and Testing Pacifist
Convictions; Fascism and Disarmament; Student Activism and the Oxford Pledge; Neutrality Debates; Drift toward Total War

VI. WORLD WAR, COLD WAR AND DIRECT ACTION

World War II and Opponents; Jewish and Native American Objectors; Conscientious Objectors and CPS Camps; Struggle for Racial Equality; Japanese-Americans and Internment Camps; Peace Now Movement; Obliteration Bombing; Relief to War Victims; Internationalists and Peacekeeping Machinery; UN; Weapon to end the War; Rise of a Garrison State; Concerned Atomic Scientists; Progressives and Communists, and the Peace Movement; Peekskill Riot; United World Federalists; Educators and Armaments; Non-Violent Direct Action; Muste and War Tax Resistance; Korean War; Civil Rights Movement; Air Raid Drills

VII. THE BOMB, CIVIL DISOBEEDIENCE, AND THE WAR IN VIETNAM

SANE and CNVA; Women Strike for Peace; Academics and Turn Toward Peace; New Left and SDS; Cesar Chavez and Nonviolence; The Vietnam War and Early Years of Protest; War Tax Resistance; Protests Continue and Opposition to the Draft; The MOBES and Operation; Dramatic Acts of Civil Disobedience; New MOBE, Moratorium, and Kent State; Vietnam Veterans Against the War; May Day, Pentagon Papers, and War Powers Act; Other Aspects of the Anti-War Movement: Judicial System and the Draft; Anti-War Protest Songs; Movement for a New Society

VIII. THE PEACE MOVEMENT SINCE THE VIETNAM WAR

Domestic Protests Against Nuclear Power Protests; Personal and Community Action; Efforts for Disarmament; Physicians and Educators for Social Responsibility; The Freeze; Community for Creative Non-Violence; Challenging U.S. Intervention in Central America and the Resistance Movement; Persian Gulf War; South African Apartheid, Student
Activism and the Divestment Movement; Persian Gulf War; Opposition to the Iraq War; Cyberactivism and the War on Terror

CONCLUSION.................................................................455

END NOTES.................................................................465

ADDENDUM: THE DISCIPLINE OF PEACE HISTORY...........511

BIBLIOGRAPHIC ESSAY..................................................519

INDEX.................................................................551