

# Rally at Harvard Backs SU Students

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BOSTON — Three days of Boston-area demonstrations in support of students at Southern University at Baton Rouge climaxed last night at a Harvard University rally featuring a Southern student speaker.

More than 600 students attended.

The speaker was Alma Coleman, who identified herself at the rally only as "Sister Alma." She told the crowd that university President Leon Netterville "set up the students in the building in order to kill them."

She asserted the students had gone into the building only to talk to Dr. Netterville.

She said, "We were not occupying the building. Secretaries were going in and out. We did not even take over the switchboard which, I am told, is the first thing to do."

Dr. Netterville, she claimed,

used a deliberate ploy to trap them in the building.

She said films clearly show police were first to use the tear gas.

This assertion brought wild applause from the racially mixed audience.

The students repented by voting for a one-day strike today and for sending down "advisers" from the Boston Students for a Democratic Society.

However, class attendance at Harvard this morning was not noticeably affected.

At Southern, she said, "Our strength comes from correctly educating folks to our struggle. I bake real good whole wheat bread but I can do a whole lot of other things."

Other colleges with major protests, according to the Harvard Crimson, are Columbia, Yale, Stanford, Michigan, the University of Connecticut and the University of California at Berkeley.