

100 Arrested After Chicago Rampage



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Chicago police drag a demonstrator toward a paddy wagon. The officers broke up a rampage by 250 young radicals.

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CHICAGO, Oct. 11—More than 250 young radicals raced through downtown Chicago this afternoon smashing windows and attacking police. About 100 were arrested.

They broke out of a peaceful march through the financial district and ran shrieking

and throwing rocks for about a block before splintering into small groups.

In brief but bloody brawling, police beat several rioters with clubs, and pounded the heads of others against automobiles while an astonished crowd of afternoon shoppers watched or scurried for cover.

The march was led by a radical faction of Students for a Democratic Society, whose national leader, Mark Rudd, was arrested earlier in a surprise move by plainclothes policemen.

Within a half hour, about 150 Illinois National Guardsmen were called out of their ar-

mories to patrol a section of Michigan Avenue.

It began as a legal protest parade of the "Weatherman" faction of SDS, whose members on Wednesday night had stormed through the city's Gold Coast residential section, breaking windows and damaging automobiles.

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Chicago official Richard Elrod lies in street, injured on his face and arm during rampage by protesters.

100 Held After Melee In Chicago

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Led from Haymarket Square by helmeted SDS leaders, the march headed into the Loop about 1:30 p.m. with police lining the sidewalks and clearing the streets with motorcycles and a squad car. The city had granted a permit for the march.

Fifteen minutes later, at La Salle and Madison Streets, the leaders suddenly yelled a signal and raced eastward. Thrown rocks broke windows in an office building and at Maxim's Restaurant.

Police grabbed those in the back ranks and clubbed them to the pavement. Those in front fled down Madison or into alleys trying to escape capture. Many of them ran into police cordons stationed for blocks around.

One prominent city official, Assistant Corporation Counsel Richard Elrod, the chief city prosecutor, was knocked to the sidewalk and lay moaning, "My arm . . . my arm." A large bloody welt was over his right eye. Two feet away a sobbing youth lay cluthching his stomach.

A plainclothes police officer, Lt. Joseph Healy, had a stream of blood trickling down the side of his head. He told reporters he was hit from

behind with a club.

Several rioters were beaten to the ground and struck repeatedly with police clubs. One girl's head was pounded again and again against the trunk of a police car. Blood spots sprinkled the curb at several points.

A half-hour later, with the main body of the mob fragmented, police were still picking up suspects on the sidewalks. They arrested two boys and two girls who protested that they had not been in the march.

Meanwhile, a less militant faction of SDS—known as Revolutionary Youth Movement II—led a separate march north of the Loop in a peaceful protest rally. Joined by a Puerto Rican group known as the "Young Lords" and the Illinois Black Panthers, they drew a crowd of about 3,000, according to police estimates.

The RYM II faction and the Black Panthers have denounced such intentional street confrontations as those provoked this week by the "Weatherman" faction.

Early this morning, a police staged a surprise raid on an Evanston Church where many SDS members had been housed this week.

At least 43 young radicals were arrested, and many of them were charged with mob action for participating in the brawl Wednesday night. Police said radicals were identified as rioters by an undercover agent.

Shortly before the "Weatherman" march started this afternoon, police arrested Rudd and four others seated at the foot of a police memorial statue that had been blown apart by a bomber late Monday night. About 10 police wearing rough, workmen's clothing sidled nonchalantly up to Rudd and his friends and jumped them without giving them an arrest order.