

WORKERS HARASS STUDENT PICKETS

Lob Eggs at Youngsters at
City School Headquarters

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Construction workers, hurling raw eggs and bags of water, pelted students demonstrating yesterday outside Board of Education headquarters in downtown Brooklyn.

Other objects that rained down on the students appeared to come from windows on the upper floor of the board building.

The junior and senior high school students, some of whom were splattered with eggs or splashed with water, took part in two separate demonstrations to protest the recent killing of Negroes in Augusta, Ga., and Jackson, Miss., and American involvement in the war in Southeast Asia.

They also demanded that city schools be closed today in observance of the birthday of the late Malcolm X and in memory of the slain Negroes in the South.

Protests Elsewhere

Other school developments yesterday included the following:

¶About 250 pupils walked out of classes at Junior High School 45 in East Harlem to protest the Augusta and Jackson killings and to demand that the school be closed. Some of the youngsters were reported to have turned over a teacher's car parked outside the school. Three molotov cocktails were thrown against the exterior of the building. One youngster was arrested.

¶Several hundred pupils from Intermediate School 55 left their classes and demonstrated in front of I.S. 271, urging youngsters there to join the protest against the deaths in the South. I.S. 271 was closed as a safety measure. Both schools are in the Ocean Hill-Brownsville Experimental District in Brooklyn.

¶Samuel J. Tilden High School, in the East Flatbush section of Brooklyn, was hit early in the morning—before classes started—by three fires. Fire Battalion Chief John O'Neil said that several doors of the school had been forced open and that two cans, which had contained gasoline, were found in the three-story brick building at 5800 Tilden Avenue. Despite some damage, the school was kept open for classes.

150 Girls Demonstrate

The first of the two demonstrations outside Board of Education headquarters at 110 Livingston Street began at about 11 A.M. when 150 girls arrived from Prospect Heights High School. Five student representatives were later allowed to enter the building and they appealed to officials to shut down all city schools.

Workers on the upper floors of a 23-story office building being erected across the street began throwing objects at the students, as they did last week during other demonstrations. A woman employe of the board said she was punched in the back by a student as she pushed through the throng to enter the building.

After the first demonstration broke up, another group of youngsters—nearly 100 black and Puerto Rican boys and girls from J.H.S. 252 in Brooklyn—arrived outside the board building. Some carried posters reading, "May 19, close the schools and give a damn for us black people."

The pupils encountered a new barrage from construction workers, and a few youngsters attempted to throw objects back at the workers. The demonstrators retreated to the corner and later dispersed.

In another development, leaders of the newly organized Labor-Student Coalition for Peace announced a planned antiwar rally Thursday from noon to 2 P.M. in City Hall Park.

The Building and Construction Trades Council, which says it is "opposed to war but, equally opposed to surrender," is also planning a rally for tomorrow noon in City Hall Park. Officials said that the rally was intended to demonstrate "love of country and love and respect for our country's flag."