

Police Speakers

'Get Tough With Rioters'

U.S. Attorney General John Mitchell, Governor Reagan and Mayor Alioto called today for tough treatment for extremists, in particular those who resort to violence during demonstrations.

The three addressed the 51st annual meeting of the California Peace Officers Association, attended by about 300 at the Del Webb Towne House here.

Mitchell, referring to last week's anti-war disorders in Washington, D.C., said extremist groups deny the freedom of others "in the name of free assembly and free speech."

Monstrous

"Last week in Washington we saw the high tide of this monstrous idea," he said. "I say high tide because the demonstrators didn't get away with it."

He expressed the hope that Washington's "decisive opposition to mob force will set an example for other communities in similar circumstances to do the same. If they do, we will see an end to the extremist practice of running roughshod over the rights of others."

"Let the critics of the Washington police choose to make martyrs of the mob which tried to rob the rights of 800,000 Washingtonians and injured 34 policemen in the process," Mitchell continued.

Police Heroes

"As for myself, I will choose as heroes the valiant Washington policemen who

kept the city functioning and protested the rights of our fellow citizens."

Reagan praised J. Edgar Hoover and the FBI, and said he hopes the Legislature will approve administration proposals for electronic surveillance in certain cases. The bills, he said, "contain the strictest judicial safeguards to insure the individual's right of privacy."

Memorial

To adopt them, he declared, will mean an end to "the legal imbalance that favors the criminal's rights against the right of society to be protected against the lawbreaker."

Henceforth, Reagan said, the flag at the state Capitol will fly at half staff any time a California policeman is killed in the line of duty.

"To respond to crime or riots with any degree of effective force is called police brutality," he said, "yet those who raise the charge say nothing about the brutality of the criminals who murdered 15 California law officers last year."

Mayor Alioto said San Francisco has taken a tough stand on amnesty for demonstrators who turn to violence, and that Berkeley radicals are passing the word that "we don't want to do our thing there (San Francisco). All they will let you do is talk."