

Peace March

Editor—For a football game at Stanford the police are organized to protect the crowds. Traffic is obstructed and rerouted. For a demonstration for peace, the police were organized to destroy the crowds.

Last Friday afternoon, Lieutenant Tam and his police tac squad deliberately turned an otherwise peaceful demonstration into a horror. More than 210 student demonstrators peacefully marching for peace were hassled, arrested and beaten for "obstructing traffic." Not for destruction of property, there was none; not for trashing, there was none; not for violence, there was none (except for the police action) and not for throwing stones, there was none until after the police acted; but for marching peacefully to protest our involvement in an immoral war. These could have been your children, your neighbor's children or their friends, not just nameless people.

Whether you believe that the war is immoral or not, no one can deny the immorality of the police action which attacked a peaceful non-violent anti-war demonstration under the guise of its blocking traffic — a peaceful assembly of American citizens attempting to make their voices heard . . .

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