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Berkeley Anti-War Rampage

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An estimated 1000 persons rampaged through downtown Berkeley and near the University of California last night following President Nixon's announcement of new war measures in Vietnam.

Hundreds of windows were smashed and several cars burned in what Berkeley police said today was the worst riot since U.S. troops invaded Cambodia in the spring of 1970.

Demonstrators played cat and mouse with outnumbered police into the early morning today and police finally made six arrests. Thirteen officers were treated at Alta Bates Hospital for minor injuries and released.

Looters

Tear gas was used to drive looters out of a Park and Shop supermarket at 2655 Telegraph Ave.

An unoccupied police car was turned over and set afire at Fulton and Bancroft Streets. "It went up like a bomb," a witness said.

Two other cars were overturned and burned in the parking lot of a Telegraph Avenue auto agency, police said.

A thrown torch set fire to

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the wood-shingled exterior of the auditorium of the former Anna Head School at Bowditch and Haste Streets. The more than a century old building, which houses UC's Center for International Studies and Education Abroad, was saved by students who formed a bucket brigade to fight the flames until firemen arrived.

War Study

Demonstrators said the center, which has been set afire before, is used for "war research."

Across the street from the Anna Head complex, demonstrators ripped down fences at People's Park, the site of a bloody battle between police and demonstrators three years ago.

The riotous evening began with a peaceful gathering of several hundred persons at about 9 o'clock at Willard Park near the UC campus. Following an orderly torchlight parade, most of the crowd appeared to be dispersing by 10:30, but within an hour their number doubled and they moved down Telegraph Avenue, kicking and smashing windows and tossing bricks and rocks at police.

Barricades

Windows were broken at about 30 businesses on Shattuck Avenue.

Trash, trash cans and newspaper racks were piled and set afire as demonstrators barricaded several Telegraph Avenue intersections. Burglar alarms, set off by broken windows, rang up and down Telegraph.

Early in the evening, police cars roared at high and sidewalks, screeching around corners and narrowly missing people, in an effort to disperse the crowds.

Officers made baton-swinging charges down streets, and fired "ricochet rounds" of a putty-like substance to set demonstrators running.

At Telegraph and Haste, police and demonstrators engaged in a rock throwing

were used to cope with the demonstration.

Police Information Officer Richard Berger said several policemen were injured, none seriously, and "many, many" windows on police cars were smashed.

Those arrested were Andrew R. Phelps, 27, 2261 Derby St., Berkeley, charged with tampering with a police vehicle and rioting; Jeffrey S. Myers, 18, 2650 Haste St., Berkeley, assault on a policeman; John N. Jakowchik, 20, 750 20th Ave., San Francisco, assault on a policeman; Wilbert Lofton Jr., 19, 1004 56th St., Oakland, assault on a policeman and possession of marijuana; Jeffrey S. Schmidt, 24, 5212 Desmond St., Oakland, rioting and John C. Maloney, 34, 1415 Stannage Ave., Berkeley, failure to disperse.

In a much more orderly demonstration at Stanford University, about 400 demonstrators marched on the campus residence of President Richard Lyman.

They chanted and sang songs, demanding that Lyman, an outspoken critic of the President's war policies, explain why he permits "war research" on the campus.

Lyman sent out word that he had no comment, and the crowd eventually dispersed — announcing it would hold a mass protest rally later today in White Plaza.

Three small fires were started on the campus during the night, but none caused much damage.