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At six this morning ten Palo Alto police in riot gear were on the scene. They policed the area for loose rocks and other objects that might possibly be used as projectiles and disposed of them as best they could.

At six fifteen (6:15) while a jogger in shorts ran by, more Palo Alto police appeared on the scene (Mark has the count). The They appeared unworried, one commented to a friend "God damn it I forgot my camera."

Before the main body of people arrived, two motorcyclists made several passes to "check out" the scene.

At 6:45 the first group, a 25 man affinity group, arrived and began quiet pickitting in fromt of SRI; they carried signs such as Stop War Now and Population, Folution, Urban Problems, what do population?

Action on Page Mill East up toward hill:

The protesters keek blocked one east-bound lane at 7:05; the people shouted don't block the whole stree until 7:30. The one lane of blocked traffic slowed down all the traffic enough to permit the protesters to hand out leaflets to the still passing motorists.

About 7:15 2 makes in a GMC truck tired to dixe drive through the closed lane. We They were stopped; the hood of their car was hit. The driver jumped down from the hood and walked toward the demonstrators holding a knife. The people backed away and the man returned and drove on to the sound of burning rubber and squealing tires.

The demonstrators then concentrated on blocking the two entrances thanks to the SRI parking lot. This was done by moving over branches from nearby trees, poles, and large "demster dumster" garbage cans

The police allowed theprotesters to do all this; their only act ion was to line was up in double rows in front of the two entrance subways of the SRI facility.

At 7:25 people poles caution signs were all used to kikk block all four lanes of Page Mill.

A jeep wagoner was the first car to attempt to run the barracde to the hill of will; he rode up on the divider strip and moved through. While protesters moved toward the jeed, a MG raced through the barracade, dragging a caution sign with him for several hundred yards.

One gentleman stopped going west on Page Will got out of his car and began tearing down the barracades. An attempt to emplain to him why the protest was going on provoked him to push past one of the demonstrators and return to his car.

Around 8 there was a confrontation at the barracades between the demonstrators and binextrates members of the Community of the the Right who were attempting to tear down the barracade. Theywere partially successful but all traffic continued to be stopped. In the demonstrator lay down in the street to assure the stoppage.

There continued to be arguments and some slight pushing between the two student factions. Attempts by AMM'ers to explain why they were there and to convince them to allow the polic e to handle the situation were basically unsuccessful, but there was only one true incident.

A photographer identified as belonging to the Community of the Right was "jumped" from behind by an a3M girl in a helmet as he was attempting to photograph the placement of barracædes in a field through which some cars were attempting to go.

He turned around and hit her; David Pugh (might not use name) proceded to swing at him; they were separated with no serious injury to either.

Traffic started to flow somewhat around 8 as some cars cut across the field across form SRT and others made U turns and went back in the direction from whence they came. The turns were made across from H ewlett-Packard.

Gene Tupper, a photograper for the Palo Alto Times was surrounded by 8 or 10 demonstrators; his camera was wrestled away from him and the film exposed; Upon return of his camera, Tupper claimed that it had been broken.

Report on Arrival of extra police

The first bus of reinforcements arrived about 8:45. The bus dontained 40 officers and two sargeants (18 county,5 los Altos, 7 Campbell, and 10 Mt. View). The bus deposited the men in the parking lot of Ginn and Company where they formed ranks.

The officers were armed, carried riot sticks and gas masks and were equipped with mace, yellow smoke, tear gas, and nausea gas.

They soon broke formation and relaxed on the grass; *** several even rapped with A3M people for a while.

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At 9:50 another bus arrived carrying 18 more deputies from the Santa Clara County Sheriff's Office. At 10:35 the final bus, containing 40 police form from the city of San Jose, arrived.

The formed into ranks and began to move from the parking lot stagings area at 10:50.

Action on Hanover MANX beyong SRI and Page Mill

Following the initial dispersal, a cordon was formed on the SRI side of Page Mill; this was then advanced across the street forcing the demonstrators to retreat to the large vacant lots across from the sri facility.

One medic went in behind this line; a policeman turned around and dwrestled him to the ground (in Page Mill). This cop sat on him while three others surronded them with nightsticks poised. #3m'ers xxx gathered and jerred while the medic was led away handcuffed. Sticks were mot used to bring the medic to the ground.

A cat-and-mouse came of advance and retreat as the police line advanced was played for several minutes. Finally the police advanced to the sidewalk across Page Mill and remained there.

A number of the demonstrators attempted to engages the police in "rational dialogue" but the attempts were confined to one-way shouting waxxive by the A3M'ers. (e.g. "they're making war weapons in there and you're allowing then to do it -- howed you like your willage bombed")

At this point I joined Mark and Craig -----

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