

The incident at Hamilton High School began around 8:30 AM. When students of Hamilton gathered on the outside of the school. The only trouble then was that most of the students were talking rather loud. Then as a bus was arriving some of the students surrounded the bus and forced their way onto the bus. This would have been prevented if the N.A.A.C.P. workers had sent a representative to advise the students of the best way of proceeding downtown to join the march. After this the students became rather impatient and were blocking the streets. The students began brickbating garbage trucks, police cars and a laundry truck. They also kicked and dented a white lady's car as she continued to blow her horn for the students to clear the street.

Police cars began to arrive and a helicopter appeared circling the school overhead. The students quite down and then another bus came down Wilson and four more police cars arrived ~~with the~~

The officers in these cars jumped out suddenly with night sticks and shotguns in their hands and charging toward the students who were fleeing toward the buildings. One girl was hurt. Police and newspapers stated that she was hit by an object someone threw. Students stated that she was hit by an object thrown by an officer. The officers also claimed that they did not use their nightsticks but they were swinging at the ~~runners~~ running students and could not prevent hitting them. Students began throwing bricks, bottles and sticks after they were being hit by the policemen. When the girl was being taken away to the hospital the students ceased fighting but the police made another charge at the students and they started back again.

People watching began talking and telling the police that they should not hit the students and to leave them alone. The police then started forcing the people

off of the corner and one man
was arrested for merely protesting
the action of the police and for being
slow to move on. Around 9:30 the
students settled down and proceeded
to march downtown to join the
march.