

# 451 in New March at ISU: Protest Rallies on Campus

Students marched again in Normal today in the third day of protests against war and the slaying of four students Monday at Ohio's Kent State University. Officials at Illinois State University counted 451 in the march from the campus through downtown Normal. The march was between 11 a.m. and noon. A rally followed at the outdoor amphitheater south of Milner Library. Breaking up at 12:45 p.m., the rally was scheduled to resume at 2 p.m. with an appearance by President Samuel Braden.



### ISU Is Open

Mr. Braden, hearing criticism of his order lowering campus flags for the Kent State students and slain black leaders, told a reporter: "You can say that the flag flies at half-staff over an open university here, while it flies over closed universities across the land."

At the head of the student march, two white girls carried a sign that said, "Fred Hampton Day." They were followed by six blacks carrying a symbolic coffin labeled, "They Were Murdered."

Other students carried signs with the words "Strike for Peace" and "Boycott Normal Merchants."

### Chant and Sing

Students throughout the march, which kept to the sidewalks, chanted and sang such phrases as "Remember Kent State" and "Remember Brother Fred."

Fred Hampton was one of two Black Panther leaders slain by police last year in Chicago. The students also shouted,

## Fairview Park Scene of Service

Raised hands and the singing of "Kum Bia" marked an eight minute memorial service conducted Wednesday afternoon in Normal's Fairview Park by more than 650

Illinois State University students. Service was for four Kent State University students killed Monday by Ohio Guard troops. (Pantagraph Photo)

"All we are saying is give peace a chance." The march was without incident. Students stood along the route as parade marshals but few police appeared.

### Proud For Peace

Back on the campus, student speakers praised the march group for "keeping it peaceful." One speaker said he was proud that ISU students practiced nonviolence in contrast to other universities of the state. There was a call for Mr. Braden's appearance at the noon rally. Word came that he would speak at 2 p.m.

There were indications that the president would be pressed by the students for a declaration that no National Guardsman ever would appear at ISU carrying a loaded gun.

### Attend Classes

Students continued to attend classes at ISU Thursday as they did Wednesday. The campus appeared calm.

ISU officials reported few students boycotting classes under sanction given Tuesday night by ISU's Academic Senate.

That 39-6 vote authorized stu-

dents and faculty to skip classes through next Tuesday if they set a higher priority on activities other than class attendance.

The Senate resolution said: "Students and faculty may participate in this exercise of priorities according to their own individual feelings and that student and faculty participants alike be given ample opportunity to make up the regularly scheduled work that their individual commitments cause them to miss."

### Music Outdoors

An outdoor gathering with rock music Wednesday night drew 100 to 300 students at various times. It was held in the amphitheater until about midnight.

It followed a silent march, memorial service and speak-out Wednesday afternoon for the four Kent State University students killed Monday in Ohio. About 50 to 100 students slept out Wednesday night.

The "rock festival" moved into the student union's Red Door at midnight. Students had requested that the cafeteria be left open all night.

Vice-president Richard Hulet,

dean of student services, acknowledged Thursday that numerous complaints about the amphitheater music were received.

### Better Than Violence

But Mr. Hulet said he and other ISU officials were pleased with the way ISU students have conducted themselves in their concern over what happened at Kent State.

"We tolerated a level of music that we might not have un-

der other circumstances," he added. "This activity is more preferable than the violence and destruction taking place elsewhere."

The only vandalism last night, officials said, was the cutting of ropes on the quadrangle flagpole for the second night in a row.

ISU physical plant personnel were to restring the pole again Thursday to hoist the flag to half-staff.