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STANFORD-- 7:40 a.m., President's office ground floor windows covered with drapes and closed venetian blinds behind windows sealed with masking tape from previous rock throwing.

A handful of protesters scouted the building.

As a precautionary measure several desk drawers with loose papers were removed by University officials from the president's office last night for safekeeping elsewhere.

8:10 a.m., about two dozen demonstrators gathered on Inner Quad keeping well away from the President's Office. They were outnumbered by observers and cameramen.

Two secretaries were at work in the President's Office. The rest of the secretarial staff had been instructed to wait until called before coming to work.

A second group of about 25 persons was reported in the vicinity of the Old Union, which the protesters had picked as an alternative site if they were unable to gain entry to the President's Office.

By 8:15 none had gained entry to the President's Office.

Radio newsmen reported seeing two busloads of Santa Clara County Sheriff's deputies arrive on campus.

8:25 a.m., about 85 protesters sat and stood peacefully in the first floor lobby and hallway of the Old Union, while another 30 remained in front of the building. There was no impedence to normal pedestrian traffic in the building.

Offices of the Registrar on the first floor were open at 8:15 without incident.

Several faculty observers circulated through the building.

8:35 a.m., only a handful of demonstrators remained in front of the President's Office, where mail was delivered routinely.

9 a.m., a check of the Old Union building showed most offices were operating normally, although several had taken precautionary measures to protect confidential file information.

Registrar Harvey Hall said that student's permanent records remained locked as a precautionary measure "They're sensitive, irreplaceable records," he said.

The Dean of Students office door was locked, but entry was given those who knocked. The office contains confidential records of the Judicial Council.

The Admissions Office moved a receptionist from an open area to an office, and also kept its records secure.

Nearly all the protesters remained on the first floor, where a group of more than two dozen questioned three photographers-- one from the University and two from news media-- intensively.

More than 100 persons work in the Old Union. Many office doors remained open.

Six secretaries and most professional staff were inside the President's Office building. At the Old Union, the cashier and student accounts office remained closed as a precautionary measure. The office contains 20 million dollars in receivables. Joseph Jedd, accounts manager, would like to open but was aware of the decision of last night's meeting for the protesters to avail themselves of machinery and supplies. He described the current demonstration "the quietest sit-in I've seen."

Two students were admitted individually to the office after showing identification to process loan applications.

9:45 a.m., the protesters set up a public address system in the Old Union lobby, where a crowd of 125 gathered. Several speakers suggested using similar tactics in other buildings.

A newsman told colleagues that he saw 50 Santa Clara County sheriff's deputies leave the campus around 9:40 a.m.

Janet Weiss, one of the protesters, asked "Where are all the people who voted last night to sit-in?" Another person noted that only 86 had voted to do so Tuesday night.