At least 250 students gathered around the Great Sail at noon last Friday to protest next year's $1200 tuition hike. Passersby joined in chanting "7400 too damn much!" and "$4-6-8, we can't afford to graduate!" (above)

The group then marched down the infinite corridor and up to President Gray's office, as the sound and smell of firecrackers filled Lobby 10.

At the President's door the group was met by three campus patrolmen, who estimated the crowd at greater than 150. At least nine security men were present, both uniformed and plainclothed. (top right)

After milling about uncertainly for ten minutes, the protesters spontaneously staged a sitdown outside Gray's office. (bottom) A man standing quietly on the edge of the crowd asking if he could answer any questions was greeted with the cry of "Who are you?" A quiet discussion then ensued between demonstrators and the man who identified himself as Dean Robert Albery. Provost Francis E. Low and Vice President Constantine Simonides (above right) also responded to the students.

By 1:10 the smell of gun powder had dissipated and the group was dissolving as the scene outside the President's office returned to normal.