

BERKELEY REBELS LOSE THEIR CHIEF

Savio Quits Student Protest Group at California

BERKELEY, Calif., April 26 (UPI)—Mario Savio, who led a mass student sit-in demonstration at the University of California last December, announced today he was quitting the campus Free Speech Movement.

"Goodbye and good luck," the 22-year-old former philosophy student told an audience of 1,000 at a noon rally.

He said he was leaving the movement because he "could not keep up with the undemocratic procedures that the [university] administration is following."

He cited a recent Board of Regents committee report proposing more stringent rules governing student conduct. He called the report a "document of obscenity" and "far worse than any four-letter word."

One student was expelled and three others were suspended last week for using a four-letter obscenity in public on the campus during a "free speech" demonstration.

The Free Speech Movement urged the regents last week to reinstate the four by this Wednesday. But it did not cite any consequences if the administration failed to heed the request. The university president, Clark Kerr, the regents and faculty spokesmen already have rejected the appeal.

Mr. Savio said his decision was not a "Kerr-type resignation." This was a reference to Mr. Kerr's resignation last month, which the university president withdrew after receiving widespread support in the dispute over students' political rights.

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