

Rape hoax touches off campus melee

Lincoln U. coed instigates fracas

A female student at Lincoln University in Pennsylvania alleged she was raped by two male students about a week ago. Police were notified, both campus and Avondale State Officers

A call was also placed to the girl's family in Harrisburg, and a few hours later, the mother of the girl along with two sons, a nephew and a male friend arrived on the campus

They went looking for the two male students the girl had charged with the crime, and forced a confrontation. In the ensuing fracas, Lincoln students came to the rescue of the two men and a full scale melee erupted

When it was all over, six people required hospital treatment, at Southern Chester Medical Center, two miles from the campus. One 17-year-old out-of-towner had to

be transferred to Lancaster General Hospital. The others were treated and released

On the day following the disturbance, Captain Milton Bryant, chief of the Lincoln U. police and director of security services, said the young woman involved admitted that the rape story was not true that she had made it all up

When the AFRO talked with director of information at Lincoln, Audrey Dean, she said no reasons for the allegations had surfaced. She continued: "The entire incident has been blown completely out of proportion."

One result of the fracas was the

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cancellation of final examinations until January 4, 1982. Arrangements have been made for those students who would have completed their work prior to the holiday recess to make individual arrangements with their professors.

This was done after students threatened to boycott the final exams, charging that security at

the university was inadequate. A meeting of the administration, faculty and students was speedily set for the following day.

It was decided to hire two additional security officers, bringing the total to 13. Further, two officers in training would be commissioned at the completion of their schooling, and assigned to parttime duties on the campus.

There are about 1,100 students

on campus who live in university dormitories. Sixty percent of them are women. This is a drastic change from the original school which was a males-only institution.

The incident is not yet closed, however, charges are being prepared against the off-campus persons involved in the fracas. They are expected to be filed as soon as practicable.