

# HITLER EFFIGY SAVED FROM WILLIAMS FIRE

## Then Student Battle Rages Over Burning of Swastika

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WILLIAMSTOWN, Mass., April 26.—Adolf Hitler, in brown-shirted effigy, disappeared suddenly from the Williams College campus this evening as a group of pro-fascist conservatives made off with an image of Der Fuehrer which had been prepared for destruction at the stake.

In the first riot at Williams in several years, over 500 mauling undergraduates broke up efforts to protest the failure of the German Government to act on an offer to buy all the Vienna Library books which have been condemned.

Piles of pine boughs, boxes, crates and rubber tires blazed up in midst of the Sophomore Quadrangle as floodlights played from dormitory windows. Fire hoses were pulled out to flood the gathering and help preserve a Nazi swastika which had been brought on to replace the Hitler image.

The student mob swayed up and

down the field for half an hour in a fight over the swastika. Then its rescuer made off down the hill, while on a crowded balcony a moustached, undergraduate simulated Hitler in a brief appeal amid cheers and jeers.

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