

100 PROTEST HARASSING OF HOMOSEXUALS

One hundred members of the Gay Liberation Front, protesting alleged harassment of homosexuals by police and society, staged a noon rally yesterday in Grant park.

The rally's theme, "Out of the closets and into the streets," was demonstrated by the group as they held hands while sitting on the grass in the park at Michigan avenue and Washington boulevard.

Draw Curious Crowd

Another 150 persons, mostly office workers on their lunch hours, stood nearby, attracted by colorful flags and signs proclaiming "Gay Power" and "Gay is Beautiful."

Among the speakers was David Steinecker, who faces charges of criminal defamation as a result of an article he wrote in a homosexual magazine about a Chicago policeman who has made several arrests of the liberation front's members.

Lee Weiner Speaks

Another speaker was Lee Weiner, one of two Chicago 7 defendants who were acquitted of charges stemming from the 1968 Chicago Democratic convention disorders.

After the rally, the group marched thru the Loop to Jury court at 321 N. La Salle st., to protest Steinecker's upcoming trial.