

QUIET REIGNS IN DIVISION ST. TROUBLE AREA

But 300 Policemen in Vicinity Make Sure

Division street had its quietest day of the week yesterday.

Except for the boards and plywood that hid most broken store windows, there was scarcely a sign that the area between Damen and California avenues had known troubled times.

But police were taking no chances that the violence that rocked the Puerto Rican community Sunday and Monday nights would break out again.

300 Cops on Scene

Comdr. William Coesfeld of the 13th district said the 300 additional policemen who manned the area Wednesday night returned yesterday afternoon for another night of helping keep the peace.

The only incident reported yesterday was the breaking of a window at the Red Goose Catering service, 1801 Division st. Walter Adamczyk, the operator, told police that a group of youths threw rocks and a brick thru the window at 1:15 a. m. This was long after most police assigned to the area had been sent home for the night.

The 200 taverns in the area bounded by Bloomingdale, Chicago, Kedzie, and Paulina were permitted to reopen but were instructed to close immediately if trouble broke out.

The taverns were closed Tuesday because it was election day and had remained closed by police order since 6 p. m. Tuesday, when they could normally have reopened.

The Federal Communications commission office was investigating a report from police that an announcer for a foreign language radio station had incited Puerto Ricans to violence Monday.

E. J. Galins, engineer in charge of the FCC's Chicago office, said the radio announcer and station were not identified. The police report was sent to the FCC's complaints and compliance division in Washington for investigation.

Conference Is Planned

The Chicago Commission on Human Relations at a special meeting voted to hold a conference, probably next week, "to address itself to the problems of the Puerto Ricans in this community." It said it would ask public and private agencies to help plan and participate in the conference.

"These people want to be heard and have a right to be heard," said Ely M. Aaron, commission chairman. "We must establish communication with them. They are a people with pride. They don't live in slums. But we haven't heard their protests in the past, and they just blew up."

A commission member, William R. Ming Jr., charged that there had been improper police conduct in connection with the disorders and complained that "there is now no one outside the police department we can ask to investigate police conduct."

Capt. James Holzman, who as acting deputy chief of patrol is in charge of police work in the Division street area, told the commission members that "a bunch of hooligans" brought on the violence.

"Now the police are in charge and it is peaceful," he said. "The civic leaders and the citizens here have done an outstanding job. The people who instigated and took part in the disturbances are not representative of this community."

At the last sessions of a 10-week training program for 101 magistrates and nine Circuit court judges, Edward A. Marciniak, director of the commission on human relations, said that people must be taught to respect the law and to learn to trust the judicial process so they don't feel obligated to take the law into their own hands.