

Protest Turns Ugly

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China had not yet given freedom of expression to all of its citizens, the year is 1989. Mothers, fathers, brothers, sisters, college student, university students and children they all had one thing in common June 4th they all wanted for China to have freedom of expression.

Some college students started a harmless protest in Tian An Men square to tell the government party that they should have equal rights as everyone else. And that the way there country is being run and who is running it are not consulting the opinion of the people.



A brave protester not letting the huge tanks go past.

The incidents in Tian An Men square will take many lives but the protesters are fighting for a good reason.

"The people have stood up" Chairmen Mao proclaimed during a conference in regards to the protest. They

are not sitting back anymore. Chairmen Mao ordered that the PLA should go and clear out the square. It got ugly, the PLA were on there way to the square when people of all ages and all races started clogging up the streets to block the PLA from ever reaching the square. The PLA would keep on trying to get throw peacefully. But the people would just not let them by.

The party and government ordered that they should get throw one way or another. This time they were coming stronger then ever. The PLA would not stop for anyone if a child adult baby if anyone would get in there way they would just keep on going they would crush bikers that were not fast enough to get away they would even crush the cars in there way thousands were killed.

When they reached the square the protesters were able to build a bit of a barrier to slow then down one of the protester had even sacrifice himself to light there barrier on fire. That way they would not be able to climb over it.

The PLA were all caring an AK47 with them and were starting to shoot. You could here gun shots all around you. It is not a good place to be right now. There were people dropping to the ground being shot from behind, I guess the Chairmen was right when he

said they would clear out the square one way or another. you could see people grabbing what they could in a struggle to leave.



Zous Enlais, an important leader of China who had died 16 years before the protests.

Zous Enlais a well liked leader of China had died the democracy went cold and the people were treated like dirt. Chairmen Mao now became the biggest and most important leader of China.



Mao Zedong