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White supremacist rally draws furious opposition



Members of the Ku Klux Klan, Neo-Nazis and Skinheads are met with jeers, spit and projectiles by about 600 protesters. The protesters eventually drove the white supremacists off the Capitol grounds where they had gathered to recognize Adolf Hitler's 102nd birthday.

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Members of white supremacist groups gathered at the State Capitol April 20 to celebrate the 102nd anniversary of Adolf Hitler's birthday. But their celebrations ended in a shower of rocks, bottles, and horse manure thrown by counter-demonstrators.

About 60 "skinheads," neo-Nazis and

Ku Klux Klansmen stood on the steps of the Capitol and hurled racial slurs — between propagandistic messages — at a crowd of about 600 people of varied ethnic backgrounds. But most of the messages were drowned out by the chants of the counterdemonstrators.

One white supremacist told the media that they had gathered to celebrate a good friend's birthday.

"Our father's birthday," another person

said.

Mark Johnson of Denver, also known as "Warrior," told the crowd that people in the United States are blind to what is happening to their country.

"If white people don't open their eyes and see what is happening to their country, we're going to be the minority," he said. "You've lost your country to the... non-whites. When I walk out of

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