

Sniper Shoots Rights Leader

DR. KING SLAIN



Dr. Martin Luther King

Memphis Killing Sets Off Hunt for Young White Man

From AP and UPI Dispatches

MEMPHIS, Tenn.—Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., father of non-violence in the American civil rights movement, was killed by an assassin's bullet Thursday night. King, 39, who won the Nobel Peace Prize in 1964, was hit in the neck by a bullet as he stood on the balcony of a motel here. He died less than an hour later in St. Joseph's Hospital.

Police in Tennessee and Arkansas were looking for a young white man, prime suspect in the assassination. Gov. Buford Ellington ordered 4,000 National Guard troops back into the city. (For other sidelight stories and pictures concerning the slaying of Dr. King, see Pages 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6.)

King was standing on the balcony of his motel here where he had come to lead non-violent protests in behalf of the city's 1,300 striking garbage

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LBJ Declares Sunday a Day Of Mourning

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Daylight Looting in D.C.

Negroes Riot in Many Cities

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Daylight looting spread through Washington Friday and the District of Columbia National Guard was summoned to weekend duty. The looting in the capital followed a night of violence in more than a dozen cities, which claimed three lives and left dozens injured. The rioting was by bands of Negroes enraged at

the murder of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. At noon Friday, police said 157 persons, 45 of them juveniles, were arrested. Eleven policemen, one fireman and five civilians were injured. Later figures were not available. Sirens screamed throughout the District of Columbia, where 63 per cent of the population of

770,000 is Negro. A four-block area of 7th Street — a district of easy credit stores catering to the nearby slum dwellers — was set ablaze. Dense, gray smoke hung over the city and gradually surrounded the dome of the Capitol. Washington police sealed off six blocks of 14th Street, and, donning gas masks, fired canisters

of tear gas into the crowds. Negroes ran from the area, about two miles north of the White House, clutching suits and dresses on hangers. Two men carried dinnette chairs still wrapped in brown paper. Police said several stores inside the blockaded area were ablaze. Firemen were being

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Cancels Trip To Honolulu For Viet Talks

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Johnson Friday called on all Americans to observe Sunday as a national day of mourning for Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Johnson also canceled his scheduled trip to Hawaii because of the turmoil following the murder of King. The President, in honor of the assassinated Negro civil rights

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