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Negroes Urge Others On TV, He Deplores to Carry on Spirit of Nonviolence

By LAWRENCE VAN GELDER Dismay, shame, anger and foreboding marked the nation's reaction last night to the Rev. reaction last night to the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s

murder.

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He asked "every citizen to re-

Most major Negro organiza-istruck Dr. King, who lived by tions and Negro leaders, land menting Dr. King's death, expressed hope that it serve as a postponing his scheduled despur to others to carry on in parture tonight for a Honolulu some Negro militants responded with historica and another tomorphisms. with bitterness and anger.

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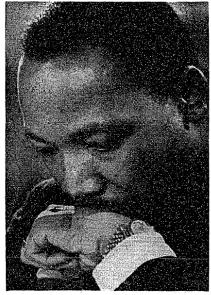
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'Brutal' Murder of - Negro Leader

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GUARD CALLED OUT

Curfew Is Ordered in Memphis, but Fires and Looting Erupt

By EARL CALDWELL

Special to The New York Times MEMPHIS, Friday, April 5 The Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., who preached non-violence and racial brotherhood, was fatally shot here last

hood, was ratally shot neer last, night by a distant gunman who then raced away and escaped. Four thousand National Guard troops were ordered into Memphis by Gov. Bufford El lington after the 39-year-old Nobel Prize-winning civil rights

leader died.

A curfew was imposed the shocked city of 550,000 habitants, 40 per cent of whom

are Negro.

But the police said the tragedy had been followed by inidents that included sporadic shooting, fires, bricks and bot-tles thrown at policemen, and looting that started in Negro districts and then spread over

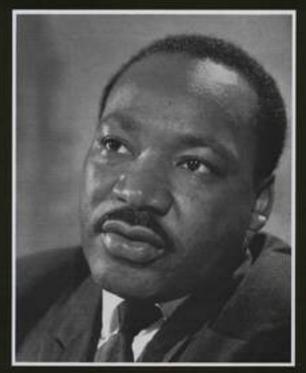
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