

# Curfew lifted in Memphis despite more disturbances

Vandalism and fires ripped sections of Memphis Wednesday afternoon.

Police closed a 10-block section of Park Avenue because of rocks thrown at passing motorists.

In Nashville, an aide to Gov. Winfield Dunn said Memphis Police Chief Henry Lux had been in contact with top officers of the Tennessee National Guard. But the aide said, "the guard is not on alert and there are no present plans for it to act."

The trouble began Tuesday night following the funeral of Elton Hayes, 17, who died Friday night after police said he was

injured when his pickup truck crashed during a chase by traffic officers.

But the district attorney later termed the death a homicide, caused apparently by blows to the head. Twenty-three policemen were suspended pending an investigation. They remain on the payroll but off duty. Wednesday's trouble began at primarily black Melrose High School and quickly spread throughout the Orange Mound section of the city.

Pope and Trant Elementary schools were dismissed early and a fire was reported by police at

Humes Junior High.

Three youths were arrested at Melrose after a woman in a passing automobile was injured by a thrown brick, police said. Dist. Atty. Phil Canale entered the Hayes case when two youths, who said they were in the truck with Hayes charged they were beaten by policemen.

Canale said Tuesday a preliminary autopsy showed Hayes died from "two primary blows to the head." The district attorney also said investigators found "important physical evidence" at the scene but declined to reveal it.

# Major shakeup announced in wake of investigation

NEW YORK AP—Police commissioner Patrick Murphy announced a massive shakeup of his plainclothes division Wednesday, even as a special commission on police corruption heard new testimony about graft-taking cops.

The star witness before the so-called Knapp commission, former plainclothes patrolman William Phillips, told of a police bagman in Queens who distributed \$80,000 among fellow officers, after seizing the cash in a narcotics raid.

Also related by means of tape recordings was the tale of a greedy police inspector, on the take for \$1,500 a month in payoffs, but tripped up because he also solicited sides of beef and cases of soda pop. He was not identified.

It was the second day on the witness stand for Phillips, a veteran of 14 years on the police force. When he was exposed as a bagman—a distributor of graft among fellow cops—he went to work as an undercover man for the Knapp commission, set up by Mayor John Lindsay to prove police misdeeds.

Presumably, Phillips sought by his testimony to gain immunity or leniency in any prosecution subsequent to the commission's public hearings. Without any reference to the commission testimony, Murphy transferred 338 policemen in or out of the department's 400-man plainclothes division. A spokesman said the moves were part of department policy in rotating plainclothesmen on a two-year basis. The New York police force numbers nearly 32,000.

In his testimony Tuesday, Phillips said that "to my knowledge" there wasn't a plainclothesman in the city who wasn't "on the pad"—taking graft.

"I know it is not a fact," Murphy told a news conference Wednesday. "I am saying that a lot of plainclothesmen are not on the pad."

"Do you say that that is a false charge?" he was asked.

"I think so," replied the commissioner, who is completing his first year in office.

"This is a long story told by a corrupt policeman," Murphy declared at another point. "He obviously now is a man on a hook,

squirming to get himself off the hook.

"He admits he was a bagman who attempted to make deals, and has created his own selfish impressions on every officer in the department."

Outside the commission hearing, a lone picket marched with a sign directed at the commission chairman, Whitman Knapp, which read: "Whitman Knapp is a witch hunter. Joe McCarthy is alive and well—now they call him Knapp."

The demonstrator, in civilian clothes, identified himself as Bronx patrolman Joseph Sprowls, 24, and told newsmen: "I and every other police officer in the city who is honest have been slandered and libeled by this hearing. I couldn't attempt to judge the 32,000 men in the department and I don't think they have proof that cops are crooked. If they do, why don't they go to district attorney Hogan's office and get indictments?"

# Six high court nominees said to be considered

WASHINGTON AP — A California woman and an Arkansas attorney were reported Wednesday as probable choice of President Nixon for two Supreme Court vacancies.

A senate source who is in a position to know told reporters he has every reason to believe that Nixon will nominate Herschel Friday, a Little Rock attorney.

A separate source went along with that and said his information is that Judge Mildred Lillie of Los Angeles would be the first woman chosen for the high court.

The sources indicated the nominations will be made to the Senate Thursday.

However, the White House said Nixon has not made a decision on the nominations.

When reporters asked deputy press secretary Gerald Warren about the report of the choices, Warren referred to an earlier statement of no decision and said, "That stands."

Warren declined to comment on whether the White House has received word from the American Bar Association on a list of six possible nominees.

During the day, Murphy announced the reinstatement of Chief of Detectives Albert Seedman. The Knapp commission had revealed Friday that the New York Hilton Hotel picked up Seedman's \$83 dinner tab, in an incident prior to his elevation to the chief's post earlier this year. Murphy transferred Seedman to another assignment pending investigation of the matter.

Murphy said the investigation within the department had satisfied him that Seedman was guilty of "no serious wrongdoing." His action against Seedman had drawn criticism from a number of sources.

Phillips testified that the plainclothes bagman he knew in Queens told him about the narcotics arrest, during which \$137,000 in cash also was seized. He did not identify the policeman.

Phillips was scheduled to take the stand again when the hearing resumes Thursday.

NEW YORK — In a bedside arraignment, black militant H. Rap Brown was ordered held in \$250,000 bail Wednesday after he vehemently scorned the court, the judge and the attempt to designate William Kunstler as his attorney. The man authorities have identified as Brown was captured with three companions in a shootout with police after a holdup attempt at a West Side Manhattan bar early Saturday. He was seriously wounded. Radical attorney Kunstler continued to maintain, as he entered the 10th floor room in Roosevelt Hospital, that the man in the bed was not necessarily Brown. Police have said the identity was established by fingerprints. The patient has identified himself as Roy Williams.

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y. AP — The Soviet Union Wednesday urged that Red China be seated in the United Nations and said Peking's opponents were fighting a rearguard action to disguise their retreat. Joining France and other Peking supporters in the third day of the U.N. General Assembly's China debate, Soviet Ambassador Jacob Malik called for the expulsion of Nationalist China and the seating of the mainland government as the only solution to the 22-year-old controversy over Chinese representation.

WASHINGTON AP — A Federal grand jury indicted Wednesday on conspiracy charges the former Grand Dragon of the Michigan Ku Klux Klan and four of his associates in connection with the bombing of ten school buses in Pontiac, Mich. last August. Atty. Gen. John Mitchell said the indictment was returned in U.S. District Court in Detroit. Named in the indictment were Robert Miles, 46, Howell, Mich.; Alexander Distel Jr., 28, Clarkston; Wallace Fruit, 29, Drayton Plains; Raymond Quick Jr., 24, Pontiac, and Dennis Ramsey, Drayton Plains. The five are charged with conspiring between July 4 and Sept. 9 to intimidate black students in the exercise of their constitutional rights to attend Pontiac public schools.

OTTAWA — Premier Alexei Kosygin, winding up the Ottawa phase of his Canadian tour, blasted as "riffraff" Wednesday those who protested his visit. He denied that the Soviet Union has any Jewish problem and he urged members of Parliament to put pressure on Prime Minister Pierre Elliott Trudeau to support Moscow's campaign for a European security conference. The Soviet leader, confidently facing a huge news conference, insisted he saw nothing but good in his reception here despite wild scenes of protest which dogged him throughout the first two days.

CHICAGO AP — Macrobiotic diets that claim to be the key to good health may be hazardous not only to health but to life itself, a medical group warns in the current issue of the Journal of the American Medical Association. The alert was issued by AMA's Council of Foods and Nutrition. A spokesman for the group said there were at least three cases on record, of people dying while observing the diet, which is primarily vegetarian, relies heavily on whole grain cereals and so-called natural foods and minimizes intake of fluids.

TOKYO AP — Dr. Henry Kissinger met with Premier Chou En-lai in Peking Wednesday, the official New China News Agency reported. In a four-paragraph report from Peking, the agency said Chou was assisted by Yeh Chien-ying, vice chairman of the Chinese government's military commission, and acting Foreign Minister Chi Peng-fei. The dispatch did not say what was discussed. However, it added Chou, Yeh and Chi gave a banquet honoring the Americans, who arrived earlier in the day in a U.S. presidential jet to finalize details on President Nixon's forthcoming visit to Red China.



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