

Thursday morning my wife went to Hamilton for her
Practic teaching and was on the scene when the out break of
trouble started in Memphis. Teacher was alerted to move their
car from the school. She got here and came home, then I
carried her back to the school. When we got back to the school
kid was throwing brick and stones at car. The police was
there, but couldn't handle all the kids until reinforcement
come. During the outbreak a kid got hit in head with a
brick and was taken in the school for first aid. She had
blood running down her face, it was later reported that it was
minor. Later reports reach downtown that a kid had been
killed at Hamilton by the police. I left the school and headed
for Clayborn Temple where Dr King was to lead a march
down town. The march was to leave the church at
ten o'clock. It was late leaving the ~~school~~ church
because Dr King plane was late arriving because of
bad weather. This delayed the march until about eleven o'clock.
Tension build up because of reports that the police had killed
a girl at Hamilton school. I stood around talking to friends
around 45 minutes when Dr King arrive with 3 bodyguards.
He was escorted by Jerry Fannin of the Shelby County Human
Relationship Committee. He refuse to enter the march because
of the crowd. The people was trying to get a look at him and
this he didn't like. He was briefed by Rev Ganson and he took
up his position as the leader of the march. As the march
turned up heale I saw the liquor store get looted. As the march
proceeded other store got looted. When the march turned
up main street the police form a blockade and forced the
march to turn around. They beat women and children and

I watched Dr King leave the march, he asked the driver of the sound truck to take him away, but he refused, then he got into a private car, the driver took him back to Clayborn Temple. As he was leaving a policeman broke the windshield of the car on the driver side, I left and went to my car which was parked at Danny Thomas and Gunden. When I got there people was standing around talking about what had happen. The police came and beat more people for no reasons. I left and went to my mother in law home where Wallace Callahan was waiting for me. He told how he had saw police beat ~~some~~ people for little or no reason. As I was on my way home, I saw the owner of Big Star Super Market shoot a negro boy running down the street. A kid had thrown a brick through the window and he shot the first one he saw. This built up tension in North Memphis because rumors spreaded that the boy was killed by a white man. The report was false but the boy was hurt badly. The people of North Memphis started one of the ~~most~~ largest false report in Memphis. They the police had killed 3 negro boys and the store owner had killed a negro boy also. There was lots of looting and fire bombing in North Memphis. There was large reports of Police beating people for no reason at all also.