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Now Memphis Has Had A Riot

My account of the riot was taken from two people, my brother and a friend.

My brother's viewpoint:

The downtown riot was an extremely disgusting incident. It most definitely had to be planned, and most of the looters were youths. Among the youth were seen many familiar faces. The youths had apparently been standing in alleys, inside of buildings, and within the march awaiting their chance to begin. It was when policemen started shoving members of the march off of the sidewalks and into the streets, that the actual fighting started. With the hurling, shoving, and passing of blows that the pathway to violence and destruction was opened. For a moment, my brother said he was dazed. His friends and others started having a field day. The broke out windows, started removing clothing, liquor shoes, and anything else they

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Could get their hands on.

My friends [sic] viewpoint.

On Mississippi Ave, my friend said that Loeb a enterprises were the main objectives of their group. The broke out windows, ran a patron away, and took over the sandwich distribution. The carried away pork shoulders and anything else that they wanted. In the meantime, the waitress abandoned the establishment.

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