

On Sunday morning July 23rd a call was received from Jim Bush. He stated that the police had raided an after hours joint and that the reaction had been looting on 12th street.

Later we went to the 10th precinct where we saw our marks, and ~~we~~ ^{then} meeting the district inspector. we were told by inspector ~~entry~~ that there had been some looting. we were also told that a police command post was being set up on the grounds of the Vernon Keifer hospital complex.

we went to the 12th street area to observe and attempt to get the feel of the crowd. on the way there we were warned by a Negro man that it might be dangerous for Bush, but upon arriving we noticed several whites walking about freely. we talked with some of the bystanders and also noticed people from other agencies. [The Urban and Vision Pope were there from the civil rights ^{commission} ~~committee~~. Police were standing in groups along 12th and crowds of residents were milling about watching the police, at one point some teenagers entered a store and the police came to the store and entered after them. The situation was tense but nothing came of it. we noticed that the crowds got longer even though there were police blockades.

at one point we went with father Potts thru the streets using bull-horns attempting to calm the situation. we were met with hostility.

Later we were given a ride by Mr Locke who was going to 1300, we thought that he was going to another part of the area. upon arriving at 1300 we saw Mr Cozgers, Art Johnson, and Mr Stott, who represented the block clubs in the area. they had a meeting with ~~members~~ ^{members} to discuss strategy. we attended the meeting and learned

a meeting. Mr. Stott and the writer then went to
Dove church at 12th and Virginia Park to
call Mr. Conyers and others at the Police Commissioner's
office to report the developments. We contacted Mr
Keith who reported ~~to the~~ this development
to the others. Mr. Keith asked that we keep him
informed and call back in 30 minutes. We called
back and reported that the situation had changed.
at this time Mr. Keith stated that the mayor was
there and wanted to talk to Mr. Conyers and me.
3:30 Diggins who were holding a meeting at same church.
at this time it was determined that the national guard
was needed as the situation had gotten out of control,
youngsters were storing fire trucks and policemen.
4:30 we got a ride with Sgt. Griffin of the Police Dept.,
went to the Linwood area. People were milling around,
there was a festival atmosphere. The liquor store at
Bladstone and Linwood was the first place to go, at
this point the rioters owned Linwood. We phoned
Mr. Keith and informed him that the rioting had spread
to Linwood. We then left Linwood and drove to Depter.
we observed looting at a T.V. shop at Depter and called
we reported this to Mr. Keith. The police Sgt. then
took us to #10 where we attended a meeting with
the mayor and other officials where we learned that
the national guard had been requested and was being
mobilized.

8:00 we left #10 with Mrs. Pope of the civil rights
commission and went to gymnasium at Doresee. we saw
looting there. we listened to a radio report of the
9:00 curfew and decided that it was time to
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In the past few days the field division has been communicating with civil rights organizations about charges of police brutality. We were told by the NAACP that they have several cases that are being investigated. Diggs' office could not give us a number but estimated about 10 cases. The citizen complaint bureau had 14 cases as of the end of Friday 8-4-67.

We have received 3 direct complaints of police misconduct. Mr. Stroud of 3261 Ewald Circle complained that the police took some of his personal property. Mrs. Lawrence Dent of 1232 Pallister reported that the police took some of her personal property, and Mr. Floyd Berry of 1636 Stockton who complained that he and his wife were manhandled and talked to abusively. We have in most cases informed the complainants of their rights to redress and referred them to the appropriate agency.

We also have had contact with Inspector Arbones regarding the alleged illegal searches in his precinct. He indicated that he had instructed his officers to attempt peaceful entry in those cases where they couldn't get a warrant. His orders came from higher up.