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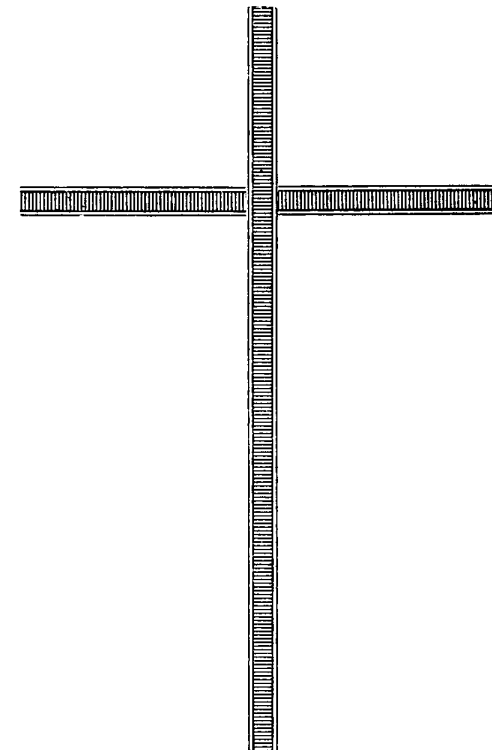
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Dr. Martin Luther King

January 15, 1929—April 4, 1968



Sunday, April 7, 1968

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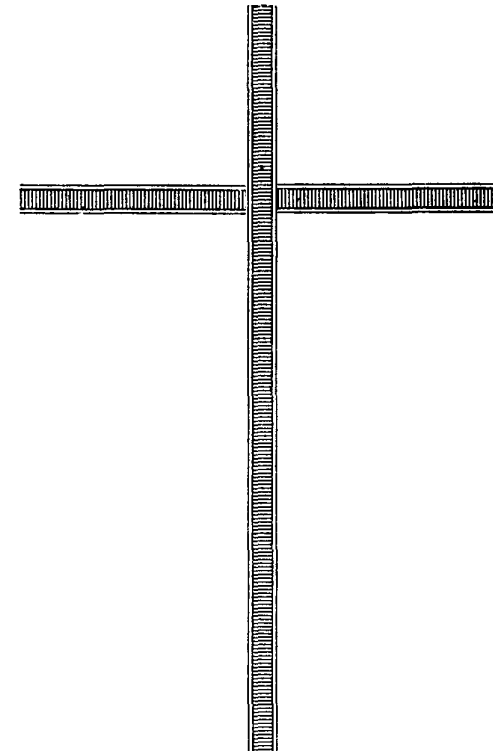
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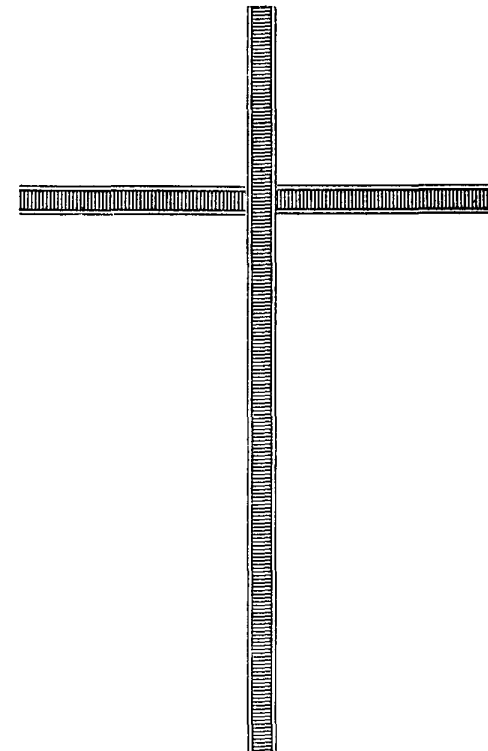
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TO : ALL AGENTS

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FROM : SAC IAN D. MacLENNAN

SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF
MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
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The Bureau has advised that in view of the possibility of retaliatory measures as result of the assassination of KING all sources (racial, security, and criminal) who are in a position to possibly learn information of this nature are to be immediately alerted. Any pertinent information developed should receive expeditious dissemination both locally and to the Bureau.

Agents will alert informants as above.

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All offices receiving copies of this Airtel note that Bureau has designated above caption as approved code word for investigation dealing with murder of Dr. KING.

Information under above caption should pertain only to investigation that may have bearing on identifying subject instant case. All other information pertaining to racial incidents, and racial activity arising out of assassination of Dr. KING should not be submitted under above caption, but should be submitted by interested offices under the appropriate caption pertaining to Racial Matters.

In addition, all offices in receipt of this information should re-canvass any Criminal Informants, Security Informants, and Racial Informants for possible knowledge concerning assassination, with specific emphasis directed toward informants in known hate groups.

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FROM SA Edward R. Fleming, Jr.
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Re Memo All SAs, 4/5/68.

On the dates specified the following were contacted and knew of no possible retaliatory measures which might be taken because of the assassination.:

ROBERT L. FRANKLIN, W. Race St., Pres., Martinsburg Branch, NAACP,
Martinsburg, W. Va., 4/5/68.

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W. Va., 4/6/68

Lt. RUCE CLARK, Martinsburg, W. Va. PD., 4/6/68

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~~Black, White Alike~~ Mourn King Here

By RALPH HALLOW

The slaying of America's leading apostle of brotherhood, the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., brought immediate expressions of horror and sympathy from black and white Pittsburghers.

Mayor Joseph M. Barr last night declared an official state of mourning throughout the City today and ordered the official City flag to be flown at half-staff.

Bishop John J. Wright of the Pittsburgh Diocese said the mass of peace tomorrow in St. Paul's Cathedral will include memorial prayers for the slain civil rights champion.

Meanwhile, stunned Negro leaders here prepared a memorial march for Dr. King, a 1964 Nobel Peace Prize laureate, for 1:30 p. m. Sunday to begin at "Freedom Corner," Center Ave. and Crawford St. Classes at Chatham College

were called off at 2:30 p. m. when memorial services were held in the chapel.

At Carnegie-Mellon University in Oakland, classes were called off today in tribute to Dr. King.

Chaplains at the University of Pittsburgh held a public memorial service at noon in Heinz Chapel on the Pitt campus. Classes at Pitt were dismissed at 11 a. m.

And from Pittsburgh came these words of tribute:

Mayor Barr: "As in the untimely death of President John F. Kennedy, our only answer to this senseless loss of a great leader is for all of us

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to stand together in this time of national mourning.

"As we mourn Dr. King's death, let us remember his quest for peace among nations, among peoples and among neighbors."

Gov. Raymond P. Shafer: "It is a shocking event to every American, indeed to everyone in the world who knew him as a non-violent man."

Pitt Chancellor Dr. Wesley W. Posvar: "The students, faculty and staff of the University of Pittsburgh share with all Americans a profound sense of loss at the death of Dr. King."

"This good, vital and selfless man, whose life reflected so clearly the most fundamental value on which our society is founded, did more than anyone to make us aware of the need to put social justice into practice, as well as to profess it as a principle."

"If his death is to have significance, we must renew our dedication to the achievement, through non-violent means, of complete social equality and justice for all Americans regardless of race or color."

School Supt. Dr. Sidney P. Marland and Education Board Chairman Mrs. Emma L. Aaron, in a message read to all City public school students before lunch:

"America has suffered a grievous loss by the shocking death of Dr. King. He was a man of God . . . a great humanitarian who loved his country dearly . . . It is hoped that all of us, out of deep respect to his memory, will strive to comprehend his teachings, to labor for his goals, and to do so in his spirit of nonviolence in human brotherhood."

Duquesne University President Henry J. McNulty, in announcing the closing of the university on the day of Dr. King's funeral:

"This is a shameful day in American history. Dr. King must rank as one of our most significant martyrs."

Charles Harris of the United Negro Protest Committee (UNPC): "It's a terrible thing . . . Dr. King was a peacemaker. All we can do is hope and pray our problems will be worked out."

"I appeal to my people that we give this thing time to work itself out. Let's not take to the streets. Lets hold on and work things out together."

William Haden, United Movement for Progress:

"What we have to do, after the tears, we must search for some understanding. After the tears, we'll have to redouble our efforts. Whatever we have given to the cause of freedom to America, whether we be white or black, we must now give twice as much. Dr. King died and the man who killed him simply represents America and the two sides of our country."

James McCoy, Jr., UNPC: "The works and beliefs of Dr. Martin Luther King while he lived did shock the conscience of this nation and the world."

"He did not give up his life in vain because his works and beliefs are immortal."

Eric W. Springer, chairman of Mayor's Commission on Human Relations, in a telegram to Mrs. King in Atlanta:

"The Mayor's Commission on Human Relations extends its sincerest and deepest condolences to you and your family at this time of great tragedy. The commission is horrified by the dreadful act which snuffed out the life of one of this country's, and the world's, greatest leaders in the cause of peace and freedom."

Father Donald W. McIlvane, pastor of St. Richard's Church, and Attorney Byrd Brown, both of the National Assn. for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP):

"The Pittsburgh Courier"

NAACP goes on record in support of the Poor People's Campaign, planned and sponsored for Washington, this spring by Dr. King and his Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC).

Harry Boyer, State AFL-CIO president, in calling for a moment of silent respect for Dr. King at the AFL-CIO convention today in the Hilton Hotel: "Dr. King was in Memphis to give support to a cause we too have an interest and concern in."

County Commissioner Thomas J. Foerster: "The death of Dr. King is a shock and a deep loss to all of us who believed deeply in the cause of civil rights. If we are to achieve the purpose for which Dr. King died, we must in good conscience follow the path which he laid down for us."

The Pittsburgh Junior Chamber of Commerce is co-sponsoring the march from Freedom Corner and has urged the white community to show its horror over the killing by taking part in the march.



—Press Photo by Albert R. ...

CITY IN MOURNING—A flag lowered in honor of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. as a sign of attention of Omar, left, and Kingdon Ray, as they walk past the City-County ...

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Senseless Murder Elicits High Reaction On King

STANLEY LOWE, a Negro senior at the University of Pittsburgh, said people to whom he spoke had history of respect for Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. as a man, but not as a symbol. He said they could see the death of an H. Rap Brown or a Stokely Carmichael, who advocated violence, but not a man whose whole approach always was non-violence, he said.

Stanley personally thought this approach should be broadened, although he added:

"You know a lot of kids drifted away from Dr. King's idea. But they still respected him. He was still the man. He was still the number one."

"You know if you ever had to get anywhere suddenly you had to come back to his type of thinking. He could pick up a phone and call the President or a microphone and his people would listen."

Stanley was in the office to ask Principal Crowley about scheduling a memorial program for Dr. King.

Mr. Crowley said the school board was sending over a statement to be read to the students over the public address system.

Moreover, he said, there had been a moment of silence in the school this morning in remembrance of Dr. King and that he had delivered a short eulogy on "a man who fostered better relations between all men."

Mr. Crowley said the reaction to the slaying seemed to be consistent among most students, that it was "a tragic thing, a senseless murder."

Of course, he said, the school was not going to let the kids do anything. King was a man, not a symbol. Dr. King's death was a tragedy, but the kids had to get on with the future. The school was going to help them get on with the future. The school was going to help them get on with the future. The school was going to help them get on with the future.

There's a difference in white youth, he said, while black youth are up in the air, white youth are more sure of their share of society's future.

Mr. Robinson said the school meant to have a memorial for Dr. King, but he was the freest man in the march, planning that beginning and ending it. He had to have a "free" symbol of the civil rights movement.

It gave the drive a new direction, a new meaning, a method of operation, a new violence, and it was its protest.

Now he's gone. And, he said, the school was going to help them get on with the future.

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Stunned Negroes Now Looking 'For A Joshua'

Despair, Anger In Manchester

By LAWRENCE WALSH

The streets were quiet in Manchester today, but beneath the calm was a feeling of despair and some anger over the assassination of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

"My mood is completely black," said George Wright, deputy director of the Neighborhood Centers Assn., operating five offices in the area. All are closing to mourn the death of Dr. King.

"I've never shed a tear in 20 years," said Mr. Wright, "but I went through a real emotional thing last night . . . This was the last straw. I talked to some people who wanted to march this morning, but I said, 'I'm not marching any more'."

Asked for his reaction, he replied, "can't you see it. Look at me."

He was dressed completely in black. His mourning attire included a black turtle neck sweater, black suit coat, black pants, socks and shoes.

John Morton, administrator of the Opportunities Industrialization Center on the North Side, said, "We'll have to find a man with deep devotion to his race and his problems . . . I guess what I'm trying to say is we're now looking for a Joshua."

A white employe at the Neighborhood Center in Manchester House said he had campaigned for John F. Kennedy, and "when he died I was sad, but I felt King's death even more . . . because I think every white man has to feel ashamed of his country and his race."

Another employe, Charles Pharr, added "They killed one of the best men who ever lived."

"It took me an hour to face up to it," said Michael Diamond, acting branch manager at the Opportunities Industrialization Center. "We counted heavily on Dr. King's non-violent approach and now it's needed more than ever."

"Man," said one of several young Negroes at the Neighborhood Center, "it wasn't cool what happened last night."

"Down with Whitey," said another.

Miss Margie Hunter, 1241 Pennsylvania Ave., said, "He was trying to do something for us. He died doing what he believed in."

Huddled around a fire in a discarded oil drum in the 1500 block of Brighton Rd., two Negroes, Charles Edwards and Nathaniel Scott, both North Siders, said they had not heard Dr. King had been slain.

"I'm worried about making a living," said Mr. Scott. "I don't know much about the man. I've heard of him but that's about all I can say."

On a front porch stoop at 1522 Brighton Rd., Michael Janczura commented, "It's one of those unlucky things. They shot Kennedy didn't they? In my opinion King was as good as anybody else."

In the Beechview section, there was, for the most part, a failure to understand Dr. King.

"I've heard of him," said Bruno Brett, owner of Brune's fruit market, "but I don't

know that much about him."

"No man has to get shot," he said, "that's a helluva way to go. Some of my customers this morning said he's non-violent but added that violence followed wherever he went."

"I don't think he had any business in Memphis. That was a labor dispute. He shouldn't have been there," Mr. Brett said.

Mrs. Clyde Hoover, of 1699 Dagmar Ave., Beechview, said "I feel sorry it had to happen this way because he was trying to keep the riots down and work peacefully."

Janice Laxbacher and Barbara Stang, seventh graders at St. Catherine School in Beechview, didn't know what to think.

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JANICE LAXBACHER

BARBARA STANG

"Students at St. Catherine's School "don't know what to think."

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ABSENCE OF VIOLENCE HAILED

State Mourns Slain Negro

By K. W. Lee
Staff Writer

In cities and hollows, mournful West Virginians gathered in groups Friday and held memorial services for the fallen king of the nonviolent civil rights movement.

Eulogies continued to flow from political and religious leaders of the state, and arrangements were under way for additional services in honor of slain Dr. Martin Luther King.

In the absence of Gov. Smith who's on a tour of Japan, his aide Paul Crabtree offered the State Capitol as a site for a memorial service. The invitation was extended in a telegram to state NAACP President Herbert H. Henderson.

In the Kanawha Valley, an areawide memorial service is scheduled for 7:30 p. m. Sunday in the Charleston Municipal Auditorium.

The public service will be sponsored by West Virginia State College's student council and faculty. State college officials Friday called off classes for three days and held an emotion-choked service in the college auditorium.

The Sunday program is co-sponsored by the West Virginia Council of Churches and the Charleston Ministerial Assn.

Leading the roster of speakers is the Rev. Homer Davis who a few years ago founded the only affiliate in the state of Dr. King's Southern Chris-

tian Leadership Conference (SCLC), called United Neighborhood Interest Organizations Network (UNION).

Methodist Bishop Fred G. Holloway and Episcopal Bishop Wilburn C. Campbell will speak also.

Flags flew at half-staff above all state government buildings and most county and municipal buildings. In South Charleston, however, Mayor L. O. McIlwain wouldn't order the flag lowered at city hall because "I have received no official notice."

Crabtree said he asked that flags over all public buildings in the state to be flown at half-staff out of respect to King.

HE SAID STATE government officials "were pleased" that the shooting of King didn't result in an outbreak of lawlessness in West Virginia as it did in many cities of the nation.

"This speaks well of the good reason and common sense of our citizens in the wake of this senseless and atrocious act," he declared.

Executive Director Carl W. Glatt of the State Human

Rights Commission elaborated:

"This means that Negro organizations and leaders in West Virginia will probably accelerate all the peaceful means they have always utilized in civil rights struggle."

He said he was in Bluefield on the night of King's assassination for a speech engagement at a church meeting. As far as he knows, calm and peace prevailed in the state through the night in the aftermath of King's death.

Glatt said his office received a number of inquiries about possible troubles from white callers. "It's very unfair to ask such questions — our Negro citizens have always shown respect for law and order and they have always utilized peaceful means of demonstrating and striving for civil rights progress."

SHORTLY BEFORE leaving for a regional NAACP meeting in Michigan, state NAACP President Henderson of Huntington predicted King's assassination "will be felt more deeply by the white majority in this country than the black minority." He said his group will continue to seek equality for all West Virginians under law in a peaceful manner.

In Huntington, about 40 Marshall University students gathered around a flag pole at the Old Main Administration Build-

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ing and held a brief program for King. A citywide non-denominational service also was held at the Trinity Episcopal Church.

Elsewhere, State Adj. Gen. Gene Hal Williams notified members of the West Virginia National Guard that a planned weekend training exercise in riot control wouldn't be held "in view of the tragic and insensible murder of Martin Luther King."

About 3,000 National Guardsmen had been scheduled to participate in the exercises at Princeton, Parkersburg, St. Albans and Milton.

"The cancellation was made out of respect for and in keeping with Dr. King's dedication and devotion to nonviolence," Williams said.

State Sen. Paul Kaufman, a Democratic gubernatorial candidate and sponsor of state human rights legislations, said King's death came "at a time when this nation desperately needs a spirit of racial conciliation."

"Whether or not we supported the causes for which he fought so long, we knew that in a country increasingly torn

by dissent, bitterness and violence, he stood for a philosophy of reason, cooperation and nonviolence," Kaufman said.

"We must find ways to change," he declared, "or there will be no more Dr. King's and no more United States."

Bishop Holloway said: "It is unbelievable that so loyal a citizen, committed to the medium of nonviolence in bringing justice to his fellow citizens should meet such a tragic and untimely death."

"The white community in particular must share in the guilt of this death. It is to be fervently hoped that the redemptive quality of Dr. King's life and death will bring all of us immediately together in moulding a society free of the prejudices which have prevented equal opportunity for all citizens."

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IN MORGANTOWN, West Virginia University President James G. Harlow called King "a great man," adding that he "may well turn out to be remembered as the great conservative of the civil rights movement."

Charleston Police Chief Dallas Bias declared, "He did more in a peaceful manner to awaken the conscience of white America to the conditions of the deprived Negro citizens than any other man."

At Pineville, State Director Eric L. Netzner of the Appalachian Volunteers in West Virginia said, "We live in a country that would seem to proclaim its freedoms too much. We live in a country that denies its own racism, and having denied that racism refuses to try to make things better."

Dr. Elmer Dierks, West Virginia Council of Churches di-

rector, said he hopes the Sunday service at the Municipal Auditorium would be participated by all concerned citizens in the valley.

President William J. L. Wallace of West Virginia State said he believes people will use the death of King for varied causes, some more selfish than others. He stressed, however, that total unity will result.

He said he held conferences until after midnight in his home with students on the night of the assassination. "I had to calm some of them. I think they are all right now."

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Parade Stated To Honor King

Jaycees Here Challenge Whites

The Pittsburgh Junior Chamber of Commerce today challenged the normally reticent white community here to "stand up and be counted" in tomorrow's memorial parade for Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Attorney Robert N. Peirce Jr., president, said Jaycees throughout the district plan to turn out en masse for the event, which starts at 1:30 p.m. at Centre Ave. and Crawford St., Hill District.

For anyone who firmly believes in the late Dr. King's philosophy of non-violence as the only truly constructive approach to racial harmony and progress, Mr. Peirce suggested, the parade offers a "tangible way to demonstrate" this belief.

Mr. Peirce said the Jaycees now have 10 programs under way to better the lot of Negroes here— including tutoring, job assistance and recreational facilities.

Although Chamber of Commerce and Allegheny Conference on Community Development leaders are out of town, members of these organizations— including leading businessmen — have indicated they will march in the parade.

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Mourning By Barr

City To Close Courts, Offices
Flags Lowered In Tribute To Dr. King

Pittsburgh district today mourned the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. with flags at half-staff.

Funeral of the assassinated civil rights leader will continue into next week with additional services, the closing of public offices and courts.

Mayor Joseph M. Barr declared today an official period of mourning for Dr. King and asked that all flags be flown at half-staff.

Close Schools

The Mayor also requested closing of schools early Monday so that students can attend memorial services for Dr. King.

Mr. Barr eulogized the slain civil rights leader prior to a Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra concert at Syria Mosque last night, declaring:

"I am deeply shocked and dismayed by the senseless and brutal assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, a man who symbolized a way of non-violence in the United States and throughout the world."

The orchestra dedicated its first selection to Dr. King.

Common Pleas, Criminal and Juvenile Courts will be closed Tuesday, the day of Dr. King's funeral.

All City Hall offices will be open Monday, but will be closed Tuesday. City Council committee meetings will be held Wednesday at 10 a. m.

A hearing scheduled Tuesday to hear 13th Ward case will be held April 10 at 10 a. m.

Funeral at St. Paul's Cathedral, Oakland, at 12 p. m.

Officials will take part in memorial services at 10 a. m. Wednesday in the Courthouse Gold Room.

A special mass for peace will be celebrated at 4 p. m. Tuesday in Duquesne University Chapel.

Members of the Catholic Inter-Racial Council will join parishioners of St. Brigid Church, Hill District, at noon tomorrow. Then they will participate in a march by the National Assn. for Advancement of Colored People from the Hill District to Downtown.

Memorial Service

The Rev. Donald Prange will offer memorial services at 10:30 a. m. tomorrow in Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Homewood.

Bishop John J. Wright was to speak at memorial services in St. Paul's Cathedral, Oakland, at noon today.

Dr. Walter Jacob, rabbi of Rodef Shalom Temple, Oakland, and chairman of the Rabbinic Fellowship Council in Pittsburgh, was scheduled to speak at the funeral.

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Services Scheduled, Flags at Half-Staff**Residents of Pittsburgh
Begin Tributes to King**

Flags flew at half-staff yesterday as city residents of good will, both black and white, began a weekend of memorial tributes to Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., whose advocacy of civil rights and non-violence brought him a violent death Thursday night.

Churches of many denominations planned memorial services to Dr. King. In the wake of the assassination, statements praising the stricken civil rights leader and offering new commitments of racial equality were made by churchmen, educators and labor leaders.

As a result of Dr. King's death, emotions flared in predominantly Negro high schools, universities called off classes, and a Negro churchman called upon whites "to end white racism."

More than 200 Negroes met at Ebenezer Baptist Church in the Hill District and appointed a committee of 17 persons to plan a massive memorial service to Dr. King. At the meeting, closed to white newsmen, a request was drawn asking Gov. Raymond P. Shafer to close the state's liquor stores on the day of Dr. King's funeral.

The Pittsburgh Branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People issued a statement calling the non-violent character of Dr. King's campaign "the only road to lasting justice for black people."

The NAACP will sponsor a memorial march starting at 1:30 p. m. tomorrow at "Freedom Corner," Center Avenue and Crawford Street, Hill District.

Robert N. Peirce, president of the Pittsburgh Junior Chamber of Commerce, called upon all members of that organization and other civic groups to join the march.

"The Jaycees hope to demonstrate that Dr. King's death is a loss to the entire community, black and white," Peirce said. "It is hoped that the number of white marchers will equal the black marchers and they will march together."

Memorial Mass Scheduled

The Catholic Interracial Council will hold a memorial mass at noon tomorrow at St. Brigid Roman Catholic Church in the Hill District before joining the memorial march.

The Council of Churches of the Pittsburgh Area called upon its member churches to offer special prayers tomorrow "for the family of Dr. King and the principles and cause for which he lived and died."

"It is our prayer that out of this tragedy will come new hope for all men of all means," the Council of Churches added.

In Squirrel Hill, students at Hillel Academy at a special assembly yesterday, heard Rabbi Shlomo Jakobovits, the principal, praise Dr. King.

"Apart from the loss of this great humanitarian to the world and to the forces whose main efforts are directed to improvement of the human race, this is a great loss to our Jewish people," Rabbi Jakobovits said. "After all, his battle for emancipation and our battle for emancipation are basically the same—the right of minorities."

Mass for Peace

A Mass for Peace scheduled for noon today in St. Paul's Cathedral, Oakland, will include memorial prayers for Dr. King.

The Very Rev. John J. Wright, of the Pittsburgh Roman Catholic Diocese, will speak; Dr. Charles H. Foggie, minister of Wesley Center A.M.E. Zion Church, will offer a memorial prayer; and the Rev. W. Lee Hicks, executive director of the Council of Churches, will offer appropri-

ate scriptural readings. Bishop Wright ordered memorial prayers for Dr. King in all Catholic churches tomorrow—Palm Sunday.

American Baptist ministers in the Pittsburgh Baptist Association were asked to lead their congregations in prayer and worship tomorrow, in paying tribute to Dr. King.

The Rev. Carlton B. Goodwin, executive secretary of the Pittsburgh Baptist Association, noted that Dr. King, pastor of Ebenezer Baptist Church in Atlanta, was an American Baptist pastor.

Last summer, Mrs. King was soloist for the American Baptist convention at its annual meeting here.

Bishop Connare Statement

The Very Rev. William G. Connare, bishop of the Greensburg Roman Catholic Diocese, issued a statement "lamenting the senseless killing of Dr. King."

"I ask only that all people of good will join me in carefully searching our hearts for any trace, however slight, of that hatred which divides people and killed this great American, determined to tear these hatreds from our hearts," Bishop Connare said.

"I am asking our people to make this careful examination of conscience at Mass this Sunday."

Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Hale and Mulford streets, Homewood, scheduled a memorial service at 10:30 a. m. tomorrow.

In mid-afternoon, about 150 college students marched from a memorial service in Heinz Chapel on the Pitt campus to the City-County Building.

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Cohen, executive secretary to Mayor Joseph M. Barr, with a petition calling on the city to declare a week-long period of mourning and to support Dr. King's Poor People's Campaign in Washington.

'Sick, Racist Society'

The petition said Dr. King's assassination "is a crime not merely committed by a sick man, but rather a crime committed by a sick, racist, and violent society."

The students, mostly from Pitt and Carnegie-Mellon, also included Mt. Mercy, Duquesne and Robert Morris students.

At the request of Pastor Conrad W. Weiser, Lutheran campus pastor, they kneeled and prayed. Police Supt. James W. Slusser praised the demonstration as "peaceful" and Pastor Weiser said, "It's the kind Dr. King liked to see, also."

The Rev. Canon Junius F. Carter, of the Church of the Holy Cross, Episcopal, on Kelly Street, Homestead, said at a press conference that "white people have to figure out how to end racism.

"It wasn't a black man who killed Dr. King and our late President Kennedy," he said.

Calls for Unity

Canon Carter was the spokesman for 15 civil rights leaders who joined him at the church. He called upon all Negro and civil rights groups "to unite in the fight against white racism.

"America today is faced with a choice of whether it will be consumed by the white racism that caused the assassination of Dr. King or meet the demands of the black community here in Pittsburgh," Canon Carter said. "We are not advocating violence but we want our rights."

Student assemblies were held at predominantly Negro Westinghouse High School; Oliver, 30 per cent Negro; Peabody, 17 per cent; and

Gladstone, 41 per cent. A number of civil rights leaders were called to the schools to speak to the students.

Although classes were not dismissed early at any public schools, more than 50 per cent of the students at predominantly Negro Schenley High School walked out about noon.

At Perry High School, Negro students were granted permission to use the auditorium for a service of meditation and prayer, limited to Negro students.

Duquesne Plans Mass

Duquesne University announced that there will be no classes on the day of Dr. King's funeral.

A concelebrated mass with special prayers was celebrated in the University chapel yesterday afternoon and a special "mass for peace" will be sung at noon Tuesday in the chapel.

The Very Rev. Henry J. McNulty, president of Duquesne, voiced the hope of many churchmen in stating, "I pray that Dr. King will not have died in vain, that his death will disturb consciences that need to be disturbed."

At Pitt, classes were canceled starting at 11 a. m.

Dr. Wesley W. Posvar, chancellor, said, "If Dr. King's death is to have significance, we must renew our dedication to the achievement, through non-violent means, of complete social equality and justice for all Americans regardless of race or color." Pitt classes will resume today.

Classes Canceled

Chatham College canceled classes at 2:30 p. m. and conducted memorial services in the chapel. All classes were canceled at Carnegie-Mellon yesterday.

Superintendent of schools, Dr. Sidney Marland Jr. and Mrs. Maxine L. Aaron, president of the Board of Public Education, said in a statement that "America has suffered a grievous loss by the shocking death of Dr. King... a man of God.

"It is hoped," the statement said, "that all of us, out of deep respect to Dr. King's memory, will strive to comprehend his teachings, to labor for his goals and to do so in his spirit of non-violence and human brotherhood.

"To this end, the Board of Education joins with faculty and students in a renewed commitment to achieve for all men the promises of liberty, equality and justice."

The statement was read in all city schools at noon and was followed by a moment of silence.

Bulletin Board Prepared

In Cowley Elementary School on the Northside, children prepared a bulletin board with photographs of the assassinated civil rights leader. A caption read, "The King is dead, long live the King."

The program for the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra's regular concert last night opened with a tribute to Dr. King: Bach's Organ Chorale Prelude, "Fervent is My Longing." The Pittsburgh Playhouse announced that it will be closed tomorrow and persons holding tickets can exchange them for later performances.

Clergy of Downtown churches announced that a non-denominational service for businessmen will be held at 12:30 p. m. Monday in First Presbyterian Church.

More than 2,000 delegates to the state convention of the AFL-CIO at the Hilton Hotel stood for a minute of silence in tribute to Dr. King. Harry Boyer, president of the state AFL-CIO, called Dr. King's death "a terrible tragedy."

Boyer, who also is chairman of the Pennsylvania Human Relations Commission, issued a statement in behalf of that group. The statement said in part:

"Let us hope that the ideals and memory of Dr. King will not be dishonored in the hours and days ahead by those who either engage in acts of violence or who fail to act posi-

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tively to insure for every man, woman, and child in this nation, gainful employment, desirable housing, a good education, and—most important of all—treatment with respect and dignity as a human being.”

Abel Deplores Slaying

I. W. Abel, president of the United Steelworkers Union, issued a statement deploring “the senseless slaying . . . and the hate and bigotry behind it.” He said “it represents a national tragedy comparable to the martyrdom that befell President Lincoln and Kennedy.”

Abel said the assassination “shows the world an ugly side of our society and emphasizes the critical need for us to overcome the kind of thinking and emotions that are costing this nation both leadership and stature.”

He pointed out that Dr. King was a friend of the labor movement and had gone on “his fateful mission in Memphis to help achieve the right of free collective bargaining.”

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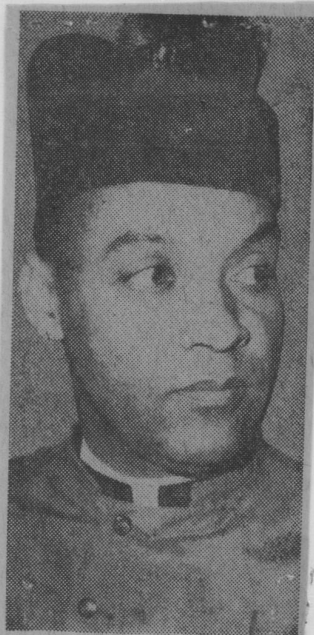
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CANON JUNIUS F. CARTER
"End racism."

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Help Negroes, Whites Urged

The white community here was challenged at a rally today to put its money and hearts where its words are.

At a special meeting to "end white racism," about 600 persons, nearly all white, gathered in a spirit of contrition.

"We betrayed the dream of Martin Luther King," summarized the Rev. Richard Ridenour, one of the organizers of the rally.

He urged his listeners to make an all-out commitment to change the lot of the Negro in American life instead of merely taking part in "hypocritical memorial services".

Rally Packs Church

The rally, which overflowed the 432-seat church, had earlier been scheduled for in front of the City-County Bldg. but had been transferred to the church because of the Mayor's ban on street gatherings.

It was organized by the new Citizens Against White Racism (CAWR).

Community leaders active

in the civil rights movement and campaigns to end the war in Vietnam called for immediate implementation of the recommendations of the President's National Advisory Commission on Civil Disorders.

The Rev. James Gardner, another organizer, told the crowd that sympathy for the King family is not enough. "Where will we be tomorrow?" he challenged. "Now is the time for action, not talk."

'Much To Be Done'

Mrs. Marjorie Matson, local chairman of the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU), said "far, far more must be done" by the City administration and others to aid Negro citizens.

"We don't need any martyrs," she said.

Although the meeting itself was peaceful, it led to some chaos outside the building after it broke up.

Ruth M. Jones, 29, of 227 N. Fairmont St., carrying a sign urging an end to white racism, refused to move along when ordered to do so by police and was taken to No. 1 police station charged with loitering.

Later, hecklers from the meeting angrily questioned Safety Director David W. Craig about the Mayor's ban on picketing and related matters and delayed police cars outside the Public Safety Bldg.

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Stores Close Tonight, Open At Noon Tomorrow

All stores in the Golden Triangle were to close at 6 p.m. today & re-open at the noon hour tomorrow.

Yesterday afternoon, the Golden Triangle Area announced the closing of all stores in the branches of the three major department stores—Simpson, Horne's and Kaufmann's—will be normal tonight, but they

will close at 6 p.m. and re-open at noon tomorrow. The closing is being observed in honor of the late Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

At the same time, the Allegheny County Courthouse will close at 5 p.m. and re-open at noon tomorrow.

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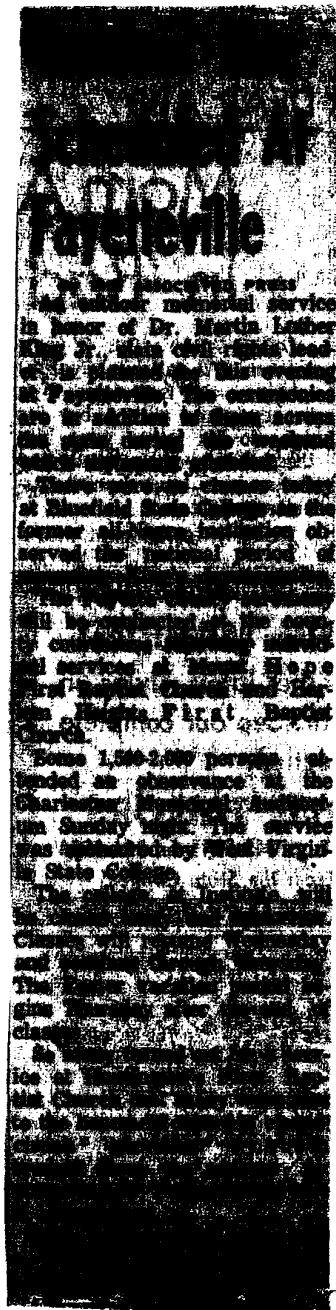
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'City's Jews Urge Justice To Hail King

Jewish leaders in Pittsburgh have urged a "national effort of monumental proportions" to achieve social justice in memory of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

Memorial services for Dr. King will be held at synagogues throughout the City tomorrow.

The United Jewish Federation and the Jewish Community Relations Council said America must do more than mourn, but must use its wealth to provide "freedom, security and education" for everyone.

Officials of the American Jewish Committee asked that "racial sickness" in the nation be cured by passage of the civil rights bill before Congress and adoption of the recommendations of the President's Commission on Civil Disorders.

The Shaare Torah Congregation at 2319 Murray Ave. in Squirrel Hill will meet at 8:30 a. m. tomorrow for services led by Rabbi Bernard A. Poupko.

Rabbi Dr. Walter Jacob will lead the members of Rodef Shalom Temple, 4905 Fifth Ave., in services at 11 a. m. tomorrow.

Interdenominational memorial services will begin at 7:45 p. m. today at the Mt. Lebanon Presbyterian Church on Washington Rd., where Dean James L. Hayes of Duquesne University will speak on the meaning of Dr. King's death.

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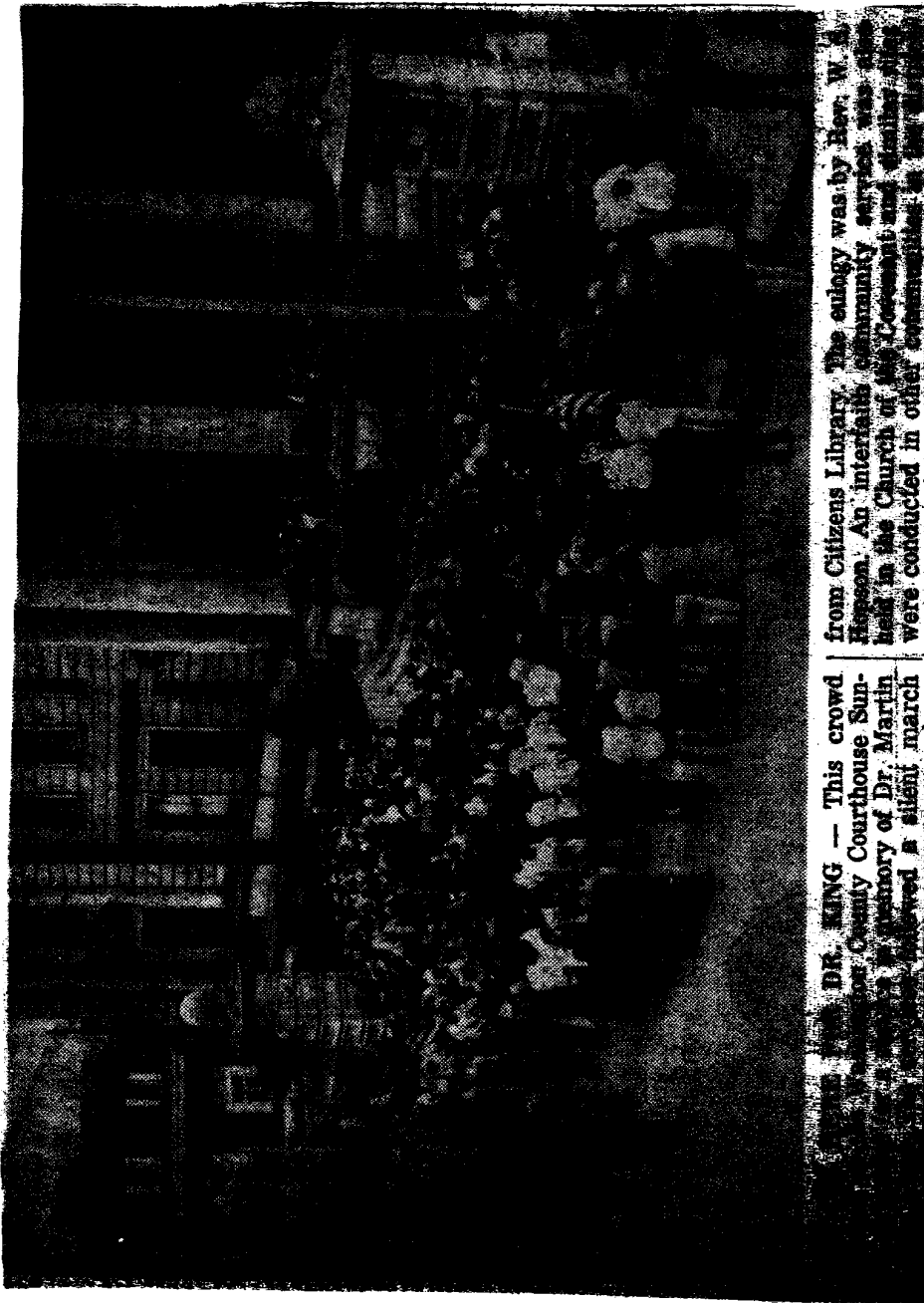
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from Citizens Library. The eulogy was by Rev. W. A. Harrison. An interfaith community service was also held in the Church of the Covenant and another after the service. Eulogies were conducted in other communities in the area.

— This crowd gathered in front of the County Courthouse Sunday morning in memory of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. who was shot in Memphis, Tenn. The crowd followed a silent march.

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Memorial Rites Scheduled Here

An inter-faith community memorial service for Dr. Martin Luther King will be held Sunday at 3:30 p.m. in the Church of the Covenant, East Beau Street.

The worship is planned early enough and will conclude in sufficient time to allow worshippers to attend the memorial service at the courthouse at 4 p.m.

Participating in the service will be Rev. Alfred Cicola, Immaculate Conception Roman Catholic Church; Rev. Richard King, Jefferson Avenue Methodist Church; Rev. Gabriel Leck, Nazareth Baptist Church; Rev. A.C. Young, Fairhill Manor Christian Church and Rev. Wendell E. Hartford, Central Presbyterian Church.

All faiths and denominations of the area are welcome to attend.

A memorial service honoring the memory of the Negro leader is scheduled for Sunday at 4 p.m. on the portico to the entrance to the courthouse. Everyone is welcome to participate in the silent memorial march from

Citizens Library, College Street, which will precede the service.

The march will begin at 3:30 p.m.

Taking part in the courthouse ceremonies will be Dr. Scott McCormick who will offer a prayer in memory of Dr. King.

Rev. William E. Davis will lead a memorial litany. The eulogy address will be delivered by Rev. W. S. Hopson.

Remarks will be given by the County Commissioners and Mayor Charles Mayer. The mayor has already directed that flags on city buildings be flown at half staff in Dr. King's honor.

Other community memorial services in the Washington and Greene County areas will be held in the Greene County Courthouse building at the Courthouse.

United Presbyterian Church at 8:30 p.m., First Presbyterian Church of Claymont at 8:30 p.m., Trinity Presbyterian Church in Pottsville at 8:30 p.m., and First Presbyterian Church in Reading at 8:30 p.m.

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Silent Tribute To King

Supermarket shoppers and members of Amalgamated Food Employees Union Local 590 have been requested by the union to observe a moment of silent prayer at 10:30 a. m. tomorrow in deference to the memory of Dr. Martin Luther King.

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—Press Photo by Edwin Morgan

'HE WAS A LOVING MAN' was one of the tributes paid to the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. by Bishop John J. Wright, center, at a Peace Mass yesterday in St. Paul's Cathedral in Oakland. The annual mass

included memorial prayers for Dr. King by the bishop; Dr. Charles H. Foggie, pastor of Wesley Center A.M.E. Zion Church, left, and the Rev. W. Lee Hicks, executive director of the Council of Churches.

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Smith to Represent County at Funeral

The county commissioners yesterday authorized Henry E. Smith, director of the county Office of Economic Opportunity, to represent the county at services for the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, slain civil rights leader.

Smith, who also is state president of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, left yesterday for Atlanta, where services will be held today.

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City Represented At King Rites

Pittsburgh's official representative at the funeral of the Rev. Martin Luther King in Atlanta, Ga., today was John Gumbert, executive director of the P. S. Conference of Mayors.

Mayor Joseph M. Barr, who is president of the mayors' conference, had intended to attend the funeral personally, but remained here because of the current civil disorders.

Also attending the funeral were Clarence L. Bell, chairman of the Pittsburgh 1968 West Democratic Committee, and Bishop John J. Wright, who delivered a eulogy.

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Bishop Joins Fund Drive

Bishop John A. Wright joined religious leaders of the faith yesterday in sponsoring a major fund-raising drive furthering the work of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

The announcement was made in New York where the bishop was in Atlanta.

The Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Inter-Religious Memorial Fund will be dedicated "to complete his unfinished work—to advance his philosophy of non-violence and to secure for all people the opportunity to live in peace and harmony."

Bishop Wright said he was sure the fund would be a success in its quest for personal involvement of people who had read the announcement.

The memorial fund will support a continuing program of direct action with these organizations led by Dr. King. Bishop Wright said, "because his principles and ideals have given religion a new relevance in these dark hours."

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WORSHIPERS ATTEND SERVICES HERE

'King Was a Man Who Served God'

By THOMAS T. O'NEIL

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"The life of a man is not short or long; the life of a man is what God wills it is to be, and in that lifetime a man must do God's bidding . . . and that was the kind of man Dr. Martin Luther King was—a man who did God's bidding."

These were the words of Father John LaBauve, a priest of the Divine Word Order, as he eulogized Dr. King at an inter-faith service yesterday in St. Brigid's Catholic Church in the heart of the Hill District.

Within sight and sound of the turmoil which has rocked the city since last weekend, Father LaBauve, a Negro, quoted from Lincoln's Gettysburg Address with the prayer that those who have died have not died in vain.

He noted that Lincoln, President Kennedy, and Dr. King all died violent deaths, but "they all died in the example of Christ, who also died violently, this very week.

"They all did all they could in their life for peace and the uplifting of society; we the living must be dedicated to the proposition, by our life and prayers, that they have not died in vain," he said.

Father LaBauve, who is conducting special services this week in St. Richard's Church in the Hill District, was one of ten clergymen of various faiths who spoke in eulogy of Dr. King at the service, held at 10:30 a. m. yesterday in the church.

Worshippers at another Hill District church, Epiphany, also heard words of prayer for Dr. King and his family. The Rev. John Gallagher, C.S.Sp., of Duquesne University, pleaded from the altar that "the accomplishments of his (Mr. King's) goals—justice for all men—be attained peacefully."

At St. Mary of Mercy Church, Downtown, the Rev. John C. McCarren, administrator, spoke of Dr. King and the schizophrenic society which brought about his death.

"Dr. King developed an insight; he saw that society is sick . . . he was a good therapist who knew that one of the treatments is communication and dialogue" which he attempted to do "by bringing the insights of his people" before the rest of society.

Father McCarren noted that a two-fold change must be undertaken by white society—a change of attitude within themselves and to a pluralistic society, and a "cohesive movement" on local and national levels to correct evils of racial hatreds and discrimination.

Most Downtown churches of all faiths joined in a unity service a day earlier in honor of Dr. King, at the First Presbyterian Church.

A special service will be held at 12:30 p. m. today in the First Lutheran Church, 615 Grant St., Downtown. The Rev. John T. Braugher, pastor, will speak on "A Road to Recovery." The service will conclude at 12:50 p. m.

All offices of the Pittsburgh Catholic Diocese were closed today as well as the Pittsburgh Episcopal Diocese and the Methodist Western Pennsylvania Area.

Bishop John J. Wright of the Catholic diocese was in Atlanta yesterday for the funeral service for Dr. King, and special prayers were offered in all the churches of the diocese.

Also attending from Pittsburgh were John Gunther, executive director of the U.S. Conference of Mayors who represented Mayor Barr who was unable to attend because of the disturbances here, and Clarence L. Huff, chairman of the 13th Ward Democratic Committee in Homewood.

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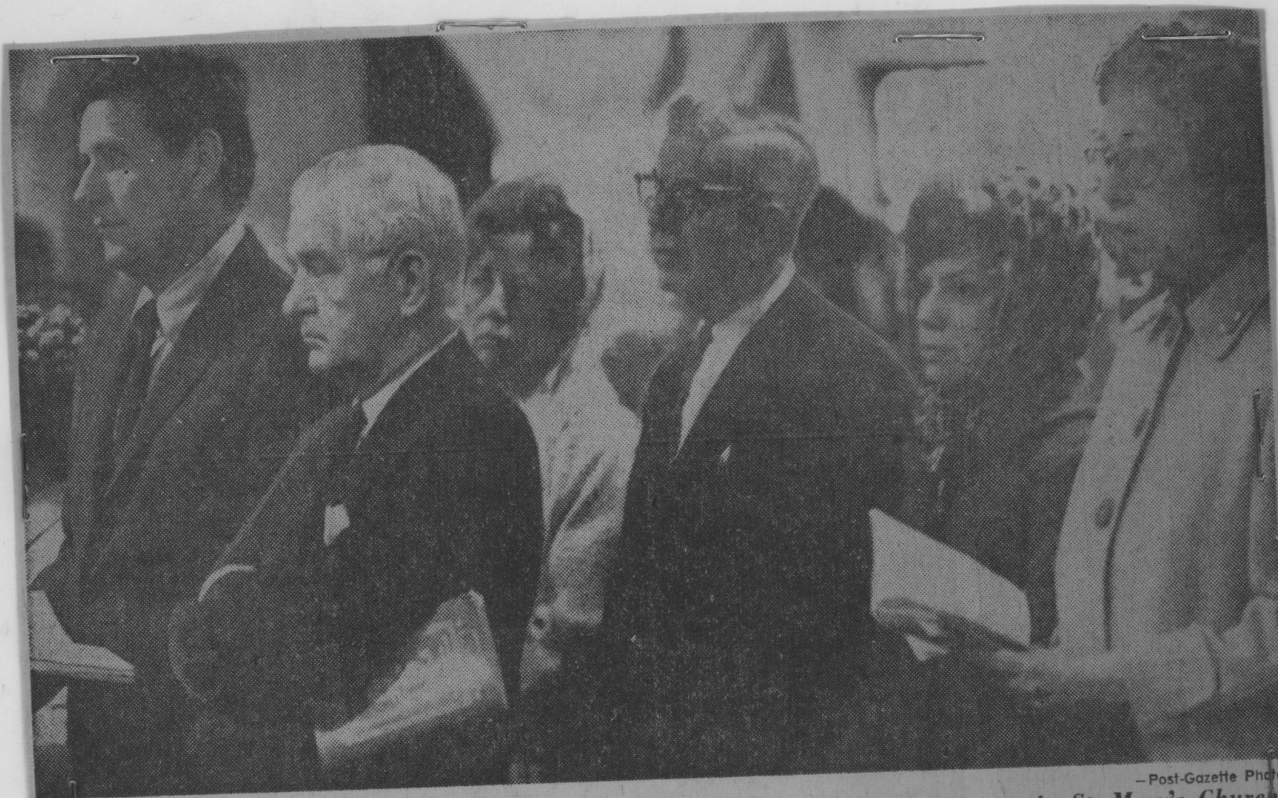
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Councilman Peter Flaherty, left, and Mayor Barr among worshipers at noon mass in St. Mary's Church.

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NAACP March For Dr. King Here

A memorial march for Dr. Martin Luther King was being organized in Pittsburgh.

Attorney Earl Brown, president of the Pittsburgh Chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, said it will begin at 1:30 p. m. Sunday at Freedom Center.

Aviation and Crawford Street, in the Hill District.

The march will move downtown and will come to a temporary halt at the Old Federal Bldg., 411 Grant Street there, said Brown. "We will seek to present petitions to the members of Congress, asking quick action on the Civil Rights program now in Congress."

He said:

"If that legislation had been passed, perhaps Dr. King would be alive. This legislation is designed to protect Dr. King and others in their duties."

Brown said he hopes as many people as possible from this "entire community" should share this memorial with him.

He also said the Pittsburgh chapter was meeting last night in its Downtown headquarters when word of Dr. King's death was learned. Brown said there was shocked grief.

In addition to holding the memorial march, the Pittsburgh NAACP went on request in support of the Peace Campaign which Dr. King planned to hold in Washington, D. C. this spring.

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Meeting Held Here**End Racism Now,
Negro Tells Whites****'Not Advocating Violence, But Want Rights,'
Homewood-Brushton Minister Warns**

The time has come for the white community to take the responsibility for ending racism in the United States, a local Episcopal Negro minister said today at a meeting of leaders representing nearly all civil rights and Negro groups in the City.

Speaking for approximately 15 local leaders, the Rev. Canon Junius F. Carter said at a press conference in his pastorate, the Church of the Holy Cross in Homewood-Brushton:

"America today is faced with a choice of whether to be consumed by white racism or to meet the demands of the black community right here in Pittsburgh."

'Bury White Racism'

Canon Carter said that "at this grievous time in our lives with the senseless murder of Dr. King who symbolized America's hope of salvation, the black people of Pittsburgh and every city in America shall bury white racism."

Before heading for a closed meeting at the Ebenezer Baptist Church in the Hill District, he called upon all black people to unify.

"We did not cause white racism. The whites did, and they must end it," he said.

Canon Junius recalled that "it was not a black man who killed Dr. King or President Kennedy."

Service Planned

He said the black community will conduct a memorial service for Dr. King Downtown at the Point at high noon on the day after the burial of the slain civil rights leader.

"We are not advocating violence, but we want our rights," he said.

Asked if this meant violence, he would say only: "That's how the whites in America got their rights."

Those attending the meeting included State Rep. K. Leroy Irvis; County OEO Director Henry R. Smith Jr.; Chairman Eric Springer of the Mayor's Commission on Human Relations; Eugene Taylor, North Side community worker.

Urban League Director Arthur Edmonds; the Rev. Leroy Patrick, chairman of the Pittsburgh Area Religion and Race Council; Norman Johnson, research director for the Mayor's Commission; Assistant and Executive Director Leon Haley of the Urban League; Algia Gary, Brushton Inter-City Encouragement Project; Wendell Freeland; Nick Flournoy, Religious Agency for Human Renewal; Urban League President Ronald Davenport; Donald Dixon, and Samuel Howze.



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March Honors

as gigantic as the
the late Rev. Dr. Mar-
the late King Jr. would
have been proud of.

It was peaceful — non-vi-
olent as he would have wanted
it.

That's the way it was yes-
terday when hundreds of col-
lege students marched from
the Oakland area universities
Downtown to City Hall.

It was their memorial to the
famous civil rights leader.

And it included a petition
with hundreds of signatures
requesting Mayor Joseph M.
Barr take more action in the
direction that Dr. King wanted
to travel.

While hundreds of students,
both white and black, massed
in the rotunda with the fami-
liar freedom songs and chants,
four of their leaders were
escorted by police to the May-
or's office.

Although the Mayor was out
of the office, his executive
secretary, Burrell Cohen,
readily accepted the petition
from the spokesman, Conrad
Weiser, self-described Luther-
an campus pastor.

The document said in part:
"We feel that it is not
enough to simply mourn the
passing of our great leader.
Rather we ask that concrete
commitments be made that
will enable his noble dream of
mankind to become a reality.

Specifically, we ask that
you the Mayor of Pittsburgh
declare your support for Dr.
King's Poor Peoples Cam-

petition for jobs and freedom.

After asking for a week of
mourning to be declared, the
petition concluded:

"One thing we do not ask;
rather demand.

"We demand that you
soon take action to
combat the forces of
oppression.

of the city. You
must realize that the
crime is not merely one com-
mitted by a sick man, but a
crime committed by a sick,
racist and violent society."

The leaders returned to the
rotunda, there was a moment
of prayer and then they quick-
ly dispersed.

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LINKING HANDS with hundreds of other university students in the rotunda after a memorial march for the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Linda Hall, left, University of Pittsburgh, and Jane Smathers, right, Duke University.

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March Highlights Memorials Here

A memorial march sponsored by the National Assn. for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) will highlight today's memorial observances here for the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

It is scheduled to move Downtown after assembling at 1:30 p. m. at Centre Ave. and Crawford St., Hill District.

Among groups taking part will be the members of the Catholic Inter-Racial Council and the Pittsburgh Junior Chamber of Commerce, which urged the white community here to "stand up and be counted" by joining the marchers.

All Jewish congregations were urged by Dr. Walter Jacob, rabbi of Rodef Shalom Temple and chairman of the Rabbinic Fellowship Council, to observe today as a tribute to Dr. King.

Monday, more than 200 white persons will hold a one-hour "communal gathering" at noon in front of City Hall in honor of Dr. King.

The Rev. W. Lee Hicks, executive director of the Council of Churches, said the rally is to express "the sorrow of the white community and call for responsible dedication on the part of the community to remove the causes that brought about Dr. King's death.

During the rally, members of the ad hoc committee formed for the memorial will kick off a drive to obtain more than 50,000 signatures on petitions demanding local civil rights action.

Committee spokesman William Rodd said the petitions will demand immediate implementation of appropriate

Crime Commission recommendations and other moves.

He said the petitions will ask the City Administration for the abolishment of election of City councilmen at large, more Negroes in high-echelon jobs, a civilian police review board and other changes.

Services Tomorrow

From noon to 12:45 p. m. tomorrow, memorial services for Dr. King will be conducted by the Rev. Kirk A. Hudson in the main sanctuary of the Pleasant Hills Community United Presbyterian Church.

Memorial services will also be conducted at 10:30 a. m. Tuesday at Trinity Episcopal Cathedral, Downtown, and at St. Brigid Church, Centre and Crawford Aves., Uptown.

At a Mass for Peace yesterday in St. Paul's Cathedral, Bishop John J. Wright, head of the Roman Catholic diocese here, said:

"Dr. Martin Luther King was a loving man . . . He burned with indignation at the injustices which are the lot of his people. Hatred was alien to him and he dreamed of the day when white and black would live as brothers."

Two Protestant clergymen, Mr. Hicks and Dr. Charles H. Foggie pastor of Wesley Center A. M. E. Zion Church, also

spoke at the mass which was attended by about 100 persons.

Mr. Hicks read a passage from the Scriptures and Dr. Foggie offered a memorial prayer for the slain civil rights leader.

In his prayer, Dr. Foggie asked that "any threat of polarization between the races," be abolished through a "solvent of love."

The mass, which is held annually for peace, was sponsored by the World Affairs Commission of the Holy Name Society.

City Hall offices will be open Monday, but closed Tuesday, while the regular council meeting has been reset for Wednesday.

Committee meetings of council have been postponed until April 16.

The Mayor, County Commissioners, and other City and County officials will take part in memorial services at 10 a. m. Wednesday in the Courthouse Gold Room.

A scheduled hearing Tuesday into 13th Ward complaints has been postponed until 2:30 p. m. April 16.

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Negroes Absent From Schools

By KENNETH ESKEY

Negro students stayed away from City schools by the thousands today on the eve of the funeral of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

Fewer than 42 per cent of the 29,130 students in the 24 secondary schools reported for classes, with the highest absentee rates at Fifth Ave. High School and Herron Hill Junior High School.

Only one student in six showed up at some Hill District schools, according to figures from the Board of Education.

Meanwhile, suburban districts began joining the City and parochial schools in announcing that all classes will be suspended tomorrow in honor of Dr. King.

Among the City elementary schools hard hit by absenteeism were Weil School, where only 150 of the 987 students reported this morning; McKelvy School, 118 of 675 students reporting; Miller School, 100 of 590 reporting, and Letsche School, 80 of 534 reporting.

A fifth Hill District school, Madison School, reported 204 present in an enrollment of 575.

In the Homewood-Brushton area, Crescent School reported 578 of 920 students present, but Homewood School had only 305 of 630 students present.

On the North Side, only 421 of 1050 students reported to North View Heights School; 323 of 710 to Manchester School; 169 of 593 to Clayton School, and 144 of 496 to Conroy Elementary School.

Burgwin School in the Hazelwood area reported only 301 of 775 students present.

Beltzhoover School had 331 of 860 students present.

Absenteeism also was running high at Thaddeus Stevens School in Elliott, where 558 of 834 students showed up. About

23 per cent of the students at Stevens are Negroes.

The Board of Education announced that all evening programs are suspended during the curfew.

Wilkinsburg will close its schools tomorrow and its night classes tonight and tomorrow. Chartiers Valley schools will be closed tomorrow and tomorrow night.

Penn Hills schools will close tomorrow.

Meanwhile, a number of colleges and organizations have canceled classes and meetings.

Duquesne University has announced that all classes will be suspended starting today until April 16 when classes are scheduled to be resumed after the Easter vacation.

The university administrative offices will be open during this period.

Point Park College also announced that classes have been canceled for the entire week and will resume after the scheduled Easter vacation.

A lecture by Cassius Clay at 2:30 p. m. Wednesday at Point Park College has been canceled.

The University of Pittsburgh, Chatham College and Carnegie-Mellon University will be closed tomorrow between 10 a. m. and 1 p. m. the hours of Dr. King's funeral. All evening classes tonight have been canceled.

The Planned Parenthood Center of Pittsburgh will close all outlying clinics today and tomorrow with only the Downtown and Sewickley offices remaining open.

The 50 member-stores of the Squirrel Hill Merchants Assn. will not open until noon tomorrow.

Robert Morris Junior College will be closed all day tomorrow and has suspended all evening division activity as long as the curfew lasts.

Evening classes for first aid and home nursing at Red Cross headquarters, 303 Smith-

field St., have been cancelled for the week.

City and County offices and courts will be shut down tomorrow, although State and Federal offices will operate as usual.

The Press Club, Sixth Ave. and Wood St., will close its doors at 6:30 each evening throughout the curfew.

County Court will be closed tomorrow and so will the Pittsburgh Housing Authority and its relocation offices.

The College-Business Symposium sponsored by the Pittsburgh Chamber of Commerce tomorrow at the Webster Hall Hotel has been called off.

Because of the curfew, the Intra-City Cardiac Conference at the University of Pittsburgh tomorrow night has been postponed to a later date.

More than 200 doctors were to attend the conference, according to the Western Pennsylvania Heart Assn.

Carnegie Institute and Library, 17 City branches and the City bookmobile will be closed tomorrow.

Carnegie Music Hall has canceled all evening performances during the curfew.

The American Institute of Real Estate Appraisers canceled its April meeting which had been scheduled for Wednesday at the University Club in Oakland.

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