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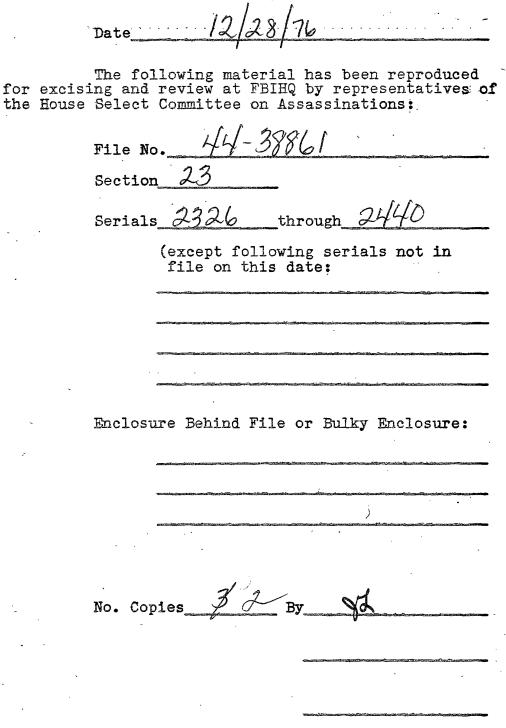
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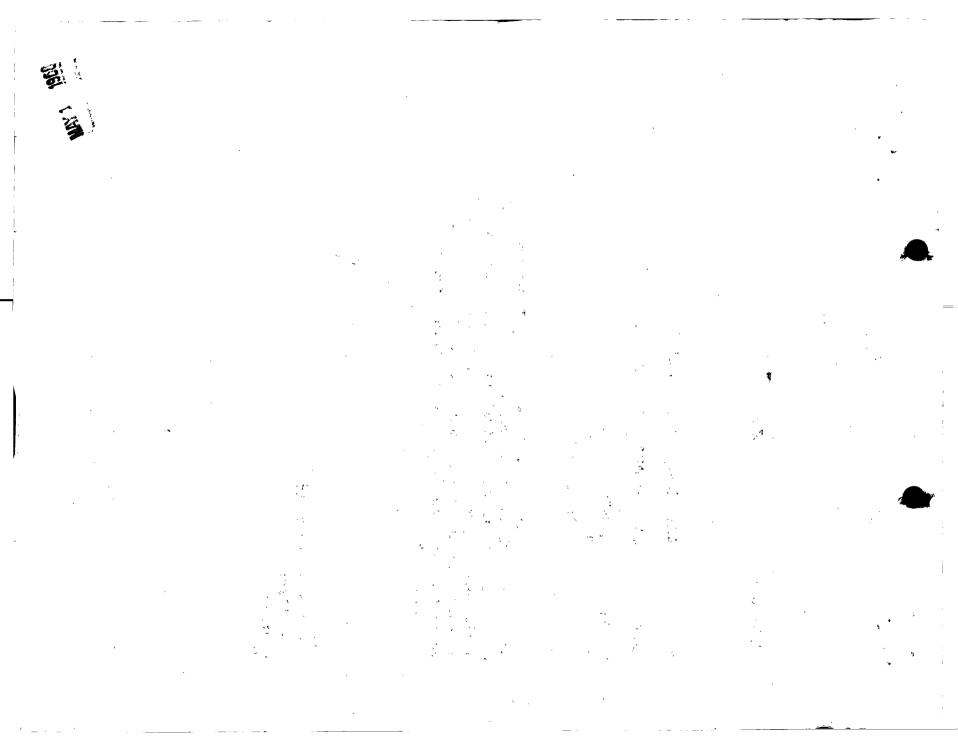
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eace Group Plans March With King

Mrs. Dagmar Wilson, founder takeover, she said, "that is their of the Women Strike for Peace business and their problem." organization, said here Monday her group will assist in Dr. Martin Luther King's poor peo-ple's manches on Washington This spring.

Mrs. Wilson, of Washington, D.C., said this decision was made because the "peace and freedom movements are basically the same thing."

She said women in her organizalion will assist poor people's marchers in obtaining shelter and accommodations during their stays in Weshing

She said words of caution have been sent to Washington police who are prone to ann Themselves during such demon: strations.

Mrs. Wilson said the United States is the aggressor in Vietnem and American troops are in that country in violation of Geneva agreements.

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A way to peace, she offered would be to stop the bombing of North Vietnam and wait for negoliziions so American forces and be fulled out. If this means a Communic

Mrs. Martin Luther King Jr. was scheduled to appear during the press conference but was mable to attend.

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3,000 Poor Predicted for King's Drive

WASHINGTON (UPI) — A planner for Martin Luther King's "poor people's campaign" estimates some 3,000 participants will join in building a city of tents, trailers and shacks in Washington next month and will stay here for "days, morths—or years." **

Tony Henry, District of Columbia coordinator for the demonstration, scheduled to begin April 22, the day Congress reconvenes after the Easter recess, told a news conference that the demonstrators' "city of the Pe'" will be built in sight of the Capitol.

FIE SAID a site had not been selected from several considered, but the structures may be erected on the Mall, which runs from the Washington Monument to the Capitol.

Henry said the demonstrators would seek whatever permits are required, but he evaded questions about what they would do if forbidden to carry out their plans.

A pamphlet published by King's Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), sponsor of the demonstration, said of the campaign:

"We will stay (in Washington) until the government responds, building up the pressure for action by calling for thousands upon thousands of people, rich and poor, to come to Washington or stand up and be counted in demonstrations in their home communities."

BUT HENRY said the participants would be limited to 3,000 in order to keep the demonstration nonviolent.

"We will proceed all the way through to a nonviolent conclusion," he said.

The demonstrators will be limited to the "impoverished" he said, and the number of participants from each region of the country will have to be limited because of the "overwhelming response," he said

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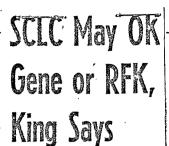
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Another possible confrontation between marchers and police was expected today with Negro leaders saying they would stage another march-this one limited to sidewalks like those held almost daily since the city's sanitation workers struck Feb. 12.

Only police, state trooper and National Guard vehicles moved on the major streets during the night, but the alleys and back streets were alive with youths darting forth to set fires and stone firetrucks.

At midnight, a fire department spokesman said 148 fire alarms had been turned in in the downtown area.

National Guardsmen, riding on the firetrucks, prevented serious interference, however, and firefighters had most of the blazes out in short order.

A more serious threat was a sniping incident when five shots were fired at police officers stationed at the intersection of Beale Street and Hernando Avenue, the day's main trouble spot.

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"You really think white racism caused these riots?" asked Sen. Strom Thurmond, R-S.C., at the Thursday hearing.

"This had a great deal to do with these riots—the feeling of repression by many Negroes who allegedly felt there is a barrier against them," Kerner answered.

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Thurmond said Negro civil rights leaders Stokely Carmichael, H. Rap Brown and Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. "have gone from city to city and in their wake have followed the riots."

Kerner said that would be possible.

"Then why blame the white people?" Thurmond countered

"This attitude has developed over a period of time," said Kerner, who was chairman of the National Advisory Commission on Civil Disorders.

"For many years the Negro has been kept in certain areas and not allowed to move, intentionally or unintentionally because of white people," Kerner added.

Illinois Sens. Everett M. Dirksen and Charles H. Percy, both Republicans, endorsed the President's nomination of the Democratic governor to be a judge on the 7th Circuit Court of Appeals. The Senate will vote on confirmation.

The President was quoted Thursday in a Negro magazine as saying the Kerner commission's report was "the most important report that has been made to me since I've been President" but that remedies it



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Another possible confrontation between marchers and police was expected today with Negro leaders saying they would stage another march—this one limited to sidewalks like those held almost daily since the city's sanitation workers struck Feb. 12.

Only police, state trooper and National Guard vehicles moved on the major streets during the night, but the alleys and back streets were alive with youths darting forth to set fires and stone firetrucks.

At midnight, a fire department spokesman said 148 fire alarms had been turned in in the downtown area.

National Guardsmen, riding on the firetrucks, prevented serious interference, however, and firefighters had most of the blazes out in short order.

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"You really think white racism caused these riots?" asked Sen. Strom Thurmond, R-S.C., at the Thursday hearing.

"This had a great deal to do with these riots—the feeling of repression by many Negroes who allegedly felt there is a barrier against them," Kerner answered.

Thurmond said Negro civil rights leaders Stokely Carmichael, H. Rap Brown and Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. "have gone from city to city and in their wake have followed the riots."

Kerner said that would be possible.

"Then why blame the white people?" Thurmond countered.

"This attitude has developed over a period of time," said Kerner, who was chairman of the National Advisory Commission on Civil Disorders.

"For many years the Negro has been kept in certain areas and not allowed to move, intentionally or unintentionally because of white people," Kerner added.

Illinois Sens. Everett M. Dirksen and Charles H. Percy, both Republicans, endorsed the President's nomination of the Democratic governor to be a judge on the 7th Circuit Court of Appeals. The Senate will vote on confirmation.

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At his news conference, King said his Washington demonstrations will start April 22 with 200 to 300 persons who will talk with congressional leaders. They will be followed later in the week by 3,000 to 4,000 selected demonstrators who will build a shanty-town at some still unchosen site inside the city, he said.

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A demonstration which King led in Memphis last week erupted into riotous looting but he said his Washington demonstrators will be "trained in the technique of nonyiolence."

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