

Negroes Hurl Bricks in Atlanta Violence

Toughs Ignore Leaders, Take to Streets for Third Straight Night of Disturbances

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ATLANTA — Violence erupted here Monday in a Negro district for the third straight night, despite pleas for nonviolence by civil rights leaders.

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Negroes and declared: "Mayor Allen is the top gun in Atlanta."

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Fire Bomb Charge

About 100 persons have been arrested since the beginning of the racial disturbances a week ago.

One of those arrested Sunday night and charged with throwing a fire bomb was identified as Wilson N. Brown, 33, a member of SNCC.

Six members of SNCC have been arrested since Negro violence first erupted in Atlanta last Tuesday when SNCC members protesting the shooting of a Negro auto theft suspect by white policemen, agitated a Negro mob.

In the initial violence in Summerhill, an area of substandard Negro apartment houses, the mob attacked police with rocks, bottles and bricks. Fifteen persons were injured in the rioting.

Tension subsided in the area by the weekend, but Negro violence flared anew on Boulevard, about 2 miles from Summerhill, Saturday night after a white gunman passing in a car killed a 16-year-old Negro boy and seriously wounded another as they stood on a sidewalk.

A police sergeant who went to investigate the shooting was hit in the back of the head by a bullet apparently fired from a group of Negroes. He is in satisfactory condition in an Atlanta hospital.

Soldier Injured

More than 20 injuries have occurred in the Boulevard disorders, but property damage has been relatively light.

Meanwhile, the Army reported a white soldier, Pfc. Jerry Davis, 21, Monroe, Ga., was seriously injured last Tuesday night when hit by one of several bricks thrown by a group of Negroes at his car as he passed Boulevard on U.S. 78.

Davis is in "very serious condition" at a hospital at Ft. McPherson.

Earlier last Tuesday, Negroes rioted at Summerhill, but there was little evidence of racial tension on Boulevard.

Mayor Ivan Allen Jr. met with two groups of Negro leaders Monday and later called the sessions profitable. He said he is trying to establish better communications with the residents of the riot area.

Rioters From Slum

Although the violence has centered on a five-block stretch of Boulevard, many of the rioters live in nearby Buttermilk Bottoms, a Negro slum of abject poverty.

Negro leaders of Atlanta, who generally have agreed with Mayor Allen's handling of racial matters, Monday declared they are opposed to plans to stage protest demonstrations in Atlanta.

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At an earlier meeting another King aide, the Rev. Andrew Young, executive director of SCLC, had urged that Negroes mount nonviolent demonstrations to protest racial injustices in Atlanta.

"It's bad enough that we've got crazy, mixed-up cops in Atlanta," he said, "but if we had a Mayor Yorty or a Mayor Daley we would be that much worse off."

Willie Ricks, one of SNCC's fiery agitators, told the audience Allen is responsible for killing



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