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APRIL 1, 1968 (Monday) continued

Threats against the Memphis Police came in from a number of sources between 3/30/68 and 4/1/68. And on one occasion, U. S. Civil Rights Commission worker, ROSETTA MILLER, who had been participating in the Demonstrations since the start of the Sanitation Strike told Detective E. E. REDDITT, of the Memphis Police Department that they were going to get him, and if she had a gun herself, she would shoot him herself. This remark was made no doubt, because it was known that Detective E. E. REDDITT was returning information from the meetings he attended to the Memphis Police Department. 313)

On April 1, 1968 LARRY PAYNE, a male negro teenager, who had been shot during the riots, after he had been found looting, and pulled a knife on a Police Officer, was laying in state at Clayborn Temple. 314)

APRIL 2, 1968 (Tuesday)

The Press Scimitar of 4/2/68 in a story captioned: MEMPHIS HAS QUIET NIGHT, quotes Asst. Chief Bill Price as reporting that activity during the night of April 1, 1968 had been no greater than usual. 315)

The Commercial Appeal carried a story under the caption: KUYKENDALL ACCUSES KING OF SPARKING MEMPHIS CLASH, in which it is reported that Tennessee Congressman, Dan Kuykendall, on the House Floor in Washington publicly accused DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. of agitating destruction and hatred in Memphis. 316)

In another story in the Commercial Appeal under the caption: CITY STUDIES COUNTER STEPS TO THREAT OF MASS MARCH, it was reported that Mayor HENRY LOEB was studying what legal steps could be taken to prevent another mass march, and among the remedies considered were: Court Injunctions against Leaders; Resumption of the Curfew; and the Placing of Leaders under Peace and Financial Responsibility Bonds. This was the result of the meeting called by the Director of Fire and Police, Mr. Frank C. Holloman, at Police Headquarters on April 1, 1968 which was attended by Law Enforcement Officials and Civic Leaders as well. 317)

In a story in the Press Scimitar of 4/2/68 under the caption: COUNCIL TAKING NEW STRIKE ROLE, it was reported that the City Council was calling for a resumption of the mediation talks with the Garbage Strikers. 318)