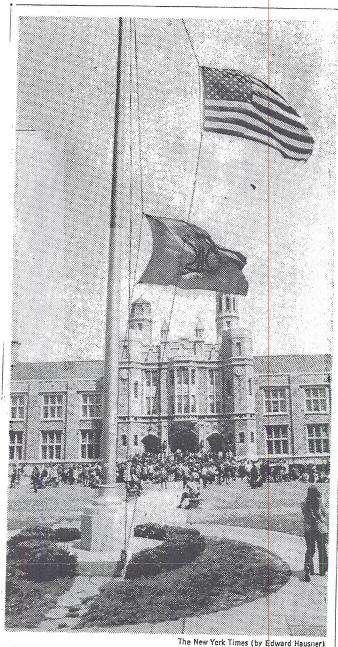
13 Rifles Are Brought to Kent State Police

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Office as F.B.I. Agents Study Shootings



The New York Times (by Edward Hausner)
BRONX STUDENT RALLY: Flags fly at half-staff over
student rally on the Bronx campus of Hunter College.

Role of Guns Undefined; Campus Remains Quiet

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Special to The New York Times

KENT, Ohio, May 6 - Thir- force numbered 100 men and the campus police office at lieutenants, captains, and a Kent State University today as major. agents of the Federal Bureau of investigation looked into the the officials say, because they deaths of four students in a feared for their lives at the wolley of National Guard rifle hands of the students. The on Monday. But James Minard,

tags tied to their barrels, were had served two years in the brought in a jeep to the com-Army and was 10 to 15 feet mand post in Merrill Hall this from the troops, afternoon. Guardsmen assigned that, just before the volley beto the task refused to say any- gan, he saw a slim officer in a

thing about the rifles.

quiet again today. Off-duty downward in an arc, as if givguardsmen wandered about the ing a firing command. grounds and toured the hill by Brig. Gen. Robert Canter-Taylor Hall where shortly after bury, the National Guardo ffi-noon on Monday a Guard unit Cer in command at Kent State, opened fire on a crowed of has told newsmen that his men killing wounding at least eight.

Three students remained in the intensive care unit of Robertson Memorial Hospital. Two were in fair condition and cease-fire because, one was listed as "guarded." shooting took place the rioters One was paralyzed from the started to disperse." The

in the spine.

200 Troops to Stay

the campus today and others victims, linking arms to keep were to be released tomorrow people back, while some tried evening. Two hundred guards-to apply first aid and others men will remain on duty until ran to call ambulances. Civilian Friday.

It was still uncertain when the university would reopen. his men withdrew over the hill It was closed shortly after the and did not return because the shootings occurred. Some ad-students "were gathered in cirvisers were urging the univer-cles" around those who were sity's president, Robert I. wounded. White, to keep the school Asked

a sense of rage and frustra- of warning shots in most of the tion at the expansion of the police departments." He said Vietnam war into Cambodia. he felt that a number of his The unrest exploded last Frimen had "shot to wound." day night, when students began smashing windows. The next night they burned down the Army Reserve Officers Training Corps building.

Fired Without Orders

One of the few students still in town was asked this afternoon if he would again throw rocks at guardsmen.

"If that's all I had, I would," he said. "I wasn't very political before. Now I'm more dedi-

cated."

Ohio National Guard officials have refused to identify the unit for his information, which he involved in the shootings or its relayed to the Senate in a commander. They said that the statement.

teen M-I rifles were brought to was accompanied by several

They fired without orders,

The 13 rifles, tan cardboard year-old drama student, who soft, baseball-style hat bring a The Kent State campus was black military police nightstick

> four and were in danger of being "overrun," adding, "The nearest riot-

"when the waist down by a bullet wound guardsmen moved downhill after the shooting, and no guardsmen or policemen came to the aid of the wounded students. About 400 guardsmen left Students gathered aroundt he ambulances responded.

General Canterbury said that

Asked why the guardsmen closed for the rest of the term. did not fire warning shots, the Students here say that the general said that "there is some disorders were touched off by question about the advisability question about the advisability

Senator Young's Account

WASHINGTON, May 6 (UPI) -Senator Stephen M. Young of Ohio said today that the first shot at Kent State was fired accidentally by a National Guardsman who was hit by a tear gas canister thrown back by a student.
"There was no sniper," he

said. The guardsmen, he added, "just lost their heads."

Mr. Young gave no source