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Kent Guardsman Reportedly Known

Washington

The Justice Department has been told that several Kent State University students can identify the National Guardsman who fired the first shot in the 1970 campus shootings, a knowledgeable congressional source said yesterday.

House committee investigators have turned over to the department reports of interviews with some 48 individuals who witnessed various parts of the incident, including those who say they can identify the Guardsman, the source reported.

The material also included film showing free-lance photographer Terrence B. Norman handing a pistol to a campus policeman and another film showing the group of Guardsmen firing upon the students.

MOVIE

The latter is believed to be the only existing movie film to show the actual shootings.

Assistant Attorney General J. Stanley Pottinger confirmed, through a spokesman, that the Justice Department's civil rights division has received documents

and film from the House Judiciary submcommittee, headed by Representative Don Edwards (Dem-Cal.)

The committee source said Justice Department officials indicated to him that a team of government lawyers will go to the Ohio campus within a week to pursue the revived federal investigation.

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The committee source said the material delivered to the Justice Department is a collection of data gathered in a months-long staff investigation of the shooting itself and the reasons former Attorney General John N. Mitchell dropped the case two years ago without sending it to a federal grand jury.

Discussing the committee interviews, the source said, "we talked with a number of students and different individuals who agreed a given individual within the guard line did fire the first shot."

PHOTOS

He said that several persons identified the man from photographs though they did not know his name.

The source said committee investigators believe

Demos Announce A Fund-Raiser On Network TV

Sacramento

State Democratic chairman John Burton announced yesterday that a seven-hour nationally televised fundraising effort would be held September 15 to benefit the Democratic party.

Appearing at news conferences in Sacramento, San Francisco and Los Angeles, Burton said the fund-raising effort was designed "to put the power of political financing where it belongs — in the hands of the American public."

The telethon will be broadcast from 4 to 11 p.m. over the National Broadcasting Co. network.

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they have determined his identity, but made no effort to interview him "because we felt that was something for the Justice Department to do."

Throughout the initial probe into the incident, which left four students dead and nine others wounded, the questions of who fired the first shot and why have remained unresolved.

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