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Racial Tension Mounts In Birmingham After Four Killed In Church Bombing



FIREMEN, AMBULANCE ATTENDANTS BRING COVERED BODY OF VICTIM OUT OF CHURCH
Policeman Armed With Shotgun Stands Guard Behind Rope Stretched To Cordon Off Building



POLICE TRY TO DISPERSE CROWD OF FRIGHTENED, ANGRY NEGROES
Front Of 16th Street Baptist Church, Scene Of Tragedy, Shown In Rear

Shootings On Streets Fatal To 2

By DON MCKEE

BIRMINGHAM (AP)—Four Negro girls were blasted to death Sunday and 23 persons injured in the daylight bombing of a church, setting off more violence.

Within hours after the dynamite explosion shattered an already shaky racial calm, two Negroes were killed in shootings and three other persons were wounded.

Police said two white youths fatally shot a 13-year-old Negro boy shortly after policemen shot to death a 16-year-old Negro. Officers said the older boy was killed as they fired over his head when they saw him throwing rocks at cars.

In another shooting, a white man was wounded by a Negro, police said. Another white man was wounded in a robbery attempt by a Negro.

Rock-throwing by Negroes was reported in many areas of the city.

Leaders of the 125,000 Negroes pleaded against retaliation for the bombing which brought a climax of horror to the city's first week of school desegregation.

The bombing, which fanned racial fires to new heat, came during Sunday school. The lesson was "The Love That Forgives."

TRAGIC EVENT

Heavy police patrols roved the city. They sealed off the bomb-shattered church.

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Leaders Call Death Blasts Horrific

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First Food Given To Fischer Quints

ABERDEEN, S.D. (AP)—The Fischer quintuplets got their first feeding Sunday, a tiny amount of glucose and water through a tube, and continued in good health well into their second day of life.

"They are unusually healthy for premature babies," said Dr. James Berber, 40, who delivered them early Saturday.

The quint, born to Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Fischer, may get their first taste of regular baby formula Monday, the doctor said. The babies, pink and wiggly, spent a good night and "are getting along fine," the doctor said.

The four girls and a boy appeared to have an increasing chance of being the first quintuplets in United States history to survive infancy.

There has been no sign of respiratory ailment, said Berber. This is one of the first signs of trouble in many premature infants. The quint was born about two months prematurely.

Mrs. Fischer, 30, spent a restless night and walked about her room Sunday morning, the doctor said. Her 35-year-old husband—haggard and weary Saturday—also rested by going into seclusion at the hospital for part of the night before going home.

GETS FIRST LOOK
The babies' early feedings are being done through tiny tubes into their stomachs.

"Three extra nurses have been added to each shift at St. Luke's Hospital to care for the infants," Fischer, weary with questions, said he had hired a law firm to guard his interests.

Mrs. Fischer got her first look at the babies Saturday night through the nursery window. She rode a wheelchair from her own room to the glassed-in nursery section where the babies are kept in isolettes—individual chambers in which temperature, humidity and oxygen are controlled.

Under the usual hospital routine for premature babies, the quint will remain in their isolettes for the most part until they weigh five pounds. This may take as long as two months.

Fischer, a husky, smiling man with crewcut hair, said he isn't terribly worried about supporting the family on his \$80 a week salary.

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FIRST PORTRAITS FROM QUINTUPLETS
Top, Baby 'A'; A Girl; Bottom, 'D'; Only Boy



ALABAMA HIGHWAY PATROLMEN GATHER OUTSIDE OF BIRMINGHAM CITY HALL
Part Of Massive Force Moved Into Magic City Following Sunday Bombing Of Negro Church

Reports Of Death And Violence Come BIRMINGHAM CITY OF TAUT NERVES, TRAGEDY, WEEPING

By ARTHUR OSGOOD
Advertiser Staff Writer
BIRMINGHAM — All Birmingham waited with taut nerves Sunday night for a possible major eruption of racial violence.

City police and state Troopers covered the city in an all-out effort to hold the lid tight. Streets were almost deserted as citizens heeded Mayor Albert Boutwell's plea, "Please stay home tonight."

But at police headquarters reports of death and violence kept coming in late into the night.

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Hall, a police wagon stopped to pick up a Negro who was obviously drunk. He yelled wildly inside the wagon.

A clump of white men converged on the wagon until warned back by police.

"I wish I could have gotten hold of him," muttered a young white man as the wagon pulled off.

But inside the adjacent bus station whites and Negroes sat quietly side by side.

Across the street an elderly white man was commenting to a friend, "It's helluva come-off when they start bombing churches and killing innocent people."

Inside City Hall, before

Shock, Disbelief And Tears
Mayor Boutwell's Reaction

BIRMINGHAM (AP)—Mayor Albert Boutwell expressed shock and disbelief Sunday night over the deadly church bombing which killed four Negro girls attending Sunday school.

"I never could conceive that anyone existed with such universal malice," the distraught mayor said.

"I don't want to speculate about the future," Boutwell said. "But I fear that the situation will become worse."

Tiredly gripping an orange

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which stood scores of helmeted State Troopers, a weary Albert Boutwell commented to newsmen in a masterpiece of understatement:

"There is considerable excitement in our city."

He retired with other city officials to draw up an appeal for law and order. The phone rang.

"I don't care who you vote for," the mayor's secretary, Mrs. Nell Hayes, told a caller and hung up.

"This has been a sad day," she told a reporter. "It's been a sad day for me. It's been a sad day for the city."

A moment later a man came to Mrs. Hayes' side.

upholstered chair in his office, the mayor told of how he had a premonition Sunday morning when he heard a siren.

"I was with a friend," he said. "It had just told him I shouldn't be here. I need to be in touch with City Hall at all times."

"A few minutes later I heard a siren. I don't know whether it was a premonition, but I telephoned City Hall."

"They told me what had happened and I came straight to the office," he said. "I thought we would need some additional help because we anticipate a great deal of unrest in our city."

Wallace told Boutwell, "We are ready to send you all we've got."

By late afternoon 150 state troopers had arrived.

Police Chief Jamie Moore ap

"Don't take any calls from any more nuts," he told her. A few feet away on a table lay a pile of pamphlets.

"It's great living in Birmingham, Ala.," the pamphlets proclaimed.

A few blocks away from City Hall was the ravaged church where a bomb had killed four Negro children Sunday morning.

Officers guarded each end of the glass-shattered street.

"Nobody's going through here," a policeman told a young Negro who insistently sought to pass by.

And another officer told an Advertiser photographer, "I just don't want my picture taken."

He didn't mean to be disagreeable, he explained. He was just nervous.

Policemen near by worried that Negroes might call City Hall for their home addresses and retaliate on their families.

On "Dynamite Hill," the porch lights were all burning brightly. Dark faces could be seen peering from several windows.

Two troopers lounged in the darkness of a small tree before one house in apparent expectation of new trouble.

On almost every block it seemed a patrol car cruised, guns bristling from windows.

There would be only faint sleep for Birmingham and dawn would see the schools open again. And the threat of still more violence.

Congressman Gavin Dies Of Hemorrhage

WASHINGTON (AP)—Rep. Leon H. Gavin, R-Pa., a member of Congress for 21 years, died of a cerebral hemorrhage in his apartment here Sunday night.

Gavin, 70, of Oil City, Pa., was stricken after returning from dinner with his wife, Susan, his family physician was summoned and was with him when he died about 30 minutes after the attack.

NEWS MEDIA BLAMED
Donald A. Hallmark, head of the Montgomery White Citizens Council, placed the blame for Sunday's tragedy on news media which, he says, has led people of Alabama to believe they have no alternative but to integrate their children.

"I think it is horrible, absolutely horrible," Hallmark said. "There is nothing that can be settled in this manner. If this was done by those who support segregation they should learn the action of this type will strengthen racial integration agitators and play into the hands of those who would instigate class warfare in every community of the United States."

ACCUSES NEGROES
"This could very well be the work of white or Negro communists or Black Muslims," Hallmark added. "...It's too bad the Birmingham problem couldn't have been solved as it was in Tuskegee and I think it would have been solved as it was in Tuskegee if the people hadn't been so badly misled."

State Sen. Walter Givhan, former president of Alabama's White Citizens Council, said he felt the bombing was done by Negroes.

"I think it was done strictly by a Negro in an attempt to further their cause. I do not think whites (See REACTION, Page 2)

Both fires erupted in residential areas housing Negroes, but officials made no connection between the blasts and a church bombing in which four Negro children were killed Sunday.

A broom factory was ablaze with five regular fire companies and a truck company at the scene. It burned out of control for long after they were called. The area, on the southside, was sealed off.

In the northwest section, a police company caught a fire even as firemen fought the other blaze. Officials said a gasoline station in the area was threatened.

States Rights Party Boss Threatened, Family Moves

BIRMINGHAM — Dr. Edward Fields, education director of the National States Rights Party, sent a threatening letter Sunday to his wife and children out of town.

Fields said: "This is the most horrible thing that could have happened at this time," he added, "it remains to be seen what effect it will have on our boy's movement and the establishment of private schools."

"I hope they catch the culprit as soon as possible so things will return to normal. We have called a mass rally scheduled for tonight (Sunday) and, for the moment, cancelled all other meetings in connection with the boy's case," he said.

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