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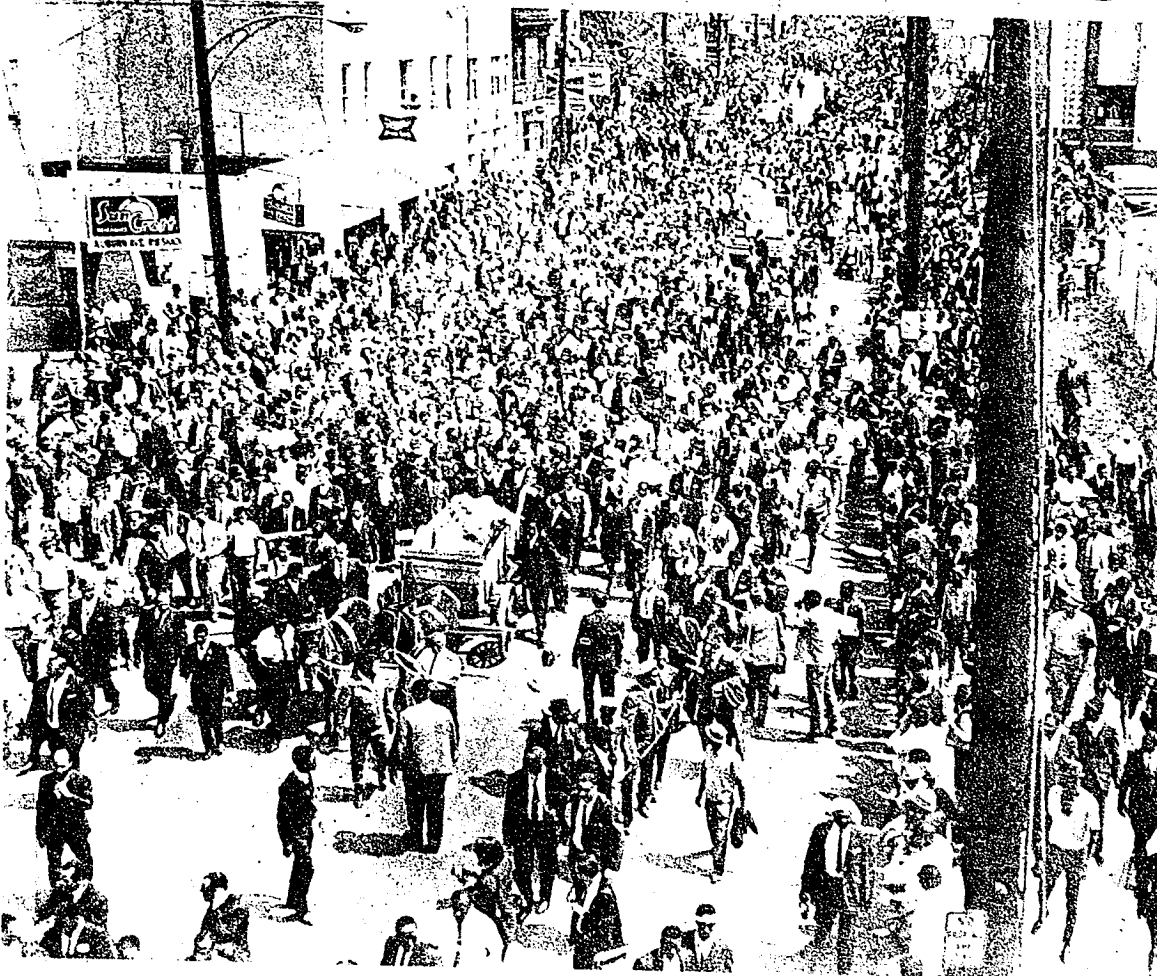
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Dr. King's Funeral Nation's Largest

ATLANTA, GA.--Dr.

Martin Luther King, Jr., was entombed temporarily in a mausoleum in South View Cemetery last Tuesday, pending the family's decision of his last resting place in the red soil of his native Georgia.

ATLANTA--The nation has seen nothing like it in all history. Perhaps the funeral of the late John F. Kennedy may have equated it, but certainly no private citizen black or white has ever, or will ever approach it, either in terms of number or in ferrent grief.

The funeral cortege reached the cemetery after five and a half hours of the most spectacular funeral ever accorded an American citizen.

The funeral and procession included drama, pathos and solemnity. Thousands of weeping mourners an spectators crowded both funeral services. Both were attended by outstanding people from all over the world. Vice-President Hubert H. Humphrey headed the official Washington delegation. Gov. Nelson Rockefeller, whose family's donations help build many buildings on the college quadrangle, headed the state officials.

His widow, staid, serene and majestic, flanked by her four children, bore the funeral ordeal with calm and courage, walking the four miles from her late husband's Ebenezer Baptist Church to Morehouse College grounds.

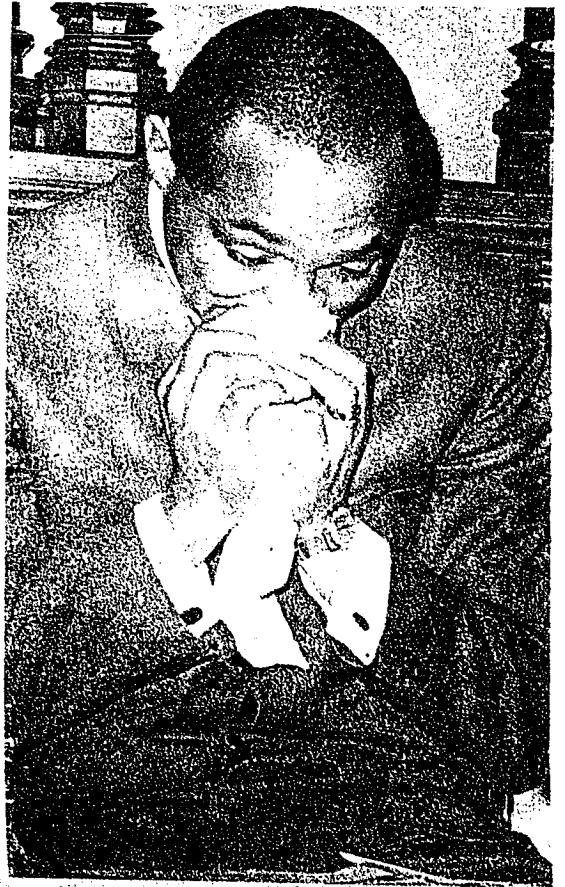
In the modest taste of Dr. King, his coffin and last remains were borne through the streets of Atlanta in a common farm wagon drawn by two mules. Atop the casket, was a cross of white flowers.

150,000 people preceded and followed the funeral procession from the first services at Ebenezer Baptist Church to Morehouse College services and thence to South View Cemetery.

Negro and white, poor and rich, mingled in a rainbow of

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STOKES WEPT--Mayor Carl B. Stokes wept almost continuously during memorial services Friday in Old Stone Church, repeatedly wiped his eyes as he paid tribute to Dr. Martin Luther King. (Staff photo by Bob Williams)

STOKES WORKS AROUND CLOCK FOR PEACE IN CITY

By WOODY L. TAYLOR

This writer spent a good half hour with Mayor Carl B. Stokes on the eve of his departure for Atlanta Monday night.

"I'm tired, but I can't stop now because there is too much at stake to let things get out of hand."

"I'm proud of Cleveland, I'm proud of the youth of Cleveland. I thank God we have spared the trouble that has occurred in many localities as an aftermath of Dr. Martin Luther King's death," he said.

Mayor Stokes said he would

come back immediately after the funeral so that he can be here during this time of crisis over the land.

"My presence may not amount to much if trouble should erupt here but in case it does it is my burden and I want to be on the scene to accept my responsibility of leadership and direct the forces. I don't anticipate any trouble but who knows during these trying times."

The mayor revealed that he

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Father-Baby Slain; Neighbors Won't Talk

Police believe several neighbors saw the fatal shooting of a 20-year-old father and his 15-month-old baby on the sidewalk near 2383 Unwin Rd. Monday night.

Police said six young hoodlums converged upon Lee Seales Jr., his wife, Yvonne, 20, and their 15-month-old baby, Tracy, as they got out of their car to go to the home of Seales' parents, at 2383 Unwin Rd.

"They accused Seales of being involved in the shooting of their buddy last Saturday, but actually, it was the father involved in that shooting, not the son; and the father was exonerated after police investigations," homicide detectives reported to the Call & Post.

Police said young Seales and the baby were shot and fatally

wounded in the blast of gunfire that knocked them to the sidewalk between 2347 and 2349 Unwin Rd. where they had parked their car.

"It is impossible that nobody saw or knows any of the six neighborhood punks who did this awful shooting of an innocent man and his baby," said police.

Deputy County Coroner Lester Adelston told the Call & Post the baby was slain with a single bullet which lodged in his head.

"The young father received several gunshot wounds in his body, one of which went clean through. Even as a coroner I am moved by these horrible, senseless killings," said the Deputy Coroner.

The shootings occurred at 10:30 p.m. Monday evening. Father and infant son were both pronounced dead on arrival at Charity Hospital.

THE BUDDY referred to by the gang of hoodlums involved in the shooting was another young man identified by police as William L. McCargo, 20, of 5511 Dibble Ave.

McCargo was shot four times in an altercation with young Seales' father, Lee Seales Sr., of the Unwin Rd. address, after the elder Seales reported the theft of a battery from his car.

During his own investigations, the elder Seales checked out the auto of McCargo, only

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RUMOR MILLION DOLLAR POLICY ON KING'S LIFE

ATLANTA--How heavily was the life of Dr. Martin Luther King insured. Speculation here ranges from "normal protection" to upwards of \$1 million.

Reliable sources close to the King family and with the Southern Christian Leadership Conference which the slain leader headed, indicated that under the urging of Singer Harry Belafonte, a group had underwritten the premium payments on a million dollar policy, the bulk of which would be accepted by the famed Lloyd's of London, and the balance accepted by American based insurance companies, including the Atlanta Life Insurance Company in Dr. King's hometown.

I talked at length with Charles Greene, a longtime friend and Public Relations Director of the Atlanta-based firm in his offices here Monday morning, seeking to confirm the existence of the rumored policy.

Greene assured me that there was a strong possibility that the group under Belafonte might have succeeded in securing at least a half-million dollar coverage on the life of Dr. King, but Atlanta Life, when approached to underwrite a fourth of the projected million, had turned down the request on the advice

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A FARM WAGON drawn by two mules bore the casket of the fallen civil rights leader at head of a procession of marchers who trekked the 4-mile long march from Ebenezer Baptist Church, through downtown Atlanta, and on to the campus of Morehouse College, where some 10,000 marchers were joined by an estimate 40,000 others for the impressive public memorial rights for Dr. Martin Luther King. Pallbearers, riding the wagon, in work clothing were top SCLC aides, some of them well-known to Clevelanders from their work her last summer in voter registration and peace-keeping efforts.

CALL & POST photo Charles Loeb

Loeb Covers Dr. King's Last March



CHARLES H. LOEB

Stellar journalist Charles H. Loeb was in Atlanta, Georgia, this week to give CALL & POST readers firsthand reports of Dr. Martin Luther King's funeral services. The CALL & POST has always

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LEE SEALES



TRACY SEALES

Mrs. King Felt 'Compulsion' To Lead March In Memphis

By CHAS. H. LOEB

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The Call-Post

ATLANTA, Ga. - Wan and showing the effects of the continuing strain of retaining her dignity and composure throughout a Sunday on which hundreds had called at the spacious, but modest King home. Gracious Mrs. Coretta King granted our correspondent a brief bedside interview.

After recalling the hectic days of the Montgomery boycott, when Al Sweeney and I sat on the King front porch and discussed the bombing of his home and, weighed the pos-

sibility of a repeat performance, I asked just one question: "Why must you go."

Her answer, quiet and without hesitation, she said: "I felt that it is something he would have wanted me to do."

We were referring, of course to Mrs. King's decision to go from Atlanta to Memphis, the scene of her husband's assassination to lead the march in behalf of the garbage workers which was left uncompleted by his death by a sniper's bullet. And go she did and, wrote another chapter in the moun-

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"BURN BABY BURN" -- Was the chant of teenagers and adult alike who witnessed the firebombing of the Lomark Drug Store on the corner of Rockdale and Reading Road the scene of the outbreak. The youth roamed about in front of the fire yelling and cheering the flames on. Damage was set at about \$50,000. Lomark Drugs was also burned in last summer's rioting. Tenants, all Negro were forced to evacuate the building which was completely demolished. No arrests were made pertaining to the fire.



IN TRIBUTE -- Memphis, Tenn. -- Mrs. Martin Luther King, Jr., and the Rev. Ralph Abernathy, successor to the slain civil rights leader as head of his SCLC, lead a mass memorial march April 8. Also in front row

are King's sons, Martin III (L) and Dexter, and the Rev. Andrew Young (R), another King aide. (UPI Telephoto tv1/stt)