King / Civil Rights / Alabama

Creator: NBC

John Hart Kenley Jones

Is Part Of: NBC Evening News for Friday, 05, 1975

Description: (Studio) Family of Dr. Martin Luther King Junior wants independent study of his death. King's father says murder was conspiracy. Kings in Alabama for 20th anniversary of event that started civil rights movement. REPORTER: John Hart (Montgomery, Alabama) Mrs. Rosa Parks refused to give up her seat on bus to white and was arrested for violating segregation laws. Blacks boycott buses, under leadership of King, until law changed. Bus drivers now on strike here; 1/2 drivers are black. Changes that have occurred due to civil rights movement noted. Blacks still last hired and 1st fired. 20th anniversary of bus boycott observed. Coretta KING - says unemployment is most critical problem now. REPORTER: Kenley Jones Broadcast Type: Evening News Segment Type: News segment

Publisher: Vanderbilt Television News Archive

Language: English

Creation Date: 1975-12-05

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Source: TV-NEWS

Hospital Strike / Maj. Protest

Creator: CBS

Walter Cronkite Foster Davis

Is Part Of: CBS Evening News for Tuesday, 06, 1969

Description: (Studio) Southern Christian Leadership Conference head, Dr. Ralph Abernathy, promotes Mother's Day March for 1000's of poor. REPORTER: Walter Cronkite (Charleston, SC) Labor dispute becomes major civil rights campaign of 1969. Mrs. Martin Luther King, Junior, spoke and marched.
Abernathy and 100's arrested. Southern Christian Leadership Conference Reverend Andrew YOUNG - says taking Poor Peoples' Campaign back to local levels. May fight it out, town by town. Striking hospital workers want union to bargain for them. Governor Robert McNAIR - says state can't be run if turned over to different units. Striker Mary MOULTRIE - says McNair pays $8,000 per day to suppress workers and economy community just to preserve his right to pay starvation wages. Curfew and state of emergency won't stop effort. Mayor Palmer GILARD - intends to contain situation. Strike improves Southern Christian Leadership Conference fortunes. REPORTER: Foster Davis Broadcast Type: Evening News Segment Type: News segment

Publisher: Vanderbilt Television News Archive

Language: English

Creation Date: 1969-05-06

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Source: TV-NEWS

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**Kent State Trial**

Creator: NBC

John Chancellor Jack Paxton

Is Part Of: NBC Evening News for Wednesday, 30, 1974

Description: (Studio) 8 ex-Ohio National Guardsmen on trial accused of violating civil rights of 13 Kent State students who were killed or wounded in 1970 antiwar protest. REPORTER: John Chancellor (Kent, Ohio) Jury and members of Guard revisit scene of incident. May 4, 1970, film of event shown. Studying, partying and football replace pols. here. Federal marshal explains events to jury. Defense says guards fired because they were scared of protesters. Jury must decide with regard to justification, if any, for shooting. REPORTER: Jack Paxton Broadcast Type: Evening News Segment Type: News segment

Publisher: Vanderbilt Television News Archive

Language: English
Detroit Police / Last Hired, First Fired Policy / Minorities Bring Suit

Creator: CBS

Walter Cronkite Randy Daniels

Is Part Of: CBS Evening News for Friday, 09, 1975

Description: (Studio) Last hired, 1st fired policy of many unions causing conflicts because minorities usually on "last hired" list. Last week, some of Detroit's women police and some black police file separate lawsuits protesting layoffs; claim seniority system discriminates against them. Federal judge rules minorities can be laid off by seniority system unless they're part of special federally funded program; decision to be appealed. REPORTER: Walter Cronkite (Detroit, Michigan) More than 500 policemen, mostly white, picket to protest planned layoffs and injunctions excluding some blacks and women from cutback. During picketing, scuffle between white demonstrators and black policeman occurs. President Detroit police officers association Ron SEXTON - stands behind seniority system. Attorney James ANDARY - says seniority system locks in racist program; system contrary to Const. and civil rights. Mayor's press secretary Bob PISOR - says if seniority system for layoffs overruled, city must go ahead with planned layoffs; white workers to be affected mostly. REPORTER: Randy Daniels

Broadcast Type: Evening News Segment Type: News segment

Publisher: Vanderbilt Television News Archive

Language: English

Creation Date: 1975-05-09

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Source: TV-NEWS
Town Boycott / Alabama

Creator: CBS

Charles Kuralt Ed Rabel

Is Part Of: CBS Evening News for Tuesday, 06, 1968

Description: (Studio) Report on busman. G. T. Miller and his change of heart. REPORTER: Charles Kuralt (Luverne, Alabama) 40 years ago, Miller member of KKK. Stated in federal court that he killed number Negroes in self-defense back then. Acquitted by white jury. He renounced Ku Klux Klan and now is helping Negroes find jobs. He employs some himself and works with civil rights. Most whites despise him. He refused to fire Negro whose son transferred to county school. MILLER - says needed that "nigger" to work and he needed a job. Couldn't see why I should fire him because his son going to school. He should have education like my boy. Bus. fell off 60-70%. He and Mrs. Miller shown leaving church. Busman. tried to prevent filming. REPORTER - asks him why he pushed tree limb in camera lens. BUSMAN. - says trying to keep you from showing what's going on. Pastor Jesse GANN - says people not doing business with Miller like they once did. Don't feel it's organization boycott. Miller has had to layoff some workers due to boycott. Gann feels Miller made some unfair charges against white busmen. MILLER - says like to see cnty. pull together for benefit of cnty., city, state and nation Try to teach folks to love one another and get along. He's losing $1,500 a month and may have to quit business Miller shown crying. Sign that says Luverne is "friendliest city in South" debatable. REPORTER: Ed Rabel

Broadcast Type: Evening News Segment Type: News segment

Publisher: Vanderbilt Television News Archive

Language: English

Creation Date: 1968-08-06

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Source: TV-NEWS
Hospital Strike / Charleston

Creator: ABC

Don Farmer Frank Reynolds


Description: (Studio) Southern Christian Leadership Conference leader, Ralph Abernathy, jailed for 27th time as Civil Rights activist. Hospital strike in 3rd month; more than local matter. REPORTER: Frank Reynolds (Charleston, SC) Strike caught up in national political Boycott of Charleston merchants hurts, and curfew makes things worse. $50,000 bond set for Abernathy. Mrs. Abernathy says exploitation of poor real incitement to riot. She says national misuse of power by whites starts violence. SCLC leader Andrew Young says case may be test if Nixon will listen to Senator Strom Thurmond or Department of Health, Education and Welfare Secretary Robert Finch. Strike leaders want federal government to step in. 40 arrested for disrupting traffic. REPORTER: Don Farmer Broadcast Type: Evening News Segment Type: News segment

Publisher: Vanderbilt Television News Archive

Language: English

Creation Date: 1969-06-23

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Identifier: tvnews5852

Source: TV-NEWS
Busing

Creator: CBS
Foster Davis Dan Rather Del Vaughn Bill Walker

Description: (Studio) Supreme Court Justice William O. Douglas rptdly. turns down appeal by San Francisco Chinese parents to halt busing of children. REPORTER: Dan Rather (Charlotte, North Carolina) Charlotte community accepting busing after tumultuous 1st year School superintendent William SELF - says more people interested in seeing school program improved than in arguing over court decisions. Civil Rights attorney Julius L. CHAMBERS - says board of education hasn't accepted court orders to desegregate schools. REPORTER: Foster Davis (WBTV film) (Saint Petersburg, Florida) Parents hold rally to protest desegregation plan. Former Florida governor Claude KIRK - says busing must be opposed full time, viewed as national problem. Parents may vote down school funds tax proposal. REPORTER: Del Vaughn (Austin, Texas) School board devises plan to preserve neighborhood schools while meeting desegregation requirements; students to be periodically bused to learning centers; district court approves plan; blacks and Chicano groups call for boycott. David HILL - says plan unfair. Anti-busing league spokesperson Bill LYNCH - fears children will come to view school and government as guiding light over parents, church. School board president Will DAVIS - says white parents actually oppose desegregation. REPORTER: Bill Walker Broadcast Type: Evening News Segment Type: News segment

Publisher: Vanderbilt Television News Archive
Language: English
Creation Date: 1971-08-29
Identifier: tvnews218926
Source: TV-NEWS
Desegregation / Louisiana / Attorneys Protest

Creator: NBC

Chet Huntley Douglas Kiker

Is Part Of: NBC Evening News for Wednesday, 27, 1969

Description: (Studio) Violence and boycotts in some Louisiana cnties. as enforcement of desegregation plans begin. Black boycott closes school in New Iberia, LA. Civil Rights attys. in Justice Department give petition to Attorney General John Mitchell, protesting soft desegregation guidelines. REPORTER: Chet Huntley (DC) 40 of 85 attys. want to know that President Nixon won't sell out. 1 spokesperson says protest will only make Attorney General Mitchell angry and determined to have own way. REPORTER: Douglas Kiker Broadcast Type: Evening News Segment Type: News segment

Publisher: Vanderbilt Television News Archive

Language: English

Creation Date: 1969-08-27

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Identifier: tvnews447105

Source: TV-NEWS
Olympics / Black Power

Creator: ABC
Howard Cosell Frank Reynolds

Is Part Of: ABC Evening News for Thursday, 17, 1968

Description: (Studio) United States heads Olympics in medals and sprint races. Tommie Smith and John Carlos 1st and 3rd in 200 meter dash. After winning, wore black gloves and socks in racial protest. REPORTER: Frank Reynolds (Mexico City, Mexico) They clench fists in salute during national anthem. Before Olympics, black athletes considered boycott but thought participation would help civil rights more. Some boos in stadium. REPORTER: Frank Reynolds Narrates (Mexico City, Mexico) Tommie SMITH - says glad to win gold medal. Gloves symbolized black power and unity. Scarf symbolized blackness. Black socks without shoes symbolize poverty. Represents black American REPORTER: Howard Cosell

Broadcast Type: Evening News Segment Type: News segment

Publisher: Vanderbilt Television News Archive

Language: English

Creation Date: 1968-10-17

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Identifier: tvnews129

Source: TV-NEWS

Student Protest / Colleges and Mississippi

Creator: NBC
Chet Huntley Sidney Lazard

Is Part Of: NBC Evening News for Friday, 14, 1969

Description: (Studio) Student protest forces closing of 2 Chicago colleges and Rutgers University in New Jersey. New Jersey Mississippi has sit-in and boycott. REPORTER: Chet Huntley (Paterson, New Jersey) Black Eastside Mississippi students present II demands, including black culture emphasis, and
black vice-principal. Police remove students who took over auditorium. Students boycott school. Southern Christian Leadership Conference Fred LAGARD - says students finding black orgs. Proud to be black. Many whites support black demands. Student Council President Stanley NACHIMSON - opposes black students' tactics. Demands should go to student cncl. Civil - rights leaders pledge-support. Students run own meeting Student Freddy JAMES - says we'll make this fight everyone's. Blacks hold own classes at poverty agency; learn Swahili. REPORTER: Sidney Lazard Broadcast Type: Evening News Segment Type: News segment

Publisher: Vanderbilt Television News Archive

Language: English

Creation Date: 1969-03-14

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Source: TV-NEWS

Desegregation / Louisiana / Justice Department / Mississippi

Creator: ABC

Sam Donaldson Frank Reynolds

Is Part Of: ABC Evening News for Thursday, 28, 1969

Description: (Studio) Blacks and whites boycott new Mississippi in New Iberia, LA. Over 1/2 Justice Department Civil Rights attys. unhappy with administration policy. REPORTER: Frank Reynolds (DC) Attys. to give petition to Attorney General John Mitchell. Spokesperson for group, Patrick King and rest of attys., unwilling to talk publicly. Chief Div. Assistant Attorney General Jerris Leonard to return from Louisiana Friday He'll talk to division REPORTER: Sam Donaldson (Studio) 5th Circuit Court of Appeals extends Mississippi school desegregation deadline until December 1. Department of Health, Education and Welfare and Justice Department asked for delay. 1st time Department of Health, Education and Welfare and NAACP (National Association for the Advancement of Colored People) opposed each other REPORTER: Frank Reynolds Broadcast Type: Evening News Segment Type: News segment

Publisher: Vanderbilt Television News Archive

Language: English
Busing

Creator: NBC

John Chancellor Ron Nessen Don Oliver Jim Ruddle

Is Part Of: NBC Evening News for Tuesday, 14, 1971

Description: (Studio) San Francisco, California, school attendance 65% today. REPORTER: John Chancellor (Pontiac, Michigan) NAG members picket Fisher Body Division of General Motors Corp. in attempt to close city's biggest employer; 800 auto workers ignore pickets, but 1,200 honor pickets, forcing General Motors to shut plant. Plant manager Al PLATT - doesn't see how action helps resolve busing issue. NAG leader Mrs. Irene McCabe says action intended to force General Motors Corporation to lobby in Washington, DC against busing. REPORTER: Jim Ruddle (San Francisco, California) Anti-busing spokesperson Marjorie LEMLOW - expects 44% of parents opposed to busing figure to increase Boycott remains strong in Chinatown, but elsewhere drops to 35% today. School superintendent Dr. Thomas A. SHAHEEN - doesn't foresee end to busing unless court order given; San Francisco committed to desegregation. REPORTER: Don Oliver (Studio) Supreme Court Chief Justice Warren E. Burger mails opinion that racial balance not required in every school to about 200 lower court judges. REPORTER: John Chancellor (Richmond, Virginia) Federal judge Robert Merhige angry at Burger's letter, feeling it improper attempt to influence his ruling; other judges object to Burger's attempt to push personal view of what Supreme Court requires; civil rights lawyers complain Burger's letter presents excuses for holding busing to minimum. REPORTER: Ron Nessen

Publisher: Vanderbilt Television News Archive

Language: English

Creation Date: 1971-09-14
Negro Vote

Creator: ABC

Mal Goode Howard K. Smith

Is Part Of: ABC Evening News for Wednesday, 30, 1968

Description: (Studio) 22 million Negroes in US; 9% of Negro population may sit this election out. REPORTER: Howard K. Smith (Studio) More conservative Negro leadership asserts itself due to George Wallace candidacy to get out the vote. REPORTER: Mal Goode (No Location Given) Reverend Ralph Abernathy - says nothing to gain by black boycott. Black and poor vote can determine next president READER: No reporter given (NYC) NAACP (National Association for the Advancement of Colored People) takes to sts. to get out Negro vote against Wallace. REPORTER: Mal Goode (Chicago, Illinois) Negroes flock to political rallies. Hubert Humphrey only major candidate to campaign in ghettos. Felt Vice President to get 85% Negro vote. REPORTER: Mal Goode (Church Hill, Mississippi) Pol. mtqs. held in South NAACP (National Association for the Advancement of Colored People) Director Mississippi Charles Evers - says 98% Negroes in area registered. To vote in all elections. Evers took over where murdered brother, Medgar, left off. EVERS - cites registration progress. Militants are a joke; haven't done anything. Let's reject racism. Congregations will be reminded when and how to vote. REPORTER: Mal Goode (NYC) Reverend Wyatt Walker - supports Vice President Humphrey for President Says his pols. based on ntlism. Will be for whatever helps Negroes. 2 million more blacks registered than in 1964. Big Negro vote could make difference in election. REPORTER: Mal Goode (Studio) Most Negroes feel Johnson administration did more for civil rights than all President Black vote alienated against Republicans and George Wallace. REPORTER: Mal Goode Broadcast Type: Evening News Segment Type: News segment

Publisher: Vanderbilt Television News Archive

Language: English

Creation Date: 1968-10-30

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Discrimination Protest / Pennsylvania

Creator: CBS
Walter Cronkite Morton Dean

Is Part Of: CBS Evening News for Wednesday, 27, 1969

Description: (Studio) Protesters demand more construction jobs for Negroes for 3rd day. REPORTER: Walter Cronkite (Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania) 500 march downtown to try to stop work on United States Steel Hdqtrs. Protesters granted meeting with Company execs. Protest Leader Michael DISMOND - says they won't shut down job because of money. We'll shut it down. Workers drop objects on protesters who throw things back. Civil Rights Leader Reverend Jimmy Joe ROBINSON - says think ought to leave and come back Thursday Sts. blocked despite his wishes. 40, incling. Robinson, arrested. Civil Rights Activist (Sir) John BANKS - tells group to move on sidewalk. REPORTER: Morton Dean Broadcast Type: Evening News Segment Type: News segment

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Language: English
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**Department of Health, Education And Welfare / Employee Protest / Finch**

Creator: NBC

Chet Huntley Ron Nessen

Is Part Of: NBC Evening News for Monday, 18, 1970

Description: (Studio) Department of Health, Education and Welfare Secretary Robert Finch hospitalized; was to tell staff feelings on admin. racial policy. REPORTER: Chet Huntley (DC) 700 Department of Health, Education and Welfare employees asked conference with Finch. Department of Health, Education and Welfare Undersecy John VENEMAN - announces illness; asks mtg be rescheduled. Finch was to propose aggressive civil rights policy. REPORTER: Ron Nessen Broadcast Type: Evening News Segment Type: News segment

Publisher: Vanderbilt Television News Archive

Language: English

Creation Date: 1970-05-18

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**Police and Demonstrators / McCarthy**

Creator: ABC

Frank Reynolds


Description: (Convention Hall) Demonstration held in Grant Park today by hippies, yippies (Youth International Party) and other protest groups. Reverend Ralph David Abernathy and Poor Peoples Campaign leader open-housing marches in WI, Father James Groppi and civil rights activist and comedian, Dick Gregory there. National Guard between demonstrators and hotel. Senator McCarthy
speak to group. REPORTER: Frank Reynolds (Chicago, Illinois) Film of police-demonstrators confrontation shown. 267 arrested. 39 required hospitalization. Author Norman Mailer calls clash massacre. McCarthy shown greeting some of those injured. MCCARTHY - greets 1 of injured. Tells some 1 to get the hell out of the way. 600 delegates and alts. walked in candlelight procession on Michigan Avenue near close of demonstration. REPORTER: Frank Reynolds Narrates Broadcast Type: Evening News Segment Type: News segment

Publisher: Vanderbilt Television News Archive
Language: English
Creation Date: 1968-08-29
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Source: TV-NEWS

Busing/Augusta, Georgia.

Creator: ABC
Steve Bell Harry Reasoner

Is Part Of: ABC Evening News for Tuesday, 15, 1972

Description: (Studio) In Augusta, Georgia, protests continue over court ordered school busing. White elementary school pupils burn Idaho cards showing assigned buses and schools. REPORTER: Harry Reasoner (Augusta, Georgia) Many white children return to class, but parents continue protest. Representative Fletcher THOMPSON - says 1st Amendment protects peaceful protesters. Calls for equal application of civil rights laws in North and South. REPORTER: Steve Bell Broadcast Type: Evening News Segment Type: News segment

Publisher: Vanderbilt Television News Archive
Language: English
Creation Date: 1972-02-15
Civil Rights Protest / North Carolina

Creator: ABC
Steve Bell Harry Reasoner

Is Part Of: ABC Evening News for Monday, 29, 1971

Description: (Studio) 75 civil rights activists arrested for ignoring Greenville, North Carolina, ordinance for parade permit. They marched on Raleigh to protest slaying by Billy Day, policeman. REPORTER: Harry Reasoner (Ayden, North Carolina) Since August, 100s arrested in Southern Christian Leadership Conference demonstrations, protesting shooting death of black by white highway patrolman. City Mgr. Don RUSSELL - says town worked hard to bring blacks and whites together. Two bombings have occurred at business of town commissioner, J. Rex Smith. Southern Christian Leadership Conference denies involvement. Rallies continue. Southern Christian Leadership Conference Field Director Golden FRINKS - says picked Ayden as spot because had to pick rural community and its near crime. RUSSELL - says Ayden has nothing to do with state patrol; states no issues that can't be handled here. Ayden couldn't meet demands even if they wanted to. REPORTER: Steve Bell Broadcast Type: Evening News Segment Type: News segment

Publisher: Vanderbilt Television News Archive

Language: English

Creation Date: 1971-11-29

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Source: TV-NEWS
Democratic Convention Indictments

Creator: CBS

Walter Cronkite

Is Part Of: CBS Evening News for Friday, 21, 1969

Description: (Studio) Yippie leaders Jerry Rubin and Abbie Hoffman welcome indictments because gives them legal right to attack anti-riot legislature of 1968 Civil Rights Act. Protest planned for April 5 in Chicago. Rennie Davis says indictments point of forthcoming clampdown on protesters. REPORTER: Walter Cronkite Broadcast Type: Evening News Segment Type: News segment

Publisher: Vanderbilt Television News Archive

Language: English

Creation Date: 1969-03-21

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