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Glimpse of History: Dire days and nights in Newark



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NEWARK — A woman walks past National Guard troops and State Police officers during the riots in Newark that took place from July 12-17, 1967.

According to contemporary reports and articles published in the Star-Ledger marking the anniversary of the events, a total of 26 people died in the disturbances that took place during what is often referred to as "the long, hot summer of 1967."

The articles note that more than 150 riots erupted across the country that year, with July being particularly violent — riots in Plainfield started two days after violence began in Newark.

A 2007 documentary produced and directed by Marylou Tibaldo-Bongiorno that aired on PBS, "Revolution '67," focused on the events in Newark that summer and their aftermath.

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