4 days under siege Fire and Destruction



Armed and ready

guards, store owners and other KAs patrol Han Nam Chain Supermarket on Olympic Boulevard. Due to the night patrols, several Korean-owned businesses were saved from looters.



Casual looting

A looter walks down Vermont Avenue with an armful of clothing. The looting in this rea did not stop until the police finally



Above: Arrested

Three Korean American men are arrested for allegedly warding off looters with gunfire.

Right: Burned before completion

An apartment under construction on New Hampshire Avenue and 3rd Str goes up in flames.





KA casualty Edward Lee, 18

was fatally shot during a gun battle









Shopping center on fire

A section of a mini-mall on Vermont Avenue and First Street was one of many places that could firefighters.

Free for all Looters mill in the parking lot of ABC Market in South Central

Los Angeles Wednesday these were common during the riots.

meets and commercia buildings that were razed to the ground o Vermont Avenue in South Central Los

Rooftop protection men stand on the roc of California Market on Western Avenue and 5th Street, with rifles to prevent arsonists and looter from entering the store. Many KA store owners took up arms to protect their lives

and property.

Pickets and brooms



Historic rally in Koreatown

About 30,000 Korean Americans and other supporters attend a community rally and march to begin healing the wounds.



Gettin' busy

Volunteers from the community spring out of their homes to join a massive clean-up effort.



Prayer for peace
An elderly woman wears a white headband that says "Peace" in Korean.



Broom brigade KAs raise their brooms at Ardmore Park during a rally to clean up the community.



Emergency relief

Volunteers distribute food to those who have lost their businesses.



National Guardsmen in Koreatown

Two National Guardsmen stand in front of the Han Nam Chain

Supermarket during their night patrol of Koreatown.



Scapegoats?

A demonstrator asks why Korean immigrants should be blamed for society's inequities.



Peace pleas

A sign for troubled times



A family grieves for their son

Young Hil Lee and his wife. Jung Hul Lee, sit at an attar in their Los
Angeles living room as they grieve over the death of their son, Edward
Song Lee, who was fatally shot on April 30.