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# Mass casualty incident at Calif. "Nazi mega-rally"



Sacramento Fire Department vehicles sit outside the California state capital in this picture tweeted by the department on June 26, 2016. [SACRAMENTO FIRE DEPARTMENT VIA TWITTER](#)

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**SACRAMENTO** - Officials said Sunday afternoon they are responding to a "mass casualty incident" at the state capital in California where a long-planned rally of numerous West Coast white supremacist groups.

The Sacramento Fire Department tweeted that at least 5 patients have been transported to the hospital with stab wounds so far.

UPDATE: 5 patients transported to area hospitals from Capitol incident, some with critical trauma stab wounds.  
[pic.twitter.com/wO1yqlvfOA](http://pic.twitter.com/wO1yqlvfOA)

— SacFire PIO (@SacFirePIO) June 26, 2016

There have been reports for some time about a planned mass gathering of "traditionalist" groups in Sacramento on June 26.

Scene on the steps of the Capitol [pic.twitter.com/kAgfAGso2D](http://pic.twitter.com/kAgfAGso2D)

— Cambi Brown (@CambiBrown) June 26, 2016

A group calling itself the "Traditionalist Workers Party" said it was leading the gathering. In a [post on their website](#), they described the gathering as their "Thermopylae," in reference to the infamous Greek battle site where a small Spartan force stood up to a massive Persian army.

They claimed the purpose of their gathering was a "protest against globalization and in defense of the right to free expression."

The [Bay Area Independent](#) reports "members of the Traditionalist Workers Party, Golden State Skinheads, Blood & Honor, National Socialist Movement and Ku Klux Klan," had all planned to attend.

Anti-fascist groups have been [preparing a counter-protest](#), which they say will aim to shut down the "Nazi mega-rally."

It is unclear how exactly the violence at the capital began.

Insane video. Crowd sees any signs of "Nazis" and they run&attack. A lot of people bleeding/getting maced. @ABC10  
[pic.twitter.com/PoFhILfZ95](http://pic.twitter.com/PoFhILfZ95)

— Frances Wang (@ABC10Frances) June 26, 2016

A [similar violent incident happened at a KKK rally near Los Angeles earlier this year](#), when Klan members were confronted by counter-protesters and mayhem ensued.

Witness video captured the brawl in an Anaheim park about 3 miles from Disneyland. Several protesters could be seen kicking a KKK member. One Klansman with an American flag used the pole's tip to stab a man.

Officers on scene said they witnessed a Klan member stab a protester with a knife. They found a third counter-protester in a car also stabbed.

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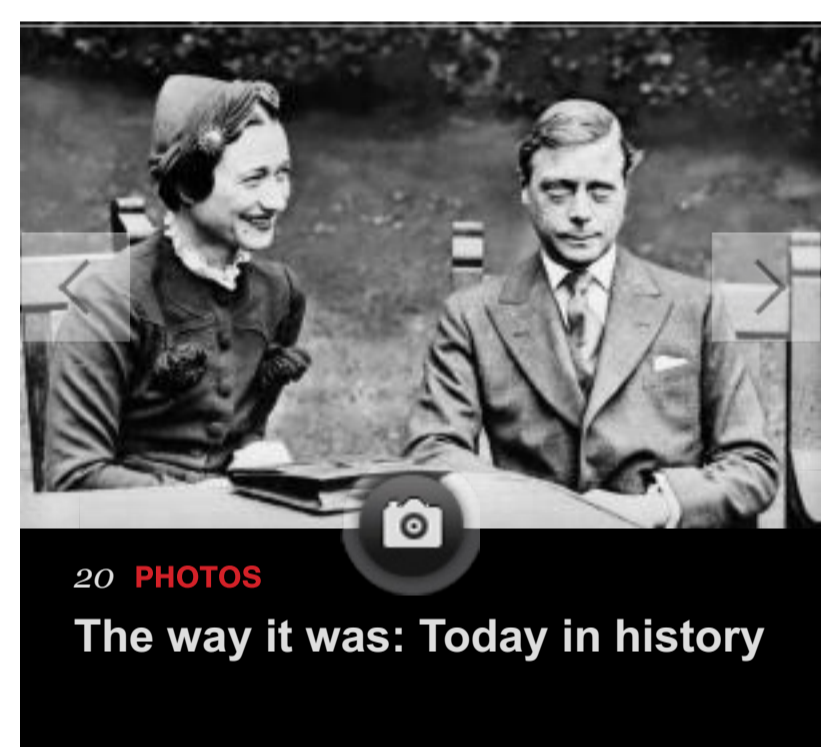
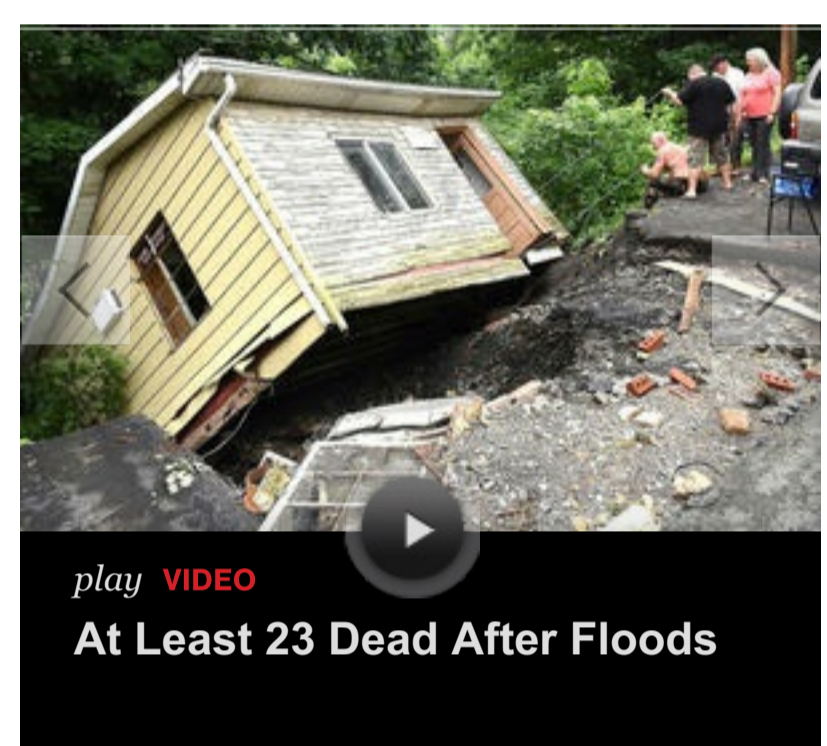
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