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January 7, 1973

Location: New Orleans, LA

Victim(s): Elizabeth Newton Day Steagall 25, Dr. Robert Vernon Steagall Jr. 28,  
Frank Edward Schneider, Walter F. Collins 60

Attacker(s): Mark James Robert Essex

Description: Essex, after launching attacks on police officers on NYE '72, shot grocer Joe Perniciaro, before carjacking Marvin Albert as he sat outside his home. He drove the stolen vehicle to the Howard Johnson's hotel in New Orleans' central business district. He gained entry from a fire stairwell on the 18<sup>th</sup> floor, telling the three black employees who saw him enter that he was only there to kill white people. He attacked Robert and Elizabeth, who were on their honeymoon. After a brief struggle, he shot Robert in the chest, then shot Elizabeth in the back of the head. He left a Pan-African flag beside their bodies as he set the room on fire, before shooting his way to the 11<sup>th</sup> floor, where he set several more fires. He then shot Frank, the hotel's assistant manager, before shooting Walter, the hotel's general manager. He engaged authorities in a standoff that lasted hours, before being shot 200 times after he tried to charge a SeaKnight military helicopter. He killed a total of 9 people (5 police) and wounded 13.

Archive.is Link(s):

<https://archive.is/0a0gK> Essex's wikipedia entry.

<https://archive.is/6YV6M> Essex's murderpedia entry.

<https://archive.is/bxf5l> Elizabeth's find a grave memorial.

<https://archive.is/2AvQ5> Robert's find a grave memorial.

<https://archive.is/kyXa2> Frank's find a grave memorial.

<https://archive.fo/qPv0f> Walter's find a grave memorial.

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<https://www.bitchute.com/video/oYBWZJC9lHcG/> Video of the standoff.

<https://www.brighteon.com/128fbb2a-5d96-4778-9587-3e9104be5d9a>

<https://archive.is/UgDGM> A story 30 years after the crime.

<https://archive.is/aZkSP> Essex's murderpedia photo page.

<https://archive.is/qJYnI> Elizabeth's 1<sup>st</sup> find a grave memorial.

<https://archive.is/qKy8Q> Robert's 2<sup>nd</sup> find a grave memorial.

<https://archive.fo/RyrBr> Dr. Robert Steagall's father's find a grave memorial.

<https://archive.is/P6lbR> Steagall surname info Ancestry.com.

<https://archive.is/5z05x> Steagall surname info house of names.

<https://archive.is/znZxF> Steagall surname info surname database.

<https://archive.is/unLAr> Day surname info Ancestry.com.

<https://archive.is/YbJ2z> Day surname info house of names.

<https://archive.is/DLIGG> Day surname info surname database.

I'm unable to find any additional info on Frank Schneider. Schneider is a German name that is sometimes used by jews. If I find additional info that shows that Frank was a jew, then I'll make the appropriate changes to the case/graphic.

<https://archive.is/clnuM> Schneider surname info Ancestry.com.

<https://archive.is/PaD2s> Schneider surname wikipedia entry.  
<https://archive.is/sFiFb> Schneider surname info house of names.  
  
<https://archive.is/U4wVO> Collins surname info Ancestry.com.  
<https://archive.is/ZfaYA> Collins surname wikipedia entry.  
<https://archive.is/CJPBj> Collins surname info house of names.  
<https://archive.is/RDOPn> Collins surname info surname database.