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U. S. WON'T ACT IN KILLING HERE OF NEGRO BY OFFICER

Special to the Post-Dispatch.
WASHINGTON, Dec. 6 — The Department of Justice has decided to take no action in the killing of **William Howard**, a St. Louis Negro, by Patrolman William J. Niggemann of the St. Louis police force, the Post-Dispatch was informed today.

On the basis of a report by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the department determined there was no violation of federal law. The contents of the report were not divulged.

Niggemann, who was off duty, shot and fatally wounded Howard in an alley Aug. 28, 1946. Niggemann said Howard approached him brandishing a knife. A coroner's jury returned a verdict of justifiable homicide and a grand jury later voted not to indict the policeman. Niggemann's resignation from the police force was announced Wednesday.

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