

Students fired on by police

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tions were set on fire. Two of them were gutted.

Other demonstrators picketed labour areas and persuaded mill and other workers to stay away.

Disturbances in the northern part of the city grew more serious in the late evening and police were forced to open fire at several places.

Suburban traffic on the Bombay-Baroda railway was paralysed for some time by student demonstrators who pulled the alarm cords and made it impossible for trains to start.

An eyewitness said that rioters who lit two huge bonfires outside Dadar railway station demanded that passers-by should take their hats and neckties off to feed the flames.

Those who refused had their hats snatched off and flung on the fire.

Police Car Wrecked

Students at Poona stoned and wrecked a police car when the authorities tried to close down the Engineering College.

One person was killed and several injured at Ahmedabad after police fired on a crowd of students who had refused to disperse despite a baton charge and had stoned the police.

A British United Press correspondent cabled this about his own experience in Delhi:

"I drove round the city to watch the demonstrations. A crowd jumped on the running board of the car and ordered me back when I got near the main street.

"They poked their heads in side the car, swore at me, cursed me, told me to get out of India, almost picked the car up.

"Iqbal Zindabad"—Victory to the Revolution—they were shouting.

Straffer Gott dies in accident

Lieutenant-General William Henry Ewart Gott, known to every British soldier in the Middle East as Straffer Gott, is reported to have been killed in an accident in the Middle East.

General Gott was 45, and one of the youngest generals in the British Army.

He probably knew more about the Western Desert than any other senior officer.

General Auchinleck regarded General Gott and his tanks as the key point in the second Libyan campaign.

In command of the British 13th Corps, General Gott gave Rommel's forces a pounding at Knightsbridge this summer.



Miracle—then death

WHEN Aircraftman Bruce Wilmot, 19, was taken to hospital in the North with a fractured skull, doctors told his mother that there was little hope of saving his life.

Separated from her son by 200 miles Mrs. Wilmot, of Elm-gardens, Finchley, London, N., and her friends arranged for special prayers to be said in local churches.

While they prayed, a young girl, who had known Wilmot in peace-time, visited him each day.

Then the miracle happened. Wilmot began to recover. Eventually, he left hospital completely cured.

"It could only have happened to one in two hundred," said the doctors.

Found Dead in Street

Yesterday it was reported that the man who made the "miracle" recovery had been knocked down and killed by a car. He had just left Miss Harris, of Lancaster, his sweetheart, the girl who had visited him in hospital.

Wilmot was found dead on Penny-street Bridge, Lancaster, not far from her home.

Lancaster police are anxious to interview drivers or others who can give information.

Last night Mrs. Wilmot told the *Daily Mirror*: "Our prayers and Miss Harris's visits pulled him through when doctors despaired."

"Then, so soon after we had brought him through, he has been taken from us."

Mr. H. H. Wilmot, the dead boy's father, is a member of Finchley Council and a former mayor.

U.S. ANGRY WITH GANDHI: 'A STICK-UP'

From JOHN WALTERS

New York, Monday.

THE American Press and people are today turning angrily on Gandhi who once had many sympathisers here.

Newspapers all over the country are strongly denouncing him and wishing Britain all success in her efforts to smash his non-co-operation plot.

The New York *Mirror* calls Gandhi's actions "a stick-up" and describes him as the "most potent fifth columnist the Axis have found aligned gratuitously on their side."

"Intolerable"

Congress Party's action is called "intolerable" by the New York *Herald-Tribune*, which adds:

"The British have taken forthrightly the only course which the realities of the situation permitted. By precipitating matters, they have chosen the one moment when they have the practical advantages that always accrue from seizing the initiative."

Goebbels on raids "strain"

Back from a three-day tour of bombed Ruhr cities, Goebbels told a meeting of 15,000 arms workers yesterday:

"The population of these districts are having a hard time of it."

"Last winter also imposed a dangerous strain on the German war leadership, but Nietzsche's words should be remembered. 'That which does not destroy us, makes us stronger.'"

He also said: "German soldiers are looking forward to the appearance of the Yankees with the greatest interest."—Reuter.

MR. SEA NEVER DRY IS ONE IN 16,000,000

Depositors' names at the Post Office Savings Bank number 16,000,000, but Mr. Sea Never Dry, a Merchant Navy seaman who recently opened an account, stands alone in the card index. There are more than 100,000 Smiths, closely followed by Browns and Joneses.

LONDON ALERT

A short alert sounded in the London area early today. No gunfire was heard.

LATEST NEWS

CHILDREN JOIN IN BOMBAY RIOTS

Three- and four-year-old children were placed on tram tracks in Bombay by their parents in effort to hold up traffic. Trams stopped till police cleared track of children.

Dozens of small boys and girls, as well as women, followed rioters.

At one point, plane dropped tear-gas bombs to disperse crowd.

Reports from Poona say Gandhi is suffering from high blood pressure.—British United Press.

LAST LANDING

When the pilot of a Heinkel 111 bomber retracted this wheel into its nacelle as he took off from a German aerodrome, he little thought this picture would be taken. It lies, with one of the plane's engines, in the garden of a South Coast town. The Heinkel's engines stopped suddenly during a recent "scattered" raid, and the aircraft crashed on two houses in which people slept. Four were treated for burns. A maternity hospital nearby just escaped the crash damage.

The man who loved children...

IN Plymouth today they are mourning the Man Who Loved Children.

Thousands knew him as just "Mr. Ballard." He spent hundreds of thousands of pounds on welfare work for the city's boys.

He built a magnificent boys' club. The Ballard Boys' Institute in Plymouth, opened in 1928, was the finest of its kind. He spent £100,000 on building and equipping it—and then announced that he would give 10s. to every boy attending service there when the congregation reached 5,000.

5,800 Claimants

The first Sunday 5,800 boys arrived to claim their 10s. The following week more than 6,000 were there. But this time there was no gift. Mr. Ballard decided to drop his scheme as all the other Sunday Schools had been emptied.

He devoted his fortune to boys in fulfilment of a deathbed promise to his mother.

He began his work in Plymouth, which he found a city largely populated by unruly urchins.

Fed and Clothed

He fed them, clothed them, educated many of them—even sent some of them to the University.

Last year the Germans razed his Ballard Club and Institute.

And yesterday, Alfred Casanova Ballard, heartbroken at the setback war brought to his work, died at Teignmouth.

BOUVERIE'S BEST

NEWMARKET.—12.30. Bowness: 1.0. Canyonero: 1.30. Bellacoste: 2.0. Lydia f: 2.30. Dancing Light: 3.0. Mah Iran: Doublet. Lydia f and Mah Iran.

WIFE SAW CAPT. SHOOT HIMSELF

AN Army captain's suicide with a revolver in front of his wife and another Army officer was described at the Bournemouth inquest yesterday on Captain Adolph Reginald Grossman, 28, South Wales Borderers, whose home is at Harrow.

Mrs. Margaret Catherine Grossman, the widow, said their married life was not particularly happy. Her husband introduced her to Captain M. A. G. H. Wilkie, of a Royal Artillery anti-aircraft battery, and after a party last Christmas Captain Wilkie took her home in his car.

When she got out her husband came along and tried to choke her. He objected to remarks made by other officers at the party about her and Captain Wilkie.

Later her husband was moved, and she went to live at Bournemouth.

"Implored to Return"

Her husband arrived there unexpectedly and stayed the night in the same house. She asked Captain Wilkie to come down because she thought he would be able to reason with her husband better than she.

Next morning her husband was angry, and when he implored her to go back to him she refused.

He flung himself on Captain Wilkie and she tried to get between them to pull him off and to stop him hitting Captain Wilkie.

She saw her husband get up and hold a revolver to his head. There was a shot and he fell.

Captain Wilkie said Captain Grossman asked him to go, but he replied that he would not leave Mrs. Grossman to be bullied as she had been in the past.

The Coroner (Mr. H. G. Thompson), returning a verdict that Grossman committed suicide while the balance of his mind was disturbed, said it was clear from letters Grossman left that he felt the estrangement keenly.

Other letters showed that at one time he intended to take Mrs. Grossman's life as well but had changed his mind.

Honeymoon dress...

Two days after her marriage next Saturday, 25-year-old Prudence Monica Roberts, of The Rookery Stebbang-road, Felstead, will appear at Bristol Police Court to answer the charge of stealing a honeymoon dress.

When she appeared in court yesterday, Roberts, an attractive blonde, wearing a smartly-tailored green costume, pleaded in cultured tones to be allowed bail.

"I am getting married on the fifteenth," she said. "I will be in court without fail next Monday."

THEY HIT HUNS AT 20,000 ft.

Malta's anti-aircraft guns recently brought down three enemy bombers flying at a height of over 20,000ft., and damaged the other two in a flight of five.

Lord Gort disclosed this in a message to workers in British factories making anti-aircraft guns, carriages, mountings and ammunition for Malta.

ROMMEL BRINGS UP FIGHTERS

AIR war is flaring up over El Alamein and beyond as Rommel throws in heavy fighter reinforcements ready for the next developments in the fighting.

The RAF countered with a non-stop day and night offensive.

Fighter aircraft effectively attacked two advanced landing grounds used by the enemy, and many damaging near-misses were observed among aircraft and motor transport.



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