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Muslims demanding a separate Muslim state, Pakistan, lined the route when the Viceroy met the tribesmen of the Khyber Pass, on his visit to the North West frontier. The Afridi elders presented him with a rifle of their own manufacture and a leather haversack of the kind they wear in mountain warfare. They pressed for w^onership of the Khyber Pass when we leave India. Returning by way of Kahuta, Lord Mountbatten saw the devastation inflicted on the town in the riots of a few weeks ago; vivid proof that Hindu and Muslim are a long way from the united India we hoped to leave behind.