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Strike riots

America: Picket-line violence broke out at a Gyroscope Works, in New York, where Union members (on strike following a wage dispute) attacked non-members who were trying to re-open the plant.

An ugly situation soon developed - and a large force of special police had their work cut out trying to restore order. The deadlock involved over nine thousand employees.

Earthquake in Greece

Greece: For the third time in a year, the plain of Thessaly was struck by a devastating earthquake - the Port of Volos (the fifth largest city) being the hardest hit.

Red cross workers were quickly mobilised to ~~xxxxxxx~~ attend to the many ~~xxxxxxxx~~ who were seriously injured. Though the death-roll was small, damage to four-fifths of the houses in Volos - has made over three thousand homeless.

Motor cycling

Silverstone: [redacted] - and - they're away - ace riders competing for the British Motor-Cycle Racing Club's championship - the chief event of the day.

A fifty-mile event that brings a surprise, as brilliant young rider, John Surtees leads champion Geoff Duke over four laps.

Then, the World champion piled on the pace - and it's No. 58 Geoff Duke flashing home an easy winner - after setting up a new lap record of ~~xxxx~~ nearly 95 miles an hour.

Motor Show

Italy: The 37th International Motor Show opens in Turin - featuring exhibits from thirteen countries. One new model was equipped with a telephone - so that the girl friend can ring up for more petrol. S

And with this car - you can cleave your way through any traffic jam.

Among the eighteen British makes on view was this "Rolls Royce - [redacted]