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BOMBAY RIOTS:

Rioting breaks out in Bombay, where the All-India Congress Committee - India's ruling party - is in conference. The instigators are the Mahrattas, and Prime Minister Nehru gives them the rough edge of his tongue at a Congress rally. The Mahrattas are one of the main racial groups in this huge cosmopolitan city. They want Bombay included in the new Maharashtra state, and they're saying so in no uncertain terms.

When Nehru's government began forming new Indian states and merging various territories into bigger states, trouble was inevitable; for although India has to be organized, her hundreds of different communities make it a superhuman task.

Dozens of demonstrators are arrested as the rioting spreads. Nehru opposes the Mahrattas demand; he wants to retain Bombay, with its one and a half million population, under the Central Government's control. He strongly denounces the riots; such incidents he says, only bring India a bad name.