

News Pictures Tell Story of Outstanding 1947 Events



HUNGARIAN BATTLE-ROYAL — 1947 saw Communist-dominated governments take over much of Balkans. Here Communists break up a freedom party meeting in Szeged, Hungary.



STRIFE IN PALESTINE — United Nations decision to partition the Holy Land between Arabs and Jews led to many acts of violence. Above Asher Lazar, Jewish newspaperman, is attacked by an Arab on a Jerusalem Street.



TELLS ALL — The senate committee investigation into Howard Hughes' wartime plane contracts took a sensational side-track in testimony by Maj. Gen. Bennett E. Meyers, (above) who told of his ventures into romance and finance.



100-MILE AIR VIEW — This Navy photo made by an automatic camera in a V-2 rocket 100 miles above White Sands, N. M., shows more than 200,000 square miles of U. S. and Mexico. Dark finger (upper left) is Gulf of California.



HANGED — Despite strenuous protests from the U. S. and England, Nikola Petkov, (above) leader of the Bulgarian peasant party, was convicted and hanged on charges of conspiring against the country's Communist-dominated government.



TWO TRAINS MEET — The "friendship train," bearing gifts of food to Europe's hungry, and the "freedom train," touring the U. S. with historic documents, meet at Harrisburg, Pa.



EXILE — Communists came into power in Hungary, compelling Prime Minister Ferenc Nagy (above) to resign and leave the country. Exile of Nagy, who came to the U. S., was assured by holding his son as hostage until he agreed.



FLORIDA STORM — A September storm brought extensive damage to parts of Florida, especially in the Miami Beach area (above) where high seas pounded waterfront homes.



TEXAS CITY HOLOCAUST — This spectacular fire, set off by explosion of French ship Grandcamp on the Texas City, Tex., waterfront April 16, brought death to 468, injured 3,000.



NO RECORDS — James C. Petrillo, (above) president of the American Federation of Musicians, announced union musicians would make no kind of recordings after Dec. 31.



MID-ATLANTIC RESCUE — A lifeboat from the U. S. Coastguard cutter Bibb prepares to take off 69 persons aboard the flying boat Bermuda Sky Queen, forced down in mid-Atlantic.



PREMIER — To the accompaniment of bloody Arab-Hindu rioting, India was separated from Pakistan and achieved dominion status in 1947. As the new government was formed, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru (above) became India's prime minister.



COMEBACK — The political fortunes of Gen. Charles De Gaulle, (above) wartime Free French leader, took an upturn in a year which saw Communists stage numerous strikes, demonstrations and riots in both France and Italy.



CRISIS IN BRITAIN — England's economic crisis made 1947 headlines. Among contributing factors was the worst blizzard in 50 years, halting fuel transport and killing livestock. This scene is in Yorkshire.



ROYAL NEWLYWEDS — Princess Elizabeth of England and her bridegroom, Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh, posed for this picture in Buckingham Palace after their return from their wedding in Westminster Abbey, Nov. 20.



AIRLINER TRAGEDY — Among several tragic accidents to airliners during 1947 was this crash of a UAL plane taking off from LaGuardia Field, N. Y., May 29, in which 43 died.