

# 23 Killed as Extremists Run Riot in Puerto Rico

San Juan, Oct. 30 (AP).—Anti-U.S. Nationalist rebels plunged Puerto Rico today into the worst uprising in the island's history. Police put the death toll at 23.

The rebels fired on the Governor's Palace in an apparent attempt to slay Gov. Luis Munoz Marin. Violence and arson exploded in another nine towns. A battle appeared shaping up in one town that was still in Nationalist hands late tonight.



Gov. Luis  
Munoz Marin

Munoz told the nation in a broadcast that the uprising was a "conspiracy against democracy helped by the Communists." He assured Puerto Ricans that the situation was well in hand but asked them to be on the alert against new violence.

The worst immediate trouble spot was Jayuya, a town of about 1,500 in central Puerto Rico. There the Nationalists burned down a police station and killed all six policemen. A National Guard tank force was on its way there from nearby Arecibo.

The Nationalists are an extremist minority who demand complete independence of Puerto Rico from the United States. Munoz Marin

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said they do not have more than 400 members all over the island.

Their leader is Pedro Albizu Campos. Police have surrounded his house in San Juan and his arrest is expected.

The police reports said the dead included 13 policemen, nine Nationalist rebels and one fireman. The reports came from San Juan, Penuelas, Ponce, Uayuya, Utuado and Arecibo. Violence was also reported at Naranjito, Utuado, Arroya and Quebradillas.

Puerto Ricans said this was the worst day of terror in their history, comparable only to an uprising at Lares in 1868 when 11 persons were killed in an insurrection against Spanish rule.