

Girl rescued after bomb attack

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Heroism In Bombed Bungalow

RESCUED GIRL'S PARENTS KILLED

WITH A HEAVY CONCRETE SLAB THREATENING TO TOPPLE OVER ANY MINUTE AND CRUSH HIM, A FIRST-AID MAN LAY FOR OVER TWO AND A HALF HOURS HELPING TO KEEP UP THE SPIRITS OF A YOUNG GIRL TRAPPED UNDER THE DEBRIS OF HER HOME WHEN IT WAS HIT IN A RAID ON A SOUTH COAST VILLAGE ON SUNDAY NIGHT.

The plucky man was First-aid man Andrews. The injured girl was Miss Susheila Mulkani. Rescue party volunteers saved them from certain death by keeping the concrete slab jacked up while other A.R.P. workers strove to free Miss Mulkani from the wreckage. Their magnificent work saved her from serious injury.

Miss Mulkani's mother and father were both killed. Her three-year-old brother, Bagwan, was rescued from his cot with only bruises. A friend who was in the house at the time was also taken from the debris with slight injuries.

"It was a marvellous piece of work the way the first-aid and rescue party squads worked," the A.R.P. Officer told a reporter, "it is due to them that Miss Mulkani was not more seriously injured. It took over two hours and thirty-five minutes to get her out."

Superb

First-aid man Andrews was helped in his job by another first-aid-party man, Mr. Johnson, who dashed backwards and forwards with hot-water bottles and blankets.

"These two men were superb," was the comment of the A.R.P. Officer afterwards.

The Mulkani's home, which was a small bungalow, was completely demolished. But their high-powered car, which was in the garage attached to the house, was almost undamaged.

A neighbour told a reporter that Mr. and Mrs. Mulkani and their family used to come down to the village every summer for years past. They took up permanent residence last summer.

"I heard the bomb explode, then the tinkling of glass in the windows of my house," she said. "I ran outside and saw in the light of the moon that the bungalow had been hit. I heard a child crying, so I ran down to the end of the road and got help."

Mrs. Middleton, one of the injured had gone round to the Mulkani's for the evening. They were just about to have supper when the bomb fell.



These ONIONS were brought out of the bombed bungalow by the demolition squads. They were undamaged.

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