

Angry Policemen In Bangkok Assault Home of Premier

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BANGKOK, Thailand, Wednesday, Aug. 20—A mob of angry policemen stormed the residence of Premier Kukrit Pramoj late last night, looting and wrecking the building in protest against the Thai Government's recent release of nine detainees in response to pressure from left-wing students.

This was believed to be the first police mutiny in Thai history and observers saw it as another sign of a growing polarization in Thailand between left-wing and right-wing pressure groups.

Premier Kukrit, who was not at home when the house was broken into, moved to his office at Government House and held an emergency Cabinet meeting.

There was concern that if the situation was not brought under control quickly, Thailand's six-month experiment in parliamentary democracy could end in chaos and the way could be open for a return to military rule.