

# Police Turn Fire Hoses On Crowds

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CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., Feb. 24 (UPI)—Police turned fire hoses on angry crowds of whites and Negroes in downtown Chattanooga today when tempers flared following new sitdown lunch counter demonstrations.

Crowds estimated at more than 2,000 persons were milling in the streets outside dime stores where Negro students attempted to stage demonstrations against segregated food service.

Auxiliary police were called out to bolster reinforced detachments of Chattanooga policemen trying to keep order and disperse the crowds.

Police said "quite a few" arrests were made—the exact number was not determined.

Even after the high-pressure fire hoses were directed at the shouting, shoving crowd, Negroes and whites faced each other across Georgia Street. Police moved in, making arrests.

It was the second consecutive day of brawling and street fighting in Chattanooga. A sitdown protest demonstration by Negro students late Tuesday touched off near rioting and police had to call for reinforcements.

Elsewhere in the South today there were other demonstrations—most of them orderly and quiet.