

RENEW FIRING ON ALCATRAZ

Bloody Battle Once More Is in Progress.

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not want to risk the lives of many more of his men in close-in fighting. The only alternative appeared to be continued use of the shrapnel-spraying grenades and heavier weapons.

Director James V. Bennett of the federal bureau of prisons was flying to the scene from Washington and was scheduled to arrive at 9:37 a. m. (P. S. T.).

No Sign of Weakening

Two guards were dead and at least 14 wounded as the fighting continued into the third day. The convicts showed no signs of weakening.

Prison officials believed they had killed in cold blood some of their band who wanted to give up. The main cellblock of the nation's most impenetrable prison was riddled with bullets and shrapnel fragments. Inside, the convicts—seven and possibly as many as 16—fought against overwhelming odds.

Cornered and apparently with little or no food and little chance for sleep, the desperate men knew they faced possible prosecution for murder if they come out of the fight alive.

The leaders showed no signs of softening under a steady pounding of fragmentation grenades and phosphorus bombs, interspersed with small arms fire.

The great, grey walls of the prison concealed the fate of many of the prisoners. How many had fallen in the fighting was unknown. Guards and marines only got fleeting glimpses of their quarry through barred windows.

In a maneuver reminiscent of an attack on an enemy fortress, Marine Warrant Officer Charles L. Buckner, Memphis, Tenn., was believed to have inflicted severe casualties on the convicts. He dropped fragmentation grenades on them through a hole in the roof late yesterday.

Some convicts screamed that they wanted to surrender, according to Marine Major Albert Arsenault.

Their screams were followed by the sound of rifle fire from within and it was believed the inmates who wanted to surrender had been shot down by their co-conspirators.

There was a four-hour and 40 minute lull in the fighting from 12:35 p. m. to 5:15 p. m. PST (3:45 to 8:15 p. m. Indianapolis time). The convicts tried to make a "deal" with Warden Johnston on an island telephone.

"The only deal I will make is for you to throw out your guns and ammunition," Warden Johnston replied.

Not Much Effect

The answer came in a chattering stream of gunfire from the cold confines of cell block C.

Earlier, Warden Johnston issued a bulletin stating that "we have completely prevented the mass escape plot... now we must secure the firearms and the men who have them."

Heavy explosions rocked the tiny island in San Francisco Bay until late last night as the attackers hurled grenades.

After the cease fire order was issued, the cell block was illuminated by a battery of searchlights to prevent any of the convicts from escaping to the water in the darkness.

A police boat and several coast guard boats continue to patrol the waters around "the rock."

Replacements for battle-weary marines and guards were rushed from nearby San Quentin and Denver and McNeil Islands federal institutions.

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WASHINGTON Calling

A Weekly Sizeup by the Washington

Staff of the Scripps-Howard Newspapers

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Wyatt goal is 250,000 prefabs this year. Applications for 77,854 units to be built during second quarter have been examined but priorities have been issued for only 25 per cent of materials requested.

One large prefabricator is offering units complete except for a single item—floors.

Administrative agencies may shift blame to congress if program flops.

CFA speaks of "additional tools" congress hasn't yet supplied—presumably the \$600 million subsidy still involved in senate-house dispute. It predicts shortages will persist for long time.

HERE'S what one of capital's shrewdest politicians thinks about supreme court vacancy: Mr. Byrnes for chief justice; William O. Douglas for secretary of state; Secretary of War Patterson for Mr. Douglas's place in court; Stuart Symington for Mr. Patterson's post.

Knows the Machinery Well
HE FIGURES it this way: Mr. Byrnes belongs to neither court faction yet knows its machinery well. He could compromise its differences, administer it efficiently. His nomination would win acclaim and quick confirmation.

Mr. Douglas, going into state department, would provide fresh, vigorous approach in international situation which is fast bogging down.

There would be little opposition to him as next in line of presidential succession, and he'd be a strong vice presidential candidate in 1948. He declined to be secretary of interior, but state would be something else.

WILD BILL Donovan may get into New York senatorial race. Wartime head of the OSS, Mr. Donovan has been itching for new worlds to conquer. He's one-time GOP candidate for governor of New York.

Final Air Report
SENATE'S Mead committee is preparing final report on aeronautics which, in its present form, says we must have "clear and far-sighted national policy in aircraft research and development" and plan for production of experimental aircraft.

It wants government to fix a policy on production of military aircraft, and amount of aviation productive capacity to be maintained in a stand-by condition.

It suggests that government, by financial assistance and otherwise, encourage establishment of body of qualified research and technical experts, to insure we maintain our position in aviation world. It suggests national advisory committee for aeronautics be "modified and expanded."

ABSENTEEISM is running high in the house, alarming administration leaders who hope to dispose of much pressing legislation this session. Republicans are attending more regularly than Democrats, frequently outnumbering "majority" when quorum calls are ordered.

Day in Life of John L. Lewis—Who Can Turn Coal On or Off

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He is 55 minutes late, but that doesn't bother him. In the lobby of the handsome marble government auditorium Mr. Lewis pauses to exchange his usual inconsequential remarks with newspaper reporters.

One of them inquires, "Why have you called your policy committee in next Tuesday?"

Mr. Lewis chuckles sarcastically and replies, "Why should you ask? You wrote an article about it."

The dozen other members of the mine workers negotiating committee, headed by Secretary-Treasurer Tom Kennedy and Vice President Jack O'Leary, have been with the operators and government conciliators for an hour. But nothing has happened. Nothing is likely to happen with the main actor absent.

Mr. Lewis takes his seat but says not a word until the session breaks up at noon.

Then Messrs. Lewis, Kennedy and O'Leary go with the conciliators, Ed McGrady and Paul W. Fuller, to talk for half an hour with Secretary Schweigenbach. Afterward the three union officials go to lunch—at the Willard hotel this day.

When Mr. Lewis is at his office his favorite place for lunch is the Carlton.

Messrs. O'Leary and Kennedy are back promptly at 2:30 for the afternoon session, but again Mr. Lewis is late—this time 30 minutes. He comes out of the labor department on an errand, but he won't say what. What does it matter? The day before he didn't show up at all.

The afternoon session ends at 4:15, adjourning at 10 o'clock the next morning. Mr. Lewis lags behind, talking seriously with his aids, and takes a taxi to his office about 5.

There he does some more of what he calls "chewing the fat" when he isn't quoting Shakespeare, and well before 6 Jim takes him back home to Alexandria.

There his housekeeper will have dinner ready, and until he eats he will chew on a big black cigar and maybe indulge in a solitary martini cocktail. His alcoholic upkeep is very low.

No social engagements—they are out for the duration of the crisis. That is the most noteworthy sign that Mr. Lewis realizes the situation he and his big union as well as the country are in.

MRS. MAGNOLIA KIRK TO RECEIVE AWARD
Mrs. Magnolia Kirk will receive the Cable award at a musicale of the Federation of Associated clubs at 5 p. m. tomorrow at the Northwestern community center.

The award is made annually by Dr. Theodore Cable in honor of his father, the late George W. Cable, to a citizen whose service to the community is considered outstanding.

U. S. Representative Charles M. La Follette will speak at the musicale.

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COAL SHORTAGE TIGHTENS HERE

Industries May Close Unless Strike Ends by June 1.

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their use of gas in the first step to combat what the company termed "an impossible situation brought about by the coal strike."

The company said curtailment will involve lay-offs with the consequent loss of pay.

"Lay-offs will become more and more frequent," said Newton Goudy, Chamber of Commerce public relations head. "We estimate that in two weeks some 8000 Indianapolis people will be out of work. Continuation of the strike will multiply the number all out of bounds."

This condition is echoed in the railroad industry.

An office of defense transportation order calls for a curtailment of passenger trains on or before Friday.

Second Sections to Go

J. W. Gillespie, chief clerk of the general manager of the Big Four railroad, said that the first trains to be affected would be the second sections of double-headers. Next to be hit, if the strike continues, would be the lesser trains and finally the crack streamliners.

Coal will be stretched to the last lump, officials said, so that necessities of life and perishable goods can be carried to the end.

Tentative plans were developed yesterday by major Indiana utility companies to plunge the state into a brownout. Already 22 northern counties have turned down the lights in a power rationing move which also has hit public transportation service and amusement houses.

Even as the utility heads met with the Public Service Commission of Indiana, the Rural Electrification Membership corps. petitioned the commission to curtail service to rural customers.

Last night the Indiana Municipal league said it would protest the strike in telegrams to President Truman. Leaders said that continuation of the strike will make Indiana's community water-pumping facilities inoperative causing fire and disease hazards.

In 34th Day

As the coal mine strike entered its 34th day with still no prospect of settlement, these were the major developments:

ONE: Thousands of workers were laid off as plants in the great industrial belt around Chicago were forced to cut production sharply. Some closed completely.

TWO: Coal burning railroads were ordered to cut passenger service in half beginning May 15, and to eliminate all but essential freight shipments.

THREE: At Pittsburgh, the Carnegie-Illinois Steel Corp. announced it would cut ingot steel production in the Pittsburgh area to 9 per cent of capacity beginning next week.

The railroads already had been ordered to cut passenger service 25 per cent May 10, but as reports on the coal shortage grew worse, the office of defense transportation ordered a further cut of 25 per cent May 15.

Oral Reductions

Meanwhile, the Illinois commerce commission gave a free hand to 15 railroads to cut service before that date.

The roads were permitted to request reductions orally and file formal requests later. After hearing the requests the commission prepared a general order granting permission for necessary reductions in service.

The roads involved were the Chicago and Eastern Illinois, the Illinois Central, the Rock Island, the Chicago and Northwestern, the Chicago and Alton, the Santa Fe, the New York Central, the Baltimore and Ohio, the Michigan Central, the Indiana Harbor, the Burlington, the Pennsylvania, The Belt Railroad of Chicago, the Chicago and Great Western, and the Chicago and Indiana Harbor.

Most Chicago area manufacturing plants worked only four hours yesterday.

They were forced to reduce production by the brownout order which limits industry to the use of electric power for only 24 hours per week.

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Whistling Painter Annoys Toscanini

MILAN, May 4 (U. P.)—Arturo Toscanini knows what he wants when he conducts, and it isn't whistling.

The maestro sweated, shouted and stamped his feet as he whipped the La Scala orchestra into shape for his first post-war concert in Italy.

In the middle of music from the third act of Puccini's "Manon" he halted the orchestra suddenly.

With his baton he pointed at a painter daubing on the auditorium walls.

"I admire your ear," the maestro said. "But please stop whistling!"

HUSBAND SLAYS WIFE AND SELF

Woman's Son Pleads With Killer in Vain.

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young man's story, Mrs. Sawyer called out:

"Get up, Bob, it's ten minutes of eight."

She was in the kitchen, he said, preparing breakfast. Young Sawyer looked out the window and thought it might rain. He works as a bookkeeper at the Schweitzer-Cummins plant.

As he dressed, he heard Mr. Sawyer come in to the apartment and enter the kitchen. There was some talk, then both Mr. and Mrs. Sawyer went into the bedroom and closed the door.

"I remembered I had to get a clean shirt in mother's room," said the young man, "so I knocked on the door. Mother said to come in."

Sawyer, Mother Tense
Young Stephens entered and took a shirt from the bureau drawer. He noticed that both his mother and Sawyer were tense.

As Mr. Stephens turned to leave the bedroom, his mother suddenly screamed: "Watch out! He's got a gun."

Sawyer fired. Mrs. Sawyer clutched her side. Dropping the shirt, the son hobbled out of the room to summon help.

Mrs. Sawyer picked up a milk bottle which was standing empty on an ironing board in the bedroom and hurled it at Sawyer.

Then she picked up the ironing board and swung it in an apparent effort to knock the gun out of Sawyer's hand. Sawyer himself appeared stunned.

"Let me call a doctor, I won't call the police, just a doctor," pleaded the son.

"All right, just a doctor, but not the police," said Sawyer. Young Stephens hobbled to the telephone on his crutches.

Mrs. Sawyer ran downstairs and onto a small front porch where she pounded on the window of Mrs. Price, 73, owner of the building.

"He shot me," she screamed through the window.

Then she turned and ran back into the house. Sawyer was waiting for her by the stairs.

As she started to climb the stairs, he fired at her head. She collapsed, sitting down on the third step, her body rolling over against the wall.

Sawyer then shot himself, rolling over on his revolver and dying at her feet.

Mrs. Sawyer married Sawyer at Noblesville last August.

She is survived by a sister, Mrs. Dora Rouck, 1415 E. Michigan st., and a father, Harrison Marsh, Monticello, Ky.

No one connected with the family, it appeared, knew very much about Sawyer.

Mrs. Sawyer's body was taken to the Harry Moore funeral home.

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SEEK 'PHANTOM' IN FIVE KILLINGS

Victims' Neighbors OR "Guard After Deaths."

TEXARKANA, Tex., May 4 (U. P.)—Residents of this vicinity lived in fear today of a "phantom killer."

He was believed by police to have committed his fifth murder in the slaying of a farmer and the wounding of his wife.

Virgil Starks, 36, was shot to death last night in his farm home at Homan, Ark. His murder threw residents of this area into near-panic.

Meanwhile, Texas Rangers were leading state and local law enforcement officers in the biggest man-hunt in recent Texas history.

Mr. Starks was shot twice in the head while listening to the radio in his living room.

His wife entered the room seconds later, and as she reached for an old-fashioned wall telephone to call police she, too, was shot twice in the head. All four shots were fired through a window.

In Critical Condition
Mrs. Starks was brought to a hospital here by neighbors. She was reported in critical condition with wounds in the cheek and jaw.

For the rest of the night, rural families huddled in a single room for self-protection. Many took turns standing guard while other members of the family slept fitfully.

Both townsmen and farmers were sidewalks today or kept guns in their automobiles in easy reach.

His home is only eight miles from the spot where Richard Griffin, 29, and his companion, Polly Ann Moore, 17, were shot to death March 24.

The double slaying was followed by another April 14, when a high school couple, Paul Martin, 17, and Betty Jo Booker, 15, were killed.

Authorities pointed to the obvious similarities—all three shootings involved couples; all took place in isolated spots; and all were committed at night.

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