

IRA Inmates Spur Riot in Dublin Prison

DUBLIN (UPI) — Convicts led by Irish Republican Army men reduced much of Dublin's Mountjoy Prison to rubble in six hours of wild rioting but surrendered quietly early Friday as 200 Irish troops prepared to attack.

Outside the prison, surrounded by 1,000 troops to prevent any breakout attempt, hundreds of police charged demonstrating pro-IRA crowds with flailing batons.

The demonstrators, chanting, "Up the IRA," overturned and burned cars and hurled rocks and bottles at defending police while prison officials negotiated the surrender of 400 rioting inmates inside.

Two hundred soldiers in riot gear, wielding CS nausea-gas guns and batons, swept through the steel prison gates after three hours of rioting turned part of Mountjoy into what a policeman called a "bloody shambles."

The riot leaders called the melee off, and the rioters released three hostage guards and returned to their cells after army commanders warned that continued resistance would bring the troops into action, witnesses said.

The soldiers besieged the prisoner-controlled areas but never charged the rioters, the witnesses said.

"The disturbance ended at 1:30 this morning and the prison authorities are now in complete control," the Irish Justice Department said in a statement.

"Major damage, which will cause serious accommodation problems, has been caused to cells, the prison kitchen, the hospital and dental unit and

other prison property."

Men of the IRA Provisional wing, inmates in the prison, led the riot from cell-block rooftops. They showered guards with sharpened slates as rioters below rampaged through buildings, smashing doors and furniture and driving heavy stakes

through barred windows.

The government ordered nine truckloads of riot troops when 100 police proved unable to stop the rioting. It followed an apparent breakout attempt by 36 IRA inmates at the close of the evening recreation period.

They overpowered guards, grabbed their keys and released other prisoners.

At the height of the rioting at least two guards were badly cut in the head, officials said.

Authorities Friday evacuated most prisoners from the shattered hulk of Mountjoy.

A government spokesman said cells in the 18th-century building were so badly damaged that they could no longer contain the prisoners. About 350 detainees were transferred under strict security precautions to military custody in County Cork, south of Dublin.

McNair Casern Incidents

Two Soldiers Convicted of Assault

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FRANKFURT (S&S) — Two V Corps soldiers were found guilty of assault charges late Thursday in the third special courts-martial involving four 32nd Signal Bn troopers tried in connection with two incidents at McNair Casern in March.

Following two days of testimony, a five-man court cleared Pvt. Robert C. Ard and Marvin L. Walton, both of the 201st Signal Co in Hoechst, of larceny charges.

For the assault convictions, military judge Capt. Dan Taylor sentenced Ard to be busted to private with 60 days' extra duty and 30 days' restriction to post, while Walton was reduced to private basic and given 30 days' extra duty.

The assault charges stemmed from the March 17 beating of Pfc. Peter C. Casanova, also of the 201st, and the March 19 beating of Pvt. Willard L. Payne, Hq and Hq Co, 32nd Signal Bn — both in their barracks.

Spec. 4 Doland Chitison, of the 201st, the first to go on trial,

was found guilty by a three-man court on an assault charge, disobedience of an order and failing to report to his place of duty. Taylor sentenced him to 45 days' confinement at hard labor, two months' fine of \$150 a month, and reduction to private.

A wire-service story in The Stars and Stripes on March 24 reported that some 50 McNair soldiers assembled at a city park across from the casern, then marched upon their unit headquarters to protest original assault charges against several 201st soldiers after the Casanova and Payne beatings.

Denying that the gathering was a protest or demonstration, several 32nd Signal soldiers maintained in Letters to the Editor of Stars and Stripes, after the initial story appeared: "The truth of the matter is that a group of GIs got together, at the city park to discuss certain problems in the battalion."

They claimed they met "to exchange ideas, but not to formulate any type of protest march," insisting the unit commander had misinterpreted their intentions and "overreacted" when he summoned a unit reaction force to break up their "expression of solidarity."

V Corps officials, however, said the gathering was to protest 6 transfers and a crack-down by a new CO on suspected drug abuse and loose discipline. The new CO, Capt. Dennis R. Schonewetter, has been reassigned in the 32nd.

Several company soldiers were also transferred to other V Corps units. Corps officials reported the reaction force surrounded and dispersed the soldiers after the group

marched through the McNair gate.

Originally linked with the assaults in the first story, Spec. 4 Ronald Jacobs, then with the 201st, was tried in a special court last week on other charges.

In his trial by judge Capt. Ben Gardner, alone, Jacobs was convicted of making a threat, disobeying an order by a superior, and dereliction of duty. He drew 40 days at hard labor, monthly fines of \$100 for three months, and reduction to

private.

However, upon recommendation of the judge, Jacobs' former battalion CO suspended the confinement and deferred the rank reduction.

Defense counsel for the Chitison and Jacobs trials was Capt. Thomas Pearl, and trial counsel for all three courts was Capt. Sanford W. Harvey Jr. Defending Ard and Walton was Capt. John D. Billingslea of TASCUM. Associate defense counsel at all three trials was Capt. John Erck.

3 Bombs Rock Plant Of German Publisher

HAMBURG, Germany (UPI) — A series of explosions ripped through the main building of West Germany's largest publishing firm Friday, causing extensive damage and numerous injuries.

Police could say initially only that "many" persons had been injured. Witnesses reported seeing at least five seriously injured victims carried from the smoking building.

A police spokesman said first reports indicated that two blasts went off on the fourth and another on the seventh floor of the Axel Springer Publishing House.

Police said they found three unexploded bombs in the building.

A spokesman said police cleared another Springer building, home of the Die Welt newspaper publishing company, after anonymous callers telephoned bomb threats.

Among those injured were passersby struck by flying glass.

Police could not say immediately whether there was a connection between the explosions and a series of bombings and bomb threats throughout West Germany in the past week.

Left-wing radicals have claimed responsibility for explosions at police offices in Munich and Augsburg, and for a blast at the U.S. Army V Corps in Frankfurt that took the life of an American lieutenant

colonel.

The conservative Springer newspaper chain has demanded more control of left-wing groups in recent months.

The Springer newspapers have carried on a steady campaign against an anarchist group which calls itself the "Red Army Faction."

The "Red Army Faction" claimed responsibility for at least three of last week's explosions.

Vogelweh to Hold Afro Style Show

KAISERSLAUTERN, Germany (S&S) — The latest styles in Afro-American wear will be modeled in a two-hour fashion show here Sunday in the Vogelweh Service Club at 5 p.m.

Featuring the recently crowned Ms. Kaiserslautern, Carla Hines, as mistress of ceremonies and commentator, every mode of fashion will be shown from beach wear to formal attire. Upwards of 100 different outfits will be modeled.

Although the majority of the fashions will be furnished by EES, a large number of personally made or modified clothes will be worn. Highlight of the evening will be 10 to 15 current fashions direct from Africa.

The popular K-Town Gospel Singers and a soul band will complement the fashion show with musical entertainment.

Spy Stabbed During Visit

War Veteran Kills Father in Prison

LEWISBURG, Pa. (UPI)—A former Army sergeant serving a 25-year term for conspiring to give secrets to the Russians was stabbed to death Thursday by his son who visited him at the federal penitentiary.

Robert Lee Johnson, 56, was brought into the prison's open visiting quarters to see his son for the first time in years, prison officials said. As he entered the room, his son, a Vietnam war veteran, lunged at his father with a knife, stabbing him in the chest.

Johnson died an hour later in the emergency room at Geisinger Medical Center.

Murder Charge

Robert L. Jr., 22, Greenwood, Ind., was disarmed immediately by prison guards. He was taken to Williamsport, Pa., by FBI agents where he was arraigned on a first degree murder charge.

"It was just one of those

5 Arrested in Sit-In At White House

WASHINGTON (AP) — Five demonstrators who entered the White House as tourists staged a sit-down protest in the Blue Room Friday and were arrested.

The Secret Service said the five were admonished to leave the executive mansion and when they refused were arrested on unlawful entry charges.

things," Warden Noah Alldredge said. "It happened almost instantaneously. His father came into the visiting room and the incident occurred right then.

"I don't know a lot about the man. I do know that he hadn't seen his son for a long time and he didn't get many letters from him."

Johnson, a 23-year career Army man working in the Pentagon when he was indicted on April 6, 1965, pleaded guilty to charges of conspiracy to commit espionage.

The government charged Johnson and James A. Mintkenbaugh, also indicted on espionage charges, with having used cigarette lighters, hollowed-out shoe heels and batteries to conceal information they turned over to the Soviet Union.

The indictment said the two started passing secrets in 1953 to the Russians while on duty in Berlin. They received about \$300 a month for information dealing with military installations, missile sites and American intelligence activities, the government said.

The warden said visitors were never searched, and rooms for them were set up informally.

"It's just like meeting in a living room, very informal."

Alldredge, who described Johnson as a model prisoner, said to his knowledge this is the first time "anything like this has ever happened at a federal penitentiary."

Torpedo Heads Taken From Olympic Course

WILHELMSHAVEN, Germany (AP) — West German navy divers have recovered 100 torpedo heads from the summer Olympic Games sailing course on the Baltic Sea, a navy spokesman said.

The torpedo heads had been judged "relatively harmless" because trigger mechanisms were removed before they were sunk there by the British after World War II, the spokesman said.

Queen Ends Visit to France

PARIS (UPI) — Britain's Queen Elizabeth wound up her five-day state visit to France Friday with a trip to Rouen, where the English burned Joan of Arc at the stake five centuries ago.

The queen and her husband, Prince Philip, left Paris after a final meeting with their hosts, President and Mrs. Georges Pompidou, at the Elysee Palace.

The queen and Prince Philip Thursday went to have tea with her uncle, the ailing 77-year-old

Duke of Windsor, who gave up the throne in 1936 to marry twice-divorced Wallis Simpson of Baltimore.

The duke, according to a royal spokesman, was not well enough to come downstairs, so the queen went up to his sitting room.

Later she had tea and sandwiches with the duchess. It was the fifth official meeting between the queen and her self-exiled uncle, who vowed not to return to live in Britain because

the duchess has never been officially granted royal status.

Royal spokesman Robin Ludlow said the question never arose in the 40-minute meeting.

"I am quite sure she will not become Her Royal Highness," said Ludlow when questioned repeatedly by reporters afterward about the duchess's status.

The Windsors might only return to Britain when they die, since the queen has given permission for the couple to be buried at Windsor Castle.