

Puerto Rican Convicts Slay Guards in Escaping

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico — Sixty-four desperate criminals still were at large today after the island's worst prison break in history. A total of 111 prisoners shot their way out of Rio Piedras prison Saturday, killing two guards and injuring four others.

Prison officials said at least had been recaptured but the two ringleaders and several other armed prisoners still were at large.

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Defense Program's Effects Hardly Felt Yet; What Lies Ahead Threatens Hardships

By JAMES MARLOW

WASHINGTON—(AP)—Except for these things—income tax, buying a home, buying goods on installments—you probably haven't felt the touch of the defense program.

That is, if you're not a businessman. The government has cracked down on some business firms. But, all in all, what the government has done so far in its defense work is fairly mild compared with what may lie ahead.

Since this defense program may last a long time, the government has three main problems on its hands:

1. It has to see that certain materials needed for armaments go into armaments, even though civilians do with less of their usual goods.

2. With everyone working, money plentiful and some goods, which the money would buy, getting scarcer, the government has to move against inflation.

3. At the same time, because a big armament program is expensive, the government has to find the money to pay at least some of the cost.

What's Been Done

What follows are the steps taken by the government so far to handle all three of these problems:

1. Income and corporation taxes were raised, starting Oct. 1. This will help pay defense costs, and taking some of the spending money out of people's hands, hold down inflation a bit.

2. Buying one or two-family homes has been made tougher because now you have to put down a larger first payment and pay up faster. This is intended to curb some of the spending urge, too, while channeling needed building materials into defense.

3. Buying things like cars and household appliances has been made a little tougher; larger down payment, pay-ups faster. Here again the purpose was to cut down on spending.

All the rest of the points listed here were steps taken to be sure for military needs.

4. Rubber—Manufacturers will have to use less pure rubber, more synthetic. This will save the natural rubber supply.

5. Manufacturers must reduce their on-hand supply—called inventory—of 22 materials essential for defense.

6. Manufacturers have been told to give right of way—priority—to orders from the defense department or the atomic energy commission which makes bombs.

7. Certain kinds of vital steel have been set aside for armaments.

8. Molasses can't be shipped out of the country. It's used in synthetics and the government wants more of that made.

9. Limits have been placed on the amount of cotton that can be shipped out of the country.

10. The government has tightened up on the amount of certain metals that can be shipped out, like aluminum ore, copper, brass, bronze, lead, zinc.

11. Specified amounts of steel will have to be set aside by manufacturers for the making of freight cars, which are needed.

12. The government will ban certain kinds of building which it considers unnecessary at a time like this. Race tracks, for instance.

If, as reported, President Truman calls Congress back into session right after the election, other steps may be taken. Renewal of rent controls, for instance.

New Probabilities

Other problems lie ahead: Manpower, for instance. The government right now has no power to compel anyone to work anywhere, but worker-shortages are beginning to show up in some defense areas.

As more people are needed in defense jobs the government probably will try to work out agree-



"MAO DAY" IN PEKING—A bunch of the Reds were whoopin' it up for Mao Tse-Tung when this striking photo was made in Peking. The photo—with caption material from an official Communist China source—shows workers carrying hundreds of pictures of the Red China leader in the recent National Day Parade in Peking. The procession celebrated the first anniversary of the founding of "The People's Republic of China." (Eastfoto from NEA - Acme Telephoto.)

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ments between unions and employers to get workers to shift over to jobs where they're needed.

As expense of the defense program increases, taxes may be boosted even still further than they were this month. There's much talk of that.

And if living costs keep going up—because of higher prices—we'll have price and wage controls.

The National Geographic Society says the first jury trial in Anglo-Saxon America resulted in Capt. John Smith's collecting 200 pounds for slander in 1607.

Child's Body Found Buried in Backyard

ELKHART, Ind. — (AP) — A mother was held without charge here Saturday after the body of her three-year-old daughter, a spastic paralysis victim, was found buried in their backyard.

Police Chief Ben Lauer said officers discovered the body as a result of a statement volunteered by the child's father, Carl Burnham, Friday night.

Dr. Burton Kintner, Elkhart county coroner, scheduled an autopsy today to determine how the child, Cheryl Burnham, died.

REDS BEATEN AT POLLS

VIENNA — (AP) — Communism in the Soviet zone of Austria took a small defeat over the weekend.

Twenty-one small rural communities held elections for local councils. The Communists, who in an earlier vote in May received 131 votes and gained two seats, lost both seats and got only 78 votes.

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