

Prisoners Show Hostility Toward Escape Terrorists

Monroe, Wash.—(UP)—The entire inmate population of the state reformatory here has turned hostile toward the four convicts who terrorized women and children hostages in a 14-hour escape attempt, Supt. Ernest C. Timpani said today.

"I believe the four should be transferred to the state penitentiary at Walla Walla," Timpani said. "We've been getting reports all day that the other 844 inmates of the institution have no use for them."

Captured by Trick
Prison guards captured the four would-be fugitives Tuesday through a trick and a tear gas attack. The inmates, hoping to force officials to let them escape, threatened hostages seized in the reformatory visitors' room with butcher knives and huge meat forks until guards captured them in a two-minute tear gas assault.

Those in the hospital were Richard Murray, 20; Robert Jesmin, 23, and Donald de Courcy, 22.

Solitary Dues
Timpani said the hospitalized men also would go into solitary confinement, "probably in a couple of days" and remain there until taken into court to face whatever charges the Snohomish county prosecutor decides upon.

Timpani said security provisions for the visitors room, which the escape plotters turned into a small prison of their own "certainly will be tightened up."

"We'll never let anything like this develop again," he said.

Two Disadvantages
The superintendent said he agreed with Dr. Garrett Heyns, state director of institutions, that the fact the visitors room has a single entrance and is close to the kitchen were disadvantages. "The troublemakers knew we had only one way to get at them," Timpani said.

The other 844 men behaved throughout the problem. Pre-ty near all of them have wives, mothers or children of their own, and I think they were pulling for us."



PRISON-BREAK HOSTAGES—Weeping from tear-gas, hostages who were held by rioting convicts at the state reformatory at Monroe, Wash., file downstairs after their release. Four convicts, armed with knives, held 40 persons hostage in the visitors' room, demanding release from the prison in exchange for the hostages' lives. Guards fired tear-gas into the room and quelled the revolt with no-one being injured.

Dakota Picnic Set For TouVelle Park

The 25th annual North and South Dakota picnic will be held Sunday, July 26, at TouVelle State park, the picnic will start between 12 and 1 p.m. Coffee, punch and ice cream will be provided by the committee; chairman this year is Mrs. Eric de Place, assisted by John Carter and Fred Kuest.

All former residents of the Dakotas are invited to bring their families and lunches. There will be contests and a short business meeting will be held to elect a three year trustee of the Dakota Picnic association.

Awards will be made to the oldest man and woman, the longest married couple, the newest married couple, the youngest baby, the biggest family, and the person or family coming the farthest to the picnic. Some Centennial features will be included in the affair. Music for the gathering will be furnished by Mrs. Alexander's Hawaiian Band, but Dakota musicians are invited to bring their instruments and join in the music.

A small fee will be charged per couple, or per family with youngsters, to cover the cost of the refreshments and prizes. A registration table will be maintained to allow picnickers to sign up by states. Carter will be master of ceremonies and Kuest will be in charge of coffee, ice cream and punch.

FRENCH FILM CITED
Berlin—(UP)—France's "Les Cpusins" Tuesday night won the International Berlin Film Festival's "Golden Bear," highest award for the year's best feature film. Among the other winners was American actress Shirley MacLaine who received a "Silver Bear" for her performance in "Ask Any Girl." French actor Jean Gabin was selected as best actor for his part in "Archimede le Chlochar" and also received a "Silver Bear."

CAT BEATS RAP
New York—(UP)—Police reported today that David Hill, 29, was "bitten on the right hand by a stray cat who had crawled in his window. Cat not held."

Chessman Faces Date With Death At San Quentin

San Francisco—(UP)—Convict-author Caryl Chessman, who has avoided execution for 11 years, today faced another appointment with the gas chamber at San Quentin prison.

The California Supreme Court unanimously affirmed the two death sentences of the 38-year-old prisoner Tuesday. He was condemned for two convictions of kidnap-rap-rape under California's "Little Lindbergh law."

Arguments Rejected
The high court rejected numerous arguments put forward by Chessman, including his principal charge that the transcript of his original trial was faulty.

The court reporter during his trial, E. R. Perry, died before he had a chance to transcribe his shorthand notes. Chessman claimed it was impossible for another reporter to do so accurately.

The U. S. Supreme Court, which has considered the Chessman case seven times, ordered a hearing on the transcript issue. It was held last year in Los Angeles.

Superior Judge Walter R. Evans rejected Chessman's claim after permitting minor changes, and the case came to the highest California court for the automatic review handed down Tuesday.

The high court ruled that the corrected transcript was "substantially accurate and sufficiently complete in every respect to permit a fair review of the appeal from the judgments of conviction."

Other Rejections
The court also rejected such contention as Chessman's assertion he could not obtain an attorney of his own choice; that the trial judge committed prejudicial errors; and that he was not allowed to walk about the courtroom during the last Los Angeles hearing.

The next move in the state's bid to execute Chessman will be for the Los Angeles Superior Court to set a new execution date. Under law, it must

be not less than 30 days nor more than 90 days after official notification of the Supreme Court's rejection of the appeal.

Chessman was arrested and convicted as the "Red Light Bandit," who prowled lover's lanes posing as a police officer. He was convicted on 17

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other felony counts in addition to the rape charges.

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