

Inmates in Baltimore Jail Stage a Brief Rebellion

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Prisoners staged a brief rebellion yesterday in the Baltimore City Jail, and prisoner activity was restricted in many penal institutions as an aftermath to the violence and disorders at Attica Prison.

In New York State, security measures were tightened at maximum-security prisons. Prisoners were fed in small groups, not permitted to participate in normal work and educational programs, and restricted to their cells more than usual.

In Baltimore, the police used tear gas to rout 180 prisoners who had barricaded themselves at breakfast time in the jail cafeteria. One guard was reported to have been kicked, and 11 prisoners were taken to the City Hospital with minor injuries.

According to authorities at the Baltimore jail, the inmates

in the cafeteria hurled trays, broke windows and tried unsuccessfully to hold a guard hostage.

"This was all undoubtedly due to the attack on brother guards that had taken place at Attica," said Deputy Warden Howard B. Parker of the Baltimore jail.

Activity Restricted

In New York State, inmates were fed in small groups, and they were not permitted to participate in normal work and educational programs at the maximum-security prisons.

At both Auburn Prison in Auburn and Clinton Prison in Dannermora, the approximately 34,000 inmates of the two institutions were kept out of the shops and schools.

"We heard rumors that an effort would be made to burn down the shop," said Warden Robert J. Henderson of Auburn.

"We weren't taking chances." Warden J. Edwin La Vallee of Clinton said the restrictions in his prison were precautionary.

At Auburn and Clinton, as well as at Sing Sing Prison in Ossining, N. Y. the inmates were permitted to take part in yard recreation—but at intervals and in smaller numbers than usual at one time. At Sing Sing, the 1,410 inmates were allowed to leave their cells only to eat, see visitors and visit the commissary and infirmary.

Alert in Massachusetts

The Massachusetts state police broadcast a warning to all police departments in that state to be on the alert for retaliatory attacks on officers. The alert was suggested by the Federal Narcotics Bureau on the basis of rumors from Attica that policemen would be assaulted

by friends of the slain prisoners.

Tension was reported at the Wayne County Jail in Detroit, where sheriff deputies conducted a cell-by-cell search on Monday, reportedly confiscating more than 150 small weapons.

Among the captured weapons were a loaded .22-caliber revolver, knives and razor blades, the authorities said.

The search was prompted by a report that the Wayne County prisoners were planning a mass breakout. Eighty deputies, wearing riot gear and carrying nightsticks, conducted the search among the 1,140 prisoners.

Conditions were reported normal in the New York City jails.

"We are just asking all our officers to be extra careful and on their toes, but the daily routine is normal," a spokesman for the Correction Department said.

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