

Attica Remains Tense'

New York

Attica state prison remains tense, and numerous inmate dissatisfactions have not been redressed, a special investigative panel appointed by the governor reported yesterday.

The panel said improvements had been made since the bloody quelling September 13 of the four-day inmate insurrection at the upstate prison. In some instances, privileges have been restored, even when unearned, to allay the still-seething discontent, its official report said.

The board was named by Governor Nelson A. Rockefeller to examine conditions at the prison following the insurrection, in which 43 persons — 32 inmates and 11 prison personnel perished, most of them in the gunfire behind which state forces moved in.

The five-member board said, "The danger of harassment continues and the likelihood of unjust retaliatory and inflammatory acts in parole and other areas still remains."

However, its report said, "The Department of Correctional Services has agreed to take further steps suggested."

Cochairmen elected when the panel first met at Attica last September 17 were Clarence B. Jones, publisher of the Amsterdam News, and Austin H. MacCormick, executive director of the Osborne Association, a prison reform group.

Other members of the pan-

el were Donald H. Goff, general secretary of the Correctional Association of New York; Louis Nunez, national executive director of ASPI-

RA Inc., and Robert P. Patterson Jr., of the law firm of Patterson, Belknap and Webb.

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