

HEADLINES FOR TODAY

Hal Boyle Joe & Ivan Join Hands In Black Market

By HAL BOYLE
COBURG, Germany (AP)—The troubled frontier along which the Russian and American occupation zones in Germany rub together is like the Mount Rushmore in the days of Pancho Villa.

Strange and exciting incidents happen daily along this artificial boundary of forest and farm land which divides the area.

Practical-minded soldiers of the two nations get along quite amiably in deals involving the smuggling of gasoline, food and cigarettes across the border.

The Ivan and Joe joined in these deals through an intermediary, anti-activities have learned to trust one another completely.

American military Government officials have in vain to gauge the extent of these border black market operations, but believe them to be "extensive."

NO MAN'S LAND
The area on each side of the border for a kilometer or two is a "no man's land" marked by trigger-happy Russian guards and American-trained German police.

In one twenty-mile sweep through this no-man's-land area, American soldiers and twenty police officers, said an American officer. He said most of the border area is controlled by Germans killed while crossing into Soviet territory by Red Army guards who were ordered to shoot first and explain later.

Effective May 10
Like the freight limitation order, which exempts only such items as food, fuel and medical supplies, the border embargo will be made effective at 12:01 A. M., May 10.

Loan Showdown
Effort Fails
WASHINGTON (AP)—Democratic Leader Barkley, Kentucky, failed today in a series of attempts to delay the debate and force a showdown vote on the \$3,750,000,000 bill.

Negro Boy Survives
Execution Attempt
ST. MARTINSVILLE, La.—A seventeen-year-old Negro who survived being strapped in a chair for an execution attempt today, said that "it tickled a little but didn't hurt much."

Truman Urged To Seize Mines Lucas Asks Move Unless Lewis 'Bows To Reason'

WASHINGTON (AP)—Senator Lucas, Democrat, Illinois, asserted today the soft coal strike could "possibly become an insurrection against the Government" and called on President Truman to seize the idle mines unless John L. Lewis "bows to reason."

He told the Senate the 21-day-old nation's coal miners' "political" strike, "revolutionary in character and scope."

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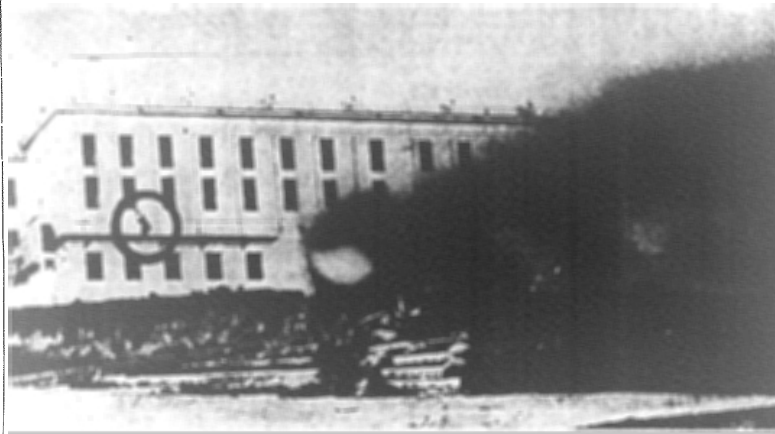
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Battle Of Alcatraz (Other Prison Pictures On Page 6-A)



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This aerial photo of Alcatraz was retouched by Staff Artist Jimmy Barnett to show the principal points in the island prison. No. 1 the shoe and furniture shop; 2—power house; 3—prisoners' yard; 4—men's hall and kitchen; 5—main cell block; 6—administration and warden's office; 7—warden's home; 8—landing dock; 9—guards' recreation yard; 10—cattwalk; 11—guard tower; 12—wharf. (These Acme Photos were rushed to The News via airmail.)

Get Set For 'Big Push' To Crush Rebels

Marines Are Withdrawn From Embattled Prison Island

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—Police Chief Charles Dullea said the Alcatraz prison warden told him today that prison guards "are getting ready for the big push" against a group of rebel convicts who have killed two guards and wounded 14 more.

Chief Dullea said Warden James A. Johnston told him there had been "A little firing" early this morning from the cell block in which 20 or more mutinous convicts are barricaded, including the seven ringleaders who headed the bloody revolt.

U. S. Marines who had rushed to the aid of the prison guards when the outbreak flared, were withdrawn from the island today.

Major Albert Arsenault said Warden Johnston had told him the Marines were no longer needed.

The Alcatraz guards had been reinforced by veteran prison experts from other Federal and State penitentiaries as well as by Marines. Five guards from Leavenworth, Kas., arrived late this morning.

There was some indication that the rioting convicts, armed with weapons and ammunition from the cellblock arsenal, might be dead or wounded. They had been under heavy fire for two days.

A reporter, cruising around the island, said he saw ladders put to the cell windows, that guards ascended and looked in, without drawing fire.

The convicts, who had killed two guards and wounded 14 more, had been given a surrender or die ultimatum.

At about 8:30 A. M. (11:30 EST) several shots from the ground were heard. These, apparently were fired by guards just before the men mounted the ladders.

At 9:35 A. M. the wharf manager for the San Francisco Marine Exchange, observing from a particularly kind of vantage point, said there had been no activity of any kind on the island for an hour.

One of the convicts, a telephone Warden Johnston to bargain for surrender.

Killed In Farm Home

TEXARKANA, Ark.—(AP)—With a man's bloody footprints as the only clue, the third of a series of mysterious double shootings was under investigation by police from San Antonio today after an unidentified gunman fired through the window of a farm home near here last night, killing Virgil Starks, 36, and critically wounding his 25-year-old wife.

The farmer's death brought to five other unsolved murder toll to five other March 24.

Two bullets fired through a window killed Starks about 9 P. M. as he sat in the living room of his farm home, eleven miles north-northeast of Texarkana, and two other shots critically wounded his wife as she attempted to telephone for help.

Price Control Battle Farm Union Asks Anderson Ouster

WASHINGTON (AP)—The tumult over continued price controls for meat waxed hotter today as the National Farmers Union called on organized labor to join in a drive for the ouster of Secretary of Agriculture Anderson.

President Truman's emphatic declaration that the Administration still stands firmly for price controls on livestock and meat, will be doubly embarrassing if Mr. Anderson's resignation is accepted.

The farmers union claimed that Anderson had encouraged a "reimbursement" campaign against meat prices, and said further, "It was principally responsible for the country's current food shortage."

Great Quake Recorded

PHILADELPHIA (AP)—Franklin Institute today reported a "tremendous quake" recorded on its seismograph.

Dr. Roy K. Marshall, institute director, said the tremor occurred about 5:25 P. M., Eastern Standard Time yesterday about 12,000 miles from here in the South Pacific.

The California Institute of Technology seismological laboratory at Pasadena, Calif., reported that two earthquakes, at least one of them heavy enough to cause severe damage in populated areas, were recorded at 2:14 A.M. and 2:34 P.M. (EST) yesterday.

Army Of Locusts On March In Sardinia

ROME (AP)—The Italian news agency said today in a dispatch from Sassari in Sardinia that a mass of locusts was devastating steadily on the area of Civitavecchia, apparently doing the region's crops.

UNRA officials here prepared to rush more than 400 vehicles to Sardinia to help fight the plague of insects said and appealed to their offices in Catania, Palermo and Genoa to send emergency supplies of poison.

12 Quizzed In Mussolini Case

MILAN, Italy (AP)—Civil Police Chief Umberto Ferraris said today that twelve persons, including one suspected of being the head of a clandestine Fascist movement, were under arrest in connection with the theft of the body of Benito Mussolini.

Ferraris said none of those arrested had admitted taking part in the actual theft, but that some had confessed taking an active part in the organization "Partita Socialista Rivoluzionaria."

This organization asserted in a published letter that it had arranged for the body's removal to a safe place.

WEATHER

Official Weather Bureau Forecast
Forecast with rain and scattered thunderstorms today and tonight. Sunday, partly cloudy and cooler, with a 72-degree temperature at 1:30 today. 70-80 high and low last 24 hours. 70-80 Sunday. 60-70 tomorrow.

START OF RIOT
The riot began, according to one version, when a convict looked at a square around the guard with the gun gallery, jerking him to the bars, he wrested from him the key and opened the gallery. They passed out weapons to his accomplices, who scattered throughout the cell block, detaining the other guards armed the rioters and brought them to safety.

Warden Johnston went to bed early this morning—some 30 hours after the rioting began.