

S'ide Jail Staff Irked By Working Conditions

A spokesman for the attorney-general's department said Tuesday that his department has not handled any complaints as recent months from members of the staff at Prince County jail, in answer to complaints by the staff following the escape of prisoners from the jail last Saturday.

Lack of protection in handling prisoners, a seven-day work week for less than \$7 in take-home pay and indifference of provincial authorities to these and other conditions at Prince County jail, however, have reached the breaking point as far as the assistant jailers are concerned.

Choked and assaulted by prisoners who escaped from jail last Saturday night, assistant jailer Albert C. Gallant underwent his third attack by prisoners within the past year.

Recently, jailer Hugh Daley was attacked while on routine duty in the jail.

Complaints from the jail staff stem from the fact that only three men are employed, and each works an eight-hour day, every day of the week, for a total of 24 hours.

MORE HELP NEEDED
The need for a fourth man for relief, and needed protection is felt by members of the jail staff who have to go alone into the cell block, without any protection or standby assistance when the prisoners are attending or locked in cells for the night.

Five years, stories have been heard from police about the menacing action and threats of prisoners when they are locked in cells, and one of the weekend jail breakers is reported to have threatened a jail attendant even as he was being locked up after being re-arrested last weekend.

Reports are heard about drunken escapades in the jail at night, adding to the hazards for jail keepers who may have to go into the cell block alone. The liquor is reportedly smuggled in or handed through the jail fence to prisoners while the jailer on duty is busy in some other part of the building or grounds.

HELP PROMISED
Jailers report that more than a year ago a fourth man was promised to help relieve the situation, but nothing has been heard of the promise since that time, and efforts made to get improvements have met with details of responsibility in the matter, or no results, at all.

It is reported that Charlottetown jail has a staff of four men, as compared with three at Summerside, and it is pointed out that the Summerside jail staff have the added responsibility of care and cleaning of the various offices and court rooms in the building.

The three-man jail staff at Summerside includes jailer Hugh Daley, and assistant jailers

Clay Expects Pressure Low Against Berlin

WASHINGTON (AP) — Gen. Lucian Clay says Russian pressure on West Berlin should remain low for at least another year while Communist forces attempt to build up the economy of East Germany. He says any new incidents will be aimed at the West Germans, not the other Western powers.

Clay, retired army general and President Kennedy's personal representative in West Berlin for the last eight months, gave his views here in a television interview.

He said ending of tension in West Berlin was due partly to Communist concern over economic failures in East Germany. He said the Communists have begun a drive to build up the East German economy and "I think it would take them at least a year to accomplish this effort."

Clay said Russia has become convinced that physical pressure will not work against the Western powers in Berlin.

"It also has become evident," he said, "that hargening the allies will not destroy the morale of West Germans. If the harganments come again, they will be directed against the Germans."

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Devaluation Of Dollar Gets Mixed Reaction From U.S.A.

By HAROLD MORRISON
WASHINGTON (CP) — Canada's dollar devaluation has generated widespread United States comment, ranging from fear of increased trade competition to hope that eventually Canada may help the U.S. knock out Castroism in Cuba.

The immediate reaction was to calculate how the pegging of the Canadian dollar at 93 cents in U.S. terms would affect the American job market. Judging from editorial opinion, the Canadian move was found none too popular. In the Pacific northwest, where American lumbermen and mining operators have been complaining about the stiff competition from Canadian exports, newspapers sharply criticized the "cheapesting" of the Canadian dollar.

The Sunday Oregonian accused Canada of having "manipulated" its currency exchange rate by 12 per cent within a year and said any American lumberman in that area could testify to the high success of the Canadian export drive, if it were not for the fact that it is able to stabilize its currency and build up a bigger export trade, it may no longer feel "obliged" to trade with Cuba and Red China.

Many newspapers and periodicals expressed concern that lowering the external value of the Canadian dollar would reduce the heavy flow of Canadian tourists to the U.S. Watertown, N.Y., Daily Times expressed hope the Canadian government would re-establish the dollar at par to better relations and travel between the two countries.

Some editorials, including that of the Washington Post, concluded that while the immediate reason for Canadian devaluation was the quickening drain on Canadian monetary reserves, the more deep-rooted cause was that the bloom was off the Canadian investment boom.

WARY OF DEFICITS
The New York Times estimated that at the rate of drain of Canadian official reserves at the end of April—just before devaluation—the reserves of \$1,585,000,000 "would have run out in a little more than a month."



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