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Race Crisis Settlement Hopes Rise

'Black Knights' Agree To Leave Tense Town

CRAWFORDVILLE, Ga. (UPI)—Hopes for a settlement in the racial crisis here heightened Wednesday night when the director of the Georgia Highway Patrol announced he had persuaded the segregationists "Black Knights" to leave town. Col. Lowell Smith said the agreement after consultation with Howard Sims and Cecil Myers, leaders of the black-shirted group known as a segregationist vigilante organization.

Sims and Myers, acquired the services of Negro lawyer Lemuel Slaton of Atlanta, the night before, to help him get involved over there and the Victoria in Viet Nam Association on the programs. On Monday Martin Zimmerman, an ex-OI who was now attending DVC, showed slides and presented a lecture on the Black Panthers to the people without getting into the political aspects of the war. This in itself must have been a real first for DVC. It was the first time a program and yesterday it was the VIVA's turn. Today the VDC and the Black Panthers were to see at noon at the college. Sounds like a good way to get the XYZ's out of the white war in their proper perspective.

NEW MATERIAL—Those of you who have spent any time in the waiting room outside City Manager Jim Hinsdale's office know the only reading material that's been available was an April 1965 issue of the magazine called West in City Management. Well a new issue has finally arrived. It contains some interesting articles as "Los Angeles' Water and Power Building" and "Garrison National Oregon League." We wonder if the City Council would consider subscribing to P'-t'y. We know if one vote they would get it.

FEELINE WEEK—It was very proper that the Board of Supervisors did not have a hearing proposal yesterday. For in the mail arrived a proclamation from Gov. Brown setting Nov. 7 as Cal Day. The San Francisco city faciliators to mark it by paying honor to one of man's oldest and most honored traditions. There were no suggestions included as to how we are to propose it. So far as I can see, we will probably wait until all the dogs locked up.

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38 HOURS INSIDE

Jailers Have Keys; Dudes Have Power

PUBLISHER'S NOTE: This is the third in a series of exclusive inside reports on the county jail. Following last week's riots and attack on the sheriff's operation of the facility, the author invited arrest and was jailed for 38 hours. Tomorrow the series will be concluded.

By RICHARD GAIKOWSKI
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MARTINEZ—Under state law the sheriff's office is in charge of the county jail.

In Contra Costa County the sheriff's officers determine what cell a prisoner is to be assigned to: when the cell door is to be opened and closed; when what is to be fed; when the inmates may watch television, shave and shower.

But the inmates block the prisoners from their own society. They have their own code of conduct by which their relationships with each other are governed.

FIRST CONTACT

I first came in contact with the code minutes after I was placed in the tank.

The tank is a 20 by 15 foot room with seven bunks, is the first cell most individuals booked at county jail see. There were 15 dudes in it. All the bunks had two or three individuals sitting on them except for one where a Negro was sitting alone. He was really taller than the rest and was about to sit down when his informant told me it was his and I couldn't sit there.

This individual I later learned was the tank trustee—this was a position assigned to the receiving cell to keep clean, distribute the food and generally assist the deputies. The dude is serving a maximum sentence. He was the boss of the cell.

NO SMOKES

The tank question I was asked was whether I had any cigarettes. This was one preparation I had neglected to make. I was out of smokes.

It was the same question asked the 32 individuals who passed through the tank Saturday night and early Sunday morning when I was there.

The population of the tank is forever changing. The incoming prisoners are held here until they are either bailed out or transferred to a cell on the main or second floor. Most bail out.

About 20 young Negroes settled with the troopers who were sent from there entering the tank. They demanded to be let out of the tank and the old timers or collaring them as they bolted through the stairs area reserved for whites.

There were no whites in the theater at the time. The man in the white shirt was the group to sit in the white seats.

The old timers are found mostly taking the newcomers for a cigarette. This was one reason he had any. His pack would be passed around and more often than it was empty when returned to him.

GOOD IMPRESSION

The tanking of the old timers is a pretty good impression of the jail from the tank. The bunks have sheets and pillows and pillowcases. None of the cells upstairs have these luxuries.

To sleep everyone mattresses had to put on the floor. Only one late arrival had to stretch out on the concrete floor.

The trusty rules the tank. He had three of the skinny, lumpy mattresses on his bunk. He had the respect of everyone because he knew the ropes and could explain what was taking place. Now I know of which he was good and which ones were bad.

Up on the second floor where I spent 26 of my 38 hour sojourn in jail, the old timers also ruled the cell block.

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SHERIFF GETS PRAISE FROM JURY FOREMAN

MARTINEZ—The Sheriff's Office was praised yesterday for the manner in which it put down last week's riots in the County jail by Grand Jury Foreman Ralph Hill.

The officials and members of the community law enforcement committee met yesterday with Sheriff Walter F. Young, Undersheriff, and Captains of Detention Robert Fisher, to review the incident.

Hill said the deputies who cleared out the jail's main floor day room were to be commended for their work.

The new officers will be located at Alhambra and C Streets and will include a squad audience and a search committee of 500 and rental space for a restaurant, beauty salon, barber shop and various other businesses. Simultaneously, the old timers are to be housed in a new building at 731 Castro St., in Martinez.

The new location is opposite the Alhambra High School and other labor organizations.

Architect on the project, Harry Nakahara, presented the plans and model to the jury.

During the months of July, 1965, members voted to pay \$5 each month for financing the project.

SPACIOUS BUILDING

It will contain some 15,000 square feet of office space, the major portion of which will be occupied by the sheriff's office and other labor organizations.

There will be kitchen facilities for large groups and the building will be acoustically treated and acoustically treated for quiet.

Construction will start by mid-November with completion slated for May next year.

LAUDS DESIGN

LOS ANGELES (AP)—Los Angeles Police Chief William Parker will remain at his post until he undergoes heart surgery "if he feels he must," Mayor Samuel Yorty told a news conference yesterday.

Yorty said Parker talked with him about resigning before he agreed to undergo the operation.

"I don't think he wants to retire and I told him to take the time he needs to do what he feels," Yorty said. "I think the chief will return to work."

Parker said it was "not true" that he had been offered a job in the transportation and confinement of persons involved in the recent race rioting.

Opposition to the report of the police chief's health condition was expressed by J. Wally Perry, secretary of the California Assembly. The complaint was contained in a letter to the Board of Supervisors.

Perry said it was "not true" that the police chief had generated economic and resulted in the appearance of all 234 police officers by the Pinole police department.

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Chief Plans Job Return

MARTINEZ—Expected use of non-violent methods in minor crimes was staunchly defended yesterday by District Attorney John Ferguson. Ferguson charged that a report on the new citation policy carried fallacious accusations.

The district attorney is slated today for a New York conference called by the U.S. Attorney General to discuss methods of reducing the backlog of cases in the criminal justice system.

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ARRAIGNMENT SET

Father Of 2 Girls Gets Lie Detector

MARTINEZ—Chief Ray Jr. submitted to a lie detector test at his own bid last night in the office of Mercedino County Sheriff Ray Middleton.

The sheriff decided to reveal details of the polygraph examination but indicated that the 35-year-old Napan would be held incommunicado pending a hearing on the matter.

Justice Court Judge Hale Ferguson, who presided over the hearing, said he will have the full written report of the lie detector test.

"I believe that nothing can be said about it for fear of revealing information vital to the case against Ray which is building hour by hour."

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