

# FBI embarks on nationwide search to apprehend 4 Wisconsin fugitives

FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover ordered a nationwide search Wednesday for young men sought in connection with the Aug. 24 bombing of the Army Mathematics Research center at Madison, Wis.

The FBI identified the fugitives as Karleton Lewis Armstrong, 22, Dwight Alan Armstrong, 19, his brother; David Sylvan Fine, 18, and Lee Frederick Burt, 22, a summer student at the University of Wisconsin, where the research center was located.

Fine was described by the FBI as student night editor of the university newspaper, the Daily Cardinal.

The Milwaukee Journal reported that two Madison brothers who admire Cuban Prime Minister Fidel Castro were being sought in the bombing.

A 33-year-old physicist, Dr. Robert E. Fassnacht, was killed and three other persons were injured in the early morning blast.

The four were charged with sabotage, destruction of government property and conspiracy in connection with the bombing.

The FBI said the elder Armstrong brother had formerly attended the university and described his younger brother as a high school dropout.

Fine was identified by the FBI as a former staff member of the "Heterodoxical Voice," a publication of the radical Students for a Democratic Society at the University of Delaware. Fine was the only one of the four linked by the FBI to the SDS.

The FBI announcement said that Sterling Hall "for several years has been the target for demonstration activity by radical groups led by the Students for a Democratic Society which protested it as a link of the University of Wisconsin with the federal government."

"The Students for a Democratic Society vowed to use all means at their disposal to force the Army Mathematics Research Center off the campus," the FBI said.

Hoover said he has ordered a nationwide manhunt for the four, who he said should be considered armed and dangerous.

The FBI said the older Armstrong brother was last known to be living in Madison and had been employed at a variety of jobs including some time as a security guard.

The FBI provided these physical descriptions of the four men sought:

Karleton Lewis Armstrong — six feet, two inches tall, 185 pounds, stocky build, brown hair and brown eyes and receding hairline.

Dwight Alan Armstrong—five feet, ten inches tall, 165 pounds, slender build, long shaggy brown hair and brown eyes.

David Sylvan Fine—five feet, five inches tall, 140 pounds, dark brown hair and brown eyes.

Lee Frederick Burt—five feet, eleven inches tall, 185 pounds, muscular build, long brown hair and hazel eyes; reportedly wears a beard and mustache.



THERE WAS apparently some mix-up last night when a student drove down Ross Street into a recently filled ditch used in the chilled water line construction project. The right side of the car was dug out to chassis level in an attempt to remove it. Steve Lazaro, Houston junior, examines the problem.

## Two troop units in Vietnam to be deactivated in weeks

Two American combat brigades will be disbanded within the next few weeks in a major cutback of U.S. troops in South Vietnam, authoritative sources said Tuesday.

The units being deactivated are the 199th Light Infantry Brigade and the Third Brigade of the Ninth Infantry Division — about 10,000 men in all. Both brigades are in the Third military region.

The reduction will lower American troop strength to 392,300. Another 8,000 men will have to be withdrawn in the near future to meet President Nixon's fourth phase withdrawal goal of 384,000 men by Oct. 15.

The cutback to be announced officially in the next day or so, coincided with two developments:

- A large-scale uprising by enemy prisoners of war on the big South Vietnamese PW camp on Phu Quoc Island in the Gulf of Siam.
- A combined American and South Vietnamese force reported killing 56 Viet Cong troops in a major engagement 120 miles northeast of Saigon.

The clash erupted after South Vietnamese militia spotted a force of 200 Viet Cong near

Highway 1, which runs along South Vietnam's coast.

South Vietnamese regulars along with American infantrymen reinforced the militiamen to route the Viet Cong with the help of helicopter gunships and bombers.

One U.S. helicopter was shot down and U.S. casualties were one killed and four wounded, the American command reported.

South Vietnamese casualties were termed light.

In the revolt on Phu Quoc Island, 40 PWs escaped from a work detail Monday after killing a South Vietnamese guard and wounding a second. In an ensuing gun battle, nine of the escapees were killed and two wounded.

A South Vietnamese military spokesman said 29 were still at large late Tuesday and military patrols were scouring the island's jungle-covered mountains for them.

The spokesman could not say whether the escaped prisoners were North Vietnamese or Viet Cong. The PW camp, the largest operated by the South Vietnamese, holds about 25,000 of the total of 36,000 PWs in Allied hands.

In the Cambodian war, a gov-

ernment attempted for a second day to recapture the key town of Srang, but it ran into stiff enemy resistance and sustained serious casualties.

Entrenched enemy forces hit the Cambodian troops with mortars, rockets, recoilless rifle and machine-gun fire to stop the government advance.

Cambodian casualties in two days of fighting at Srang were about 25 dead and 50 wounded.

Commenting on the troop withdrawal schedule, some American field commanders feel that Vietnamization has made the most rapid progress in the third military region, they claim that the enemy is incapable of launching large-scale ground offensives in the region because of the Allied drives into Cambodia last May and June.

Only those troops in the two brigades being deactivated who have served 10 months or more of their normal 12-month tour will return to the United States, sources said.

Others who still have a major portion of their 12-month tour to serve will be reassigned to other units in Vietnam and troops from these other units who have served the major portion of their tour will go home instead.

## White house keeping watch on Mideast infractions

The Western White House kept a careful watch Wednesday on the touchy issue of Egyptian infraction of the Middle East cease-fire pact and there was no denial that violations have occurred.

Washington sources have reported that the United States has firm evidence of violations.

Israel has charged repeatedly, and Egypt denied, that there have been violations. Both the Western White House and the State Department in Washington have no public comment on the reported violation.

But Presidential Press Secretary Ronald L. Ziegler did say that "our surveillance is very complete" and "we have been in diplomatic contact with all parties."

He repeated previous Administration assurances, based on guarantees in the cease-fire agreement, that "we will not allow in military situation in the Middle East to tilt or become unbalanced."

Nixon's only announced appointment for the day was with former astronaut Frank Borman, who reported to the President after a round-the-world mission that took him to 12 nations, including three Communist nations — Poland, Yugoslavia and the Soviet Union. Borman said he got sympathetic reactions but no breakthrough or significant progress on the question of releasing U.S. prisoners of war in Vietnam.

But Borman said the leaders of the dozen nations promised to take new initiatives on behalf of the POWs held by North Vietnam. Borman arrived at the Western White House from Hong Kong after a 25-day mission.

Nixon spent much of the day consulting various staff members and cleaning up some paper work.

One result was a formal statement lauding news media coverage, national and local, of the school desegregation process in the South.

Nixon said hundreds of communities have made the transition peacefully and successfully and he wanted to commend the nation's press and its radio and television media for their coverage.

The White House said the desegregating seems to be proceeding in an orderly way.

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