

CLOSURE OF DUTCH CAMP IN NSW WANTED

Unrest After Fatal Shooting

SYDNEY, Friday. — Uneasiness in the district after the fatal shooting yesterday of an Indonesian in the Dutch prison compound near Casino has resulted in a move to have the camp closed.

The camp was reported to be seething with unrest today, and townspeople fear an outbreak which might end in the 550 prisoners overwhelming their guards.

The prisoner Soerdo, who was killed yesterday, had 13 bullet wounds in his body extending from the head to the stomach. All the bullets had entered from the back, suggesting he was walking or running away when hit.

Two other prisoners, Parta and Lengkong, were wounded.

Another Indonesian, Cpl. Emot, was found hanged in the camp on Wednesday. He was alleged to have committed suicide, but some Dutch officers think he was lynched.

Last May guards at the camp shot dead an Indonesian prisoner named Tarji. Yesterday's shooting occurred when two members of the armed guard went to enter the compound where about 550 prisoners were confined. Some of the prisoners showed opposition and the guard fired volleys in the air and ground before opening direct fire.

The Coroner today viewed the body of Soerdo and issued an order for burial, but no other action was taken by him or the police. The Commonwealth Crown Solicitor has advised the shooting is entirely for the Dutch military authorities.

It has been suggested that the Mayor of Casino should be asked to call a public meeting to demand that the authorities close the camp and remove all Dutch and Indonesians from the town and district.

A police officer at Casino said today the citizens of the township would be more than satisfied to see the camp go.