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CIGARETTE SOLDIER CHECKS UP

IRA men on the run bombed

PLANES joined the hunt to-day for the I.R.A. internees who escaped from The Curragh Camp in County Kildare.

Petrol bombs were dropped in an attempt to drive the men from their hiding places in the gorse and heather.

About 1,000 soldiers and police searched eight square miles of heathland, hampered by dense fog.

Police said to-day that 16 out of the 80 who attempted to escape got clear of the internment camp.

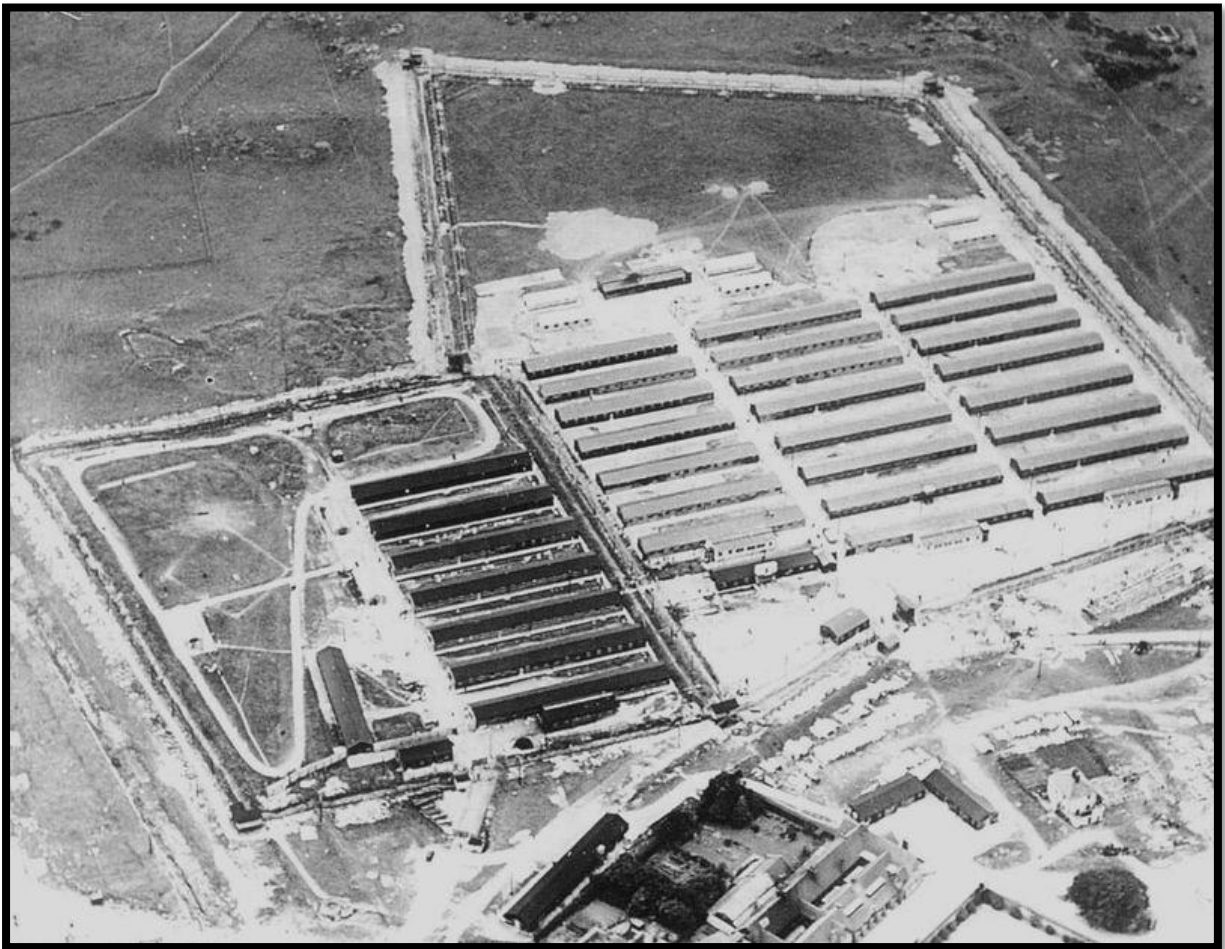
LYING LOW

Two men in a car were stopped by the police not far from the camp to-day and held for inquiry.

Most of the men were believed to be "lying low" rather than risk a dash from the search zone. But all roads were being watched, especially the main road to Dublin, about 30 miles away.



An Irish Soldier in the search.



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Detention Barracks, Curragh Training Camp
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