WASHINGTON

It was the evil outside in the walls, not the evil within that led to the massacre at Attica. This, the superintendent said.

Vincent Manzoli, testifying guardedly before the House Select Committee on Crime, stopped short of calling the situation a "Communist conspiracy," but he left no doubt he thought it was the work of those revolutionaries and militants who have sprung up in our country since 1960.

"I think that we are all victims, actually, of society and conditions," he volunteered.

The slaughter of 43 people could have been avoided, he suggested, had he been allowed to remove from Attica four drive-by assassins and troublesome prisoners who were "poloiling" the rest of the prison population, and who were abusing their privileges of outside communication with lawyers and congressmen.

... If he had his way, prisoners who say the country is unjust and advocate the downfall of the system would be subjected to close custody and re-education until such time as they mended their thinking.

Rep. Jerome Waldie (D-Calif.) oddly reminded the strict and limited superintendent that such a process in another country would be called "brainwashing" and is "foreign to a free society."

Manzoli bristled when Rep. Charles Rangel (D-N.Y.) suggested he was not aware of the type of wardens who advocated prison reform. He denied, he insisted, based on his description, Attica had not felt the effect of his views.

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Rangel asks boycott of French products

Congressman Charles Rangel, last week, introduced his resolution calling for a boycott of French goods because of their alleged involvement in dope traffic to the United States.

Rangel said, "Citizens response to the resolution as reflected in my mail has been tremendous. We have received support from people all over this country."

The Congressman, joined by 26 House of Representatives cosponsors, said, "Heroin trafficking and the human destruction and tragedy felt in its wake is a long and refined into the inner-city ghetto."

"My colleagues are beginning to recognize that heroin trafficking is a national and not a regional concern, no it is a national issue."

"We are asking the President to notify the French government that we are not going to stand idly by while this crime is perpetrated by them."