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Anti-Castro Forces Say Thousands Quitting Fidel

INVADERS HALFWAY TO HAVANA

Fire Out Of Control

Stubborn Blaze Still Ravaging Madera Forest

By BOB THOMAS

A slow, stubborn forest fire methodically chewed up the Madera Canyon watershed in the Santa Rita Mts. yesterday as the season's first major blaze continued to burn out of control for the second day.

Officials of the Coronado National Forest hope to control the fire today if the wind continues mild and if the more than 300 firefighters can attack the blaze. Yesterday only about 50 prisoners from the Safford Federal Prison Camp were fighting the fire through the bulk of the day.

Another 50 prisoners were taken off the lines early in the morning after an all-night battle on the steep, rocky slopes below Josephine Saddle.

About 150 Zuni Indians from Zuni, N. M., were thrown into the fight about 3 p.m. yesterday. They had arrived at the Madera Canyon fire camp shortly after noon after a 12-hour ride in two old school buses. Fifty Navajo Indians from Gallup, N. M. arrived at 8 o'clock last night after an all-day ride here.

Bill Fleishman, fire boss, said the fire has destroyed about 400 acres of pine and scrub oak in the upper reaches of Madera Canyon. No cabins or structures of any kind were in danger unless a drastic shift in the wind sends the fire back down the canyon.

The fire crowned out briefly on Josephine Saddle yesterday and slopped down the opposite side for about 150 yards. However, winds held the fire in check and even caused the blaze to retreat in places.

Gentle breezes of 10 to 15 mph were credited by firefighters with preventing the fire from exploding up the sides of either Mt. Hopkins or Mt. Washington, the two peaks on either end of Josephine Saddle. A favorable weather forecast for today of continued low winds cheered the fighters.

Don Jirsa, fire chief for the Coronado National forest, said that pinpoint bombing by tanker planes carrying liquid fire retardant knocked down several dangerous hot spots.

A Forest Service leased helicopter, owned and flown by Jim Meade, of Fortuna, Calif., yesterday flew men to strategic places in the canyon to hew out landing spots so that helicopters can land supplies.

Today a second helicopter, equipped with a tank for water drops, is scheduled to go into action against specific hot spots that the tanker planes can't reach. Don Webb, Coronado fire dispatcher, said that early today, while wind and temperatures are down, an all-out assault on the fire will begin.

A careless hiker or picnicker caused the fire, Norman Weeden, Coronado Forest supervisor, said.

"It had to be a man-caused fire," Weeden said. "It started near the trail to the summit and was a long distance from any cabin. Lightning couldn't have started it as we haven't had any storms."

He termed the lack of rain this winter and the early hot weather with turning the forests tinder dry. "This is the worst period of fire danger we've had since 1956 and that was the worst fire season we've ever had in this region," Weeden said.

Ronstadt Fee Bid Vetoed

Council Rejects Plea For $5,561 Payment

Tucson's Mayor and Council pulled all of the stops yesterday in consideration of a 65-item agenda that resulted in rejection of a request by Carlos Ronstadt for payment of $5,561 in fees incurred in the much-publicized San Pedro Land purchase, and receipt of several important reports.

The meeting also witnessed continuation of the feud between Mayor Don Hummel and Councilman James Kirk, with the mayor again calling upon Kirk to reveal publicly what he claims to know about the San Pedro deal.

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Among other important actions, the Mayor and Council:

1. **ACCEPTED** a metropolitan sewer development report calling for expenditure of $20 million by 1985, of which $10 million will be needed by 1967.
2. **AUTHORIZED** the immediate expenditure of $853,250 for further additions to the water system.
3. **ACCEPTED** a civil service compensation study indicating that city employees are being paid an average $30 to $40 monthly below the community level for such work.
4. **ACCEPTED** a report from the Citizens Urban Renewal Committee for the redevelopment of some 400 acres of land adjoining the downtown business district to the south and west.
5. **APPROVED** initiation of 11½ miles of street paving with use of funds to be derived from the increased amount of sales tax (upped from 10 per cent to 25 per cent) to be received under the recent amendment of the constitution by the voters.
6. **PLEDGED** the city to pay, if so required by the courts, up to $38,568—in conjunction with the sanitary district—for relocating sewer lines at the Freeway-Grant Rd. interchange.
7. **PASSED** an ordinance prohibiting cars from passing in school zones.
8. **ACCEPTED** a recommendation whereby the Cleveland Indians would sign a contract for and finance construction of facilities for spring training of four farm teams here.

Snowstorm Took 28 Lives

By ASSOCIATED PRESS

A late spring snowstorm that left the Midwest floundering over the weekend disappeared late Monday, leaving only swirling wet flakes buffeted by gusty winds in the Great Lakes and the Ohio Valley.

The storm began in most areas of the Midwest Saturday night, picked up in intensity Sunday, and then tapered off during the early morning hours. But not, however, before at least 28 deaths were attributed to its blinding force.

Michigan, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Iowa, Illinois and northern Indiana bore most of the fury of the midwinter block-buster, which piled up drifts up to 20 inches, closed schools and stranded thousands of motorists.

Where Invasion Forces Reported

This is where the anti-Castro forces were reported to have landed in Cuba. The main force struck in the southern part of Las Villas province (1). Another force was reported ashore in Matanzas province in the Cochines Bay area (2). Western Pinar del Rio province (3) was the scene of another reported landing. Other forces were reported at Baracoa (4) northeast of Santiago, in Matanzas province (5), the Santiago area (6) and parachutists were reported to have dropped on Castro's prison area—the Isle of Pines (7). [AP Wirephoto]

Cuban Invasion ... At A Glance

By ASSOCIATED PRESS

MIAMI—Anti-Castro spokesmen claimed invasion thrusts from the southern coast reached half way across central Cuba and rebel forces landed at least at one other place in eastern Cuba; unconfirmed reports said landings were made at two or three other places; Fidel Castro may have narrowly escaped bombing; he reported the landings by sea and air and called for help from other Latin American countries.

NEW YORK—Anti-Castro rebel council said thousands of Castro's militia deserted and predicted a massive internal uprising; landing of supplies for local resistance forces reported in Cochinos Bay area.

UNITED NATIONS—Cuban Foreign Minister Raul Roa charged U.S. aircraft carrier and forces from U.S. Navy Base at Guantanamo supported invaders and that they jumped off from Florida and Guatemala; United States and Guatemala said the charges were false.

MEXICO CITY—An anti-Castro agency said invaders captured the Isle of Pines and freed 10,000 prisoners, who joined the uprising; Lazaro Cardenas, leftist ex-president of Mexico, said he will join Castro forces, flying to Havana Tuesday after being delayed by bad weather.

UNITED NATIONS—Cuban Foreign Minister Raul Roa charged invaders came from Florida and Guatemala in undeclared war, and called for United Nations to stop "shameless aggression"; U.S. Ambassador Adlai Stevenson declared Roa's charges "totally false" but said the United States was sympathetic to those fighting for a "new and brighter Cuba."

GUATEMALA—Guatemalan government denied invaders used its coast for a springboard, and invited inspection of its beaches.

MOSCOW—Izvestia article lambasts the invasion; Tass says "Cuba is not alone."

WASHINGTON—Officials said they had no knowledge of the invasion except from news dispatches; Secretary of State Dean Rusk said his reports did not indicate a large scale invasion; he declared the fight was between Castro and Cuban people but gave no commitment that the United States would not give backdoor aid to rebels.

Climactic Battle Expected Soon

By ASSOCIATED PRESS

Anti-Castro forces struck their long-prepared invasion blow on Cuba Monday, predicting they and rising Cuban masses would quickly unseat the pro-Communist Government.

Landings by sea and air brought Cuban charges in the United Nations that a U.S. aircraft carrier and regular forces from the U.S. Naval base at Guantanamo were supporting the invasion. The United States denied these charges.

Cuban Foreign Minister Raul Roa said the carrier's jet fighters protected a rebel fighter from pursuit, and that regular U.S. forces from the naval base at Guantanamo were violating Cuban sovereignty.

U.S. Ambassador Adlai Stevenson declared sympathy for the rebels but said the United States was not intervening. Roa also charged that the invaders mounted their attack from Florida and Guatemala—charges that were denied by both the United States and Guatemala.

Amid a fever of rebel reports and rumors, an anti-Castro spokesman claimed thousands of Castro's militiamen deserted him at the first shot, and that the first thrust of the invaders carried to the area of Colon, astride central Cuba's main east-west highway.

Various sources reported landings at five different places, but a rebel headquarters spokesman in Miami said only two of these were confirmed—in Oriente Province in the east in the area of Santiago, and on the swampy south coast of the central province of Las Villas near the Bay of Cochinos.

Forces from the Las Villas landing, he said, had reached the Colon area in Matanzas Province and about half way across the island. Colon is about 90 miles Southeast of Havana.

The spokesman said it was possible a third landing had taken place in Pinar Del Rio, the western province. Other landings were reported east of Cochinos and on the Isle of Pines, but even rebel leaders found it difficult to believe some of the stories going about—such as reports that Santiago already had fallen.

Direct communications with Cuba were cut off and it was impossible to verify most of the reports.

One possibility of the uprising was that there would be a general strike. The Havana radio, apparently to counteract that, called on all students, workers and peasants to go about their business as usual.

The Castro government in a communique broadcast at 12:55 a.m. mentioned only one invasion point—southwest Las Villas province—and said the government troops there were continuing "to fight heroically."

"The successes of the revolutionary (Castro) army, air force and militia will be announced to the people in the next few hours," said the communique, which was signed by Castro as prime minister and commander in chief.

The Cuban Revolutionary Council in New York said in mid-evening that much of the 400,000-man militia Castro recruited "has already defected from Castro" and that the principal battle would be fought in a few hours.

"The tremendous army of invisible soldier-patriots has now received its instructions to strike the vital blow for the liberation of our country," said the communique.

"Our partisans in every town and village," it added, would receive the coded message "the fish will soon stand," to rise up against Castro and his remaining militiamen. The fish, it was pointed out, was a symbol of Christian resistance.

The anti-Castro rebels predicted that before dawn Tuesday "Cuba will rise up en masse in a coordinated wave of sabotage and rebellion which will sweep Communism from our country."

Anti-Castro sources in Mexico City were quoted as saying the Isle of Pines, the huge prison island off the south coast of Cuba, previously reported under attack from ships offshore, had been seized by invaders. The report said 10,000 political prisoners were freed to join in the rebellion.

A Hollywood, Fla., owner of property on the Isle of Pines said he had reports also of the capture of the island. Other rebel reports from Mexico City said invaders also had taken possession of Cuba's westernmost province, Pinar del Rio.

Another unconfirmed report from Mexico claimed that Castro's "entire military guard" had been killed by insurrectionists working with the invaders.

Cuban radio messages exchanged between Havana and the central province of Las Villas and overheard in Miami indicated that rebel airmen may have narrowly missed Castro himself in a bombing attack at Playa Larga on Cochinos bay on the south coast.

The Las Villas radio said four planes dropped parachutes and one bomb fell "where Fidel was." The Revolutionary Council said substantial supplies for local anti-Castro forces in the swampy area had been landed in the Cochinos area, but did not mention a landing force.

There were only fragmentary clues to the size of the invading forces or where they came from.

Dr. Carlos Prio Socarras, an ex-president of Cuba who helped finance the Castro revolution and then turned against it, said 1,000 of his men had landed in the easternmost province of Oriente, scene of Castro's long guerrilla fight in the Sierra Maestra.

Sen. George A. Smathers of Florida, where thousands of Cubans have taken refuge, said he believed those fighting Castro "at the moment" numbered not more than 4,000 to 5,000.

Castro, in announcing fighting on southern beaches about 100 miles from Havana, charged that the invasion was

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Castro Using Soviet Tanks, Priest Reports

NEW ORLEANS, Tuesday April 18 (AP)—Unconfirmed sources said troops loyal to Premier Fidel Castro were using Russian tanks to repel invading forces some 90 miles from Havana.

In a report reaching the Rev. Teodoro de la Torre from Cuba via Mexico, the invading forces claimed to have captured most of Pinar del Rio province, the Isle of Pines, and all of Santiago, Cuba's second largest city.

"Castro is fighting with Stalin tanks trying to keep our forces from reaching Havana," the Catholic priest said. **"There is only scattered opposition now in Pinar del Rio and the taking of Santiago has been completely confirmed," Father de la Torre said.**

Rusk Says U.S. Keeps Hands Off

By JAMES RESTON

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WASHINGTON, April 17—Secretary of State Rusk expressed the sympathy of the American people for the anti-Castro invaders of Cuba Monday but emphasized "there is not and will not be any intervention by United States forces."

The administration did not deny that it is giving material support to the raiding parties, but this aid is undoubtedly on a much smaller scale than originally planned here and the landings in Cuba are much smaller than excited reports of "invasion" suggested.

No more than 200-300 men were involved in the weekend landings on the vast coastline of Cuba, according to reliable information reaching here.

In the last 10 days the Cuban refugees have assumed control of the operations against Castro. Accordingly, official Washington could not be sure of the fate of all the small parties that were ashore.

Secretary Rusk was extremely cautious in his remarks on the situation at his news conference. What happens in Cuba, he said, was for the Cuban people to decide.

He added, however, that the administration was "not indifferent" to the intrusion of the "Communist conspiracy" into this hemisphere and promised to "work together with other governments of this hemisphere to meet efforts by this conspiracy to extend its penetrations."

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Latin American Leftists Cheer Fidel

NEW YORK, April 17 (AP) — About 1,000 backers of Fidel Castro's Cuban government demonstrated outside the United Nations building Monday, charging the United States had a hand in an invasion of Cuba.

The U.N. pickets included about 750 who had demonstrated earlier at the skyscraper housing the U. S. mission to the United Nations.

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MONTEVIDEO, Uruguay—Squads of steel-helmeted police hurled tear gas Monday night to drive back a pro-Castro crowd of more than 3,000 trying to demonstrate in front of the legislative palace.

Visiting Italian President Giovanni Gronchi was attending a palace dinner as guest of honor when the demonstrators formed up several blocks away. Police moved in before the crowd could reach the palace. Dozens of arrests were made but no serious injuries were reported.

Earlier about 1,000 youths shouting vivas for Fidel Castro stormed through the downtown area, forcing the rerouting of a motorcade taking Gronchi to the dinner.

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RIO DE JANEIRO, Brazil — President Janio Quadros said Monday Brazil "expresses the deepest fear over events taking place in Cuba."

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RECIFE, Brazil—Hundreds of demonstrators identifying

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Nikita Turns 67

MOSCOW, April 17 (AP) — Nikita S. Khrushchev observed his 67th birthday Monday vacationing at Sochi on the Black Sea. There was no mention of the event in the Soviet press or radio, but the Russians customarily pay homage to their public figures only on decade anniversaries — 50, 60 and so on.

LONDON, Tuesday, April 18 (AP)—The official Soviet news agency Tass said today the Soviet Union and its allies are prepared to aid Cubans in their battle with anti-Castro revolutionaries. But the nature of such aid was not spelled out. The Soviet Union and its satellites have provided arms for the Castro regime.

Keeping up a running Communist barrage at alleged U. S. complicity in the new Cuban flareup, Tass called on the United Nations to "curb the aggression at once. The gamblers from the imperialist camp should do well to remember that Cuba is not alone," said Tass.

Liz Taylor, Burt Lancaster Win Oscars

'The Apartment' Named Top Film

SANTA MONICA, Calif., April 17 (AP)—Elizabeth Taylor, near death two months ago, reached the peak of her career Monday night by winning the award as best actress of 1960 from the motion picture academy.

Burt Lancaster was acclaimed best actor for his role as the shady revivalist of "Elmer Gantry." "The Apartment" won as best picture, and for best direction by Billy Wilder.

Shirley Jones of "Elmer Gantry" and Peter Ustinov of "Spartacus" won the top supporting roles. Miss Taylor's victory, for her role as the ill-starred wanton of "Butterfield 8," was one of the most dramatic moments in Oscar's 33 years.

When she heard her name called as winner by Yul Brynner, she clapped both hands over her mouth and stared in apparent astonishment. Then she turned to husband Eddie Fisher, and he helped her to her feet.

Still weakened by her bout with double pneumonia, she was helped to the stage of Civic Auditorium, walking slowly and uncertainly. She stood trembling before the audience of 2,500, plus TV onlookers nationwide, and finally said hesitantly in hushed and halting tones:

"I don't really know how to express my gratitude. All I can say is thank you very much."

Liz looked radiant when she arrived on Fisher's arm, clad in a flowing gown with mint-green chiffon bodice

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and long white sheath skirt of Dior design. It was her fourth nomination for an Oscar.

The usually composed Lancaster also seemed shaken by his award. He leaned over to kiss his wife, Norma, then proceeded slowly to the stage, still wearing his glasses. He removed them and made a brief acceptance, thanking members of the Academy who voted for him. He added, grinning:

"Right now I feel so happy I want to thank all the members who didn't vote for me." This was Lancaster's second oscar nomination.

"The Apartment" was the big winner of the evening, netting five awards, a long distance short of last year's record of 11 by "Ben-Hur."

Wilder went to the podium three times — for direction, picture and writing (the latter with I. A. L. Diamond). But Jack Lemon, a co-favorite with Lancaster for the top actor award, didn't make the trip.

Miss Jones, 27-year-old brewer's daughter, from Smithon, Pa., won by switching from the sweet young thing of musical comedies to playing the bad young thing in "Gantry."

Gorgeous in a golden gown, she gave her thanks to "another Oscar — Hammerstein, and Richard Rodgers." The musical-team picked her as their heroine in the film version of "Oklahoma!" and "Carousel."

She was picked for an entirely different kind of role in "Gantry." Would she play a "lady of the street," as she termed Lulu Baines again? "You bet," she replied.

Ustinov, born in London of Russian parents 40 years ago, was the program's first major award winner and obviously a popular choice. After the cheers died, he said that in keeping with his English schooling he was prepared to be a good loser. He didn't need to be.

Backstage he added a pointed comment about the 1960 Oscar campaign, marked by more rabid campaigning than any in history. "I'm very happy about the award, especially since I didn't campaign a bit," he said.

If there was any surprise at the big event, it was the win of "Never on Sunday" as best song. The theme of the Greek-made comedy of the same name scored over four domestic entries.

The moody production by Sweden's Ingemar Bergman, "The Virgin Spring," was selected best foreign language film. Besides the two acting awards, "Elmer Gantry" also drew an Oscar for its writer, Richard Brooks.

Algeria Peace Talks May Begin April 27

PARIS, April 17 (AP)—French newspapers predicted Monday that peace talks with the Algerian rebels may get under way in Evian-les-Bains between April 27 and May 5.

There was no official confirmation, however, either from the French government or from the leadership of the rebel National Liberation Front in Tunis. But a decision in each camp was expected within the next few days.

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