

Reds Waging Relentless War On U.S. From Mexico

Editor's Note: In a two-month tour of Latin America, William L. Ryan has run into many evidences of the work of Communists and Castro followers who seek to discredit U.S. efforts in that area. This report from our next-door neighbors discloses some of the problems the United States faces in trying to maintain good relations with the people of Latin America.

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MEXICO CITY, March 13 (AP)—From behind a haze, closely guarded embassy compound in Mexico City, Soviet talent and money wage a relentless war against the United States.

Apparently the Kremlin regards the United States' next-door neighbor as a key nation in plans for Latin America, which involve a quickening drive to isolate the North Americans.

Despite cautious but determined resistance from the government of President Adolfo Lopez Mateos, the Russians probably are pleased with their progress.

The Russians proceed carefully, but what they have

built up—an important center for espionage, political agitation and cultural propaganda in Latin America—has been endeavored by extremist advertising. But they overlook few opportunities.

Soviet and Castro money pours into Mexico for purposes of subversion. Qualified sources estimate the rate at about \$8 million a year.

This money also helps finance three parties, two bearing Communist labels and one calling itself socialist but actually Communist in its purposes.

From the evidence at hand, it seems likely that the Soviet embassy supervises the subversive activities of its neighbor Cuban embassy, less than two blocks away on the Calzada Tacubaya. There is a heavy flow of traffic between the two embassies, and between the Soviet Embassy and Havana.

Chou's Fidel Castro has lost some of his influence in Mexico, but the impact of the Cuban revolution is useful to extremists when tied to traditional anti-Yankeeism. The Russian-Fidelistas alliance tries to use the combination to achieve an immediate pact: To undermine confidence of U.S. investors in the Mexican government.



ADOLFO LOPEZ MATEOS Has Based in Reds So Far

President Lopez Mateos is fighting hard to prevent that he has become a Communist puppet. This has contributed to a strengthening of foreign confidence, which began to sag about a half year ago.

Mexico's economy is sound, and is in able hands. Mexico has the most stable currency of all Latin America. Although more than half its 35 million population can be classified as poor, the standard of living has been edging upward steadily. Strong Mexican nationalism and belief in the idea that the "1917" revolution still is going on have tended to brake the most extreme leftism.

"A new Cuba in Mexico just isn't in the cards," said one U.S. businessman.

But there is an undercurrent of worry. Much of it centers about 76-year-old, violently anti-Yankee Gen. Lazaro Cardenas, president from 1934 to 1940. Cardenas recently traveled widely in the Communist bloc and has been lauded there. He was prominent at last week's Communist-backed Latin American "peace conference" here. At the least, he is strongly pro-Communist.

Cardenas has no political party label at the moment. He seems to want to become a power behind the scene.

He has threatened to form a catchall Mexican Socialist party, which, allied with Communists and other extremists, would pose a threat to the ruling PRI (Institutional Revolutionary Party). Cardenas has impressive strength among the peasants.

The Russians would jump at the chance of assisting a united left front. The Soviet embassy is known to be contributing liberally to the PPS (Popular Socialist Party) led by the veteran Communist labor agitator, Vicente Lombardo Tolandino. For all practical purposes the PPS leadership is Communist and the party has all the appearances of a Communist party. Lombardo Tolandino claims 150,000 members, but it is probably about half that. The PPS is an offshoot of the original Mexican Communist party (PCM) one of the oldest original Communist parties in the world.

The PCM claims 25,000 membership, probably has about 10,000. Another offshoot, the FOCM (Mexican Workers and Farmers Party) probably has about 5,000 fanatic members and is considered the best organized and disciplined.

If any of these parties represents deviation from the (Continued on Page 4A, Col. 6)

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Legislature May Quit Saturday

Traffic Safety Plan To Add 55 Officers

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PHOENIX, March 13—The Legislature's answer to greater traffic safety in Arizona will be the addition of 55 new highway patrolmen, starting July 1. This was learned Monday as leaders of both the House and Senate predicted that the session, which ended its ninth week last Saturday, will be able to wind up its business and adjourn next Saturday.

President Clarence L. Carpenter (D-Gila) of the Senate and Speaker W. L. (Taz) Cook (D-Cochise) of the House said they are convinced all of the bills on which it is possible to get joint action will be cleared by early Saturday evening.

This includes the big general appropriations bill, details of which traditionally are passed until the measure bills the House floor for passage under suspension of the rules. It is expected on the floor Thursday.

That the House minority will use no delaying tactics on this or other legislation was disclosed on the floor Monday by the two minority leaders, Reps. John H. Haugh, R-Fima, and T. C. (Doc) Rhodes, D-Maricopa.

The fact that the general appropriations bill, which will add 55 new patrolmen and 5 new field sergeants, was learned from an authoritative source Monday. Heretofore, provision for enlarging the patrol has been made in separate appropriation bills.

With the addition, the patrol will consist of 213 patrolmen, 16 field sergeants, 6 lieutenants, and 2 inspectors. Superintendent Gregory O. Hathaway told the Star when questioned.

Asked whether this will meet his department's needs for greater highway safety, Hathaway said:

"This will help as much as anything that could be done for the patrol, this, and if the budget will get a lot tougher on people who drive after their licenses have been revoked."

Also in the field of highway safety, the Senate passed and sent to the House Monday a bill giving legal support to the State Highway Department's point system leading to license suspension.

Leading in legislative action (Continued on 2A, Col. 2)



The Long Count

Referee Billy Reagan leans over challenger Ingemar Johansson as he counts him out in the sixth round of Monday's title fight with heavyweight champion Floyd Patterson at Miami Beach, Fla. Johansson was floored with a looping right to the head. He started to rise midway in the count, fell back and started to rise again as the count reached nine but fell back to his canvas and was counted out. The time was 2:45 of the sixth round. See additional photos and stories on the title fight on page 4B. (AP Wirephoto)

Katana Area Hails Its 'Saviours'

LEISABETHVILLE, Kansas, March 13 (AP)—Thousands shouted "welcome to our saviours" as U.S. troops, led by President Mike Tsombou of Katanga, President Kasavubu of Leopoldville and other Congo leaders returned from a reorganization conference on Madagascar.

A crowd of approximately 10,000—including blacks and whites—lined the route from the air field where the troops landed to the flag of the independent state of South Katanga, headed by Albert Kalonji, also present Monday.

The crowd reflected the attitude of the local press, which proclaimed in great headlines: "Katanga has saved the Congo"—in reporting terms of the Madagascar meeting.

The conferees took first steps toward establishing a confederation along tribal lines in the troubled Congo.

Reds Roll Ahead In Laos

Rebels Ignore Bid For Peace Talks

VIENTIANE, Laos, March 13 (AP)—Pro-Communist rebel troops were reported advancing toward the road junction of Van Vieng Monday as efforts intensified by their leaders to win peace talks. So far the rebels have shown no interest.

Although the military situation was obscure, the pro-western government's front on the main road between Vientiane and the royal city of Luang Prabang was not holding firm.

The rebels, liberally supplied with Soviet arms, seized the Sala Phou Kean road junction last week and drove southward toward Vientiane, capturing Moung Kasy about 80 miles from the capital.

Now they are heading for Van Vieng, about 60 miles north of Vientiane. U.S. troops and Pathet Lao rebels were pushed out of Van Vieng in January after using the town as a receiving point for the Soviet arms airlift.

The town is also the spot where the late Thomas Donay, the American jungle doctor, started his first hospital in Laos four years ago. It was later turned over to the government.

Every able-bodied man in Van Vieng, a town of 3,000 people, has been pressed into military service.

Paar-Sullivan Debate Fails To Come Off

NEW YORK, March 13 (AP)—The scheduled debate between Jack Paar and Ed Sullivan on performers' fees was canceled Monday after each accused the other of backing out. The development was like a Broadway-bound show that gets good notices in New Haven but decides not to open in New York. (See additional story on Page 4A.)

A statement by NBC, which was to televise the debate on Paar's program, said Sullivan "broke the date."

"Paar simply said he would not appear," said Sullivan.

"Oh my God," declared Bennett Cerf, when told the debate had been canceled. As the scheduled moderator, he said he had been looking forward to having fun.

For Economic And Social Development Kennedy Outlines 10-Year Program For Latin America

Latin Envoys, Solons Laud President's Plan

WASHINGTON, March 13 (AP)—President Kennedy's 10-year, 10-point Latin American program won approval Monday from key members of Congress and Latin American diplomats who heard the speech.

Sen. J. William Fulbright, D Ark., chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, said his group particularly has approved the program.

"I think it is timely to indicate our interest in Latin American development and the administration of that program," Fulbright told newsmen.

Sen. George D. Aiken, R-Vt., a member of the Latin American Affairs Subcommittee, said he believed Kennedy's statement "will give a great deal of encouragement to our Latin American friends."

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Baby Of Clark Gable To Be Born Monday

HOLLYWOOD, March 13 (AP)—Clark Gable's baby will be born next Monday morning by Caesarean section, his beautiful blonde widow said today.

"I told the doctor to keep me awake," Kay Gable said. "As I can give the baby a kiss and a hug from his pa the minute he's born."

The baby, which would have been the first for the late Clark and Kay, was born in the same hospital—Hollywood Presbyterian—where Gable died last Nov. 18.

Lockheed Gets Jet Pact

The jet transport will travel at speeds of 560 to 575 miles an hour and will have a range varying from 3,450 miles with a 60,000-pound load to 6,235 miles with a 20,000-pound load. Thus, the plane will be capable of carrying either troops or cargo non-stop across the Atlantic or Pacific.

Lockheed will build the plane for the entire \$290 million. Under the contract Lockheed must subcontract at least 50 per cent of the work.

On Agenda Question U.N. Talks Bog Down

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., March 13 (AP)—U. S. Ambassador Adlai E. Stevenson and Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei A. Gromyko conferred for more than an hour Monday but apparently failed to reach any agreement on postponing the U. N. General Assembly agenda.

Diplomatic sources took the view that the assembly now faced at least six weeks of debate on a number of issues, including the Congo crisis, racial segregation, drug addiction and the policies of the Union of South Africa and the Palestine refugee problem.

Stevenson called on Gromyko at the Soviet U. N. mission on Park Ave., then went directly to a meeting with David Trimble-Grey, British minister of state, to give him a fill-in.

There was an announcement of progress in the week-long negotiations. Faced by the situation, Assembly President Frederick H. Boland of Ireland was expected to begin consultations on getting the stalled assembly back into session.

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