

United States Created A 'Private Army' Opposing Interests In South Viet Nam

WASHINGTON (UPI) — One of the untold stories of the Viet Nam crisis is the fact that the United States itself largely created what has recently become a "private army" working against American interests there.

U.S. aid and advice both went into creation of two years ago of a special Vietnamese military force responsible to the palace rather than to the military. It now is the arm of the president's brother, Ngo Dinh Nhu.

At present, some of these Special Forces, intended to fight the

Communists in the mountains and delta country, are being used in Saigon's security troops.

Among U.S. officials the story raised fundamental issues of what controls are available to this country to avoid creating "Frankenstein monsters" in projects it must set up or assist in foreign lands.

When Nhu, chief adviser to Viet Nam's President Ngo Dinh Diem, launched massive raids against Buddhist pagodas on Aug. 21, he called on two main groups for the job.

One consisted of units of the so-called "Special Forces" of the Vietnamese army. The other was a special police security section of Viet Nam's national police and security service.

It was the police who apparently went inside the pagoda while the Special Forces stood by outside. Both have received American aid.

The Special Forces bear the same name as units which U.S. Army also has based at Ft. Bragg, N.C., and have the same purpose. They are highly trained in guerrilla warfare as "paramilitary" units operating generally in small teams able to drop behind enemy lines and move fast unburdened by heavy equipment.

Kennedy Asks Solons To Back Test Treaty

WASHINGTON (UPI) — President Kennedy has urged the Senate to provide "the widest possible margin" of support for the nuclear test ban treaty to prove America's leadership in the quest for world peace.

Kennedy said that if the Senate gives "only grudging support to the pact... then this nation cannot offer much hope of leadership in the future."

The President opened his news conference with a statement emphasizing "how important it is" that the Senate approve the treaty now pending before it.

"It will enable all of us who inhabit the earth... our children and our children's children to breathe easier," the President said.

Kennedy also paid high tribute to community leaders in Southern cities where school desegregation has been carried out peacefully during the past two weeks.

He noted a statement that schools in 150 Southern communities have been desegregated during the past two weeks.

And while there have been "some difficulties," he said, it is "to the great credit of the vast majority of citizens and public officials in these communities" that the desegregation has been carried out on the whole with "orderly and peaceful process."

On another foreign policy front,

Kennedy said the United States is not engaged in South Viet Nam "to see a war lost" there. He said policies which hinder that country's war effort against Communist guerrillas are "inconsistent with our policies and our objectives."

The President, however, declined to spell out in more detail what his administration plans to do about Viet Nam because it is not desirable to "state all our views at this time." He said U.S. policies in the area will become clearer as events unfold.

Kennedy made these other points:

—He has read only parts of a book that is extremely critical of him but he does not regard it as fairly as some news columnists. Asked how he would review the book, Victor Lasky's "J.F.K. — The Man and the Myth," he said, "The part I read was not as brilliant as they (the reviewers) described."

—Revealed that he plans to address the United Nation's General Assembly in the near future. He indicated he would present new U.S. proposals for strengthening the world organization's functions as an instrument for peace.

While he set no date, Kennedy said he would appear before that body "in the next few days." The General assembly is scheduled to convene Sept. 17.

Defeat Of Tax Bill Would Force Cuts In Oregon Education Funds

(Editors note: Predicted major cutbacks in the state's education program in case of defeat of the legislature's \$60 million tax increase measure at the Oct. 15 election are not threats. They are warnings. Third of a five-part series.)

By ZAN STARK

SALEM (UPI) — To understand the threat to Oregon's education program if voters reject the legislature's tax increase bill at the Oct. 15 election, you have to know something about the state's budget.

The state's total budget for 1963-65 totals more than \$1.2 billion. Of this, \$404 million is in the general fund.

The other \$800-plus million is made up of dedicated funds, such as gasoline tax revenue which goes for highways, or federal matching funds for welfare, or the total federal support of the department of employment.

It's that \$404 million in the general fund that's at issue. That's the money the legislature or the governor can control.

More than half that \$404 million goes to education. More than one-third of it goes to basic school support alone. Basic school support is money the state gives to local school districts.

Threat Not Intended

The governor, legislators and education officials aren't trying to threaten anyone when they warn a defeat of the tax bill will have a major effect on education.

Here's where that \$404 million goes: \$234 million for education, \$16 million for new buildings, \$50 million for welfare and social services, \$36 million for public health and mental hospitals, \$27 million for natural resources, and \$30 million for all other operations.

One way to shave \$60 million from this general fund budget is to cancel the \$18 million building program, and make up across-the-board 11 per cent cut in all other expenditures.

Because education totals \$234 million — \$141 million of it the basic school support money — this will be the hardest hit of any of the state programs.

Other Cuts Destructive

It wouldn't be possible to make the full \$60 million cut in the \$170 million that does not go to education without destroying other programs.

This is why state and education officials shouldn't be accused of trying to use education as a "threat." If the cuts become necessary, education will be hard hit simply because it accounts for so much of the budget.

Higher education has already announced what it might do if the tax measure fails. Entrance requirements will be raised to freeze enrollments at their present level. This would mean about 3,000 Oregon youths would not be able to enter college next year. Most of the building program would be postponed, and tuition fees would be raised.

Lower education's problem is much more complicated.

Brazil Plans Rehabilitation Of Scorched Parana Areas

CURITIBA, Brazil (UPI) — Gov. Ney Braga of fire-devastated Parana State said scorched rural areas must be rehabilitated at once to keep dispossessed farmers from returning to already crowded cities.

"Our work now is to rebuild the state, to plant new seed and to find homes for the homeless," Braga told UPI. "We will have to feed, clothe and house refugees for at least three months."

"We must act immediately to get seeds and start building up

agriculture to avoid a mass exodus to the cities."

The governor estimated the damage done to crops in Parana by last month's tragic fires in the millions of dollars. He predicted a 30 per cent drop in farm earnings for the year.

The flames which raced over a 600-square-mile area of Parana, killing at least 300 persons, were brought under control earlier this week. Heavy rains, beginning Tuesday night, quenched such small fires as were still burning.

Brazilian agencies have pledged \$1 million for the purchase of seeds — \$500,000 from banks and \$400,000 from the government. Federal funds also will be available for the reconstruction of homes and farm buildings.

Foreign aid is expected to help take up the slack. The United States, Britain and Israel already have offered emergency supplies, and food and medicine began arriving by the plane load this week.

The fires swept through the northern third of Parana, injuring an estimated 30,000 persons and leaving 400,000 homeless.

UPI correspondent Antonio Nasi Bruni accompanied President Joao Goulart on a flight over the scorched earth this week.

"Much of the coffee acreage which was the state's principal source of wealth has gone up in flames," Bruni said. "As we flew over the state, we could see entire cities seared by the flames, with no sign of life nearby. Everywhere, there was desolation."

"In Londrina, a 'millionaire city' that lived on the coffee trade, the air was toxic, full of choking soot."

Highly Diversified

The Viet Nam special forces are used mainly in the mountains for hit-and-run raids against small and specific targets. The men also are trained in diverse skills such as operating field guns, working radios, dynamiting and speaking local dialects.

The United States was instrumental in setting up these units in 1961, when Communist guerrillas were terrorizing the country with tactics against which old-fashioned military sciences was useless. It was necessary to apply some of the Communists own tactics against them.

Action In Senate Would Open Unions To Negro Workers

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The Senate Commerce Committee today wrote a provision into President Kennedy's civil rights bill to open membership in labor unions to Negroes.

By a 9-6 vote which crossed party lines, the committee added a new section to Kennedy's public accommodations bill which would require unions to practice non-discrimination in accepting members.

Sen. John O. Pastore, D-R.I., second-ranking Democrat on the Senate committee, promptly warned that such an amendment "will defeat the public accommodations bill we are trying to pass."

"It will have a very strong, defeating influence on the enactment of public accommodations," Pastore added.

Across the Capitol, a House Judiciary subcommittee tentatively approved a proposal to make the Federal Civil Rights Commission a permanent agency.

The action, taken with bipartisan support, was a step beyond Kennedy's request for a four-year extension of the commission's life.

The commission, set up in 1957, goes out of existence Nov. 30 unless Congress acts to continue it before the deadline.

The commission section was the second part of the civil rights bill to win tentative subcommittee approval. The group Wednesday cleared Kennedy's proposal for a new federal community relations service to help mediate racial disputes.

Senate Committee Approves Fish Ban

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The Senate Commerce Committee has approved a ban on fishing by foreign vessels in U.S. waters.

By unanimous vote, the committee approved a bill which would make it unlawful for foreign ships to fish in territorial waters or take fish resources from the continental shelf that are claimed by the United States.

Under provisions of the bill, violators would be subject to a fine of \$10,000, a year in prison or both, and their vessels could be seized.

The measure is being pushed by a group of New England and West Coast senators, including Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, D-Mass., the President's younger brother.

New England fishermen have complained recently that Russian trawlers are fishing close offshore. And the Soviet fishermen have been accused of using illegal nets, although the State Department recently did not substantiate this charge.

On the West Coast and in Alaska, fishermen have been engaged in severe fishing competition with Russian and Japanese vessels.

Chairman Warren Magnuson, D-Wash., said the bill did not spell out how far American territorial waters extend. He said this will be left to the executive branch.

Negro Gets More Time To Fight Extradition

SPOKANE (UPI) — Charles Will Cauthen, 28-year-old Negro whose fate was decided in less than a day in a Georgia courtroom four years ago, received an extension Thursday in his fight against extradition to face execution on a first degree murder conviction.

Justice of the Peace Ellsworth Gump granted Cauthen a 60-day extension to Nov. 20 to provide evidence in his Feb. 23, 1959, trial at Zebulon, Ga., but denied a request that bond be reduced from \$100,000 to \$5,000.

Cauthen has been sentenced to die in the electric chair in Georgia for the murder of a white service station attendant. He escaped from jail at Griffin, Ga., May 25, 1959.

Twenty-eight persons from Warden, Wash., friends of Cauthen, appeared in court today. Four testified in his behalf.

Davidson Resigns Democratic Post

PORTLAND (UPI) — Oregon Democratic National Committee Chairman C. Girard Davidson has submitted his resignation to Democratic National Chairman John Bailey, it was announced today.

Davidson, who has extensive lumber interests in Alaska, has been commuting between his Portland law office and his Alaska headquarters at Wrangell for the past several months.

In his letter to Bailey, Davidson said his Alaska interests "will continue to receive most of my time as well as require extended absences from Oregon."

Davidson has been a national committeeman from Oregon since 1956. He said he planned to attend the Western States Democratic Conference in Salt Lake City Sept. 19-21. He represents the 13 Western states on the national committee's executive committee.

Davidson's successor as committeeman from Oregon will be picked by the Democratic State Central Committee and will serve through the 1964 national convention. The committee has not yet set a date to act.

Choir Concert Slated By Church Youth Group

A sacred concert by the youth choir will be presented in the Roseburg Seventh-day Adventist church on Garden Valley Boulevard at 6:30 Saturday evening to which the public is invited, according to Elton Hansen, chairman of the board of elders.

This choir, with Bernie Paulson as director and Bert Pearson as his assistant, is composed of young people of the church of academy and college age and has been functioning as a church choir during the summer vacation. There will be no admission charge, according to Hansen.

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