

Ships, Men Offered U.S.

Latin Nations Signal Unity

WASHINGTON (AP)—At least half the Latin-American nations have backed their votes for an arms blockade of Cuba with offers of men, ships or port facilities.

Pleased U.S. officials welcomed the bid to join in the blockade not so much for its military significance but as a signal to the world that the hemisphere is united in its opposition to the pyramiding of atom bases in Cuba.

The voluntary gestures follow swiftly in the wake of Tuesday's vote by the Organization of American States to use force, if necessary, to prevent the Cuban Communist arms buildup. Wednesday, Uruguay, the only nation which abstained from the 19-0 vote made the action unanimous.

Cuba Crisis Brings Plea From Pope

Brief Radio Talk An Appeal for Peace

VATICAN CITY (AP)—Pope John XXIII, showing deep concern over the Cuban crisis, appealed urgently to the world's rulers Thursday to do everything in their power to save peace.

The 80-year-old pontiff made the plea in a surprise broadcast beamed around the world by the Vatican radio. He apparently decided on the plea only a few hours before the broadcast started.

The Pope spoke for 2½ minutes, supplicating the world leaders to do all they can for peace.

"By so doing they will spare the world the horrors of a war that could have disastrous consequences such as nobody can foresee," he said.

"Let them continue to negotiate because this loyal and open attitude is of great value as a witness in the face of history."

"To promote, favor and accept negotiations, at all levels and at all times, is a rule of wisdom and prudence which calls down the blessings of heaven and earth."

Many of the thousands of Roman Catholic prelates here for the Vatican Ecumenical Council were unaware of the Pope's decision to speak. The council was in recess Thursday.

Pope John said the council had just opened amid joy and hope of all men of good will, but "threatening clouds now come to darken again the international horizon and to sow fear in millions of families."

The Pope concluded his brief radio appeal by asking all Christians to "join their prayers to ours in order to obtain from heaven the gift of peace—a peace which will be true and lasting only if it is based on justice and equality."

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Cuban Sites

Map locates Cuban cities which Assistant Secretary of Defense Arthur Sylvester said Wednesday are sites for 8 to 10 missile bases. Sylvester said each base has about four rocket launchers.

Simple Launch Gear Eased Cuban Buildup

WASHINGTON (AP)—The relatively simple launch gear of Soviet mobile missiles enabled the Communists to put Cuba's 1,200-mile range rockets into position in very few days.

Longer range Soviet ballistic missiles spotted by U.S. reconnaissance aircraft are designed for firing from more complex permanent launch pads.

These bases for the 2,500-mile range IRBMs take some time to build and photographs made public by the Defense Department indicate construction of some of these Cuban sites are in the early stages.

The Pentagon pictures of the Soviet mobile missiles in Cuba show a relatively crude layout.

There are simple launch pads and missile erectors, missile fuel trucks and some storage buildings or trailers.

In one picture, the launchers were off to one side aimed, a Pentagon spokesman said, at a specific area of the United States.

He didn't say what area, but in general it was said that these

State Employees To Hold Meeting

SALEM (AP)—The Oregon State Employees Assn., will meet in Portland Nov. 8-10.

Ralph Wheeler, Corvallis, membership director, said further efforts to strengthen the career concept in state employment will be made at the meeting.

Wheeler said that the association now has more than 12,000 members and is still growing.

Cuba Clamps Lid Tighter On Consumer

HAVANA (AP)—Premier Fidel Castro's revolutionary regime tightened controls on consumer goods Thursday to halt a wave of panic buying apparently inspired by the U.S. arms blockade.

Storekeepers were instructed to limit sales of emergency lighting supplies to one quart of lamp alcohol and three candles per family with infant children. Even in these limited quantities, storekeepers were allowed to sell only to their regular customers.

Neighborhood vigilante committees were alerted to help enforce the order.

The new restriction extended a ration list which already included milk, many foods, soap and other staple household goods in shortage-ridden Cuba.

Housewives flocked to supermarkets and neighborhood groceries Wednesday to stock up on lighting supplies despite President Kennedy's statement that the blockade would not affect the necessities of life and Castro's statement that his regime could furnish the people's needs.

The buyers apparently feared that the blockade might soon be extended to cut off the oil imports needed to run the power plants which supply electricity to Havana's homes.

Grocery shelves also were swept clear of unrationed foodstuffs despite government broadcasts warning against hoarding.

Even coffee was unavailable in this coffee-growing country.

The general pace of military preparations in Havana accelerated Wednesday, with the emplacement of machine guns and other anti-aircraft weapons on rooftops in many parts of the city.

A Russian-made tank which had been stationed outside armed forces headquarters was moved elsewhere, and the patrol boats which had been operating about a mile off the waterfront disappeared.

Soviet's Summit Feeler Eases European Fears

LONDON (AP)—Soviet Premier Khrushchev's summit feeler eased Thursday European fears that the Soviet Union and the United States might go to war over Cuba.

Demonstrations protesting the U.S. blockade of arms shipments to Cuba still flared around the globe. Some neutralist nations lined up in opposition to Washington's action.

America's allies in Europe rallied behind the United States. So did those in Latin America, and a number offered military aid to help enforce the blockade of Fidel Castro's Cuba.

A Soviet Embassy official in London asserted arms supplied to Cuba by Moscow are not fitted with nuclear warheads.

Message to Russell

Khrushchev's suggestion that "a meeting at the highest level would be useful to discuss all questions that have arisen and to eliminate the threat of nuclear war" was contained in a message to Lord Bertrand Russell. The British philosopher who campaigns for nuclear disarmament had sent appeals to both Khrushchev and President Kennedy.

Diplomats in London conceded this was an odd way to propose such a vital conference. Said one: "But the Russians do things like that."

Demonstrations, most of them anti-American, continued on both sides of the iron curtain.

In London, 800 demonstrators trying to march on the U.S. Embassy fought with police. There was a rash of marches and petitions throughout Britain.

Demonstrations against the United States were reported from Communist Czechoslovakia, Hungary and Poland.

Flag Torn Down

More than 1,000 Czechoslovaks marched on the U.S. Embassy in Prague Thursday and some demonstrators tore down the American flag during a noisy protest rally against the U.S. arms blockade against Cuba.

Pro-Castro demonstrators also

marched in Milan, Italy. In Rome pro-American youths fought with leftist union demonstrators. Demonstrators for and against Castro clashed outside the U.S. Embassy in Oslo. Danes yelling against the blockade fought police in front of the U.S. Embassy in Copenhagen.

Police broke up a rally called to denounce the United States at Recife, in northeast Brazil.

Not all demonstrations were anti-American. About 200 women marched on the foreign office in Rio de Janeiro and demanded Brazil take stronger action against Cuba. More than 2,000 university students shouting support for Kennedy marched past the U.S. Consulate in Montreal.

Iron curtain countries echoed the Soviet Union in condemning Kennedy's quarantine action.

'Act of Aggression'

Radio Peiping said Communist China agrees with the Soviet Union that a naval blockade of Cuba is "an act of aggression."

Algeria's ruling political bureau declared Algerian solidarity with "the valiant Cuban people." It called the blockade aggression and a violation of international law.

An official statement from the United Arab Republic assailed the blockade and urged a peaceful settlement of the U.S.-Soviet dispute. But it added: "All powers should refrain from supplying any non-atomic country with such devastating arms."

France completed the lineup of the big Western powers backing the United States. A communique after a cabinet meeting expressed full support for the U.S. position on Cuba.

Turkey Backs U.S.

Support also came from Turkey, where the North Atlantic Treaty Organization has missile bases on the Soviet Union's doorstep. But Premier Ismet Inonu emphasized that Turkey's alliance with NATO is purely defensive.

West European newspapers saw a summit meeting as the best way out of the crisis.

Denmark's Politiken commented that a summit move was to be expected and added: "It is to be hoped that the leaders of the United States and Russia will seriously make use of the opportunity. They have plenty to talk about."

Commies Banned

MANILA, Philippines (AP)—The Philippine government barred citizens of Communist countries Thursday from entering the country as a security measure until cold war tension subsides. The sole exception is Communist county representatives serving the United Nations and its specialized agencies.

Macmillan Accuses K

LONDON (AP)—Prime Minister Harold Macmillan accused Soviet Premier Khrushchev Thursday of deliberately embarking on a dangerous adventure in Cuba and declared any settlement of the crisis must be subject to international control.

Words and promises would not be enough now, the British leader told the House of Commons. The world must be assured by an accurate check that Soviet thermonuclear rockets and other offensive weapons are removed from Cuban soil.

Macmillan stressed that the Western powers must stick together as they work toward a solution of the Cuban problem.

Macmillan with this statement did not give an outright yes or no to Khrushchev's feeler for a summit conference. Instead he made clear that if the Cuban bomb is defused he will support various types of diplomatic efforts to ease the cold war, including a summit meeting.

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