

Catholic Opposition to Castro Regime Hardens

Havana (UP) - Roman Catholic opposition to the Fidel Castro regime hardened today in alarm at Cuba's growing entanglement in the Soviet-Red Chinese axis.

The situation was aggravated by unconfirmed reports that Chinese Party Chief Mao Tse-tung has been invited to Havana at the same time as Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev - possibly late next month or early September.

Republicans Ready Platform Strategy

Chicago (UP) - Key Republicans were tentatively agreed today on strategy for combatting the ultra-liberal civil rights plank adopted by the Democrats.

Instead of drafting a Republican plank that would match point-by-point the Democratic promises to Negro voters, the Republicans intend to accuse the Democrats of making promises which they can't and don't intend to fulfill.

The contrast, the Republican strategy calls for the drafting of a civil rights plank that can be depicted to Negro voters in the North as a firm and realistic commitment to advance the rights of minority groups.

President to Provide Foreign Affairs Briefings for Kennedy

Clarification of Labor Regulation Asked by Benson

Washington (UP) - Agriculture Secretary Ezra T. Benson charged today that recent interpretations of a labor department regulation dealing with labor disputes have been unfair to farmers.

Benson asked Labor Secretary James P. Mitchell in a letter made public today to furnish quick clarification of the regulation under which federal-state employment service offices refuse to refer workers to places where a labor dispute exists.

7-Year-Old Boy Missing in Forest

La Canada, Calif. (UP) - About 200 searchers retained hope today of finding alive a 7-year-old boy missing since Wednesday in vast Angeles National Forest.

"There's always hope that we'll find him alive and well," said one of the sheriff's deputies assisting in the search. "The weather has been favorable. It's not been too cold up there and there still is some water around."

Bruce Kremen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Kremen of the Los Angeles suburb of Granada Hills, walked away from a group of young hikers at a YMCA camp six days ago.

But Go-Betweens Adlai and Bowles Will Be Excluded

Newport, R.I. (UP) - President Eisenhower today prepared to formally offer presidential candidate John F. Kennedy and his running mate top-deck foreign affairs briefings but it was clear he would exclude intelligence fill-ins for Democratic go-betweens.

The President scheduled an afternoon meeting here with his deputy assistant, Gerald Morgan, to work out the method of providing Kennedy and Democratic Vice Presidential Candidate Lyndon Johnson authoritative information on the "international scene."

White House Press Secretary James C. Hagerty said Sunday night, after talking with Eisenhower, that the formal offer would go forward "within a day or two."

Hagerty said Kennedy was the victim of a "misunderstanding" when he assumed Saturday in Los Angeles that the offer already had been made.

The press secretary also left little, if any, doubt that the President will not agree to having former Illinois Gov. Adlai Stevenson and Connecticut Representative Chester Bowles receive these "briefings" for him.

Eisenhower plans, Hagerty said, to offer briefings by a "responsible official of the Central Intelligence agency." The President envisages briefing on the basis he received in 1952 and Stevenson in 1956. These were "solo" deals, with no aides present or acting as liaison men.

Kennedy said in Hyannisport, Mass., where he is on vacation, that he and Johnson "will be happy to participate in any confidential briefings the President or his administrative officers may suggest."

He made it clear that he had named Stevenson and Bowles as his liaison men with the White House with the knowledge that only he and Johnson could personally have access to the intelligence briefing.

Kennedy said he and Johnson wanted to take part in the briefings and he emphasized that "they desire to cooperate in every way during this period with the President."

Marine Corps Tells Of Officer Program

Multiple opportunities for officer commissions in the Marine Corps will be outlined here for interested students or college graduates July 21 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Medford post office. Both aviation and ground officer programs will be explained. Interviews will be conducted by Capt. Richard C. Schulze.

Training for qualified freshmen, sophomores and juniors is conducted under the platoon leaders class.

This leads to a commission and advanced training as either an aviation or field officer when the bachelor's degree has been earned.

Also offered by the Marine Corps is the officer candidate course and the aviation officer candidate course for senior students. College graduates may apply for a commission under either the OCC or the AOCC programs.

Stocks Continue Downward Trend

New York (UP) - Stocks extended last week's downward drift today as a decline in blue chip industrial offset firmness in rails and utilities.

A request by eastern railroads for a fare boost and director approval of a merger of the Great Northern and Northern Pacific railroads helped stimulate demand for rail issues.

Table of stock prices including United Press International, Allied Chemical, and others.

Argentina, Ecuador Try To Ease U.S.-Cuba Battle

United Nations, N.Y. (UP) - Argentina and Ecuador moved today to ease the diplomatic battle between the United States and Cuba out of the Organization of American States.

In the OAS it could be treated as a family matter with a minimum of Russian interference.

Informed sources said the two Latin American members of the Security Council worked out a compromise to present at a session called for this afternoon to consider Cuban charges of U.S. "economic aggression" and interference in its domestic affairs.

Former Oregon Man Robbed, Then Kidnapped

John Day, Ore. (UP) - A former Oregon man, now of Tacoma, was kidnaped and robbed Saturday and dumped out on a country road near here Sunday after spending some 20 hours in a car trunk.

State police said Ronald Gene Boone, formerly of Cottage Grove and now a Tacoma credit bureau manager, was being treated at a Prairie City hospital for dehydration and inhalation of carbon monoxide fumes.

Boone told officers he was working in the Empire Credit bureau in Tacoma Saturday afternoon when he was robbed by a man he described as dark-skinned and about 30 years old.

Boone said he was shoved over an embankment and the car sped away. He crawled back to the road and walked for four hours until he reached highway 26 near the summit of Dixie Mountain, 30 miles east of John Day.

A passing motorist took him to a hospital. Federal Bureau of Investigation agents entered the case since Boone was taken across a state line.

Scientists Await Instrument Package

Bemidji, Minn. (UP) - Air Force scientists today were awaiting the return of 65 pounds of instruments, which were sent aloft 135,000 feet into the atmosphere at Bemidji Sunday.

The instruments were expected to record new data concerning radiation emitted by solar flares - the gigantic white hot eruptions on the sun's surface.

A spokesman for Lockheed Missiles and Space division said scientists fear these flares may be a hazard to future space travelers. Lockheed designed the instrument package.

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