

Psychological Warfare Strategy To Eventually Topple Castro Regime

Washington — (UPI) — A policy of economic and psychological warfare coupled with hemispheric security measures is emerging as the Kennedy administration's strategy to isolate and eventually topple the regime of Cuban Premier Fidel Castro.

In the view of foreign diplomats here, drastic measures in these fields were precipitated by the sharp increase in Cuba's Soviet-supplied arsenal and by mounting internal political pressures on the eve of the U.S. elections Nov. 6.

Officials in Washington regard Moscow's defiant military presence in Cuba as a threat to U.S. prestige in the hemisphere — if not as yet to its security — with grave implications for the overall East-West struggle.

To meet this challenge, the Kennedy administration is planning or has already taken these steps:

— A program of stringent penalties on all shipping engaged in trade between the Soviet bloc and Cuba. The program will be announced early next week.

— Extending a hemispheric arms embargo against Cuba to other strategic items. The council of the Organization of American States (OAS) agreed this week to study this action.

— Tightening inter-American security and vigilance machinery to prevent the flow of propaganda and agents from the island. The OAS is also working on this plan.

— Aiding democratic anti-Castro Cubans in fomenting internal rebellion in Cuba.

— Holding out the possibility of an invasion in the event that the Soviet military build-up grows into an "offensive" war machine.

The first three steps were regarded by the administration as a minimum response to the Soviet bloc's intrusion in hemisphere affairs. They are explicitly aimed at isolating Cuba and disrupting her economy so as to make its support as costly as possible to Moscow.

The measures are also being taken with the substantial, if not unanimous, support of the Latin American allies. But they are causing difficulties in Washington's relations with the maritime nations of Western Europe.

On the other hand, there is no apparent agreement up to now within the administration how far it can push the last two points without losing the hard-gained Latin American support or unleashing a war.

President Kennedy, for example, has ruled out open military intervention under prevailing conditions. But many U.S. military officials as well as an impressive number of congressmen would readily resort to armed action at the slightest provocation.

To counter these pressures, Kennedy has made clear he would not hesitate to take military measures should he feel that the Soviet arms build-up becomes a threat to U.S. or hemispheric security. He has also hinted that the United States may encourage democratic anti-Castro Cubans in their efforts to build a rebellion in the island.

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Birth Control Pills Being Used by One Million Americans

Washington — (UPI) — More than one million American women are now using birth control pills, according to the Planned Parenthood federation.

A federation spokesman said the new oral contraceptive, marketed in this country by the G. D. Searle Co. under the trade name "Enovid," has been received with "remarkable enthusiasm by families in all walks of life."

The pills are available only by a physician's prescription. Taken on a rigid schedule of 20 days a month, they prevent conception by suspending ovulation.

The current retail cost is about \$3.50 a month. Thousands of low-income families are receiving the pills free through planned parenthood centers and other birth control clinics.

Cleared for Sale

The U.S. Food & Drug administration (FDA) cleared Enovid for commercial sale in May, 1960, after extensive tests in the United States, Puerto Rico and other countries indicated the pills were safe and compared favorably in effectiveness with standard contraceptive appliances.

In early August, at the height of public concern over the baby-deforming drug thalidomide, the British Medical Journal published a report that several women in Britain and the United States had died of thrombophlebitis (internal blood clots) after taking birth control pills.

This report touched off an international scare, and Norway promptly removed the pills from the market.

The U.S. Food and Drug administration announced it

Timber Products Is Viewed by Foresters

Lead use management practices used by Timber Products company were shown about 30 members of the Society of American Foresters during the society's fall field trip recently.

The company has changed its methods of cutting during the past year from liquidation cut to sustained-yield management, it was noted.

Bob Nelson, forester from Timber Products, conducted the tour. In the Raspberry Creek portion of the firm's holdings, the high-risk tree type of marking was demonstrated. This type removes approximately one-third of the volume or about 10,000 feet per acre.

This, it was noted, has left the residual stand in good condition with a high rate of growth. As the volume is removed, a permanent road system is developed and constructed. This enables the company to salvage any timber killed by fire or beetle infestation.

Manhattan Beach Man Dies in House Fire

Rockaway, Ore. — (UPI) — An elderly man died Wednesday in a fire at his home at nearby Manhattan Beach.

The body of Fred Schelegal was found in the kitchen of the small home. Firemen said the blaze was believed to have started from a heater.

Chicago-Based House

The Searle Co., a big Chicago-based pharmaceutical house, said the whole matter was intensively discussed at a meeting of medical experts in Philadelphia last April, and "the conferees concluded that... the taking of Enovid involved no more risk of thrombophlebitis than would occur in early normal pregnancy."

About one woman in every thousand under the age of 45 develops thrombophlebitis whether taking drugs or not, and the incidence is considerably higher among pregnant women.

The Planned Parenthood Federation has announced it will continue to dispense the pills through its birth control clinics.

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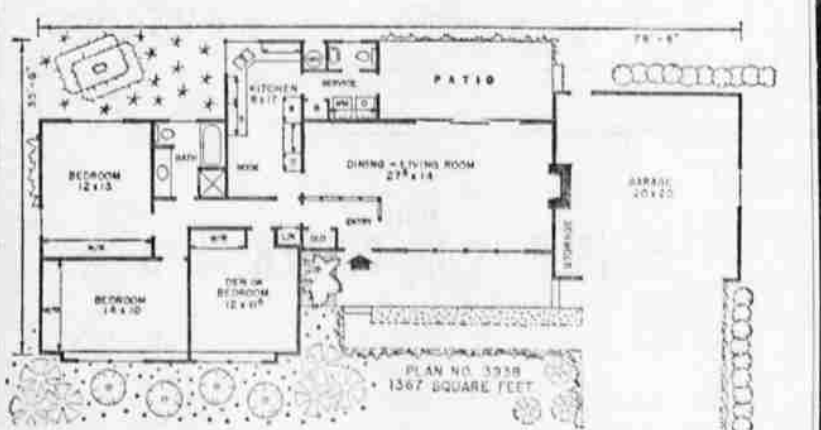
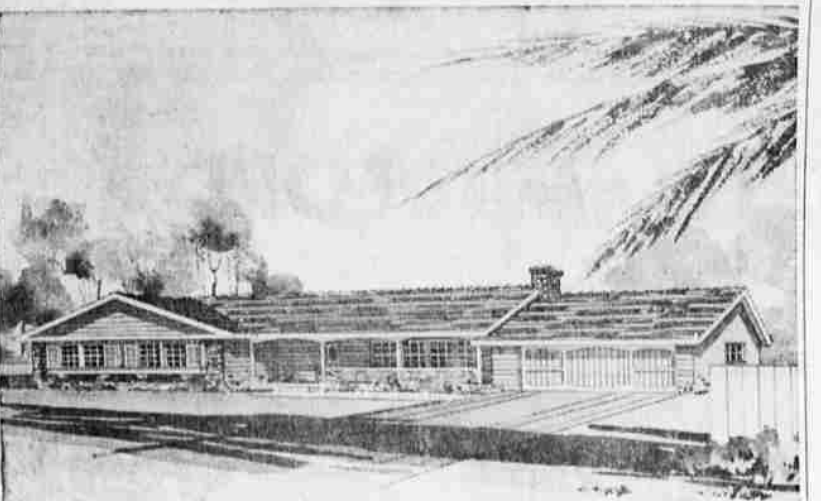
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This Week's Ranch and Modern Home

By HIAWATHA ESTES

If you should be looking for a modest sized three bedroom home with an extra amount of early American charm and atmosphere, this colonial design should meet your requirements.

The windows in the bedroom wing have been projected to form an impressive bay. Vertical siding is used on the bay while the windows are flanked with louver shutters. Corbels project from beneath this wide bay. Horizontal siding in the gable and brick veneer on the wall completely surround the bay. Part of the wide front porch has been eliminated to form a planting area just at the right of the entry door. A wood railing has been located at the edge of the porch.

The efficient circulation in the home is readily apparent at first glance. For better lighting and to visually enlarge all areas, the dining ell is separated from the entry by a half-wall with turned posts above.

Sunlight and Ventilation

The living room-dining ell will never lack for want of sunlight and ventilation. Four windows offer a wide view of the street while sliding glass doors open to the rear patio.

The space-saving work-saving kitchen has been well planned with corner windows at the sink, built-in appliances and a nook for everyday family meals.

All of the plumbing is in one area at the rear of the house. The master bath features a pullman lavatory, tub and shower plus a semi-partitioned water closet. A half-bath is off the service. The door to the water heater compartment opens to the outside for easier servicing and less risk of possible damage if it should develop a leak.

The bedroom wing is completely isolated from the noise and activity of the living area of the house.

Complete working drawings for this plan can be purchased at a cost of \$2.50 for the first set and \$5 for each additional set when ordered at the same time. This plan will be available at these prices until Feb. 15. Please allow two to three weeks for delivery. The following home plan books are also available: Price Homes, \$1; Award Homes, \$1; Town and Country Homes, \$1; Homes for Living, \$1; Homes of Distinction, \$1; Beach and Modern Homes, \$2. All books a \$2 value, only \$1. Send all orders for either plans or books to Hiawatha Estes, Inc., 404-T, Northridge, Calif.

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