

New Pulse Is Beating Throughout South America



CONFLICT—Tanks from Campo de Mayo—then the base of Argentine rebels—are brought up in bombardment of Esteben de Luca Arsenal in September, 1962, during one of the many conflicts between factions of Argentine armed forces in the past year. (UPI)

Editor's note: United Press International foreign news analyst Phil Newson has recently completed a 25,000-mile tour of South America, including visits to six key nations — Colombia, Peru, Chile, Argentina, Brazil and Venezuela. Here is a summary of what he found.

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Throughout South America a new pulse is beating.

It is activated in the manner of an electric current generated between opposite poles — Castroism on the one hand and the U.S.-sponsored \$20 billion Alliance for Progress on the other.

Eventually this new pulse will beat of its own accord and then will come the determination whether the nations of South America can overcome underdevelopment, one-crop economies, illiteracy and the imbalance between wealth and poverty to emerge as stable democracies.

Or whether they first must fall into chaos and then emerge as totalitarian states tied to the communist bloc.

It is among the people of South America that unrest stirs. Among such men as Andres Bello, a direct descendant of the Incas, who lives 11,000 feet high in the Peruvian Andes and chews the coca leaf, source of cocaine, to forget his miseries. There are six million like him in Peru.

It is felt by Carlos Marchionda, a house painter in Buenos Aires, and by Manuel Victorino Da Silva, who has a family of 13 and cular sugar cane in northeastern Brazil for less than 25 cents a day.

These are the people whom communism urges to violence and the people which the Alliance hopes to help to a better, peaceful way of life.

Whether these hopes can be realized depends in the last analysis upon the will and the ability of national leadership. Let us briefly examine



HUNGRY CHILD—A child in northeast Brazil grabs for rice and beans, his staple diet, in this picture taken recently. Hunger is one of the problems in many areas of South America. (UPI)

these nations and their leaders.

Colombia

President of Colombia is Guillermo Leon Valencia. He is a courtly man with a leonine head of hair who rules from Colombia's ancient government palace just off Bolivar Square.

He believes that without the Alliance for Progress and its

successful conclusion the whole of South America would fall to communism. But his government so far has not shown great leadership. Inflation has jumped nearly 25 per cent in the last four and a half months, capital is leaving the country and needed tax legislation is stalled. The national budget will be at least \$100 million in the red.

The United States has granted Colombia nearly \$200 mil-

lion under the Alliance but future grants may be stalled unless reforms are instituted. Colombia's strength lies in its present political stability. Leftists are scattered and their leadership weak.

Peru

Gen. Nicolas Lindley is the president of Peru's ruling military junta which has jailed most of the country's known communist agitators.

The junta seized power after national elections last July. It first was frowned upon by the United States but gained respectability a month later with U.S. recognition. It has been granted around \$123 million in Alliance aid but comparatively little has been used. A housing project is going up outside Lima and land reform is being instituted.

The junta has promised free elections for June 9 in which the most controversial candidate will be Apra Party Leader Victor Raul Haya De La Torre. There is widespread speculation that if he wins, the junta will not permit him to take office.

Chile

President is Jorge Alessandri whose term will expire in November, 1964. Chile is not totally satisfied with its Alliance for Progress aid which totals about \$125 million, part of which was promised under former President Eisenhower as earthquake recovery aid.

Chile maintains relations with Castro Cuba and Alessandri has been heard to remark that if he were younger he would do many of the things that Castro has done. Trade with Cuba, however, is relatively minor.

Chile has a strong Communist party which also has infiltrated other left-wing groups. There is a possibility that next year's general elections could give Chile a strong leftist government through a combination of Socialist and Communist votes.

Argentina

Provisional president is 52-year-old Jose Maria Guido, a man with an air of continual harassment, with no liking for his job and an intense desire to return to his practice as a country lawyer in bleak Patagonia.

Free elections have been promised for June but may not come off. Two men seeking a return to power are ousted President Arturo Frondizi who seeks a coalition between his own intransigents and the followers of former dictator Juan D. Peron. Another is retired Gen. Pedro Aramburo who served as a provisional president after Peron's fall.

The country has been in a state of continuous revolution since Peron and the economy has stagnated. Alliance for Progress funds total about \$100 million but only \$37 million has been committed, for roads.

Brazil

President Joao Goulart has regained control of the government and now is accused trying to walk both sides of the fence between the United States and a combination of ultra-nationalists and communists.

Brazil has been promised \$410 million in aid from the United States which will be used in combination to help Brazil meet its most pressing commitments and in the Alliance for Progress.

Among the most extreme leftwing Nationalists is Goulart's brother-in-law, Leonel Brizola. He has demanded that Brazil break with the United States, has advocated forcible seizure of land and threatened to plunge the country into revolution. There is a continuing threat of revolutionary violence in Brazil's poverty-stricken northeast. Rising nationalism and restrictive legislation have frightened investment capital.

Venezuela

President Romulo Bentancourt already has stayed in office longer than any of his elected predecessors and next year he should become Venezuela's first president to complete a term in office. Venezuela's economy is recovering and the communist threat diminishing. Communist terror tactics are hit-and-run and so far have not affected rising business confidence.

Alliance for Progress projects total about \$50 million but Venezuela's own natural wealth makes such aid less necessary there than in most of South America. Bentancourt hopes to settle 100,000 families on their own land before he leaves office.

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Franklin Honored By Executives of Mayflower Company

A warehouseman was compared to a banker by L. R. Benson, Los Angeles, vice president of Aero Mayflower Transit company, in a talk here Thursday night following a dinner honoring David M. Franklin, Medford and Grants Pass moving and storage executive.

fact that last year the award was won by Russ Pratt of Pratt-Mayflower, Salem. Telegram Is Read

In closing, he read a telegram from John Sloan Smith, Indianapolis, Ind., president of Aero Mayflower Transit company.

Franklin was recently named International Warehouseman of the Year by the Mayflower Warehousemen's association during its convention in Los Angeles.

Benson explained that a warehouse is the "safety deposit box" for furniture.

In commenting on the award, Benson stated that the recipient of this honor is determined strictly on merit and quality of operation, not by volume or area. He mentioned that this was evidenced in the

Master of ceremonies for the evening was Dr. Orville Eaton, who introduced Manville Heisel, who represented the Medford Chamber of Commerce. He commented on the national recognition given this area by Franklin's award, and stressed that it was due, not only to business activities, but to Franklin's active participation in both Medford and Grants Pass Chambers of Commerce, his work on several committees for the Crater Council of Boy Scouts of America and other civic groups.

Benson reviewed Franklin's background in the trucking business prior to arriving in Medford in 1956 where he became associated with Mayflower. He stressed that this national award was due to the cooperation from Franklin's friends and business associates.

Wendell B. Lile, Tacoma, Wash., Northwest director of Warehousemen's association, the position held last year by Franklin, presented the plaque. He also read a telegram from Robert L. Dunn, Boston, Mass., president of the Warehousemen's association.

In accepting the award, Franklin thanked the company's employees, and particularly the business community, calling it a cooperative effort, which made the honor possible.

Others who also participated in the evening's program were Boyd Budge and William Longmore.

The reception and dinner were attended by some 65 friends and business associates of Franklin.

Vending Machine Planned at Camp For Over Night Use

Klamath Falls - Ticket vending machines for collection of a service fee will be in operation this summer at 28 of the 850 campgrounds in the national forests of Oregon and Washington, according to Regional Forester J. Herbert Stone in Portland.

The Winema National forest has been engaged in a campground expansion program with projects under way at Lake of the Woods on the Klamath Ranger district and on the Williamson and Wood Rivers on the Chiloquin Ranger district. One of the Winema campgrounds is planned to be

on a service fee basis, but local forest officers explained that it is not planned to make a charge until facilities at the camp have been completed.

Construction work has been under way on the Aspen Point campground at Lake of the Woods for the past two seasons. When this work is completed, the Aspen Point camp will be one of the best equipped national forest campgrounds in the region, officials said.

The Aspen Point camp is located on the east side of Lake of the Woods and north of the Lake of the Woods Resort. It includes the area previously known as Aspen Point, but has also extended to the north

to include the former Salvation Army organization site. Improvements include both camp and picnic facilities, a boat launching site and adequate parking for both cars and trailers. The camp also lies adjacent to a fine swimming beach, all of which is accessible to full public use.

When the new installations are completed it is planned to make a nominal service charge of \$1 per night for family use of a camp spot. Use will be controlled, officials said, through an automatic ticket vending machine.

Campers will insert two 50-cent pieces in the slot, secure a ticket which entitles them to exclusive use of a camp site of their selection. This procedure was used in two other national forest campgrounds last summer and found to be satisfactory. There will be no charge for day-use of the picnic and swimming areas.

Plans Are Made for Azalea Festival

Brookings - Final plans for the 24th annual Azalea Festival, scheduled May 25 and 26, have been announced by the Brookings-Harbor Chamber of Commerce.

Floats in the parade, which is on the Saturday calendar, will include entries from Harbor, Brookings, Pistol River, and from Eugene and Ashland. The Killed Highlanders will represent Eugene, and the Old Timers, antique car club, will travel from Ashland. The Highwayman, a Brookings car club, also will be in the parade.

A three-man skydiving crew will perform on Saturday in connection with the festival events and participate in the parade.

Two trophies will be awarded for the best entries. Judging will be made in five divisions: commercial, service clubs, bands, marching units and out of town entries.

Equipment Thefts Reported in Area

The Jackson county sheriff's office is investigating two equipment thefts during the last two days and plans to assist in investigation of a third.

Dale Paul Schulz, route 2, box 480, Gold Hill, reported the theft of an 18-foot hay elevator and tooth harrow from his residence.

Arthur L. Hamilton, 209 Almond st., Ashland, reported the theft of equipment from a crawler type tractor parked along Beaver creek.

A chain saw, cutting torch and gas were taken from logging equipment near Copper on the California side, sheriff's deputies said. A Siskiyou county deputy is expected in Medford to start the investigation. The Jackson county sheriff's office may assist, deputies said.

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Ashland Student Wins Typing Event

Ashland - John Siebert of Ashland High school was first place winner in the regional finals of the Fourth National Facit Accuracy contest in typing held at the Metropolitan Business college in Seattle recently.

Siebert won with a score of 89 words per minutes, with perfect accuracy.

Students from Washington, Oregon, Montana and Idaho participated in the regional finals and more than 400,000 students throughout the United States entered the contest from which 500 semi-finalists were chosen.

Siebert won a Facit typewriter by placing first in the Northwest Regional contest.

Twenty-five regional contests are being held and the top 10 regional winners will participate in finals in New York next month. The winner of the national contest and his or her teacher will be awarded an all-expense trip to Sweden this summer.

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