

Batista Rides Back To Power In Cuban Revolution

By DEN F. MEYER
HAVANA (AP)— Fulencio Batista rode back to power Monday in an army-backed revolt, three months ahead of Cuba's scheduled presidential elections.

President Carlos Prío Socarrás fled from his palace, where two men were killed. President Prío, accompanied by two army officers and possibly under arrest, fled the presidential palace after announcing that Batista had seized control of Camp Columbia, the army's major military base.

His candidate in the June 1 elections, was planning a phony revolution for April 15. Two army tanks and army trucks loaded with soldiers took over the presidential palace in the center of Havana. Nearby residents said they saw white flags appear in the palace windows as the troops arrived.

A Batista supporter, Lt. Rafael Salas, took over police headquarters. He announced "I am a colonel now" and chief of police. Orders went out to seize some government automobiles. Batista, as a Cuban "strong man," controlled Cuba for 10 years, between 1933 and 1943. He was a declared presidential candidate in the elections scheduled for June.

The announced purpose behind the revolt was to suppress corruption and gangsterism, which has been blamed for 30 killings since President Prío took office in 1948. Last August a Senator committed suicide to "awaken Cuba against corruption in government." Salas said Cubans were weary of gangsterism and corruption and army forces friendly to Batista had asked him to take over.

Comparatively little violence marked Batista's bid for power, which came as a complete surprise. Two palace guards were slain by sub-machinegun fire from a speeding automobile. Prío drove away from the palace followed by a band of soldiers and later two tanks appeared before the building.

Appearing sad and under great strain, Prío said upon his departure: "We will resist if the people of Cuba support me and the constituted government." This indicated Prío had little hope of saving the day. He said he was going to Camp Columbia, but reporters at the military post did not report his appearance there.

Batista, 51, an army sergeant who led a revolt from Camp Columbia in 1933, was at that military installation, headquarters of the Cuban army general staff. Havana was quiet except for sporadic shooting. Radio stations were forbidden to broadcast news, presumably upon instruction from the police.

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In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS
On this day when the news is only as good as best, we learn that the Nizam of Hyderabad, succumbing to the attack of the itching foot, has broken a vow made 17 years ago and will go on a trip outside his own domain. He has picked New Delhi, capital of Hindu India, as the place.

It seems that away back in 1935 he got away from home, and somewhere along the line he took a rowboat trip and GOT HIS FACE FLASHED WITH WATER. It upset him so that he allowed an hour he'd NEVER AGAIN get away from his own home ballcock—where he's pretty hot stuff and I imagine even the winds would think twice before blowing water in his royal face.

But you know how it is. You come home from a hunt and you hold up your hand and you take the pledge. NOT ANY MORE, you say. This tourist stuff isn't what it's cracked up to be. HOME is the place, you say.

But eventually— Oh, you know how it is. Sooner or later, the lure of travel gets you and you forget your vow with uplifted hand, and the first thing you know you're on the road again.

Even the Nizam of Hyderabad does it. It's human nature, and you can't get around human nature. I'll bet that before he gets back he wishes he hadn't done it. Why? Well, you see, it's like this. The old Nizam, a 70-woman harem, and he decided to take along only 15 of them. The correspondent in New Delhi who tells the story says: "Quite a few of the girls wanted to come along and seemed VERY DISAPPOINTED when his exalted highness decided to be selective."

Sure, if the 55 who were left behind ganged up on the Nizam when he gets back and start making life miserable for him, he can order 'em hung up by the thumbs and lashed with a cat o' nine tails to boot—but I'll bet they still will find ways to make him uncomfortable when he gets back.

The state of Hyderabad contains about 82,000 square miles. That's considerably smaller than Oregon. But it has 15 MILLION people. That's a lot of people. These 15 million people create quite a lot of wealth, but it isn't very well distributed. The Nizam gets the bulk of it, and the bulk of the rest goes to his court favorites and if the people have enough for a bowl of rice and a cotton loin cloth they think they're doing pretty well.

That's India for you. Something it riles me every time this guy Nehru, who is the big boss of Hindu India, starts telling us Americans off — as he does frequently.

What I really started out to say is this: The DYNASTY of which this current Nizam is the representative, was founded away back in 1713 by an able sword wielder named Asaf Jah. It has been running things ever since.

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Rail Strike Cripples NYC

CHICAGO (AP)— Strikes paralyzed most of the New York Central's inland service Monday and snarled rail connections in the St. Louis area a second day. A wave of nerves set in, with the striking engineers, firemen and conductors defying the Army, nominal operator of the rail carriers.

Wholesale layoffs began on the Central System, shut down west of Buffalo. Several railroads canceled their trains to St. Louis until further notice. The unions were told by Karl R. Bendtsen, assistant secretary of the Army, to call off the walkouts or face "appropriate action."

Two Merrill Men Walk Away From Crash Unhurt When Light Plane Smacks Lake

By WALLACE MYERS
Two Merrill men who cracked up in a light plane on Upper Klamath Lake late Saturday afternoon, walked away from the wreckage uninjured and were rescued early yesterday morning by the Klamath Air Search and Rescue Unit. Doyle Haskins, 22, and Gene Hill, 23, were hunting coyotes from Haskins' new Piper Super Cub when the plane smashed into the ice and snow covered lake some 2 1/2 miles off shore near the head of Crystal Creek.



ALONE yesterday on the Upper Klamath marsh where it crashed the night before was this private plane. Its occupants, Doyle Haskins and Gene Hill, both of Merrill, walked away unhurt. The crash came after an unsuccessful attempt to hunt down a coyote.

Grand Jury Date Mar. 26

Circuit Court docket call Monday morning resulted in setting of trials for March and April and calling of Klamath County Grand Jury into session Mar. 26. Trials set by Circuit Judge David R. Vandenberg were: Mar. 17, Springfield Fire and Insurance Co. vs. Dick B. Miller Co.; Mar. 24, Flora E. Stevenson vs. Wallace J. Stevenson, equity case; Apr. 2, Charles W. Miller, vs. Naomi K. Miller, equity case; Apr. 14, Jane Shiel vs. Consumer's Heating Co.; Apr. 21, William Cashman vs. Kerr Gifford and Co. Inc., Albert L. Wagner and Tulelake Grain Co.; Apr. 28, Tom Cavener vs. O.K. Transfer Co.

Youngster In Court OK's Top Show Spot

WASHINGTON (AP)— The Supreme Court ruled 6 to 2 Monday that aliens may be deported if they once were members of the Communist Party. Justice Jackson delivered the majority ruling. Justice Douglas wrote a dissent in which Justice Black concurred.

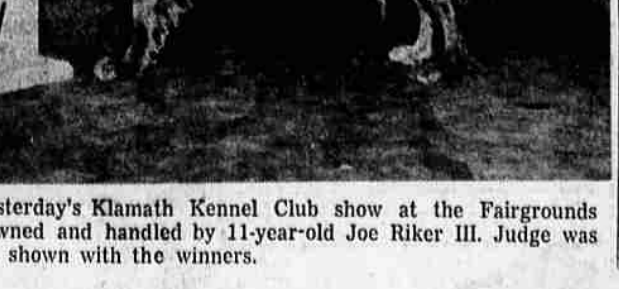
Weather

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Secret Report Says Russia Arming Koreans

By ROBERT HOWSON
"TOKYO (AP)— How neutral is Russia in the Korean war? A hitherto secret report in Gen. Matthew B. Ridgway's headquarters asserts: "The main source of supply for present Communist forces... is from Soviet furnished material."

Best Dog In Show



TOP DOG — Best dog in yesterday's Klamath Kennel Club show at the Fairgrounds was this Golden Retriever owned and handled by 11-year-old Joe Riker III. Judge was Mrs. Helen Marling, Portland, shown with the winners.

Bureau Plan Asks Plants Down River

By HALE SCARBROUGH
Plans for development of hydroelectric power on the upper Klamath River are being extensively studied by the Bureau of Reclamation, according to A. N. Murray, the bureau's general planning engineer from Sacramento.



These studies explore the possibility of constructing power plants within the stretch of river between Keno and Copco Lake. Murray said. The plans would utilize only such parts of the river flow that will not interfere with any present or future upstream irrigation demands. Ample flows reaching the points of diversion to the power plants would be allowed to continue in the natural river bed for preservation of fish and wildlife.

Drive Enters Second Week

The Klamath Red Cross annual fund drive entered its second full week today when Conductors R.S. Tisdale and George Dimbat reported. Although actual fund turn-ins from division chiefs have been comparatively low thus far, Tisdale said he was "not at all discouraged" and Dimbat said he felt "pretty good about prospects of the drive's success."

Ashland Board To Review Books

ASHLAND (AP)— A five-man board has been named to pass on magazines and other publications on sale in this city. The board includes Mrs. Arthur Kreisman, president of the city council of Parents-Teachers; Mrs. Lee Schler; Cora Mason, city librarian; Dr. John McAluis, Southern Oregon College; and The Rev. W.H. Tillman of the First Baptist Church.

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