

Reds Use Identical Tactics In Colombia

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In Bogota's ancient adobe and stone San Carlos Palace one day

last spring President Guillermo Leon Valencia told this correspondent:

"Colombia is an open window ready to exhibit the fruits of the Alliance for Progress. Unfortunately, the window still is mostly empty."

Last week in that same San Carlos Palace, damaged now by a terrorist bomb, President Valencia told his assembled ministers:

"We are faced with a true emergency, the start of an era of struggle between (constitutional) government and extremists."

San Carlos Palace stands near the center of Bogota, just off

Bolivar Square and close to the great cathedral. For nearly 500 years it has been a witness to the changing currents of Colombian history.

The archbishop of Bogota ordered its construction in the mid 1500s. Simon Bolivar, the Latin American liberator, barely escaped assassination there in 1828. The palace itself barely escaped destruction in 1948 when rioters set the city afire during a Pan-American conference. A reported visitor to the city at the time was a young Cuban terrorist named Fidel Castro.

And last week the forces unleashed by Castro against Latin America were at work in Colombia, challenging with bombs the peaceful evolution sought by the Colombia government through the U.S.-sponsored Alliance for Progress.

Use Same Tactics
The tactics were identical to those of the pro-Castro terrorists in Venezuela. First the telephone call to the newspapers and then the bomb explosion on schedule.

Either Venezuela or Colombia would be a rich prize for the Communists. Both governments are anti-Communist and anti-Castro and both have rich natural resources to aid them. If the Alliance is to fail there, then the chances of less richly endowed Latin American nations are slim indeed.

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Colombia had other advantages to justify the hopes of Alliance planners that it would become an Alliance showcase.

Agreement between the warring Conservative and Liberal parties had ended a 10-year civil war and given to the nation a stable government.

It had an agrarian reform law and was working on tax reform. With the help of International Monetary Fund planners, it en-

tered 1963 with a balanced budget.

Vast Projects Planned

From the Alliance it has received or has ear-marked more than \$500 million for vast school and housing projects, for food, public health centers and roads.

But, as in many another Latin American nation, action has not kept pace with good intentions.

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Valencia's critics accuse him of being a do-nothing president. And the moment of truth may be approaching.

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Kennedy Near Decision Over Sale Of Wheat

WASHINGTON (UPI) — President Kennedy, with support from congressional leaders, appeared near a decision today to permit sale of U.S. wheat to the Soviet Union.

Senate Democratic Whip Hubert H. Humphrey, Minn., predicted the presidential decision would come within the next two days. He said he favored the deal through private grain channels.

Agriculture Secretary Orville L. Freeman said in Harrisburg, Pa., Tuesday that the United States had not been approached by Russia about a possible wheat sale. However, he said this country would be willing to listen to a Soviet proposition.

Although no direct Soviet overtures has been made to the U.S. government, a Russian trade mission has discussed the possible purchase of U.S. wheat in Ottawa with private American grain dealers.

Would Support Sale

Democratic congressional leaders told Kennedy Tuesday they would support sales of wheat to Russia and other Soviet bloc nations but not to Red China.

Humphrey, one of those who conferred with Kennedy, said he urged the use of private grain grade channels to carry out the transaction instead of government-to-government dealings.

He told reporters there would be "inevitable political static" if the sales were allowed but that the "best way to handle it is through the private grain trade."

Humphrey said he felt a government-to-government deal would be a "mistake—politically undesirable and economically undesirable."

The initial proposed sale would involve about 115 million bushels, at a sale price of about \$200 million, he said.

Gave No Indication

Kennedy gave the Democratic leaders no indication of what he would do, Humphrey said. However, the Minnesota Democrat added, "it is my guess that the President will act to change the (export) regulations to permit some type of sale."

Sentiment in Congress appeared to be building up in favor of the transaction, but some members were strongly opposed.

Senate Republican Leader Everett M. Dirksen said he had not made up his mind on the wheat sale. He said the plan was discussed at the weekly meeting of the GOP Policy Committee, but no agreement was reached.

Killer Storm Flora Pushes Up Caribbean

SAN JUAN, P.R. (UPI) — Killer Hurricane Flora pushed 125 miles per hour winds up the Caribbean today and the weather bureau warned that "well developed and dangerous" storm would grow even stronger during the day.

Gale warnings were ordered for the peninsula of Barahona in the Dominican Republic this afternoon and for the peninsula Presque Isle du Sudouest in Haiti tonight.

The latest advisory from the San Juan Weather Bureau, at 6 a.m. EDT, located the season's sixth and fiercest tropical twister near latitude 14.6 north, longitude 68.8 west, or about 330 statute miles southwest of San Juan.

Moving toward the northwest at 14 m.p.h., Flora was expected to increase some in size and intensity during the day, the weather bureau said.

"On its present course, Hurricane Flora will pass about 120 miles south of the Peninsula of Barahona early tonight and less than 100 miles south of the peninsula Presque Isle du Sudouest Thursday morning," the advisory said. It warned beach residents of these areas to take precautions against tides five to eight feet above normal.

Flora, which left six persons dead when it roared across Tobago Monday, increased in size during the night.

"The older most hurricanes get, the more they spread out," forecasters explained.

Gordon E. Dunn, the nation's chief hurricane forecaster at the Miami Weather Bureau, said the storm posed a threat to the resort island of Jamaica.

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High team series: Kohnes 2366, Treons 2315.

Splits converted: J. Smith 3-10, D. Affolder 3-10, S. Chilcott 3-10, A. Colchin 2-3-10, M. Lister 3-10, S. Liby 3-10, L. MacLean 3-7-10, A. Harmon 3-10, P. Poling 5-7-9, M. L. York 3-10, M. Teeple 5-6-10, H. Brace 5-10, M. Urick 3-10, M. Bashara 3-7-10, M. Geissler 2-7, B. Moran 5-6-10, V. Gallmeyer 5-6-10, M. Milyard 2-7, L. McLean 3-10, G. Mies 5-5-6 and 5-6-8, J. Shaffer 2-7, C. Steele 5-6.

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