

CIA pressed Castro's lover to poison him

NEW YORK (AP) — A woman who claims she was recruited by the CIA in 1960 to assassinate Fidel Castro says she tried to call the Cuban premier on the telephone to apologize before the story broke.

Marie Lorenz said Sunday she placed the call after disclosing to the New York Daily News that she had agreed to poison Castro, her lover at the time, after intense coercion by the CIA.

The plot failed because the poison capsules melted in a jar of cold cream where she had hidden them, she was quoted by the News as saying.

Miss Lorenz said in an interview on WNBC-TV that she had wanted to tell Castro on the phone, "I'm very sorry, and if you come to New York I would still like to see you." It was apparent from the interview that she did not reach him.

The News said she met Castro in 1959 and moved into his suite in the Havana Hilton, ostensibly as his personal interpreter. The News said she soon realized she was a virtual prisoner.

The newspaper said her account was

confirmed by Frank Fiorini, a CIA agent who said he first persuaded her to photograph Castro's secret papers, later helped her escape from Cuba and supplied her with the poison. Fiorini was later known as Frank Sturgis, one of the men arrested and convicted in the Watergate burglary.

In its Sunday editions, the News gave the following sequence of events leading up to the alleged assassination plot:

Soon after he seized power in Cuba, Castro went aboard a German cruise ship captained by Miss Lorenz's German father. Her mother was an American Miss Lorenz, a teen-ager at the time, also was aboard.

After she was persuaded to move to Castro's suite, she was contacted by Fiorini, an officer of the Cuban Revolutionary Army and a CIA agent, who got her to photograph Castro's secret papers.

After 11 months, the girl flew to New York for medical treatment. Fiorini and another CIA agent, Alex Rorke, broached the subject of assassination with her.

New economic boom predicted

BASEL, Switzerland (AP) — A new boom for some of the industrialized nations may be just around the corner, the Bank for International Settlements said today in its annual report.

But it warned that major economic problems still remain to be solved and that firm governmental measures are needed to keep the renewed expansion from going out of control.

"Recovery in the Western world is now well advanced," said the report by the center for cooperation among Western central banks.

"There are no signs that a premature slowdown lies ahead. Indeed, some of the leading countries appear to be on the threshold of a new boom."

However, inflation continues at "historically high" rates in most of the

industrial countries and unemployment is expected to remain "painfully high," the report continued. "And there are serious doubts about the chances of raising capital expenditures to a level

adequate to ensure a satisfactory pace of long-term growth."

Thus, governments must adopt policies that limit total spending and at the same time increase investment at the expense of consumption, the report said. It suggested that they also adopt income-control policies when needed.

In the previous cycle, the report said, monetary excesses occurred not so much during the recession as in the early upswing.

"There is now a danger of repeating the same mistake because authorities may be influenced by a temporary slackening in the pace of revival, the slow absorption of unemployment or continuing weakness in certain industrial sectors," the report warned.

Commitment to a monetary growth target could lead to constraint on financing of the public sector and dampen inflationary trends, the report continued. But it warned that continued large government deficits combined with an expected decline in personal savings and a possible increase in

enterprise external financing could impair all moderation efforts.

The report said income control policies could help shift domestic expenditure from consumption to capital investment, and from labor saving investments to those creating employment. They could also help bring increases in incomes more in line with increases in productivity.

The report said that in the United States only the market mechanism alone led to a slowdown in wage increases sufficient to cause a decline in real earnings.

The report added that a workable restraint formula most likely would have to limit the rise of "personal incomes of all kinds, not only wages."

World

Guatemalans face new catastrophies says New Windsor church serviceman

Guatemala, the scene of horrible earthquake destruction last February and the small Central America country greatly benefited by United States efforts of emergency relief, may be in for worse catastrophe in the coming weeks, according to Paul J. McCleary, executive director of the New Windsor Church World Service.

Church World Service Center at New Windsor in western Carroll County was a major collection and dispersment center for the earlier Guatemalan relief efforts.

"The heavy rains are expected to cause landslides and further collapse of buildings due to the loosening surface soil and destruction of the normal drainage system," director McCleary said recently following an April tour of the devastated countryside.

"I was unprepared for the vastness of destruction caused by the quake and the amount of work yet to be done," McCleary testified.

As many as 20,000 Guatemalans were reported as casualties in February's earthquake and thousands of tons of medical, food and clothing supplies were airlifted from New Windsor and other United States depots in massive emergency relief efforts.

The Church of the Brethren through Church World Service has donated an additional \$100,000 for emergency rebuilding funds and has committed nine work teams of volunteers to assist in the work.

Workers at New Windsor's service center which collects various charitable and emergency donations from a wide

coalition of Christian organizations forwarded 134,390 pounds of clothing and 115,909 pounds of medical supplies to needy persons overseas during the month of April.

The church service center hosts a steady stream of visitors from all parts of the nation. Many of the visitors come to New Windsor as members of planned group tours of Christian groups who in the past contributed to the service center.

Workers at the service center also operate a gift shop where items made in foreign countries are sold at bargain prices. The gift shop reports a brisk year round business as many area people have come to recognize the fine handcrafted wares at their low prices as rare and genuine bargains.

Grenade kills four

MANILA, The Philippines (AP) — A boy threw three grenades at the opening of a school in the southern Philippines Mindanao run by American nuns today, killing four persons and wounding 26, informed sources reported.

The boy who threw the grenades escaped, and the sources said the military was trying to establish his motive. The Roman Catholic school, Notre Dame of Dulawan, is located in Datu Piang, a Moslem town in central Mindanao 580 miles southeast of Manila that has been the scene of fierce fighting between government forces and Moslem rebels. Most of the students are Moslems, and Moslem religious teachers teach in the school.

The Manila headquarters of the Maryknoll Order said the school is operated by three Maryknoll Sisters of St. Dominic, Sister Patricia Marie, 60, of Pittsburgh, Sister Joan Cordis, 48, of St. Louis, and a Filipino nun.

Apparently they were not among the casualties.

Parliament in Uruguay to reopen after coup

MONTEVIDEO, Uruguay (AP) — Acting President Alberto Demicheli, installed by a military coup Saturday, says he plans to reopen Parliament for the first time since 1973.

Demicheli said in a radio interview Sunday he is drafting a measure to create a two-house legislature, with the lower house to be made up of labor and business leaders. The members would be elected from the traditional Colorado and Blanco political parties and from the labor unions.

Demicheli, 80, was vice president until the leaders of the armed forces ousted President Juan M. Bordaberry in a bloodless coup. Government sources said Bordaberry was removed because he opposed the military's plans to restore democracy.

Military sources said Demicheli would remain in office for only 60 days. An electoral council controlled by the military will select his successor.

The ouster of Bordaberry was the third South American coup this year. Colombia and Venezuela are now the only major nations on the continent with democratically elected governments.

Bordaberry left the presidential mansion Sunday and drove to his ranch. "His freedom of movement was never restricted," a military source said.

He was elected in 1971. Two years later, under strong military pressure in the aftermath of the defeat of the left-wing Tupamaro guerrillas, he dissolved parliament, banned all political parties and labor unions and ruled jointly with the armed forces.

The civilian-military regime came under criticism from abroad in recent

Mercenary condemns CIA, society

LUANDA, Angola (AP) — A repentant mercenary who "saw the light" in an Angolan jail condemned the CIA and American society before a people's court today, but came to the defense of two fellow American Vietnam veterans also on trial for their lives.

Ex-Marine Sgt. Gustave Grillo of Jersey City, the government's friendliest witness so far among the 13 captured white mercenaries, testified that Daniel Gearhart of Kensington, Md., "never fired a shot" when they were captured together in an ambush.

Grillo said Gary Acker of Sacramento, Calif., "never harassed or mistreated anybody."

Acker leaned forward as Grillo, under cross examination by American attorney Robert Cesner Jr., suddenly came to his rescue after denouncing the Central Intelligence Agency as "an institution of mercenaries that hires other mercenaries" and American society — "of which I am a product" — as "a monster of power seekers, status seekers, and wastemakers."

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There's no scientific evidence to support these claims. Studies were made of people (lifeguards, farmers, etc.) whose occupations required more time under the sun.

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