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Dear Louis and Tom,

Enclosed are a sheaf of notes on Cuban activities typed from the cited papers by Hal Verb's boys, the "Oswald" book Jim wants to borrow, and a tape of most of the phone call of which I told Louis from, I presume, Burgess. I have not heard more from him. I have no reason to presume his pictures are anything but schmalz.

The book is not mine. When you decide it is worthless or copy it, please return it. I haven't read the part that is identified as his testimony. Perhaps it should be read because he did change it. If he had other information where he may have erred, he may have changed his testimony accordingly.

There are interesting items in the newspaper reports. If you want to keep these, please copy them for me and send me the copy. I want to use them for a different purpose. They clearly reveal the change of national policy of which I told Jim. They also show that immediately after the 7/31/63 raid there was what seems to have been an emergency meeting of the heads of Cuban groups in Nicaragua. They show that the Cuban Revolutionary Council did not dissolve but as of the approximate time of the assassination was still in existence.

Interestingly enough, they show Castro was aware of the implementation of the changed US policy before the exile groups were.

As I told Jim, after I was in New Orleans the end of April I asked Hal to have his fellows gather all they could on the Cuban groups. Paul Hoch's memo is one of the things they did. They have more.

During a six-hour post-midnight talk show on KSPR the early morning of 11/12 a man who off the air identified himself as Blazewick (I gave him a short memo) called me to report some of the things he knew of first-hand knowledge about what I take to have been the Hall-Howard group and about a man whose identity is not clear but who was in a picture with Oswald in what he described as a fight. I take it this was the "fist city" man but possibly it could have been Cruz. Blazewick and this man had been introduced by another man B identified as from the CIA Miami office. Blazewick was an American with the 3 November group and the MRR. Hal and his fellows and another assistant I picked up are to follow this up and contact the man B, whose postal address only was gotten (I was busy broadcasting). Jim Eason, who conducts the program, was to have copied the "air" tape as soon as he could get the engineer to do it. I haven't heard further. If by the time you get this you haven't gotten that tape—which could be important—please get in touch with Hal Verb, 923A Fulton St. S.E., 94117, phone 537-5534. The problem was that there was no machine available to that engineer or Jim that could tape at 15/16, the speed of the "air" tape. They had made a copy at 17/8. I never thought to ask him to send that to see how it could sound if played at 15/16. That might make it understandable.

I briefed Art Kevin, FBI, L.A., on the story of the False Oswald and gave him copies of the pertinent documents, addresses, etc. I expect him to follow up on the end the man Decco turned off.

Louis, let me know when I should come down again. Best to you all,

Harold

NOTES FROM THE NEW YORK TIMES, JUNE, 1963

6/19 Page 11 (Datelined Washington, D.C. 6/18) Castro threatens to attack exile bases on French and English Caribbean isles.

"Rebels struck the (Cuban) coast near Cárdenas a week ago."

"There has been no known incident of attacks originating from French possessions."

* Castro says he understands that rebels approached DeGaulle requesting a loan of territory.

6/21 Page 8 (Miami 6/20 UPI) CRC announces that "exile commandos carrying" "large quantities" of arms for anti-Castro rebel bands landed on the Cuban coast before dawn."

"Landings were made 'at various points ...'"

"The landings were carried out from a 'point in the Caribbean'"

"Late tonight a broadcast from Cuba said that Castro's militiamen had engaged a group of ... rebels near a place called EL CAMINO." (which would be anywhere in Cuba. EL CAMINO - the ROAD)

"The announcement (of the landing) was signed 'WAR COMMUNIQUE NUMBER ONE, JOSE FERNANDEZ BADUE, Council member and Commissioner of the Information Department.'"

"Last night federal agents arrested five men and seized several weapons and a large quantity of ammunition four of the men were members of the INTERCONTINENTAL PENETRATION FORCE, a group that has been holding commando exercises in southern Florida"

6/21 Page 8 (datelined Washington 6/20) "Castro acknowledged that 14 rebel bands had been annihilated by his forces in Matanzas Province ..."

6/22 Page 20 (Datelined Washington 6/21) MIRO CARDONA has moved to Puerto Rico.

6/23 Page 29 (Miami, 6/22 AP) Antonio MACEO, President of the CRC resigns blames MANUEL ANTONIO de VARONA for distributing war communique and endangering the lives of anti-Castro rebels ... urges discretion.

6/25 (Miami, 6/24 AP) MANUEL ANTONIO de VARONA elected new president of CRC.

6/28 Page 9 (Miami, ~~EXX~~ UPI) Castro says that Washington has abandoned anti-Castro forces working against him.

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NOTES FROM THE MIAMI HERALD, JULY, 1963

(con't from July 21, City Edition, Page 4-B)

"Mientras tanto, fuentes de exilados cubanos mantienen que el ex-Presidente de Nicaragua, Luis Somoza, que recientemente confirió en Miami con varios dirigentes anti-castristas, regresara pronto a esta ciudad para continuar las conversaciones."

July 22, Page 2-A, City Edition, Title: Rebel Raiders Strike Nightly Inside Haiti

"SANTO DOMINGO, Dominican Republic - (AP) - Rebel activity was reported increasing inside Haiti Sunday in a new attempt to topple the regime of President Francois Duvalier.

"Fighting, with heavy casualties, is reported nightly in the hills around Port au Prince, the capital.

"One report said an anti-Duvalier band of youths fashioned an armored car, with steel plates from a junkyard for a rebel assault in suburban Petionville, July 14.

"These reports were gathered in the Dominican Republic, which shares this Caribbean island with Haiti, from travelers and other sources.

"The reports told of daring hit and run raids against police posts in Petionville and the nearby mountain resort city of Kenscoff.

"The youths with the homemade armored car were said to have killed two soldiers and three militiamen before breaking off their attack on the night of July 14. One of their band was seriously wounded and had to be left behind, the reports said.

"The government has been sending troop reinforcements to the hills around Port au Prince. The city's best homes and tourist hotels are located in the cooler hillside areas.

"But since the outbreak of fighting the government was said to have closed off some of the hill areas even to residents.

"The rebels were reported to have raided the village of Carrefour, six miles southwest of the capital, but the outcome of the fighting there was not determined.

"The rebels accuse Duvalier of illegally serving a second term as president. The Haitian constitution prohibits a president from serving two consecutive terms but by rigging a congressional election, Duvalier declared himself elected to a second term before his first term was completed.

"His first term under the constitution ended in May.

July 23, City Edition, Page 9-A -- the current edition of the Saturday Evening Post reports a rift between John McCone of the CIA and Robert McNamara of the Defense Department particularly over Cuba.

July 23, City Edition, Page 4-C

"MANAGUA, Nicaragua - (UPI) - Manuel Artime, civilian leader of the ... invasion ... met with President Rene Schick at the National Palace Monday.

"Artime, self-styled leader of the remnants of the anti-Castro Revolutionary Recovery Movement, announced in Miami last Tuesday he was setting up headquarters 'somewhere' in Central America to direct new exile military operations against the Castro regime.

"The Nicaraguan government was formally denied reports (sic) it plans to aid anti-Castro ~~RAISKA~~ raiders.

"Artime, wearing an olive-green fatigue uniform, also met with former President Luis Somoza. He was accompanied by several other similarly clad Cuban exiles. They said they were making a 'route good-will visit' of Central America.

NOTES FROM THE MIAMI HERALD, JULY, 1963

July 21, 1963, City Edition, Page 31-A by Dom Bonafede

"More than a score of plastic packets containing instructions on how to commit sabotage against the Castro-Communist regime in Cuba were found Saturday washed ashore at Miami Beach.

"The instructions were wrapped in sealed, watertight, wrapping and printed on leaflets with illustrations, many of which carried the declaration: 'Russians, Get Out of Cuba!'"

"Police theorized that the packets, apparently intended for anti-Castro elements inside Cuba, were jettisoned near the island's coast by exile forces and carried north by recent strong winds and the Gulf Stream.

"According to spokesmen for the Movement of Revolutionary Recovery (MRR), the packets were dropped by members of the exile action group last Sunday off Varadero Beach on the north coast of Cuba. The MRR is headed by Manuel Artiles, civilian leader during the Bay of Pigs invasion, who recently announced plans to set up an anti-Castro military movement in Central America.

"Artiles left Saturday morning for Venezuela as the first step in an aid-seeking tour.

"Det. Lt. Albert Bilbo, of Miami Beach, reported the containers first started to show up about a week ago. Most, however, were found Saturday along the Miami Beach coastline between 10th and 72nd streets. Others were picked up as far north as ~~Hallandale~~ Hallandale and south to Chicken Key, where two were discovered by Douglas McLaughlin, 16, of 12900 SW 82nd Court.

"Printed in Spanish, one leaflet said, 'Cubans: Start Fires -- Drop matches or cigarets wherever there is clothing, hay, wood, paper or gasoline.'"

"Others gave tips on how to disconnect pay telephones (by inserting a ball of cloth or paper under the hook holding the receiver) and to interrupt production by breaking equipment and neglecting to lubricate machinery.

"Sabotage is necessary for liberty,' declared some of the pamphlets."

"Many were designed as anti-Russian propoganda.

"There is no food for our children - but for the Russians, yes!' read one paper, which included a drawing of a sad-eyed boy."

"Included in the packets were decals showing a green gremlin holding a machete and another printed with the word 'Beware!'"

"Not being overlooked is the possibility that the packets were purposely dropped near the Miami Beach shore by exiles hoping to show that anti-Castro action is still being carried on inside Cuba -- or were dumped overboard by exile raiders spotted at sea by the Coast Guard in an attempt to discard evidence. Current U.S. policy forbids assaults against the Cuban coast from U.S. bases.

"Meanwhile, two boys playing in the surf near the Carousel Motel, 19051 Collins Ave., Miami Beach, reported finding an elongated metal object resembling a rocket."

July 21, City Edition, Page 4-B

"Una nueva agrupacion de exilados cubanos, todos ellos adiestrados en las Fuerzas Armadas de Estados Unidos, dice que proyecta llevar a cabo extensas operaciones militares contra el regimen de Cuba.

"Carlos Alberto Montaner, uno de los dirigentes de 'Unidades Militares Cubanas,' declaro que las operaciones se lanzaran desde una base secreta del Caribe.

"Manifiesto que la nueva agrupacion es una unidad de combate sin filiacion politica alguna.

July 21, City Edition, Page 4-B

"El grupo anti-castrista Comandos Cubanos Libres anuncio el sabado que se disponia a embarcar a sus miembros hacia Centroamerica para iniciar el entrenamiento con vistas a una futura accion contra Cuba.

"Antonio Bustillo, coordinador en el exilio de la organizacion, dijo que varios de sus nombres se encuentran luchando en las montanas del Escambray, en la provincia de Las Villas, en Cuba.

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July 20, City Edition, Page 8-D (Noticias by Carlos Martínez Barraque)

"Manuel Artime, que fuera dirigente civil de la invasión a Cuba, desmintió enfáticamente la información publicada el jueves por un periódico de esta ciudad de que 400 de sus hombres estuviesen siendo entrenados en Centroamérica."

"Artime, que liderea el Movimiento de Recuperación Revolucionaria nego de ~~manera~~ manera categórica la mencionada información, que le atribuía el encontrarse en Nicaragua presto a lanzarse contra Fidel Castro."

"No hay campamentos en estos momentos," declaró. "Nuestra lucha no se va a circunscribir a un país determinado. Jamas hemos sido hombres de guerras publicitarias ni lo seremos."

"Refiriéndose a Carlos Alberto Montaner, cuyo nombre apareció en el reportaje de dicho diario Artime manifestó desconocerle. Montaner encabeza la organización Unidades Cubanas, compuesta por ~~xxxxxx~~ veteranos de la invasión, entrenados en campamentos norteamericanos."

"Por su parte, Montaner afirmó: 'No tenemos noticias de que por ahora se hayan abierto campamentos. Todos nuestros hombres están en Miami actualmente...'"

"Agrego que las Unidades Cubanas no mantienen ningún tipo de vínculos con los demás organismos del destierro ni con el MRR que liderea el ex-dirigente civil de la invasión a Cuba."

Puerto Cortes, Honduras -- "Dos embarcaciones de cubanos exilados en esta ciudad fueron saboteadas por elementos comunistas, quienes trataron de destruirlas en dos ocasiones, según acaba de denunciar el señor Antonio Losada Montes, Presidente del Partido Libertador Democrático de Cuba."

"Los barcos llamados 'San Lazaro' y 'Libertad' de 42 y 44 pies de eslora, propiedad de cubanos que huyeron en ellos desde la Cuba comunista y que estaban siendo usados para darle trabajo a esos cubanos exilados y pescadores hondureños según investigación de la policía, fueron dañados por elementos comunistas."

"El sabotaje dio resultado con el primer barco, el 'San Lazaro,' pero los saboteadores fueron detenidos dentro del 'Libertad' y confesaron en la Delegación de la Guardia Civil de Puerto Cortes, en declaración firmada, que habían sido contratados por elementos comunistas, los que les pagaron cincuenta lempiras por sus fechorías."

(my translation) communism

Antonio de Varona took issue with President Kennedy's statement that the United States and ~~xxxxxx~~ can exist peacefully in the world. Varona ~~xxxxxx~~ categorically states that there can be no peace with communist Cuba.

El jueves, el Movimiento de Recuperación Revolucionaria separated from the Cuban Revolutionary Council.

July 21, City Edition, Page 21-A from the Miami Herald, Chicago News Wire

"PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti - A heavy rain of mortar and machinegun fire shook the mountains 20 miles from here during the last three days in the fiercest fighting since the April crisis."

"Speculation ran that government troops under Dictator Francois Duvalier were locked in combat with followers of Rebel Leader Clement Barbot and other bands of young insurgents."

"The mortar bombardment and raking ~~xxxxxx~~ machinegun bursts were heard at dawn Friday and twice Thursday night. The heavy weapons fired steadily for periods of 20 minutes to half an hour."

"The din of battle and the flash of muzzles had first been seen and heard on Wednesday night."

"It was rumored here that 20 rebels were holding out in a cave against government forces, although other reports indicated the fighting was far more widespread."

"On Tuesday government-controlled radio stations had broadcast ~~xxxxxx~~ throughout the day that Barbot, former personal secretary to Duvalier, and his brother, Harry, had been slain by militiamen."

"Although the bodies have not been seen by the public, observers said it was certain the Barbots had been killed."

"A number of persons were reported arrested Thursday at Kenscoff, six miles

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"Also wounded was Ildefonso Martinez, 22, a U.S. soldier home leave. His condition was listed as satisfactory Thursday at Jackson Memorial Hospital.

July 19, 1963, Page 6-B, City Edition, Title: Cuban Underground Demands Military Aid by Carlos Martinez Barraque (Article deleted)

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July 19, Page 7-B, City Edition (my translation) It is stated that ~~XXXX~~ Doctor Carlos Prio Socarras is in the Dominican Republic not only for political reasons but also because private matters need his attention there. (Two weeks later an invasion is launched from the Dominican Republic ~~xxxx~~ the ~~xxxxxx~~ objective being the overthrow of Duvalier. DeM is in Haiti when the invasion from the Dominican Republic is launched.)

July 19, City Edition, Page 28-C

"Two Cuban refugees -- drawing U.S. aid -- were arrested Thursday and charged with selling \$25,000 worth of cocaine to a narcotic bureau agent, Gene Marshall, chief of the U.S. Narcotics Bureau here announced.

"There were identified as Reinaldo Lopez Lima..." and Thomas Gomez.

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July 18, Thursday, Page 20-A, City Edition, Title: 2 Held On Drug Charges

"Two Cubans who allegedly smuggled eight ounces of marijuana into the United States by mail from Mexico were ordered held for grand jury action, Wednesday.

"U.S. Commissioner Roger Edward Davis found there was no probably cause to hold two other Cubans found by U.S. Customs agents in the same room with those who had opened the package of narcotics.

"Agents testified that during a routine check of parcels from Mexico last Monday they found the marijuana addressed to Mary de Guerra 26, of 206 SW Sixth St.. They permitted the package to be delivered Wednesday, they said.

"Moments after Mrs. Guerra took the parcel from a postman, they said, they entered the home on a search warrant and found the parcel wrappings on a bed and the drug concerned behind a rack of clothes.

"Josquin Cantera Cordova, 42, admitted to agents he had ordered the package sent to Mrs. Guerra's address and intended to roll the marijuana into cigarettes and sell them on the Miami market.

"Agents said the eight ounces, costing about \$30, could have been rolled into at least 200 king cigarettes, selling at a dollar each."

"Dismissed by Davis were Fausto Guerra Y Caballero, Mrs. Guerra's husband, and Hermelinda Caesar Urguills, whom agents said were in the bedroom where they found the drugs at the time of the seizure.

July 19, City Edition, Section B, Page 1 "The Town Crier"

"Latin American Civic Association is one year old. So there's a big celebration Saturday night at Miami Police Benevolent Association hall, 2300 N.W. 14th St. President Ernest Rivero has arranged a stage show, in addition to Javier Varona's band. It's an outfit dedicated to better understanding among people.

"Two Cuban refugees will play leads in the Miami Beach High School drama program July 23. The play is 'Dino,' with Jay Jensen directing. Raphael Velazquez and Juan Cruz are the Cubans to be starred.

July 19, City Edition, Page 4-B

"A onetime Batista Army sergeant, who fought against Castro in the Bay of Pigs invasion and escaped, surrendered himself Thursday on a murder charge.

"Jose Filiberto Cardenas, 36, 44 NE 11th Ter., walked into police headquarters with his attorney, William Porter, and gave only his name, age, and address.

"He said nothing of the argument and shooting July 14 in the rear of the XX Yumuri Restaurant and Bar, 1920 SW 8th St.

"It was there a .32 caliber bullet struck Juan Gonzalez, 20, of 1620 NW 4th St. in the abdomen. He died six hours later.

"Twice before Gonzalez faced death.

"In 1961, then 18 years old, Gonzalez stood trembling with his back to the wall as a Fidel Castro firing squad raised their guns, took aim, and fired.

"The boy's hands went to his chest, groping for bullet holes that were not there.

"Then his tormentors, grinning, told him they were playing a 'joke.'"

"It was a part of their torture system to break me down so I would tell about counter revolutionary activities," Gonzalez said later.

"Another time they said they were going to kill me and they placed a revolver against my head and fired. There is powder in the cartridges but no lead. It almost scares you to death."

"Gonzales was later freed, fled to Miami, then returned to Cuba with Brigade 2506. He was again captured and returned to Miami as a ransomed prisoner.

"Four Cubans were arguing about politics," said Homicide Detective Mike Gonzalez. "Cardenas punched a man named Jesus Morales in the nose and the other three rushed to help him. Cardenas started shooting."

NOTES FROM THE MIAMI HERALD, JULY, 1963

July 17, Page 20-A, City Edition; Title: Cuban Invasion Chief Maps New Fight
By Al Burt, Herald Latin America Editor

"Mamuel Artime, onetime Cuban invasion leader, said Tuesday he has the support of six Latin American countries to carry a new fight to Fidel Castro

"Artime added that he will work from a Central American base, and that more than 600 men already are prepared to follow him.

"The young exile, who spent some two years in a Cuban jail following the Bay of Pigs fiasco, said he would follow the strict rules:

"No U.S. Land would be used as a base.

"Raiding parties or guerrillas in Cuba would attack no Russians unless the Russians attacked first.

"We do not have any help from the United States, but we hope by following these rules that the United States will not use any pressure to stop Latin American countries from helping us," Artime said.

"The headquarters for the fight against Castro now must shift from Miami to Latin America. Cubans cannot fight the FBI, the CIA, the Coast Guard and Castro, too."

"Although Artime did not name his six supporters, it is believed that at least four of these are in Central America.

"His statement coincides with the appearance in Miami last week of former Nicaraguan President Luis Somoza, who told Cuban exiles he would like to support and direct their fight.

"Artime said much of his effort in the preliminary stages will be directed toward getting arms and supplies to the Cuban underground.

He said the action he planned would be against strategic objectives in Cuba, in cooperation with the underground, and would not be strikes just for the sake of harassment.

"Many of Artime's followers are former members of the Brigade 2506, the 1961 invasion army.

"Since the U.S. ~~crackdown~~ crackdown on exile raids against Cuba earlier this year, Cuban groups have sought new bases. Most have turned to the sympathetic Central American countries.

"In addition to Artime, other exiles organizations with similar plans also are expected to set up new headquarters in Central America.

NOTES FROM THE MAIMI HERALD, AUGUST, 1963

by Dom~~ESTIA~~ Bonafede

August 7, 1963, Page 1 (Port Au Prince, Haiti) "This teeming capital of troubled Haiti maintained a deceptive calmness Tuesday in the face of a rebel attack on the north coast intent on overthrowing the autocratic regime of President Francois Duvalier.

"People gathered in the streets, vendors sold their wares, and lovers stroll in the park amid reports that some 90 miles away, government troops were locked in battle with insurrectionists, who reportedly - crossed the border from the Dominican Republic.

".... ~~the~~ rebel troops were still 40 miles away from Cap Haitien, apparent immediate objective of the rebel force.

"So far, Duvalier has reflected confidence by declining to impose censorship or closing the airfield here, steps he took in May during his last crisis.

"Tuesday, however, he ordered mass arrests of suspected anti-government insurrectionists. 'Many arrests are being made in the open without any attempt to conceal them,' a ~~HEI~~ diplomatic observer commented.

"'People here are excited, but wary,' the diplomat said. 'They apparently are waiting to see how things develop.'"

"Duvalier, facing a serious threat to his six-year regime, has mobilized his 5,000-man army and his feared Ton Ton Macoute, a fiercely loyal force of ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ terrorists and spies whose number is estimated as high as 20,000.

"According to an official communique - the first public recognition by the government of the attack which was launched Sunday night -- some 300 rebels attacked the ~~known~~ border town of Ouanaminthe. The communique indicated government troops had stalled the attack at Fort Liberte.

"The government said the attackers were equipped with trucks, field equipment and other military supplies, and were led by former Haitian Army Chief of Staff Gen. Leon Cantave and other former army officers.

"However, rebel radio broadcasts claimed that the invaders had landed at Erau on the Bay of Fort Liberte. They said some government troops had joined the rebel force which was advancing toward Gonaives on the west coast of Haiti.

"Earlier Tuesday, the government dispatched to the battle scene at least three C47 troop carriers, two armed P51 fighter planes and four AT6 trainers.

"Paul Blanchet, former minister of information and currently editor of the newspaper Panorama, maintained, 'The invaders will be wiped out. The people are behind Duvalier, even people opposed to the government, because Cantave has no prestige.'"

"He said Cantave had gone into exile in 1957 after Duvalier came to power and had no following in the country.

"Joseph Baguidy, brother of the Haitian ambassador to the Organization of American States, said the Haitian government was aware that the attack originated from the Dominican Republic because Cantave was seen in Santo Domingo only a few days ago.

"'Haitians resent the fact that the arms and men in the invasion came from the Dominican Republic' ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~, he said."

"Haiti and the Dominican Republic broke relations last May.

"At the same time, the U.S. suspended relations with Haiti because of a rigged election which put Duvalier in office for a second term. The U.S. ambassador was recalled to Washington and American dependents advised to leave the country.

"Relations between the U.S. and Haiti were resumed June 3 but Washington, in obvious gesture showing its continued displeasure with Duvalier, has declined to name another ambassador.

"....."Duvalier apparently was caught napping by the unexpected invasion. Since the May crisis he has remained in his yellow presidential palace, fearful of assassination attempts against him.

"The core of the military has been assigned to the capital, thus leaving the coastal areas free of adequate defenses."

8/1 Page 6-C (Herald Line Services) "An alleged anti-Castro agent of the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency was executed by firing squad at dawn Wednesday and three of his men were sentenced to death by a Havana revolutionary tribunal, the Cuban radio reported."
"A Havana radio broadcast monitored here, said three men received 20-year prison terms and another a 12-year imprisonment for counter-revolutionary activities."
"The alleged CIA agent was identified as Angel Pales Nieto ... His three accomplices were named as Jose Manuel Rodriguez Suarez, Raciol Roger and Enrique Garcia Raelomio."
"Manuel Alvarez Paredo, Luis Pileto Fernandez and Ignacio Madrugá Lencas were sentenced to 20 years and Manuel Alvarez Pileto to 12 years, the broadcast said."
Pales Nieto was recruited by the CIA in 1960 and trained in Florida. He was entrusted by the CIA with seducing information related to movements of ships in Havana and Mariel, the radio said."
8/1 Page 6-C (UPI) New Orleans -- "FBI agents seized more than a ton of dynamite, 20 bomb casings ... Gathered in nearby St. Tammany Parish."
8/2 Page 16-A "Since when is the United States on a basis of neutrality with the Cuban Government? asks a memorandum filed with the Immigration Service by Richard H. Reynolds, attorney for 'RHR COMA NDOSI' an exile command band."
8/2 Page 4-B "Los comandos del Movimiento de Recuperación Revolucionaria (... RMR) revelaron el jueves que la discutida 'Invasión' anunciada por el (CNC) (June 20) fue llevada a cabo en su totalidad por hombres de ... (RMR) ..."
"Carlos Bandin is coordinator general of the organization (RMR) ..."
"Los futuros integrantes de los grupos de infiltración se encuentran reuniendo instrucciones en subversión y guerrillas en los alrededores de Miami y los Everglades."
"Bandin añadió que es 'casi seguro' que el Comando-RMR permanecerá establecido en tierras norteamericanas. Pero esto no quiere decir que si podemos luchar mejor desde Centroamericano nos vayamos para allá. Nos ubicaremos donde mejor se pueda trabajar."
(AP)
Miami August 5, 1965, Page 9A "Exile Chieftains Nicaragua-bound" Cuban exile Xena leaders are drifting to Nicaragua, the jump-off spot for the unsuccessful 1961 Bay of Pigs Invasion.
"Cuban ex-President Carlos Pilo Socarras was among those reported in the Central American Republic Sunday."
"Associates of Pilo said he went there to confer with Luis Gomez, Nicaraguan strongman who has expressed keen enmity toward Fidel Castro. Pilo was expected to return to Miami Wednesday."
"Pilo's Nicaragua visit coincided with one by Bay of Pigs Invasion Leader Manuel Artale, who last month declared his forces would take action soon against Castro's Cuba from some Central American base."
"Cuban Revolutionary Council President Manuel Antonio de Varona, former Prime Minister, exiled Cuban run millionaire who heads a new anti-Castro movement was reported heading exiles for a three-man provisional junta, and has offered to help finance anti-Castro thrusts."
"Dr. Jose Manuel Bernal, former supreme court justice, also was reported en route to a republic."
"Manuel Romero headed organizers of the recently formed Cuban Liberation Committee, whose leading figure is considered to be Pilo Socarras. Some members continued at length with the liberation Committee during a recent Miami visit."
"Artale, head of the Revolutionary Recovery Movement, was reported leaving Miami for the United States in early August. He was believed to have moved to some other Central American country. Costa Rica has been mentioned among exiles as also figuring in early August plans."
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Latin American Edition D ILY, August 31, Page 1 (3-AW) cont.
"When reminded that the Soviet Union has provided Fidel Castro a number of fishing boats and crews, the Corn Islanders conceded that they could be Russian from Cuba."
"This is not the first time that the inhabitants of the Little Island" have known pirates.
"Lobster poaching, though, is a very serious matter to the Corn Islanders. About 1,200 of them derive their income from lobster fishing.
"Over and above the poaching, the Corn Islanders are appalled at the fishing habits of the lobster/pirates. The foreigners have been breaking the lobsters in two, freezing the tails and discarding the lobster heads on the beach. The belief on Corn Island is that lobsters will not remain long in an area where that happens.
"Some suspicions over the nationality of the poachers have been heightened such sloppy fishing habits.
"While French lobster boats reportedly have been working far from their European home ports this year, these craft could be Russian vessels, without skilled fishermen, sent from Cuba to try to check on reports anti-Castro Cuban exiles hope to launch another invasion of their homeland from Nicaragua.

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"Cuban Refugees charged Fidel Castro's revolutionary regime has killed five 'freedom fighters' this month and sent 19 others to prison for terms of 20 to 30 years.

"Luis Conte Aguero, spokesman for a group called 'Sentinels of Freedom' said most of the purged Cubans were former employes of the U.S. Navy's Guantanamo base charged by the Castroites with being spies for the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency.

"They were rounded up near Guantanamo and taken to the eastern provincial capital of Santiago for secret trial, Conte said.

"John S. Basil and Cornelius L. Phillips, Cubans of Jamaican ancestry, were sentenced to death and shot immediately after the trial, the refugee spokesman said.

"Three other Cubans whose identity is uncertain were killed secretly in Santiago...."

August 31, City Edition, Page 1-D, Title: Klansmen Rally in Jacksonville

"JACKSONVILLE - (UPI) - About 1,500 Ku Klux Klansmen from several North Florida cities met in a field here Friday night and heard admonitions to 'keep schools white keep white supremacy.'"

"Police estimated the size of the crowd, and the County Road Patrol at communications headquarters reported there were no incidents during the meeting.

"Speakers at the meeting, held in a field near the Florida East Coast Railway yards on the outskirts south of Jacksonville, were hoods and were not identified when they spoke.

"Klan representatives said those at the meeting came from Jacksonville, Live Oak, Ocala, Fernandina Beach, Calahna, and Lake City.

"Many of the Klansmen said they planned to leave by car Friday night for Stone Mt., Ga., and a national Klan meeting today.

August 31, City Edition, Page 1-D, by Carlos Martinez Barraque (my rough translation)

The Revolutionary Unity Movement revealed Friday that the leader of the American student group had drawn up a document citing the injustices and violations of the 1940 constitution (visiting Cuba) that had occurred under the regime of Fidel Castro. The document was smuggled out of Cuba by an underground agent.

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Title: Pirate Lobstermen at Work Off Nicaragua

"By Jay Webber, Copley News Service

"MANAGUA, Nicaragua - Pirate lobstermen with radar-equipped sea-going boats are preying on Nicaraguan fishing grounds.

"Carl Jackson, former mayor of the Greater and Lesser Corn Islands, and Waldo Hooker, political leader from Bluefields, say that the pirates appear to be French, but 'could be Russians from Cuba.'"

"Jackson and Hooker headed a five-man delegation from the Nicaraguan east coast that came here seeking Nicaraguan government action to drive the lobster pirates out of Nicaraguan waters.

"The foreign fishermen are working off five vessels, of probably 150 tons each. The diesel-powered craft are equipped with radar and refrigerated holds.

"The delegates from the Corn Islands insist that the poachers not only are taking Nicaraguan lobster with nets and diving outfits but also that the traps of Nicaraguan fishermen are being looted.

"Jackson reports that his people believe the foreigners are French 'because they have given people French cigars and French wine.

"But nobody on Corn Island speaks French, so we don't know for sure."

"The Corn Islanders determined, they say, that the lobster poachers do not speak Spanish, Portuguese or English.

"When reminded that the Soviet Union has provided Fidel Castro a number of fishing boats.

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August 29, City Edition, Page 18-A, Title: Army Graduating Last Exiles
By George Southworth of the Herald's Latin America Staff

"A special program giving eight months' U.S. military training to Cuban refugee volunteers will end Sept. 6 with the graduation of the last remaining 254-man company at Fort Jackson, S.C.

"The program began in August of 1961 with more than 10,000 Cuban refugees in the Miami area volunteering. More than 2,000 of these were accepted in the U.S. Army and about 100 in the U.S. Navy.

"Last year the ransomed veterans of the Bay of Pigs invasion were given the opportunity to enlist in the U.S. Army for a period of two years. Several hundred volunteered. Some of these men have gone into the regular army, the rest are placed on standby reserve duty.

"The announced purpose of the original program (what was the real purpose?) was to give new skills to the volunteers. The army said the program is being discontinued because of a lack of eligible volunteers.

"Last January, a mass convoy relocated about 1,700 of the refugee soldiers from Fort Knox, Ky., to Fort Jackson, where the climate is more like that of Cuba.

"More than 2,500 Cuban volunteers will have graduated when Company 'B', 2nd Battalion, gets discharge papers Sept. 6. Trainees were enlisted for 22 weeks with options of further training up to eight months.

"During the training period, Spanish-speaking personnel were hired by the Army and all trainees studied English while on duty. They were kept in squad-to-platoon size units as an integral part of the regular training companies.

August 29, Page 3-B, City Edition (my translation) by Frank Soler
Subtitle: Marquez Sterling Invited to Tampa

"The 'Club Marti Anticomunista' of the city of Tampa, Florida, presided over by Dr. Jose R. Suarez -- invited Dr. Carlos Marquez Sterling to visit the latter city and deliver an address to the club on the 22 of September at 8 P.M.

"In ~~the~~ a letter sent to the Herald by Jorge Julio Rojas, of ~~XXXXXX~~ station WMIE, it was stated that Doctor Marquez Sterling will be invited to the ~~IX~~ local television station

August 29, Page 11-D of the classified Section, City Edition

Title: Batista's Brother Sued for Divorce

"Francisco Ramon Batista Zaldiver, brother of former Cuban Dictator Fulgenio Batista, has been sued for divorce by Mrs. Jaife Calil de Batista, court records showed Wednesday.

"Mrs. Batista charges in the suit that although her husband was wealthy, she had been forced to leave home and to live on Cuban Refugee aid funds.

August 30, Page 1, City Edition, Title: Castro Puts Militia On Alert, Girds Coast

"HAVANA - (AP) - (Cuban refugees arriving in Florida reported great activity of Soviet troops in the Cuban capital. They said that bridges and strategic points around Havana had been taken over by Russian soldiers, causing some apprehension among Castro's forces.)

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"The Fidel Castro regime is conducting mass arrests of Cubans and sending them to forced labor camps, a refugee said Thursday.

"Caludio Lopez Vargas, an exile who arrived in Key West last week aboard a small boat with six others, said militia and security agents have arrested more than 8,000 persons in the Cuban capital. (How did he know the figures?)

"Social squads of security agents and militia, fully-armed and with army trucks, show up at movie houses, theaters, bars, billiard rooms and other public places and pick up every one who doesn't have a workers' identification

card, Lopez Vargas said.

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attack for their handling of the Anguilla Cay incident.

"Jose Manuel Fernandez, one of 10 refugees who escaped the Anguilla kidnaping raid, later testified that when U.S. planes appeared overhead he heard Castro's militiamen shout, 'Hide the guns, the Americans are coming.'"
K- "Exile leaders maintain -- and have ~~proved~~ proved it by recent forays against the Cuban coast -- that once they crash the Florida coastal barrier and get into the open sea they are safe from U.S. interception.

"But indications, supported by the arrest and conviction in Nassau last week of five refugees, are that exile raiders may find it tough maintaining bases in the Bahamas ~~hereafter~~ hereafter. The refugees testified they were en route from Miami to Cuba to get out their families."

August 26, Page 19A, City Edition, by Frank R. Soler (my translation)

Title: - Two Fires in Havana

"The Communist radio of Havana claimed yesterday that a fire completely destroyed a textile factory in the city of Calabazar, Havana province.

"This fire, the second reported in the Capitol zone in the last two days, began at dawn. The other fire occurred in the ~~Sanjaya~~ ^{Sanjaya} of Luyano in a ~~pp~~ paper factory.

"The communique did not state if the two fires were due to sabotage.

August 26, Page 23-A, City Edition, Title: Exiles Halt Ball Game

"PHILADELPHIA - (AP) - The Philadelphia-Pittsburg baseball game was disrupted Sunday by a group of Cuban refugees displaying ~~ix~~ flags, banners and political slogans.

"Twelve men, two teenagers and a woman - chanting 'Down with Castro' - jumped a left field railing at Connie Mack Stadium and moved into the playing field.

"They draped larged Cuban and American Flag(s) around Center-~~field~~ fielder Tony Gonzalez and Second Baseman Tony Taylor, both Cuban born.

"Policemen quickly hustled the demonstrators off the field. The incident occurred in the first half of the fourth inning. The adults were charged with disorderly conduct. The teenagers were turned over to juvenile authorities.

August 27, City Edition, Page 2-A

"NASSAU, Bahamas - (AP) - The Bahamas government announced Monday that hereafter no one will be permitted to land in the islands from any ships or aircraft traveling to or from Cuba.

"The colony has been angered by repeated violations of its territory by Fidel Castro's gunboats.

"The only exception to the ban will be British-born natives of the Bahamas or persons given special sanction in writing.

"Presumably Cuban refugees landing in the islands will be granted political asylum. Many refugees have used Bahama(n) islands as way stations on their flight from the Castro regime.

August 29, City Edition, Page 12-A, Title: Formula Worked Out on Hispaniola Exiles (by the Associated Press)

"Port-au-Prince, Haiti - An Organization of American States commission has worked out a formula aimed at solving the potentially explosive issue of ~~political~~ political exiles in Haiti and the Dominican Republic.

"Informed quarters said the plan involves the removal or the restriction of Haitian exiles in the Dominican Republic in return for safe exit permits for the 44 Haitians now exiled in six embassies here.

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August 25, City Edition, Page 5-B (my translation)

"According to wire service information, a new anti-Communist organization has been formed inside Cuba in order to 'give the final blow to Fidel Castro.'"

A Cuban letter recently received in Miami "claimed that the Movimiento de Rebelion Nacional ... is operating exclusively in Cuban territory and does not require outside money nor publicity."

"The reason for mentioning its existence, stated the Cuban, is 'in order that all persons inside of Cuba may learn of it' because the American radio ~~XXXXXX~~ (programs) are heard there" quite clearly.

The letter indicates that all Cubans may participate in the destruction of Castro.

All Cubans have to do is allow the water to run in their homes, keep their electric lights burning ... or leave their telephone ~~xxxxxxx~~ line open.

The letter "concluded by saying that 'if ~~xxx~~ half of the Cuban population follow through on this facet of the fight struggle, we will be able to predict Fidel Castro's destruction.'"

August 26, City Edition, Page 2-A (By the Herald Bureau)

"MARATHON - Eleven Cuban refugees in two groups arrived here Sunday. One boat was towed in, the other came under its own power.

"First to arrive were two men in a 12-foot boat, towed in by a fishing boat out of Miami. Owner Ray Murphy said he found the two men rowing near American Shoals, about 30 miles from here.

"The second group arrived in a 24-foot fishing boat after a 12-hour trip. Nine persons in two families, including a 17-month-old boy, were in the boat. All wore only swimming suits.

"Border patrol ~~men~~ took all of the refugees to Key West, where they were to be processed and sent to Miami. Most of the refugees claimed to have relatives in Miami.

August 26, City Edition, Page 8-A, Title: Castro Slaughter Hinted in Bahamas by DOM BONAFIDE, Chief Latin America Correspondent

"A U.S. investigation into the mysterious disappearance of three Americans in Bahamian waters will soon be marked closed but not solved.

"Suspicion in the case centers on the possibility they were killed at sea by hunter patrols of the Castro regime or run down by a Russian trawler.

"In immediate waters Castro jets later strafed the U.S. freighter 'Floridian' and the shrimp boat 'Ala.' And on nearby beaches, abandoned refuge boats, many of them riddled with bullet holes, offer mute testimony to the ~~xxxx~~ effectiveness of Castro's vigilantes.

"On Nov. 17 last year, Harrison Annable, 20, a wildlife specialist, Victor Skalsky, 25, a teacher, and Capt. Gil Martin Rahm, 40, left Miami aboard the fishing boat 'Revenge' to hunt lobsters off the Bahama banks.

"Four days later the boat was discovered capsized southeast of South Riding Rock, Cat Cay. No bodies were ever found. There were no witnesses.....

"For nine months Coast Guard and State Department intelligence agents investigated but were unable to furnish a suitable explanation.

"A Bahamian fisherman told of seeing an armed Cuban Sigma boat towing a dinghy in the area at the time, but others gave conflicting reports.....

"The story of the 'Revenge' is only one of a long list of bizarre incidents which commonly occur in Bahamian waters during the running war between Cuban refugees and Castro.

"To the refugees the 30-mile channel between Cuba and the Cay Sal Bank in the southern Bahamas is the distance between bondage and liberty; to exile raiders it is the pathway to Castro's doorstep, and to U.S.-British authorities it is a sea of trouble.

"Under an informal agreement with the British, the U.S. has the authority to take into protective custody all Cubans arriving in the Bahamas and carry them to the U.S.....

Today, Coast Guard patrols are always active. They recently came under

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"Many lives have been lost in those 30 miles between Cay Sal and Cuba," declares Moody. "Our people have seen gunfire across the channel and boats come in shot up by Castro's butchers."

"Except for a few isolated instances, the violence is unseen and unreported lost in the vastness of the sea. But now demands by the British that 19 refugees recently kidnaped off Anguilla Cay be released by Castro has focused international attention on the islands.

"Sooner or later there will be an encounter between Cuban boats and those of the U.S. or British," warned Cyril Stevenson, Nassau newspaper publisher and opposition member of BAHAMIAN Parliament.

"Since Castro's elevation to power in 1959, the Cay Sal Bank has served a dual purpose as a rendezvous and arms storehouse for exile raiders, and for anti-Castro refugees, the first stop to freedom, a gateway similar to the Berlin Wall to anti-Communist East Germans.

"Seldom a day passes that the routine Coast Guard patrol, covering the 1,300-square-mile Cay Sal Bank triangle of islets and shallows, does not sight a boat carrying refugees from Cuba.

"Moody keeps six employees on Cay Sal, held under a 20-year sub-lease by Howard Hughes (II), the mystery-shrouded tycoon. They maintain the island and help distressed refugees, most of whom are beached without food or clothing.

"When refugees appear, Moody's foreman, Harcourt Thompson, simply notifies the Coast Guard by short-wave radio: 'Come on over, I've got more today.'"

"A Coast Guard cutter will hove to and take the refugees aboard for the final leg to Key West, where they are processed by immigration agents and released, another human statistic added to Miami's exile colony.

"Moody recalled the 'Joe Louis' incident. On Oct. 14, 1961, a 'fishing boat' by that name flying a Panamanian flag anchored off Cay Sal. To the experienced eye of the islanders, the vessel looked suspicious. Upon being queried, the skipper said he was 'waiting for good weather' -- an odd explanation since the sky was cloudless.

"The following day a boat with more than 40 refugees showed up. As the refugees scrambled ashore, crew members aboard the 'Joe Louis' opened fire. From behind sand dunes, refugees armed with rifles began sniping back at the attackers.

"Moody's men frantically radioed the Miami office and an emergency call was made to the Navy at Key West. Subsequently, a U.S. destroyer appeared but the 'Joe Louis' had already streamed south towards Cuba...."

"Cay Sal possess an unpaved airstrip but Hughes refuses to let anyone land on the island. This, however, fails to daunt the anti-Castro action groups. Officers of Her Majesty's navy once discovered a runaway on Williams Cay that wasn't supposed to be there.

"Several exile units have requested permission to use Cay Sal as a base of operations but have been turned down since Moody's firm believes the island should remain open as a lifeline for refugees.

"Currently a highly-vocal group of Bahamian officials, led by Stevenson, is demanding that forceful measures be employed to bar Castro's patrols from violating British sovereignty....."

"Stevenson maintains many incursions by Castro's forces have escaped publicity.

"As a representative of the Outer Islands, which includes the Cay Sal group, Stevenson reported that official complaints have been issued with the colonial secretary concerning Cuban boats poaching in the Crooked Island...."

"In July of this year," Stevenson added, "Mervyn Ferguson, operator of the mail service between Nassau and the Crooked Islands, was captured by Cuban gunboats in the Bahamian waters."

"Other similar incidents have been compiled, he said, and turned over to the British government to bolster its case against Castro.

August 28, City Edition, Page C-A. Raul Alonso Zambrana "had made his way to an island in the Bahamas and was in sight of freedom when Castro's men snatched him and 18 others from Anguilla Cay (several days ago)....."

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"The resolution, passed at the group's annual convention at Miami Beach, also urged that the United States renew a bounty, first announced during the Korean War, for any Communist pilot who will defect from Cuba with a Soviet airplane.

"Further, the resolution asked that asylum be granted by this country to any Soviet soldier or technician now serving in Cuba.

August 24, Page 8-C, Title: Film on Cuba to Be Shown Today (City Edition)
(my translation)

"La Asociacion de Veteranos de Bahia de Cochinos will show a documentary entitled 'Cuba, Before and After 1959' today, Saturday, at 8:30 P.M. in the Bayfront Park Auditorium, on 5th Street and Biscayne (Blvd.). (The film) shows the industrial situation in Cuba before the advent of the Communist-Castro government, and the state of ruins in which the same industries and others are now found.

"The documentary -- filmed by Dr. Jorge Remedios before 1959 and by an anonymous group of Cuban patriots at the risk of their lives after 1959, will follow the introduction by Dr. Ricardo Rafael Sardinias. The popular Rolando Ochos will be the moderator of the program."

Admission will be free because the producers of the film hope that all the world will come and see the terrible destruction that has been wrought on the island by the current dictatorship.

Same source, same page, same edition (my translation)

"According to information from the Movement of Revolutionary Unity (Movimiento de Unidad Revolucionaria) during the past month of July, 40 ships sailing from the Free World anchored in Communist Cuban ports...."

August 25, 1963, City Edition, Page 1, Title: Cay Sal Raids Cost 1,000 Cubans Freedom, Subtitles: Castro's Killer Patrols, 30,000 Win Race to Safe Shores

"Three nations patrol the seas and skies around Cay Sal, crossing armed might in one of the world's warmest patches of cold war. Here, in the first of two parts, is the untold story of what is happening among these hundreds of small islands just 30 miles north of Cuba, where the pawns of Red Cuba either are fleeing Castro or trying to sneak back and sabotage him.

By DOM BONAFIDE, Chief Latin America Correspondent

"Hot pursuit by Castro air and sea patrols in and near British waters in the Southern Bahamas has cost 1,000 fleeing Cuban refugees their chance for freedom. For many, the price was death.

"But they keep coming. More than 30,000 have escaped to the protection of U.S.-British forces.

"Out of these same waters bordering the Cay Sal Bank, at least a dozen anti-Castro exile units have sprung their hit-and-run raids against the Cuban coast -- making the area a no-man's land in the Caribbean Cold War.

"Today, the 30 miles between Cuba and Cay Sal are unrestricted hunting grounds for Castro's killer patrols, which are well equipped with Russian-made Komar torpedo boats, MIG-21 jets, and armed Sigma fishing boats which act primarily as front-line observers.

"Frequently, a life-or-death race is held between American-British sea-and-air patrols and Castro's prowlers to determine whether escaping refugees return to hell in Cuba or reach haven in the U.S.

"Adm. Irvin Stephens, commandant of the Coast Guard's Seventh District, estimates 4,5000 refugees have been picked up and taken to Florida.

"C.B. Moody, chairman of Cay Sal Ltd., a Bahamian company which owns the lease on the Cay Sal group, reports 27,000 have landed on the islands in the exodus from Castroism.

"Many, however, never make it.

"Kidnappings, jet strafings and the shooting of unarmed refugees in open boats take their deadly toll.

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kidnaped off a Bahamian island were expected to be rejected by the Cuban premier.
"Survivors" of the kidnaping predicted her that their 19 companions will be freed by Cuba as a result of the British protest.

"Their spiritual adviser, the Rev. Vicente Concepcion, a refugee minister, said: 'I knew this had to be. It is God's will.'

"He added: 'It is also due to the fact Castro doesn't want to lose British and Canadian trade. That's what is keeping him going.'"

"El Miami Herald ^{in Spanish} en Español" Page 6-B, August 23 (my translation)

Title: Pact between Duvalier & Cuba?"

"The forces of Haitian resistance yesterday accused the regime of Francois Duvalier of having asked for the help of the Communist Cuban government in order to crush ~~and~~ the insurrection in the former country.

"According to cabled information, Duvalier offered Castro a ~~mutual~~ mutual pact (of defense-BSL) that included bases in Haitian territory for the protection of our & two countries against the aggression of the government of Juan Bosch."

"The report claimed that the ~~press~~ proposition of the treaty had taken place at the end of the week.

August 24, "Letters to the Editor", Page 6-A, City Edition

"In the Herald recently there was a long article entitled "U.S. Builds Cuban Underground." Why is it necessary to publicize this, especially if true? In the days before the Bay of Pigs invasion, there were many newspaper articles and television reports telling of guerrilla training in this country and outside, and predicting armed action in Cuba in 'the near future.' While this advance publicity was not the main reason for the dismal failure of the invasion it certainly did not assure its success.

"Must we repeat the same mistakes?" signed Carole Torroella

August 24, Page 8-A (Associated Press)

"Some 300 persons were arrested in Central Cuba and accused of helping recently landed anti-Castroites, members of a 37-member refugee party reported Thursday.

"Fidel Castro's forces found laageres in which infiltrators had landed near the Escambray Mountains, said the refugees, who fled Cuba in a 21-foot boat.

"More than 20 guerrilla groups are active in Las Villas Province, site of the Escambrays; and in southern Camaguey Province, a member of the refugee party said in Miami.

"They need arms," he said. "Their activities are principally at night. They attack militiamen and government cooperatives and blow up bridges."

"The refugee band, one of the largest to escape in recent months by the hazardous sea route, barely made it in a leaking boat to Anguilla Cay in the Bahamas. From that point, where last week . . . , the U.S. Coast Guard brought it 37 to Florida Wednesday.

"The group, including men, women and children from Las Villas, Camaguey, a Havana provinces, declined to give names."

August 24, Page 2-B, Title: Refugee Gets 10 Years for Dope Trade; City Edition

"A 42-year old Cuban refugee who admitted smuggling marijuana into Miami was sentenced to 10 years in prison on Friday.

"Joaquin Cantera Cardova, who custom agents said was a long-time trader in marijuana while a police lieutenant in Cuba, was give the stiff term by Federal Judge Charles B. Fulton.

"Cardova was arrested July 27 17 at the home of a friend whose address he was using to receive eight-ounce packages of marijuana from Mexico.

Same source, same page, same edition, Title: Catholic Veterans Back Exile Regi

"A resolution was approved Friday by the Catholics War Veterans of the United States recommending establishment of a Cuban government in exile.

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August 22, Page 13-A, City Edition, Title: Refugees Rescued in Cuba's Shadow (by the Herald Bureau -- Datelined Key West)

"The Coast Guard picked up 37 refugees just 24 miles off the Cuban coast Wednesday, just before their small craft sunk.

"The group was rescued several miles south of Anguilla Cay, where Castro's navy militiamen kidnaped 19 refugees from British soil.

"Cmdr. C.W. Wahl, commander of the Key West Coast Guard base, said no Cuban vessels were encountered.

"Wahl said the small craft in which 10 men, 13 women and 14 children were packed promptly fell apart and sank when the cutter took it in tow. Crewmen were only able to rescue the small outboard engine before the boat sank.

"Since the Aug. 15 kidnaping incident at Anguilla Cay, three groups totaling 24 refugees have made the voyage from Cuba to Key West successfully." Since Aug. 1 approximately 150 have made good their escape in craft ranging from small skiffs to large commercial fishing boats.

August 22, 1963 -- City Edition -- The Miami Herald, Page 6-E

"Havana - Tanks, anti-aircraft guns and troops are deploying along Cuba's sparsely defended north coast to meet stepped-up hit-and-run attacks by anti-Castro raiders.

"Primer Minister Fidel Castro's government said it is acting to assure Cuba's defense. But it made no direct mention of the troop and weapon movement. Travelers said the deployment has been under way since Sunday.

"Nassau - The British frigate Ursa was expected here Wednesday with five armed Cuban refugees arrested Sunday on Anguilla (Pel) Key in the Bahamas.

"Colonial authorities said the five men will be charged with illegal entry and the possession of unlicensed weapons.

"The Cubans were arrested by the frigate Londonderry, acting on a tip from the U.S. Coast Guard, and transferred to the Ursa. The presence of the men on Anguilla Key was not explained immediately.

"A Castro patrol boat intercepted 29 Cuban refugees on the barren Bahama ke last week

"The men arrested Sunday told officers of the Londonderry they came from Miami.

August 23, City Edition, Page 1, Title: 5 Cubans Sentenced in Nassau

"NASSAU, Bahamas - (UPI) -- Five Cubans arrested Sunday on Anguilla Cay by British landing party with an assist from the U.S. Coast Guard told a court Thursday they were enroute to Cuba from Florida to retrieve their families when arrested.

"The five men were fined \$140 each upon pleading guilty to illegal possession of firearms and sentenced to six months imprisonment and deportation for illegal entry into British territory.

"Where they will be deported remains a question. The five claimed U.S. citizenship. Magistrate Charles Barnwell ordered this claim investigated.

"A U.S. Coast Guard spotter plane saw the five on Anguilla Cay Sunday and reported them to British authorities. They were captured by a landing party from the British frigate Londonderry. They offered no resistance.

"Their boat was taken in tow by the U.S. Coast Guard.

"The five told the court they had fled Cuba to Florida two years ago and were returning to bring their families out of the country illegally. They said many exiled Cubans had done that successfully.

"They said they were not affiliated with any anti-Castro raider group.

"The five sentenced are: Domingo Alfonso Medina, 45; Pedro Granala Manzo, 37; Ernesto Sierra Betrowas, 47; Lina Cabrera, 33; Reynaldo Rodriguez, 36.

August 23, City Edition, Page 2A by Don Bonafede

"British Semanis Thursday that the Fidel Castro regime release 19 refugees

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"Rocha, Secretary General of the Revolutionary Student Directorate, said that it is very unusual that nobody in exile here admits the attack. I believe that they did it themselves in order to implicate the United States."

August 21, 1963, City Edition of the Miami Herald, Page 2-A, Title: Exile Raiders Shell Cuban Coastal Plant by Al Burt, Herald Latin America Editor

"A new mosquito action campaign against strategic targets in Castro Cuba took shape Tuesday as the Cuban government complained of a sea attack against a Santa Lucia metal processing plant on the north coast.

"It was the third such action in a week.

"The Cuban government said two fast, small boats shelled the plant in Pinar del Rio Province, 100 miles southwest of Havana with .30 rk caliber machineguns and bazookas.

"The boats escaped under cover of heavy machinegun fire from a larger mother ship which launched them.

"Tanks and pipes used to carry oil and sulphuric acid were damaged in the attack, Havana Radio said.

"Because the raid appeared unusually well-equipped and planned as compared with similar strikes earlier this year, Cuba blamed the U.S. and 'puppet Central American governments.'"

"The costly means employed by the aggressors can only be within the reach of the (U.S.) Central Intelligence Agency, which makes up the plans, organizes the bases and supplies the technical resources for this type of criminal war against Cuba," a government communique said.

"But in Guatemala City, a Cuban group called Mambises claimed credit for both this raid and a rocket raid from the air early Sunday on oil installations at XXXX in Las Villas Province.

"A third strike took place Friday when a small aircraft attacked a sugar mill in Camaguey Province, strafing it and dropping two 50-pound bombs.

"Rafael Martinez Pupo, speaking for the Mambises, XXX said his group's commandos operate from a secret base in the Caribbean and have established bases inside Cuba.

"He said the name Mambi comes from the Cuban rebels who fought against Spain late in the 19th century.

"In his statement, Martinez Pupo referred to a leader named Ignacio. He said the two strikes 'started flames' and called on Cubans to keep them burning.

"He urged Cubans to 'burn, destroy, kill, confuse and resist' the Castro government.

"The three strikes -- each on a strategic target, each in a different province, and each well-directed -- indicated a stepped-up campaign of such mosquito strikes.

→ "Refugee sources in Miami said they did not know Martinez Pupo and had not heard of the Mambises. They commented only that the raiders seemed to have unusually good equipment, and that it was the first time a raid had been carried out so successfully which had not been followed by a full-scale press conference.

"The Coast Guard Cutter Nemesis picked up 37 anti-Castro refugees floating adrift in a 26-foot boat in southern Bahamian waters Tuesday. The refugees - 10 men, 13 women and 14 children - were spotted from the air by a Navy patrol plane out of Key West.

"The cutter is expected to arrive with the refugees in Key West Wednesday morning."

August 21, City Edition, Page 2-A (Kingston, Jamaica - AP) "Harold Derber, who chartered a yacht to ferry anti-Castro refugees from Cuba to Florida, was arrested Tuesday in Port Antonio and charged with obstructing a customs officer.

"Derber, a British subject who once served in the Royal Navy, said earlier he would sail within 36 hours to start transporting 300,000 anti-Castro refugees from Cuba to Key West.

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batallones de milicias tienden un cerco alrededor de un numerosos grupo de alzados. Estos finalmente rompen el cerco con granadas de mano dejando atras 32 milicianos muertos o heridos.

"En Mayarí, según los reportes, hubo otro encuentro entre tropas rusas y patr ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ (otas

Los rusos perdieron 12 hombres que fueron transportados a La Habana. La situación es tensa en esa region con constantes combates y emboscadas.

"Y como estos, numerosos hechos de combate mas son reportados adentro de Cuba.

"Mientras Fidel Castro se dice que está 'visitando' la region central de la provincia de Las Villas para observar el desarrollo de la industria en Cuba.

August 20, City Edition of the Herald, Page 1, Title: Fidel Blames U.S. In Exile Air Raid by Dom Bonafede

"Fidel Castro's government announced Monday that a 'pirate' bomber, probably flown by ex les operating out of Nicaragua, had launched a rocket attack on a Cuban oil storage base, destroying thousands of gallons of fuel.

"The attack at Casilda, Las Villas Province, was described by the Castro regime as 'part of the aggression of the U.S. government against the Cuban revolution.'"

"In Miami, a small group of exiles continued a sit-down demonstration before Bayfront Park's Torch of Frændship to publicize demands that the U.S. permit kax travel to and from Cuba. Several of the demonstrators said they had already paid the Empress Lines, operator of the Mana, to carry relatives out of Cuba.

X"None of Miami's exile action groups claimed to have been involved in the Casilda rocket bombing attack. But in Guatemala City, Guatemala, a spokesman for an anti-Castro organization called 'Mambises' reported it was responsible for the raid. 'Mambises' was the name of a Cuban patriot group during the island's revolution against Spain.

"The strike early Sunday was the second against the Castro regime in four days

"Revlucion, the official government newspaper, said the Cuban air force chased the raider but admitted that it escaped.

"The plane flew north,' the paper reported, 'probably to Nicaragua, where anti-Castro forces have bases supplied and protected by the United States.'"

"Nicaraguan officials denied the aircraft flew from the Central American country. They said the charge was a XCastro 'trick' intended perhaps to justify armed action against Nicaragua.

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"WASHINGTON - UPI - Haiti told the Organization of American States Monday that it would take its charges of aggression against the Dominican Republic" to the U.N. unless some action was taken.

"In Santo Domingo, two Haitians who fled to the Dominican Republic in a row-boat, claimed anti-Duvalier rebles have captured thier hometown of Mott Carmite and were repelling a government counter-attack.

"The two Haitians, who rowed across the Massacre River near Dajabon, said sympathy for the rebels is rising in the combat zone of the rugged border mountains."

(Torrance, California -- NP -- August 20, 1963 -- JBS, Nazis present at civic meeting -- cause row)

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In Miami, meanwhile, various activist anti-Castroite groups claimed that they knew nothing of the Casilda raid.

"A member of one of the groups, Luis Fernández Rocha, expressed the belief that the act had been carried out by the Communists themselves merely to deceive the people of the world.

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August 18, Brevard County Edition of the Herald, Page ~~XXXY~~ 2-B, Title: Cato Lauded in Refugee Aid Program.

"The U.S. surgeon general has commended Florida's handling of the Cuban refugee emergency.

"And Dade's health director, Dr. T.E. Cato, is one of those singled out for praise. Dr. Cato organized the Cuban Refugee Emergency Center which bears the major load in administering the program which will cost nearly three million dollars by the end of this fiscal year.

"Surgeon General Luther Terry commended Dr. ~~YINIAH~~ Wilson T. Sowder, Jacksonville, Florida's state health officer, and his staff. Dr. Sowder said that the burden of the work was carried out by Dr. ~~EEKK~~ Cato.

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Kingston, Jamaica -- AP -- Peter ~~XXXXXXX~~ Whitehead, owner of the 60-ton yacht Nana "said Sunday he will make another attempt to reach Havana with his trouble-beset yacht...."

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"SANTO DOMINGO -- UPI -- Rebel forces seeking the overthrow of Haitian Dictator Francois (Paper Doc) Duvalier captured the mountain city of Mont-Organise but were driven out in heavy fighting and are now conducting guerrilla warfare, a Rebel communique reported Sunday.

"The communique, signed by Gen. Leon Cantave leader of the group and former chief of staff of Duvalier's army, said the rebel forces seized Mont-Organise, a Haitian coffee center in the northeast mountains near the Dominican border Thursday.

"It said the military garrison and civilian population of the city acclaimed the 'liberation forces' with shouts of 'Down with Duvalier', down with the Ton Ton Macoute (his secret police), down the dictatorship, down with the assassins!

"Paul Verna, official spokesman of the rebel forces in exile, released the communique in Santo Domingo. He said rebel troops shot down a Haitian air force plane Saturday when it attacked a position they held in the mountains.

"Cantave's Communique, Verna said, claimed that rebels had executed 100 members of the Ton Ton Macoute, before Cantave ordered a retreat into the mountains in the face of a heavy government bombardment.

"The communique said the rebel retreat occurred shortly after Cantave's men took Mont-Organise.

"There were reports that Duvalier had ordered reinforcements in the mountains around Port-au-Prince to conduct counterattacks against ~~KKK~~ guerrillas there.

"It was also reported that a bomb exploded in the Haitian city of Juan Mendez. Other reports, unconfirmed, said members of the Ton Ton Macoute had killed several civilians and government troops who were opposed to Duvalier's regime.

"Dominican sources said Haitian troops were moving along the border and said this indicated that Duvalier was trying to prevent refugees from leaving the country.

"Some observers believed that Cantave had succeeded in establishing a rebel base of operations in Haiti to overthrow Duvalier.

"It was Cantave who was believed to have led a small-scale invasion of Haiti Aug. 5....."

August 19, Page 2-B, City Edition: Title: Reporta D R E Combates on (en-BSL) Cuba by Frank R. Soler of the Miami Herald

"Angel Gonzalez, Jefe del Directorio Estudiantil Revolucionario de Cuba en Mexico, informo de los encuentros sostenidos por tropas patriotas cubanas y fuerzas del desquiciado mental Fidel Castro Ruz en Cuba durante los meses de Junio y Julio.

"Entre los informes, se aprecian los combates sostenidos en el 'lugar conocido por Cuatro Caminos, entre los barrios de Parades y Guasimal' en donde cuatro ~~XXXX~~

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"The reason for the decline in volunteers, he said, is that 'we've just about culled the eligibles.'"

"D'Orsa is commanding general of Fort Jackson, where most of the Cuban volunteers have received their training.

"Those Cubans selected for officer training -- currently about 100 -- are trained at Fort Benning, Ga.....

"The special training for Cuban expatriates was begun last August when the government announced it would accept Cuban volunteers on a limited military obligation.

"The volunteers do not actually join U.S. military units, although they are paid regular pay during the 22 weeks they are on active duty.

"The army's problems began soon after the program began.

"Fort Knox, Ky., was designated as the training center for the original group of 1,700 volunteers.

"But early in December Army authorities decided that all Cuban volunteers would be moved to Fort Jackson after returning from Christmas furloughs.

"Whether this decision was made to accommodate the Army or the Cubans is open to speculation.

"The Army's official position is that the transfer was made because the winter temperature at Fort Jackson -- about 12 to 14 degrees warmer than at Fort Knox -- would be more conducive to training men accustomed to the Caribbean climate.

"FORT JACKSON, S.C." Nelson Blanco Navarro is identified as one of the Cubans who are undergoing training at Fort Jackson. "He was a student in Havana before he fled Cuba in June 1959 for Miami. He later joined one of the numerous anti-Castro organizations.

"In April 1961, Blanco was among the Cuban exiles who invaded Cuba at the Bay of Pigs. He was a forward observer with the job of directing aircraft fire at ground targets.

"When the invasion developed into a rout in which one of his brothers was killed, Blanco got out safely and returned to Miami.....

"With his company commander, Capt. Fred Ondarza Jr. of San Antonio, interpreting for him, Blanco said he volunteered for the training program because" he wishes to return to Cuba.....

"Cubans in contact with early graduates of the program say that most of them have returned to civilian jobs in the Miami area.

"Apparently few are serving under arms with clandestine groups attempting an overthrow of the Castro regime, although trainees remaining here claim that some graduates 'very likely' are participating in guerrilla activities."

August 18, Page 12-C Title: Lawyer Raps 'Hogwash' on Cuba Shuttle (by Kurt Luedtke, Herald Staff Writer)

"We've been hindered ~~harass~~ harassed and given a lot of hogwash every since our plans to evacuate Cuban refugees were announced. But the government will not to blow us out of the water to keep us from Havana -- and maybe we don't stop the

"Miami (Miami -BSL) Attorney Jack Nageley is generally hard to find but Saturday night -- after his client, Harold Berber, was detained while trying to reach Havana for a ferry test run -- he was available." (Why is the man hard to find?-BSL)

Nageley claims that he, too, wants "to fight Communism. The Cuban ~~families~~ underground will never fight with their families in Cuba, they want to get out."

Nageley was ~~asked~~ asked who was bankrolling his operation. He stated that "An anti-Communist source. I'm not at liberty to say."

August 18, Brevard County Edition, Page 2-B Title: Cato Lauded in Refugee AE Program

"The U.S. surgeon general has commended Florida's handling of the Cuban refugee emergency.

Director Dr. T.F. Cato, is one of those

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"Despite tightened U.S. coastal surveillance against clandestine missions to Cuba, there is 'no trouble' ~~with~~ cracking ~~the~~ the blockade, he reported."

"He said that the helicopter flown by the Cuban soldiers was a Mi-4, one of 40 or so given to Castro by the Soviets. And the two gunboats were identified as 87-foot Komars, a PT-style attack boat built by the Russians.

"Crew members aboard the helicopter carried Belgium FAL rifles, Fernandez said.

"One of the fliers dropped a Russian helmet he was wearing,' he recalled. 'We later gave it to the British, who turned it over to the U.S. Coast Guard.'"

"He said that when British Marines arrived on the island Wednesday 'they couldn't believe us: they kept asking, 'you mean Cuban soldiers were here?'"

"Four U.S. jets and a Coast Guard amphibian plane hovered overhead during the attack but made no effort to intervene, Fernandez said.

"When the helicopter and Komars left, the U.S. planes seemed to be forcing them towards the west. We thought they were being taken to Florida -- but later found out it wasn't so,' he said."

"During the flight the two refugee boats, the Silvia Esther and the Ortensia, disappeared. Fernandez believes they were taken by Castro's men.

"When I get another boat I'll be on my way back to Cuba,' added Fernandez. 'Only this time I'll have a faster boat.'"

August 18, Page 5-B, Section B, City Edition (Compiled by the Herald's Latin American Staff)

"Three anti-Castro Cubans, described as spies hired by the United States, were executed in Cuba Saturday, according to Havana Radio.

"A broadcast monitored here said the three men were shot to death by a firing squad at the city of Santa Clara in Las Villas province after a revolutionary tribunal found them guilty of anti-Castro activities.

"The broadcast said the three were 'employed as spies' by the United States Central Intelligence Agency.

"They were identified as Rolando Mateo and two brothers, Manuel and Francisco Marreo Castillo.

"The account by Cuban authorities left open the possibility other members of the group are still at large.

(Same source, same page, same edition) "The anti-Castro group that claims to have bombed a Cuban sugar mill says it will strike again shortly and plans to destroy 16 targets, including two missile pads.

"We are planning other attacks in the course of a few days ... soon', said Dr. Orlando Bosch, secretary of the Revolutionary Insurreccional Movement.

"He said the bombing and strafing attacks last week represent the beginning of an anti-Castro offensive by his and other groups.

"The two planes that buzzed a sugar mill in Moron, Camaguey province and a Havana oil refinery apparently did little damage.

"We will destroy 16 fundamental objectives in Communist Cuba including two missile pads,' Bosch said. 'The Castro regime will be overthrown.'"

August 18, City Edition, Section C, Page 4-C; Title: Cuban Recruits Are Fighters But Balk at GI Discipline (by Dwayne Walls of the Charlotte, N.C. Observer)

PORT JACKSON, S.C. -- "So far 2,476 men have been graduated from Fort Jackson's 22-week course which includes regular basic training plus advanced infantry training and some technical training in military chores such as ~~ad~~ ad hoc operation, wire communications and automotive mechanics.

"Most of the 734 Cubans undergoing training now will graduate this week.

"But Major General Charles S. D'Orca points out that 'the program is not ended. It is being curtailed because the number of trainees coming in is ~~dimin~~ diminishing.'"

"The reason for the decline in volunteers, he said, is that 'we've just about culled the eligibles.'"

"D'Orca is commanding general of Fort Jackson, where most of

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(cont. from Page 1, August 18, 1963, City Edition) Empress Lines, Ltd., company has tried to use for the ferry service -- would sail for Havana, but said it would be 'soon'."

"Empress Lines, Ltd. has sold 1,200 tickets on the Havana Key West shuttle service to Cubans holding exit permits, at rates up to \$ 25 a head. The federal government has warned Hageley and others that transporting the refugees here is in violation of U.S. policy and prohibited any transfer of funds to the Cuban government.

August 18, Page 2-A, City Edition (Associated Press Wirephoto) "Ku Klux Klansmen carrying torches, march around a large burning cross at a Klan rally in Spartanburg, S.C., Saturday night. A crowd of some 2,000 persons heard an address by Robert Shelton, imperial wizard of United Klans of America, Inc.

August 18, Page 8-A, City Edition, Title: 8 Accused of Plotting Anarchy (New York -- AP)

"Eight members of a Neo-Nazi organization, accused of plotting riots at the scenes of civil rights picketing, have been indicted on charges of advocating criminal anarchy.

"The indictments, returned by a Bronx County Grand Jury, also charged attempting to riot and violating the antiweapons law.

"Seven of the defendants pleaded innocent in State Supreme Court and remained free on bonds ranging from \$ 2,500 to \$ 7,500. No trial date was set.

"The eighth, who testified before the jury after signing a waiver of immunity from possible prosecution, will be arraigned later. His identity was not disclosed.

"Assistant District Attorney Edmund Farrell said 'they planned to overthrow the government, with the idea of segregating Negroes and depriving Jews of citizenship.'"

"Police said the defendants were members of the National Renaissance Party, a Fascist group.

"Those arraigned were: James H. Madole, 36; Paul Joachim, 35; Peter Krauss, 18; Ian Lehr, 21; Anthony Wells, 26; Daniel Burr²³, 26, and Edward ~~EMMILKY~~ Cassidy; ??, all of New York City.

August 18, Page 14-A, City Edition (by Dom Bonafede)

"Expedition Leader Jose Manuel Fernandez said Saturday the helicopter and the gunboats used by Fidel Castro's troops in the kidnaping of 19 refugees off British owned Anguilla Cay last week were Russian-made.

"He also claimed that his boat was registered and licensed in Miami and flying a U.S. flag at the time of the assault -- therefore was entitled to the protection of U.S. planes which witnessed the incident.

"'It was an act of cowardice by the U.S. not to come to our aid,' commented the embittered Fernandez.

"In two diesel-powered boats, Fernandez led 29 refugees out of Cuba last Sunday. En route to Florida the group stopped at Anguilla, where on Tuesday Cuban soldiers landed on the tiny island and abducted 19 refugees at gunpoint. The other 10 escaped by hiding in the bushes or covering themselves with sand.

"Fernandez maintained that an eight-year-old girl, Maura Hernandez, 'showed more courage than the U.S. pilots. While the soldiers were hunting us, this little girl's mother became frightened and wanted to surrender. But Maura put her hand over her mother's mouth and kept her two small brothers hidden.'"

"For Fernandez, a former laborer from ~~Arguizay~~ who came to Miami as a refugee about a year ago, it was his second secret trip back to Cuba for the purpose of smuggling out friends and relatives.

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"Cuban gunners fired on a plane that flew over the Nico Lopez oil refinery on Havana bay Friday morning, but it got away. Newspapers said a violation of regulations against flights over the Havana area was involved, 'forcing anti-aircraft batteries to open up on it.'"

"The refinery is a former U.S. Esso plant. Primer Minister Fidel Castro's government nationalized it in 1960.

"(The Revolutionary Recovery Insurrectional Movement in Miami said one bomb damaged the power plant of the Moron sugar mill and blacked out the area.)

"The organization said the second plane was on a mission to Matanzas province just east of Havana province, but had to call off the operation because of engine trouble. It reported this plane returned to a base in Central America, presumably flying by way of Havana."

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"US officials Friday were reportedly preparing to ask the British government to demand of Fidel Castro the release of 19 refugees abducted by Cuban soldiers of Anguilla Cay.

"Washington sources said the request was in line with a statement issued by Secretary of State Dean Rusk.

"Rusk announced that the U.S. and Great Britain were discussing how they might protect Cuban refugees from being kidnaped by Castro's forces.

"The 19 were forcibly taken off the British island last Tuesday by Castro's troops and returned to Cuba. Ten other refugees, who hid in the bushes, were brought to Miami by the U.S. Coast Guard.

"Meanwhile, Miami Attorney Charles Ashmann said he was requesting the British government to reevaluate a similar incident at Elbow Cay last March.

Page 12-A, City Edition, August 17, 1963 (As translated from Spanish)

The official press of the Cuban government reported yesterday that the anti-aircraft batteries along Havana's coast had opened fire against a plane that "apparently was off course" and flew over "the Nico Lopez gasoline refinery, formerly owned by Shell Oil Co."

The communique indicated that the shots had forced the plane to change course but it gave no indication as to the plane's markings or if it had been hit.

August 18, City Edition, Page 1, Title: Jamaica Police Seize Cuba Ferry, Jail Crew (by Herald Wire Services)

"Jamaican authorities Saturday seized a 75-foot yacht bound for Havana to ferry Cuban refugees to Key West.

"Rifle armed police boarded the 60-ton British registry yacht Nana when it stopped for fuel at Port Antonio, hours after it slipped away from the Kingston Jamaica, harbor patrol at Port Royal.

"British authorities Friday ordered the ship detained because it lacked certain safety equipment. Informed sources said the United States had asked officials to discourage the sailing because it has been denied U.S. sanction for the Cuban-ferry trips.

"The yacht was purchased in Jamaica by former British racing driver Peter Whitehead last week for \$14,000 and is chartered to sometime Miami Beach resident Harold Derber, who launched the ferry plan last June.

"Police arrested the yacht's Jamaican crewmen, but Whitehead and Derber were not held. Two other Americans aboard, Sari Cohen, 23, Derber's secretary, and Carl Warner, a photographer, both of Miami, also were not arrested.

"In Miami, Derber's attorney, Jack Nageley, said the seizure had been expected and said, "We have already made arrangements for another vessel -- possibly of Canadian or Italian registry -- to bring out people out of Cuba."

"Nageley explained the British yacht was purchased because British vessels are still allowed to call in Havana. U.S. travel there is prohibited.

"Nageley said he could not say when the new vessel -- the fourth which Derber

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(con't from Page 1, August 17, City Edition) planned to confer with Secretary of State Dean Rusk on matters pertaining to U.S.-Haitian relations.

"But it was understood the Haitian government was sending the foreign minister to press its case before the Organization of American States and the U.N. against the Dominican Republic, which it accuses of arming Haitian exile invaders.

August 17, Page 1, City Edition. Title: British Impound Boat Planning to Shuttle Refugees

(Kingston, Jamaica -- UPI) "British authorities Friday impounded a boat scheduled to leave here for Havana to pick up Cuban refugees and shuttle them to Key West.

"The 75-foot wooden-hulled Nana, owned by the Empress Lines, was about to make the 'trial run' of a proposed refugee shuttle when the vessel was impounded by customs officials and the port authority.

"Jack Nageley, an attorney for Empress Lines, said customs officials said they impounded the British-registered craft because it did not have adequate safety equipment.

"Nageley said customs officials told him they were under orders not to let the Nana sail.

"Empress Lines had been planning a refugee shuttle service from Havana to Florida for some time. The plan was submitted to the State Department who refused its sanction and suggested Empress abandon the plan.

"Nageley accused the British government of bowing to pressure from the State Department.

"Nageley said there are about 300,000 Cubans on the Communist island who hold valid U.S. visa waivers, and added they are legally entitled to enter this country.

"The attorney said the Nana had planned to pick up about 40 to 60 refugees and return them Sunday to Key West.

"The boat, Nageley said, was equipped with 400 gallons of water, food, two life boats, a ship-to-shore radio and a crew of six. He said the boat had passed a safety inspection earlier this week.

"Nageley identified the skipper of the Nana as Peter ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ Whitehead a 30-year-old Jamaican.

August 17, City Edition, Page 2-A, Title: Plane Strafes, Bombs Sugar Mill in Cuba. (Havana -- AP)

"Strikes into Cuba by two small planes were disclosed Friday. Authorities announced one bombed and strafed a sugar mill Thursday and the other drew anti-aircraft fire with a flight above an oil refinery Friday morning.

"The armed forces ministry, without specifying the nationality of the intruders, blamed pirates 'organized, armed and directed by the Central Intelligence ~~AGENCY~~ Agency of the United States.'

"(Responsibility for both flights was claimed in Miami by an anti-Castro group called the Revolutionary Recovery Insurrectional Movement.

"(The group's secretary, Dr. Orland Bosch, said more attacks are planned this weekend. 'We will destroy 16 fundamental objectives in Cuba, including two missile launching pads,' he ~~XXXX~~ said.)"

"The sugar mill target was at the Camaguey province town of Moron, about 280 miles east of Havana, in a rich agricultural area where some guerrilla activity has been reported in the past.

"The ministry said a small pirate plane made a low-level attack on the mill Thursday. It was reported to have fired several shots and dropped two 50-~~XXX~~ pound bombs, then escaped northward in the darkness.

"The official account hinted there was no damage, saying one bomb exploded harmlessly and the other was a dud. It declared the raid once again showed plans being prepared against the Cuban people by 'the imperialist government of the United States.'"

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"They kept looking up at the planes and shouting," he said. "They were as scared as we were. I guess they knew they didn't belong there."

"An exile group in Miami, Cuban Revolutionary Unity, demanded return of the 19 who were kidnaped. In a telegram to the British embassy, the group declared:

"All free Cubans will expect Great Britain to do its duty without delay."

Julio Fernandez, one of the 10 refugees, said that when the Cuban helicopter approached, they thought it belonged to the U.S.

"Then it started shooting at us," he said. "We all ran to hide in the bushes. The helicopter landed and about five soldiers with rifles and machine guns came out, and from the sea came two boats."

"Somehow I became separated from my wife and two children, and the soldier took them away."

Another of the refugees, Francisco Hernandez, said he lived in Miami at 12 SW Fourth Ave., but had returned to Cuba to get his wife, Olga, and three children, Maura, Rogelio and Francisco.

"The family lived in Caibarien, on the north coast of Cuba.

Mrs. Hernandez said: "When the helicopter started to shoot, my husband told us, 'Run, run, run! Don't stop.' I couldn't run very fast because of the children and hid them in the bushes."

"She said that she had managed to hold onto a Bible and passport belonging to one of the 19 who were kidnaped. Printed in gold letters on the Bible was the name Mario Raul Alonso Zambrana.

"Her husband said that before the attack a U.S. plane had dropped packages with food and water and a note telling them that they would be picked up.

"There were indications from London that Britain intended to issue a formal complaint to the Castro government.

"U.S. Rep. Paul Rogers of West Palm Beach called for action by U.S. and British naval forces to prevent a recurrence.

"It is the stated policy of the United States not to permit Cuban military action outside of Cuba," he said. "This is a violation of both British territory and U.S. policy."

"In a recapitulation of the incident, U.S. officials said the eyewitness planes did not immediately radio the British. They said the U.S. information was 'subsequently' give to British authorities in Nassau, the capital of the Bahamas. There was no explanation for the delay.

"Wednesday the British frigate Caprice sailed from Nassau to Anguilla where it found the 10 Cubans. The Caprice contacted the Coast Guard vessel Ariadne, which picked up the Cubans and took them to Key West.

"The Ariadne arrived in Key West Thursday morning. The Cubans were next taken by bus to Miami for routine questioning by Immigration authorities and released.

"Richard Phillips, State Department press officer, stressed that the Castro government had no authority to seize the refugees on British soil. He used the word 'kidnaping' to describe the action.

"He noted that the Cuban vessels and helicopter left the scene on a wester course, which would mean in the direction of Havana.

"The Castro government earlier announced the capture of two Cuban-fishing craft and four 'counter-revolutionaries' in British territory. It was the first confirmation that Castro's patrol boats, supplied by the Soviet Union are ranging in"

August 16, Page 3-B Title: Diez Refugiados Cuertan Ordealia en Cayo Anguila

"According to reliable information, the refugees will be housed in the Tamiami Hotel of this City."

August 17, Page 1, City Edition (Port au Prince, Haiti- AP) "Foreign Minister Rene Chalmers left hurriedly for Washington Friday. Official sources said he

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"The Cuban flag spanked in the wind, and her crew wore olive drab. Torpedoes were mounted on each side of the deck, and she carried aft what looked like a 20 millimeter anti-aircraft gun.

"Three miles north another boat just like this one stood offshore. Four small open boats were grouped in close to the island, and a large, four-rotor helicopter sat on the beach.

"This torpedo boat was taking people off the smaller boats.

"We dropped down to 50 feet for a photographing run. Crewmen aboard the torpedo boats aimed the anti-aircraft guns and small arms at us, but nobody fired.

"We radioed what was happening. Air Force and Navy jets came roaring out Key West to give us fighter support. During the two hours that followed, eight jets took turns covering us.

"The first torpedo boat we had spotted looped around the tip of the island came up on the east side, presumably to block any escape attempts by the refugees in that direction.

"Meanwhile, the second Cuban vessel went among the small boats, taking people aboard. There was no struggling that we could see.

"When the small boats were empty -- two were 34-footers and the others about 22 feet long -- we counted 23 people, including seven crewmen, aboard the torpedo boat. There was one woman with a small child.

"The first torpedo boat came back and put a landing party of six men ashore. They wore orange life preservers and paddled to the beach in a rubber dinghy.

"The two small craft which apparently had brought the refugees from Cuba were hoisted aboard the torpedo boats. They tried to take the others in two, but it failed.

"As the gunboats moved away from the island, heading due west, the refugee boats left behind appeared to be sinking. Apparently they had been chopped full of holes.

"On shore, the helicopter didn't move for about 15 minutes after the gunboats left. Before taking off, it took the six-man shore party aboard.

"The helicopter then went west, after the torpedo boats and caught up with them about 15 miles south of Cay Sal.

"Then the copter turned south, toward Cuba, while the torpedo boats continued on a westerly course.

"With our gas running low, we broke off and returned to Key West.

Miami Herald, August 16, Page 1, City Edition) Title: 1 Sees Family Caught As 10 Flee Fidelists by Dom Bonafede, Chief Latin America Correspondent

"Ten weary Cubans reached safety in Miami Thursday and told how Fidel Castro's soldiers kidnaped 19 companions at gunpoint from a lonely British island refuge.

"One escapee saw his wife and two children captured.

"U.S. planes, including eight jet fighters and a Coast Guard amphibian, circled helplessly overhead as the dramatic incident unfolded on Anguilla Cay, about 40 miles north of Cuba in the Cay Sal bank.

"The escapees -- six men, a woman and three children -- said 29 people left Cuba in four small boats, but two Cuban torpedo boats and a helicopter swooped down Tuesday, the day after their arrival at Anguilla.

"They said a machine gunner strafed them from the helicopter before it landed on the island. Nobody was hit.

"Anguilla is used frequently as a getaway to freedom by refugees.

"In Washington, a State Department spokesman said the American planes were prohibited by international law from taking action in British territory.

"The Coast Guard plane spotted the Cuban torpedo boats at Anguilla while on routine patrol out of Miami, flew low to investigate, and sent a radio message that brought the jets from Key West.

"Arrival of the planes startled the Castro raiders and made them anxious to leave the island, said Isthmian Refugee Crastes Vazquez.

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"Cuban exiles have claimed many times that they were pursued into British waters but the reports had not been confirmed. (cont. - August 15, Page 27-3)

August 15, Page 1, Street Edition "The Cuban Navy chased and captured four counter-revolutionaries who attacked two fishing crews and attempted to steal their boats, Havana radio said Wednesday.

"The broadcast said the four anti-Castro raiders were sent to Cuba by the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency. They were allegedly captured near Anguilla Key, a British possession in the Cay Sal bank.

"Quoting an armed forces ministry communique, the broadcast said the island approximately 15 miles north of Cuba, were being used by the CIA to send spies into Cuba.

August 15, Page 7, Edition: → Air Express (Port au Prince, Haiti)- AP

"The Haitian government has reinforced military checkpoints outside the capital and is reported tightening security on the plain east of the capital as rumors persist of more rebel invasion plans.

"A week after Haitian exiles invaded the northeast in an abortive attempt to bring down President Francois Duvalier, the capital was filled with rumors of new planned forays.

"Rumors persisted of a new landing attempt at St. Marc or Ganalves, on the coast northwest of the capital, although similar rumors last week proved false.

"There were unverified reports that Duvalier's civilian militia was taking up defense positions along the seacoast at St. Marc, about 45 miles northwest of Port au Prince.

"There also were rumors that at least 15 men and women in Fort Dimanche, one of the villages invaded last week, have been executed as a reprisal for the raid. Those executed were said to be either relatives of the invaders or persons who helped them.

August 15, Latin American Edition Daily, Page 1-BW (by Herald Wire Services)

"The Havana newspaper Hoy, official voice of the Communist Party in Cuba, has charged that the United States intends to establish rocket bases in Venezuela.

"The Cuban radio, monitored in Miami, said Tuesday the newspaper based its charge on an interview with two leaders of the National Liberation Army (FLN), the Venezuelan terrorist organization.

"The XM radio reported the men were quoted as saying more than 16,000 anti-Castro soldiers are training in Venezuelan military camps.

Same source, same page "The U.S. Guantanamo Naval Base in Cuba is being surrounded by Soviet troops and military equipment, a newly arrived refugee from eastern Cuba said Tuesday.

"The refugee, Jose Cuadrado, 36, was among a group of 21 persons that arrived at Key West aboard a 26-foot boat over the weekend.

August 16, Page 1, City Edition: Title: "We Watched Cubans Kidnap 19 Escapees"

"Two Miami Coast Guard fliers were witnesses as Castro torpedo boats kidnaped a group of Cuban refugees from Anguilla Cay, a British island. Lt. (j.-g.) James E. Mitts, 30, of 10025 SW 82nd St., was the pilot and Lt. (j.-g.) Paul R. Lewis, 27, of 3227 SW 92nd Ave., the co-pilot of an amphibian from Dins Key which circled the island for two hours during the operation. Their story in next column.....

"Time: 4:05 p.m.

"The sun hung over our tail as we dived in from west toward Anguilla Cay, a blob of scrub and sand, on routine patrol.

"Off the southern tip of the island, a high-speed boat cut a white wake heading south. She looked big, 95 to 100 feet long, and capable of doing 45 knots. We dropped down for a closer look.

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"La lista de nombres fue autorizada para que se publicara por los mismos hombres, mujeres y niños por los propios jefes de las guerrillas que dijeron que 'demostramos que existimos y luchamos, que somos irreductibles y que, tarde o temprano, Cuba sera la tumba del comunismo en America.'"

"La lista de nombres esta dividida en dos secciones. Una, de los jefes que luchan en los Alanos de Las Villas y la otra, de aquellos que pelean en las sierras del Escambray.

"En los llanos hay 5 Comandantes, 13 Capitanes, 11 primeros Tenientes y 9 segundos Tenientes.

En el Escambray, 1 Comandante, 7 Capitanes, 23 Tenientes, 19 segundos Tenientes, y 3 Sargentos.

"Los Comandantes que operan en los llanos son Leonel Benate, Juan Felipe Castro, Isreal Pacheco, Manuel Vazquez, y Luis Pacheco.

"El grupo del Escambray se encuentra bajo las ordenas del Comandante Julio Emilio Carretero

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"Paul E. Lynch, accused of skyway robbery, told police Tuesday he was really a kamikaze pilot en route to crash into Fidel Castro's Havana home.

"Lynch, 25, was arrested late Monday night as he stepped from a light plane taken from Kendall Flying School at Tamiami Airport.

"At first he refused to confide why he had taken to the skies and would only comment that it was 'a military secret.'"

"Later he told police he had an agreement, with mysterious persons he refused to identify, for a suicide mission to Havana.

"He was to crash into Fidel's house and his parents would receive an unspecified amount of money after his blazing demise.

"The heroics were stopped by the woman who owns the airplane.

"Mrs. Mary Gaffney, operator of the flying school, took to the air shortly after Lynch and caught up with him in a faster plane.

"After some radio conversation, during which he threatened to ram his pursuer, Lynch landed at Miami International Airport, and was met by police.

"Mrs. Gaffney, of 5771 SW 55th St., Followed him right down to the ground. She said she was aided in the chase by radar at Miami International.

"Detective Chuck Harbolt of Metro Police said records show Lynch was arrested in Key West in ~~XXXX~~ 1958 on a charge of stealing a plane.

"Lynch claims to have stolen a federal airplane -- of unspecified type -- at one time. He also admitted being a parole jumper from a federal sentence.

"Harbolt said police records bore out his admission.

"Lynch, of Boston, was charged with grand larceny before Peace Justice Hugh DuVal, and held in lieu of \$5,000 bond.

"He told police he was dead set on his Havana venture, 'but with all those planes in the sky, I got scared.

~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ August 15 - Page 27-BF (Nassau, Bahamas - AP)

"Ten Cuban refugees, who were chased into the Bahamas by Fidel Castro's gunboats when they tried to flee their homeland, were rescued from the tiny ~~tiny~~ island of Anguilla Cay Wednesday.

"The British frigate Caprice steamed to the island, about 50 miles from Cuba's north shore, and sent a landing party out to search. The refugees, eight men, one child and one woman were found cowering fearfully in the brush, Acting Colonial Secretary William Sweeting said.

"The British acted after a U.S. Coast Guard plane spotted the Castro ~~gunboats~~ gunboats and a helicopter taking men off the island late Tuesday.

"The refugees were handed over to the U.S. Coast Guard and were to be taken to Key West.

"A Coast Guard spokesman said in Miami that Castro gunboats had been caught chasing refugees in Bahamian waters before. 'But we don't want to make this a cops and robbers thing,' he said.

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invaders) were making triumphant progress -- according to their New York press agent -- until they were all captured by Fidel Castro's troops.

"At one point, the rebels were reported by Verna to be spearheading a drive across northern Haiti" but such was not the case.

"Embarrassed, perhaps more than the Haitian exiles by the apparent failure of the assault, is Dominican President Juan Bosch.

"A sympathetic friend of the exiles and a foe of Duvalier's, Bosch has given refuge to the rebels. His government maintains it was unaware that the operation was organized from Dominican soil or that it supported it morally or materially.

"Yet, the close alliance between Bosch and the rebels automatically puts the Dominican president in the shadow of guilt, deservedly or not.

"Also there are reports that several Dominicans, including university students, participated in the plot.

August 13, 1963 Page 5-D "Surfside Says No To Nazis by John Blades, Herald Staff Writer.

"Surfside's town council, bent on heading off an American Nazi convention in the community, moved Monday night to outlaw the swastika.

"The action came after the city received a letter from American Nazis in Jacksonville asking if a Miami Beach ban on the party applied in Surfside as well.

"Councilman Raymond Wise termed the Nazi letter a 'subtle challenge'. He said 'the Nazis would get a million dollars worth of publicity' if they could convene at Surfside, a block away from Miami Beach.

August 13, Section B, Page 1 -- "A group calling itself the International White Muslims of the World distributed from 15,000 to 20,000 circulars in Miami over the weekend, declaring war on their opposite number, the Black Muslims.

"Miami police sources reported Monday the group is brand new and intelligent units -- at this time -- have no information on who its Miami members are or their base of operation.

"Arthur Spiegel, of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, said the group could be termed a 'self-appointed vigilante' organization.

"In the circulars, which police say were passed out throughout Dade over the weekend, the group says it is formed to 'protect their civil and economic rights' against the 'totalitarian Black Muslims.

"Spiegel said his sources indicate that the Black Muslim movement has virtually died in Miami and its one office has shut down. He said the movement received no support from Negro leaders here.

"The White Muslim circular gives no address for the organization, nor does it list any officers."

August 14 Page 2-A (Port au Prince, Haiti -- AP) "The Haitian government was reliably reported Tuesday reinforcing its coastal defenses north of Port au Prince amid rumors that exiles plan another invasion to unseat President Francois Duvalier."

August 14, Page 17-A As translated from the Spanish "Exiles Reveal Names of Rebels -- Miami -- Luis Corte Aguero, President of the Cuban anti-Castro Sentinels of Liberty organization, made known yesterday 94 names of guerrillas chiefs who operate in Las Villas Province, according to a United Press International (UPI) report.

Entre los 94 nombres mencionados por Aguero, figura el de Lolla Aguila, ~~razón~~ conocida por 'la nina,' que se ha convertido en una leyenda entre las filas anti-comunistas adentro de Cuba por las cuantiosas anécdotas que de ella se cuentan. Ella es la primera mujer que dirige a un grupo anti-comunista guerrillero en Cuba.

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here Friday Haitian exile invasion troops executed 12 suspected members of the government's feared Ton Ton Macoute (bogeymen) at Derac before the invaders were routed by army regulars.

"There was lots of shooting but no real fighting," said the businessman, who asked that he not be identified.

"The businessman was at a sisal plantation in Derac, a Haitian town across the Colo river from the Dominican frontier, when the invasion started. One Haitian army corporal was wounded, he reported.

"He said the raiders were heavily armed with pistols, tommyguns and grenades and lined up everyone on the plantation to tell them they had nothing to fear. There was a great deal of firing of guns into the air before the invaders, commanded by a Col. Rene Leon, commandeered three trucks and two cars and resumed their march northward.

August 10 Page 1-D (by Herald Wire Services) "Cuban exiles have the support of Central America in the effort against Fidel Castro," Manuel Antonio de Varona, president of the Cuban Revolutionary Council announced Friday in Miami.

"Varona, who conferred with President Rene Schick of Nicaragua and other Central America leaders this week, arrived in Miami Thursday.

"I am happy to report that the horizon for Cubans fighting for freedom is clearing," he said. "This is because governments as well as people are more identified with Cuba's cause."

"Other exile leaders, including Bay of Pigs invasion leader Manuel Artima have recently been drumming up support in Central America. Artima plans to establish anti-Castro bases in that area.

August 11 Page 12-A (by the Herald Bureau) "SUMMERLAND KEY -- Twenty-three Cuban refugees -- including a man and wife with six children and a newlywed couple -- landed at a private dock here Saturday.

"The father, Conrado de la Torre, expressed their feelings in Spanish... The group had crowded aboard the small cabin cruiser, flying the Cuban flag, and set out at about 11:30 p.m. Friday from a small port about 25 miles north of Havana.

"They arrived here at about 3 p.m. Saturday after 'a good trip, even if we did have a little engine trouble.'"

"One refugee claimed another member of the group was a Cuban army captain who had deserted.

"The newlyweds are Rene Fernandez Ortega and his bride, Mauren. They said they were married only four days ago.

August 11, 1963 Page 16-A "The KKK HIPOFF, An Inside Look - Behind the News Scenes "Rumors are going around that a neo-Nazi group is being formed among Miami's Cuban refugee population. The leader is a 24-year-old Cuban who proudly notes he looks like Hitler."

August 12 Page 9-C (by Don Bonafede, datelined Santo Domingo) Haitian rebel spokesmen here claim that the fight has just begun. "From his hotel room, Paul Verna, public relations counselor for the rebels, issues 'war communiques' to the effect that the struggle is going according to plan.

"Verna does not explain just what is the plan.

"If we had \$ 10,000 we could change the destiny of Haiti," declared Bill Johnson, U.S. aide to Roger Rigaud, exiled Haitian diplomat who is emerging as the political force behind the invasion attempt.

"Johnson said the \$ 10,000 would enable the rebels to purchase a plane and hire a pilot. 'We could then bomb the presidential palace, even if only with smoke bombs or leaflets, to stir up the people and get them to support us.'"

"To a reporter who covered the Cuban invasion fiasco, it is like seeing a bad movie for the second time...It is remembered (that the Bay of Pigs

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"In this country's first official contact with the invading group, according to reliable sources, a U.S. official told a rebel representative here that Washington would maintain a 'hands off' attitude toward the invasion.

August 8, 1963, Page 6-B (As translated from Spanish) A spokesman for the Haitian rebel invaders said the army was advancing on two fronts. Paul Vernas, coordinator general of the Union Nacional Democratica Haitiana, an organization in support of the invasion, appealed to the United States and to the other democratic nations of the hemisphere to help the rebels in their cause.

Vernas states that there are indications that the rebels may reach Ciudad de Gonaives. The ex-diplomat stated that all indications point to a satisfactory military operation on the part of the rebels.

The Dominican Minister of Foreign Relations, Andres Freitas, denied that the Haitian invaders had departed from Dominican territory.

James Donovan, New York attorney, warned Cubans to be wary of agents acting on his behalf. "No group or person has my authority to solicit funds in my name," said Donovan.

La seccion femenina de los Comandos-L anuncio el miercoles el inicio de una campana de reafirmacion patriotica que tendra lugar en el local de la Asociacion de Contadores Publicos y Privados de Cuba en el exilio, sito en 16 NW 17 Ave.

The first of these programmed conferences will take place tomorrow, Friday, at 9 P.M. Dr. Jose Manuel Gutierrez, ex-dean of the Facultad de Educacion de Havana University, will be in charge. The theme of the talk will be "The Missic of the Exils."

This coming Friday, the 9th of August, will see the inchoation of the "Summer Exposition" organized by Wilfredo Alcover, President of the Association of Artes Plasticas en el exilio.

August 9 Page 1 by Dom Bonafede (Datelined Port-Au-Prince, Haiti) "Flushed with victory, Duvalier probably will charge the United States and the Dominican Republic with playing supporting roles in the abortive invasion. And he has a good case, especially against the Dominicans. Duvalier's rout .. adds to the aura of invincibility that surrounds him.

"This, in addition to his triumphant survival of the crisis which rattled his regime last May when the Dominican Republic threatened to declare war against him, and the U.S. suspended relations, enhances Duvalier's luster among the voo-doo-conscious Haitian peasants."

August 9 Page 9-C "La Union de Varias organizaciones que luchan por la liberacion de los presos politicos cubanos, fue anunciada ayer por el Sr. Miguel A. Garcia. Los grupos han decidido unirse bajo el nombre de uno de ellos - Union de Familiares Pro-Amnistia de Presos Politicos Cubanos.

Los integrantes son: Comitè Pro-Trataje Humano a los Presos Politicos Cubanos, Comitè Pro-Libertad de Aviadores de la Fuerza Aerea de Cuba, Comitè Pro-Libertad de Presos Politicos de la Causa No. 3 de 1959, Comitè de ex-Presos Politicos, Comitè de Prisioneros de la Brigada 2506 y el anteriormente mencionado.

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Same source - Rouge translation -- Last night Manuel Artima returned after completing important consultation with the Central American leaders of Nicaragua and Costa Rica. The young anti-Castroite said his trip was very productive but he had little more to say. Artima indicated that the most advisable course of action was to exercise "great discretion" at times like these.

August 10 - Page 3A (Port au Prince, Haiti UPI) "An American businessman said

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Title: "DUVALIER DEFECTORS JOIN FORCE, Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic - (AP)
A Haitian rebel invasion force, with help from defecting Haitian army soldiers, Tuesday night was reported moving southwest from the Cap Haitian area km in two columns.

"The apparent aim was to isolate the north coast and the northwest area across the Windward Passage from Cuba - the early 19th Century realm of the 'Black Napoleon' King Henri Christophe.

"The Haitian government-radio in Port au Prince declared the northeast section of the country a war zone and warned Americans there to evacuate. But there were no reports of actual fighting.

"Cap Haitian, the second largest city in the island republic, was reported cut off by the rebel troops commanded by the invading exiles' Gen Leon Cantave, whose aim is to oust Haiti's dictator, President Francois (Papa Doc) Duvalier.

"Contrary to earlier reports, there was no indication that Duvalier had sent forces north from the capital, Port au Prince, in an effort to stop the invaders. Instead, he was believed to be concentrating his forces in Port au Prince for a last stand if the rebels breach the rugged mountains or make a new landing.

"There were rumors here that the rebels had made another landing on Haiti's northern coast, but these were not confirmed by the rebel forces.

"The Haitian government radio also claimed that the invaders used the town of Ouanaminthe on the Dominican border in their attack Monday and received help from the Dominican government.

"The claim drew no immediate comment from Dominican President Juan Bosch. Reports from invaders said that Ouanaminthe was in Haitian government hands and had not been touched by the rebels.

"Exile groups of Haitians here complained bitterly that Bosch had refused to allow rebel forces to organize or train in the Dominican Republic. The rebels were reported to have staged their invasion from an island - unidentified.

"Duvalier relies heavily on militia troops and the Ton Ton Macoutes, the terrorist security force Duvalier built up to offset military disloyalties.

"... reports indicated the group of about 20 American families concentrated on sisal plantations near Phaeton in the northeast were reluctant to leave, despite the government warning, for fear their homes would be looted.

"Earlier in the day, a U.S. State Department spokesman said the area where the Americans were located did not appear to be affected by the invasion.

"Paul Verna, the Haitian rebel spokesman, said the ranks of the invading force he placed at 500 had been swelled by regular army deserters since the invasion Monday near Fort Liberte.

August 8, Page 1, Title: Rebel Invaders Flee, Haitian Officials Say, - 40
of them captured - It's Life As Usual in Capital - Insurrectionist Claim Victories by Dom Bonafede - Port Au Prime, Haiti, "Government officials reported Wednesday a rebel invasion had been smashed and the invaders had been sent scurrying across the border into the Dominican Republic.

"The end of the short-lived infiltration into northern Haiti - launched Sunday night from the Dominican Republic -- came suddenly amid exaggerated reports by the rebels that they had gained several strongholds.

"It's all over, it's finished,' declared Foreign Minister Rene Chalmers.

"But Haitians were fearful of reprisals and renewed terrorists attacks.

"There is no telling what will happen to families and friends involved,' commented one Haitian.

"About 40 ... invaders were captured and flown to Port au Prince Wednesday.

"They looked more like peasants than soldiers,' said a witness who saw prisoners arrive."

"Government sources reported that the invaders wore uniforms belonging to the La Romano sugar mill in the Dominican Republic and carried rifles and submachine guns made in the Dominican Republic.

Same page, same source (LA Times-Washington Post Wire) "The United States Wednesday rejected a plea for support from the rebel force that has invaded

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neo-Nazi Cuban group