

SANTIAGO'S POOR TALK OF REVENGE

Visible Symbols of Allende
Disappear but Not Loyalty

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SANTIAGO, Chile, Sept. 17— Santiago is still in a state of shock from the abrupt political surgery of last Tuesday.

The visible symbols of the Government of the late President Salvador Allende Gossens and its allies further to the left are being obliterated as quickly as possible.

Squads of workmen, helped in some places by right-wing students from the Catholic University, are scraping from walls the posters that exhorted soldiers "to disobey the officers that incite to revolt and fight side by side with the people."

Painters are covering up the immense designs and slogans that decorated every available building with the insignia of left-wing parties.

Statue Pulled Down

The nine-foot high status of Ernesto Che Guevara brandishing a rifle over his head has been pulled down by a group of soldiers and driven off in a truck to be melted down.

But if the signs and symbols have been removed, from the shantytowns and workers' districts it is only to avoid drawing attention to the determination expressed by most of the poor that although their "workers' government" has been destroyed, their ability to start the fight again is still strong.

San Miguel, in the factory belt in southern Santiago, has always been solidly left-wing. "All right, so they have killed Comrade Allende," a 23-year-old factory hand there said, "but they have only proved to us who our real enemies are. It is going to be a very long struggle, but the real fight is only beginning now."

"When a group from the Movement of the Revolutionary Left ambushed some carabinieri on the corner here we cheered every dead policeman, and helped the man to escape afterward."

The paramilitary carabiniero police are still searching house-to-house in communities such as San Miguel and are being given full cooperation — on the surface.

"We don't tell them anything at all and they know that some of us are helping to hide people from the left," the factory hand said. "So we shall all go back to work like good boys, keep very quiet and get ready for the next time. And then we shall have our revenge."

Although fighting, intense in the first three days, has waned, it seems to be not because every resistance fighter is dead but because they have gone underground to regroup and bide their time.

Police Posts Attacked

On Sunday night several police posts were attacked by small urban guerrilla groups, apparently without loss, and in Valparaiso the left staged a major counteroffensive on Friday. Communications with the city have remained cut off since.

The methods of keeping control of the more rebellious areas vary from patrolling by fast jeeps with heavy machine-guns on their roofs to large-scale arrests. Officially 4,000 prisoners are being held in Santiago, most of them in the national stadium. According to one who was released after two days, some are being tortured to death.

U.N. Urged to Send Panel To Chile to Protect Rights

Four Nobel Prize laureates urged the United Nations yesterday to send observers to Chile to protect Chilean citizens and political refugees "who risk reprisals and deportations."

In a statement issued at a news conference at the Church Center for the United Nations, which is across First Avenue from the United Nations headquarters, the four said that "the United Nations must exert its prestige to save the lives and the civil liberties of all those endangered by the violent overthrow of the legal Government of Chile.

The group consisted of Dr. Fritz Lipmann and Edward L. Tatum of Rockefeller University; Prof. Salvador Luria of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Prof. George Wald of Harvard. Also at the conference were Dr. Laurence Birns, a Latin American specialist at the New School, and Michael Harrington, former head of the American Socialist party.