

Havana Police Quiet Students

HAVANA (AP)—Threats of Havana University's 18,000 students to stage a new demonstration faded Thursday as police sealed off all assembly areas.

Tension continued as rebels circulated rumors a major revolutionary attempt to overthrow President Fulgencio Batista might be made "within 48 hours."

Batista ordered police and armed forces to crush any disturbance.

Police guarded the big Roman or tripled at all public buildings and military establishments. Gunners behind sandbags guarded the presidential palace in the heart of Havana.

Police guarded the big Roman Catholic cathedral near the University of Havana. Radio cars stocked with weapons and grenades were stationed at street corners.

Police broke up small groups of students.

They chased away Associated Press photographer Harold Valentine trying to take pictures and ordered him back to his hotel. They arrested his taxi driver.

Students called upon all Cubans to observe 10 minutes silence starting at 3:40 p.m. in memory of Federation President Jose Antonio Echevarria. He and about 40 others were killed during rebel attacks on the presidential palace a year ago in an attempt to kill or kidnap Batista.

Rigid censorship was enforced preventing publication of any news about bloodshed and violence throughout the island. Batista's suspension of constitutional guarantees stripped Cubans of all civil liberties for 45 days.

Informed sources said elections Batista had set for June 1 will have to be postponed possibly until November.

In Havana, a rebel gunman fired at former Minister of Commerce Raul Menocal but failed to hit him. His secretary was wounded.

Leopold Freed; Wants Obscurity

JOLIET, Ill. (AP)—Nathan Leopold, thrill killer of the '20s, stepped into the world of free men Thursday and headed for what he says he hopes will be a lifetime in obscurity serving his fellow men.

The 53-year-old Leopold walked through the gates of Stateville Penitentiary, free on parole after serving 33 years, 6 months and 2 days of a life sentence for the 1924 killing of 14-year-old Bobby Franks.

Under conditions of his parole, Leopold, son of a millionaire, will leave Chicago for Castener, Puerto Rico, for the job he requested as a \$10-a-week laboratory technician in a Church of the Brethren mission hospital.

He has steady income from a \$50,000 trust fund set up by his brother and a legacy from an aunt.

Leader Urges Nation, States To Boost Public Works Efforts

ALTOONA, Pa. (AP)—Gov. George M. Leader yesterday urged the federal government and every state in the nation to follow the lead of his administration in accelerating efforts to speed construction of public works and highways projects.

The governor said such a program would go a long way toward solving the nation's mounting unemployment program.

Leader spoke at two regional unemployment conferences which attracted a total of more than 2000 persons from 13 southwestern Pennsylvania counties.

At news conferences here and at Johnstown, where a morning

session was held, Leader said "national action is needed to fight the recession."

"We must be realistic to deal with a realistic situation," Leader said.

He explained his program calls for spending 200 million dollars in federal and state funds during a 46-week period for highway, school construction and other projects.

No new funds are being provided, Leader emphasized.

He said his program calls for speeding projects already planned, declaring:

"Some can be advanced a few weeks—others as much as 15 months."

Leader told the Altoona conference that if the federal government and all states would accelerate projects in the same way as Pennsylvania it would

mean that thousands of the unemployed would go back to work.

"I do not mean this as 'make-work program,'" the governor declared, adding:

"The states and the federal government just should advance the starting dates for projects which already are laid out."

Unemployment Still High

Harrisburg (AP)—Unemployment compensation claims are continuing on a high level in Pennsylvania despite a five per cent decrease last week.

The Bureau of Employment Security reported Thursday it paid 330,478 claims to jobless Pennsylvanians during the week ended March 7, a decrease of 17,834 compared to the previous week.

Rebels Lose Oil Field In Sumatra

JAKARTA, Indonesia (AP)—The Indonesian government Thursday announced the capture of the oil field near Pekanbaru in rebellious Central Sumatra and said the American oil company, Caltex, was now free to resume operations.

Rebel sources in Singapore said Central Sumatra forces withdrew to the outskirts of Pekanbaru. They said they had no information on casualties or whether the two sides still were fighting around Pekanbaru.

The Indonesian government claimed that Pekanbaru, Caltex headquarters city 15 miles southwest of the big Minas oil field, was captured by 300 paratroopers and a combat regiment.

Premier Djuanda announced the capture.

The Caltex shut down Monday, on the advice of the Indonesian government, and evacuated some women and children of its 3,000 to 4,000 employes to Singapore. Djuanda said there was no need for further evacuation. About 600 Americans are in the area. All were reported safe.

Capture of Pekanbaru and the nearby oil field, if confirmed, would put the government of President Sukarno on the way to control of vital areas under the sway of the rebel government set up Feb. 15.

Dulles Says Break For Talks Needed

MANILA (AP)—Secretary of State John Foster Dulles said yesterday ways must be found to break the deadlock over a summit meeting but he again emphasized that the East-West leaders should discuss Germany and Eastern Europe.

The Soviet Union has rejected any summit discussion of German reunification or the political status of Communist nations in Eastern Europe.

Dulles reiterated the U.S. position that in addition to these subjects the conference agenda should include discussions of the use of outer space for peaceful purposes and steps to reduce the threat of nuclear warfare.

Brundage Resigns Budget Chief Post

WASHINGTON (AP)—Percival F. Brundage, who was alternately cussed as a spendthrift and a skinflint, resigned Thursday as budget director.

President Eisenhower moved Dep. Director Maurice H. Stans up to succeed him in the fiscal hot seat.

The change comes during a lull between budget storms, with preliminary work just getting under way on the 1960 fiscal blueprint which will be submitted to Congress next January.

Brundage, who will be 66 next month, said he was leaving the \$22,500-a-year post to "attend to some personal matters that have been neglected."

He also noted in a letter to Eisenhower that his immediate predecessors set an example of resigning after a few years to give "others with a fresh viewpoint" a chance.

When reporters asked White House press secretary James C. Hagerly whether Brundage was leaving because of any policy differences, he replied, "Of course not."

Eisenhower accepted his resignation effective Saturday, and told Brundage in a "Dear Percy" letter that he was grateful for "outstanding service."

Bargaining Election Sought by PGMA

PHILADELPHIA (AP)—The Pennsylvania Garment Manufacturers Assn., and its 300 member plants shut down by a strike Thursday sought a bargaining election "to determine what union represents its employes."

The PGMA petitioned the National Labor Relations Board to approve an appropriate bargaining unit "so all negotiations can be on an association-wide basis."

Farm Price Cuts Axed by Senate

WASHINGTON (AP)—In a slap at Eisenhower administration farm policies, the Senate voted 50-43 Thursday against allowing cuts in farm price supports this year.

Then by the same margin it refused to pass a second bill freezing supports for dairy products alone. This measure was rejected 50-43.

The first bill, which now goes to the House, would freeze federal supports under most major farm products and crops, including dairy products, at no less than last year's levels.

Eleven Republicans joined 39 Democrats to pass the measure. Opposing it were 35 Republicans and 8 Democrats.

Secretary of Agriculture Benson, who already has announced plans for cutting 1958 supports on wheat and dairy products, told a news conference before the Senate voted that President Eisenhower would vote the measure if it ever reached him.

Pechan First Candidate To Join Stassen Battle

PHILADELPHIA (AP)—State Sen. Albert Pechan today became the first announced candidate to join Harold A. Stassen's battle against the state Republican organization for nomination as GOP candidate for governor.

Stassen confirmed that Pechan will be a candidate for Secretary of Internal Affairs on his ticket.

FCC Seeks to Reopen TV Case

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Federal Communications Commission asked court permission Thursday to second-guess itself on a Miami TV case.

Meantime, new testimony in a House influence probe churned up such different names as House Republican Leader Joe Martin and the gangster "Little Augie."

The FCC told the U.S. Court of Appeals here it wanted to review its 1957 award of Miami Channel 10, worth several million dollars to a National Airlines subsidiary in the light of developments stemming from the congressional inquiry.

The FCC move came more than a week after Richard A. Mack resigned from the commission in the wake of charges he was under the financial influence of a lawyer who went to bat for National Airlines when the case was before the FCC.

Thursday, Frank W. Miller, a

radio TV-advertising man, told the House subcommittee on Legislative Oversight he called on Rep. Martin "to ask him how things were going and things like that" in FCC's consideration of the Channel-10 case.

Miller said he was acting for A. Frank Katzentine, who lost the license fight to National Airlines.

Apparently Martin didn't give him much help. At least Miller said he never heard from the Massachusetts Republican again, even though he told Katzentine in a telegram, the day he called on Martin: "Joe is going right down the line for us."

Katzentine paid a return visit to the witness stand Thursday and indignantly denied charges, which he attributed to his opponents in the TV fight, that he has associated with mobsters and allowed his Miami radio station, WKAT, to be used in behalf of gambling on horse races.

Katzentine denied, among other things, he was acquainted with

a gangland figure known as "Little Augie."

A former mayor of Miami Beach, and now president of the Greater Miami Crime Commission, Katzentine said he assumed the "Little Augie" was Augie Pisano, one of various underworld figures known by that nickname.

"I don't associate with people like that," Katzentine told a reporter later. He said he didn't remember seeing Pisano more than once.

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