

# CUBA, SI! YANQUI, NO!

## U.S. Marines Practise Landings

**LEADING** American politicians are calling for an American invasion of Cuba. World peace is being seriously threatened, for such an imperialist outrage would call forth immediate Soviet support for the people of Cuba.

The American threats cannot be dismissed lightly. Two years of intrigue and blockade have failed to topple the Cuban government, which, by honestly and resolutely facing up to the problems of a growing economy in a blockaded country, has got more popular support now than ever before.

The fact is that at this very moment U.S. marines are actively preparing for the day when President Kennedy sends them to invade Cuba.

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once and for all. For whatever else, the U.S. simply cannot afford to let Cuba survive indefinitely as a Soviet fortress off its shores and a cancer throughout the hemisphere."

The real reason for the U.S. aggressiveness lies in the acknowledgement that Catsroism is indeed a cancer in the body of imperialism which is crushing Latin America. Though most of the rulers in Latin America are extremely reactionary, representing feudal and militarist interests tied to the U.S., they realise that they dare not launch an attack on Cuba without provoking demonstrations which could topple their own unpopular regimes.

The much vaunted U.S. Alliance for Progress, which was offered as the bait for

## WORLD STAGE by Spectator

TRIBUNE REVEALED LAST WEEK THAT THE MARINES WERE MAKING PRACTICE LANDINGS AT VIEQUES IN THE CARIBBEAN. A FEW HUNDRED MILES SOUTH-EAST OF CUBA.

The report added that the Marines were backed by powerful naval and air forces in the Caribbean, including 10 submarines, a dozen destroyers, assault ships and aircraft carriers.

● As a part of its plans to isolate and destroy Cuba the U.S. is putting ambassadorial pressure on the governments of West Europe to enforce a complete blockade on the island.

● Another conference of American states is also being convened to prepare further aggression against the island.

● In addition President Kennedy has announced the call-up of 150,000 reservists at a time when the international scene is relatively quiet, in order to prepare the atmosphere of crisis which is prelude to a military invasion.

### ERASING CASTRO

Why are the Americans resorting to such desperate measures against tiny Cuba? The answer is given by bitterly anti-Cuba *Time* magazine, which admits (September 14) that the "U.S. policy of merely trying to isolate—or contain—Cuba has had dismal results. Castro Communism has not withered away . . . Just 17 months ago Castro could have been erased by a relatively simple U.S. decision to back the Bay of Pigs invaders with the necessary arms and planes. The choices today are much more difficult . . .

"It could get the job done itself,

anti-Cuban action by Latin American states, has failed miserably. In the words of Tom Stacey of the London *Observer*—

Despite the lavish publicity accorded the Alliance, despite an awareness of its worthy purposes, despite even a measure of personal respect for Mr. Kennedy, there has been no appreciable diminution of fundamental anti-Americanism or of respect for Castro the Yankee-baiter, but rather—as I would judge, after my first visit for three years—the reverse. It is impossible to travel informally in Latin America today without being forced to realise that from the universities to the factories, from the newspaper offices to Government departments, most prefer to see the Alliance as some kind of disguised extension of that political interference and economic domination which has hounded the self-respect of the Latinos since Spain and Portugal abandoned their rule. Nothing seems to have changed since Eisenhower decorated Batista for courage or even since Teddy Roosevelt's "I took Panama" and the U.S.S. Maine blew up in Havana harbour.

The one thing that has changed, of course, is the emergence of proud, undefeated socialist Cuba.

### NOT NERVOUS

President Dorticos of Cuba said recently that President Kennedy's request for authority to conscript up to 150,000 military reservists did not worry Cuba in the least.

"If they think that we are nervous, they are wrong," President Dorticos declared in a television broadcast. "We count on the courage of our people, we count on the revolutionary fervour of our working masses, we count on our faith as Communists, we count on our friends and we also count on our arms."

## WORLD TIT-BITS

(continuing)

### Painter behind bars

**DAVID ALFARO SIQUEIROS**, generally accepted as the world's greatest living mural painter and president of the Mexican Communist Party, was recently sentenced to eight years imprisonment by the Fifth Penal Court of Mexico.

The 13 charges against him include publishing a book, "My



Siqueiros: already in jail

Reply," in 1960, being one of the sponsors of a conference of artists in Moscow in 1955, and dynamiting a statue of ex-president Aleman on August 16, 1960 (a significant date, because Siqueiros was already in jail awaiting trial). Siqueiros is 65 years old.

### Only Six Dead

**THE FRENCH DO NOT** have a monopoly of the use of torture to defend colonialism, nor of the use of irony. In his book on the freedom struggle in Cyprus, called *Island in Revolt*, British author **Charles Foley** takes Her Majesty's forces to task with the following description of tortures inflicted on the Cypriots:

"Techniques were backward for the twentieth century; there were for instance no proven reports of treatment by electric shock. No more than six people died under interrogation during the whole Emergency." Rule Britannia.

## AFRICA S. RHODESIA GOVT. PREPARES FOR ZAPU BAN

The campaign of so-called "arson, terrorism and intimidation" which is reported to be taking place in Southern Rhodesia appears to be largely a creation of the daily press. The incidents reported are not, on analysis, as alarming as the headlines, and the question arises whether the authorities have some ulterior motive in playing them up at this stage.

The answer may well be that the Southern Rhodesia Government is encouraging the development of a state of tension and unrest in order to create a suitable atmosphere for the banning of the Zimbabwe African People's Union, in preparation for which legislation was rushed through the last session of the Southern Rhodesia Parliament.

The legislation gives the Government sweeping powers and also provides against the possibility of another organisation being formed to take ZAPU's place, as was the case when ZAPU's predecessor the National Democratic Party and before that the African National Congress were banned.

In Southern Rhodesia, as in South Africa, the crisis is caused by the granite policies of the White Supremacy Government, which resorts to rule by emergency powers in place of acceding to the democratically formulated demands of the majority of the people, the Africans.

### UNIP Contests All Seats

**THE** United National Independence Party of Northern Rhodesia, whose leader is Mr. Kenneth Kaunda, has decided to contest every seat on all three rolls—lower, national and upper—in the general elections to be held in the territory in October.

Of the party's 45 candidates, nearly a third will be white, including two women.

Mr. Kaunda himself has decided to contest a national seat. The qualification for these seats is that

candidates must win at least 10 per cent of votes from each race, which means the chances of an African winning such a seat are not high.

Other parties in the election will be Mr. Welensky's United Federal Party, whose chances are pretty slim outside the upper roll; the



Kenneth Kaunda

Liberal Party, which plans to contest at least 30 of the 45 seats; and the African National Congress, which will probably fight all the lower and some national seats.

The complicated electoral system makes it very difficult to forecast which party will win the election, although Kaunda according to all reports has overwhelming support from the Africans.

## 17 YEARS AFTER VE DAY NEW W. GERMAN INVASION

Only 17 years after total defeat in World War Two the German army has again become so large that it could not find adequate training camps and military depots on W. Germany territory.

With the backing of the NATO powers this problem is being solved: German military camps have been established all over Europe as this map shows. Solid crosses on the map show where such bases and depots are situated.

Outline crosses show where negotiations are taking place or have recently been concluded. The Bonn foreign ministry has asked for more foreign bases.



# "HANDS OFF THE TRADE UNIONS!"

## Strong Protest By Canning Workers' Conference

CAPE TOWN.

**WORKERS** of the Food and Canning Industry, meeting at their 22nd Annual National Conference in Cape Town over the week-end, adopted a strong resolution voicing their indignation and protest at "persistent and frequent attempts by the police to intimidate our officials and members."

Accusing the police of disrupting union work by intruding on factory and branch meetings, the resolution calls upon the Ministers of Justice and Labour "to instruct the police to abandon immediately their unlawful attempts to obstruct our officials and members engaged in the exercise of their legitimate duties."

Another resolution protested "most strongly" against the re-

moval of Africans from the Western Cape.

### NO FRICTION

"All the years," states the resolution, "we have worked side by side without friction or rivalry. The African workers are no threat to us. We are threatened by Job Reservation and Group Areas and other oppressive Acts."

"Conference claims the right of Africans to live and work in any part of the country and undertakes to support this claim."

Among other resolutions passed were those:

- supporting the demand for complete universal disarmament;
- congratulating the S.A. Congress of Trade Unions on its efforts to organise farm workers and pledging assistance in the task of organising workers engaged on the fruit farms;
- demanding the withdrawal of

all banning orders, and the release of all the people's leaders who are now in prison.

### WAGE CAMPAIGN

The National Executive Council was instructed to organise a campaign for higher wages and a resolution gives notice that the Union "will conduct a bold and determined struggle for increases in wages for all the canning workers in the industry."

Seventy-four delegates from branches in all parts of the Republic, and many visitors, attended the conference. Mr. C. Kilowan, the president of the Union, presided.

The conference was opened by Mr. L. Stone, an Executive member of the Coloured People's Congress.

Others who addressed the delegates were Mr. A. Stanley, of the Woodworkers' Union, and Messrs. Huna and Buqa from the Garage Workers' Union.



Mr. John Tendani, President of the African Food and Canning Workers' Union, addresses the annual conference of the Food and Canning Workers' Union last week-end. Seated is Mrs. Lizz Abrahams, general secretary of the Food and Canning Workers' Union.

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## S.A. LEADERS SEE NEHRU

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reviewed. Mr. Nehru was gravely concerned about the recent developments in South Africa and particularly about the Sabotage Act and the vicious measures of the Verwoerd Government in arresting Nelson Mandela, Walter Sisulu and other leaders, the continuous raids, the banning of the Congress of Democrats and other undemocratic actions in curbing the liberties of the people.

MR. NEHRU LEFT NO DOUBT IN THE MINDS OF THE MEMBERS OF THE DELEGATION THAT THE INDIAN GOVERNMENT, IN CO-OPERATION WITH THE AFRO-ASIAN STATES AND OTHER MEMBER-STATES OF U.N., WILL STRIVE FOR U.N. GENERAL ASSEMBLY SUPPORT FOR EFFECTIVE ECONOMIC SANCTIONS AGAINST SOUTH AFRICA BOTH ON THE SOUTH AFRICAN AND SOUTH WEST AFRICAN ISSUES.

Dr. Dadoo said after the interview with the Indian Prime Minister that Mr. Nehru gave the unmistakable impression that he was deeply disturbed about recent developments in South Africa and particularly about the police-state actions of the Verwoerd Government.

The delegation left with the assurance that in so far as Mr. Nehru and the Indian Government

are concerned they will do their utmost to support the oppressed South African people in their struggle against apartheid tyranny.

It is likely that during Mr. Nehru's visit to Nigeria and Ghana during this month, he will take the opportunity of discussing the South African situation with the heads of the governments of these countries.

The interview with Mr. Nehru was the first of a series which the South African leaders are arranging with visiting Commonwealth Prime Ministers in London for the Commonwealth Prime Ministers' Conference.

### MORE SLOGANS IN CAPE TOWN

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Cape Town's slogan painters were on the job again last week.

Slogans were painted at Langa last Thursday night expressing the determination of the African people to remain in the Western Cape and to oppose the removal scheme.

Other slogans were painted at several points in the central city area on the same night. They read "Nats are Nazis" and "Free Mandela."

## POLICE RAIDS IN P.E.

PORT ELIZABETH.

The Special Branch started another series of raids here over the week-end. During the lunch-hour on Friday they visited the New Age office at Court Chambers where they produced a warrant authorising them to search Govan Mbeki and the office. They removed copies of newspapers from the office.

During the course of the day they stopped Edgar Ngoyi at a bus stop. They confiscated from him copies of a pamphlet on Nelson Mandela which were distributed in various parts of the townships. Mr. Ngoyi was released after he had been interrogated at the Law Court offices and later at the Special Branch new offices at North House.

In the evening at 9 o'clock teams of Special Branch visited the homes of many known people's leaders. They sought information relating to their families—the number of children, their names and ages; the name of the wife and the names of the parents of husband and wife. They also wanted to know how far the homes of the persons interrogated were from the nearest police station.

Amongst the people visited on Friday night were: Miss Nontsomi Mesani, Vuyisile Mini, Alven Bennie, Mrs. Frances Baard, Caleb Mayekiso and Govan Mbeki.

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