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Cuba Answers U.S. Note

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gime and Washington.

The note heightened the shadow of confiscation hovering over the billion dollar American investment in Cuba.

At another point, the note told Ecnsal it should be known that "Cuba is not afraid of clichés created to divide, incite and inflame one part of the world against the other to the exclusive benefit of economic privileges . . . in total disregard of the United Nations Charter."

Expresses Doubt

The note also expressed a doubt that the companies had contributed to the growth to Cuba's economy as expressed in the United States' note.

"The conduct adopted by Texaco and Esso constitutes, in Cuba's judgment, not only a flagrant transgression of commercial ethics . . . but also an intolerable challenge to Cuban laws aimed at harming the industrial base of the national economy," the note declared.

It added that the two companies' attitudes were "coldly calculated steps for provocation of an international scope whose objective is to return Cuba to colonial dependence upon foreign economic political interests."

London and Washington protested July 5 over seizures of Texaco, Esso and Dutch-British owned Shell refineries. They questioned the legality of Cuba's action. The refineries were taken over after they refused to refine Soviet Union crude oil which Cuba is receiving under a trade agreement with Moscow.

Chou For Moscow

MOSCOW, July 8 (UPI)—Communist Chinese Premier Chou En-lai is planning to visit Moscow July 17, informed sources said today.

Sicily Riots Wreck 15-Day Truce Plan

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were killed.

In Rome and many other cities the general strike caused little trouble, with non-Communist unions refusing to participate.

Thousands of demonstrators, largely teen agers, milled about downtown Palermo for hours. There were half a dozen skirmishes. Shop-windows were smashed. Traffic signals were pulled down. Rioters put up barricades of tables and chairs taken from bars.

From behind the barricades they threw stones and bottles filled with gasoline at the police.

One besieged platoon of Carabinieri opened fire.

Altogether more than 100 rioters and police were injured.

Four hundred were arrested in Palermo.

In Catania, at the foot of volcanic Mt. Etna, hundreds of Communists tramped about downtown Stesicora Square. Police fought them with tear gas and finally fired into the air. A 15-year-old boy was killed.

As part of his truce proposal, Merzagora said a debate on the political situation should be held in parliament. On this point, all parties and the government were in agreement. The debate was scheduled for both houses of parliament Tuesday.

Merzagora told the Senate yesterday he was making his truce proposal in his own name, without having discussed the plan with either side.

He said he was motivated by "the gravity of the situation and the realization that the most sacred values of the constitution had been compromised, and the future of the country endangered."

This was his proposal:

(1) A 15-day truce effective immediately;

(2) During this period police and armed forces will remain in their barracks or in their normal duties;

(3) To prevent new disorders during the truce, political parties and labor unions will avoid all strikes or demonstrations in the streets or public squares;

(4) During the 15-day truce, with calm restored, the Parliament will open a full debate on the situation, with all sides pledged to respect the final parliamentary decision.

The general strike called by the Communist-dominated federation (CGIL), appeared to be only slightly effective in Rome.

About 2,000 strikers participated in a rally called by the CGIL at its headquarters. It ended peacefully after leftist speakers took the stand to protest against Fascists and the Tambroni government.

Onassis, Callas Arrive In Naples

NAPLES, July 8 (AP) — Greek shipping magnate Aristotle Onassis and soprano Maria Callas arrived yesterday aboard his yacht Christina from Monte Carlo.

British ballerina Margot Fonteyn and her husband were also on the yacht.

The Christina anchored off the Isle of Capri, where it is scheduled to stay two days before leaving for Venice where Sir Winston Churchill will join the party.

He said, however, that there is no order for such sermons from the Roman Catholic hierarchy, and that the matter is being left to the discretion of individual priests.

Pratt Charged With Attempted Murder

PRETORIA, July 8 (AP) — David Bertford Pratt, 50-year-old wealthy white farmer was brought before Pretoria magistrates court suddenly and without previous announcement today on a charge of attempted murder in the shooting of South Africa's Nationalist Premier Hendrik Verwoerd April 9.

The case was adjourned until July 20 when preliminary examination will begin.

U.S. Embassy

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ment did not report it, a high U.S. official said that at one point the embassy was surrounded by a mob of native African soldiers and that members of the embassy, including Ambassador Designate Clare Timberlake, could not leave the building.

A department spokesman said no Americans had been injured in the disturbances.

Later in the day, United States officials said that some of the Americans in Leopoldville who had gathered at the embassy for protection were returning to their homes as order was restored.

Diplomatic quarters here said that at one time during the day some of the mob tried to enter the embassy but that Timberlake stopped them by telling them they were not allowed to enter.

The department increased its estimate of the number of Americans in the republic to 2,000. Earlier today, it had given an estimate of 700.

The U.S. Air Force has rerouted two huge cargo planes on a trans-atlantic flight to evacuate 170 persons from the Congo, AP reported.

Headquarters of the U.S. Military Air Transport Service, announcing this today described the persons to be evacuated as noncombatans.

What's Going On In Rome

MUSIC

BATHS OF CARACALLA — Opera season in spectacular setting of Roman ruins: "I Pagliacci," by Leoncavallo, and "Cavalleria Rusticana," by Mascagni; Oliviero De Fabritiis, conductor; tonight at 9.

STADIUM OF DOMITIAN, Palatino Hill — Symphony concert by the Santa Cecilia Orchestra; Massimo Pradella, conductor; soloist: Pietro Spada, pianist (works of Beethoven, Grieg, Petrassi, De Falla); tonight at 9:30.

THEATER

ROMAN FORUM — "Sound and Light" spectacle; nightly at 9 and 10:45.

EXHIBITS

ROME-NEW YORK ART FOUNDATION, 20 Piazza S. Bartolomeo, Isola Tiberina — Ciphers; works by Louise Nevelson, Etienne-Martin, Lee Mullican.

VIA FRATTINA — "Personalities of Today's Rome"; portrait exhibit in the street's shop windows. Closes tomorrow.

SCHNEIDER GALLERY, Rampa Mignanelli — Sculpture by Dimitri Hadzi. Hours: 10:30-1, 4:30-8; closed Sundays. Through Thursday.

OBELISCO GALLERY, 148 Via Sistina — Miniature paintings by Ivan Mosca.

TRASTEVERE GALLERY, 13 Piazza in Piscinula — Paintings by American artist Will Barnet.

APPUNTO GALLERY, 46 Via Gregoriana — Paintings by Walter Mead. Last day.

ODYSSIA GALLERY, 36 Via Liguria — Group show of painting and sculpture.

L'INCONTRO GALLERY, 86 Via Due Macelli — Paintings by Achille Pace.

LA SALITA, 16/c Salita San Sebastianello — Recent works by Dorazio, Franchina, Rotella, Turcato.

GALLERIA 88, 88 Via Margutta — Group show of painting and sculpture.

LA MEDUSA, 124 Via del Babuino — Sculpture by Cypriot artist Pavina Pavlides. Opening this afternoon at 6.

FILMS

In English:

FIAMMETTA, 3 Via San Nicolò da Tolentino, and **ARCHIMEDE,** 71 Via Archimede, both show films in original-language versions.

In Italian:

ADRIANO, Piazza Cavour — "L'Arca di Noè" (also at the Reale).

ARISTON, 15 Via Cicerone — "Duello al Sole" (also at the New York).

BARBERINI, Piazza Barberini — "Alt! Alla Delinquenza."

CORSO, Piazza San Lorenzo in Lucina — "I Cavalloni."

FIAMMA, Via Bissolati — "La Dolce Vita."

RIVOLI, 23 Via Lombardia — "I 5 del Bunker" (also at the Metro Drive-In).

SPORTS EVENTS

IPPODROMO TOR DI VALLE, at 9 km. on Via del Mare — Trotting races; Sunday, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday nights at 9.

ZOO

GIARDINO ZOOLOGICO, Villa Borghese — Open 8 a.m. to sundown daily

CLUB MEETINGS

ROTARY CLUB meets every Tuesday at 8:30 p.m.: dinner at the Excelsior.

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RANCHO GRANDE, Via Cristoforo Colombo, at 15th km. — Restaurant night club.

TOR FIORENZA, 2 Via Monte delle Gioie — Dancing, American bar Tel. 880.892

VILLA FIORIO, Grottaferrata. Night club, restaurant. Tel. 07.941.012.

ROME MUSEUMS

VATICAN MUSEUM, Via Vaticano — Open 9 a.m. to 2 p. m. every day except Sundays and holidays.

GALLERIA NAZIONALE, Palazzo Barberini, Via Quattro Fontane — Open 9:30 to 1, 4 to 6 daily.

MUSEO NAZIONALE, Baths of Diocletian — Open 9:30 am. to 6 pm. weekdays; 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sundays and holidays.

CAPITOLINE MUSEUM (and Pinacoteca), Piazza Campidoglio — Open 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. weekdays; 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sundays and holidays Closed Mondays; on Tuesdays, open 9 to 11:30 p.m.

BORGHESE MUSEUM, Villa Borghese — Open 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., 4 to 6 p.m. daily; on Thursdays, 9 p.m. to 11:30 p.m.

PALAZZO VENEZIA, Piazza Venezia — Open 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., 4:30 to 6 p.m. daily. Closed Mondays.

CASTEL SANT'ANGELO — Open 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. daily. Closed Mondays.

In Other Cities

In Naples:

ARENA FLEGREA, Mostra d'Oltremare — Opera season: "Rigoletto," by Verdi; Ugo Rapallo, conductor; tonight at 9.

In Spoleto:

3rd Festival of Two Worlds

TEATRO NUOVO — "La Bohéme," by Puccini; Thomas Schippers, conductor; this afternoon at 3:30 . . . "Yerma," drama by Lorca (in Spanish); tonight at 9 and tomorrow afternoon at 3:30.

TEATRO CAIO MELISSO — "Album Leaves," revue in English; this afternoon at 3:30 . . . "Fogli d'Album," revue in Italian; tonight at 9.

In Tivoli:

VILLA D'ESTE — Illumination of the fountains; Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday and Sunday nights from 8:30 to 11:30.

In Venice:

BIENNIAL GARDENS — 30th Biennial Exhibition of Modern Art. Through mid-October.

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