



Marines Set Invasion Maneuvers Near Cuba

Assault Planned On Small Island U. S. Launches Rocket To Moon

Make-Believe Premier is Orsac; Castro Backwards

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WASHINGTON, Oct. 18.—Armed Marines will storm the beaches of a sparsely populated island approximately 300 miles the other side of Cuba under "exercise" fire at dawn one day next week in a full-scale dress rehearsal of a classic Caribbean invasion.

The assault will be launched on Vieques, an island 10 miles long and 10 miles wide. Much of Vieques is uninhabited. Its only town, Santa Isabel, will be some distance from the mock battle.

The Navy can, and does, say Vieques is no stranger to invasions: the Marines have staged out most of the island as a training area. It has purposely avoided giving the exercise a war-like code name. It is referred to as Phibright which, translated means Amphibious (for Phib) Brigade (for br) Exercise (for rix). And this is the best season for Caribbean maneuvers.

But there are important differences between this and other routine assaults on Vieques. The usual Autumn maneuver involves the mythical republic of Vieques with a tyrannical premier named Orsac.

Try spelling the Premier's name backwards.

No Accident

This time, too, a much-decorated Spaniard-speaking Vice Admiral, Horacio Rivera, will be in overall command. His selection, however, is not an accident. Admiral Rivera, a native Puerto Rican and a graduate of the Naval Academy, is newly appointed commander of the Atlantic amphibious forces. A three-star Marine, Lieut. Gen. R. M. Tompkins, is in command of the overall command of amphibious troops. General Lucky is commander, Fleet Marine Force, Atlantic. Navy sources say no accident. Admiral Rivera, a native Puerto Rican and a graduate of the Naval Academy, is newly appointed commander of the Atlantic amphibious forces.

U. S. Delays Cuba Shipping Control

WASHINGTON, Oct. 18.—President Kennedy prepared today to put his Cuban policy on a smooth relations with Europe.

The President was ready to invoke executive powers to prohibit U. S. shipping to Cuba.

Through there have been no official protests from Nato maritime nations.

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Water Main Breaks; Streets Flooded

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El Paso Sunshine

The sun shone today for 200 minutes consecutively. The sun had failed to shine only 12 of the last 147 days.

E. P. Liquor Tax Evasion Attacked

National Dealers Join Fight On Export System

The National Liquor Stores Assn., representing 44,000 dealers throughout the nation, has stepped into the fight against two border warehouses in El Paso. Sale of tax free liquor to persons crossing into Mexico is knocking a giant hole in sales of regular El Paso liquor retail and wholesalers.

News of the additional support in the fight to close down the warehouses was welcomed by the Texas Liquor Control Board, whose hands are tied pending a district court decision in Austin.

Have Court Order

The two bonded warehouses, Amnax and Ayoub and Wardy, obtained a restraining order from the district court judge, which keeps Liquor Control Board agents from stopping operation of the export business.

Here's how the operation works. The export company buys whiskey from Scotland and it comes into the U. S. under a Customs bond or seal. No taxes State or Federal are paid. The whiskey is then sold to residents of Mexico for direct exportation or to tourists leaving the country for a vacation in Mexico.

Loss Business

"We feel the two warehouses are operating in direct violation of state law," a Liquor Control Board agent said. "The law says that no one can sell liquor in the State of Texas without first obtaining a permit. Neither warehouse has obtained any such permit."

In the second place Amnax is violating the law on signs, which says a place selling liquor can have only one sign. There is a big sign on the wall of the building and another hanging out from it. On top of the building, trucks are plastered with signs.

"But until the case is heard in court, we will continue to operate as usual," Amnax and Ayoub and Wardy said.

Soldier Admits Attack on Woman

"When I saw the blood on the seat and the floorboards of my car, I knew I had hurt her. But I crashed it off the seat and waited for her to come and get me."

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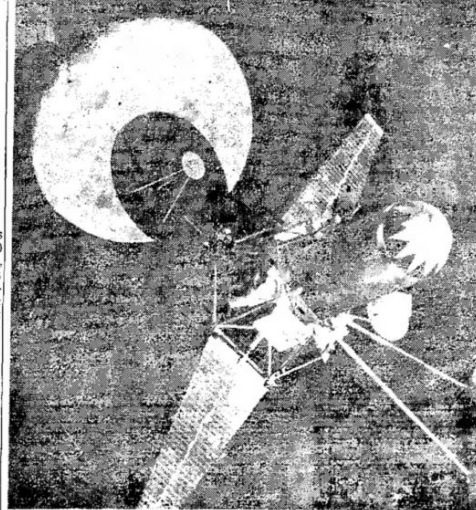
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Kindergarten Rules Eased

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The ordinance, approved at a special meeting yesterday afternoon attended by Council, parents and operators, now requires only one bathroom per 40 children.

There were about 15 parents and operators present at today's meeting.

The new ordinance will go into effect Sept. 1.

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Another operator, Mrs. Dora Pettit of Playland Kindergarten, said it would be difficult for her in cold weather to comply with a regulation that doors will have to swing open from the inside out.

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News Reports JFK to Visit Seven States

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The White House said the party picks up the travel tab when the President uses his Air Force jet transport for purely political travel.

The trip beginning tomorrow will take the President from Cleveland, Ohio to the World's Fair in Seattle, Wash., where he will speak Sunday.

Wigen called a news conference to make known the anti-fundamentalist churchmen's view.

While he spoke, officials in St. Peter's were counting balloons cast Tuesday by the 2500 cardinals, patriarchs, archbishops and abbots for 150 moments.

Rain, Warmer Weather Due

Slightly warmer weather is forecast for tomorrow, with a high of 73 predicted. Cloudiness is expected to continue through tomorrow and widely scattered showers and thunderstorms through tonight.

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Three-Day Flight Starts Successfully

Probe To Take Photos and Land Instruments

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A silver, 10-story-high Atlas-Agena rocket blasted from its launching pad at 11:50 a. m. EST in an attempt to hurl Ranger-5 away from earth at a speed of 24,500 miles per hour.

Scientists said the flight plan called for 735-pound spacecraft to cross the 23,800-mile gap between earth and the moon in about 79 hours. This would put it in the vicinity of the moon about midnight Sunday.

The two-stage rocket thundered smoothly from its pad and climbed quickly into low-orbiting clouds over the cape. It drove steeply into space and angled toward the southeast. Within four minutes it had disappeared from sight and sound.

Separates on Schedule

The space agency said the booster separated on schedule, sending the Agena upper stage and its delicate payload soaring toward a first orbit around earth on the brief leg of the long journey.

The next step was to shoot the payload off toward the moon from a point somewhere high over South Africa.

The new Ranger flight followed three spectacular Soviet launches Monday and yesterday.

Russia fires a pair of multi-stage rockets 700 miles to ballistic landings in the Central Pacific Ocean—feats which Western observers said could speed Soviet space leads to the first manned flight to the moon.

The third launching was the successful orbiting of Russia's 19th in a series of "Cosmos" satellites designed to learn more about space between earth and the moon.

Ella Churns North

WILMINGTON, N. C., Oct. 18.—Hurricane Ella plowed steadily northward in the Atlantic with 99 miles-an-hour winds today, meteorologists said the center of the storm likely would steer clear of the North Carolina coast.

Inside Your Herald-Post

U. S. Weather Bureau Forecast: Mostly cloudy. Showers. (Details on Page D-12).

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Mrs. Jane Smith shows broken pen.

Vandals Cost Taxpayers Pretty Penny for Pens At Downtown Post Office

Vandals who destroy and damage El Paso Post Office pens are costing taxpayers a pretty penny. Postmaster J. J. Kaster today said, "We battle this thing all the time. It's a continuing problem."

A citizen complained to the Herald-Post last week that he couldn't find a usable pen at any desk in the downtown Post Office. For some reason, the downtown Post Office has a higher rate of vandalism than any other branch.

Two things stand out in the inspectors in their efforts to stop the vandalism. First, about 90 per cent of the damage is caused by youngsters and much of it is done at night or early in the morning.

\$1000 Fine Possible

Adults damaging postal property can be fined up to \$1000 or sentenced to one year in the Federal penitentiary, but it is more difficult to mete out punishment to children.

"We use the cheap ball point pens furnished to us by the Post Office Department," Mr. Kaster said. "These require little or no inking fillers is a real problem."

We use about 400 a month in the downtown Post Office.

Recently the Supply Center has been in short supply and we have not been able to get all the fillers we need. We know it's a real pain in the neck to citizens who are in expecting to use the pens.

But we decided, even at a cost of \$30 a month for fillers, to check the pens twice a day and put in new fillers if needed.

Only Three Inspectors

Mr. Kaster said the 170 of catching offenders is up to the three postal inspectors stationed in El Paso, but they are kept busy with other things.

"They have to catch thieves who take Government checks from mail boxes, and also vandals who damage privately owned mail boxes," he said.

Mr. Kaster said not only do Post Office vandals damage pens and pencils, but they jerk off chains and even tear up the small scales used to weigh mail.

Stockmen Meeting

ROSWELL, Oct. 18.—Chaves County Agent Al Woodburn met at the Nickerson Hotel in Roswell today with stockmen from nine counties interested in a screw-worm eradication program.

Juarez Teachers Receive Back Pay

The Juarez state tax collector reported today that it has paid back salaries of teachers, thereby averting a threatened strike.

Tax Collector Manuel Quintana Ponce said the Chihuahua state government has paid its teachers not only for the first half of October, but also for September.

A strike had been called for Oct. 26.

Plump woman in slacks always gets a lot of stern looks.