

## U.S. To Send Arms To India

NEW DELHI, India (UPI) — India today asked for American arms to help battle invading Chinese Communists and the United States immediately agreed to supply them, the U. S. embassy announced.

The announcement came shortly after U. S. Ambassador John Kenneth Galbraith met with Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru and gave him a letter from President Kennedy expressing "full sympathy and support by the United States for India's present situation."

### On Guard



A U. S. Army soldier walks guard along a dock in St. Petersburg after two sea-going tugs and 19 landing craft (LCM) arrived for an indefinite stay. There are about 200 armed soldiers on board. The vessels are from Camp Leroy Johnson, New Orleans. Their destination is unknown. (UPI Telephoto)

### REAPPORTION LEADS LIST

## Nine Changes In Constitution Proposed To Florida Voters

EDITORS NOTE:  
(This is the first in a series of four articles dealing with nine constitutional amendments on the ballot Nov. 6. Today: Amendment No. 1: Reapportionment)

By BARBARA FRYE

TALLAHASSEE (UPI) — An amendment enlarging the size of the Florida Legislature is drawing the most attention among nine changes in the state constitution being proposed to the people Nov. 6.

This legislative reapportionment amendment is being attacked and defended by various groups from Key West to Pensacola. Polls, however, fail to indicate the campaign has triggered much interest on the part of the average voter.

Hub of the controversy is a big county-little county struggle for control of the lawmaking body. Florida's apportionment has not been changed since 1954 and rural areas have held on to the balance of power in both houses, while the population has shifted to the cities. Thus, a resident of tiny Jefferson County has 40 times the Senate voice and 13 times the House voice of a resident of metropolitan Hillsborough County.

The Legislature now is composed of 95 House members and 35 senators, split among the 67 counties. The proposed amendment would increase membership to 135 in the House and 46 in the Senate, with all the new seats going to big and fast-growing middle-sized counties.

Critics, led by the League of Women Voters, some big county legislators and several large newspapers, concede House changes represent a substantial improvement but that big counties actu-

ally lose strength in the Senate for an overall unrepresentative body.

Dade County, for instance, now has 1-38th of a vote in the Senate compared to 1-46th under the new plan.

Proponents, including Gov. Farris Bryant, a majority of the Legislature and at least two large newspapers, argue although not

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## Latin Americans Go On Alert After Bombings In Venezuela

CARACAS, Venezuela (AP) — U.S. diplomats are alerting Latin-American governments against an expected continent-wide Castro sabotage campaign believed launched Sunday with bombings that knocked out one-sixth of Venezuela's oil production.

Authoritative sources in Washington said Cuban Prime Minister Fidel Castro gave the signal for general terrorist action in Latin America with the American-operated oil fields in Venezuela. Maracabo after the blasts claimed four power stations of the Creole Petroleum Corp. at Lake Maracaibo, which holds beneath its waters one of the world's richest oil stores. The lake, roughly 75 miles wide and 130 miles long, lies about 300 miles west of Caracas.

The bombers struck shortly after midnight Saturday a few hours after President Romulo Betan-court ordered mobilization of the armed forces to counter what he called the threat to Venezuela of

"the reservoir of Soviet nuclear rockets in Cuba."

U.S. officials were reported reminding Latin Americans that while a settlement may now be in sight to dismantle the Soviet missile sites, the long-range problem of dealing with Castro in this hemisphere will remain.

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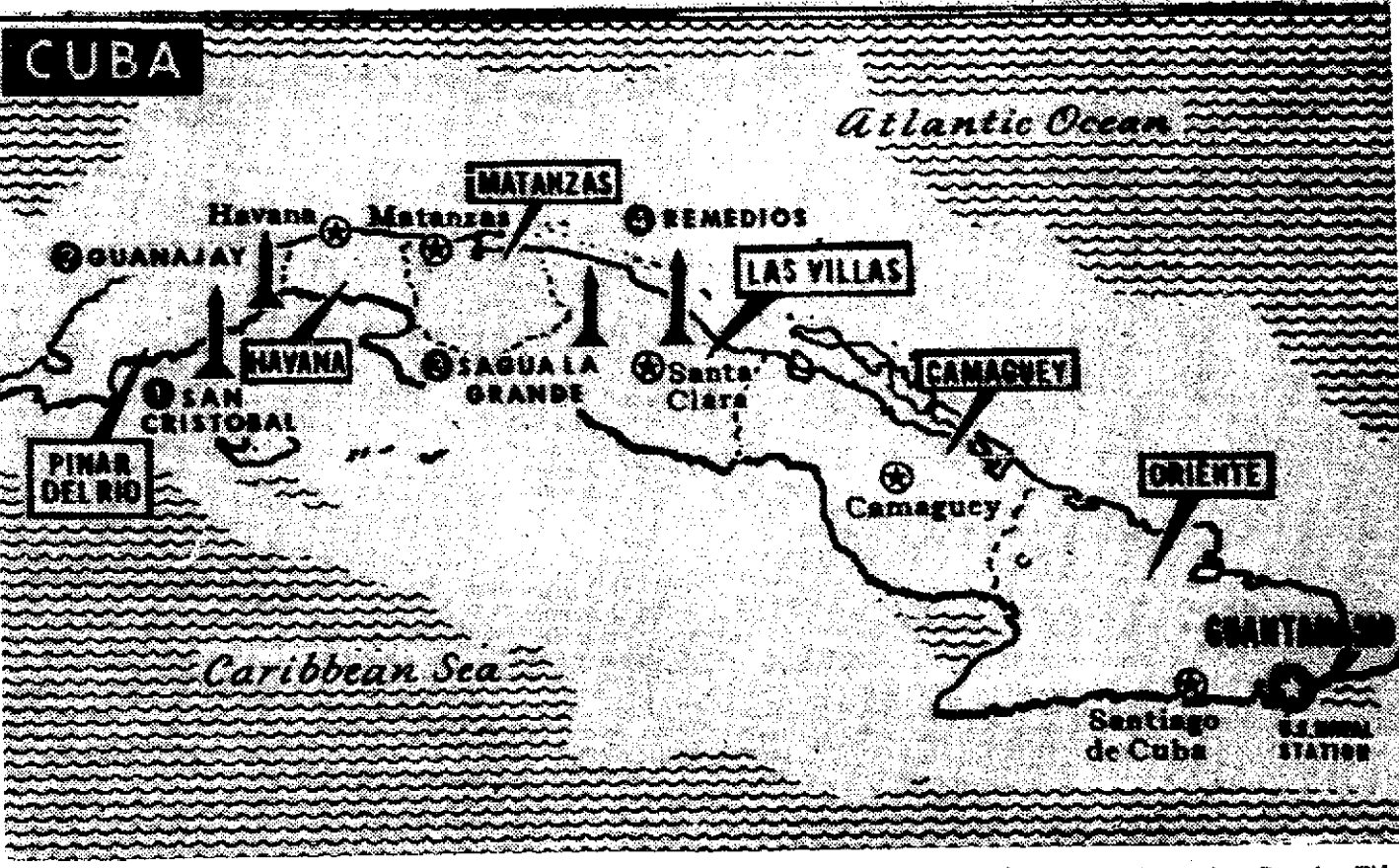
### Reaching Deep In The Barrel

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — William R. Cantrell said he would tell his draft board today he has no intention of going to war and it would be a mistake to call him up.

"I'd do 'em a heap of good," he snorted after getting a draft notice in the mail.

Cantrell is 86.

## U.S. Still On Guard, Keeps Eye On Cuba



Premier Nikita Khrushchev Sunday announced that the Soviet Union had ordered that Russian missiles in Cuba (located on map) be dismantled and shipped back to Russia. In a letter to President Kennedy, Khrushchev said he had ordered the action to be performed under international supervision, presumably the United Nations. Kennedy welcomed the announce-

ment as a "statesmanlike decision", but Cuban Premier Fidel Castro, in an announcement over Havana Radio, said the U. S. must get out of its Guantanamo Naval Base on the east coast of the island as one of five conditions for settling the current Caribbean crisis.

(UPI Telephoto)

## Red Guards Halt, Search Berlin Train

BERLIN (UPI) — Communist guards today held up the Aachen-Berlin express train for an hour just outside the West Berlin border and made an inch-by-inch search of the train.

Passengers said the East German guards halted the train, which runs between West Germany and Berlin, at the Griebnitzsee station. They said the guards checked and rechecked travel documents in addition to making an intensive search of the cars.

The reason for the unusually strict check was not known. It occurred as West Berliners greeted Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev's decision to withdraw Soviet missiles from Cuba with elation that was tempered by caution born of long experience.

As if to remind them of West Berlin's vulnerable position as an island surrounded by Red-controlled territory, a lone American was up for sentencing by a Communist court in East Berlin.

He is Jean F. Loba, 37, of Altadena, Calif., arrested in East Berlin June 2 and charged with trying to help East Germans flee to the West.

West Berlin Mayor Willy Brandt said in a radio speech Sunday night that Khrushchev's reaction to the United States stand on Cuba showed that he may take American warnings on Berlin more seriously.

"Khrushchev now knows what the faces in Kennedy," Brandt said. "This is also true as far as Berlin is concerned."

## Thant Lays Final Plans For Talks With Castro

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y. (UPI) — Acting Secretary General Thant arranged a final round of discussions with U. S. and Soviet envoys today before his planned departure for talks with Cuban Premier Fidel Castro in Havana Tuesday.

Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister Vasily V. Kuznetsov arrived Sunday night to handle the Russian end of the private negotiations which have been in progress since last Friday in Thant's of-

ice. Kuznetsov took over from Deputy Foreign Minister Valerian A. Zorin, who refused to admit the existence of Soviet missile bases in Cuba and was publicly upbraided by U.S. Ambassador Adlai E. Stevenson in the Security Council last week.

Thant announced late Sunday that he planned to leave Tuesday to accept Castro's invitation for talks on the Cuban crisis. The Havana talks are expected

to center on the dispatch of a U.N. observer corps to oversee the dismantling of the war bases and their shipment back to Russia, which Premier Khrushchev unexpectedly agreed to Sunday.

A U.S. spokesman said best information was that dismantling of the bases had not begun despite Khrushchev's agreement.

Stevenson, in his second meeting of the day with Thant, Sunday night delivered a new message from President Kennedy. It was in reply to a message Thant sent Kennedy earlier Sunday. Its content was not disclosed.

Thant announced that U.N. undersecretaries Omar Loufi of the United Arab Republic and Hernanez Tavares De Sa of Brazil, together with Brig. Indarjit Rikhye of India, his military adviser, "among others" would accompany him to Cuba. Loufi is in charge of U. N. disarmament questions; Tavares is the top-ranked Latin American in the secretariat.

## 'If Bombs Fall On Miami We'll Head For Garbage Can'

MIAMI (AP) — If bombs fall on Miami, John Wirth and his family will climb into their septic tank. They'll crawl through a garbage can to get there.

"We'll be a little cramped," Wirth said today. "But it'll be better than dying."

Wirth said he and his wife got the idea Saturday afternoon when they were "sitting around the house worried stiff. We wanted a shelter, but we knew we could not afford one. Then my wife thought of the septic tank."

He explained that sewers had been installed several years ago and the tank had been idle since.

Wirth and a neighbor pried the tank open and found it "empty and pretty clean." They dug the earth away, punched a hole in the tank, and dropped a wooden box into the hole. A galvanized trash can was nailed atop the box to provide an entrance.

Wirth then piled dirt around the can and the box and spread a

three-foot layer of dirt over the tank. A fallout proof lid was fitted to the can.

"The whole shelter — including a hand-operated air pump we plan to buy — is costing us less than \$20," Wirth said.

Both faces of Key West — the armed camp and the tourist center — relaxed. Soldiers on guard duty around the hastily erected radar sets and anti-aircraft missile batteries waved to motorists cruising past on the highway.

Residents wondered if the tourist trade would pick up.

"Some people seem to have the idea that there is barbed wire on the beaches and six soldiers in every hotel room," said Al Reine, a taxi driver.

Actually, the soldiers and their weapons have been tucked away in the corners of the island, and most of the ships stationed here have gone to sea.

Jet fighters still blast through the sky and helicopters whir overhead, but the feeling of a city under the gun largely evaporated with the Khrushchev statement.

"I'm glad. It was a worry to me," said Margaret Gates, a member of the community which settled here from the British Bahamas islands.

She pushed a battered straw bonnet back on her head, and said, "I don't like to see war come out if we still have to fight. They can take my only son, and take me, too, even though I'm sick and on the doctor's list."

Oswaldo Santiago, who owns a Cuban coffee shop where a sign in Spanish, "please do not discuss politics," is prominently displayed, was skeptical.

"The Russians say one thing and do another," he said. A man said, "we should go in and finish off Castro." His wife disagreed. "I'm happy they backed down," she said.

A woman owner of a motel looked at her gleaming vacancy sign and said: "I hope the tourists get the word."

## Nation Awaits Withdrawal Of Red Bases

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The United States kept its guard up in the Caribbean today while President Kennedy sought speedy fulfillment of Russia's promise to pull her missiles out of Cuba.

Negotiations on Soviet weapon withdrawal from Cuba under U.N. supervision were in progress at the United Nations. American representatives were instructed to be cooperative, but alert to resist any delay that would permit the rockets to stay on their Cuban pads many more days.

The U.S. naval blockade and aerial surveillance of Cuba was continuing until U.N. acting Secretary-General Thant could make arrangements for inspection of the rocket removal. Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister Vasily V. Kuznetsov rushed from Moscow to New York to join negotiations under direct orders from Premier Nikita S. Khrushchev.

Khrushchev changed the crisis picture suddenly Sunday when he announced he had ordered his missile bases in Cuba to be dismantled, the weapons crated and shipped home. The Russian leader informed Kennedy the removal could be verified under U.N. supervision.

The President, after a Sunday conference with the National Security Council (NSC) executive committee, quickly saluted Khrushchev's move as "statesmanlike."

"We step back from danger," said Kennedy.

This was polite understatement. Until Khrushchev's Sunday message, the United States was moving rapidly toward military action to nullify the ready-to-fire medium range (1,200 miles) ballistic missiles stationed and manned by Russians in Cuba.

Military strength to undertake this action remained in readiness. The southernmost Florida Keys bristled with weapons and men. Kennedy was to meet again this morning with the NSC group. Secretary of State Dean Rusk Sunday night called in Latin American ambassadors for a secret briefing on the latest U.S. evaluation of the Cuban situation.

Khrushchev in his Sunday note to Kennedy made no mention of having consulted Cuban Premier Fidel Castro on the missile removal. In Havana Castro tried hard to avoid becoming a forgotten figure in the big league power (Turn to CUBA, Page 2)

## Cuban Crisis At A Glance

By United Press International  
WASHINGTON: U. S. naval blockade and aerial surveillance of Cuba continues while President Kennedy seeks speedy fulfillment of Soviet promise to get missiles out of Cuba.

MOSCOW: Soviet press and radio praise Khrushchev's decision to dismantle and withdraw his Cuban missile bases as an overwhelming contribution to peace.

HAVANA: Premier Fidel Castro reiterates demand that U. S. surrender its naval base at Guantanamo and get out of Cuba. Brother Raul dares United States to invade the island.

UNITED NATIONS: Acting Secretary General Thant arranges final round of discussions with U. S. and Soviet envoys before leaving for talks in Havana Tuesday.

WASHINGTON: Kennedy calls Khrushchev's offer "an important and constructive contribution to peace."

## Stolen Car Recovered

An automobile stolen nearly a month ago has been recovered in the West Panama City Beach area, according to Police Chief C. W. Sassard.

Sassard said the 1962 convertible, identified as belonging to Capt. Jimmy L. Russell of Tyndall AFB, was found abandoned early today in a backwoods area near Bahama Beach.

It was reported stolen from the Tyndall area the night of Oct. 12. The car was apparently abandoned the night it was stolen and appears to be in good operating order, according to Sassard's report.

The vehicle will be turned over to its owner sometime this afternoon.

### VIOLATION OF THE WEEK

## Following Too Closely

Capt. J. W. Jourdan, Florida Highway Patrol commander in this area, said this week's violation concerns the driver who follows the car in front too closely, the "Bumper Thumper."

Considering all the traffic accidents, Jourdan said, the leading role goes to this highway menace.

One of the state's oldest traffic laws states that drivers shall follow no closer than is reasonable

and prudent. Trucks are to follow other trucks at a distance of at least 300 feet outside municipalities. The yardstick for cars is a recommended one car length for each 10 miles of speed of the vehicle.

Many small children, passengers in family cars, are injured by being thrown against the windshield or dash because driving parents followed too closely and rammed the rear of the vehicle

in front. A quick computation of stopping distances can be figured by looking at the speedometer needle, multiplying the first number by itself and adding zero. For example, 50 mph, 50 squared equals 2,500. Add a zero and you have 25,000 feet needed for applying brakes and coming to a safe stop.

Don't take chances. Not on your life, Jourdan warns.

### New Beach Attraction



Bird watchers, of a sort, residents and tourists of South Florida, gather on Key West's George Smathers Beach to get a look at the

Army's Hawk anti-aircraft missiles set up on the sea shore.

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