

CUBAN ARMY AIDE SLAIN BY GUNMEN

Blanco, Chief of Intelligence,
Killed—3 Others Injured
in Night Club Ambush

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HAVANA, Oct. 28—Col. Antonio Blanco Rico, chief of Cuba's military intelligence service, was shot dead early this morning by unknown gunmen. He was killed as he left a night club with a party of friends.

Lieut. Col. Marcelo Tabernilla, Deputy Commander of the Air Force, and his wife, who were members of the party, were seriously wounded. Col. Tabernilla is a son of Gen. Francisco Tabernilla, Chief of Staff of the Cuban Army.

Señora Laura de Martinez, wife of Army captain José Rodríguez Sampedro, also was wounded. Captain Sampedro escaped injury.

Colonel Blanco, who was 36 years old, was struck by thirteen bullets. Those who were injured received from three to six bullet wounds each.

President Fulgencio Batista accused oppositionists headed by ex-President Carlos Prío Socarras, now living in exile in Miami, of the killing. He said the Government had known for about two months of an opposition plan to assassinate high government officials here, including himself, the President of the Senate Dr. Anselmo Alliegro, the President of the House of Representatives, Dr. Gastón Godoy, and Senator Rolando Masferrer.

President Batista said it was their intention to kill not only himself, but his wife and children at a recent public function, but that the vigilance of the armed forces had frustrated the plan.

This terroristic plan, he said, began with the killing of Colonel Blanco during the Inter-American Press Association convention now in progress here to show foreign newspaper men that there is no peace and security in Cuba.

Meanwhile, authorities began a round-up of opposition figures. More than thirty employes of the nightclub where the shoot-

ings occurred were held for questioning.

The youth organization of President Batista's political party accused Generalissimo Rafael L. Trujillo, strong man of the Dominican Republic, of being one of those responsible for the killing. The organization charged that international communism was directing the opposition campaign through Fidel Castro, former student revolutionary leader now living in exile, and others, with Generalissimo Trujillo and former President Prío paying the costs.

The Army announced that Colonel Blanco would be buried with military honors tomorrow.