



CUBAN DEMONSTRATORS ARRESTED IN MIAMI

... Mrs. Maria Fernandez (left), mother, Mrs. Eva Gutierrez, wife, and Joaquin Ferrer (with black armband), father, of rebels killed in fighting in Cuba.

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Cuban Protesters Clash With Police

MIAMI, (AP)—Police armed with riot guns rounded up 50 persons yesterday after they started a demonstration against Cuba's President Fulgencio Batista in midtown Bayfront Park.



Church Leaders Plan Prayers For Cuba Peace

SANTIAGO, Cuba (UP) — Church leaders and businessmen in this "cradle of revolt" called for action yesterday to put an end to "terror and violence" in Oriente province.

Roman Catholic Archbishop Enrique Perez Serentes ordered churches in Eastern Cuba to institute a daily hour of prayer for peace, beginning Sunday.

The "amphibious" invasion of Mayari a week ago was the signal for an upsurge of anti-government violence which has caused at least 35 deaths — 33 of them in Oriente province.

Stern government counter measures culminated in the creation of a "general operations command" headed by President Fulgencio Batista himself to crush the rebels once and for all.

Col. Ferman Cowley, military commander in southeastern Cuba, said that Tuesday's clash on the outskirts of Holguin effectively "liquidated" the 27-man rebel force from Miami that landed at Mayari.

Sixteen rebels were reported killed at Holguin. Two had been captured earlier, leaving nine "invaders" still at large. Cowley said three of the nine have offered to surrender.

Blows were exchanged by police and some members of the shouting mob.

About a hundred demonstrators gathered in front of the bust of the Cuban patriot, Jose Marti, in Bayfront Park. They carried signs which said: "Down with Batista," "Stop the Bloodshed," and "Cuba, the Hungary of America."

When police arrived, the demonstrators ran up Biscayne Boulevard toward the Cuban consulate in the nearby Pan American Bank Building.

Police Sgt. John Quinn tried to stop the mob but he was knocked down. Reinforcements arrived quickly and 50 persons were taken into custody.

"Every one in the group will be charged with unlawful assembly," said Assistant Police Chief J. A. Youell. "There'll be other charges against any that we can identify as having attacked police officers."

Cesar Fonseca, a spokesman for the demonstrators, protested police treatment of the incident.

"All we wanted to do was let Americans know what is going on in Cuba," he said. "People here in Miami don't know of the killing and the torture going on just a few miles to the South."

Women in the group were dressed in black and the men wore black armbands in sympathy with Cubans killed last Friday in clashes with Batista troops.

Mrs. Maria Fernandez, whose son, Gonzalez, was killed in the clash, carried a black flag. Mrs. Eva Gutierrez said her husband was killed in the fighting. Another demonstrator, Joaquin Ferrer, said he lost two sons and a nephew in the battle.

Several of the demonstrators complained that they were attacked by police without provocation.

Fonseca said the demonstrators did not belong to any particular political faction but were simply opposed to Batista.