

# Farmers urged to switch crops

**United Press International**  
LA PAZ, Bolivia — Several hundred coca-leaf farmers from the semi-tropical valleys or "jungas" of Bolivia were summoned recently to a tense and historic meeting in La Paz.

Having walked most of the previous day to their nearest town and travelled overnight to the capital in open trucks, they were addressed by the minister for agriculture, the chief of narcotics, the head of the new coca registration program and the "campesino" or small farmer coordinator.

All four had the same message.

Bolivia was being cast as the arch-villain by the western countries in their struggle to suppress the international trade in illegal cocaine.

As prime producer of coca-leaves material from which the drug is made, Bolivia was being held to blame. Also, it stood to receive \$45 million from the United States by the end of next year if it succeeds in implementing a cocoa crop substitution program.

The greatest fear of the campesinos is that the substitution method used will turn out to be the same as those employed in Thailand

and Mexico against the opium-poppo — burning and napalming.

The speakers were at pains to allay this fear. At 50 pesos or \$2.50 per kilo, the trouble-free and indefatigable coca bush is the farmers' easiest and most profitable crop.

Moreover, there is a 3,000-year-old tradition of coca growing in the Andes. One estimate is that coca-chewers in the Peruvian and Bolivian highlands number between eight and ten million.

Chewing the coca-leaf is as much a part of working, religious and medical life today as thirty centuries ago. More perhaps, since under the Incas the privilege of chewing was

severely restricted to high officials and distinguished individuals.

Coca also is still the prime ingredient in Indian medicine.

Coca is such an integral part of the Andean way of life that total eradication would be unthinkable. But the government, after years of steady pressure from the United States, has just taken its first step towards cutting down the size of the crop.

The crop is estimated at 25,000 tons annually, but nobody has an accurate figure of the amount. Nor can anyone hazard a reasoned guess how much of it is channelled into the illegal cocaine "factories" of

Bolivia, though from 50 to 57 per cent is quoted as being likely.

Bolivian and American officials have signed an agreement outlining the first stage of an anti-cocaine war. This will be the registration of all coca-farms with details of their size and crops. It will be funded by \$4.2 million from the United States.

The average Bolivian finds it hard to regard cocaine as his problem. Most campesinos feel the loss of coca is too high a price to pay for \$45 million in U.S. aid and the solving of other countries' social ills.

It remains to be seen how far the government of Bolivia can persuade them to move.

## U.S. embassy files protest

# Soviets detain American journalist for investigation

**United Press International**  
MOSCOW — Soviet authorities yesterday said American journalist Robert Toth, accused of receiving state secrets, was under investigation and would not be allowed to leave the Soviet Union.

The Soviets also rejected an official U.S. protest against the brief detention of Toth, 48, a correspondent for the Los Angeles Times, on charges he had received state secrets from a Soviet scientist.

A U.S. Embassy official yesterday went to the Soviet Foreign Ministry to register an official protest against the treatment of the veteran Moscow correspondent.

A U.S. Embassy spokesman confirmed that the American protest was delivered to the Soviet Foreign

Ministry yesterday and the Soviets immediately handed over their own protest against Toth's conduct.

"The Foreign Ministry rejected the protest and gave notice to the embassy that I cannot leave the country," Toth told Western reporters.

"The embassy was told that during a specific period of time I had been engaged in collecting secret information of a political and military character and that I will be summoned for interrogation by the official organs," he said.

Toth was concluding a three-year assignment in Moscow for the Los Angeles Times and had been scheduled to leave the Soviet Union with his family this week.

He was arrested Saturday morning on a Moscow street and de-

tained for three hours by Soviet police.

He was grabbed by five policemen shortly after he met a Soviet parapsychology specialist, Valery Petyukov, at the scientist's request.

Toth said Petyukov had just handed him a story the Soviet scientist had written to prove the legitimacy of parapsychology, which deals with extrasensory perception (ESP), when policemen grabbed both of them.

Although the Soviets have expelled American correspondents in the past — as recently as last February when Associated Press correspondent George Krinsky was ordered out — Toth's case appeared to be the first time in recent years that a newsman was kept from leaving.

## campus activities

**WEDNESDAY**  
Secretary and Clerical Workshop, Rudder Tower 308, 8:30 a.m.  
Affirmative Action, Rudder Tower 704, 3 p.m.  
University Traffic Panel, Rudder 607, 3:15 p.m.  
Writing Clinic, Academic Bldg. 307, 6 p.m.  
Free U., Rudder Tower 410, 7 p.m.  
Recreational Bridge, 206 MSC, 7 p.m.  
Crafts, Macrame Owls "A", 140 MSC, 7 p.m.  
International Folk Dancers, 230 MSC, 7:30 p.m.  
Educational Administrative Leadership Conference, Rudder Tower 601, 7:30 p.m. "What the TASA Expected from the Legislative Session," by John Townley.  
Social Dance, 211 MSC, 7:30 p.m.  
Crafts, Drawing, 139 MSC, 7:30 p.m.  
TAMU Motorcycle Club, Rudder Tower 504, 7:30 p.m.  
Corp Traditions, Rudder Theater, 8 p.m.  
Grove Movie, The Miracle Worker, 8:30 p.m.

**THURSDAY**  
Educational Administrative Leadership Conference, 145 MSC, 8 a.m.  
Career Day, 203 MSC, 10 a.m.  
New Student and Parent Orientation, Rudder Theater, 10 a.m.  
Student Life, Rudder Theater, 1:30 p.m.  
Corp Orientation, 206 MSC, 1:30 p.m.  
TASA Business Meeting, Rudder Tower 301, 3:30 p.m.  
Free U., Rudder Tower 510, 7 p.m.

**FRIDAY**  
Educational Administrative Leadership Conference, Rudder Tower 701, 9 a.m.  
Last Day to Drop Courses Without Penalty  
Campus Crusade for Christ, MSC, 7 p.m.  
Grove Movie, Return of the Panther, 8:30 p.m.  
Grove Movie, Horror Picture Show, 12 midnight

**SATURDAY**  
Tish Bailey Reception, Fines Students Lounge, 4 p.m.  
Grove Movie, Lawrence of Arabia, 8:30 p.m.

**SUNDAY**  
Father's Day  
College of Architecture and Environmental Design Trade Students, Rudder Tower 308, 8 p.m.  
Grommets, 137 MSC, 12 noon.  
Transfer Student Orientation, Rudder Auditorium, 1 p.m.  
Chess Committee, 206 MSC, 1 p.m.  
College of Agriculture Trade Students, 225-226 MSC, 7 p.m.  
Grove Movie, The Candidate, 8:30 p.m.

**TUESDAY**  
KANM Recruitment Meeting, 7:30 p.m., MSC 216M

## Firing squads execute three men in Thailand

**United Press International**  
BANGKOK, Thailand — Firing squads at dawn today summarily executed three men accused of leading Cambodian Khmer Rouge troops in the massacre of 30 Thai villagers and smuggling arms into Cambodia.

The executions at the Prachin Buri prison, 58 miles east of Bangkok, were ordered and announced by Prime Minister Tan Kraivixien following approval by the cabinet and Tanin's military advisory council.

They were the fourth, fifth and sixth executions in two months under Thai laws that permit the death sentence without trial. Other victims included a general accused of leading an abortive 1975 rebellion.

Tanin said the executions resulted from a four-month investigation into the Khmer Rouge massacre of 30 Thai villagers in two tiny farming villages near the Thai border with Cambodia last Jan. 28.

Merchants Man Buprasert and Somchai Chantira and Cambodian refugee Yu Chak were shot largely on the testimony of a 5-year-old boy who confessed he guided the 300 Khmer Rouge soldiers who raided Nong Dor and Kong Kor.

The boy, Thienchai Thongyoo, initially was sentenced to death. Tanin reduced it to five years in prison because he cooperated with authorities.

Those executed were accused of smuggling weapons into Cambodia for the Khmer Rouge and from Cambodia into Thailand. Thai Communist insurgents operating in a chain of jungle hills close to the border.

## Two killed in daring Johannesburg raid

**United Press International**  
JOHANNESBURG, South Africa — Three black terrorists who killed two white men in a daring broad daylight attack in downtown Johannesburg were trained in Marxist Angola, Police Minister Jimmy Kruger said today.

"It appears that the people were trained in Luanda the Angolan capital," Kruger told parliament. They infiltrated into South Africa through neighboring Mozambique.

He said the terrorists were members of the black ghettos of Soweto on the outskirts of Johannesburg and Mamelodi, just outside the city. They had ABC (Automatics, Bombs and Grenades) and three Soviet-made "Scorpion" caliber automatic pistols and hand grenades at the scene of the attack.

Johannesburg's Beels newspaper said the attackers were trained in Angola "by Russian and Cuban instructors in urban terrorism" who were part of a "possible cell of terrorists" whose members were South Africa's black ghettos.

The attack and student deaths Monday came three days before June 16 anniversary of the start of rioting last year in the ghetto of Soweto, which spread across the nation and resulted in deaths.

Soweto, the sprawling black town more than a million blacks live in southwest of Johannesburg, reported quiet today with only a few buses running normally.

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