

## 2 Physical Attacks On UN Are Recalled

Despite the passion the United Nations has aroused in its 20 years of life, there have been few physical attacks on it. Max Harrelso, AP chief UN correspondent, describes those that have occurred in the following list of five articles on the crises which have beset the United Nations during its existence.

**By MAX HARRELSON**  
UNITED NATIONS (AP)—No one has heard of Stephen J. Supena around the United Nations recently, but he happens to be the only man who ever tried to bomb the world organization from the air.

Supena conceived his idea many years ahead of the anti-Castro Cubans who fired a bazooka shell at UN headquarters in Manhattan in 1964.

The two attacks had one thing in common, however. They were not inspired by anti-UN feeling, but were intended to dramatize a cause. During the last 20 years, the organization has been the scene of many such demonstrations.

The almost forgotten bombing incident took place on a sultry July afternoon in 1948 when the United Nations was located at its temporary headquarters at Lake Success, Long Island.

A light plane, rented and piloted by the 36-year-old Supena, flew over trailing a cloth sign bearing the word peace. No one paid much attention until the plane was suddenly shattered by a loud explosion.

**DROPPED BOMB**  
The pilot had dropped a home-made bomb, which detonated in the air about 100 yards over the administration offices occupied by Secretary-General Trygve Lie and his top aides. Windows were rattled, but no one was hurt.

Supena was picked up by police several hours later. He said he was a supporter of the United Nations, but wanted to do something to focus attention on the need for world peace.

This was the only physical attack on the United Nations until the bazooka incident last year. This took place while Fidel Castro's minister of industry, Ernesto (Che) Guevara, was addressing the General Assembly.

The bazooka was fired from the Long Island side of the East River. The shell travelled about 800 yards and fell harmlessly in the water 200 yards short of UN headquarters. If the weapon had been elevated more, the missile might have carried far enough to hit the glass and marble conference building.

Three Cuban refugees arrested later were quoted by police as saying the bazooka was

purposely aimed to miss the UN headquarters.

**QUASHED INDICTMENTS**  
On June 10, however, a judge quashed indictments against the Cubans accused then of aiming the bazooka at the United Nations and said there was insufficient evidence to sustain the charges.

The only serious outburst of violence inside the United Nations occurred Feb. 15, 1961, in the public gallery of the Security Council.

Adlai Stevenson, who had just taken over as chief U.S. delegate, was speaking in the Congo debate. Suddenly a group of demonstrators, armed with iron rods and chains, began shouting slogans in sympathy with the ailing Congolese leader, Patrice Lumumba.

Eighteen UN guards, two photographers and one rioter were injured in the 20-minute struggle before the demonstrators were ousted.

The 1961 meeting of the General Assembly in Paris proved that demonstrations were not limited to the United States.

**THREW TOMATOES**  
One day, just as an assembly meeting ended, a group in the public gallery fired a barrage of overripe tomatoes and rotten eggs which splattered a number of diplomats but "hurt no one."

Incidents outside UN headquarters in New York have become commonplace. One incident still talked about involved two Hungarian refugees who turned up wearing prison stripes, and chained themselves to an iron gate. They were removed only after an emergency police car arrived with the necessary tools to cut the heavy chains.

One of the big headaches of UN officials is to provide security for the scores of dignitaries who visit headquarters. No visitor has yet been attacked at UN headquarters, but there have been some narrow misses.

In 1960, during the visits of Nikita Khrushchev and some 20 other heads of governments, a UN auxiliary guard averted what could have been a grave incident.

Herbert Thompson, the guard, spotted a man clambering over the UN fence and grabbed him. The intruder carried a Molotov cocktail or fire bomb, primer and ready to throw.

"It appeared that he wanted to blow up a few people and Khrushchev was his favorite," said a security officer.

During Guevara's 1964 visit, a woman was caught by guards as she tried to climb the fence. She was armed with a long-bladed knife and said she intended to use it on the Cuban official.

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## U.S. Pressure Is Charged In Newspaper Legislation

OTTAWA (CP) — Senator M. Grattan O'Leary has told the Senate that Time and Reader's Digest were exempted from the government's controversial newspaper and magazine legislation because of pressure from Washington.

"I don't think there's a shadow of doubt about it," he said when the bill was introduced in the Senate. Earlier it received third and final reading in the Commons.

The bill disallows as a tax deduction money spent on advertising in foreign-owned Canadian periodicals. The Canadian editions of Time and Reader's Digest, both foreign-owned, are considered Canadian publications under the bill.

**SAYS LAW ILLOGICAL**  
"If there was ever a more illogical, more inconsistent law ever passed by a Parliament, I don't know where or when it was," said Senator O'Leary, president of the Ottawa Journal who was chairman of the 1960 royal commission on publications.

But he dismissed as nonsense Conservative claims in the Commons that the tax on advertising constitutes a threat to freedom of the press. He said he spoke "not for any political party nor for any newspaper" but merely as a member of the Senate.

The Senate continues its debate on the bill today.

"I have read the bill as thoroughly as I can and I can't find a sentence, a word or a syllable that threatens the freedom of the press," said Senator O'Leary.

In 50 years in newspaper work he couldn't recall such an uproar about press freedom. While he didn't question the sincerity of his newspaper colleagues, he did not share their fears.

**SAYS FREEDOM MYTH**  
There was too much nonsense about freedom of the press, but reporters had no special privileges. This was "a hoary, sanctified myth."

Newspaper men had no special rights. "As an editor, I never thought I could hand a reporter a pad and pencil and invest him with some special authority."

Besides, advertising had been taxed for years. He said 65 per cent of the revenue of newspapers came from advertising. The government imposed a tax of 48 per cent of this revenue. And everything that went into the making of a newspaper was also taxed.

Senator O'Leary said a vote for the legislation was a vote for the destruction of the periodicals in Canada. Time and Reader's Digest were big reasons why so many Canadian magazines had folded.

**GETS HIGH REVENUE**  
The royal commission on publications had established that the two American magazines swallowed up 40 per cent of advertising revenue in Canada between 1955 and 1959. This now had jumped to about 50 per cent.

He said the government had accepted the commission's principle of Canadian ownership of Canadian periodicals "and then strangled that principle in its cradle" by exempting Time and Reader's Digest from its legislation.

He said the government had contradicted Henry Luce, Time's editor-in-chief. Mr. Luce had testified at royal commission hearings that he did not consider his magazine to be a Canadian periodical.

## TIGNISH

Ann Marie Buote, who spent the past year employed in Toronto, will spend the summer months with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Buote, Tignish.

Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Jackson Charlottetown Tressa Pound, Toronto, were Sunday guests to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Reg Eldershaw, Tignish.

Little Patty Gaudet of Summerside is spending part of her school holidays at the home of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. William J. Petty, Tignish.

Mr. and Mrs. Ken Gavin and family of London, Ont., were recent guests to the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. George Richard and family, Tignish.

Mrs. Frances MacDonald and son Blair of Charlottetown, were weekend guests to the home of her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Earl MacDonald, Tignish. Also visiting the MacDonald home was their son-in-law and daughter and baby, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Barrett of Charlottetown.

Yvonne Perry, who spent the past school term teaching at Fairmount High School in N.S., has returned to her home in Tignish to spend a few days, prior to her taking up summer school at St. Dunstan's University, Charlottetown.

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