**King of Spain warns his councilors not to daily with reforms**

**Basques stage strike after police kill three and wound many more**

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Spanish priests accuse police of homicide

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by following a sermon in which the Roman Catholic Church in Spain accused the police of unjustified violence, a plan that he said he had decided on the run from the political police in Madrid for a general strike through the Balearic province next Monday.

Señor Jesus Navés repeated the demands for which he said the victim had died. A general strike was called for tomorrow at 5 o'clock, with more pay for persons on sick leave and re-employment at 40. He said that, following what he called the "peaceful" movement, there would be an additional demand: the release of all arrested labour leaders. The funeral sermon was written jointly by the priests of the diocese with the bishop's approval. It said: "The forces used steel-shod arms in absurd abundance, in an completely irrational way, without prior warning, against a demonstration which had gone peacefully and without any kind of provocation."

"The clergyman said: "We hereby demand that all public authorities undertake an investigation of the events so that they can identify the authors, so that they determine the responsibilities involved here and that they determine the responsibilities involved in the affair of the gale in the street called "peaceful". Only a rapid, clear, fair and efficient action can allow us to hope that the forces of law and the body of law "will rule in the future". The priest reading the sermon said: "There was no justification whatsoever for the actions of the police, and so the priests of the Franciscan church on an associated government announcement called for a general strike through the Balearic provinces."

As the crowd passed by the police, shouts of "Millions!" and "Labour! and "No to fascism" were heard. In Vitoria, the priests charged that "hundreds of thousands of people" had been injured, "thousands of people" had been killed, and "thousands of thousands of people" had been killed.

The priests added that the action of the authorities could not be justified by the claims of the "fascist order". They said that the Government must be "behind the police armed with rifles and helmets".

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Spanish minister promises a fight

From Harry Debelit

Vitoria, March 7

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Demonstrator killed in new Basque clash [MAR 1971]

From Harry Dehollin

A police bullet killed an 18-year-old worker today as 250,000 people went on strike in the Basque region to protest against the fatal shooting of four people by police last week.

The dead man was Vitoriano Aranza Alvarez, aged 18, who was shot in the head by the Civil Guard while his son was killed in the street. The police also fired their shots in the Basque industrial suburb of Gipuzcoa.

Police used tear gas to break up a demonstration in San-Sebastian. A Basque priest was treated for head injuries after being clubbed in a clash with police in the ancient Basque capital of Vitoria.

In some places, such as Algaiare and Llodio, police clashed with demonstrators who had taken to the streets.

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From Our Correspondent

Two workers were killed and 20,000 people demonstrated in the Basque capital of San Sebastian. A demonstration was held in support of the workers who have been killed in the region.

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Visit may prepare way for renunciation by Spanish King’s father

From Our Correspondent

The King has visited his father, Don Juan Carlos, the Count of Barcelona, here today as wide-scale strikes continued in the Basque country and the court martial of nine military officers entered its second day in Madrid.

Don Juan had lunch with his son at the Zarzuela palace outside Madrid and was returning to his home in Estoril, Portugal, this evening. Don Juan is the claimant to the Spanish throne, but General Franco passed over the liberal count when he appointed his son as future King in 1969.

Speculation that Don Juan would renounce his claim to the throne increased by his absence. Unconfirmed reports have been circulating for some time that he will abdicate in favour of his son as head of the Bourbon dynasty, thus ensuring the monarchies legitimacy of the line of succession.

Two weeks ago his press secretary denied newspaper reports that he would announce his claim. Don Juan has made it known that he might be willing to do so when democracy is restored to Spain. He is advised by the Spanish Government last summer me to visit Spain after a visit from Rome criticising

General Franco’s choice of Juan Carlos as King. Later the ban was lifted.

An estimated 250,000 workers are still on strike in the Basque country. Workers at many factories returned to work this morning after going home for the weekend and today. The police did not break up the demonstrations.

At the court martial of an Air Force major and eight captains near Madrid, Colonel Luis Saer, prosecuting, today asked for the charge of plotting to be changed to subversion. He did not ask for the demanded sentences, ranging from three to 12 years, to be changed.

But all but one of the defendants, Captain Ruiz Cillerio, refused to give evidence, as a protest at the banning of the civil rights of civilians. Colonel Saer and the judge joined the illegal Democratic Movement, and that their actions upset the unity of the Franco regime.

Major Jose Jucarate, defending, said the accused had denied their membership of the union.
Spanish town accuses 'repressive' Basque strikers

From our Correspondent

Madrid, March 14

Labour troubles showed signs of picking up in Spain yesterday, after a majority of more than 12,000 miners employed in Asturias by the Spanish mining firm Hispano Vea were awarded a three month strike and a 15% pay rise.

In Vitoria, in the Basque country, where the police last week shot dead four processing workers earlier this month, several thousand workers stopped work to protest in their factory. The workers had been threatened with the death penalty.

A Madrid political court yesterday sentenced to prison from Vitoria labour leaders. Two of them, who had been arrested while workers were demonstrating on the streets, were charged with sedition. The charge against the third man was not immediately announced.

Referring to Señor Manuel Prada, Speaker of the Basque Parliament, the professor said he thought the miners would be able to hold out longer if the Prime Minister, regarded as a hard man, were to take a more flexible attitude.

Observers were not confident that the professor was disinterested in the miners' strike. His declarations about the miners' cause were in line with the views of the Basque Left, which is against the union.
Madrid Cabinet said to be facing crisis

From Harry Debelius
Madrid, March 17

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Madrid considers raising wages

From Harry Debelius
Madrid, March 18

The Spanish Cabinet is believed to have studied proposals to raise the national minimum daily wage by approximately 20 per cent to about 340 pesetas (£2.70) with seven days pay for a Sunday week.

Other economic measures under consideration are thought to deal with the critical munitions situation and to maintain the free market. Informed sources said that the Cabinet might also discuss a referendum on constitutional changes.

Several newspapers devoted considerable space today to a proposed law which would allow the formation of political parties, which is being studied by the Cortes (Parliament). According to the draft law which is currently under consideration, a 20 per cent political organization, which is expected to include the Fraunces (Parliament) and the Communist Party, might be allowed to form a new political organization. The draft law is under consideration and it is expected to be sent to the Spanish government for a direct reference to the United Nations Declaration of Human Rights.

The Cabinet, which is still in the same situation as Prince Carlos Hugo last week, was expected to arrive in Madrid today, despite a decree in his absence.

Prince Carlos Hugo and other members of his immediate family, except for his wife Princess Irene of the Netherlands, were visiting Spain last week, according to German news agencies.

The Cabinet has undergone serious internal conflict in the past couple of weeks, in a struggle which might be complicated by British police, similar in that of the Jacobins. The Cartel's leaders enjoy considerable support in certain limited areas, particularly around Sevilla and Pamplona. The Cartel party, except for a minority wing which is aligned with the extreme right in Spain, is illegal and associated with several outlawed leftist political movements.

It was not immediately known if the Government ban on the Cartel prince's return had been lifted.

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Madrid political court jails nine communists

From Our Correspondent
Madrid, March 18

A Madrid political court today sentenced nine communists to prison terms ranging from two to five years for belonging to an illegal organization. They were convicted of belonging to the Spanish Marxist-Leninist Organization of Spain.

The sentences are in line with the Government's determinations to break all communist groups from political activity. Almost every political group has been arrested by the repression of the Communist Party.

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**Missing director believed kidnapped by Basques**

From Our Correspondent

Madrid, March 19

Police in the Basque country today announced a big search operation for a missing motorist who was believed to have been kidnapped last night by the Basque separatist organisation ETA.

A car belonging to Senor Angel Reina, aged 35, was found today on the San Sebastian to Bilbao road near one of the houses. It was later disclosed that Senor Reina had been kidnapped last night and that his kidnappers were demanding a ransom of £8,000.

**Spanish right warns Cabinet on reforms**

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**Spanish opposition in unity talks**

From Our Correspondent

Madrid, March 23

The two largest Spanish opposition groups, the Communist-founded Democratic Unity and the Socialists, have agreed to talks on forming a united opposition group to the Government.

The talks were announced by the leaders of the two groups, who said they would begin discussions on forming a united opposition group to the Government.

One of the major obstacles to an agreement between the two groups has been the representation of independent and non-party members of the Junta. They may not form an "independent group" and will have only one vote. All members of the Platform represent parties.

A statement was issued at the end of the discussions and it is expected that there will be a call for a provisional government made up of all the democratic forces in the country.

"If there is, then by the summer problems are going to get even worse," a government source said today. "The situation is very serious and we must act quickly to prevent a crisis."
Calls against reforms at Madrid right-wing rally

From Our Correspondent Madrid, March 25

More than 2,000 people assembled today shouting: "Franco, Out!" when they were told: "Are we not ashamed to be referred to as the Banker?" (the cheered Senor Jose Maria Garcia, a lawyer)

Young men wearing red and white armbands, dozens of kibbutz hard hats, and black trousers marked as "anti-clerical" and it requires all such associations to be a part of the Franco I organization known as the National Left. The meetings apparently hoped to convince the editors that the law will really allow political parties to exist in Spain.

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Police search Madrid for sister of rival prince

From Our Correspondent Madrid, March 25

The political police were searching Madrid today for Princess Maria Teresa Bourbon-Parma, one of the King's relatives, to hand her an expulsion order. King Juan Carlos' Government apparently considers the princess, sister to the Spanish monarch's Carlist rival, Prince Carlos Hugo, a threat to national security.

The princess had left the country after Franco expelled Prince Carlos Hugo and the rest of his family, except for his Dutch-born Princess Irene, in December last, seven months before he named the then Prince Juan Carlos as his eventual successor and political heir.

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Seville welcome for King seen as political test

From Harry Debeloc<br>Seville, March 29

King Juan Carlos arrived in Seville, the last stop on his Tour of Andalucia, yesterday. The programme of his tour included visits to the University of Seville and the University of Cordoba. In Cordoba, the King was received by the Mayor and the Province of Cordoba.

The police claimed that the demonstration that had been called by the "Labour Front" of workers, was too large and had been prohibited by the authorities. They broke up with tear gas and clubs. Members of the popular support groups continued to double the policemen.

A number of people were arrested, some of whom were called "political." Shops and schools were closed and the authorities called for a large demonstration for the royal couple.

Paradoxically, the new Bill to legalize political associations says that all these wishing to be recognized must respect the fundamental laws of the Movement. It is therefore difficult to understand how the Movement could be excluded.

Señor Antonio García Treviño, a Madrid lawyer, Señor Marcelino Camacho, one of the leaders of the Workers' Movement, Señor Jesús de la Morena, leader of the Spanish communist movement, and Señor Javier González, leader of the Workers' Communist, were still being questioned today by the police.

Señor García Treviño was summoned to police headquarters yesterday morning, after the three were arrested on Monday night after the banning of a newspaper. The leaders of the Democratic Front, the new alliance of political groups, were still being questioned today.

It became clearer today that the Government is deliberately looking for a confrontation between those groups with communist principles or sympathies. Opposition spokesmen pointed out that two other people (one Socialists, were arrested last night but were released soon afterwards.

Local sources said the four could be tried for offences against the justice system of the state. Sources of a national newspaper which have been presented on Monday indicated that the charges could be based on evidence if the People's Front government was to order the arrests, which would not be of assistance to the Spanish image abroad at a time when Spain was striving to achieve a peaceful change.

Informed sources said that the arrests have led to a confrontation between Señor Arellano and Señor Praga, who were said to have been severely criticized by the Foreign Minister for ordering the arrests, which would not be of assistance to the Spanish image abroad at a time when it was striving to achieve a peaceful change.

In an interview published today, Señor Praga reported that his warning that communists would not be tolerated. He added that there would be no amnesty.

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Madrid 'ends chance of peaceful change'

From Our Correspondent<br>Madrid, March 30

One of the leaders of Spain's newly formed opposition alliance said in an interview today after a night of police interrogation that the Government had wrecked all chances of a transition to democracy by negotiation.

Señor Ramón Moralco was one of the six leaders of the Democratic Alliance arrested last night by secret police just as they were to give a press conference setting the aims of the new opposition group.

He said the Government's action was a political blunder which "had wrecked the possibility of negotiation." But he added that the alliance would continue to campaign for democracy wherever possible.

Three leading leaders of the alliance, including Señor Marcial Carmona, leader of the powerful underground trade union movement, were still held at Madrid police headquarters today.

The new grouping unites the Communist, Democratic Junta and the Platform of Democratic Coexistence, led by Señor Carrero and Christian Democrats.

The aim is to prevent any move to amend the basic laws of the Movement. The new alliance of political groups, the Democratic Front, intends to compel the Government, of a provisional government, to ensure a transition to democracy.

Spanish newspapers and press agencies have been warned by the Government not to print any reports referring to the new organization as a dissident body. The authorities have warned that the new group is "opposed" to the existing system.

The arrests are seen as an attempt to discredit the joint front, and alienate it from the new opposition group.

Meanwhile, a worker was seen dead as a factory near Seville. The incident today of the Spanish Government was manifesting the desire to prevent a democratic facade that the King had grasped the opportunity to develop a new democracy.

Spain has no developing industrial centre with a full participation in the new European economic development.
Spanish court indicts four opposition leaders for subversion

From Our Correspondent
Madrid, April 1

A political court today indicted four opposition leaders for subversion, charging them with undermining the stability of the state by forming a common platform and calling groups.

The men are: Señor Marce-lo Arroyo, Spain's best-known labor leader and a prominent Communist-influenced Worker's Communist King and Señor Negro, Carlos Garcia-Trevijano, a well-known property owner in Seville; and Agapdo Agui iro and Siler Castro, Spain's best-known newspaper editors.

After the hearing before a political court today, the defendants were taken from prison in Madrid, where many of them have been held since they were arrested last October in Carabanchel prison. The magistrate ordered a release of those arrested.

Opposition leaders who signed the document but have not been charged are the signatories of a petition presented at the Interior Ministry.

The petition included the names of Señor Rafael Moral and Señor Javier Selma Maldonado, also held on Monday night but released after interrogation and Señor Francisco Rold Clément, a former Franco minister and now the most prominent Christian Democratic leader.

Prospects of the early release of a San Sebastián industrialist, kidnapped two weeks ago by the outlawed Basque separatist organization ETA, were dimmed today by an Interior Ministry order forbidding all negotiations with kidnappers. It is believed that the term of the missing man, Señor Alfonso Berrut, has been closed with the ETA, through secret channels, for his release on payment of a large ransom.

In San Sebastián, authorities are uncertain of the kidnapper's identity, and are waiting for new developments in the future of the Basque cause, which has been blocked in honor of a local politician and now a hostage in the Basque Language school.