

Senator Urges Boycott, Not Blockade, for Cuba

Sen. Clair Engle (D., Calif.) said this week that no responsible public leader is calling for an invasion or a blockade of Cuba.

"I am against either action at this time," Senator Engle said. "And I know of no responsible public leader advocating a blockade or invasion—and that includes Senator Keat-

ing, Governor Rockefeller, Richard Nixon, and others."

Senator Engle said that what is needed is an economic embargo—a voluntary boycott of Cuba—in conjunction with the Organization of American States.

"It is their (Organization of American States) job," Senator Engle said, "to step in with us

and initiate the kind of economic embargo on Cuba that will strangle that regime, force the Soviet troops out and eventually bring down Mr. Castro."

THE CALIFORNIA lawmaker said he expects President Kennedy to call upon the Organization of American States to join with the United States

in implementing the embargo. Senator Engle also commented on the Administration's decision to discourage raids on Cuba by Cuban exiles in this country.

"We can't have these 'rag-tag' revolutionists starting out in a motor boat and initiating what might turn out to be a re-

taliatory attack by Cubans or Russians from Cuba.

"WE ARE NOT going to send motorboats armed with machine guns—or pellet guns or whatever—over there to fire on a Soviet ship. I think the President was 100 per cent right in saying that we will not support raids on Cuba or other

actions by Cuban exiles." An embargo, he said, would force the Cubans to rely upon "a supply line from the Soviet bloc—and that's 9000 miles away and I think the Soviets will just find it too expensive and they will get out."

The embargo he proposes would not apply to food and medicine, he said.

Hollywood Reporter

By Mike Connolly

Mike's Thursday Mailbag
Dear Sir: What is the matter with Janet Leigh's singing

voice in "Bye Bye Birdie"? I complained to our theater manager about the sound equipment. He said it's her voice that's out of tune—Normal Zoller, Oceanside, N. Y.

Dear Norman: He's right.

Dear Mike: How long ago was it that Cheryl Crane stabbed Johnny Stompanoni in the abdomen?—Mary Lou Rannels, Lakewood, Ohio.

Dear Mary Lou: Five years ago this last April. It was also in the bedroom.

Dear Mr. Connolly: I would like to know if you could tell me a little something about Raymond Burr. Do you think he will ever get married again? And do you think he would marry someone who is not in show business? I'm not in it. Wow, would I like to marry him. Do you know of some way that I would be able to meet him?—(Miss) E. Lane Browning, Los Angeles, Calif.

Dear E. Lane: He's right here in Hollywood, in his own studio. He also runs the Raymond Burr Art Gallery in Beverly Hills. Do I have to escort you over there? Get on your horse, girl.

Dear Mr. Connolly: My English friends tell me that neither Richard Burton nor his wife Sybil wish a divorce. This is merely a legal separation. Neither wants to remarry. Why do you not let these people solve their problems and not keep up the gossip? Too many of you gossip writers do too much guessing.—A. M. Lee, Pasadena, Calif.

Dear A.M.: Tell your English friends to send their scoops to me instead of to you. But first tell them to verify them with headquarters, same as I do—like my scoop of two months ago that Dickie would slip Sybil \$1,000,000, plus for his freedom. Incidentally, A.M.—how's your circulation these days??

Dear Mike: My girl friend, Lillian, says that Warren Beatty was in a "Dobie Gillis" segment. I told Lil she's nuts. Warren's got too much class to meddle with bits on TV.—Audrey Blumenfeld, Hastings, Mich.

Dear Audrey: Lil is on the ball. Warren played a high school football hero in a "Dobie" episode B. N. (Before Natale).

Dear Mike: I heard that Cynthia Pepper of "Little Margie" is Ginger Rogers' daughter. Why doesn't Ginger admit this?—Lannie Herron, Riverside, Conn.

Dear Lannie: I'm sure she'd be proud to have a daughter like Cynthia, but you're confused. Ginger's first husband was comedian Jack Pepper. After their divorce, Pepper remarried, and Cynthia is the daughter of this union.

Dear Sir: What ever happened to Dolores Del Rio?—Murray Baskin, Climax, N. Y.

Dear Murray: NOTHING. Time has stood still for the Mexican beauty who still looks as young as she did in "What Price Glory?" Dolores occasionally does theater and movie work—and TV too. But she prefers being just plain Mrs. Lew Riley of Mexico City. And how's that for a name—Dolores Del Rio Riley?

Dear Mike: I saw your picture in Bob Hope's new book, "I Owe Russia \$1200." I didn't know you were an actor. The book's great.—Tom Connolly, Midlothian, Ill.

Dear Brother Tom: I'm not, as you know only too well. The picture is from our Far East Christmas junket in 1957. Did you like the part in the book where Bob says, "The GIs didn't come to hear Jayne Mansfield sing, they came to watch her breathe"? I contributed that line. As a reward, Bob gave me a bit part in the show.

(Mike Connolly welcomes all readers' questions. But due to the large volume of mail received, it may be some time before the answer to your question appears in his column.)

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