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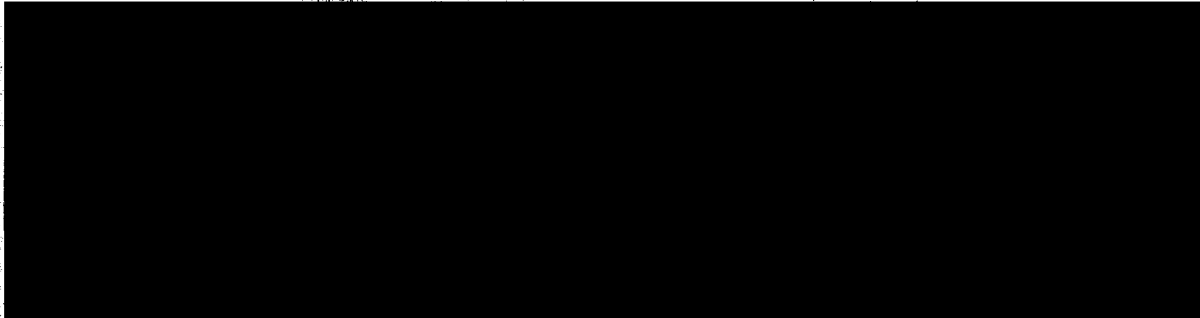
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1. As previously announced, the celebration prepared by the Government in honor of the seventh anniversary of the October 1944 revolution took place as planned. The functions started with the parade of some fifty thousand natives who had been brought more forcibly than voluntarily from the different villages and towns of the Republic to march the length of Sixth Avenue on 19 October. Afterwards, the revolutionary meeting took place, in which such well-known figures as Manuel Galich, Humberto Gonzalez Juarez, Jaime Diaz Rizzotto, Professor Victor Manuel Gutierrez, and the President of the Republic, Colonel Jacobo Arbenz Guzman participated.
2. The speakers expounded the glories of the seventh anniversary of the Revolution, and made the usual attacks on reactionaries, imperialism, the Department of State, and foreign companies in Guatemala, whom they accused of intervening in the political life of Guatemala, of sabotaging the revolution, and of being engaged in subversive plots against the Government of Colonel Arbenz Guzman.
3. The parade of natives was headed by Licenciado Roberto Alvarado Fuentes, president of the Guatemalan National Congress; Professor Victor Manuel Gutierrez; Manuel Pinto Usaga; Alfonso Fortuny, Deputy in the Guatemalan National Congress; Carlos Manuel Pellecer; Abel Cuenca M., a Salvadoran lawyer; Jose Manuel Fortuny; Jose G. Morera, a Cuban; Jose Alberto Cardoza, a Deputy; Antonio Obando Sanchez; Luis Villagran Garcia; Professor Emilio Grajeda; Manuel Eduardo Hubner Richardson, a Chilean; Alfredo Guerra Borges; Dr. Mariano Cruz; Humberto Ortiz, a Deputy; Carlos Fernandez; Licenciado Julio Diaz Cardona; Professor Leonardo Castillo Flores; Jose Luis Caceros; Arturo Morales Cubas; Virgilio Guerra, Miguel Marmol, and Luis Felipe Cativo, all Salvadorans; Emilio Valiadares, and Roberto Stevez, who carried the flag of Guatemala; all of those mentioned are Communists. They were followed by members of the Confederacion de Trabajadores de Guatemala (CGTG), by members of the various political parties, and all the farm delegations. These same persons occupied the podium at the National Olympic Stadium until the entrance of President Arbenz with his Chiefs of Staff and Cabinet Ministers at eleven in the morning.
4. On 20 October there was a military parade in the morning, and in the evening a ball at the National Palace, attended by Government officials, and representatives of the political parties and of labor.

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