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Red Ships Swarm In Seas Around The Tachen Islands

By FENCER MOOSA
TAIPEH, Formosa, (AP)—Waves of Nationalist planes attacked Red ships swarming in seas around the imperiled Tachen islands Thursday and claimed at least 44 craft sunk, including nine gunboats.

The defence ministry also said the Ykiangshan island guerrilla garrison "is still keeping important defence works intact" more than two days after the Chinese Reds claimed it fell to a lightning invasion.

TAIPEH, Formosa (AP)—Resistance by Nationalist guerrillas on Ykiangshan island ceased at 9 p. m. Thursday, official Chinese Nationalist reports said today.

The ministry said the garrison is locked in "a life or death" struggle on the island eight miles north of the Tachens, which are 200 miles north of Formosa.

Peiping radio asserted the entire garrison, which is put at 1,080 troops, was killed or captured. It stated that "the liberation of Ykiangshan island" was a "clear indication" of Red China's "determined will to liberate Taiwan (Formosa)."

BRITISH SHIP SUNK
Col. Hsiung En-teh, defence ministry spokesman, said 720 guerrillas defended Ykiangshan when 5,500 Red marines landed Tuesday after heavy bombing raids and bombardment from naval guns.

Hsiung estimated the guerrillas had killed 1,500 of the Communist attackers despite a heavy Red bombing and artillery pounding.

He conceded that the defenders' casualties also were heavy. The defence ministry said the Thursday air blows were concentrated in the Fochow area some 130 miles northwest of northern Formosa and from 100 to 200 miles south of the Tachens.

Other Red ships were claimed sunk or damaged near Halmen, which is on the mainland 30 miles west of the Tachens, and off Nan-jih and Haitan islands southeast of Fochow.

Rebellion Flares In Guatemala

GUATEMALA (AP)—Anti-Communist President Carlos Castillo Armas announced Thursday night the defeat of a rebel force that attempted to seize Aurora air force base outside the capital and declared a state of siege throughout the country.

Ten men were killed, and an undetermined number wounded in a brief battle at the airport, the government said. Press censorship also was announced.

The government said it was in control of the situation throughout the republic.

Veteran Naval Man Retires From Royal Canadian Navy

Lt. Commander Jack Kenny of H.M.C.S. Queen Charlotte retired yesterday the retirement on pension of Chief Petty Officer S. G. Bowles from the Royal Canadian Navy.

CPO. Bowles was born and educated in England. He enlisted in the R.C.N. at Ottawa in 1930 and was stationed at H.M.C.S. Stadacona in Halifax for basic training. Before World War II, he served in various ships and establishments including Stadacona, Ypres, St. Laurent, Gaspe and Restigouche.

In the mid-thirties he took courses in the Royal Navy and saw sea service on the H.M.S. "Vernon", "Victory", "Pembroke" and "Nelson".

At the outbreak of World War II, Chief Bowles was a leading torpedoman aboard H.M.C.S. Saguenay. It will be remembered that the Saguenay left Halifax shortly after war was declared and proceeded to the Caribbean for patrol duties to intercept German ships trying to reach home from South America.

In 1940, Chief Bowles went to H.M.C.S. Gaspe, in the minesweeping service, clearing the approaches of Halifax harbour. Halifax at that time was the main convoy assembly point in the Western Hemisphere. His next tour of duty was that of inspecting the armaments of merchant ships, after which he became an instructor at the torpedo school of H.M.C.S. Stadacona.

It was back to sea again for Chief Bowles in 1942 when he joined the H.M.C.S. Gananogue for patrol duty and convoy work in the Gulf of St. Lawrence. In 1943 he was transferred to the Dockyard in Halifax on minesweeping inspection work. It was during this time that he took a course and qualified as torpedo gunner's mate after which he remained at the school as an instructor.



CPO. S. G. Bowles

Coming Events

- *Crockinole Party, Wheatley River tonight.
*Dance, South Melville School, Friday, January 21st.
*Come to card party Stanley Bridge Friday, Jan. 21.
*Crockinole party in New London school, Friday, Jan. 21.
*Card Party, Tracadie School, Monday, January 24th, 8 p. m.
*Reserve March 28-29-30, Kinsmen Greatest Variety Show, F.W.C.
*Regular Saturday night Dance, St. Peter's Hall, Messer's Orchestra.
*Long Creek Hall, Rovers hockey dance, Saturday, January 22.
*Cake Sale, S. A. MacDonald's 2 o'clock Saturday, January 22nd. Beta Tau Hi Y.
*Greensvale Pantry Sale at Noye's Store, Hunter River, January 22nd, 2:30.
*Dance at Murray River warehouse Saturday night. Proceeds in aid of Rink.
*Showing at Mt. Stewart Friday and Saturday—To-night We Sing. Haring Eolo Pinza, Roberta Peters, concert artists.
*Rummage Sale, Saturday, 22nd January, 2 p. m. Holy Name Hall. Sponsored by the Mothers, 1st Ch'own (Basille) Cubs and Scouts.
*Final meeting to draw up schedules for Intermediate "C" hockey in Crapaud Rink, Monday night at 8:30. All teams interested please have two representatives attending.
*Attention Morell and Vicinity. Here comes another outstanding Show "The Prisoner of Zenda", in Technicolor. Starring Stewart Granger, Deborah Kerr. It's a real sensation, don't miss it. Showing to-night Friday only, two Shows 7 and 9 p. m. Also starting next Friday, a new Serial the true-to-life adventures of the fabulous Buffalo Bill as he rides again. Twice as thrilling because it really happened. Don't miss Riding with Buffalo Bill, Champion of the roaring West. Get in on the first chapter. You are sure to like it. Starring "Marshall Reed" as Bill Cody.

BRITAIN, U.S. AND NEW ZEALAND MAY SEEK U.N. INTERVENTION IN CHINA

By Seymour Topping
LONDON (AP)—Britain, the United States and New Zealand consulted Thursday on a possible appeal for United Nations intervention to stop fighting around the Tachen islands between Nationalist and Red China.

The active ground combat zone is in Nationalist island territory along the China mainland 200 miles or so by air or ship from Nationalist Formosa. The foreign office disclosed the three countries jointly have been considering asking the UN Security Council to seek a cease-fire in the whole China conflict.

The proposal was one of a number of possible courses of action which were discussed by the United States and New Zealand in the course of exchanges over recent months, a foreign office spokesman told newspaper men. "But no decision to carry it out was taken." British officials said the cease-fire move now is being given fresh attention in a flurry of diplomatic exchanges. They added this is due to the personal weight President Eisenhower has thrown behind the proposal.

The president told a White House press conference Wednesday he would like to see the UN try to use its good offices to halt the fighting in that area, which he called a "sort of powder keg."

CLASH SPURS TALKS
Diplomats here said all three countries have revived the cease-fire suggestion because of the new flare-up of fighting in the East China sea north of Formosa, where the Red Chinese appear poised for invasion of the Nationalist-held Tachens.

In Paris, French officials gave approval to the cease-fire idea but pointed out that UN intervention is a "complicated affair." Britain accused Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's Nationalists of sinking the 1,717-ton British freighter Edendale by air bombing while the ship was unloading in the Red China port of Swatow. The freighter's 58 man-crew was reported safe.

The foreign office said the British consulate at Tamsui, Formosa, would make a strong protest with provincial authorities, adding: "If the British owners of the vessel demand compensation, we shall pass on the claim." FLEW NO NEUTRAL FLAG
In Taipei, Chiang's capital, a spokesman for the Nationalist defence ministry said that if the Formosa bombers did sink the Edendale, the freighter flew no flag indicating it was of neutral nationality. The Nationalists had announced earlier that four 2,000-ton ships were attacked at Swatow by bombers Wednesday and that one was set afire.

WASHINGTON, (AP)—President Eisenhower was reported Thursday night to be considering asking Congress for special authority to use U. S. naval and air power to help evacuate Chinese Nationalist troops from some islands along the Red China coast if necessary. These troops would then be deployed elsewhere for the defence of Formosa and the Pescadores, which the United States is committed to help Chiang Kai-shek hold against the Chinese Reds.

Is Appointed Director Of P. E. I. Vocational School
Following a meeting of the Government yesterday afternoon, Hon. Keir Clark, Provincial Treasurer and Minister of Education announced changes in the latter department, effective on February 1. Edward D. MacPhail, supervisor of correspondence instruction and attendance officer has been appointed supervisor of the Vocational School in succession to W.S. McMurtry, B.Sc., who takes over a new position in the Department of Agriculture.

Mr. MacPhail joined the staff of the Department of Education in 1928 as school inspector for central Queen's County and in 1944 was authorized to set up a Correspondence Study Branch for the Department. Later, when family allowances were inaugurated, and payments were governed in part by the attendance of children, Mr. MacPhail set up the necessary routine and assumed responsibility for its operation. Previous to the inauguration of such payments, school attendance in the Province averaged 74 but last year it was established at 83.5.

After attending school at Clyde River, Mr. MacPhail graduated from Prince of Wales College and taught school at Pownal, Burnbury, Kingston and Clyde River. Following overseas service with the 105th Battalion he taught school in Western Canada and later returned to New Haven for a one year term before taking his position with the Department of Education.

Transportation Commission Meets
MONCTON, (CP)—The Maritime Transportation Commission conferred today on the probable implications for the Atlantic provinces of freight rate equalization changes scheduled to take effect March 1. No statement was issued after the meeting. Freight rates on railway traffic within the Maritimes are not affected by the changes. However, shippers are looking for increases on goods moving in and out of the Atlantic area. A Murray MacKay of Halifax was chairman of the meeting.

Montreal Man Held For Luring Heiress From Home
MONTREAL, (CP)—Richard Caumartin, 21, has been freed on bail pending preliminary hearing on a charge of causing an 18-year-old "presumptive heiress" to leave her home without the permission of her parents. Judge T. A. Fontaine Tuesday set bail at \$500 and ordered Caumartin, described as a student, to appear again Jan. 25. Legal sources, outlining details of the case Thursday, said the charge was laid under section 315-B of the federal Criminal Code. This section states that anyone commits an offence who "fraudulently allures, takes away or detains" an unmarried presumptive heiress under 21 years of age without the consent of her parents.

SAYS LEFT FREELY
Under Quebec law, a girl does not attain majority before the law in matters of ownership until she is 21, unless emancipated by marriage, the lawyer said. He said Caumartin would be liable for a maximum period of 14 years in prison if convicted. The lawyer said the girl in question, Micheline La Boulliere, is an only child and would fall heir to "whatever her father has." He declined to estimate what the value would be. Defence counsel Jean-Paul Massicote said in court Tuesday the girl left home of her own free will after complaining she had received cruel treatment from her parents for going out with Caumartin.

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Canadian Legion Annual Banquet

The annual Canadian Legion banquet was held in the Clover Club of the Legion Building last night and was presided over by the president, Stan Bryant. Some two hundred members were in attendance, among them two South African veterans, Coms. Harry Hyde and Ambrose Rodd.

The banquet began at 6:30 sharp and was opened with "O Canada" with Com. Ding Connolly at the piano. The Provincial Chaplain, Com. Maj. McNutt then asked the blessing and all sat down to a delicious turkey supper provided by the Charlottetown Ladies Auxiliary.

Past President Leo Doyle then gave the toast to the Queen. One minute's silence was observed in memory of fallen comrades, during which the lines "They Shall Grow Not Old" were recited by the president, Com. Bryant.

Toasts to the Canadian Legion were responded to by the president, Com. Foch MacDonald; The Armed Forces by past pres. Lt.-Col. A. Rogers.

His Worship Com. Dave Stewart then introduced the guest speaker Dr. Frank McKinnon, Principal of Prince of Wales College, who gave a very instructive and entertaining talk on the history of Charlottetown which is now celebrating the Centennial birthday of its first school.

Mr. McMurtry is a native of Yarmouth, N.S. He received his early education there, then took the last two years of his high school course at the Saint John Vocational School. Later he served an apprenticeship as a marine engineer draughtsman with St. John Dry Dock and Shipbuilding Company.

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To Head Agricultural Engineering Service

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