

Eisenhower Signs For Formosa Resolution

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CHINESE COMMUNISTS READY TO FIGHT IF U. S. TRIES TO STOP FORMOSA ATTACK



BLIZZARD OR NO, WILLIAM WOHM OF AURORA, ILL., LIKES DAILY SWIM
It Was 10 Degrees Below Zero, But This Citizen Took Lake Michigan Dip

New Cold Wave Hits Midwest Sub-Zero Blasts Rock U. S.

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
A broad stretch of land from the Western plains to the Atlantic was in a deep-freeze today. A fresh sub-zero wave rolled across the Midwest. The last remained on the cold standard although temperatures were higher than on Friday.

Two Charged In Bomb Death

HOUSTON, Tex. (AP)—Two men, one a former son-in-law, today were charged with murder and the slaying of Mrs. Harry E. Weaver, wealthy West Texas ranch woman. Police arrested the former son-in-law, Harry L. Washburn, 38, and Carlton Henneger, 37, both of Houston. Officers said Mrs. Weaver was killed by mistake. They said the bomb planted in the car was meant for her husband, a noted Texas architect. Detective H. E. Thompson said Washburn first tried to hire two men last March to ambush Weaver. Henneger, a carpenter, was charged both with murder and as an accomplice to murder. Police refused to discuss many details of the actual murder plot against Weaver that resulted in the death of Mrs. Weaver on Jan. 19. But Thompson talked freely of what informers told him about the attempt by Washburn to set up Weaver's death last March. Washburn, an unsuccessful candidate for county commissioner here in 1948 and 1950, was once charged on three counts with terrorizing the Weavers with two guns and a knife.

Despite Peiping's Broadcast Briton Urges Cease-Fire Talks

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y. (AP)—except to say "there is nothing to discuss" on a cease-fire. Sir Leslie Knox Munro of New Zealand, president of the U. N. Security Council for January, said today he will press Monday in the council for an invitation to Red China to attend cease-fire debates. He said then the invitation to Red China would be to the council's first decision. Britain will support the invitation, and the United States will not oppose it. Munro called the council meeting yesterday in an attempt to halt fighting in the Chinese offshore islands north of Formosa. He said then the invitation to Red China would be to the council's first decision. The Peiping broadcast gave no hint whether the Chinese Communists would accept a council invitation to send a representative here—under U. N. charter provisions requiring both parties to a dispute to be invited to debate—along fair consideration if the Communists join in the imminent U. N. talks. The Red Chinese have made one appearance in the U. N.—in 1950 during debate on the Korean war. New Zealand yesterday called the meeting of the 11-Nation council. The United States and Britain both backed the call. But only Britain publicly supported New Zealand on the proposed invitation. Both Nationalist China and the Soviet Union, like the United States, Britain and France—can veto proposals classified as "substantial." But these sources said the bid to invite the Chinese Communists would be ruled merely "procedural," and so no veto would be possible. The proposed cease-fire would apply to Nationalist-held islands near the Chinese mainland—which Congress has authorized President Eisenhower to protect with U. S. forces if he deems them essential to the defense of Nationalist-held Formosa and the Pescadores.

Swift Action Comes After Senate Okay Movement Is Held Vital To Security

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Eisenhower today signed the resolution for defense of Formosa, asserting it is evidence of united American determination to "resist Communist aggression" in an area "vital to the security" of the United States. The President signed in the presence of congressional leaders and Secretary of State Dulles less than 12 hours after the Senate sent the resolution to him by an 83-5 vote. WAY CLEARED The action cleared the way for Eisenhower to use American armed forces—namely, the 7th Fleet—against any Red Chinese attack directed toward Formosa. It also gives him authority to order the armed forces to evacuate Chinese Nationalist troops from the Tachen Islands. The authority to fight also includes the right to defend such places as the islands of Quemoy and Matsu, off the Chinese mainland, if the President considers them essential to Formosa's security. Some regard it as broad enough to permit him to order an attack on bases or troop concentrations on the Red Chinese mainland as a defense measure. When the President had completed the signing with more than a dozen pens, which he later passed out to the congressional leaders, he said this statement: "I am deeply gratified at the unanimous vote in the Congress of the United States on this joint resolution. To the members of the Congress and to their leaders with me here today, I wish publicly to thank them for their great patriotic service. By their vote the American people prove their elected representatives have made it clear to the world that we are united here."

Books Checked After Banker Shoots Self

LEWISVILLE, Tex. (AP)—Federal bank examiners pored over the books of the closed First National Bank here today, checking closely the accounts from which \$28,000 already has been found missing. Just three days before the bank was closed by examiners yesterday, Cashier E. R. (Jack) Wolters, a bank employee 16 years, shot himself to death.

Chinese Laud Senate Move

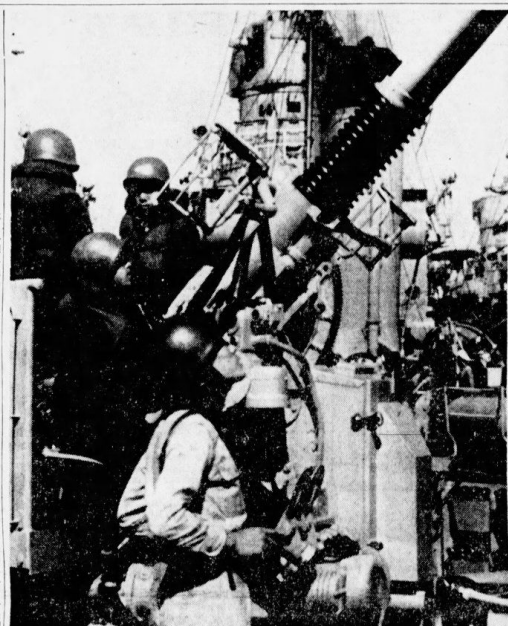
TAIPEH, Formosa (AP)—The Chinese Nationalists today greeted with considerable satisfaction the news of the U. S. Senate's approval of President Eisenhower's firm policy for Formosa's defense. Tiao Hsi-sheng, one of President Chiang Kai-shek's advisers on national policy, said the Senate's approval of the declaration would "firmly safeguard the security of the free world in the Western Pacific." Evacuation of 15,000 Nationalist troops and about the same number of civilians from the exposed Tachens—200 miles north of Formosa—will be completed by the Red China mainland—could begin at any time. Standing ready to cover the operation was the U. S. 7th Fleet, a mighty armada of 100 or more warships including at least four aircraft carriers.

EVENING PRAYER

Heavenly Father, we bless Thy name and we take courage that in this sin-troubled world Thy Holy Scriptures are still the world's best seller. But help us to realize, Father, that it is only as we actually read and heed Thy Word that the great resources of Christian faith and power can become ours. In Jesus' name. Amen.

OUR WEATHER

Fair and colder today and tonight. Tomorrow, increasing clouds and not so cold. Low this morning 35 degrees. Low expected tonight 35 degrees. High yesterday 44 degrees. High expected today 46 degrees. High expected tomorrow 42 degrees. Sunrise 7:24 a.m.; sunset 5:19 p.m. More Weather Data on Page 5-A



SAILORS of the Chinese Navy man battle stations at a gun position aboard a Nationalist destroyer during a drill in Formosa while the ship is at dockside. The photograph, taken from an Army movie film, was one of several released in Washington by the Dept. of Defense. It was made in late December. (AP Wirephoto from the Dept. of Defense).

More Major Developments Seen Atom Research In New Areas

By FRANK CAREY
Associated Press Science Reporter
WASHINGTON (AP)—The Atomic Energy Commission said today results of its 1954 hydrocarbon and atom bomb tests have steered it into new areas of research, including development of atomic weapons for intercontinental guided missiles. The commission devoted only a nominal portion of its report to the latest developments. It involved work toward: New and cheaper techniques for producing atomic energy; development of new types of atomic reactors, medical developments, research activities and its administration of the program which has cost the government more than \$13 billion since 1945.

Super-Carrier Plans To Get House Study

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Navy's new strongly opposed to the Navy's request. Cannon said in a separate interview he is taking no position on the Navy's request until it is brought to his committee. He declined to comment on Short's statement. The Navy asked yesterday for a new general authorization for a fleet of 10 million tons, replacing a series of older ships, many of which are now obsolete. The idea is to modernize the fleet, rather than to increase the total tonnage. Vinson said he plans hearings, including that on the super carrier, "to keep the committee apprised" of the Navy's shipbuilding program.

No 'Yalu Sanctuary' This Time

By JIM BECKER
Here is the reasoning on Formosa and full-scale American-Chinese Communist air battles ensue. It would probably be only a matter of hours before American planes are plastering Red Chinese bases on the hitherto inviolate Chi-Yalu River into Korea in 1950. The next few days will tell the small Tachen Islands, Nationalist. The decision is squarely up-held outposts 200 miles north to the same Chinese Communist force, and only a few miles from the Red China mainland. The operation undoubtedly will be covered by planes and ships of the U. S. 7th Fleet. If the Reds do not want war—at least not now.

Taipeh Reaction: United States Close To War

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Peiping Says Cease-Fire Unacceptable Reds Determined To 'Free' Island

LONDON (AP)—Communist China rejected today any suggestion of a cease-fire with the Nationalists and warned she would "strike back" with heavy blows if American forces try to stop her from taking Formosa. Peiping radio in a broadcast heard here termed the idea of a Formosa cease-fire "absolutely unacceptable" and declared: "We are determined to liberate Taiwan (Formosa). If the U. S. armed forces dare to attack us, we will firmly strike back with heavy blows." President Eisenhower already has pledged to use American

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forces to protect the Formosa stronghold of Chiang Kai-shek and the neighboring Pescadore Islands against Communist attack. The broadcast, quoting an article in the U. S. People's Daily, said: "The so-called cease-fire between the Chinese people and the Chiang Kai-shek traitors, planned by the U. S. government and its followers is absolutely unacceptable. The Chinese people must eliminate the traitorous Chiang clique." "Taiwan (Formosa) is the territory stolen by that clique and it must be liberated by the Chinese people. There is no cease-fire to discuss."

FIRST COMMENT
The broadcast was the first Red Chinese comment since world-wide moves yesterday to arrange a cease-fire between the Communist regime and the Nationalist government. But the radio has been blasting the idea of a cease-fire since Red Chinese Premier Chou En-lai said in a statement last Monday that his government would not agree to such a move.

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Denmark's Premier Dies

STOCKHOLM, Sweden (AP)—Danish Premier Hans Hedtoft died today at the Grand Hotel in Stockholm. Hedtoft, leader of Denmark's Social Democratic party, was in Stockholm for the third session of the Nordic Council, which opened yesterday. Hedtoft reportedly was due to a heart attack. Hedtoft began his present term as premier in September 1953, following his party's victory in a parliamentary election. He previously had served as premier several times. The Danish premier reportedly was found dead in bed in his hotel room by Nordic Council officials who went to the room when Hedtoft failed to show up for the morning session. The Council is a consultative body set up by the Scandinavian nations.