

Chinese Caught at Seattle Smuggling Opium into U.S.

SEATTLE (AP) — Customs officers Monday seized 20 pounds of smoking opium Monday from a 42-year-old New York Chinese man as he stepped from a plane at Seattle-Tacoma International Airport after a trip from Hong Kong.

Charged later in Federal District Court with unlawfully importing opium into the United States, Shong Wong waived preliminary hearing before U. S. Commissioner John A. Burns and was bound over to the federal grand jury. He was being held in lieu of \$5,000 bond.

The opium seized from Shong,

which was being carried in a specially-made "Mae West" device worn next to his skin, was valued at about \$8,000 on the wholesale market, customs collector Frank W. Hull said.

Hull said Shong arrived from Hong Kong early Monday morning and had a ticket for a plane leaving for New York City later in the day. Shong was arrested when a customs inspector searched the Chinese after thinking Shong "looked a bit bulky."

The search revealed the "Mae West" device, which was filled with sticks of opium.

The arrest of Shong capped a three-day crackdown on narcotic law violators throughout the Pacific Northwest in which 44 arrests were made by police and federal narcotics agents.

Senator Cancels Trip to His State

SEATTLE (AP) — U. S. Sen. Warren G. Magnuson (D-Wash.) said Monday he was cancelling a trip to Washington State because of the "delicate war situation" which exists in the Far East.

In a telegram to Stub Nelson, political editor of The Post-Intelligencer from his office in Washington, D. C., Magnuson said President Eisenhower had asked all senators to remain in the nation's capital "due to the tense Asian situation."

Monday Eisenhower asked Congress for permission to engage U. S. armed forces in whatever operations may be required to defend Formosa. In his telegram to Nelson, Magnuson said:

"This adds up to a delicate war situation and must be disposed of one way or another this week."

Magnuson said he would re-schedule later the planned trip to his home state.

'Liberate' Island Says Premier

TOKYO (AP) — Red China's Premier, in a statement broadcast just before President Eisenhower's "defend Formosa" message to the U. S. Congress, Tuesday firmly rejected any idea of a cease-fire and said the Reds were determined to conquer the Nationalist stronghold.

Chou En-Lai's statement over Peiping radio blasting U. S. "intervention" apparently was timed to hit the air waves just ahead of Eisenhower's request for Congress to declare "our readiness to fight" to keep Formosa out of Red hands.

Chou's statement:

1. Said U. S. armed forces "must" get out of the Formosan area and "stop intervening in China's internal affairs."

2. Charged that Article 2, Par-

agraph 7 of the U. N. Charter would be violated if either the United Nations or "any foreign country" tried to prevent an armed Red move for the "liberation of Taiwan, Formosa."

3. Said last week's Red seizure of Yikiangshan Island, 200 miles north of Formosa, had prompted the United States to step up "its military operations to make war provocations."

4. Accused the United States of "using war threats and brandishing atomic weapons in an attempt to force the Chinese people into tolerating" the "occupation" of Formosa.

Chou concluded his statement by saying:

"To safeguard China's sovereignty and territorial integrity, to safeguard the security of China and peace in the Far East, the Chinese people must liberate Taiwan and the United States must stop intervening in China's internal affairs and withdraw all its armed forces from Taiwan and the Taiwan Straits."

Delay Asked In Log Rules

WASHINGTON (P) — Chairman Murray (D-Mont) of the Senate Interior committee has asked Secretary of the Interior McKay to delay proposed changes in logging road right of way regulations on the Oregon & California land grant, Sen. Neuberger (D-Ore) said Monday.

He said Murray had acted at the request of himself and Sen. Morse (Ind-Ore) to permit review of the changes by the Interior committee.

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