



TARGET AREA FOR CHINESE REDS—Chinese junks and small boats crowd the harbor of Tashato, a village in the Upper Tachen Island group. More than 200 Chinese Communist planes struck the Nationalist-held Tachens last Wednesday in a likely prelude to invasion. The air strike, heaviest of the Chinese civil war, followed invasion and apparent occupation of nearby Yikiangshan, in the same off-shore group about 200 miles north of Formosa.

Gen. Ridgway To Keep Post

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Army announced Thursday Gen. Matthew B. Ridgway will be retained as chief of staff beyond his normal retirement date, March 31.

In making the announcement, Secretary of the Army Stevens said he was acting under a law authorizing the retention in service of up to five generals beyond the age of 60 who have had 35 years of service.

Ridgway was appointed chief of staff on Aug. 15, 1953, for a two-year term.

Stevens' action will permit him to serve his full two years as the Army's top officer.

Without it, Ridgway would have been subject to mandatory retirement upon reaching the age of 60 at the end of March.

The Army announcement contained no reference to possible extension of Ridgway's tour as chief of staff.

Ridgway is reported to have been unhappy over the administration's decision to cut back on the Army while increasing the Air Force.

Gen. Collins Seeks Approval Of Aid Programs for Viet Nam

SAIGON, Viet Nam (AP)—Gen. J. Lawton Collins left for Washington Friday to seek approval of military and economic aid programs aimed at shoring up south Viet Nam against encroachment from the Communist-dominated north.

President Eisenhower's special envoy carried with him Viet Nam's compromise plan for reorganizing and training its 217,000-man army as well as proposals for organizing popular support for the government of Nationalist Premier Ngo Dinh Diem.

Diem asked the United States to take over full responsibility for organizing and training the armed forces under the over-all supervision of the French Far East commander, Gen. Paul Ely.

Collins' primary objective is to get congressional and administration approval of the military and economic aid programs which require American financial backing. The United States is expected to give 200 million dollars in direct aid to the Vietnamese armed forces and another 100 million to carry out refugee relief reconstruction and various other projects to raise the standard of living.

Another 100 million dollars is slated to be given to France to maintain its rapidly dwindling expeditionary corps here.

Prominent Poet Dies Suddenly

WESTBROOK, Maine (AP)—Robert P. Tristram Coffin, 62, Pulitzer Prize-winning poet whose works depicted his native Maine's folklore, died unexpectedly Thursday.

The poet was stricken as he was about to address a Portland College Club audience.

Coffin won a Pulitzer Prize in 1935 for "Strange Holiness" and was composer of many other works, including "Yoke of Thunder," and "Kennebec, the Cradle of Americans"—first of a series of books about American rivers.

He was an English professor at Bowdoin College and traveled extensively as a lecturer.

Ike in 'Good Shape,' Physician Reports

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Eisenhower's doctor said Thursday the chief executive is in "good shape" after two years in the world's toughest job. But the physician said he is "concerned" because Eisenhower has not been getting as much exercise as he should.

The President's doctor is a retired Army general, Howard Snyder, who has been with Eisenhower since 1945. For a man 64 years old, he said, the President is "doing very well."

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Soviets Constructing A-Plant, Says POW

BERLIN (AP)—An American soldier who spent six years in Soviet captivity, said Friday the Russians are believed to be building an atom-splitting plant at Vorkuta, the notorious Arctic slave labor camp just west of the Ural Mountains.

Pvt. William Verdine, 28, of Starks, La., said he heard this

Pravda Raps Industrial 'Delinquents'

MOSCOW (AP)—Pravda announced Friday the Soviet Union fulfilled its 1954 industrial production plan 103 per cent but said that three sections of the Soviet economy failed to meet their quotas. The Communist Party newspaper, devoting much of its issue to a statistical report of the nation's progress last year, listed the three delinquents as: forestry, 93 per cent; fisheries, 92 per cent; and meat and milk products, 97 per cent.

The paper added that a number of individual factories, mines and oil fields failed to meet their targets because they did not work with the "necessary rhythm."

Pravda said these branches "produced a major part of their goods at the end of one month and permitted lowering production beginning the next month."

"This led to enormous losses in working time and equipment," the paper reported.

Those leading the 1954 list were: Tractor and agricultural machinery, 105 per cent; consumer goods 105; means of communication, 105; health, 106; coal and fuel, 106; industrial cooperatives, 106.

Pravda said 47 million of Russia's 220 million inhabitants hold jobs. This did not include those employed on collective farms, estimated at about 50 million persons.

Baby Inherits Drug Craving

VANCOUVER, B.C. (AP)—A baby girl, reported to have shown symptoms of drug addiction at birth Jan. 2, was discharged from a hospital here Thursday.

The Vancouver Sun, which reported the case earlier in the day, said both the mother and father were known narcotics users.

The baby showed painful withdrawal symptoms immediately after birth similar to those her mother said she suffered herself many times before, the newspaper account said.

Quoting a top-ranking medical authority on the hospital staff, the newspaper said that while such cases of infant withdrawal are rare, there have been reports recently of a few cases in medical journals.

Visiting Offer

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lifted and the passport amended when a traveler can show his proposed trip will not hurt U.S. interests.

About three hours after the announcement by Peiping, the State Department issued a statement which did not make clear whether it will permit such visits. But it said it cannot encourage the trips, explaining Red China is an area where the protections of an American passport cannot be offered.

RECEIVE TELEGRAMS
Some of the fliers' relatives received telegrams from Washington saying they could go to China if they wished. The telegrams were signed by Brig. Gen. R. J. Reeves, the U.S. Air Force casualty branch.

Mrs. Edwin Heller of Philadelphia, wife of an imprisoned lieutenant colonel, said Reeves had advised her that travel to China would be at her own risk, and she felt her husband would not want her to go.

A Pennsylvania mother, Mrs. Hurley Baumer, said she would not try to visit her son, a major, because she felt it would be no good.

FAMILIES HESITANT
Two Alabama wives of officers were undecided. The Minnesota families of two other Air Force men were hesitant about taking up the offer.

But the parents of Capt. Harold Fischer Jr. said in Iowa they plan to go. Mrs. Fischer Sr. said she and her husband had sent letters earlier to Premier Chou seeking permission to go to China.

While the U.S. personnel referred to in the announcement were not specified, the understanding here was that they include the 11 fliers convicted on spy charges; two civilians who were seized on spy charges; and four jet pilots whose cases the Chinese have announced as under investigation.

Bing's Son Dating Sinatra's Daughter

MELBOURNE, Australia (AP)—Crooner Frank Sinatra says his 14-year-old daughter Nancy's favorite boy friend—at the moment—is Bing Crosby's youngest son Lindsay.

"Lindsay's been paying her so much attention that Mr. Crosby and I have looked at the possibility of a merger," Sinatra quipped at a press conference here Thursday. The singer is now on tour in Australia.

Questioned about the reported "romance," Sinatra said it started a couple of months ago.

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Casual Bing 'On the Job' In Hospital

HOLLYWOOD (AP)—Bing Crosby, as nonchalant as when he sings in the movies, read his mail, dictated letters and conducted his business from his hospital bed Friday.

The crooner, recuperating quickly from his two-hour kidney stone operation Wednesday, is taking the experience casually.

"He called the office and asked for the mail," reported brother Larry Crosby. "Then he dictated some orders to me, about handing out trophies for the Pebble Beach golf tournament."

"He has a tape recorder next to his bed so I imagine he'll send down a load of letters to us today. He seems to be in a very good frame of mind."

The crooner is scheduled to leave the hospital in 10 days and head for his Palm Springs home to recuperate.

His sons, Gary and Lindsay, visited him Thursday. His mother and brothers Larry and Bob planned to drop in Friday night or Saturday.

Red Envoy Leaves

WASHINGTON (AP)—Soviet Ambassador Georgi N. Zarubin left for Moscow Thursday "for consultations." There was no indication whether the trip was of an emergency nature or merely routine.

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- Each contestant may send only one photograph to your local Sunbeam Bakery. Print contestant's name, address and date of birth on back of photo. Entries must be post-marked not later than midnight January 31, 1955.
- From the four contestants so selected as most resembling Miss Sunbeam, a territorial winner and three runners-up will be selected by popular vote. Only official ballots obtained at your Sunbeam grocery will be valid.
- The winner of each territorial contest shall be eligible to compete with the winners of all other territorial contests in the judging for the Grand Prize Award. The territorial winner and the three runners-up from each Sunbeam territory shall receive prizes as described herein.
- The Reuben M. Donnelley Corporation will judge the photographs of the territorial winners and will select from among them a Grand Prize winner who will be known as Miss Sunbeam 1955. From this group The Reuben M. Donnelley Corporation will also judge and select 16 (sixteen) Second Prize winners and 18 (eighteen) Third Prize winners.
- The photographer of each of the top 17 winners as judged by The Reuben M. Donnelley Corporation will be awarded a Benrus watch.
- All entries become the property of Quality Bakers of America Cooperative, Inc., and its Sunbeam members to use as they see fit. No photograph will be returned. Only one prize to a family. In each judging, the decision of the judges is final. All winners will be notified by mail. Duplicate prizes will be awarded in the event of ties. Contest subject to all federal, state and local laws.
- The parents of each territorial winner will be required to fill out, sign and have notarized an official application blank that contestant is eligible according to contest rules, and that they will take the prize-winning trip on or before May 15, 1955, if it is won.

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