

Katanga's Next War May Come When Rains Begin

ELISABETHVILLE, The Congo (UPI) — Katanga's next war may be only a rainstorm away. And already the skies over the former secessionist province are grey and threatening.

Persistent reports from sources in the outlawed Katangese army indicate that the rebels will take the offensive against the United Nations and national Congolese Army (A.N.C.) when the rains start.

They are due any day now. During the long-dry winter, the outlaws kept mainly to the deep bush. The grass was short and dry, proving scant cover near the towns or along the roads. But once the rains come, day after day of heavy, soaking downpour, the grass grows rapidly, sprouting up through the soil in sudden life.

Ideal Cover
Within days of the first shower, the long roads—essential to Katanga's economy—are masked on both sides by thick, green grass, often growing up to seven feet tall. It makes ideal cover for raiders.

Rebel sources say a master plan has been worked out. Small bands of guerrillas throughout the three new provinces (cut out of the former independent state) will make sudden raids on the road, robbing and killing where they can.

retreating immediately afterwards into the protecting bush. Already, over the past few weeks, bands of up to eighty uniformed outlaws have been reported within 35 miles of Elisabethville. West Katanga president, Edouard Bulundwe, a supporter of former Katanga president Moise Tshombe, claims they are probably composed of bandits, not soldiers. He told a press conference that they call themselves by such names as "The Brigade Without Pity," "The Soviet Aid Organization" and the "Lubumbashi Brigade."

Within three days they murdered four Africans—including one woman.

Outlaw Bands
Whether bandits or rebel soldiers, they are increasingly becoming a major threat to Katanga's economy—and to the lives of its people.

When the rains come, they will inevitably become more daring. But far more dangerous than any outlaw bands are the secessionist troops hiding out in Katanga's bush.

Reliable sources here put their strength between 3,000 and 5,000 in Katanga, with another 500 in training just over the Angolan border. Also in Angola are 30 mercenary officers and about the same number of Katangese officers.

They might well be waiting only for the rains. Perhaps the greatest danger of all, is the U.N.'s inability to strike back against guerrilla raiders. Only 20 per cent of all U.N. vehicles are serviceable. Misuse, mechanical ignorance and lack of spare parts have almost crippled the organization's mobility, effectively ruling out anything but a defense operation.

Only 20 out of every 100 vehicles in the U.N. transport pool can be used for service in the field. Of the other 80, many are in use around Elisabethville, but no commanding officer would dare send them into the bush.

This is the never-mentioned reason why U.N. troops have not followed the rebels into the bush before, and why bands of secessionist soldiers are able to roam Katanga's interior almost at will.

During the dry season, the ground was hard and cover scarce but when the rains come...

Family Council

Editor's Note: The Family Council consists of a judge, a psychiatrist, three clergymen, a newspaper editor, a woman's editor, and two writers. Each article is a summary of an actual case history. The Council reports on problems that have been dealt with by responsible agencies and counselors.

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Paula R. — I'd like him to be friends with me again.
Eliot B. — I don't intend to go crawling back to her.

Paula R. — How do you undo a mistake? I'm 15 and I made a lulu. Last May I met John and liked him a lot, but before I got to know him well, he left for camp. Then in June I met Eliot. He's the same age as John, 17, and was wonderful to me all summer. I hardly gave John a thought — but when John returned I realized I still liked him, and I broke dates with Eliot to be with John. Now I find John is false, spreading wild tales about me. I want to apologize to Eliot.

Eliot B. — I believed Paula when she said she couldn't go out with me because she was sick. How does she think I felt when my friend saw her with John? I still like her, though. I can understand she didn't want to hurt my feelings. But I agree with my friends I'd be lowering myself to come running back when she calls — I still have some pride. She should have had more sense than to fall for a jerk like John.

The Council: One of Paula's high school authors, Sir Walter Scott, sums up her plight this way: "Oh, what a tangled web we weave, when first we practice to deceive!" She was "all thumbs" in this little human-relations problem — but most adolescents are. Mistakes can't be entirely undone, but they can be learned from and, with luck, softened and forgiven. Suppose Paula had said honestly to Eliot, "Look, I'd like to get to know John a little better. Some of my dates will be with him." Eliot might have groused a bit, but he would not have been hurt as he was. Should Eliot be her friend again? Foolish pride shouldn't stop him. He can accept her apology. He can make sure she sees what she did: "used" him to fill in a dull summer. And he can let her know her sincerity will be suspect until proven beyond doubt.

CONCLUDES WORK
WASHINGTON (UPI) — The Railroad arbitration board concluded six weeks of public hearings Saturday in the bitterly fought rail work rules dispute. Its decision is due Nov. 26.

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DUCKS PHOTOGRAPHERS—John W. Butenko, 38, of Orange, N. J., an electronics engineer, day, ducks photographers as he is led by FBI agents to his arraignment. (UPI)

Gunman Nets Haul From Benny's Wife

NEW YORK (UPI) — A shabbily dressed gunman walked into the plush hotel suite of Jack Benny's wife, Mary Livingston, Saturday and robbed her of an estimated \$110,000 in jewelry. The comedian's wife fainted, but otherwise was not injured. The gunman escaped before she revived and called police.

TO DESEGREGATE

WACO, Tex. (UPI) — Baylor University, the world's largest Baptist school, has voted to desegregate. It was not announced when Negroes will be permitted to attend classes.

from the Pierre apartment of Broadway producer Irene Mayer Selznick.

Alitalia Purchases

Three U.S. Planes
WASHINGTON (UPI) — The Italian airline, Alitalia, Saturday became the first foreign airline to buy American by making a \$300,000 deposit on three U.S. supersonic airliners.

Britain and France thus lost a round in their race to capture the supersonic market from the United States with their jointly built Concorde.

FIRST CANCER

PORTLAND (UPI) — A British surgeon has told the Oregon Society of Pathologists he believes he and his colleagues have found the first cancer traceable to a virus.

Pope Prays for South Viet Nam

VATICAN CITY (UPI) — Pope Paul VI said Saturday that he prayed South Viet Nam "may overcome in peace and concord this new and sad trial."
In a telegram to Msgr. Nguyen Van Binh, archbishop of Saigon, the pontiff said:
"Recalling the exhortation of the apostles to weep with those who are weeping, we make our own, with paternal affection, your sorrow and that of the beloved Vietnamese people, so sorely tried."
"Our prayers rise up to God that your country may be given divine assistance in these difficult hours and that it may over-



come in peace and concord this new and sad trial."

Your Money's Worth
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HOW MUCH ARE YOU WORTH?
These assets pile up to about \$1,595,000,000,000 MORE than the amount the consumer owes — and there are lots of lovely non-frightening zeros in that figure. It means the American consumer's net worth as of mid-1963 stands at ONE TRILLION, FIVE HUNDRED AND NINETY-FIVE BILLION DOLLARS.

So declared J. Miller Redfield, president of the National Consumer Finance Assn. in Los Angeles recently, in an effort to put consumer debt into perspective by emphasizing that while the American consumer's debt runs into lots of zeros, his assets run into far more zeros.

Well, a consumer net worth of one and one-half trillion dollars may mean something to Redfield but it means nothing whatsoever to me — and I'm more accustomed than most to thinking in terms of strings of zeros, frightening and non-frightening. "Net worth" comes through to me only when I break it down into "What's mine? What's yours?"

It was precisely five years ago that I last reported how you could calculate this for yourself. Since I suspect most of you have forgotten the procedure or have never known it and since I also suspect that most of you will enjoy the results of your calculations, here's how to figure your own net worth. Take three sheets of paper.

Mark the first sheet "Family Assets" and list:

The amount of money you have in checking and savings accounts, in savings and loan associations, in credit unions, in cash on hand, in a strongbox at home or elsewhere, in postal savings.

The cash value of your U.S. savings bonds. This is not the maturity value, but the amount you'd get if you turned in your bonds now.

The cash value of your life insurance. This is the amount you actually have paid on your policy and could borrow back on request.

A rough calculation of the amount you have invested in pension plans and retirement programs.

The total you would get in cash if you sold all the stocks you own at their market prices today.

The total you would get if you sold all other securities and investments you own at their market prices tomorrow — such as your holdings of U.S. Government, corporate or municipal bonds and mortgages.

The total you would get if you put your house, land or other real estate you may own on the market this week. Ask for the most realistic estimates from the most conservative real estate agents.

The price you would get if you sold your car to a used-car dealer this week. Again, ask for a cold-blooded offer.

The market value of all your household goods — ranging from furniture to rugs, appliances to silver. Make what you consider a rock-bottom estimate, then slash your estimate by 75 per cent.

The market value of all your other personal assets — jewelry, furs, paintings, the like. Once more, make what you consider a rock-bottom estimate, then slash it by 75 per cent.

The money you would get if you sold all other interests in, say, an unincorporated business, a farm, privately-held corporation.

Add The Totals.
Mark the second sheet "Family Liabilities" and list:
The amounts you owe on your mortgage and automobile.
The amounts you owe on installment loans, personal debts, medical and other bills.

The amounts you owe on taxes not withheld from your pay-check and any other liabilities you can think of.

Add the totals.
Mark the third sheet "Family Net Worth" and:

Simply subtract the total on your second sheet from the total on your first and the result is your family's net worth.

If you're typical, you'll be pleasantly surprised by the size of your net worth. Millions of families have a net worth of \$10,000 or more, tens of millions have a net worth of \$5,000 or more. This calculation will dramatize to most Americans, as no \$1,595,000,000,000 statistic possibly could, the extent of America's material wealth.

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