

Turncoat Chinese Reds Seize Kunming, Yunnan Province

World Report—

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Overnight Coup Paves Way for Drive to Indo-China, Burma and India Borders

By ARTHUR GOUL, United Press Staff Correspondent
HONG KONG, Dec. 10.—Turncoat Nationalist soldiers today seized Kunming and all Yunnan province for the Communists but permitted 12 Americans and three American planes to escape.

The overnight coup, put into effect 24 hours ahead of schedule, gave the Communists all of modern mainland China and opened the way for a Communist drive to the borders of Indo-China, Burma and India.

Eleven of the Americans were employees of the Civil Air Transport Airline operated by Claire L. Chennault, former commander of the wartime Flying Tigers. The 12th was American Consul La Rue Lutkins.

Four Fliers Arrive

Four of the fliers arrived here this afternoon aboard one of the three planes piloted by Weidom Bigony, of Big Spring, Tex.

The others, including Mr. Lutkins, were aboard two other planes which went to Haiphong in Indo-China to refuel. They are scheduled to reach Hong Kong later.

Aboard Mr. Bigony's plane were James Dexheimer, of Somerset, Ky.; James Stone, of Nashville, Tenn., and Hugh Marsh, of St. Louis, Mo.

Mr. Dexheimer, CAT maintenance offices stationed at Kunming airfield, said the changeover of the Nationalist garrison to the Communists started last mid-night.

Only a few hours earlier two other CAT employees, Van Green of Phoenix, Ariz., and Robert Buol, CAT area traffic manager, attended dinner at which provincial Gov. Lu Han told them they would have until Sunday to "evacuate."

Other world developments:

The chief of a Yugoslav mission blockaded for 18½ hours in the Soviet sector of Berlin, said today that Marshal Tito's government would protest to Moscow.

Lt. Col. Momico Sibimovic, head of the mission, said the Belgrade protest would support a complaint he was lodging here against "dirty politics."

The official organ of the Soviet zone Socialist Unity Party, Neues Deutschland, said the mission was ousted from the Soviet sector because members spied for the Americans and British.

The 20 members of the mission were confined to their living quarters in the Soviet sector for a time after the East German government ordered them out Thursday night.

When the blockade was lifted yesterday, the Yugoslavs fled to West Berlin.

Co. Sibimovic said 100 policemen still were patrolling the former Yugoslav dwellings in East Berlin, preventing the removal of furniture and some of the mission's records.

Offawa

A filibuster in the House of Commons killed two bills last night which would have provided for the construction of natural gas pipeline from Alberta to western Canada and the United States. The lines were planned to supply Seattle and other northwestern cities as well as Canadian cities.

Mexico City

Mexico's campaign against illicit drug traffic has been so effective that narcotics peddlers in the United States are faced with a short supply, United States Narcotics Commissioner Harry J. Anslinger reported today.

Mr. Anslinger said American smugglers "are again turning to the Far East, the Near East, and Europe" for their supplies. He said brown Mexican heroin, which was once a major addiction problem in New York City, had virtually disappeared.

Seoul

The North Korean Communist radio at Pyongyang has confirmed arrangements made to release two captive Americans tomorrow, the American embassy said today.

The broadcast said that Alfred T. Meschter, of Kinderhook, N.Y., and Albert E. Willis, Brooklyn, N.Y., would be brought to Yohann near the 38th parallel either late tonight or early Sunday.

There, on the dividing line between North and South Korea, the two Americans will be released to three representatives from the U.S. Embassy.

Sapporo

Police were searching today for 40 milligrams of radium which disappeared from the University of Hokkaido last month.

Police said they have been in-

THE STORY OF THE SAVIOUR



By William E. Gilroy, D.D.

Juvenile Gang To Face Court In Mail Thefts

Tough-Talking Boys Admit Taking Letters From Postboxes

Five tough-talking youngsters will appear with their parents in Juvenile Court Monday, following their confession to the theft of hundreds of letters from private mailboxes.

Their ages ranging from 9 to 13, the boys were led by a 10-year-old delinquent in three months of depredations on the near North Side, according to Post Inspector M. P. Wood.

Inspector Wood and Inspector Ora Workman rounded up the five after trapping the oldest two as they rifled an apartment house box Tuesday afternoon.

Although they were after money, Inspector Wood said, they would only admit to finding \$3.75 in cash. The ringleader confessed forging and cashing one check for \$17, according to the postal official.

"They Talked Tough"

"I'd rather question any tough gangsters," he added. "They told me they learned it from reading comic books and listening to radio crime programs."

The boys led the inspectors to a padlocked garage which they used for a clubhouse and showed where they hid their loot. Many of the letters were destroyed, they said.

Jail 3 in Jobless Pay Frauds

Three men today were fined \$50 each and sentenced to 30 days on the Indiana State Farm when convicted of drawing state unemployment compensation checks illegally.

Judge Clark in Municipal Court 4 said all offered the same excuse, that they did not know they were violating the law by accepting checks for weeks in which they had other income.

The convicted men were Tyree Westbrook, 1942 Belfontaine St.; Isaiah Price Jr., 938 Paca St., and William Smith, 32½ W. 21st St.

WBA to Have Yule Party

Fidelity Review 140, Woman's Benefit Association, will have a Christmas party and gift exchange Tuesday noon at the home of Mrs. Cole Clayton, 950 N. New Jersey St.

Ship Movements

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Town, New York Departures—Baton, South
Africa; Queen Elizabeth, Queen Mary,
Dartford, Berken, Louis McHowe,
Cristobal, Queen of Bermuda, Bermuda.

State CIO Opens Drive on Laundries

(Continued From Page One) Chinese customs men they had preceded.

An hour later, unloading of 1100 tons of cargo into lighters began. It is expected to continue until Monday morning.

Twelve hours or so before that Mr. Ward and his party will make the 12-mile trip by launch from Taku Bar to this anchorage. Mr. Puck reported.

Earlier Capt. Paul Sexton of the AFL and CIO began last April when Indianapolis Dry Cleaners and Launderers Club, made up of the big operators, signed union rights with three AFL unions.

Those dollars are the ones that the public has contributed to Clothe-A-Child. More of those dollars are needed to provide warm clothing for thousands of needy children who would be cold this winter without Clothe-A-Child assistance.

ONE: By sending checks or money orders—for any amount—to Clothe-A-Child, Indianapolis Times 214 W. Maryland St.

TWO: By volunteering as a donor. Donors are individuals or organizations that take children to the stores and spend their own money to outfit them. Appointments to take children may be made by telephoning RI 5551.

THREE: By placing one or more dimes on The Times Mile-O-Dimes on W. Washington St. in front of the L. Strauss store.

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Thomas will be the highest paid prisoner in the institution for the rest of this month, for he will continue to draw his congressional salary until his resignation as Representative becomes effective Jan. 2.

He will draw about \$750 for the remaining three weeks in December.

He was turned over to prison officials by two U. S. marshals.

Loogootee Marshal Found Dead in Car

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State police said Mr. Dean's right hand gripped a .32-caliber automatic as he sat slumped over the steering wheel of the car.

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Fire Wrecks 4 Vincennes Stores

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