

GURKHAS ACTIVE IN MALAYA

As Malaya's guerilla war enters its seventh month, news comes of fresh successes in the fight against Communist insurgents. Pitted against two deadly enemies - the jungle and the rebels - British and Gurkha troops are battling to split the terrorists into isolated bands and then wipe them out one by one. In an area, where the wild terrain favours a fanatical enemy, the troops' task is a stiff one. Many are Burma veterans and eminently suited to warfare such as this.

Drawing upon the experiences of the jungle war against the Japanese, the Malay security forces are equipped with all modern weapons of war, and can call upon air support whenever necessary. Ground strafing and supply drop missions are a daily job for newly arrived R.A.F. squadrons.

Captured bandits prove to be mostly Chinese, and their campaign of murder and plunder has undoubtedly been directed from the Communist-held part of China. Coinciding with insurrections in Burma and Indonesia, and the all-out war in China, the general picture of Asia grows daily more turbulent.