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X Nanking, capital of China, awaits the entry of the Red armies, camped only ten miles away. The Only Chiang Kai-shek's successor, acting president Li Tsung-jen, with Chu Chang Wei, his chief advisor, remains in Nanking -- preparing, reports say, to make peace. The government has moved to Canton, where Chiang sprang to power twenty-three years ago. On the great Yangtze River, which links Nanking with Shanghai, gunboats stand guard as thousands of nationalist troops are ferried to defend the capital -- although all signs point to its surrender. The soldiers add to the unbelievable congestion as refugees hurry out of the city in ever-increasing numbers.

X Even as the refugees flee, Nationalist and Communist leaders swap new charges and once again hope for peace fades in China.

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