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FORMOSA - THE FAR EAST'S POWDER KEG.

Ships of the United States Seventh Fleet race through stormy seas towards the island of Formosa. The chain of islands off the coast of Communist China, including Formosa, are threatening to become the centre of a new clash between East and West. The Seventh Fleet are to evacuate civilians from the danger islands, are reported to be ready to assist the movement of Chinese Nationalist troops under the command of General Chiang Kai-Shek. At this stage it seems certain that the Americans would intervene should the Chinese Communists attempt invasion of the islands. A plea from the United Nations for a cease-fire in the area brought an immediate rejection from the Reds. Meanwhile U.S. planes keep constant vigil.

On Formosa, Nationalist troops are instructed by Americans in latest war tactics. Full scale mock battles are held to prepare Chiang Kai Shek's men against a Red Invasion. Few would deny that peace in the far East hangs in the balance. President Eisenhower has said that America must remove any doubt regarding her readiness to fight, if necessary, to preserve the vital state of the free world in a free Formosa. The nations of the world, watch closely the turbulent events that have their focal-point in Formosa.

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