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1. Prior to July 1950 guerrilla forces in the Tapihshian (115- , 31-) area totalled approximately 20,000. These forces were partly independent and partly supported by the Ministry of National Defense.* The Communist attempted to suppress these guerrillas, using from two to four armies, but results were indecisive.
2. In early July four Communist armies surrounded the area between the Yangtze River on the south, the Haichou-Lanchow Railroad on the north,*the Pangfou (117-26, 32-57)-Hofei (117-18, 31-54)-Yuchi (118-16, 31-27) Railroad on the east, and the Peiping-Hankow Railroad on the west. When the Communist forces were in position around the area, the population was ordered to evacuate with all belongings in two weeks. When the two weeks had expired, the Communists attacked from all sides and annihilated the guerrilla force and a large number of civilians who had remained in the area.

* [REDACTED] Comment. [REDACTED] states that a guerrilla representative from Tapihshian who contacted Nationalist military officials on Taiwan was refused aid and direction for his group because of its liberal economic and social policies and its refusal to accept command from ROC Gen-Fong.

* [REDACTED] Comment. Presumably the railroad extending from Haichou to Kaifeng. The extent of Communist operations for the suppression of guerrillas in the Tapihshian area appears to be unduly large. It is believed that source has exaggerated the scope of Communist operations.

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