

# RED TERROR IN CHINA

## BRITISH ACTION

### WARSHIPS FOR HANKOW

The British Government has sanctioned the dispatch of warships to Hankow, where a Communist attack is feared by the Chinese authorities.

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It is understood that additional measures for the protection of British life and property on the Yangtze have been recommended by the home authorities, and will be carried out, if the situation continues to develop unfavourably.

The Chinese claim the reoccupation of Changsha by Government forces. A Chinese refugee from Changsha puts the Communist strength there at the fancy figure of 60,000, and states that practically all are equipped with Government arms, ammunition, and uniforms. He



says that 2,000 Chinese non-combatants have been killed, and that about 4,000 members of the Kuomintang and Government employees are missing.

A division of Cantonese has been landed at Tsingtao, Shantung, and has entrained to reinforce General Han Fu-chu's troops, part of whom appear to be still supporting the Government. [It had been previously stated that General Han had decided to retire and go abroad.] Although large reinforcements are concentrated along the Tientsin-Pukow Railway, the offensive against Tsinanfu has not yet begun.