

Pacific-- U.S. Fleet in Formosa Strait--

Formosa-- Watchful patrol by ships of the United States' 7th

Fleet ~~is~~ during manoeuvres ~~in the~~ ^{OFF THE}

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~~ISLAND~~ Fighter planes take off daily- maintaining a round-the-clock vigil.

With the recent capture by Chinese Communists of an island ~~outpost~~ ^{WORLD-WIDE} outpost close to the mainland, anxiety has increased. For ~~the~~ ^{the} U.S.A ~~is~~ is committed to defend the Nationalist stronghold of Formosa, and neighbouring islands.

Monte Carlo Rally

Europe: The final stages of the famous Monte Carlo Rally, as competitors ~~in~~ ^{drive in} icy conditions, to the Mediterranean Coast.

Out of ~~the~~ 319 starters - over 270 clocked in at Monaco with top honours (after the final tests) - going to British cars. The Rally was won by two Norwegians in a Sunbeam Talbot. A British team, led by Miss Sheila van Damm, won the Ladies Cup, also in ^a Sunbeam. While Jaguars won the team-prize in what has been described as the toughest-ever Monte Carlo Rally

Floods

Germany: Gales over Europe, and the wide-spread thaw that accompanied them, caused the dangerous flooding of many rivers, including the Rhine, which reached its highest level for 79 years.

France, too, was invaded by the waters, and the historic bridge at Avignon stands amid the swirling tide. (2)

the In Paris, itself, the Seine almost rose to a past record flood-level of 1924 ~~but~~