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**EXPERIENCES TOLD
BY AGNES SMEDLEY**

**Leftist Writer Is in Chungking
After Life With Guerrillas**

Wireless to THE NEW YORK TIMES.
CHUNGKING, China, April 17—
Ending eighteen months with Chinese guerrilla units in Anhwei, Honan and Hupeh, Miss Agnes Smedley, well known American writer and Left Wing political worker, arrived here yesterday en route to the Kweiyang headquarters of the Chinese Red Cross, with which she is connected.

She is thin and worn from repeated attacks of malaria and from the rough and dangerous life she has been leading in territories partly under Japanese occupation. She will spend several weeks here regaining her health and writing about her experiences.

Miss Smedley has spent most of the time in the guerrilla areas with contingents of the Communist New Fourth Army. Recently, she said, she was with a group of guerrilla raiders thirty miles outside of Hankow. Messengers made a number of trips into Hankow, cleverly evading Japanese vigilance, and purchased and transported medical and other supplies to the guerrilla bases, she stated.

Miss Smedley described the state of incessant and relentless strife between the guerrilla units and the Japanese, with the former pitting swift movement, knowledge of the country and close cooperation with the people against the superior armament and motorized mobility of the puppet henchmen of the Japanese.

The Japanese are relentlessly enforcing an embargo on medical supplies from occupied points into free territory, Miss Smedley said, and as a result conditions of appalling suffering exist among the civilian population of the Yangtze Valley. Their villages were plundered and burned in the Japanese advance up the river to Hankow.