

CHRISTMAS DAY 1950 – Hungnam, No. Korea.

The US Navy is evacuating the last of US Marine Division who had retreated from the Chosin Reservoir. According to John Sartin who provided the picture *“wounded troops had been loaded aboard a US Naval Hospital ship that sailed for Japan. The fast destroyer troop carrier in the foreground, USS Fay Begor, APD-127, had sent demo teams ashore to destroy all the munitions, abandoned equipment, landing areas and docks so the No. Korean troops and Chinese “volunteers” could not use them for awhile after we left.”* General McArthur felt that the No. Korean Army had been essentially destroyed by the middle of October, 1950. Against recommendations of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, McArthur sent his troops north to the northern most parts of No. Korea. His troops were hit by surprise and decimated when Chinese Communist troops began attacking his forces. Starting October 25 through November x number were surrounded and courageously fought their way to Hungnam Harbor where their evacuation took place. *Read on to learn about how USS Frank Knox joined the Korean conflict.*