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FIGHTING GOES ON AS ALLIES AWAIT REPLY TO PEACE TERMS

JAPS CLAIM TO HAVE SUNK BIG U. S. CARRIER

Planes Of Third Fleet Blast Yokohama Docks, Submarine Pens

FEAR BANZAI RAIDS

By the Associated Press

A Japanese broadcast from the Domei agency asserted without confirmation that Nipponese marine forces had sunk a large aircraft carrier off Okinawa in an attack today.

The communique was published at 3 p.m. Japanese time. Shortly before that time, Domei said, Emperor Hirohito received Foreign Minister Togo, presumably for a report on peace negotiations.

Earlier, the Japanese said they had sunk a seaplane tender off Okinawa Sunday.

By MORRIE LANDSBERG

GUAM, Aug. 13.—(P)—Admiral Halsey's powerful Third fleet guarded against a possible banzai attack by the Japanese air force today as his carrier planes blasted the Yokohama docks and submarine pens after being turned back by heavy weather from the Tokyo area.

Associated Press War Correspondent Richard K. O'Malley with the fleet reported six enemy planes, attempting sneak attacks, were shot down by carrier planes.

A Tokyo broadcast, recorded by the FCC, admitted "some damage" was caused by 800 carrier-based planes attacking the Kanto district of East Central Honshu. The attack, the Japanese said, lasted 12 hours and 17 planes were shot down and 25 damaged.

Possibility of a Japanese aerial banzai assault against the fleet was voiced by some officers, O'Malley said, because of persistent attempts by reconnaissance planes to locate the American force.

Turned back by heavy weather at Tokyo the carrier planes picked

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OPA HALTS NEW RATION BOOKS

WASHINGTON, Aug. 13.—(P)—The OPA has halted printing of 187,000,000 new ration books for food, shoes and gasoline, it was learned today.

The stop order covers war ration book five for meats, fats, dairy products, canned foods and sugar, and a new "A" gasoline book. Both had been scheduled for distribution in December.

The order halts work on the books pending outcome of peace negotiations. If Japan quits the stop order will become permanent.

The action was taken, it was explained, because there are sufficient stamps in books now in use to carry through to about the first of the year. In the case of gasoline, rationing is expected to end within a week or two after V-J day. The other programs are expected to continue longer.

False Surrender Flash Set Off Victory Celebrations

NEW YORK, Aug. 13.—(P)—Premature victory celebrations, springing from radio broadcast of an erroneous United Press news flash that Japan had accepted allied surrender terms, swept across the United States and Canada last night and awoke briefly jubilant echoes in Central America and Faraway Sydney, Australia.

The Canadian celebration was intensified by premature release of a "victory" broadcast by Prime Minister MacKenzie King from Ottawa.

The United Press Association (United Press) said the flash moved



ATOMIC BOMB BLASTS JAP CITY OF NAGASAKI—Smoke columns more than 20,000 feet high rise above the Japanese city of Nagasaki three minutes after an atomic bomb was dropped there by American fliers Aug. 9. Thirty per cent of the city, including nearly all of its industrial district, was reported destroyed.—(AP Wirephoto from Strategic Air Forces via Navy radio from Guam).

Swiss Attache Waits Word From Japanese

Remains Close To Office, Expecting Enemy's Reply To Surrender Terms

BERN, Switzerland, Aug. 13.—(P)—The Swiss undersecretary for foreign affairs remained in his office today awaiting Japanese Minister Shunichi Kase, who was expected momentarily, Swiss foreign office said, possibly to deliver the Japanese reply to allied surrender demands.

However, a press attache of the Japanese legation said the note, which has been awaited since last night, had not arrived in Bern.

Aides to the Swiss undersecretary, Walter Stucki, gave no details. As neutral intermediary between Japan and the United States, Switzerland would transmit any Japanese reply to Washington.

The Swiss political (state) department closed up at 9:30 p.m. (3:30 p.m., eastern war time) last night. Kase was "too busy" to answer queries by correspondents, Japanese legation attaches said, and they gave no inkling of when the Tokyo reply might be received.

Eisenhower Says Stalin Eager To Be Friends

MOSCOW, Aug. 13.—(P)—Gen. Eisenhower told a press conference today Generalissimo Stalin had said things during their social meeting here which convinced him Soviet Russia's paramount desire was to be friends with the United States and her people.

He said he was unable to disclose details of the meeting, but he was visibly impressed. Eisenhower declares he had not halted his troops at the Elbe or anywhere else last spring because the Red army or Stalin requested it.

The American general said the reason American troops stopped at the Elbe was because he wanted to break up Hitler's redoubt in the south as fast as possible. His orders to the commanders were to halt at the Elbe at certain places and turn southward at others with all speed possible. These orders were given weeks ahead of time, he said, and it never was his plan to halt

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PETAINE JURORS THREATENED

Defense Calls Defendant One Of France's Glorious Sons

PARIS, Aug. 13.—(P)—Jurors hearing final defense pleas in the treason trial of Marshal Pétain disclosed today that nearly all 24 of them had again received letters threatening death to any who voted to condemn the aged soldier.

Some said they had received as many as 12 threatening letters. Pierre Bloch, a parliamentary juror, said one letter he received ended with "death to Jews" and that another said "Beware I am sitting just a few feet from you in the courtroom."

White-haired Fernand Payen, chief defense attorney, opened the supreme attempt to have the 89-year-old head of the former Vichy government from a firing squad with these words:

"GLORIOUS SON"—"Pétain is one of France's most glorious sons. It is very unlike our country to be trying such a man."

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Trapped Japanese In Burma Resist

CALCUTTA, India, Aug. 13.—(P)—The remnants of a trapped Japanese army in lower Burma, which has suffered more than 11,500 casualties during the past month, continued to resist allied mop-up patrols in the lower Sittang sector, northeast of Pegu, the southeast Asia command said today.

Enemy snipers were active against patrols in the area of Myitko and astride the Pegu-Martaban railway east of Abye, a communique announced.

REDS IN AREA OF JAP WAR PRISON CAMPS

Powerful Russian Drive Into Manchurian Plain Continues

LANDINGS ON KOREA

MOSCOW, Aug. 13.—(P)—The southern wing of a powerful Russian drive into the Manchurian plain threatened today to break out in the direction of Mukden and reach numerous Japanese prisoner of war camps filled with Americans, British and British empire troops.

While one Red army force followed up its landings on the Korean mainland by pushing down the coastal highway there, the two big army groups of Marshals Rodion Y. Malinovsky and Karill A.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 13.—(P)—The Japanese in an unconfirmed broadcast said Russian troops have begun landings at Anbetsu and Esutoru on the Nipponese-held southern part of Sakhalin island.

The broadcast, recorded by the FCC, quoted an announcement by the Japanese northern army district.

Anbetsu is just below the border of Soviet Sakhalin on the west coast and Esutoru is about 60 miles south of Anbetsu.

Meretskov opened the battle for the Manchurian plain, which leads to the arsenal city of Harbin. Malinovsky's tanks, well across the Khingang range west of Harbin, poured down the eastern slopes, hurling the Japanese back into the plain where a defense will be much more difficult than in the rugged mountains. Military observers predicted Malinovsky would advance swiftly on the plain, soon bringing the battle to Harbin's western gate.

His southern wing was driving southeastward toward Mukden and the prison camps, while his other

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Fact War Lost Is Kept From Jap People

Defense Calls Defendant One Of France's Glorious Sons

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 13.—(P)—Still withholding from the Japanese people the knowledge their self-sought war was lost, the Japanese Domei news agency today reported new fears of an American invasion of the homeland.

Domei, in a broadcast monitored by the Associated Press quoted Nipponese "military observers" as viewing the renewed American carrier plane attacks and fleet operations off the coast might mean "a possible enemy landing on the Japanese mainland in the near future."

Today's Japanese newspapers and radio broadcasts all stayed strictly away from mention of surrender. But all stressed the need for "unswerving loyalty" to the throne and cautioned the population to "wait for the great command from the throne." They gave no hint of what the command might be.

CALL FOR LOYALTY

A Domei broadcast, recorded by the Federal Communications Commission told the Japanese their loyalty was "the only factor which will save the nation from the worst crisis it has ever been confronted with."

The Asahi Shimbun editorialized that the nation was "burning with righteous indignation" because of the atomic bombing, but warned that only by solidifying their unity could the bomb-shocked people "set his majesty's august mind at rest." The imperial family, the newspaper Sanryo Keisei added, "is the very center and ruling point" of Japanese unity.

No Word From Japs Up To 10:45 A. M. Today

WASHINGTON, Aug. 13.—(P)—American bombers hammered at Tokyo's front door today while the Japanese dalled over a decision whether to surrender now on allied terms or continue a suicidal war.

The White House announced today that no reply had been received at 10:45 a. m., today to Saturday's four-power dictate that Japan could keep an emperor who would take his orders from the victors' supreme commander.

Presidential Secretary Charles G. Ross told a news conference "It is safe to say that the war is going on" while negotiations continue.

Tokyo Says Reply To Surrender Received

Domei News Agency Suspends News Service To Orient For 12 Hours

By The Associated Press

The Tokyo radio broadcast a Domei dispatch today saying that the official text of the allied reply to the Japanese government's message offering surrender was received today in Tokyo through the Swiss legation.

This Domei message was recorded by the Associated Press in New York from an English language wireless transmission at 9:04 a.m., eastern war time.

The dispatch was sent by Domei as a bulletin. It gave no additional details.

The Allied reply to the Japanese, making it clear that Emperor Hirohito would have to be subservient to an Allied supreme commander, was dispatched to Japan Saturday at 10:30 a.m., eastern war time, through the Swiss legation in Washington.

Text of the Domei transmission: "Bulletin

"Tokyo 13-8 (Aug. 13): "Authoritatively disclosed official text Allied reply to Japanese government's message was received in Tokyo today Monday through Swiss legation. (End.)"

At the time of the broadcast it was 10:04 p.m. in Tokyo. Domei followed the announcement with a French-language broadcast saying that Emperor Hirohito had received in audience Foreign Minister Shigenori Togo at 2:10 this afternoon (1:10 a.m., EWT).

"Togo made a report to the See TOKYO Page 2

Play-By-Play Of Shelby Games At Sumter Arranged

A play-by-play report of games in which Shelby's Junior Legion team plays at Sumter's regional tournament Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday will be furnished local fans through cooperation of radio WFIG at Sumter. The broadcast, cost of which is being borne by local fans and The Star, will be handled by Bob Childrez and Harry Robinson, using equipment owned by Paul J. Kennedy who is out of the city this week.

Time of the game will not be determined until tonight's drawings, but the opening broadcast will be either Tuesday afternoon or evening.

Government Ready When Peace Comes To Start Wheels Of Civilian Production

WASHINGTON, Aug. 13.—(P)—Emergency plans ready, government agencies today awaited a White House signal to start the American economy toward a goal of unprecedented civilian production.

The signal, due when Japan quits, also will serve to unvell programs for putting millions of released war workers in peacetime jobs as rapidly as possible and for gradual lifting of rationing and other wartime restrictions.

Expected quickly, too, are plans that may provide for easing of stringent wage controls and out-

line the scope of price controls in the immediate postwar period. In the meantime, this is the homefront outlook as the war appears to be nearing the end:

Rationing—Elimination of gasoline, fuel oil and tire programs within a few days to six weeks after V-J day; gasoline may be released within a week. Shoe rationing is due to go in two or three months. Food, especially meat and sugar, will stay under controls for some time because of continuing military requirements.

Consumer Goods—Volume production before the end of this

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No time limit was set by the allies for a Japanese response, Ross said. Nor did he know, he asserted, whether there might be another ultimatum.

A Tokyo radio broadcast said that the formal reply to Japan's conditional surrender offer of Friday was not received until today.

Emperor Hirohito received Japanese Foreign Minister Togo at the imperial palace this morning, another enemy broadcast said, but no details as to its purpose were given.

Still another broadcast indicated the Japanese were suffering invasion jitters. Domei, Japanese news agency, quoted "military observers" as viewing renewed American carrier plane attacks and fleet operations off the coast as presaging a possible enemy landing.

Ross told his news conference at the White House: "I'm sorry. I have only the negative report to make that no word has been received from Japan. It was carried by the Tokyo radio that the Allied reply had only been delivered today, Monday. If that is true, Japan has had our terms only a little over 12 hours. Perhaps that accounts for the delay."

"Might there be another atomic bomb?" he was asked. "I do not know," Ross replied. "If I did I wouldn't say."

His remark on continuation of the war was in reply to an inquiry whether it was safe to assume "there had been no interruption or letup in the war during the negotiations."

Carrier planes of Task Force 38 See NO WORD Page 2

Woman Who Suffered Double Fracture Of Neck Is Recovering

Mrs. C. L. Self, 56, of Marion, who suffered a double neck fracture in a fall down basement steps at the home of her brother, Dr. R. C. Killis, whom she was visiting at Lawndale last week, today was resting nicely at Shelby hospital with chances of recovery termed good.

Mrs. Self's neck was broken in two places in the fall down the steps, but miraculously and with help of expert attention both at the scene of the accident and at the hospital her life was spared despite the dangerous accident.

NIP EMPRESS PEACE MINED

Chinese Papers Says Japan Ready To Be Rid Of War Leaders

By SPENCER MOOSA

CHUNGKING, Aug. 11.—(Delayed)—(P)—The Chinese army newspaper Tsung Po said today Japan was ready to offer up her war leaders as hara kiri victims and retreat to her 1931 boundaries as conditions of peace, even before the first atomic bomb fell and Russia entered the Pacific war.

Quoting Hsieh Nan Kuang, described as a leader of the Formosan revolutionary league, the newspaper pictured the growth of a surrender clique in Tokyo as fire bombs and explosives fell on Japan's cities, and American carrier planes struck her fleet.

It described the Empress Nagako as a peace plan organizer. Here is the newspaper's account of Hsieh's report:

The first step toward peace was taken June 3 by imperial household Minister Tsuneo Matsudaira, business manager for the imperial family and its fortune, which has been estimated at four per cent of all the wealth in Japan.

Matsudaira resigned with the aim of organizing a pro-American, pro-British surrender cabinet. The plan failed because of the army's opposition.

FEARS GROW Japan's situation was getting worse daily, however, and on June See NIP Page 2

WHAT'S DOING

TODAY

7:30 p.m.—State Guard drill at armory.

TUESDAY

7:00 p.m.—Regular meeting of Lions club.