

TODAY and  
TOMORROW

## AZAD HIND WEEK BEGINS TO-DAY

TO us Indians, the Azad Hind Anniversary Week commencing today is a period of sublime sacredness and tremendous importance. For, it was during this week last year that the Provisional Government of Azad Hind was established here in Syonan under the dynamic leadership of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose, with the sole aim of destroying the British Empire in India and liberating the 388 million Indians from the century-old British yoke.

With the establishment of the Provisional Government by the three million free and liberated Indians of East Asia, the Indian national struggle for freedom took on a serious aspect—the long-drawn passive struggle became an open war, in the full sense of the term, between Indians and the British. To carry on the war, the Azad Hind Fauj was established also under the leadership of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose. The men, money and materials needed for the war were cheerfully and voluntarily offered by the three million Indians all of whom took their oath of allegiance and loyalty to the Provisional Government and pledged to sacrifice their all, including their very lives, for the Sacred Cause. Nippon, the champion of Asian freedom, gave her all-out assistance and support for the liberation of our Motherland. Various other powers of East Asia as well as Germany and other powers of the West, also blessed our Movement.

And thus, within a few months of the formation of the Provisional Government, the Forces of Liberation commenced their historic march to India across the Burma border. Our army, ably helped and supported by the Nippon Imperial forces, smashed the British forces of aggression massed on the Burma border, and pursuing their fleeing remnants, penetrated into India and fought them on Indian soil. Tremendous losses were inflicted on the enemy but what is more, the Liberation Forces' entry into India electrified the entire nation and infused fresh hope and confidence in the minds of the revolutionary forces in the country.

During this Sacred Week, as we recall with pride and satisfaction the brilliant achievements of the Provisional Government and the Azad Hind Fauj, let us, one and all, further mobilise all our resources and place them at Netaji's disposal for the successful prosecution of the next offensive. To-day, thanks to the magnificent victories scored by Nippon, the Anglo-Americans in the East are facing a most critical situation. The present conditions, therefore, are extremely favourable to us Indians and have enhanced our confidence in final victory. Let us redouble our efforts and make the next offensive against the enemy a most powerful and decisive one.

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## One Battleship & Carrier Damaged East Of Taiwan

Great Excitement Caused  
To Chungking Circle  
By Taiwan Battle

Tokyo, October 17 (Domei)—Our air force yesterday heavily damaged at least one aircraft-carrier and one battleship of an enemy task force which appeared in waters east of Taiwan to reinforce the enemy naval unit, according to an announcement made by Dai Honyei at 4.00 p.m. today.

The announcement reads: "Our air force on October 16 intercepted an enemy task force in waters east of Taiwan which came to reinforce the enemy unit and heavily damaged one aircraft-carrier and one battleship".

Lisbon, October 16 (Domei)—The news of a major battle off Taiwan caused the greatest excitement among Chungking circles. Reuter reported from Chungking today, indicating that considerable anxiety is being felt as to the outcome of the battle.

The dispatch said that today's morning and evening papers gave prominence to Tokyo announcements telling of the heavy losses inflicted on the American task force and Chungking circles are impatiently waiting for the United States to break its silence over the details of the engagement.

## Grim & Lengthy War Looms In Pacific Zone, Adm. Nimitz Warns

Lisbon, October 16 (Domei)—Admiral Chester Nimitz, Commander-in-Chief of the United States Pacific Fleet, today said in a broadcast received at the "New York Herald Tribune" forum at New York that a grim and lengthy struggle still looms in the Pacific theatre of the war and urged the American people to give their united support, according to a New York dispatch.

Nimitz said that "facts of geography, facts of logistics, facts of available shipping tonnage and facts of military and naval science" combine to make the Pacific operations extremely difficult and a "long and rough" road lies ahead.

The American naval commander's statement is considered highly significant as it has come close on the heels of official Nippon announcements that staggering losses have been inflicted on the American task force which attempted to raid Taiwan, and continued American silence over the details of the battles.

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## NETAJI HAILS BIG NIPPON TRIUMPH; DECLARES FINAL VICTORY SHALL BE OURS

Nippon Naval And Air Success Off  
Taiwan Marks Turning Tide Of War

An Undisclosed Base In Burma, Oct. 16 (Domei)—The brilliant Imperial Nippon naval and air victory off Taiwan marks the turning tide of the war in Nippon's favour and is but a prelude to similar news to follow, Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose declared, hailing the latest Nippon triumph. He said the news will not only be welcomed all over the world by those who look upon the Anglo-Americans as enemies, but will help to hasten the date of the opening of the next offensive to be launched against the British in India by the Azad Hind Fauj.

The text of his statement follows:

"There is a saying in English 'Coming events cast their shadows before'. It is with that meaning that I received the news of the brilliant victory scored by the Nippon Navy over the enemy fleet in waters off Taiwan. To my mind this remarkable event indicates the turning of the tide and the precursor of similar news that will follow in days to come. Our enemies are hoping to win the war by sheer weight of steel armour. They are afraid that if the war is prolonged and their losses in manpower mount, the morale of the people will collapse. That is why they have been continually giving hopes to their people that the war will come to an end in the very near future.

"Some time ago they were predicting the termination of the war by the end of 1944. Now that the whole world has realized that such a boastful promise is only an eyewash they put off the conclusion of the war till the Spring of next year. We, however, know that the war is not going to end so soon and this war—like other wars—will



ultimately prove that human spirit will prevail over material force. Final victory shall be ours and ours alone.

"The news issued by Dai Honyei coupled with the news from Europe that German resistance is stiffening from day to day will not only be welcomed all over the world by all those who look upon the Anglo-Americans as their enemies, but will also help to bring nearer the date of the opening of our next offensive".

## Ba Maw Congratulates Premier Gen. Koiso; Says Pearl Harbour Again Staged In Taiwan Battle

Rangoon, October 16 (Domei)—"I have just finished sending off a cable of congratulations to Premier Koiso; I can guess why you are here", exuberantly stated Nainggandaw Adipadi Ba Maw in greeting a Domei correspondent. Brimming with cheerfulness, Ba Maw said that the Burmese Government and people feel the same joy and jubilation which the Government and people of Nippon are just experiencing over the crushing defeat being sustained by American task forces.

He added: "I consider that Nippon has scored a really major victory which will decide many major issues in the Pacific and consequently in the whole of

East Asia". Praising the Imperial navy for its sensational triumph, he said: "Strong as my faith in ultimate victory has been, it has been still further strengthened by the successes scored off Taiwan. The world will now know that the East Asia's armour is strong enough and stout enough to resist all our enemies".

Replying to the query whether the latest enemy debacle might not be compared to Pearl Harbour, Ba Maw strongly declared, "I definitely hold the view that Pearl Harbour has been staged again off Taiwan. America may recover from one Pearl Harbour but it will be difficult to recover from two".

## Koiso Expresses Deep Gratitude To Nippon Nation

Munitions Manufacturers  
Thanked For Smashing  
Taiwan Victory

Tokyo, October 17 (Domei)—Stressing that the perfect co-ordination and accord existing between our army and navy made possible the attainment of our latest overwhelming war results against the enemy task force off Taiwan, Premier General Kuniaki Koiso in a verbal statement yesterday afternoon expressed profound gratitude for the all-out efforts by munitions manufacturers.

During the Cabinet conference yesterday afternoon, both the Army and Navy Ministers made detailed official reports of the war results. Premier General Koiso after the Cabinet session stated that the crushing blow dealt by our combined forces on the powerful enemy task force in the initial battle east of Taiwan augurs well for our future conclusive victory in this decisive stage of the war. The Premier declared that it should be pointed out that the combined efforts of army and navy enabled the achievement of these unprecedented war results.

Extending heartfelt gratitude to munitions manufacturers, Premier Koiso expressed the hope that they will continue their splendid all-out efforts for increased war production.

## Gigantic American Losses In Taiwan And Luzon Battles

The composite war results achieved by the Imperial Nippon forces against the American task forces in waters east of Taiwan and off the Philippines, which have been ascertained so far, are as follows:—

Sunk:  
12 aircraft-carriers.  
3 battleships.  
3 cruisers.  
1 destroyer.  
Heavily damaged:  
6 aircraft-carriers  
2 battleships  
4 cruisers  
11 other warships of unspecified category.  
The total is 42 enemy war vessels either sunk or heavily damaged.  
In addition the enemy suffered the staggering loss of 1,000 carrier-borne aircraft in the course of these battles, while his loss in personnel is most conservatively estimated at 25,500.

## Enemy Pincers Beaten Back in Aachen Sector

Lisbon, Oct. 16 (Domei)—In heavy trench warfare in the second battle of Aachen which has been costly for both sides, German Panzer Grenadiers in a counter-attack yesterday beat back the prongs of the enemy pincers which threatened to join north of Aachen, and reconquered several localities which had been previously lost, the German High Command communique announced, according to a dispatch received here. North of Wuersele numerous American tanks were destroyed, the communique added.

Associated Press dispatches said that for three hours today the Germans gave furious battle with infantry and tanks in a counter-attack at Aachen. A.P. dispatches added that the Canadians are waging a crucial battle for the opening of Antwerp as a supply port before winter gales sweep the English Channel and North Sea.

In the course of a counter-attack in the Schelde mouth the Germans captured one Canadian Brigade Commander, the German High Command said. American Third Army units were forced to withdraw from positions inside Fort Driant on the way to Metz, after wrecking installations, A.P. dispatches said.

In the Balkans, in the southern part of Belgrade, violent street fighting is in progress, according to a German communique. Soviet attacks on the German bridgehead at Nis failed.

In the area south and south-west of Debrecen in Hungary, an embittered struggle continues, the German High Command announced. North of Warsaw and in both of the enemy Naraw bridgeheads near Seroc and Rozan, the Germans stopped large Soviet forces with strong tank and battle-plane units from making a breakthrough. At Memel, Soviet forces, after suffering heavy losses, made only unsuccessful attacks.

Moscow dispatches said that Red Army forces advanced three miles west of the fallen Latvian capital of Riga. On the Arctic front in hard fighting, Soviet attacks against German rearguards were beaten off, the German communique said.

In the Etruscan Apennines in Italy where fighting shifted somewhat to the east, the enemy again made strong but abortive attacks, the German communique said.

## Unveiling Ceremony Of Martyrs' Pictures To-day

In connection with to-day's celebrations of the Azad Hind Anniversary Week, it is hoped that all Indians in Syonan will be present at the unveiling ceremony of the pictures of the Indian Martyrs to be held at the I.I.L., Syonan Branch, this evening at 6 o'clock.

The ceremony will be performed by H.E. Col. J. K. Bhonsle, Chief of Staff.

## Program For Azad Hind Government Anniversary Week

Wednesday 18th October.

10.30 a.m. Hoisting the National Flag at the Indian Independence League Rear Headquarters and Syonan Branch.

Remembrance day of the Glorious Dead in the cause of Indian Freedom.

6.00 p.m. Unveiling ceremony of the photographs of recent Martyrs and presentation of purses to dependents at Waterloo Street League premises.

Thursday 19th October.

11.00 a.m. Addresses to the Indian National Army Officers and League Officials at the Syonan Branch to be delivered by Sri J. A. Thivy and H.E. Col. Loganathan.

6.00 p.m. Visit to the Indian National Army Hospital by civilians.

Friday 20th October.

5.00 p.m. Visit to the Azad Hind Fauj Training Camp, Seletar.

Saturday 21st October.

Anniversary of the formation of the Provisional Government of Azad Hind.

10.30 a.m. Military Parade at Bidadari.

4.30 p.m. Special prayers in all places of worship for the complete independence of India.

6.30 p.m. Mass meeting at the Dai Toa Gekijo followed by the screening of National Films.

Sunday 22nd October.

Anniversary of the opening of the Rani of Jhansi Regiment Camp.

6.00 p.m. Passing-out Parade of Rani of Jhansi Regiment Volunteers.

Monday 23rd October.

11.00 a.m. Visit to the Nippon Military Hospital.

1.00 p.m. Indian National Army At Home to Indian destitutes in the Relief Camp.

6.00 p.m. Indian National Army At Home to the League Officials and other civilians.

Thursday 24th October.

1.00 p.m. Luncheon Party by Vice-President, Indian Independence League, East Asia.

6.00 p.m. Mass Meeting at the Padang opposite I.I.L. Syonan branch.

(Details of program for each day in the anniversary week will be published in the Azad Hind group papers a day earlier.)

## Death Of Ramachandran

Sri P. Ramachandran, brother of Sri P. Renga of the I.I.L., Rear Headquarters, expired yesterday at his residence, No. 8 Klang Lane, Syonan.

The deceased was in his 18th year and the funeral takes place at 4 p.m. today.

## Br. Machinations Seen To Disperse India's Strength

Burma, October 13 (Domei)—British machinations aimed at dispersing Indian strength were commented on by S. A. Ayer, Propaganda Minister of the Provisional Government of Azad Hind, at the regular press conference.

Referring to the British efforts to send out of India prominent Indians on one pretext or another, Ayer pointed to the dispatching of a deputation of Indian scientists to England, packing off prominent Indian industrialists on a tour of British and American industries and an Indian mission to attend the Empire Civil Aviation Conference at Montreal on Oct. 23 and the International Aviation Conference at Chicago on Nov. 1, and emphasized the diabolical British motive in getting Indians out of India at this stage behind news.

He said that at present the British do not know what Gandhi is going to do next but they do know that if Gandhi were to launch a vigorous anti-British movement, funds must come from such men as those included in the industrialist tour party, such as J. R. D. Ta'a, one of the directors of the House of Tata and Indian nationalist C. D. Birla, Gandhi's right hand man, as far as finances are concerned, and N.R. Sarkar, former Congress member of the Viceroy's Executive Council, Bengal businessman and nationalist. He added that with Gandhi's friends in jail and moneyed supporters out of India, the British want to make Gandhi feel politically, financially and morally weak and make him hink before launching any anti-British movement.

## ENGAGEMENT

The engagement is announced of Sri A. Thangavelu of Kuala Trengganu, son of Sri Aiyasamy Pillai, to Sowbagiavathi Letchmie-Subatrai, daughter of Sri M. Sabapathy, Financial Assistant, Public Works Department, Trengganu, and the marriage will take place on Friday the 4th day of Aippasi, Hindu Year Tharana (20th October, 2604) at the residence of the bride at Kuala Trengganu.

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## Taiwan Victory Held Prelude To Bigger Actions

Tokyo, October 16 (Domei)—Sadao Iguchi, Spokesman of the Board of Information, commenting on the brilliant results scored by our forces off Taiwan as officially announced in Imperial Headquarters announcements, declared that these victories mean "only the prelude to bigger actions in the future." We know that we have only begun to roll back the tide and we are confident that we will prepare the way for decisive operations and decisive victories which will lead us to final victory in the war," Mr. Iguchi said.

He said that as revealed by Imperial Headquarters announcements of the last several days, our forces have been scoring smashing victories over the enemy in waters east of Taiwan and have sent his battered remnants fleeing in ignominious defeat. Great though these successes are, further victories are still to be announced, Mr. Iguchi asserted.

## WANTED

A large number of able bodied Indian Volunteers are required urgently for Azad Hind Fauj. They will be sent immediately to the camps. Call at Syonan Branch for enrolment.

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## AZAD HIND GOVT. ANNIVERSARY WEEK

DETAILED PROGRAM FOR  
TOMORROW, THURSDAY

11.00 a.m. Addresses to the Indian National Army Officers and League Officials at the Syonan Branch to be delivered by Sri J. A. Thivy and H.E. Col. Loganathan.

5.30 p.m. Assembling of Ladies and Gentlemen at the Waterloo Street League Premises for paying a visit to Indian National Army Hospital at Bidadari Camp.

NOTE: Transport facilities to and fro from the Waterloo Street League Premises to the Bidadari Camp are being kindly provided by the Military Authorities.

6.15 p.m. Commencement of an interesting variety entertainment after the serving of refreshments. (Arranged by I.N.A.)