

TODAY and
TOMORROW

War Prospects

IN the course of the last three weeks, the Americans have lost in the Pacific nearly 200 ships, including at least 50 aircraft carriers. After a long silence over the results of the Taiwan and Philippine naval battles, Admiral Nimitz in his latest communique admits the loss of several ships of both the 3rd and 7th Pacific fleets, but does not give the number or names of the ships. "Such information would be of value to the enemy," says Nimitz. But in fact, Nimitz fears more the effect on the American people.

The American losses are steadily mounting every day. For example, on November 1st alone, in one day, the Nippon air force, launching attacks against enemy warcraft in Leyte Gulf sank one battleship or cruiser and three cruisers, and heavily damaged three other battleships. To cover up these losses and to bolster the sinking morale of the American people, the United States authorities are now giving great publicity to their production achievements and programmes. But, the American people have long since ceased to believe in the fantastic figures cooked up by the War Production Board.

In China, Nippon's numerous offensives against Chungking and American forces are progressing with great speed and swift success. With the imminent fall of Kweilin, American and Chungking fighting strength in China is on the verge of a total breakdown. Sydney Rogers, the San Francisco commentator, speaking of the great gains of the Nippon forces in China, says, "We must face the facts realistically," and points out that Anglo-American losses in Chungking will have disastrous consequences on the general war situation.

Not only in Chungking, but in East Asia and India as well, the Anglo-Americans are facing a very serious situation. The Indian National Army and the Nippon forces in the various fighting sectors of Burma and the Indo-Burma frontier are dealing powerful blows to the enemy. That the war in the Indo-Burma theatre will soon reach a decisive stage is indicated by Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose's present consultations with the Nippon Premier, General Kuniaki Koiso, and other members of the Nippon Cabinet. These conferences will greatly strengthen the co-operation between the Provisional Government of Azad Hind and the Nippon Nation—between the Imperial Nippon forces and the Indian National Army—and hasten the achievement of their common objective—complete victory over the Anglo-Americans.

In the Pacific and in China, the decisive defeat of the Anglo-Americans has begun. In Burma and India, it will soon begin. The three great forces of India's liberation—the Azad Hind Fauj, the Nippon forces, and the Revolution within India—will ensure the complete victory of India and all Asia.

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INDIA FOOD SITUATION WORSENING

Srivastava's Platitudes In Central Legislature On Food Dept.'s Work

The food situation in India which has become very acute was discussed by the Central Legislative Assembly yesterday. Sir J. P. Srivastava, the so-called Food Member of the Government of India, initiating the food debate, announced the total amount of food grains received from oversea. But he failed to mention how much of this amount was made available for the famine-stricken masses.

He indirectly admitted that his British masters have no intention of relieving the grave situation in the near future. The Food Member also revealed that one of the main reasons for the appalling famine conditions in the Province of Bengal was the purchase by the Government of all food grains in the Province under the Army Food Procurement Policy. He said that, under this policy, the Bengal Government has built up large stocks of food—apparently for the use of the Anglo-American armies stationed in the Province.

Sir Srivastava also spoke of the achievements of the Food Department of the Government during the past, but all this failed to create any impression whatsoever on the majority of the members in the Assembly, who know very well that the British Government has done nothing except to intensify the famine throughout the country.

Enemy Air Activity Sharply Declining

Manila, Nov. 2 (Domei)—Following up the previous day's raids on the enemy airfields on Leyte Island, our air units at dawn yesterday again heavily hit these enemy airfields.

Sharply reflecting the heavy losses suffered by enemy aircraft-carriers in the series of air and sea battles off Taiwan and the Philippines, the activity of enemy carrier-borne aircraft in the Philippines war theatre is markedly declining.

MASS RALLY

In Celebration of Greater East Asia Joint Declaration Anniversary on Monday, 6th Nov., 2604.

All Indians are requested to hoist the Hinomaru and the National Flag and attend the Mass Rally at the Indian Independence League, Syonan Branch, Waterloo Street, at 6 p.m.

Enemy's Saipan, Tinian Airbases Heavily Pounded

Military Targets And Installations Set On Fire & Destroyed

Tokyo, Nov. 3 (Domei)—In daring pre-dawn raids today against Saipan and Tinian Islands, of the Mariana Group, the Nippon Air Force heavily pounded the enemy airfields there, causing huge fires to spread over the airfields, Dai Honyei announced in a communique released at 3.30 p.m. today.

The communique reads: "Our air units before dawn on Nov. 3 surprise-raided the enemy airfields on Saipan and Tinian islands, blasting or setting ablaze ten places and causing fires to spread over the entire areas of these airfields."

West African Troops Completely Routed In Maungdaw Theatre

A Nippon Base in Burma, Nov. 2 (Domei)—In a two-day battle launched on Oct. 22 Nippon forces heavily assaulted the 81st Division of the West African Army in the mountainous region of Maungdaw, between the Kaladan and Pee Rivers, a frontline despatch revealed. Following a fierce exchange of blows, the enemy fled toward the Indo-Burma border leaving 200 dead abandoned on the battlefield, while our forces captured a large number of trenchmortars, automatic rifles and ammunition.

The same despatch said the 81st Division, apparently attempting to cut off the Nippon rear, on Oct. 16 crossed the border into Burmese territory from the Kaladan sector.

AMERICA SUFFERS GREATEST NAVAL DEFEAT IN HISTORY

Manila, November 1 (Domei)—Walter Kuehne, press representative of the German community in the Philippines, interviewed this morning declared that the United States has suffered what probably is the greatest naval defeat in all history in the recent battles off Taiwan and the Philippines. He added: "Germans in the Philippines were thrilled by the marvellous exploits of Nippon in the battles in the Pacific now raging. They were equally thrilled by the all-out co-operation being extended to Nippon by the brave fighting Republic of the Philippines in driving out the American invaders from Philippine shores.

2 MORE FOE CARRIERS & 3 DESTROYERS SUNK IN LEYTE GULF & SURIGAO STRAITS

Enemy Forces On Leyte Placed In Critical Plight

Manila, Nov. 2 (Domei)—With the conveying of supply vessels rendered difficult because of lack of aircraft protection, the enemy landing forces on Leyte Island are undoubtedly suffering from paucity of war materials and food supplies. The enemy's lack of war supplies is clearly shown in the fact that the advance of the landed enemy forces was drastically cut down in the past several days as they had to make frequent stops to wait for replenishments. The disappearance of enemy carrier-based aircraft from the Philippines area may be traced to the fact that the few carriers which managed to survive the assaults of our air forces have run out of fuel and munitions and withdrawn from the Philippines sector.

Panicky over his operational fiasco which resulted in the loss of so many carriers, the enemy is frantically trying to gain control of the air over Leyte by establishing airbases on the island and mobilizing the land-based planes at his airbases on other islands. However, all the airfields gained by the enemy so far on Leyte have been heavily damaged by successive Nippon air attacks and are in a useless condition. In addition, the daring assaults by our land forces are hampering enemy attempts at repairing and expanding the airfields on Piliilan and Morotal Islands which constitute important springboards for the enemy's Philippine campaign.

Enemy's Tacloban And Dulag Bases Heavily Raided & Blasted

Tokyo, Nov. 3 (Domei)—A total of ten enemy warships and transports were sunk or damaged as a result of daring aerial assaults carried out by the "Kamikaze" Special Attack Corps and other Nippon air units against the enemy naval forces in Leyte Gulf and Surigao Straits on Nov. 1, Dai Honyei announced at 4.00 p.m. The announcement reads: "Firstly, the 'Kamikaze' Special Attack Corps on November 1 attacked the enemy vessels as well as escorting units in Leyte Gulf and sank one cruiser and damaged one battleship, one battleship or cruiser, one cruiser and one destroyer.

"Secondly, our air units from the night of Nov. 1 to dawn of Nov. 2 attacked the enemy vessels in Leyte Gulf and Surigao Straits and sank one transport, one cruiser and three destroyers."

A Nippon Base in the Philippines, Nov. 3 (Domei)—Our army air units on the night of Nov. 1 subjected the enemy airfields at Tacloban and Dulag to a series of devastating raids and blasted the runways and ground facilities.

Meanwhile, a separate air unit shot down nine and heavily damaged another out of a formation of about 20 P-38 fighters in a fierce aerial combat which developed over the western section of Leyte Island on the same day.

Imperial Nippon Forces Take Pinglo

(By a War Correspondent) With the Nippon Forces on the Kwangsi Front, November 3 (Domei)—Pinglo, key enemy position south of Kweilin, fell into Nippon hands on Wednesday night. The occupation of Pinglo which is known as the main stronghold of Chungking's 37th Army, was effected at 11.00 p.m. that night following repeated night assaults carried out by our attack units. Nippon troops encountered stiff opposition by the enemy who, however, was finally overcome.

This Nippon unit now credited with the reduction of Pinglo, had been continuing its westward drive toward Kweilin following the occupation of Fuchuan, south-east of Kweilin, early this week. Our unit reaching the vicinity of Pinglo by the evening of November 1, immediately started assaulting the defenders and completely occupied Pinglo by 11.00 o'clock.

Syonan Celebrates Great Meiji Setsu

A mammoth two-day sports program highlighted Syonan's third celebration of Meiji-setsu which was observed here yesterday with due ceremony throughout the city. The sports program which commenced yesterday is continued today and will be participated in by adults as well as thousands of children from Syonan's public schools.

With business-houses and private residences beflagged, the city's celebrations yesterday centered round the three mass rallies held in different parts of Syonan yesterday afternoon. At all these meetings, resolutions were passed by the various community leaders here who took the occasion of Meiji-setsu to renew the determination of all inhabitants to exert even greater efforts in future for the attainment of Nippon's victory in this war.

Four thousand members of the Special Municipality were seen in full holiday mood when they participated in an all-morning physical meet and sports gymkhana at the Jalan Besar Stadium. A first-class soccer match which did not lack its full quota of thrills was played off in the evening at the Padang between the Syonan Sports Association "Special Forward Service Corps" and a picked side comprising members of the Auxiliary Police Association, resulting in a win to the S.S.A. by 7 goals to nil. The Mayor's Cup was presented to the winning team by Mr. M. Shinozaki.

The island's Meiji-setsu program which, this year, eclipsed the two previous local celebrations of this great national holiday, is continued this evening with the All-Syonan Athletic Meet sponsored by the S.S.A. at the Jalan Besar Stadium. Just before the meet the Syonan Sports Association "Special Forward Service Corps" will hold a parade. Syonan's children too in their thousands come in for public attention today when they are scheduled to hold a three-day mass callisthenics display commencing today at various school centres.

The celebrations will wind up with a women's rally to be held at the Kyo-ei Gekijo this evening under the joint sponsorship of the women's section of the Syonan Oversea-Chinese Association and the Syonan Nippo. Mrs. Lim Boon-keng, chairman of the women's section, and Mr. Mamoru Shinozaki, Kosei-ka Cho, will address this rally.

Reich Ambassador Calls On Shigemitsu

Tokyo, November 3 (Domei)—German Ambassador Dr. H. Stahmer called on Foreign Minister Mamoru Shigemitsu at the latter's official residence today at 2.30 p.m. The German envoy took his leave at 3.30 p.m. after conferring on important matters.

Nippon Garrison Brings Down 6 Ambon Raiders

A Nippon base in the South-western Pacific, Nov. 3 (Domei)—Our units at Ambon, Amboina Island, brought down six out of a total about 50 enemy medium-size planes which raided our positions on Nov. 1.

U.S. FABRICATION OF BIG NAVAL VICTORY IS EXPOSED

(By a War Correspondent)
A Nippon Base in the Philippines, Nov. 3 (Domei)—The United States has been vociferously publicizing not only to its public but also to the whole world a seemingly true claim that the American navy has scored "a great victory" over the Nippon navy in the sea battle off the Philippines. If this claim by the Americans of having dealt a crushing blow to the Nippon fleet, with the loss of only one small aircraft-carrier—the Princeton—, two escort carriers, and two destroyers to the American side, is really true, the "victory" claimed by the United States would indeed be the greatest victory in the annals of the American navy. However, the falsity of such a preposterous claim may easily be discerned from the following irrefutable facts.

First, as at October 31 the American aircraft-carrier force in Philippine waters consists of one aircraft-carrier in Leyte Gulf, one standard carrier, and one converted carrier in waters east of Lamon Bay, and one standard carrier and one converted carrier in waters east of Suluan Island.

In addition there is a small task force in waters 300 nautical miles east of Luzon Island. In short, there are only six or seven enemy aircraft-carriers in Philippine waters at present.

Secondly, raids by carrier-based enemy planes are steadily decreasing as may be clearly seen from the following statistics of the number which appeared over the Philippines during the past six days: 243 on October 26; 283 on October 27; ten on October 28; 306 on October 29; and none on October 30 and 31.

One can well understand why no carrier-based enemy aircraft appeared on October 30 and 31 from the fact that on October 29 and 30 the Nippon "Kamikaze" special attack unit sank one large enemy aircraft-carrier, damaged and set on fire another large aircraft-carrier, and damaged one medium aircraft-carrier and one small carrier.

No doubt both the Americans and Nippon-jin are fully conscious of the fact that a battle that will decide the destiny of the Pacific is now being fought on Leyte Island.

Why is it that American carrier-based planes fail to appear in this decisive battleground? Is it because American land-based planes have already gained sufficient strength for protecting their ground forces in the Philippines? Let us analyze the strength of the enemy land-based air force from the number of planes which appeared over the Philippines during the past six days: 88 on Oct. 26; 55 on Oct. 27; 57 on Oct. 28; 15 on Oct. 29; 65 on Oct. 30; and 57 on Oct. 30 and 31. Reconnaissance by our air force revealed that on Nov. 1 not a single enemy plane could be sighted in either Tacloban or Dulag airfields on Leyte Island.

These facts clearly indicate that the enemy aircraft-carrier force has sustained a crushing blow at the hands of Nippon air and surface units, and that what small carrier force still remains to the enemy has reached the extreme point of attrition.

American naval authorities on many occasions proudly boasted that the United States navy in the Pacific possessed 100 aircraft-carriers. Did not the enemy constantly employ 20 to 30 aircraft-carriers in covering American landing operations against the Gilbert, Marshall, and Mariana groups? Why is it that the enemy did not employ at least 20 to 30 aircraft-carriers to cover landing operations against Leyte Island where a decisive battle between the two land forces is now raging?

The admission of the loss of only one small aircraft-carrier and two escort aircraft-carriers does not at all explain the present inactivity of American carrier-based planes. This can be explained only by the fact that figures of losses announced by the American side are baseless fabrications. There must be only few Americans who believe in the so-called "victory" claimed by the American naval authorities.

Canadian Minister Compelled To Resign

Zurich, November 2 (Domei)—Colonel J. L. Ralston, Canadian Minister of National Defence, has been compelled to resign as the result of a controversy regarding the employment of Canadian troops overseas, according to an Ottawa dispatch received here.

It is understood that General Andrew George McNaughton, former Commander of Canadian troops overseas, has been appointed as Ralston's successor.

487,692 American Casualties To Date

Lisbon, Nov. 2 (Domei)—The United States armed forces since the outbreak of the war till the last day of October, have suffered 487,692 casualties, the United States Office of War Information announced today, according to a Washington dispatch.

Enemy Landing Point Near Tacloban Bombed

A Nippon base in the Philippines, November 2 (Domei)—Our air force continued devastating assaults against the enemy's landing point near Tacloban and the airfield early on the morning of Oct. 31 blasting runways and other military installations. Our raiders were however disappointed at the complete absence of enemy aircraft, which attests to the depleted strength of the enemy air force due to successive losses suffered at the hands of our air force and surface craft in the series of fierce battles off the Philippines and Leyte Gulf.

69 Enemy Raiders Downed In Germany

Lisbon, Nov. 2 (Domei)—The United States Air Force lost 69 aircraft, including 41 bombers and 28 fighters, in the course of operations over Germany today, according to a London dispatch.

Enemy Supply Line To Leyte Endangered

Rabaul, November 3 (Domei)—An indication that the supply line to enemy forces on Leyte Island is in danger of petering out, was given in reports brought back by our land-based scout planes which have been making extensive reconnaissance flights over Admiralty Island, vital supply base for the enemy's Philippine operations.

According to reports by these scout planes, enemy war vessels in Lorengau Port, Admiralty Island, have been reduced to only four battleships, ten destroyers, and about 20 transports—a small force in view of the strategic importance of Lorengau as an intermediary base in the south-west Pacific. Our scout planes which flew over this port at 3.00 p.m. on November 1 further reported that one of the enemy battleships was observed listing heavily with its stern deck submerged in water.

Meanwhile, only about 70 medium planes were counted in the enemy airfield on Petel Island of the same group, indicating the enemy is finding difficulty in obtaining land-based aircraft to reinforce his carrier-borne air force in the Philippines sector which has been badly battered by our airmen.

Gen. Joseph Stilwell Back In Washington

Lisbon, November 3 (Domei)—General Joseph Stilwell, former Commander-in-Chief of the American Land Forces in the India-Burma-China theatre and concurrently Chief of Staff to Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, arrived in Washington tonight from Chungking following his recall by the United States Government.

Indian Mass Meeting On Monday, 6th Nov.

A mass rally of Indians will be held at the Syonan Branch of the Indian Independence League at Waterloo Street on Monday next at 6 p.m. to commemorate the Greater East Asia Joint Declaration anniversary. All Indians are requested to hoist the Hinomaru and the Indian National Flag in celebration of the event and attend the rally.

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