

TODAY and
TOMORROW

The Coming Offensive

IN his latest public statements, Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose has stressed the fact that the main objective of the Azad Hind Fauj is an offensive campaign into India. This offensive is a vital factor in India's liberation and that is why, while Indians in East Asia are completing their preparations, Indians at home are waiting eagerly and organising their forces to give timely help and support to the Azad Hind Fauj.

Day by day, the situation both in Europe and in the Pacific is becoming increasingly desperate for the British. Latest reports reveal that the German army has beaten the Anglo-Americans back into Belgium and Luxembourg at several points. The troubles in Greece, Belgium and other occupied territories as well as the differences between Britain and Russia over Poland and over the problem of post-war territorial adjustments in Europe—all these are rapidly weakening British power.

Britain's position is truly desperate. In this situation, the British forces in India cannot withstand a major offensive from East Asia. With their ships seized by the Americans to be sunk in the Pacific, the British will not be able to bring reinforcements into India. As Netaji Subhas Bose has said, the British forces in India can put up a satisfactory defence against the Azad Hind Fauj and their allies only along the Indo-Burma frontier with its continuous chain of hills and jungles. But once the forces of India's liberation cross the frontier and enter the plains of Bengal and Assam, then it would be extremely difficult for the British to put up any real defence. The British will have to repeat their past record in Malaya and in Burma—they will have to beat a continuous retreat.

With the beginning of the British retreat, that is to say, with the beginning of the Azad Hind Fauj's entry into Bengal and Assam, will begin the actual liberation of India. The speed and conclusive success of the campaign will depend very largely upon the Indian people, upon the revolution within India. But according to Netaji, the major offensive against the British and the beginning of the British rout from Bengal and Assam can and will soon be accomplished facts. To the Provisional Government of Azad Hind, and Burma and Nippon, the destruction of British power in India is equally important. To Nippon, it is the logical conclusion of the Greater East Asia War and her affirmed policy towards India; to Burma it is the last measure to consolidate her independence; and to the Indian people, the coming offensive from East Asia means freedom and independence.

The joint might of Nippon and Burma and Indians in East Asia will soon be hurled against the British forces in India. That is Netaji's message, a message of confidence and strength, to the Indian people.

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Vile Br. Plans To Perpetuate India's Economic Plight

Post-War Reconstruction Schemes For Bolstering Waning British Glory

In order to hide their rapidly waning influence in India and to give an impression that they will be in power in India even after the present war, the British authorities in India are preparing a large number of pompous plans for the post-war reconstruction of India.

According to a New Delhi report yesterday, Sir Ardeshir Dalal, the so-called Member for Planning and Development in the British Viceroy's Executive Council, explained the various post-war plans at a press conference held in Calcutta yesterday.

Sir Ardeshir Dalal spoke of an industrial plan, an agricultural plan, a plan for education, a plan for roads, a plan for irrigation, a plan for fisheries—indeed as many plans as there are matters to be planned and developed. But the Planning and Development Member frankly admitted that none of these plans are workable or practicable unless they can be tackled by a popular national government.

Continuing, Sir Ardeshir Dalal revealed the true motive of the British authorities which is the intensification of the exploitation of India's wealth and resources for the exclusive benefit of the British people. He said the control of all essential industries will be vested in the hands of British financiers and businessmen. According to well-informed observers, however, the plans only perpetuate India's economic subjection to the British Imperialists, and will not in any way promote the interests and welfare of India and the Indian people.

INDIAN STUDENTS IN TOKYO WELL AND SOUND; NETAJI BOSE WRITES TO PARENTS

Special Arrangements Made Here For Transmission Of Letters To Tokyo

Stating that the Indian cadets who are at present receiving training in Tokyo are doing well and in good spirits, Netaji Bose, in a circular letter addressed to the parents or guardians of each cadet, conveying his good wishes, says:

"The cadets as a whole have made good progress in their work and have created a good impression on the authorities there. Their preliminary training will be coming to an end soon and they will thereupon enter the Military Academy.

"The cadets expressed a desire to receive letters from home more frequently. They said that they had been writing frequently, but that they did not receive letters from home as frequently as they would like to. Arrangements are being made (says Netaji) at the I.I.L. Rear Headquarters, Syonan, to despatch letters to Tokyo more frequently in future."

Netaji expresses the hope that the parents or guardians will write to their sons at least once a month and forward the letters to the I.I.L. Rear Headquarters, Syonan, for transmission to Tokyo.

The expenses of the training of these cadets are being borne by the Indian Independence League, it is added.

Netaji Spends Busy Day; Addresses I.I.L. Headquarters Workers

Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose, Head of the Provisional Government of Azad Hind and Supreme Commander of the Azad Hind Fauj, spent a busy time yesterday.

In the morning he met prominent members of the local Indian community and high-ranking officials of the Azad Hind Fauj with whom he discussed important matters.

In the evening Netaji paid a visit to the Rear Headquarters and addressed the staff and other workers and gave them useful advice and instructions regarding their work.

Nippon Determined To Win War; Tribute Paid To Nation's High Morale

Syonan, Dec. 18 (Domei)—A tribute to the Nippon people who are "grimly determined to do their utmost to achieve final victory" was paid by Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose in an interview with the Syonan press yesterday, speaking of his impressions on his recent visit to Tokyo.

Netaji declared that two factors impressed him most during his stay in Nippon on this occasion. They were, firstly, the grim determination of the entire nation—including even young school boys and girls—to do its utmost for the attainment of victory, and secondly, the total mobilization

Nippon Air Units Pound Foe Task Force In Sulu Sea

Fierce Battle Raging In Leyte Sector Between Nippon & Foe Forces

(By a War Correspondent)
A Nippon Base in the Philippines, Dec. 17 (Domei)—Nippon air units are now relentlessly pounding a powerful group of enemy warcraft which yesterday made its appearance in the Sulu Sea. It is presumed that the enemy is attempting to effect new landing operations with Mindoro Island as his foothold, where fierce fighting is now raging between Nippon troops and the enemy.

Meanwhile, on Leyte Island, our ground units, in close cooperation with the "Takachiho" paratroop units which carried out new operations, are engaged in a fierce battle with the enemy forces which since December 14 began to infiltrate from northern Ormoc into the eastern mountainous region. In the vicinity of Albuera, our ground units are checkmating the southward advance of the enemy 77th Division as well as the northward drive of the enemy Seventh Division in the sector between Damufaan and Caridad. Thus, our forces are successfully frustrating the enemy attempt to establish liaison between the two divisions.

In northern Leyte Island our forces, strongly entrenched in the mountainous region of southern Managamas and Capocan, are completely frustrating the enemy attempt to push southward.

of manpower for war production. Paying special tribute to the morale of the people, Netaji emphatically stressed that the recent air-raids on Nippon far from demoralising the nation had instead the opposite effect. So far as public morale was concerned, Netaji said that the raids had served to further bolster the determination of the Nippon people to crush the enemy at all costs.

War Against Nippon May Continue Another Ten Years, Senator Warns

Lisbon, Dec. 17 (Domei)—American Senator Warren Magnasson, in a statement on Dec. 11, strongly emphasized the difficulties in carrying the war to Nippon, asserting that it is impossible to realize an all-out offensive against Nippon unless the anti-Axis forces secure a port on the China coast, according to a Washington dispatch.

Although military authorities with whom he has talked unanimously believe that the war will have to be extended to Nipponese and Chinese soil, the Senator declared that it would

take a tremendous amount of material decisively to crush the Nipponese force in China.

It is impossible to meet this huge demand for war material simply by the Ledo or Burma routes or air transportation, he maintained, stressing he believed that the possession of a port on the China coast was essential for such an operation.

Unless there is improvement in the present transportation difficulties, it must be considered that the war against Nippon will continue another 10 years, the Senator said.

Chungking Forces Encircled In Namhkam Sector In Bitter Fight

A Nippon Base in Northern Burma, December 18 (Domei)—The Nippon forces, which had been dealing annihilative blows on the enemy forces in the Namhkam sector, on the night of December 13 intercepted and encircled the main strength of the Chungking army concentrated along the Namhkam-Bhamo road.

Before dawn on December 15 our units launched an all-out offensive against the enemy, causing utter confusion in the enemy camp as well as placing

the enemy in a difficult position. Heavy casualties were inflicted on the enemy troops.

A Nippon Base in Southern Burma, December 18 (Domei)—The enemy's inferior skill, which time and again demonstrated throughout the Burma war theatre, was again shown on December 17 when an enemy pilot of his death when attempting to machinegun some bullock near Martaban by the cowardly means of a low-level attack.

India-Chungking Route Unsafe And Difficult

Lisbon, Dec. 15 (Domei)—That an overland trip from India to Chungking via Sinkiang is fraught with immense difficulties has been vouched by Mr. K. P. S. Menon, Agent-General for India in Chungking, who has just returned to the Chiang Kai-shek capital from India, according to a Chungking dispatch.

Whereas his first trip to Chungking by plane took 11 hours, Mr. Menon is reported to have revealed that his second journey, in which he covered the major part by land, required 118 days.

During this period, Mr. Menon covered 1,120 kilometres on horse-back, 3,200 kilometres by car and 4,000 kilometres by plane.

Safe Conduct For Nippon Relief Ships Guaranteed

Tokyo, Dec. 18 (Domei)—Sadao Iguchi, Spokesman of the Board of Information, this morning informed foreign press correspondents that a guarantee of safe conduct by the American Government for Nippon ships transporting relief supplies to United States prisoners-of-war and internees in China and the Philippines has been received by the Nippon Government through the Swiss Legation.

Spokesman Iguchi declared that the Government, upon receipt of this guarantee, is now making the necessary preparations for the early distribution of relief supplies to the respective places. It may be recalled that the Hakusan Maru was dispatched by the Nippon Government to a port located near Vladivostok to pick up 2,000 tons of relief supplies which were accumulated there and made port at Kobe in the middle part of last month.

Enemy's More Futile Raids On Nippon Proper

Tokyo, Dec. 18 (Domei)—Some 70 Mariana-based B-29 bombers raided the vicinity of Nagoya this afternoon, causing only negligible damage, while a few other B-29's invaded the Kinki district without making any bombing attacks, Dai Honyei announced in a communique released this afternoon.

The communique reads: "Firstly, approximately 70 B-29's from the Marianas raided the vicinity of Nagoya on the afternoon of December 18. Damage caused was negligible. Simultaneously a few enemy bombers separately invaded the Kinki district. However, they attacked without bombing. Secondly, war results achieved are now under investigation".

Azad Hind Fauj Troops Entertained

cordial relationship between the Indian civilian population and their freedom fighters is evidenced from the fact that the Azad Hind Fauj who participated in the Grand Mass Rally on Sunday, 17th instant, were invited to tea at the Syonan Hotel. The expenses in connection with the trip, being met by public subscription.

Britain Succumbs To United States Dollar Despotism

Rangoon, Dec. 18 (Domei)—The failure of Britain and the betrayal of the repeated assurance that she will play a major role in the war against Nippon has forced Britain to make further concession to the mighty American dollar, authoritative sources here revealed. As the American sphere of influence politically, militarily, and economically expands in India, the British show signs of being reluctant to co-operate with their so-called ally.

Although the American State Department clearly clarified her intention in India to the British Government, Britain is suspiciously watching every American move to dominate India. These sources revealed that American technique and dollar influence have already penetrated deep into the heart of the Indian industrial set-up.

War factories operating in central, eastern and western India which were once financed by British rupees are at present financed by the American dollar. Ninety per cent. of India's war strength today depends upon the Anglo-American air force, of which the ratio of the two forces regarding group air base is six to one on the side of America. While the ratio in aircraft factories is ten to four, the air corps training centre is five to ten, thus indicating American predominance in India which she undoubtedly expects to retain after the war.

Meanwhile, the control of war equipment manufacturing factories is almost the same. Although Britain holds naval power by a wide margin of seven to one, America's air strength in India is far greater than that of Britain. These sources

Grim Fighting In All Sectors Of Western Front

Lisbon, Dec. 17 (Domei)—Grim fighting is going on for every inch of ground in all sectors of the Western Front, according to dispatches received here. Strong German resistance in the Aachen area forced the Americans yesterday to slacken their offensive against German positions on the Roer front, west and south of Duren, the German High Command announced.

Heavy fighting continued to rage on the Saar front where in some sectors formations of the Third and Seventh United States Army gained some ground and occupied several villages but suffered extremely high losses. Reinforced Americans trying to break through in northern Alsace were driven back by swift German counter-attacks. The Germans here are increasingly taking advantage of their own western fortifications instead of the old Maginot Line.

The vigour of the fighting in the Budapest area slackened, according to frontline dispatches to Berlin. East of the Danube Soviet attacks on Budapest failed to get through a vast system of obstacles. Artillery fire on Budapest was also reduced in the past 24 hours, dispatches to Berlin said.

In Italy, anti-Axis troops captured Faenza, on the highway from Milan to the Adriatic, according to Rome dispatches. American bombers in a terror raid yesterday dropped incendiaries on residential areas in Innsbruck and Stuttgart, the German communique said.

added that all indications point out the fact that the United States aims to control India now and in future.

Fierce Fighting Rages In North Burma Sector

(By A War Correspondent)
A Nippon Base in Northern Burma, Dec. 16 (Domei)—Nippon forces in the fierce fighting which has been going on since December 9 in the vicinity of Namyu, 28 kilometres north-west of Namkham, with Chungking's newly-organized 30th Division, during the five-day period ending December 13 inflicted more than 1,500 casualties on the enemy, including 500 enemy dead abandoned on the battlefield.

In addition, they captured large quantities of war supplies, including guns and ammunition. Meanwhile, another force striking northward along the Bhamo-Momei road on December 10 in the vicinity of Siu, 50 kilometres south-west of Bhamo, intercepted part of the enemy's newly-organized 22nd Division of the Chungking Army. In the fierce fighting which followed, our troops inflicted 500 casualties, including 125 dead left behind. Furthermore, they are continuing their slashing attacks against the enemy.

In the Alethangyaw sector, our forces in close co-operation with our air force and light surface units, on December 10 carried out surprise attacks against enemy positions and definitely accounted for 98 enemy dead. On the afternoon of December

Franco-Soviet Treaty Conditions Revealed

Madrid, Dec. 17 (Domei)—The Provisional Government of France and the Soviet Union tonight jointly disclosed the terms of the latest Franco-Soviet treaty of alliance and mutual assistance which was concluded recently during General Charles de Gaulle's visit to Moscow, according to a Paris dispatch received here.

At the same time, the French Cabinet was revealed to have passed a vote of confidence in General de Gaulle when he reported on the latest pact following his return from Moscow.

The terms of the Franco-Soviet accord are as follows: firstly, neither of the countries shall negotiate a separate peace with Germany; secondly, both of the countries shall take utmost steps in the post-war period in order to prevent German aggression; thirdly, mutual economic assistance shall be undertaken by both countries after the war; fourthly, the latest accord shall have no relation with other treaties concluded in the past, and, fifthly, the present treaty shall be valid for 20 years.

11, our forces repelled an enemy force of 600 troops equipped with six big guns when they attempted to counter-attack our positions.

Model Light Control Demonstrations Here

Model lighting control will be enforced in the seven Police Divisions in Syonan and the Syotyos are requested by the Keimu Butyo to make full preparations in order that nothing will be overlooked during its enforcement.

The control will be enforced in Police Division A tomorrow; in Police Division B on Dec. 21; in Police Division C on Dec. 22; in Police Division D on Dec. 23; in Police Division E on Dec. 24; in Police Division F on Dec. 25 and in Police Division G on Dec. 26. The time of enforcement is from 9 p.m. to 10 p.m.

The control demonstration in the various Police Divisions will be held at the Police Stations in the respective Divisions and other suitable places nearby.

The public in the particular Divisions are requested by the Keimu Butyo to be present at the spot between 9 p.m. and 10 p.m. so that they could get a clear idea of the demonstrations.

In regard to the Model Control of Moving Light a suitable place near the Police Station will be selected for demonstration of the actual condition of degree of lighting for B lighting Control, A Lighting Control, and Air Raid Lighting Control.

Interior Lighting Model Control will be carried out in the station itself or its surrounding buildings. B Lighting Control, A Lighting Control will be carried out separately and also the following unsatisfactory conditions will be demonstrated in regard to (a) Naked Lights, (b) Decorative Covers for electric stands, (c) Covers made of cloth which could be seen through the origin of light, (d) Incomplete fixtures where the lamp shade over the electric bulb is directly attached or imperfect fixtures which allow the light to escape from above, (e) Excessive candle power in comparison with the size of the room.

Another Record Rise In Savings Deposits

An official notification from the Malai Gunseikanbu Yusei Kyoku announces that, since the passing of the \$10,000,000 mark on 28th September, 2604, the deposits in the Dai Nippon Government Post Office Savings Bank of Malai increased to the remarkable figure of \$13,700,000 at the end of November, 2604. The results of the operations in that month being: (a) Amount of new deposits \$2,493,689; (b) Amount of withdrawals \$893,032; (c) Net increase \$1,600,657; and (d) Net total of deposits \$13,669,650.

The increase in the number of depositors was 25,581, and the total number of depositors rose to 375,943; this total represented more than double the number of Savings Bank depositors under the former regime.

Malacca Sends Youths For Balak Sena Training

Malacca, Dec. 17 (Domei)—Ten Indian youths left for Syonan yesterday for Balak Sena Leaders' training. They are: Thomas Joseph; C. Ramanujam and S. S. Mani from Malacca. A. Sankar, S. Sockalingam and S. Krishnan from Jasin. R. Vadivelu, Gopal, Vasudevan and Rajaretnam from Alor Gajah.

Further Contributions From Syonan Indians To The I.L.L.

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Hardwar Chowbay	5.00
Kesavial & Co.	25.00
N. R. Mistry	1500.00
Khushi Mohamed	250.00
Kanta Rai	15.00
Maruthamuthu	250.00
K. M. Abdul Rehman & Co.	100.00
Lakh Raj	30.00
J. M. Mohamed Hayat & Co.	1500.00
T. Kessamall	1500.00
E. S. Syed Ahamed	500.00
V. M. M. Aboobucker & Co.	500.00
Kichen Singh	300.00
A. M. Mohamed Abdullah	100.00

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Daleep Singh	25.00
Guljar Guala	1500.00
Hansraj Rai	50.00
Bihari Ram	10.00
Mary Samuel	30.00
Mydin bin Kutty	150.00
Mohan Lall	2.00
R. Supramaniam	5.00
Dr. Chhota Singh	15.00
C. K. V. Panicker	30.00
V. Kesawan Kutty	250.00
M. Y. Mohamed Sultan & Co.	250.00
Altaf Hussain	10.00
Kanta Rai	20.00
Mohamed Din	5.00
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Mohamed Ismail	5.00
Fazal Mohamed	5.00
Mohamed Shefi	5.00
Harnam Singh	5.00
Jagir Singh	5.00
Amam Din	5.00
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Chinniah	5.00
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Ram Roop Singh	500.00
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K. R. Assomall Promised on 22.10.03 to Ranj of Jansi Day one B.S.A. Motor Car No. 7137 Valued about	5000.00
Taher Ally	200.00
Santu & Bisnath	10.00
Sohan Singh	250.00
Mahabir Misir	863.68
Kanta Rai	20.00
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Sitaram	20.00
Desai Ram	20.00
K. Samy	5.00
Naresb Guala	10.00
Narsi Mulakhitty	10.00
Dhoop Chandi Missir	40.00
Lachuman Misir	40.00
Nanayamal & Lachmandas	175.00
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Shiv Govind Rai	5.00
Chandi Prasad Gupta	5.00
Girjapat Rai	5.00
Kansham Prashad	5.00
Mukhut Nath Sharma	5.00
Ram Murah Yado	5.00
Chhotalul & Sons	500.00
Dassarath Rai	10.00
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