

**TODAY and
TOMORROW**

The Only Answer

To the Nippon nation nothing was more ridiculous than the proclamation issued at Potsdam. It is quite clear that the Nipponese people did not take it seriously when they first heard about it. They could not believe it. They could not understand how the enemy could talk of surrender, when he himself has so often admitted in the past that the Nippon nation did not know the meaning of the word "surrender" and that the war would have to go on at all costs.

Perhaps the Anglo-Americans, apart from other reasons thought that as a propaganda stunt they would be able to utilise the "surrender" proclamation to undermine the morale of the Nipponese people. If that was the motive behind it, we can only say that they have failed miserably. It may be good enough to hoodwink British and American public opinion. Or it may be utilised to bolster the weakening morale and war-weariness of the Anglo-Americans. But to think that such cheap proclamations would demoralise the Nipponese would be the height of folly.

There is only one answer from the Nipponese nation towards the Potsdam Proclamation and that is the total rejection of the unworthy offer and the continuation of the East Asia War with grimmer determination and a firmer will until victory is achieved.

Premier Admiral Suzuki in an interview with the Press said, "The Potsdam Proclamation is nothing but a mere rehash of the Cairo Declaration and will be ignored by the Nippon Government. There is no change whatever in the Nippon Government's established policy of fighting out this war to a successful conclusion."

Shigenori Togo, Nippon's Foreign Minister said, "Judging from the severe bloodshed the enemy suffered in the decisive battles at Saipan, in the Philippines, Iwojima and Okinawa, such a thing as unconditional surrender of Nippon is not only unthinkable but there will be great difficulty in future landing operations on the Nipponese mainland. Under the present situation there is a necessity for us to be fully aware of the enemy's crafty offensive, especially his tricky propaganda, which he will continue to spread," and here is what Jiro Minami, President of Nippon's Greater Political Association is reported to have said, "The Nipponese nation will be ready to talk peace only when the whole of East Asia is freed from Anglo-American colonial exploitation."

In a noteworthy statement Lt.-Col. Nakajima, the Chief Spokesman of the Imperial Nippon Forces in the Southern Regions, says, "On behalf of the Nippon Imperial Forces and the people of Nippon, I can confidently say that there is not a single Nippon-jin, who would be beguiled by such a proclamation."

Reflected in all these statements we see the traditional spirit of a people who will rather go down fighting than submit to an ignoble surrender. This spirit deserves to be emulated by all freedom-loving Indians and in our Freedom struggle too, it must be a Fight to a Finish—Freedom or Death.

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Foe's Break-Through Attempts Collapse On Balik Papan War Front

Foe Forces Driven Back To Original Positions

A Nippon Base in the South-West Pacific, August 1 (Domei)

The enemy's repeated desperate attempts on July 27 and 28 to infiltrate into Nippon defence lines in the Balik Papan area ended in complete failure as a result of vigorous counter-attacks superbly carried out by Nippon garrison troops. The enemy has been driven back to his former lines after sustaining 90 men either killed or wounded.

At about 10 a.m. on July 27 an enemy unit under cover of concentrated artillery fire advanced on both flanks on the Nippon stronghold along the Samarinda Road. By this time Nippon garrisons quickly sensing this move on the previous day had sent crack units to the enemy's rear. Nippon garrison troops lost no time in starting a vigorous counter-attack and forced the enemy to retreat to his original position at 1 p.m.

In this encounter 50 enemy troops were either killed or wounded. The enemy sustained further losses when he touched off ground mines in his frantic attempt to escape. Approximately 30 enemy troops were blown up as a result of the explosion of these mines which had been laid by Nippon troops.

At 11 a.m. the following day, July 28, a small enemy unit comprising about 40 men attempted to approach the Nippon stronghold but fled in confusion when a Nippon unit opened fire on them.

Meanwhile in the Tempaton sector near Balik Papan, the enemy on the morning of July 27 sent out a small unit of 60 armed with trenchmortars and flamethrowers toward the Nippon defence lines but was repulsed by our troops. After this fighting enemy activities in this sector have markedly slackened. It has been ascertained that Nippon garrisons in the course of counter-attacks during the two days July 27 and 28 inflicted 90 additional casualties on the enemy.

Wafdist Party Presents Demand On Britain

Lisbon, July 31 (Domei)—The nationalistic Wafdist Party of Egypt has presented a demand to the British Government for the evacuation of foreign troops from Egypt and the handing over of Anglo-Egyptian Sudan to full Egyptian control, the spokesman of the Wafdist Party disclosed in Cairo tonight, according to a dispatch received here.

The Wafdist Party also urged the lifting of all financial and economic restrictions on Egypt.

CIVIL WAR IN OFFING IN CHINA; CHUNGKING HURRIEDLY AMASSING FORCES TO MEET YENAN THREAT

Communists Keenly Alive To Chiang's Readiness Make Big Preparations For All Eventualities

Tokyo, July 31 (Domei)—With political strife with Communists on the verge of open explosion as a result of the new outbreak of armed clashes in Central Shensi, the Chungking regime is apparently preparing for the worst possibility of civil war in China, the Canton correspondent of the Asahi Shimbun said in a special dispatch today.

Declaring that steps so far taken by Chungking authorities in preparation for a so-called general counter-offensive against the Nippon army have been partly directed to Communist forces, the correspondent pointed out this will be corroborated by the following facts:

Firstly, although arms supplied to Chungking from the United States are intended for use in fighting with Nippon forces only, there is little sign that any substantial amount of American arms has been employed by Chungking forces in their recent counter-attacks against Nippon forces on various fronts in China.

Secondly, indications that Chungking forces in north-west China have of late been considerably reinforced with American arms and technical assistance.

Thirdly, no American arms and ammunition appear to have been supplied to Communist forces in coastal areas which

could extend support to the United States forces in case of the latter's landing on the China coast.

Fourthly, American trained and equipped Chungking forces have been transferred from India and Burma to areas vital for the defence of the Chungking regime against Communists.

Fifthly, Chiang Kai-shek is conserving 20 crack divisions of Chungking forces in the rear for undisclosed purposes.

Sixthly, more than half a million Chungking forces are still stationed at points encircling the Yen-an-controlled area.

The correspondent further pointed out that the Yen-an regime on its part is keenly alive to the danger of intensified military pressure from Chungking forces and seems to be taking steps to meet this contingency. Military measures taken by both sides have added to mutual distrust and suspicion which in turn is further intensifying tension between Chungking and Yen-an, the correspondent said.

In conclusion the correspondent expresses the view that unless the Kuomintang-Communist strife is speedily settled through intervention by either the United States or Soviet Union a major armed clash leading to civil war in China will be inevitable.

Anglo-Americans Give In To Russia; Soviet Claim To Be Accepted

Lisbon, July 30 (Domei)—The Soviet Union is understood to have already made three demands to the Anglo-American powers to speedily turn over a part of the captured German Navy as Russia's share of the spoils of war, according to a "New York Times" dispatch from Washington.

Although the exact number of captured war vessels demanded by the Russians is not known, it is believed that the Russians have requested the turning over of ships is deemed necessary for the defence of Russian airbases in the Baltic and other strategic considerations.

The Anglo-American powers are expected to recognize the Russian demands as in the case when the Anglo-American countries conceded to giving the Russians a share of the seized Italian Navy.

The "New York Times" dispatch is significant as it has come close on the heels of Soviet Premier Josef Stalin's declaration on Soviet Navy Day of Russia's intention to build up a powerful navy during the post-war period.

No Radical Change In Labour Policy Toward India's Demand Seen

Labour Party To Stick To Pre-Election Statement

Although Nationalist circles in India are happy over the defeat of Winston Churchill and his imperialist gang in the recent British General Elections because of their irreconcilable attitude towards India's aspirations, these circles are none-the-less sceptical about Labour's policy in regard to India. In addition to the statements of prominent Congress leaders published in our yesterday's issue, the following have been received here today.

Mr. D. N. Mukerjee, Mayor of Calcutta, in a message to Attlee says: "The Labour success will be appreciated by India if a new era of Indo-British relations is started with immediate recognition of India's status as a purely democratic country." Sri Krishna Sinha, former Congress Premier of Bihar says that it is hazardous to make any prediction about the attitude of the Labour Party towards the Indian aspirations for complete freedom, but he hopes that the new government's policy towards India would be more sympathetic.

Meanwhile, an indication that Labour Party is preparing to go back on its pre-election statements of policy towards India, is to be had in a London report by Fraser Wighton, Reuter's political correspondent. On the question of the immediate future of the India Office Wighton says: "So far as I know there is at present no crystallised plan to transfer India to the Dominions Office."

Referring to Bevin's statement at the Blackpool Labour Conference that if Labour were returned to power, the India Office would be abolished, and its business transferred to the Dominions Office, Wighton says: "While some believers take it literally, there are others who interpret the statement as having been the expression of Bevin's hope that India would achieve self-government within the framework of the British Commonwealth of Nations. Observers here are of the opinion that this is only the first step to the repudiation of India's right to self-determination by the Labour Government."

Million Dollar Damage In Army Bomber Crash

Lisbon, July 30 (Domei)—The spectacular crash of an American Army Mitchell bomber into the Empire State Building in New York on Saturday is estimated unofficially have caused damage amounting around \$1,000,000, according to New York message.

At least 13 lives were lost and 26 others were seriously injured, the dispatch said.

London Stock Exchange & Wall Street Gloomy Over Labour Reforms

Labour's policy of nationalisation of industries is continuing to have an adverse effect on the London Stock Exchange and on Wall Street, New York, according to dispatches from London and New York.

The London Stock Exchange at its opening on Monday saw some further marking down of industrials due to small selling. Operators appear content to mark time while awaiting further developments in the political field. Iron-Steels were again easier owing to renewed fears of nationalisation, while amusement shares were under pressure.

Wall Street was quiet on Monday. British political situation was again the cautionary argument. Competent observers declare that American industrialists and financiers are unduly pessimistic over the results of the British elections. They have considerable investments in Britain and the Empire. Labour's policy of nationalisation, if and when carried out, is bound to adversely affect these American interests.

Devastating Raid On Enemy Surface Craft

Tokyo, July 31 (Domei)—The Nippon air force successfully carried out a devastating special attack plane strike against enemy surface craft in Okinawa waters last night. Spotting enemy surface units in waters off Katena on the western coast of Main Okinawa Island, our intrepid airmen of the Special Attack Air Corps swooped down on their targets to work havoc with enemy war vessels. At least one enemy craft of unidentified category is so far known to have been sunk in the course of this air strike, which also netted another enemy warcraft seriously crippled.

Nippon airmen sweeping over enemy airbases on the island, heavily bombed and wrought havoc with airfield installations in target areas. This successful air raid on Okinawa is the third consecutive one in three days carried out over the week-end.

Unrestricted Zionist Immigration Protested

Lisbon, July 30 (Domei)—The Spokesman of the Arab Office in London, which claims to be the unofficial mouthpiece of the Arab League, today denounced the impending renewal of Zionist demands for unrestricted immigration in Palestine as "an outrage against the Arabs' most sacred feelings" and "something novel and unique in the world outside the realm of naked aggression," according to a Reuter dispatch from London.

On the eve of the World Zionist Conference aimed at the abolition of the British Government White Paper of 1939, the spokesman forecast a breach in Anglo-Arab relations if there is any evasion or change in the White Paper, which restricts Jewish immigration and leaves further immigration to the discretion of the Arabs.

Kamikaze Attacks On Enemy Prove Effective

Stockholm, July 30 (Domei)—In a sober warning to the American people, the New York Times dated July 16 which has just been received here, declares in an article entitled "Pacific War," that there is no denying that American losses arising from Nipponese Kamikaze assaults are far greater than what the American people suppose.

The journal says that this fact is true regardless of Admiral Chester Nimitz's claims that the percentage of losses from Kamikaze attacks is exceedingly low. In this connection the article points out that in the week previous to July 16 six American war vessels incurred direct hits from Nipponese aircraft while operating off Okinawa. Five of these ships were destroyers and 160 American armed personnel were either killed or wounded in these attacks which were conducted by Kamikaze planes it says.

During this same week three British aircraft-carriers and one destroyer were victims of Nipponese Kamikaze assaults which claimed 105 men, the New York Times article discloses.

Socialist Party Comes Into Power In Sweden

Stockholm, July 31 (Domei)—Sweden's wartime coalition government has given way to a Socialist Party headed by Per Albin Hansson with Oosten Uden as Foreign Minister, it was officially announced today. Hansson was Premier of the former coalition government.

Investigation Urged On Sterling Bloc Operation

Lisbon, July 30 (Domei)—Indicating America's desire to penetrate into British colonial markets, Representative Emanuel Celler of New York yesterday urged the New York Board of Trade to conduct an immediate and complete investigation into the operations of the Sterling bloc pool and its effect as a barrier to United States trade in many parts of the world, according to a New York dispatch.

Celler criticized British monetary policies which have deprived India of the dollar with which to buy American productivity and cited other examples, such as South Africa, Australia, New Zealand, Rhodesia, Palestine, Egypt and British East Africa.

Celler said he had protested to the American State Department against the Sterling bloc operations. Although realizing Britain's difficulties with regard to conserving her foreign exchange resources, Celler said he felt a liberalization of these restrictions should now be in order.

Bougainville Forces Harass Foe Activities

Tokyo, August 1 (Domei)—Nippon forces gallantly battling numerically superior enemy forces on Bougainville Island, Solomons Group, continue to harass enemy activities and have accounted for 373 enemy troops killed or wounded during the middle part of July, according to latest information reaching here from our garrison there.

One element of our garrison unit in the Mio River sector after occupying an important salient on the left bank of the Mio River incessantly hurled fierce assaults against the enemy to cut off his supply route. These sledgehammer blows coupled with steady torrential rains have forced enemy invaders in this sector to withdraw all remaining tanks. The enemy is fortifying his position by strengthening his barbed wire entanglements, thereby sticking to extremely passive defence tactics.

Nippon forces in this sector alone during the middle part of July have killed or wounded 252 enemy troops, besides blasting two motor trucks and 20 water wagons.

Meanwhile in the Numanuma sector, the enemy continued to attack our defence position during the middle part of July. However Nippon defenders have hurled back every attempt by the enemy to advance. From July 1 to July 18 our forces have inflicted 122 casualties on enemy troops. Enemy planes have stepped up air attacks against Nippon units in the Eleventa sector. However damage to our side has been negligible.

Enemy Warcraft Shells Shimizu At Midnight

Tokyo, July 31 (Domei)—Enemy surface craft, presumably of a carrier task force off the Pacific coast of the Nippon mainland, shelled Shimizu on the bay of Shizuoka Prefecture around midnight last night. No report is as yet available as to whether any damage was caused by the surface bombardment to coastal areas of Shizuoka Prefecture.

'Big Three' Conference Resumed At Potsdam

Lisbon, July 31 (Domei)—Soviet Premier Josef Stalin who has been slightly indisposed and absent from the discussions since Sunday, this afternoon resumed talks with American President Harry Truman and British Prime Minister Clement Attlee, according to a Berlin dispatch.

It was revealed that during Stalin's illness Foreign Commissar Viacheslav Molotov represented Stalin in discussions with Truman and Attlee.

Berlin press reports said that Attlee may return to Britain after today's meeting to attend the swearing in ceremony of the new British Cabinet members scheduled for tomorrow, leaving British Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin to carry on in Potsdam.

Villages Come Under Nanking Government

Canton, July 31 (Domei)—Apparently inspired by mounting antagonism against Chungking dictatorship and driven by growing hardships in living conditions in the Chungking-controlled area, three villages in Tsung hsien north of Canton sent people's representatives to Canton to seek permission for incorporation of the villages into the pacified zone under the Central National Government of Nanking.

Following investigation into actual conditions in these villages the National Government authorities granted formal permission for their inclusion in the area under the administration of the Kwangtung Provincial Government.

Big Explosions Rock Foe Supply Base At Uluthi

A Nippon Base in the Central Pacific, July 31 (Domei)—For eleven hours from early morning July 27, intermittent detonations of heavy explosions were heard from the direction of Uluthi, main enemy supply base to the north-east of Yap Island. Whether these explosions were caused by the activities of our submarine units or whether they were caused accidentally on the enemy side remains yet to be ascertained, but deafening detonations and explosions indicated that considerable damage was caused to enemy facilities.

Public Here Urged To Conserve Water Supply

"The public should co-operate by avoiding unnecessary waste and cut down their consumption of water appreciably," declared Mr. I. Yumura, Chief of the Water Department, Syonan Tokubetu-si, in a statement on Monday last.

The poor water supply lately experienced in certain areas, explained Mr. Yumura, was due to the low water pressure caused by receding levels at the two reservoirs supplying the needs of the city area. Residents of areas which are on high ground or elevated buildings will especially feel badly the poor water supply.

As the present consumption figures are out of all proportion with supply capacity, Mr. Yumura disclosed that restriction on water supply was enforced on five days last month as this was the only way to meet the existing situation and the public should therefore conserve the use of water. He also advised that water from wells should be utilised for all agricultural and washing purposes.

The Chief of the Water Department also stressed that in the case of outbreaks of fire caused by enemy incendiary raids the fire hydrants depend on the reservoirs for the supply of water.

Citation Granted To Submarine Sinker

Tokyo, July 31 (Domei)—The War Office announced this afternoon that the citation which has been granted Sergeant-Major Chikara Watanabe who developed a new fighting method against enemy submarines and sank or damaged seven of them since last May in waters off New Guinea and thus contributed to protecting our marine transportation, has reached the knowledge of His Imperial Majesty the Emperor.

The citation said Sergeant-Major Chikara Watanabe attached to an air unit had for a considerable period been active in New Guinea and the North Australian areas. Particularly in attacking enemy submarines the Sergeant-Major in addition to his fighting skill, developed his own attacking method and since last May has achieved war results of sinking or damaging seven enemy submarines. His contribution to the protection of our marine transportation has been great and his achievement has been outstanding.

B-24 Raiders Wantonly Bomb Siriraj Hospital

Bangkok, July 31 (Domei)—The Home Defence Command announced that some six enemy B-24 bombers attacked the Th capital with demolition bombs on Sunday from 12.30 to 1.30 p.m.

The announcement said enemy aircraft caused some damage to military facilities while the Siriraj Hospital, built by Rockefeller Foundation Funds, was badly damaged. It added that three bombs of large calibre dropped on the hospital buildings caused heavy casualties. The poops of the Siriraj Hospital were clearly marked with huge red cross signs.

Death of Mrs. K. K. Menon

Mrs. K. K. Menon, wife of Mr. K. K. Menon of the Syonan Indo-jin Syogyo Kumiai, High Street, and the eldest daughter of Mr. K. P. K. Menon, passed away at 7.30 p.m. yesterday at the Tan Tock Seng Hospital, Syonan. The cortege will leave the deceased's residence, 120 Keng Lee Road, at 5 p.m. today for the funeral rites at the Bidadari Hindu Cemetery.

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H.E. Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose, Head of The Provisional Government of Azad Hind, will select the best design and the Designer will be suitably rewarded.