

TODAY and TOMORROW

A SURE SIGN

THE war outlook for the Anglo-Americans is none too hopeful either in Europe or in Asia. This is frankly admitted by responsible spokesmen in Britain and America. Churchill, for instance, speaking in the House of Commons on Wednesday, said, "I must warn the House and country against any indulgence in the feeling that the war will soon be over." "The truth is," continued Churchill, "none knows when the German war will be finished, and still less how long the interval will be between the defeat of Germany and the defeat of Nippon."

That the war with Nippon is going to be a most costly business is emphasized once more, this time by the San Francisco Radio Commentator, Sydney Rogers. He pays a high tribute to the sacrificial heroism with which the Nippon forces are fighting in Leyte in the Philippines. And he ends up with the statement that the havoc which the Nippon forces are playing on American men, ships and planes in that front should knock out of the Anglo-Americans their earlier complacency.

As a matter of fact, however, the trouble with the people in America, Britain and her colonies is not complacency so much as war-weariness. The last few weeks have witnessed in the United States a violent recrudescence of the strike epidemic, for example, the telephone strike and the strike in the armament works in Detroit, including the Ford Motor works. There must be something rotten in the morale of the American people when they paralyse armament production in this way just at a time when their man Eisenhower in Europe has sent them a piteous S.O.S. appeal for more armaments.

Nor can Canada boast of a better morale if she has come to the verge of anarchy, as the Canadian Prime Minister Mackenzie King said two days ago, for no other reason than that the Government in trying to introduce conscription that will affect, at the most, 16,000 men. This shyness for army service is equally noticeable among the Australians, who are strongly agitating for the withdrawal to civil life of more and more Australian soldiers.

It is no wonder that war-weariness has seized the peoples of Britain, the United States, Canada, Australia and other parts of the British Empire. Unlike the peoples of Germany and Nippon, they are not fighting for their hearths and homes, nor are they fighting for any noble and uplifting cause. They are therefore bound to be defeated. The war-weariness is a sure sign of their final doom.

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Chungking Now Threatened By Fall Of Nantan

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Chiang's Regime Thrown In Utter Confusion By Swift Nippon Drive

At the Kwangsi Front, Nov. 29 (Domei)—With the fall of Nantan, key enemy bastion in the north-western border of Kwangsi Province, the Chungking regime is now exposed to a direct threat by Nippon forces. For about one month before its fall the enemy had constructed deep trench positions extending over 50 kilometres, along the south-western highway by mobilizing instructors and students of the Tushan branch school of the Central Military Academy, and requisitioning local inhabitants.

Although several of Chungking's central armies, including that commanded by Hu Tsung-han, with the aid of the China-based American air force, attempted the stubborn defence of this bastion, they were easily routed by the Nippon forces.

Canton, Nov. 29 (Domei)—Consternation reigns among the Chungking authorities as they are afraid that the lightning thrust of the Nippon forces into Kweichow Province presages an all-out drive against Kunming, according to reports reaching here from the Chungking area. The enemy evidently fears that when Kweichow and Kunming fall into Nippon hands, it will mean that the enemy's plan to open up the India-Burma route, which is being undertaken at a tremendous sacrifice, will be completely frustrated.

The swiftness with which the Nippon forces penetrated into Kweichow Province must have been beyond the enemy's expectation. When the Nippon forces advanced further westward following their occupation of Liuchow, the enemy apparently interpreted the Nippon manoeuvre as aimed at occupying the strategic points around Liuchow and Kweichow, with the objective of capturing these two main cities.

ADIPADI BA MAW CALLS ON KOISO

Tokyo, Nov. 30 (Domei)—Winding up his visit here, Adipadi Ba Maw of Burma called on Premier General Kuniaki Koiso at the latter's official residence this morning to bid farewell.

While in the Nippon capital, Ba Maw had been conferring with the authorities here on means for further bolstering Nippon-Burmese co-operation in the Greater East Asia War.

PHILIPPINE BATTLE ENTERS DECISIVE STAGE, DECLARES NIPPON AIR FORCE CHIEF

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Plight Of Leyte Invaders Mounting Enemy Supply Route Now Cut Off

A Nippon Base at the Philippines Front, Nov. 29 (Domei)—A decisive battle is now taking place at the Philippines front, Lieut.-General Yasuji Tominaga, Supreme Commander of the Nippon air force in the Philippines, declared this afternoon during the course of an interview with the press. He said our gallant airmen of the Special Attack Corps have already carried out several death-defying assaults, acting as human torpedoes as each plane destroys each enemy vessel. These daring attacks, he pointed out are eloquent testimony that the Battle of the Philippines has now entered its decisive stage.

No matter how superior, the enemy will surely be defeated. He said it is most gratifying that this spirit of sacrifice permeates all our forces. He bluntly added that our forces are fiercely crashing into enemy gun emplacements carrying bombs.

Asserting that all the soldiers need is food and ammunition, Lieut.-General Tominaga stressed that our forces are carrying on the same tradition displayed by the famous "three human

A Nippon Base at the Philippines Front, Nov. 29 (Domei)—Keeping up incessant, heavy assaults against the enemy in the Capoccan and Culasian sector, our land units in the northern sector of Leyte Island on Monday night severed the enemy supply route between Carigara and Managasin, by penetrating the Capoccan-Culasian highway. Thus, the only way the enemy can rush supplies and reinforcements to his forces trapped in the Managasin and Limon sectors is now by sea.

torpedoes," as they are embedding explosives under roads to blow up enemy tanks.

Reiterating confidence that ultimate victory will be ours, he said that as long as one loves his country, sagacity will never cease, and as long as one serves his country, his efforts will not be in vain. He cited Truk Island as a typical example of Nippon tenacity. He concluded that no matter how the enemy increases his attacks, this spirit will be further strengthened and we will score bigger war results than those already achieved.

"Yasukuni" Special Attack Corps Sinks Battleship And Transports

Tokyo, Nov. 30 (Domei)—Six planes of the "Yasukuni" Air Unit of our Army Special Attack Corps yesterday attacked enemy warcraft and vessels in Leyte Gulf. Two of the six planes body-crashed against one battleship to sink it, while three others sank one large transport each and another heavily damaged and set ablaze one battleship or cruiser, Dai Honyei announced at 2.30 p.m. today.

The announcement reads: "Firstly, six planes of the Yasukuni Air Unit of our Special Attack Corps attacked enemy

warcraft and vessels in Leyte Gulf on November 29, and two planes sank one battleship and three others sank one large enemy transport each, while another heavily damaged and set ablaze one battleship or cruiser.

"Two of our escorting fighter planes have not yet returned.

"Secondly, members of the Yasukuni Air Unit who participated in this attack were Sub-Lieutenant Akira Otsubo, Sub-Lieutenant Otojiro Hata, Corporal Hitoshi Ishii, Corporal Hideo Matsui, Corporal Tadamasa Terashima and Corporal Tetsuzo Kawashima."

WAR REFUGEES' CONDITION MISERABLE AND WRETCHED

The half a million Indian refugees who left Burma and Malaya on the eve of the war, are reported to be suffering untold misery and wretchedness in India. No help or assistance has so far been given them by the British authorities with the result that thousands of the evacuees have already perished

from hunger and disease.

According to a New Delhi report yesterday, many of the remaining evacuees have been forced to join the army while others have been compelled to work in the coalmines in order to earn a living. No attention whatever is being paid to the sick.

Savarkar Flays Br. Imperialistic Policy In India

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Anti-British All-India United Front Move Gaining Momentum

Ceaseless efforts by nationalist leaders in India to further consolidate the anti-British front on the one hand, and increased repression and exploitation by the British authorities, are revealed in the latest news received here today.

According to a New Delhi report, Mr. V. D. Savarkar, President of the All-India Hindu Mahasabha, addressing press correspondents yesterday in New Delhi after his interview with the British Viceroy on Monday, declared that the British Government in India is determined to carry on its imperialistic policy. Continuing, Mr. Savarkar stated that the British authorities do not propose to bring about any change in the present constitution of India or to relax their full control and authority.

Mr. Savarkar also spoke at length on the oneness and integrity of the Indian nation, and emphasized the fundamental unity between the Hindus and Muslims. He said it would be absurd to think that the Hindus and the Muslims are totally different peoples and that they have different interests. Although the two peoples adopted different forms of worship, they were alike and pursue common interests as Indians. It is hard to believe that one could do without the other. Mr. Savarkar added.

According to well-informed circles, it is the British who have created and fostered communal differences in India, and therefore, the moment the British disappear from India, the communal differences will automatically vanish.

Meanwhile, the British authorities in the Punjab who are seized with panic and fear at the mounting strength of the anti-British revolution raging in the Province, are trying in vain to pacify the revolutionaries by releasing a few of the nationalist leaders from prison.

HUGE ANTI-AXIS SHIPPING LOSSES

Lisbon, Nov. 28 (Domei)—The United States and Britain reported today, through the Office of War Information, that anti-Axis and neutral countries have lost 5,758 merchant ships—an average of three or four a day—from September 1939 to the end of 1943, with a total tonnage of over 22 million, according to a dispatch received here.

Americans Held Back By Reich Counter-Attack

Lisbon, Nov. 29 (Domei)—In the battle of attrition east of Aachen, fighting is going on with great fierceness for single sections of terrain and the river sector of the Ruhr and for the eastern outlets from the Huertgen forest, the German High Command communique announced, according to a dispatch received here.

A Reuter's dispatch said that American First Army troops have captured Kleinbau, north-east of the Huerigen forest and are now fighting in the streets of Grosshau, south-west of Duren. In Lorraine the Americans continued their attacks on a wide front east of Busendorf and Blochen, north-east of Metz, in their drive towards Saar. After making small penetrations into the main German zone of fighting, they were held up by counter-attacks and lost a number of tanks, the German communique said.

After the failure of his breakthrough attempts north of Saarburg, the enemy yesterday attacked with major forces east of the Lower Vosges, the German communique said. In Alsace German formations defended themselves on a wide front running from the region of Strasbourg, across ridges of the Vosges and then bending to the east towards the Rhine plain to the north of Mulhouse. Especially south of Strasbourg there was heavy fighting but the enemy was kept from making any important advance, the German communique said.

Indiscriminate Enemy Raid Over Tokyo City

Tokyo, Nov. 30 (Domei)—All fires caused by the enemy's indiscriminate bombing attacks made by some 20 B-29's against Tokyo and adjacent areas in the small hours today, were put under control by early this morning, while no important establishments were damaged, with only very slight casualties caused among civilians, Dai Honyei announced in a communique issued at 11.00 o'clock today.

The communique added that the enemy B-29's made blind bombing from a great height from above the clouds in small formations, coming in several waves.

The communique reads:—"From about midnight to 4.30 a.m. today, November 30, a total of some 20 B-29's raided in several waves, the Metropolis and its vicinity, and also part of Sunyen district, coming from the Marianas in small formations, and made blind bombings from a great height from above the clouds.

"Fires were caused to start at several places by this blind bombing. However, most of them were immediately extinguished. Fires continued to rage in part of the areas affected but were however put under control by 5.30 a.m. No damage was caused to important establishments, while casualties caused were extremely slight."

WAR WILL NEVER END SOON WINSTON CHURCHILL WARNS

Lisbon, Nov. 29 (Domei)—British Prime Minister Winston Churchill, speaking in the House of Commons during the debate on the King's speech heralding the opening of a new parliamentary session, today warned the British people against the feeling that the war will soon be over, according to a London dispatch.

"I must warn the House and the country against any indulgence in the feeling that the war will soon be over," Churchill declared, adding the truth is that "no one knows" when it will end.

Apparently attempting to gloss over his mistaken predictions as to the termination of the war against Germany, the British Prime Minister claimed that his previous forecasts were intended to "dampen premature hopes."

He lightly remarked that his speculations after all had been "guesses", and indicated that he could see no hope of the European war ending this winter or next spring.

Offering another of his unre-

liable "guesses" Churchill said, "Indeed, if I were to make any change in the duration of the unfolding events, it would be to leave out the word 'early' before the word 'summer'."

Reviewing the progress of the war, Churchill remarked that "weather" has made the "task of the American troops and that of the British on their left flank extremely difficult."

"We have not yet succeeded in driving the enemy back to the Rhine, let alone establishing a strong bridgehead on it," he admitted, adding, "The battle is continuing with the greatest vigour."

Churchill declared that all of the anti-Axis nations still need to exert their supreme effort in an attempt to break down Germany's stubborn resistance. Indirectly paying tribute to Germany's grim defence, the British Prime Minister declared that "we must remember that the enemy whose country is invaded has also the supreme stimulus which we ourselves responded to in the very dark days of 1940 and 1941."

"Savings Month For Final Victory" Drive

In conjunction with the celebration of the third anniversary of the Dai Toa Senso the Malai Banking Association is inaugurating a "Savings Month for Final Victory" this month for the purpose of pushing further the drive to absorb all floating money.

An elaborate programme of activities such as "Savings" Movie Nights, Musical Concerts, "Savings" Lectures, Radio Broadcasts, Distribution of Leaflets explaining the various form of deposits has been mapped out and the Staff of the Savings Encouragement Department will be in charge of the programme, while the Member Banks and the Postal Department will offer their assistance.

In Syonan, the "Savings Month For Victory" will be sponsored by the Syonan Tokubetu-si Savings Encouragement Committee while in other parts of Malai the Savings Encouragement Committee will sponsor the scheme.

Mr. Paranjoti Passes Away

We regret to announce the death which occurred at his residence in Joo Chiat Place yesterday morning of Mr. D. Paranjoti of the Azad Hind Government Broadcasting Station. The deceased had been ailing for some time.

The late Mr. Paranjoti (43) was for many years a well known hockey player and represented the Indian Association in all League matches. He counted a host of friends not only in his community but among other communities as well. He was a fine colleague and an ideal companion.

The remains were interred at the Bidaraj Cemetery last evening in the presence of many of his colleagues and friends."

Nippon Force Occupy Nantan City, Airbase

Nantan, Nov. 29 (Domei)—The Nippon forces following mopping up operations in Hochih, completely occupied Nantan, remaining important enemy stronghold in Kwangsi Province, and Nantan airfield at 10 o'clock yesterday morning.

Besides taking prisoner numerous enemy troops, our forces captured locomotives, freight cars, as well as a large quantity of arms and ammunition.

Britain Suffers Colossal Losses In Men, Money

Lisbon, Nov. 29 (Domei)—A White Paper issued yesterday disclosed that in five years of war Britain has suffered 750,000 military and civilian casualties, according to a dispatch received here.

Casualties among the armed forces totalled 563,112, with 176,081 killed. Civilian casualties included 57,298 killed. The number of houses destroyed in Britain was stated at more than 4½ million, or more than one-third of all houses in Britain, whose number was given at 13 million.

The White Paper said that Britain moreover has lost all its assets abroad amounting to £1,065,000,000 sterling which had to be sold for financing war deliveries to Britain. It revealed also that British exports amounted in 1943 to £232 million compared with £471 million sterling in 1938. Spread over the whole five years, the export decrease amounts to 70 per cent. British tonnage losses necessitated an increase of food production at home, the White Paper said.

Commenting on the White Paper, British Minister of Information Brendan Bracken at a press conference said that Britain had sacrificed the greater part of its wealth. By August this year no fewer than 5,500 factories in Britain had been damaged by enemy activity, Bracken said. The big gold reserves Britain had at the outbreak of the war had all been used up.

Belgian Situation Getting Serious

Lisbon, Nov. 29 (Domei)—Openly defying Belgian Premier Hubert Pierlot's order strictly banning all anti-Government demonstrations, thousands of Belgian Communists and members of resistance groups are converging on Brussels for a "national day of protest", the United Press reported here today.

The Communists have called for a full general strike until the Pierlot Government falls.

Anti-British Terrorists Active In Palestine

Zurich, Nov. 29 (Domei)—Indicating that anti-British terrorist activities are still rampant in Palestine, a Jerusalem dispatch received here reported that 32 more terrorists have been taken into custody by the Palestinian police.

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