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SPEAKING at San Francisco on Tuesday on the criminal folly of seeking to reduce Nippon to unconditional surrender, Senator Burton Wheeler is reported to have said, "Even should we succeed in doing this, we would have committed one of the major political blunders of all time. It would mean," continued Wheeler, "that, while we may have won the war, we would lose the peace." And he goes on to paint a lurid picture of how with the Russians backing the leftist elements in North China, civil war would rage for years to come, in Asia.

Referring to this speech of Senator Wheeler, the New York Herald Tribune remarks that what really is at the back of the minds of these Americans who talk like him is not so much concern for order and peace in Asia as fear and distrust of Soviet Russia.

Soviet Russia is having everything her own way in Europe, as the result of Germany's collapse. It is therefore being insistently asked in thoughtful American circles whether Nippon's collapse, if and when it comes, might not similarly give free scope to Russian expansionism in Asia.

We do not know as yet what agreement the Big Three at Potsdam have so far arrived at. The nature of their talks is shrouded in impenetrable mystery. All that we can say now is that this mystery does not augur well for the post-war world. It looks as if the Big Three are discussing the future in terms of division of influence between Soviet Union, and the West. The discussion might perhaps result in a temporary accord, but can never lead to the permanent peace of the world.

The master key to world peace is the complete elimination of all imperialism. It is as well for us Indians to realise that when we fight for our country's emancipation, we are fighting not only for ourselves and our posterity, but also for mankind at large. Because of India's vast material and human resources have been for the last one hundred years and over and even now are harnessed to Britain's imperialist wars. If Britain had no India to draw upon, she could never have provoked wars in Asia, Africa and Europe so recklessly as she has been doing in the past years.

A free India would be a tremendous factor for world peace and, in Netaji's words, nothing can stand in the way of India achieving her independence. Chances are plenty to realise these prophetic words. It is up to we Indians to grasp these chances and to utilise them in the best interests of India. There is no cause or room for despondency. In our gigantic struggle there may be ups and downs. Unmindful of reverses we march on and on and success shall be ours!

Iran Formally Recognises Pro-Russian Polish Govt.

Zurich, July 24 (Domei)—Iran, which recently was accused by the Soviet press of harbouring "reactionaries", today extended formal recognition to the pro-Russian Polish Government of National Unity in Warsaw, according to a Teheran dispatch.

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Freedom Fight Bound To Achieve Ultimate Success

United States Senator Fears Growing Russian Influence In East Asia

A New York dispatch reports that there is a growing tendency among competent American statesmen to urge a compromise peace with Nippon, in order to check further expansion of Soviet influence in East Asia.

The New York Herald Tribune in an editorial says that the main idea behind the arguments of these advocates of a compromise peace seems to be that Nippon would be useful as a buffer state to help in checking Soviet activities in the Far East. The paper warns American politicians against inviting danger by arousing Russian distrust and suspicion.

In Washington, speaking at the Senate debate on the San Francisco Charter, Senator Burton Wheeler declared that if Russia were allowed to replace Nippon as a leading Far Eastern power, civil war will rage for years in Asia. Bitterly condemning the unconditional surrender policy, Wheeler said, "If we continue fighting to a bitter end with our savage slogan of unconditional surrender, we will have committed one of the major political blunders of all time."

Wheeler argued that when America would have reached exhaustion point after many more years' war with Nippon, Communist influence will have grown unchecked into monstrous proportions dividing Asia into bitterly hostile groups of nations with opposing ideologies and conflicting political and economic systems. Already Russia has gained support in Central and South China, French Indo-China, Thailand, Malai, Burma and India, warned the Senator.

Belated Admission Of Loss Of U.S. Warcraft

Lisbon, July 25 (Domei)—The United States light cruiser "Saint Louis" was seriously damaged by a Nipponese Kamikaze attack on November 27, last year, during the Leyte Gulf operations, a Washington dispatch belatedly revealed today.

Fires and explosions occurred on the cruiser, and 15 men were killed it was disclosed. The American warcraft later was repaired and was able to take part in the Okinawa operations, the dispatch claimed.

Fr. Troops To Evacuate From Eastern Syria

Zurich, July 25 (Domei)—With the object of minimizing the possibility of further clashes between Syrians and French troops, General Sir Bernard Paget, British Commander-in-Chief in the Middle East, and General Etienne Beynet, French Delegate-General in Levant, have agreed on the evacuation of French troops from Eastern Syria, according to the Paris Radio today.

NETAJI'S SOUL-STIRRING SPEECH AT AZAD HIND DAY MASS MEETING YESTERDAY

Addressing a gathering of well over ten thousand Indians at the Waterloo Street Padang, Syonan, yesterday evening, Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose exhorted Indians of Syonan and other parts of East Asia in a stirring speech, punctuated by deafening cries of patriotic slogans, to keep up their faith and confidence in the achievement of India's independence and to continue to give their support to the movement as they were bound to achieve success in the end.

"The war of East Asia will in all probability go on for an-

3 Million Dollars For Freedom War

At the Azad Hind Day meeting here yesterday Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose announced that the collections received by the Azad Hind Government from July 1 up to July 25 amounted to nearly three million dollars.

Netaji said that he was glad that the collections which had fallen into arrears lately had started to come in and he hoped that funds would pour in steadily.

other five or ten years as the Nipponese will continue to fight to the last man and to the last round without any question of surrendering to the enemy and the longer the war is prolonged the most advantageous it will be for Indians," declared Netaji. "If a 'yes' man of the British

Government like Sir Feroz Khan Noon of the Viceroy's Executive Council, can have so much confidence as to express at the San Francisco Conference that 'nobody could stand in the way of India attaining independence in the near future,' how much more confidence we the armed and free freedom fighters of India must have?" asked Netaji amidst loud applause.

The day's meeting was held in celebration of the Azad Hind Day and all sections of the Indian community in the City were present.

Netaji began his address with a review of the Simla Conference called by Viceroy Wavell to resolve the political deadlock in India. Netaji said the Conference had failed as the parties could not agree on the composition of seats to the Executive Council. Had Wavell offered five seats instead of the four to the Muslim League the Conference would have been a success. Whether the various parties and Lord Wavell arrived at a compromise or not Indians in East Asia would continue the fight to the bitter end. Lord Wavell will, however, make another attempt at compromise for the simple reason of obtaining India's help in men, money and material for continuing the war of East Asia in order to regain Britain's lost territories.

The British soldiers were suffering from war-weariness and were not willing to fight. According to an American war correspondent no British soldiers

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NETAJI BOSE ISSUES SEVERE WARNING TO REACTIONARIES

A timely admonition to all communalists among Indians in this city was given by Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose, Head of the Provisional Government of Azad Hind, at the mass meeting of Indians held here yesterday in observance of the Azad Hind Day.

Netaji said: "I find that during my absence from Syonan, attempts have been made to divide and weaken the Indian community in Syonan by starting separate organisations. This is an unhealthy development and does not exist anywhere in East Asia. Like their compatriots in other parts of East Asia, the Indians in Syonan should also be strong and united. Henceforth all divisions and all separatist tendencies must cease.

"Indians in East Asia have one organisation—namely, the Indian Independence League, which works under the guidance of the Provisional Government of Azad Hind. The Indian

Independence League has a double role. It has to prosecute the common war of East Asia, which is also the war for India's liberation. It has also to co-operate with local administration in every area and to guide the Indian people to their duty as citizens.

"In future all activities concerning welfare or relief work or air raid relief etc., must be carried on—not independently of the Indian Independence League, but under the guidance of the League," Netaji advised.

"I know from experience that if a separate organisation, like the Muslim Service Corps, is once started, it is bound to lead to more organisations of a similar nature. Consequently, this tendency must be nipped in the bud. I earnestly hope and expect that all Indians in Syonan will forget past differences and divisions and work together with one heart and with one purpose in future."

Maulana Azad Outlines Congress Proposals To Win Over Jinnah Party

In an interview in Calcutta, the Congress President Maulana Abul Kalam Azad outlined the proposals he made at the Simla Conference to overcome the opposition of the Muslim League, according to a New Delhi report. Maulana Azad said that at the time of the Simla negotiations he made an offer to the Muslim League that he would not press for the inclusion of Congress Muslims in the seats reserved for Muslims in the proposed Executive Council. If the League agreed to the inclusion of two able and suitable nationalist or non-League Muslims outside the Congress, the Congress would be satisfied.

Maulana Azad says that he made this offer on his own responsibility in the confident belief that if the League had proved agreeable, he would have been able to persuade the Congress Working Committee to accept his suggestion. This shows that in the downward progress towards compromise, co-operation and alliance with the British enemy, the weakest and most defeatist minded leaders set the pace.

The pattern of compromise and alliance with the British set by the Congress President and the Working Committee seems to be vigorously followed by Provincial Congress leaders who are under the complete influence of the pro-compromise top leaders. At the end of the Simla negotiations, the Congress Working Committee actually boasted that if the Simla Conference had not achieved anything else, the Congress leaders had at least cultivated the friendship of the Viceroy. If Pandit Nehru, Maulana Azad

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Mountbatten In England After Potsdam Confab

Lisbon, July 25 (Domei)—Admiral Lord Louis Mountbatten, Supreme Commander of the South-east Asia Command, has arrived in England by air from Potsdam after taking part in the discussions there, No. 10 Downing Street announced tonight, according to a London dispatch.

Mountbatten recently conferred with American General Douglas MacArthur in Manila.

Enemy Planes Raid Tokai Area Again

Nagoya, July 26 (Domei)—Following the carrier-plane attack earlier yesterday morning, some 100 enemy carrier-borne aircraft again raided the Tokai district from shortly before noon yesterday until about 3.30 p.m. Airbases, communications facilities and also shipping at sea as well as cities were attacked. The extent of damage caused on the ground is now under investigation.

Netaji's Soul-Stirring Speech At Mass Rally

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The late President Roosevelt had cherished the idea of asking Nippon for an unconditional surrender, but President Truman had lately come to the realization that unless America was prepared to suffer great losses there was no chance of defeating Nippon. Truman had changed his attitude now and he had been saying that he could not ask for Nippon's unconditional surrender. Faced as he is today, the enemy is in a predicament and there is no reason why we Indians should lose our courage, Netaji went on.

In international affairs, the most important event is the Three-Power Conference at Potsdam now. Nothing has been given out regarding the deliberations except that the internal situation in Germany, which has created many thorny problems, is receiving close consideration. It has also been rumoured that Truman and Churchill are trying to drag Stalin into the war. I do not like to say anything on this point at this stage except that Stalin has already proved himself to be a diplomat of the highest order and it does not appear to be likely that he can be bluffed or deceived by Truman and Churchill.

We have already seen that in Europe Stalin has forced the Anglo-Americans to agree to his demand on every point. This is a proof that as a result of the collapse of Germany, Soviet Russia has become more powerful in Europe than any other power. At the present moment, Soviet Russia is making demands regarding the Dardanelles, Tangier, Suez Canal, Palestine, Iran, etc.

This shows clearly that the Soviet Government is determined to extend its power and influence in the Mediterranean and in Western Asia. Even if there is a patched-up agreement between the Soviets and the Anglo-Americans for a time—there is no doubt that, in the long run, conflict between the Soviet and Britain is unavoidable. We find everywhere Soviet demands coming into conflict with British interests. Therefore, either the British Government will have to give in or will have to face a war with Soviet Russia. There is no possibility that the Soviet will give up its demands to please Britain.

Consequently, the fate of the British Empire is doomed in any case. The only uncertain factor is as to when exactly the collapse of the British Empire will take place. In other words, no matter what happens in the world, nothing can stand between India and the achievement of her independence. The only uncertain factor is as to when exactly India will become free. That depends on the amount of sacrifice that we Indians put in.

The results of the general elections in England would be announced on July 26 but as far as he knew, said Netaji, whether the Conservatives or the Labourites came into power it did not make any difference to Indians as the policy of both the parties towards India was the same. But if Mr. Churchill's party came out successful it would be much better, he suggested, as Indian leaders in India would continue their struggle with added enthusiasm, Netaji said.

There were three things which

RUSSIA EMBARKS ON GIGANTIC INDUSTRIALIZATION PROGRAMME

Tokyo, July 25 (Domei)—An ambitious programme for industrialization on a gigantic scale, complete return to the Stalin line of consummation of socialism within Soviet Russia, and "victory construction" out of the ruins and ravages of the war against Germany, feature the post-war Soviet Union which has now made a new start with formidable vigour on the way toward complete realization of the ideals of the land of Sovietism, the Mainichi Shimbun declared in a feature article. The article entitled "U.S.S.R. Makes New Start" devoted the first part to a lengthy review of noteworthy changes that have been brought about in domestic conditions in the Soviet Union during its bitter struggle for defence of the homeland for the past three years and eleven months.

The Mainichi's article continued in part:

Today Soviet Russia is in the process of transition from "fighting U.S.S.R." to "constructing U.S.S.R." The first thing after the end of the German war the Soviet Union aims at is the rapid and thoroughgoing reconstruction of its homeland which suffered the appalling ravages of war. The gigantic project of this post-war reconstruction is known as "victory

construction" which calls for re-embarking on a gigantic programme for complete industrialization of the Soviet Union.

Side by side with this gigantic industrialization programme, the Soviet Union also aims at further expansion of newly developed industrial zones in the Urals, Western Siberia, and Central Asia.

With the conclusion of the German war, Soviet Russia is now out to make all-out efforts to push ahead both post-war reconstruction and new construction—a vigorous national effort obviously designed to maintain the Soviet Union's prestige and pride which the war against Germany has won it among nations of the world.

What actually underlies this gigantic reconstruction and construction programme in the post-war period seems to boil down to its fresh endeavour to its intrinsic line of national policy. Premier Josef Stalin's cherished ideal for consummation of socialism within the Soviet Union has suffered a serious setback as a result of the outbreak of war with Germany. Undoubtedly the Soviets have now made a fresh start to push ahead toward their goal by making up for the loss in their national endeavour suffered in the course of that costly war.

Azad Outlines Congress Concessions To League

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and others are proud of having shaken hands with the British Viceroy, why not I do something in that direction, says Mr S. K. Roy, leader of the Congress Party in the Bengal Assembly.

A report from Calcutta states that Mr. Roy requested the Bengal Governor to give him an interview to discuss provincial parliamentary affairs. The Congress wholesale surrender to the British Raj at the Simla Conference was marred by the Muslim League, but the Congress Provincial leaders seem to be bent upon piecemeal surrender, wherever the Muslim League might be unable to block their ignoble progress.

Indians in East Asia should keep in mind. First and foremost Indians must have the determination to carry on the fight to the very end; secondly, Indians in East Asia should see that leaders in India did not come to a compromise which would be inimical to the independence of India; thirdly, Indians should try to get the international support for the freedom fight. Indians should carry on the struggle without any lack of confidence and when Indian leaders at home came to a realization of the fact that Indians in East Asia were shedding blood for the sake of freedom they were bound to take a greater interest in the fight, stated Netaji.

"If our leaders in India had such a rare chance as we are having today to take up arms for the cause of Hindustan's freedom, I am sure they would have done so. In the case of East Asia Indians we have such a rare opportunity and there is no reason for any one to become discouraged in any way," Netaji declared, adding that if we continue our struggle with the grim determination and resolve we are bound to achieve success.

Catholic Party Opposes Communist Demand

Lisbon, July 24 (Domei)—The Catholic Party which holds the largest bloc of seats in the Belgian Parliament today strongly defended King Leopold against Left Wing demands for his abdication, in a debate on the royal crisis in the Chamber of Deputies, according to a Brussels dispatch.

Albert De Vleeschauer, Catholic Deputy who is Minister for Colonies in Hubert Pierlot's Belgian Government in London, accused Belgian Premier Achilles Van Acker of preventing the King from returning to Belgium ever since he was free. He described Van Acker's speech against the King as "imbued with mischief and perfidy" and stated King Leopold acted to the best of his capacity and in the interest of the Belgian people during the critical days of the German invasion.

Syonan Evacuee Thanks Kosei-Ka Cho & Helpers

We reproduce the following letter from a Syonan evacuee, S. Jalleh, of Imbi Road, Kuala Lumpur, addressed to the Kosei-ka Cho on July 23 thanking him and the various helpers who had rendered assistance to make the evacuation trip a pleasant one:

"Sir, It is with great pleasure that I am penning these few lines to express my sincere and heartfelt thanks to you and your helpers who are sparing no pains to see to the convenience and comfort of the evacuees.

"We had a very warm reception at Seremban with tea, cakes, bananas and cigarettes. Every credit must be given to this crowd of helpers.

"At Kuala Lumpur Station we were greeted by the Eurasian Welfare Association and they saved us from wasting money on trisha fares, besides transport on our luggage, all of which were lorried to our door.

"I really do not know how to thank you and your helpers. Believe me I am grateful and always will be."

Netaji Publicly Thanks Generosity Of Gualas

Appreciative of the generous and continued support given to the Indian independence movement by the Syonan Gualas (dairy farmers), Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose publicly thanked them yesterday at the Azad Hind Day meeting.

Netaji said that, unlike several other sections of the local community, the Gualas had always responded to his appeal for funds magnificently and he felt proud of them.

He was very glad to announce that the Gualas had agreed to increase the free supply of milk from 24 chupaks to 50 chupaks to the I.N.A. Hospital for the use of the patients, besides presenting a number of milch cows and buffaloes to the hospital with the offer of tending them as well.

Workers Organisations Mobilized In Rumania

Zurich, July 24 (Domei)—Under the guiding influence of the Soviet Union, workers organizations throughout pro-Russian Rumania are being mobilized on a more efficient basis, the Tass News indicated today in a dispatch relating to the trade union movement in Rumania.

Within less than a year, more than 1,000,000 persons have been united in 14 trade unions representing 1,170 town and provincial organizations and several thousand factory and office bodies, the message said.

Nippon Infiltration On S. Bougainville Succeeds

Lisbon, July 24 (Domei)—The Nipponese on Southern Bougainville in the Solomons have infiltrated so successfully through the Australian lines that gunners supporting the Australian Third Division have had to swing their artillery pieces around to fire on the Nipponese who are threatening rear positions, the Australian Army Headquarters disclosed today, according to a Melbourne dispatch. The Nipponese have put themselves in a position to conduct harassing raids on the traffic on Buin Road, it said.

Cholera Epidemic Takes Big Toll In Chungking

Lisbon, July 24 (Domei)—Chungking's serious cholera epidemic, which has been raging for the past two months, so far has struck about 6,000 persons and claimed the death of 150 since early yesterday, according to a Chungking dispatch.

Enemy Warcraft Shells Shionomisaki Area

Tokyo, July 25 (Domei)—A small number of enemy surface craft believed to be destroyers or possibly cruisers, shelled Shionomisaki point on Kiyi Peninsula during the small hours of this morning. The enemy ship bombardment lasted nearly 20 minutes from about 2 a.m.

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Unlicensed Hawkers Urged To Change Trade At Once

Unlicensed hawkers and those who have not yet changed their trade, in accordance with Government regulations, are urged by the City Authorities to abide by the regulations and proceed to work in the various Butais in Syonan.


In a statement made to the Press yesterday by the Keimu-bu Cho with regard to the round-up of unlicensed hawkers carried out by the Police Authorities on the 16th and the 23rd instant, the Keimu-bu Cho clarifies the policy to be carried out by the Police Department from now on against offenders (unlicensed hawkers)

The regulations relating to males who are engaged in the sale, catering, cooking and other light work have been enforced since April 1 and then, with the understanding of the public, the change of trade in the more productive direction by the above-mentioned male workers has been progressing smoothly, states the Keimu-bu Cho.

However, it seems to me (the Keimu-bu Cho goes on to say) that there are some people who are still hesitating to change their trade in accordance with the regulations and, moreover, it can be seen that many persons are still engaged in the hawking business without licence and this state of things has caused great public indignation and many appeals have been made to me to take drastic steps against these offenders. The Keimu-bu has, therefore, decided to enforce the regulations and also make them to change their trade compulsorily.

The above-mentioned compulsory change of trade is not meant to cause any fear or anxiety because the following privileges are under consideration for change of trade such as reasonable salary and allowances and occasional opportunities to visit their families or friends for those offenders to be despatched to work under the various Butais in Syonan, in addition to the payment of change of trade bounty, relief fund for the families of distress workers.

For this reason it is hoped that every one still engaged in the hawking business without licence will change their trade immediately because the Police examination and hunt-up will be enforced more rigorously than ever before, declares the Keimu-bu Cho in conclusion.



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