

TODAY and
TOMORROW

Your Duty

IF for the liberation of 388 millions of Indians, the three million Indians in East Asia have to give their all and embrace poverty—it will not be a big price to pay. Therefore, let your slogan for the year 2605 be—"Give your all, give your all." Thus declared Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose in the course of his inspiring New Year Message to Indians in East Asia. It is a clarion call to the three million Indians in East Asia to make the supreme sacrifice for the freedom of our Motherland.

Again, in a Special Order of the Day addressed to the Azad Hind Fauj on the occasion of the New Year Day, Netaji has given a new slogan for the fighting forces for the year 2605. "We have to give our blood and to take the blood of our enemies. Therefore, let your slogan—your battle-cry—for the year 2605 be—Blood, Blood and Blood," says Netaji. Netaji is convinced that the Azad Hind Fauj can justify its name and fulfil its task only if it is ready to fight and die to the last man.

The duty of those on the battle front and those on the home front is clear. It is contained in the two slogans quoted above—"Blood, Blood and Blood," and "Give your all, give your all." Both signify supreme sacrifice, nothing more, nothing less. The entire Azad Hind Fauj is a big suicide squad, charged with the duty of fighting to the very last and laying down their lives for the freedom of our Motherland. The duty of all those on the home front is, in the words of Netaji, "to give in unmeasured quantity whatever you have in men, money and materials—so that our vanguard, the Azad Hind Fauj, may fulfil the task that it has undertaken."

With the beginning of the New Year, the struggle for India's liberation has entered upon a new phase which, according to Netaji, will be the final and victorious phase of this war. On 4th February last year the Azad Hind Fauj, in concert with their mighty ally the Imperial Nippon forces, launched India's War of Independence in the Arakan region of Burma, and on the 21st March the Liberation forces crossed the eastern frontier of India and were fighting on the sacred soil of India. Since then, the fight has been going on, and now the final phase of the war has arrived.

Yes, the final phase, the period that requires our maximum effort, our maximum sacrifice, our maximum strength to deal the final blow to the enemy, the blow that will bring us ultimate victory. Therefore, it is your duty to the duty of the entire million Indians in East

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ENTIRE EAST ASIA UNITED TO WIN WAR

Will To Crush Foe During Current Year Seen In Premier's Message

Tokyo, Jan. 1 (Domei)—Nineteen forty-five shall be a year in which the enemy will be driven out of the entire area of East Asia with victory firmly in the hands of the one billion East Asiatic compatriots, Premier General Kuniaki Koiso declared in a radio message to the nations of Greater East Asia this evening.

While admitting that the military situation on the Philippines front is daily growing in intensity, Premier Koiso pointed out the enemy continues to suffer increasing losses at the hands of our forces, especially our famed Special Attack Corps whose death-defying members are now on the hunt for enemy invaders not only on the Leyte front but also throughout the Philippines theatre of war. Every reckless move which the enemy undertakes in his desperation invariably costs him "a great deal of blood", the Premier declared, while every enemy ship sent to the bottom by our forces adds to the enemy's desperation, resulting in greater recklessness with which the enemy is continuing his costly invasion operations by dint of sheer weight of materials.

At this juncture, the German offensive, he pointed out, resulted in a change of great magnitude both on the military and political fronts of Europe, throwing the Anglo-American war leaders into indescribable confusion.

At the same time, General Koiso declared all nations of Greater East Asia are equally determined to free themselves from the shackles of Anglo-American imperialism, and sharing the common ideal of building a new world based on the principle of common prosperity for all, they are now doing their utmost to prosecute this war for the defence of East Asia to a successful conclusion.

Thus, our war position for sure victory will remain as unshakable as ever and this year will be a year in which the enemy will be driven out of the entire area of Greater East Asia with final victory firmly in our hands, Premier Koiso declared in conclusion.

Asia, to "muster all our manpower, mobilise all our resources and work day and night tirelessly." As Netaji says, there can be no rest and no pause for us until our tricolour flag is hoisted over India's metropolis. Your duty is to give your all, give your all, without delay and without hesitation.



Netaji Hails Hachiya's Appointment; Sends New Year Greetings

Syonan, Jan. 2 (Domei)—Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose, Head of the Provisional Government of Azad Hind, who had been visiting the principal cities of the Malay Peninsula, immediately on his arrival back at Syonan issued a statement hailing the appointment of Teruo Hachiya as Minister Plenipotentiary to the Provisional Government of Azad Hind.

The text of his statement reads: "I heartily welcome the announcement of the appointment of His Excellency Teruo Hachiya as Minister Plenipotentiary to my Government. His Excellency comes to the Provisional Government of Azad Hind as Nippon's envoy after his wide and varied experience as a consular official and as a diplomat in Asia, Europe and America. His Excellency Teruo Hachiya will meet with the warmest welcome from our side when he takes over his new duties.

"I have no doubt that through the establishment of diplomatic relations between our two governments and through the efforts of the first Minister Plenipotentiary of the Imperial Nippon Government, the ties of friendship and solidarity between Nippon and India will be further strengthened and deepened, thereby contributing substantially to the successful conclusion of our common war against the Anglo-Americans."

Syonan, Jan. 2 (Domei)—The following is the text of the New Year greeting sent by Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose to Teruo Hachiya, newly appointed

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Total Sacrifice Urged In Netaji's Message To East Asia Indians

Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose, Head of the Provisional Government of Azad Hind and Supreme Commander of the Azad Hind Fauj, issued the following New Year Message to Indians in East Asia, under date January 1, 2605:

Countrymen in East Asia! Freedom's battle began last year. We shall soon be celebrating the first anniversary of the commencement of that struggle on the 4th of February. We have now to fight freedom's battle to a finish. You are all, in reality, soldiers of India's Army of Liberation—though the Azad Hind Fauj is the vanguard of that Army. It is the duty and the mission of the vanguard of our Army to fight and, if necessary, to die while fighting—so that the price of liberty may be paid with blood and the liberation of India may be achieved thereby. And it is your duty to give in unmeasured quantity whatever you have in men, money and materials—so that our vanguard, the Azad Hind Fauj, may fulfil the task that it has undertaken.

With the beginning of the New Year, the struggle for India's liberation is entering upon a new phase, which will be the final and victorious phase of this war. We have, therefore, to put forward our maximum effort and our maximum sacrifice from now onwards. You may not be called upon to fight in the field of battle—but you must, nevertheless, give everything that you have for the freedom of the motherland India demands from you nothing less than total sacrifice in this total war.

Sisters and Brothers in East Asia! Remember that if for the liberation of 388 millions of Indians, the three million Indians in East Asia have to give their all and embrace poverty—it will not be a big price to pay. Therefore, let your slogan for the year 1945 be—"GIVE YOUR ALL, GIVE YOUR ALL."

Netaji's Special Order Of The Day To Men Of Azad Hind Fauj

Following is the Special Order of the Day issued by Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose, Supreme Commander, Azad Hind Fauj, under date January 1, 2605:

Comrades of the Azad Hind Fauj! On this auspicious New Year's Day, I want you, first of all, to look back on your achievement and on your progress since the formation of the Azad Hind Fauj. There can be no doubt whatsoever that, in spite of many difficulties and drawbacks, your achievement and progress have been truly remarkable. This has been possible because of the passionate desire for freedom which inspires the Indian people today, the many-sided assistance rendered by our countrymen in East Asia, the valuable aid offered by our Allies and—above all—the hard work and sacrifice that you yourselves have put in.

Before the end of 1943, units of the Azad Hind Fauj began moving in the direction of the Indo-Burma Frontier. On the 4th February, 1944, India's War of Independence was launched in the Arakan region of Burma. On the 21st March, 1944, we were able to proclaim to the whole world that the Azad Hind Fauj had crossed the eastern frontier of India and was fighting on the sacred soil of India. Since then, the fight has been going on and in the course of that campaign, many of our comrades, have laid down their lives on the field of battle.

The heroism and self-sacrifice of the officers and men of the Azad Hind Fauj in India's War of Independence have already become a priceless heritage for the India of tomorrow—while for the Azad Hind Fauj itself, they have become a glorious and undying tradition which will serve as an inspiration for all time.

Comrades! On this auspicious day, I want you all to pay a silent homage to our immortal heroes and to renew your solemn pledge to continue the fight until complete victory is achieved. India is calling you. The souls of your comrades are urging you on to still braver deeds. Therefore, gird up your loins for the hard battle that lies ahead.

Comrades! Our immortal heroes have paid for India's liberty with their own blood. We are proud of them. But we too must be ready for that supreme sacrifice. The Azad Hind Fauj can justify its name and fulfil its task—only if it is ready to fight and die to the last man. We have to give our blood and to take the blood of our enemies. Therefore, let your slogan—your battle-cry—for the year 1945 be—**BLOOD AND BLOOD.**

Nippon Raiders Blast San Jose, Tacloban Bases

A Nippon Base in the Philippines, Jan. 2 (Domei)—Our air units before dawn yesterday surprise-raided the enemy airfields at San Jose, Mindoro Island, and inflicted heavy damage to the ground installations there.

In the face of heavy enemy anti-aircraft fire, our aircraft carried out low-altitude bombing and strafing attacks causing conflagrations to break out at two points in the south airfield, besides blasting munition dumps and bivouac quarters in the south as well as north airfields.

While flying over waters west of San Jose, our aircraft observed two large enemy transports in flames. All our planes returned to their base safely.

Our naval air units on December 31 carried out two daring raids against the enemy airfield at Tacloban, Leyte Island.

In the first raid our bombers set ablaze ground installations at two points in the airfield, while in the second raid ground installations at ten places in the airfield were set on fire and one heavy explosion was caused at another point.

Tokyo, Jan. 1 (Domei)—The enemy air strength in the San Jose sector, on Mindoro Island, has been greatly reduced as a result of the devastating aerial strikes carried out by our air force, frontline dispatches reaching here from the Philippines indicated today.

For the past few days the Philippines-based Nippon air force struck at the enemy airfields at San Jose repeatedly, along with the devastating blows dealt the enemy convoy which carried reinforcements and supplies to the invasion forces on Mindoro. According to the dispatches our air reconnaissance conducted over Mindoro on Sunday, December 31, revealed only one large plane seen parked in the south airfield, side-by-side with the wreckage of about 40 destroyed on the ground, while in the north airfield 12 small planes were observed together with the wreckage of some 20 others. At one time the enemy managed to concentrate as many as 130 to 150 planes on both the south and north airfields. Such a serious reduction in the enemy air strength in the San Jose sector is held to be a most eloquent testimony of the effectiveness of the series of aerial strikes carried out by our air force against the San Jose sector.

Netaji Hails Hachiya's Appointment (Cont.)

Minister Plenipotentiary to the Azad Hind Government:

"His Excellency Teruo Hachiya, Minister Plenipotentiary to the National Government of Azad Hind: On this auspicious New Year Day I send Your Excellency my warmest congratulations and sincerest good wishes on your appointment as first Minister Plenipotentiary to the Provisional Government of Azad Hind from the Imperial Government of Nippon. The warmest welcome awaits you on your arrival."

NOTICE

A meeting of Indian business and well-to-do men will be held on Thursday the 4th instant at 11 a.m. and at 4 p.m. in the Indian Independence League premises. The meeting at 11 a.m. will be addressed by H.E. N. Raghavan and H.E. Netaji will address at 4 p.m.

All Indian merchants and well-to-do men must attend the meetings.

Chairman,
Indian Independence League
Syonan Branch.

Germans Batter Enemy Forces In Bastogne Area

Lisbon, Jan. 1 (Domei)—Both the German High Command and the anti-Axis Supreme Headquarters today reported heavy fighting in the sector between the Meuse and Moselle Rivers, with the focal points of the struggle being the Rochefort and Bastogne sectors.

Berlin dispatches said that strong Anglo-American attacks south and west of Bastogne with tank support failed yesterday, costing the attackers heavy losses in armed personnel.

A delayed Reuter's message confirmed that the Germans were pressing hard in the Bastogne sector, throwing in the elements of six divisions and powerful air formations in a determined attempt to cut the anti-Axis corridor to Bastogne and again encircle the town.

German paratroops, S.S. troops, tanks and infantry were reported to be battering both sides of the corridor.

Seaham Maynes, Reuter's correspondent in Alsace-Lorraine, said that the Germans suddenly have opened up a new offensive push in the Vosges and the American Seventh Army tonight was locked in a battle with strong German forces.

With the support of tanks, Wehrmacht forces launched one assault without artillery preparation to increase the surprise element and followed this up with two more attacks at other points, the correspondent said.

The German High Command briefly announced: "In Alsace-Lorraine, our troops carried out a number of thrusts against the American front which has now been denuded of stronger forces."

Anti-Axis Facing Acute Problems In 'Liberated Areas'

Lisbon, Dec. 30 (Domei)—A "New York Times" dispatch received here today frankly admitted that the anti-Axis are being confronted with an increasingly growing task of stupendous proportions in solving the various complicated problems in the so-called "liberated" countries, where economic difficulties and political dissatisfaction have steadily been worsening after the anti-Axis occupation.

With reference to war-ravaged Italy, the article said, "The Italians have been complaining steadily that the anti-Axis authorities have not been able to send them enough materials to get some of their boat-building and manufacturing talents going, as well as restoring the civilian transportation system."

It added, "It does not seem to make them any happier when it is explained that first priorities are needed by anti-Axis soldiery in order to prosecute battles."

In the political field, the anti-Axis authorities are being confronted with increasing unrest, the dispatch said, citing that British Field Marshal Harold Alexander's recent advice to Italian partisan elements in Northern Italy to lie low during the winter months created great disappointment.

Friends of these partisans pointed out that they had no place to go if they quit their mountain fastnesses, the article said, declaring, "In this atmosphere, Mussolini's recent Milan speech had a considerable audience in liberated portions of the country."

Turning to France, the dispatch reported that "each week passing would seem to cement order but nevertheless vast difficulties remain to be sur-

Romain Rolland Passes Away At 9 At Vezelay

Lisbon, Jan. 1 (Domei)—Romain Rolland, celebrated French author, passed away on Saturday at Vezelay, in Yonne Department, France, at the age of 79, according to the Paris Radio.

The late author was an essayist, critic and one time Professor of History and Art at Paris University, and winner of the Nobel Prize for Literature in 1916.

Romain Rolland published a great number of biographies of outstanding personalities, such as Mahatma Gandhi, Ludwig, Beethoven and Leo Tolstoy.

Foe Vessels Damaged, Set Ablaze Off Mindoro

A Nippon Base in the Philippines, Jan. 1 (Domei)—Our naval air units on the night of December 31 attacked a group of enemy transports in waters south of Mindoro Island and heavily damaged one large transport, besides setting ablaze and damaging two others.

It added, "Thousands of partisans and guerrillas must be induced to surrender their arms and resume peaceable civilian roles. Jobs must be found for a third of a million people in Paris alone."

France's northern neighbour, Belgium, has already demonstrated that tremendous unrest is resting below the surface.

In all of these countries, "shortages in huge areas occasioned either by wholesale destruction or by wrecked distribution systems are at the moment at a miserable norm," the dispatch said.

"When one considers that the entire area of Eastern Europe is quite as full of potential dynamite and that many other regions of the Continent are physically mangled and spiritually diseased, the enormity of the problem facing "the anti-Axis powers becomes apparent," the article concluded.

Mass Meeting Here On Sunday, Jan. 7

A mass rally of Indians in Syonan will be held at the Waterloo Street Padang on Sunday, the 7th instant, when Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose, Head of the Provisional Government of Azad Hind and Supreme Commander of the Azad Hind Fauj, will address the gathering. A detailed programme will be published in due course.

Thai State Minister's Resignation Accepted

Bangkok, Jan. 1 (Domei)—The Thai Government officially announced that the resignation of Sithamarat Kanchana Chit, State Minister, was accepted by the President of the Council of the Regency on Dec. 30. The minister's resignation was tendered on account of ill health.

NEW LOCAL PRODUCT

Messrs. A. V. M. Abul Kasim Brothers, of 79, Choon Guan Street, Syonan, successful manufacturers of various chemical and foodstuff products, have now placed on the market their "Alfa" brand of ink, specially recommended by them for fountain pens.

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