

TODAY and TOMORROW

**A Hideous Plan**  
BRITAIN'S Blue Print for India, unlike her Blue Print for Burma, fights shy of the political question and concentrates on the industrialisation of India. Certainly no Indian will be against industrialisation as such. As a matter of fact, our leaders have been crying themselves hoarse for years over the need to improve and enlarge our industries. The British Government turned a deaf ear to that cry in those days. But now, they have struck up a new attitude and pose as champions of industrialisation. Why?

Obviously, the British see in India's industrialisation a vast scope for Britain's financiers. As every one knows, Britain is sinking deeper and deeper into bankruptcy because of her mounting war expenditure. More than a third of the houses in Britain have been destroyed, and her capitalists and industrialists have lost all their investments in Burma, in Malai, in China and other parts of East Asia. How can all this be made good except by planning a more intensified form of exploitation of India? It is this hideous plan which Sir Ardeshir Dalal, the so-called Member for Postwar Planning and Reconstruction in the Viceroy's Executive Council, goes about proclaiming as Blue Print for India's industrialisation.

But Sir Ardeshir lets the cat out of the bag when he says that the British Government will have control of the Indian industries. It is needless to say that if the British Raj is going to have such control, it will be very much to the advantage of the British capitalists and very much to the disadvantage of the Indian businessmen. All these years, the British Raj has placed its orders for anything it wants with British firms, and not with Indian firms. The British Raj has been invariably more ready to grant concessions to British financiers than to Indian financiers. The Reserve Bank of India which is a Government-controlled Corporation, has habitually accorded far more generous treatment to European concerns than to Indian concerns. This fact is clearly brought out in the majority Report of the Indian Central Banking Enquiry Committee published in 2591.

In view of all this, there is no reason for anyone to get enthused over the threatened industrialisation of India. If it ever came through, our people would find themselves in a vastly more terrible plight than now. Indeed, the British Blue Print for India's industrialisation is as much an insult to Indians as their Blue Print for Burma's political and economic reconstruction.

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## Rash Behari Bose Lived & Died For India's Freedom

### Enemy 19th Army Severely Battered On Burma Front

#### Nippon Special Attack Units Strike Terror Into Enemy Forces

A Nippon Base in Northern Burma, Jan. 25 (Domei)—Nippon artillery and infantry are fiercely pounding the British 19th Division troops which established bridgeheads at Thabekkyin and Singu, approximately 130 miles north of Mandalay. At a point on the left bank of the Irrawaddy, Nippon troops are also striking hard at enemy forces which are gradually falling back northward.

Meanwhile, death-defying Nippon special attack units in the Northern Burma front have become particularly active lately.

Another special attack unit on January 16 ambushed an enemy mechanized unit and destroyed more than 50 troops.

Our air units in the Burma sector are continuously hammering enemy forces which have been reinforced in the Akyab sector. Following our withdrawal from Akyab on January 9 the British Command strengthened its forces in this sector with two divisions.

Continuing their reinforcements by sea, the enemy on January 12 landed fresh troops in the vicinity of Myebon, approximately 50 kilometres south-east of Akyab. Then on January 21, an enemy force consisting of two converted carriers, one battleship, three cruisers, four destroyers, and five transports approached the northern tip of Ramri Island, about 100 kilometres south-east of Akyab, and around 11 o'clock the same morning the enemy landed approximately 1,000 troops. Launching a fierce attack against this convoy our air units heavily damaged and set afire two large enemy transports while our garrison forces are at present engaging landed enemy troops in furious battle.

#### NOTICE

As a mark of respect to the memory of the late Srijut Rash Behari Bose, Supreme Adviser to the Provisional Government of Azad Hind, whose funeral rites will be held at Zoji Temple in Tokyo on Monday next (January 29), the offices of the Azad Hind newspapers will be closed for the day.

There will be no issue of the Azad Hind papers on that day. Publication will be resumed on Tuesday as usual.

### DECLARES NETAJI IN HIGH AND GLOWING TRIBUTE TO GREAT LEADER & PATRIOT

#### His Indomitable Spirit Will Live For Ever & Guide Freedom Fighters

Rangoon, January 25 (Domei)—Besides being a serious loss to the cause of India's independence, the demise of Rash Behari Bose is a personal loss to "me and to my co-workers", declared Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose today in a statement in which he paid glowing tribute to the late Rash Behari Bose. He stated "India cannot be sufficiently grateful to the late Rash Behari Bose for the yeoman service he rendered to the cause of India's freedom during his stay in Nippon. It will be remembered that when Rabindranath Tagore returned to India after his visit to Nippon, he paid high tribute to the selfless services Rash Behari Bose was rendering to the cause of India's liberation."

Netaji pointed out that the goodwill, sympathy and friendship for India he built up in Nippon, bore fruit when the Greater East Asia War broke out and the Government and people of Nippon pledged all-out aid in India's fight for freedom.

Describing Rash Behari Bose as the "father of the Indian independence movement in East Asia since the outbreak of the war," Netaji said, "It may be truly said of him that he lived and died for India's freedom." He said that but for his illness in recent months he would have taken a much more active part in the Provisional Government of Azad Hind.

Vividly recalling the moving scenes at Behari Bose's sick bed when he was beside him more than once during his recent stay in Tokyo, Netaji said, "Optimism was written large on his face and he was not in the least depressed over our failure to take Imphal in the first assault. He thought only of India and India's freedom till the last moments of his life."

In conclusion Netaji said: "Rash Behari Bose is dead but his indomitable spirit will live in our hearts for ever and will inspire us to carry on the fight until India is cleared of the British and achieves complete freedom."

### SYONAN INDIANS RE-AFFIRM INDEPENDENCE DAY PLEDGE

The public meeting of Indian East Asia Indians under the leadership of Netaji Bose in pursuit of the "Quit India" Resolution adopted by the Congress in 1942, the various speakers condemned British refusal to accede to India's demand and the wanton manner in which they had dragged India into the war against her will.

The speakers also condemned the ruthless oppression and the exploitation pursued by the British Government in India and the consequent hardship, misery and famine conditions created by them in the country.

The meeting also re-affirmed the unshakable determination of the Indians in East Asia to carry out the total mobilization of manpower and material resources in order to wage the war of India's liberation until the objective is achieved.

With the singing of the National Anthem by the Volunteers of the Rani of Jhansi Regiment and amidst shouts of Inqilab Zindabad, Azad Hind Zindabad, Chalo Delhi, the gathering dispersed.

The meeting was held with Lt. Col. G. Q. Ghani in the chair. After the chairman's introductory speech, Lt.-Col. S. C. Alagappan spoke in Hindustani while Sri M. K. Chidambaram spoke in Tamil. Recalling the political struggle that has been carried on since 1887 by the Congress to obtain self-government for India up to the time of the passing of the resolution in 1929 demanding complete independence for India and the

### Luzon Invaders Suffer Big Loss At Nippon Hands

#### Sanguinary Wars Raging On Lingayen And San Fabian War Fronts

A Nippon Base at the Philippine Front, Jan. 25 (Domei)—Despite ambitious enemy offensives on a widespread area along the Lingayen Gulf, our forces in determined counter-attacks on the two days January 21 and 22 killed or wounded more than 400 enemy troops and blasted over 34 tanks, while damaging or capturing many field pieces.

Although suffering heavy casualties so far at the hands of our forces, the enemy in the sector on the south-eastern shore of Lingayen Gulf, launched a formidable offensive against the Nippon position in the Rosario area on January 21, employing fierce artillery fire and using mechanized corps. In the single day following January 22 the enemy fired as much as 6,000 rounds. Our forces however smashed all enemy attempts at a breakthrough with withering frontal and harassing close-range assaults.

Meanwhile the battle is raging with continued intensity in other sectors fringing Lingayen Gulf. On January 22 a new enemy contingent landed in the neighbourhood of Santa Barbara. At San Fabian, following concentrated artillery fire, the enemy managed to seize a section of our position, but our defenders are still locked in sanguinary battle with the enemy in that sector.

In the region south of Binde, an enemy detouring force attempted to surround part of our position from the rear but is facing a determined counter-attack by our forces.

In a furious attack carried out yesterday evening, the Nippon air force inflicted considerable damage on an enemy convoy cruising in the Mindanao Sea.

### Independence Day Observed In London

Lisbon, January 25 (Domei)—The Swaraj House in London tonight celebrated the 16th anniversary of "Purna Swaraj," or complete Indian independence, according to a London dispatch. One of the speakers, Surat Ali, leader of Indian seamen in London, declared there could not be any solution of the Indian political deadlock if Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, Moulana Abul Kalam Azad and Sardar Vallabhai Patel—imprisoned Indian political leaders—were not released.



### U.S. Chiefs Submit Confidential Reports

Lisbon, Jan. 25 (Domei)—Heads of the United States armed forces made a secret report on the war situation to Congress in which they stressed the necessity for all-out efforts, according to a dispatch received here. The meeting was attended by most members who heard talks by General George Marshall, Chief of Army General Staff, Admiral Ernest King, Commander-in-Chief of the United States Navy, Henry Stimson, War Secretary, and James Forrestal, Navy Secretary. Speaker Thomas Rayburn told reporters after the three-hour session in the Congressional Library Auditorium that the meeting is bound to have a "considerable psychological effect" on the current drive for "fight or jail" legislation.

### Airbases At Mindoro And Tacloban Blasted

A Nippon Base at the Philippine Front, January 25 (Domei)—Nippon air units closely co-operating with our ground forces, continuing bitter resistance against enemy invaders on Leyte Island from Jan. 1 to 22 have repeatedly pounded American held airfields at Leyte and Mindoro Islands.

Sweeping over Tacloban airdrome, our units blasted and set ablaze 21 points, while one point was set on fire at Dulag airfield and three places at Tanauan airfield, all on Leyte Island. Against the north airfield at San Jose, Mindoro Island, Nippon raiders blasted and set ablaze four places.

### Indonesians To Stage Indian Patriotic Play

Bandoeng, Jan. 25 (Domei)—A dramatic play "Bande Mataram" describing the unremitting struggle of Indians to drive the British out of their Motherland, will be staged shortly at the Dai Toa Kaikan in this city by local Indonesian youngsters, with the co-operation of the Bandoeng branch of the Indian League.

The amateur players will use the Malayan language in dialogues, but the setting, decorations and costumes will be arranged in true Indian manner, while a special Indian orchestra from Syonan will help perfect the Indian atmosphere. Net proceeds of the performance which is scheduled for two evenings will be set aside for social welfare activities.

### New Appointment For Lt.-Gen. Joseph Stilwell

Lisbon, January 25 (Domei)—Lieutenant-General Joseph Stilwell, former Commander-in-Chief of the United States Forces in the China-India-Burma theatre, has been appointed Commanding General of the United States Ground Forces, succeeding Lieutenant-General Ben Lear, who has been assigned to the European Front, American Secretary of War Colonel Henry L. Stimson announced today, according to a Washington dispatch.

### Soviet Ambassador Killed In Plane Crash

Lisbon, January 25 (Domei)—Constantine Oumansky, Soviet Ambassador to Mexico, and his wife were killed this morning at Mexico City's municipal airfield, when the plane aboard which they were riding crashed while taking off, according to a Mexico City dispatch. Nine other passengers were also killed in the disaster. Oumansky was formerly Soviet Ambassador to Washington.

### Soviet Advances Smashed In Huge Counter-Attacks

Berlin, January 25 (Domei)—German reserves upon arriving are being thrown into battle at once with the idea of checking the onrushing Soviet masses in the struggle between the Bromberg Canal and the Upper Silesian industrial territory on the Eastern Front, frontline despatches to Berlin said. Between Gleiwitz and Brieg, in Lower Silesia, the Soviets tried to cross the Oder River. They succeeded in taking Oppeln after heavy fighting, but attempts at crossing the river were for the greater part smashed in a counter-attack, the German High Command announced.

From the south-east Soviet spearheads advanced slowly closer to Breslau. East of Breslau all Soviet attacks foundered, the communique added. A Soviet combat group with 30 tanks crossed the Oder River at Steinau, east of Brieg, but was driven back after 24 tanks had been destroyed, the German High Command disclosed. The cities of Posen and Torun were held against strong Soviet attacks. Heavy street fighting is in progress in Bromberg, north-west of Torun, the communique said.

In East Prussia the enemy is endeavouring to widen his penetrations in the direction of Elbing. However, he is encountering bitterest resistance, the German High Command said. On the eastern East Prussian frontier the German defensive front on the Masurian Lakes between Ortelsburg, Loetzen and Angerburg, was withdrawn and strengthened.

On the Courland front the Soviets after having brought up fresh forces, continued heavy attacks supported by tanks, again with the centre of gravity at south-east of Libau. They were repelled on the whole, and in the course of this heavy defensive fighting lost 42 tanks.

In Hungary, German attacking formations broke through strong enemy anti-tank positions between Lake Volene and the Danube and penetrated be-

### British Policy On European Issues Severely Attacked

Lisbon, Jan. 25 (Domei)—Lord Templewood, Conservative, who until recently was British Ambassador to Madrid, speaking during the war debate in the House of Lords, today, deplored that European issues were being settled piecemeal and unilaterally without the consultation or approval of the populations concerned, according to a London dispatch.

Frankly recognizing that the powers have deviated from the principles of the Atlantic Charter, Templewood urged their return to the principles which they so loudly advertised to the world as forming a vital part of the anti-Axis war aims.

He expressed the hope that the forthcoming conference of the "Big Three" would revise some of the piecemeal decisions and fit them into a system that could be regarded as a permanent foundation for future Europe.

Viscount Cranborne, Dominion Secretary, commenting in the same debate on the Yugoslav political crisis, claimed that British Prime Minister Winston Churchill recently insisted on Yugoslav King Peter's sanction of the Tito-Subasic agreement in order to "save King Peter and his country from great disaster."

yond the Vail area. Soviet night attacks against the western part of Budapest failed.

In the Roer bridgehead on the Western Front, south-east of Roermond, heavy fighting is going on for the German border town of Heinsberg, the Fuehrer's Headquarters communique said. In the sector between Eisenborn and the Sauer River to the south, the Americans launched strong attacks, especially east of Houffalize where they made slight penetrations, the German High Command disclosed. South of Reichshofen in Alsace, German troops gained a bridgehead across the Moder, beating back 18 enemy counter-attacks. South-east of Rappoldswiller a heavy battle continued. The enemy attacking from Mulhouse achieved only a few gains.

### P-38 Downed In Abortive Raid Over Balik Papan

Balik Papan, Jan. 25 (Domei)—An enemy formation comprising a few P-38's appeared over Balik Papan during the forenoon today, apparently on a reconnaissance flight.

However, quickly intercepting the enemy planes, our air forces shot down one P-38, in addition to damaging several others. Absolutely no loss or damage was sustained on our side.

### Enemy "Super Forts" Appear Over Syonan

Syonan, Jan. 26 (Domei)—Syonan Defence Headquarters at 1 p.m. today announced that an enemy formation of several B-29's appeared over Syonan-to about three o'clock this morning, but was repulsed about an hour later in a north-westerly direction. There was no damage suffered on our side.

Furthermore, a lone B-29 appeared in the vicinity of Syonan-to about 11.40 this morning apparently engaged in a reconnaissance flight.

### Britain Seeking Pretext To Resort To Gas Warfare

Lisbon, Jan. 25 (Domei)—British Prime Minister Winston Churchill suggested in the House of Commons today that Britain was only seeking a pretext to resort to gas warfare against Germany, according to a London dispatch.

Responding to a question by Reginald Purbrick, Conservative, Churchill said that Britain was prepared to retaliate tenfold against Germany if the latter used gas against England.

### Luftwaffe Wreaks Havoc On East Front

Berlin, Jan. 25 (Domei)—Twenty-four Soviet tanks and 360 military vehicles were destroyed yesterday when German battleplane formations relentlessly stabbed Soviet infantry and supply columns in the Oder sector of the Eastern Front, it was disclosed today.

Although unfavourable weather prevailed over the front, German airmen were reported to have flown continuous sorties, giving close support to hard-fighting German ground forces.

### Gen. De Gaulle Expresses Bitter Disappointment

Lisbon, Jan. 25 (Domei)—General Charles de Gaulle, Head of the Provisional Government of France, today expressed disappointment that France has not been invited to the forthcoming Churchill-Roosevelt-Stalin talks, according to a Paris dispatch.

In a statement at a press conference, de Gaulle said that "these nations cannot be in doubt as to our desire to participate in their meeting."

The French leader indicated reluctance to discuss Franco-British relations. He expressed the hope, however, that the "serious difficulties" in Syria and Lebanon might be eliminated once for all.

De Gaulle is reported to have inferred that the French Government would like a settlement with Britain of all outstanding points concerning the Near East before pressing for the conclusion of a new Franco-British alliance.

### 765 U.S. Soldiers Went Down With Troopship

Lisbon, Jan. 25 (Domei)—Seven hundred and sixty-five American soldiers are believed to have lost their lives when an American troopship was recently sunk in European waters as the result of German action, according to an official Washington message.

### Henry A. Wallace's New Appointment Criticised

Lisbon, Jan. 23 (Domei)—The New York Herald Tribune commenting on the appointment of former American Vice-President Henry A. Wallace as Secretary of Commerce, today expressed grave fear over Wallace's influence upon American business and industry, according to a New York dispatch.

The appointment, the journal said, "will be a shock to reviving hopes of American business and industry in their peacetime future." Wallace's lack of experience with machinery and industries "can only create the gravest fears of waste, meddling and misdirected effort," it stated.

### Postal Prize Competition On New Malai Day

In commemoration of the Third Anniversary of the Birth of New Malai, on February 15, the Malai Gunseikanbu Yusei Kyoku has announced that the following Prize Competition which is open to all members of the public will be held:—

"When will the number of depositors in the Dai Nippon Government Post Office Savings Bank of Malai exceed 500,000?"

Intending competitors are requested to show in typewriting or in legible handwriting the predicting date together with their full name and address on a postcard which should reach the Malai Gunseikanbu Yusei Kyoku, Kuala Lumpur, not later than the 28th February, 2605.

Only one answer from each competitor is permitted. If two or more postcards are sent by one and the same competitor, all his answers will be treated as null and void.

Cash-prizes, particulars of which are furnished hereunder, will be awarded:—

1st Prize: \$100 (for one person only); 2nd Prize: \$50 (for two persons); 3rd Prize: \$10 (for a certain number of persons selected).

Prize-winners will be decided by means of a lottery drawn from among the successful competitors. If there are no competitors who have foretold the correct date, those who have given the approximate date will be selected.

The result of the competition will be published in the local newspapers soon after the number of depositors has exceeded 500,000.

With a view to assisting would-be competitors to find a correct answer, the details showing the past increases in the total number of depositors are supplied below:—

No. of Depositors	Date
200,000	13th June, 2604.
250,000	21st August, 2604.
300,000	27th Sep., 2604.
350,000	6th Nov., 2604.
400,000	16th Dec., 2604.

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The speakers at the Condolence Meeting:

H.E. Col. J. K. Bhonsle,

H.E. N. Raghavan,

Lt. Col. G. Q. Gilani.