

Dust Piles High Over Atom-Bombed Nagasaki

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Truman Breaks the News



At a hurriedly summoned press conference at the White House, President Truman breaks the news that Russia has declared war on Japan. Secretary of State James F. Byrnes is seated in foreground. This exclusive photo was made by AP Photographer John Rous. (AP Wirephoto)

Truman Predicts 'Only Surrender' Will Stop Bombs

WASHINGTON, Aug. 9. —(AP)—President Truman declared tonight that only surrender will stop use of the terrible new atomic bomb and that the enemy's power to make war will be destroyed.

Addressing the nation in his first lengthy radio talk, Mr. Truman gave no direct intimation as to when that surrender might come.

But he said the Soviet decision to declare war on Japan was only one of the secret military arrangements made at Potsdam.

"The Japs will soon learn some of the other military secrets agreed upon at Berlin," he asserted, "they will learn them first hand—and they will not like them."

The chief executive devoted a large share of his address to an analysis of what was accomplished in his Potsdam conference with Premier Stalin and British Prime Minister Churchill and Attlee.

But he also touched at some length on the Pacific war and asserted that this government did not lightly undertake the production and use of the terrible atomic bomb.

"We have used it," he said, "in order to shorten the agony of war, in order to save the lives of thousands and thousands of young Americans."

"We shall continue to use it until we completely destroy Japan's power to make war. Only a Japanese surrender will stop us."

Secret to Be Held

Britain, Canada and the United States he said, do not intend to release the secret of history's most terrible weapon until means have been found to control it so as "to protect ourselves and the rest of the world from the danger of total destruction."

"The atomic bomb," Mr. Truman declared, "is too dangerous to be loose in a lawless world."

Hiroshima, a military base, was picked as the target for the first atomic bomb, the chief executive said, to avoid killing civilians so far as possible.

Only a Warning

"But that attack is only a warning of things to come. If Japan does not surrender, bombs will have to be dropped on war industries, and unfortunately, thousands of civilian lives will be lost. I urge Japanese civilians to leave industrial cities immediately and save themselves from destruction."

The president, renouncing for the United States any territorial gains or profits or selfish advantage from this war, made it plain, nevertheless, that this country intended to have the military bases "experts deem to be essential for our protection."

To Acquire Bases

Those not now in our possession, he said, we will acquire under arrangements consistent with the United Nations charter.

Mr. Truman did not disclose what strategic areas he had in mind which his country does not already hold.

Shanghai May Be Atomized

CHUNGKING, Aug. 9. —(AP)—Lt. Gen. Albert C. Wedemeyer told a press conference today that use of atomic bombs "is very much under consideration in the China theater wherever military necessity dictates."

Wedemeyer, commander of U. S. forces in the China theater, specifically mentioned Japanese-occupied Shanghai as a possible military target.

It was presumed here that leaflet warnings would be distributed prior to any bombings in occupied Chinese territory in an effort to avert loss of civilian life.

Jap Internees Ponder Atom Bomb Attacks

BEDFORD, Pa., Aug. 9. —(AP)—Impassively meditating news of the atomic bomb attacks and Russia's warfare against Japan, the Japanese internees on simple fare at a once-luxurious mountain resort hotel which has entertained U. S. presidents.

The internees are permitted no newspapers or radios, but a state department special agent reported they were told of the war developments while being driven here from Washington yesterday.

"They didn't say anything, but they didn't show much animation," he said.

Serving themselves to plain, rationed meals at a cafeteria of the 325-room Bedford Springs hotel, Ambassador Hiroshi Oshima and his companions then settled down to their quiet detention life pending their exchange for allied prisoners of the Japs.

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SOVIETS INVADE KOREA

Photos Record Damage

Japanese Silent On Fate of Atom Bombed Seaport

GUAM, Friday, Aug. 10. —(AP)—Smoke and dust completely covered Nagasaki and rose to 20,000 feet three and one-half hours after Thursday's atomic bombing of that Japanese seaport.

General Spaatz, chief of the U. S. strategic air forces, made this brief announcement after viewing reconnaissance photographs from the second use of the fantastic atomic bomb against the enemy. He said scattered fires were visible outside the smoke-obscurated area.



SPAATZ

There was no further word on the undoubtedly awesome fate that struck the western Kyushu city of 253,000 population.

The Japanese themselves were absolutely silent about results of the noon bombing, in which it was possible that more than one of the lethal packages was dropped.

Earlier General Spaatz' headquarters had announced that results were "good."

Tokyo radio, which admitted that the initial atomic bombing Monday of Hiroshima had destroyed "practically every living thing," let hour after hour pass without comment about Nagasaki.

The Japanese people were told, however, in millions of B-29 scattered pamphlets that "the awful fact (of the atomic bomb) is one for you to ponder and we solemnly assure you it is grimly accurate."

Nagasaki, chosen as the second target, is an industrial center and important port on the supply route through Korea to Manchuria, reported under invasion by Russia.

W. T. Vinton Rites Today

McMINNVILLE, Aug. 9. —(AP)—Funeral services will be held from 2 p. m. for William T. Vinton, veteran attorney who at one time was a state senator and a mayor of McMinnville. He died here last night at the age of 80.

Dr. B. Earle Parker of the Methodist church will officiate at the services.

A native of Wisconsin, he came to Oregon in 1885 and taught school for several years before being admitted to the bar in 1892. He served six terms in the state legislature beginning in 1915. He was chairman of the judiciary committee in 1917, and president of the senate in 1919.

He was senior member of the law firm of Vinton, Marsh & Marsh.

St. John's Lutheran Church Buys Property for New Edifice

St. John's Lutheran church, now located at North 16th and A streets, has purchased the former T. M. Barr corner at 14th and Court streets and plans construction of a new church edifice as soon as war conditions permit.

Request for a zone change signed by 71 per cent of property adjacent has been filed with the city engineer.

St. John's church was organized in 1899. It first worshipped on Center street, between 13th and 14th streets, but moved to its present location, which is farther out, with the intention of erecting covered sheds for the teams of farmer members coming in for worship. The early advent of the automobile made horse sheds unnecessary. Now the church is returning to the vicinity of its former location.

The pastor, the Rev. E. W.

25 to 40 Killed In Train Wreck

MICHIGAN, N. D., Aug. 9. —(AP)—From 25 to 40 persons were killed in the observation car of the first section of the Great Northern railway's Empire Builder when the second section crashed into it here tonight.

Russell Dushinske, editor of the Devils Lake, N. D., Journal who was at the scene said that many bodies, mostly service men, were visible in the car which was held telescoped and raised onto the top of the locomotive of the second train.

Dushinske said Great Northern railroad officials estimated the bodies could not be removed for another 12 hours as the mass of twisted steel must be cut apart with acetylene torches.

More than 40 persons were injured, Dushinske estimated, the most serious a sailor who suffered a broken neck.

The Herald said the first section, developing a hot box, had made an unscheduled stop here, remaining on the main track. An effort to flag down the second section failed and the train plummeted into the first section.

The impact was terrific, shaking many houses in this small community, and at once the word spread that brought many local residents to the scene.

They immediately set about removing the victims and sent out a call for help.

The Great Northern dispatched relief trains from Grand Forks, 54 miles away, and from Devils Lake, 34 miles distant, while local doctors and volunteers gave such first aid as they could.

Japs Advertise Radio Message Set for Aug. 13

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 9. —(AP)—A Tokyo broadcast recorded tonight by the American Broadcasting company requested listeners to be sure to tune in at 1:30 p. m., Aug. 13, Japanese time "to receive direct from the citizens of Japan a sensational message the people of the war-torn world have been waiting and longing to hear."

The announcer told his audience "they will not want to miss the urgent news of vital importance to everyone," and added:

"Radio monitors throughout the world are advised and urged to record this all-important event."

He repeated the date and time, which would be 9:30 p. m., Aug. 13, U. S. Pacific Coast War Time.

There was no hint as to what the promised announcement might be.

Appointment of Stettinius Is Announced

WASHINGTON, Aug. 9. —(AP)—Edward R. Stettinius, Jr., was appointed today as the United States representative on the preparatory commission of the United Nations organization with the rank of ambassador.

President Truman announced the appointment which had been expected ever since Stettinius guided the American delegation's work in the writing of the 50-nation treaty at San Francisco for the peace of the future.

The president, informally addressing his former secretary of state as "My Dear Ed," said in a letter that he wished Stettinius "success in this vitally important undertaking."

In a statement the White House said that Stettinius probably would not attend the first routine meetings of the executive committee of the preparatory commission. The group is so called because it will do the spadework for the United Nations organization until the required number of nations have ratified the San Francisco charter and made it effective.

Discharge Points For Indian Wars Must Be Cancelled

Charles A. Hoover, 1528 N. Capitol st., felt pretty sad about not being well enough to go down to selective service offices to receive in person his "greetings from the president." But he's chuckling about it today.

When the girl telephoned this week to say the letter had been returned as undeliverable and in assured tone notified Mrs. Hoover that her husband would be expected to pick it up with little delay, she was told that he surely would like to—"You see, he likes army life—he fought in the Indian wars in his youth, was 'there' at the Boxer rebellion and served in the Philippines during the Spanish-American war."

Mr. Hoover, 76, is not the only Charles Hoover in Salem.

Subcommittee Visits Plant

RICHLAND, Wash., Aug. 9. —(AP)—If the Japanese are having trouble deciding when to surrender, Rep. Jed Johnson (D-Okla.) asserted tonight, a quick ride through the atomic bomb production project at Hanford would make up their minds.

Johnson, echoed by other members of a house subcommittee on interior department appropriations, called Hanford's plants the "most inspiring sight I've laid eyes on."

Johnson said he thought the war would be ending within a few days, with Japan crushed between atomic bombs and the full fury of Allied forces.

3rd Fleet Attacks Continue

1500 Ship-Based Planes, 70 B-29s Pound Honshu

GUAM, Friday, Aug. 10. —(AP)—The massive Third fleet, so close to Japan that it has heavily damaged the steel city of Kamaishi with its guns, sent 1500 carrier planes back over north Honshu today at dawn for the second straight day. Then around noon 70 Superfortresses in their fifth straight day over Nippon spilled 2000 pound demolition bombs on the big Tokyo arsenal.

The mounting air offensive moves were reported while the U. S. army strategic air forces headquarters was announcing that smoke churned up by the atomic bomb dropped yesterday on Nagasaki still prevented photographic disclosure as to just what remained of that Kyushu port city's 12 square miles.

Nimitz gave no details of today's carrier strikes renewed against Honshu but an Associated Press warship dispatch said air bases under attack included ones the Japanese might try to use to send planes against the Russians.

The raid by 70 B-29s on the Tokyo arsenal followed by a few hours earlier by 90 Superfortresses on an oil refinery company at Amagasaki near Osaka.

The shelling yesterday of Kamaishi by Admiral Halsey's heavy Third fleet ships and light forces of the British Pacific fleet was described officially by Nimitz as a "heavy naval bombardment."

Albany Man at Hiroshima?

ALBANY, Ore., Aug. 9. —(AP)—Lt. David Kiewer, Albany, may have been in the Hiroshima prison camp when the atomic bomb devastated the city, his parents, Rev. and Mrs. P. A. Kiewer, said today.

The war department informed them that the Japanese radio broadcast a letter, supposedly written by their son, that he had been moved from Zentsuji prison camp to Hiroshima. Whether the letter was written before or after the bombing was not known.

Kiewer, a marine corps flier, was captured on Wake island.

Knudsen Predicts End of War in September

COPENHAGEN, Aug. 9. —(AP)—Lt. Gen. William S. Knudsen told reporters today they could expect the end of the Japanese war in September.

The resigned director of the U. S. army production program made the statement when asked how soon American automobiles would be in production. He said cars would be available shortly after the end of the war.

Japanese Broadcast Predicts Nip Use 'Atom Bomb' Weapon

LONDON, Friday, Aug. 1. —(AP)—The Japanese radio in Singapore, in a broadcast monitored by BBC, said today that Japan has a weapon "similar to the atomic bomb" and will use it "to the utmost against United States military personnel."

The broadcast was not clear as to the exact nature of the purported weapon, but said "Japan is fully aware of the true aspects of atomic energy" and "the Anglo-American nations must have drawn on the result of Japanese researches."

"America has asked for it, now she will get it," said the English-language broadcast, beamed to Europe.

But the broadcast said Japan would not use its weapon against civilians.

"It can be stated immediately and in definite terms that Japan does not intend to employ it after the pattern of American capital in

Russian Pincers Closing on Japs In 3 Front Push

Siberian Army Drive Aided by U.S. Parachute Troops, Chinese Choking Off Nip Troop Movements

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 10. —(AP)—Russian troops have invaded Korea along a wide front, the Japanese imperial headquarters announced today.

The broadcast, recorded by the federal communications commission, said the soviet troops entered Korea in the vicinity of Keiko and Karafut.

NEW YORK, Aug. 10. —(AP)—The Tokyo radio announced today that soviet troops had invaded the Japanese-occupied southern half of Sakhalin island.

The broadcast quoted a Japanese communique as saying the invasion was launched "at points near Buika."

At the same time a soviet force "carried out a light bombardment of areas southwest of Buika as well as west of Handa," added the broadcast, which was reported by the FCC.

MOSCOW, Friday, Aug. 10. —(AP)—A hard-striking red army stabbed into enemy-held Manchuria yesterday, registering initial gains of up to 14 miles in what appeared to be a mighty soviet drive to cut off Japanese armies in the north.

Apparently the Russians were driving into Manchuria from three sides.

(The broadcast Moscow communique as recorded in London indicated the red armies were engaging in a giant pincer action as they knifed into Manchuria.)

(The broadcast bulletin reported the capture of Jin-Jin Sume, which maps in London

Tired Fighters Get Relief as Fires Reduced

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 9. —(AP)—Fire lines throughout the state were quiet tonight after foresters completed trails around two blazes on the Warm Spring Indian reservation which threatened to meet.

The two fires, about 15 miles northeast of Mt. Jefferson, totaled approximately 2000 acres.

Mt. Hood national forest crews controlled them despite low humidity and a mild breeze.

Three lightning-set fires in southern Oregon were under control, and on the Tillamook front foresters took advantage of a lull in fighting to send in relief for men who had been on fire lines three weeks. Good progress continued to be made on trails.

Mayor LaGuardia Plans 'Swan Song' in Concert

NEW YORK, Aug. 9. —(AP)—Mayor F. H. LaGuardia plans a musical finale to his 12 years in office.

With baton under his arm, the versatile little mayor—whose third term ends this year—will step onto the podium in Lewisohn stadium Tuesday night to lead the New York philharmonic symphony orchestra in the last number of its last summer concert.

Tokyo asserted the Russians were attacking from the east at points along a 300-mile front.

Further north, the soviet army battled over the Amur and Ussuri rivers from the Khabarovsk area and captured the Japanese stronghold of Fuyuan, in the northeastern tip of Manchuria, besides several other populated places, Moscow said.

Beat Down Resistance

In a heavy blow from the west, the soviet said they beat down "fierce enemy resistance" and captured the towns and railway stations of Lupin (Manchouli) and Chailaer, 15 miles farther southeast of the former Chinese Eastern railway.

Animal Crackers



Wow! Look at that cutie third from the left!