

'We're Holding Our Own' in Solomon Isles

U.S. Bombers Spur Chinese to Continue Fight

War Effort in Gear with New Faith in Leaders—Many Munition Plants

By Morris J. Harris and J. D. White

Returning War Correspondents Rio de Janeiro, Aug. 11 (AP)—United States bombers have gone to China and spurred her to a new faith in the sixth year of a war she has fought alone until now, and still fights with unwavering sacrifice and devotion.

Ammunition dumps and camps in China and China's 400,000,000 have new faith in their leaders and the long-range course they follow. Didn't they predict that China and the United States together would whip Japan?

Puppets Wavering

Even Japan's Chinese puppets have begun to waver. They have told American missionary doctors in the over-run areas how they and the forces under them now are holding on, playing at cooperation with the enemy—because non-cooperation means death for themselves and all the Chinese around them—until the day comes to strike.

To sympathetic American ears they whisper that they have learned that there is no such thing as cooperation with the Japanese, only slavery under Japanese masters.

China's war effort is in top gear. Behind the lines, far from smoke of countless daily battles, millions of Chinese—men, women and children—toll in thousands of small factories.

China's War Plants

China's war factories, bombed by the Japanese almost without opposition for five years, are scattered and camouflaged in hundreds of mud-walled villages.

Not only are they the arsenal of China's struggle for survival, they also are the pattern of a new China. They raise community living standards and spread employment and wealth to the impoverished laboring classes. When the war ends they will make ploughs instead of swords.

At the front, huge armies continue to play their old game of wait-and-ponce, a wily scheme which has kept the invader at bay despite his wealth of armament.

Millions Keep Coming

The Chinese pay heavily in men because the Japanese know the game now and blast at the inextinguishable manpower which flows against them. But China's millions keep coming.

More millions of communist and other guerrilla forces harry the invaders' communications, ambush his transports, massacre outlying garrisons and sabotage his political and economic schemes in the dominated regions.

Even poorer armed than the regulars, the guerrillas show a morale and courage which flames more passionately today than ever.

Last spring and summer, the Japanese sent division after division against the communists in north China in what was announced as the final anti-guerrilla mop-up. The Japanese announced, as usual, that the guerrillas were annihilated. The next night the hit-and-run fighters of China captured an entire Japanese division.

Laval Calls Troops, Fears Coup d'etat

London, Aug. 11 (AP)—A Reuters dispatch from Stockholm today quoted the Vichy correspondent of the newspaper Svenska Dagbladet as saying Pierre Laval had called up police and troop reinforcements to protect the Vichy government against a rumored coup d'etat. (Vichy dispatches said that Laval was at Compiegne today to greet 1,000 returning French war prisoners released by the Germans in return for French workmen going into German industry.)

1,000 Strike at War Plant

Bayonne, N.J., Aug. 11 (AP)—An estimated 1,000 workers struck today at the General Cable Corporation to protest the refusal of the management and the war labor board to grant wage increases and vacations with pay.

Michael Petrakian, strike chairman, who made the estimate, said the walkout was an independent one and not sponsored by Local 868, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, AFL, of which the workers are members.

The strike started at midnight and picket lines were formed immediately at the plant gates. No attempts to pass through the lines were made by employees due at 8 a. m., Petrakian said. He said the strike was "100 per cent effective."

Petrakian said the workers seek ten-cent-an-hour increases over undisclosed present rates and two-week vacations with pay after two years' of service.

Insane Patients Bomb Victims

London, Aug. 11 (AP)—Several patients and staff members of an East Anglian mental institution were killed last night by a direct hit from a German plane during raids on East Anglia and southeast England.

Emergency squads toiled through the night to recover the dead and rescue the injured at the institution. By noon 12 bodies had been brought out of two flattened wards.

The Germans scattered a large number of their new phosphorus fire bombs in the surrounding district without causing damages or casualties.

(The German radio said Hastings, on the English Channel, and Colchester, 50 miles northeast of London, were the main targets of the night raiders.)

London's air raid sirens shrilled early this morning but the all clear followed shortly and no bombings were reported.

Kaiser Told to Draft Cargo Plane Plans

Washington, Aug. 11 (AP)—Henry J. Kaiser, west coast ship-builder who wants to build giant troop and cargo-carrying flying boats, today was told to draft his final plans and submit them to the war production board and the navy department for approval.

WPB Chairman Donald M. Nelson gave Kaiser a letter authorizing him to prepare engineering plans and data on what he would need to build 500 planes. Previously WPB officials had talked about a "letter of intent" under which Kaiser would have had the government's word to back him up if he could build the planes without interfering with the military program laid down by President Roosevelt.

Apparently Nelson backed down somewhat, however, because he could not get navy sanction for the first proposal. Nelson, in his letter, stressed that Kaiser was to satisfy both WPB and the navy that the cargo plane program would not interfere

Anti-foreign Turn Taken in Indian Rioting

Strike Paralysis Creeping Over Country Hits War Industry

By John R. Morris

Bombay, India, Aug. 11 (AP)—Rioting, strikes and independence disorders in which an angry crowd set fire to a Delhi municipal office lorry and slightly injured three officials continued to spread today after police again fired on demonstrators in Bombay and Delhi.

Government officials issued a warning that the sternest measures would be taken against rioters.

Police, bolstered by troops, who took part in some clashes, were still unable to control rioting in Bombay and Delhi, the seat of the British viceroy, and the riots were more serious this afternoon in northern Bombay, where trains were attacked, traffic paralyzed and fires started. The Matunga post office was forced to close.

Death Toll Grows

Disorders and fighting which added to the earlier toll of approximately 20 dead and more than 200 injured also were reported from war industrial sectors, many of which were closed by strikes, and provincial centers, especially in the Lucknow area in the north.

Renewed disorders in Bombay, where the crowds displayed an anti-foreign attitude as well as shouting demands for the British to quit India, were most severe in the north part of the city.

The task of fighting the rioters was still in the hands of police although troops had been called and stood by at strategic points and sometimes helped disperse crowds. But the government warning that persons responsible for disorders would be sternly punished and the spreading riots suggested that the military might be forced to take more active measures.

Police fired on thousands of student rioters outside the great Bombay municipal hospital, killing two and wounding many. The death toll here had reached 17, and 209 persons had been wounded before today.

There were casualties so far unestimated when police fired on rioters at Poone and Lucknow.

Bombay Unsafe The students demanded the hats and neckties—symbols of their white race—of their professors and burned them in bonfires.

In fact, Bombay's turbulent northern suburbs, where police had fired 10 times on rioters yesterday, was unsafe for anyone wearing western clothing. (Concluded on Page 12, Column 7)



Gandhi's Followers Defy India Police—Mohandas Gandhi's "do or die" zealots defied police bullets time after time in Bombay and elsewhere in response to the all-India congress campaign of mass civil disobedience against British rule. Here Gandhi (center), confers with leaders of the all-India congress: Maulana Abdul Kalam Azad (right), the party's president, and J. B. Kripalani (left), general secretary of the party. Gandhi and Kalam Azad were under arrest. — Associated Press Photo from March of Time.

Nazi Gun Squads Kill 100 Hostages

Second-front talk increased in Europe's conquered nations today as nazi firing-squads took nearly 100 more lives and the uprising in the event of an allied invasion of Europe. Ninety-three Frenchmen were executed in Paris and at least six Czechs in old Czechoslovakia, the latter on charges of "high treason and favoring the enemy."

Seek Annex to Legion Building

Advised that the northwest vital area board has shelved the proposal to remodel the Raymond garage building for use as a permanent USO center in Salem, for which \$16,700 was allocated by the federal security agency, and that \$12,000 had been approved by the board for renovating the American Legion hall, sponsors of the recreation center project were today rushing plans and estimates for a 2-story annex to the hall to completion.

Indications are that the board will approve the allocation of an additional \$5,000 to defray the cost of the annex.

If the proposal is formally approved the USO will move immediately in the Legion building and function from there until the annex is completed, according to R. R. Boardman, director for Marion and Polk counties.

It would require three to six months to make the Raymond building ready for occupancy, it is estimated.

Under the new plan the Legion would be paid \$200 a month for rental of the building which, with the annex, would be turned over to the city for use as a museum or public gathering place after the war.

Nuns and Priests Train in Aviation

New Orleans, Aug. 11 (AP)—Two nuns, a priest and five religious brothers at Loyola University of the south here have actively joined the war effort to defeat the axis.

With some 40 other high school teachers, Sister Mary Elphege and Sister Mary Aidan and the priest and brothers have begun training in aviation courses heretofore not included in the curriculum of the religious. The course is jointly sponsored by the civil aeronautics authority and the United States office of education to train high school teachers who will in turn teach their students.

Studies in meteorology, navigation, general service of aircraft and aircraft regulation are being taught this month.

Germans Launch New Offensive On Leningrad

Use Volunteers from Occupied Lands—Drive in Caucasus Continues

By Henry Shapiro

Moscow, Aug. 11 (AP)—Large volunteer legions from Spain, France, Belgium and Scandinavia are being thrown into Adolf Hitler's offensive threatening the red fleet's vital Black sea bases after overwhelming soviet defenses around the Malkop oil fields, according to front-line advices today.

In a new offensive toward Stalingrad on the Volga and its important war industries, German armored forces were reported attacking Russian positions in the Kletskeya sector to the northwest and striking with masses of tanks in the Kotelnikovo region on the south.

Legionnaires Used

Front-line advices said it had been disclosed by the testimony of prisoners taken during the last 10 days that fresh Legionnaires from Spain, France, Belgium, Norway and Denmark were being rushed into the battle to fill the gaps caused by the nazis' heavy losses.

German advances in the Krasnodar and Armavir sectors of the North Caucasus threatened the Malkop oil fields, and the Russian Black Sea fleet's main bases.

The Novorossisk naval base lies only 65 miles west of Krasnodar and the port of Anapa is only slightly northward near the Crimean straits.

German Claims

The German high command said that Russian troops were attempting to escape by sea from the ports of Novorossisk, Tuapse and Anapa just west of the Krasnodar-Armavir battle area under constant nazi aerial bombardment that has sunk 11 transports totaling 12,500 tons and damaged nine other transports.

The reports from the Caucasus front were serious inasmuch as they showed the enemy rapidly approaching the Black Sea coast, apparently attempting to cut off the Novorossisk naval base some 65 miles from Krasnodar, but the danger to Stalingrad also was greatly increased following two weeks of heavy fighting in which attacks had been repulsed.

In Malkop Oil Fields

Around Malkop, it was believed, the Russians were fighting almost in sight of the derricks of their valuable oil-fields.

At Krasnodar, Armavir and Malkop, the Germans followed by strong tank assaults on narrow sectors to split up Russian detachments and drive them back. (Concluded on Page 11, Column 4)

Marines Beat-off Jap Attacks in 5-Day Battle

Allied Gains Greatly Outweigh Losses—New Supplies Arrive

General MacArthur's Headquarters, Australia, Aug. 11 (AP)

—The allied forces which accomplished their planned landings in an air, land and sea-borne attack on the Solomon islands are under strong Japanese counterattack, but "we are holding our own," Australian Prime Minister John Curtin announced today.

Curtin said that American Admiral Ernest J. King's Washington announcement yesterday, despite its listing of the loss of one allied cruiser sunk and two destroyers, two destroyers and one transport damaged, indicated allied gains so far have greatly outweighed losses.

First Offensive

Admiral King spoke of "a large number" of enemy planes destroyed and "surface units put out of action," and referred definitely to the Tulagi operation as "our first assumption of the initiative and of the offensive."

The prime minister's brief statement was the first word from an official source in Australia on the main operations in the Solomons. Communiques issued by General MacArthur's headquarters have dealt only with air support given the invasion thrust directed by Vice Admiral Robert L. Ghormley, supreme commander of allied naval forces in the south Pacific area.

Rabul Assaulted

Today's communique told of a third destructive assault in as many days upon Rabaul, main Japanese flank base in New Britain, and attacks on Japanese shipping below Timor, more than 2,000 miles to the west, in which a heavy destroyer and two merchant ships were knocked out.

It also was disclosed that Australian land forces were not involved in the Solomon islands attack, but that Australian naval units participated and Australian air forces were cooperating in the increasingly powerful attacks on Japanese bases. (Concluded on Page 11, Column 6)

Russia to Fight On Says Molotov

Moscow, Aug. 11 (AP)—Russia is convinced that its army will remain intact and that if it loses the north Caucasus, it can stand indefinitely on the Volga or, if necessary, in the Ural mountains, Admiral William H. Standley, United States ambassador, said today after a talk with Foreign Commissar Viacheslav Molotov.

Standley saw Molotov yesterday and informed him that Major General Follett Bradley, President Roosevelt's newly arrived special envoy had brought Premier Josef Stalin a letter from the president.

As the result of his visit here from Kuibyshev, where the diplomatic corps had its headquarters since soon after Russia was invaded, Standley has received the impression that the Russians realized the seriousness of their situation but do not think developments in the north Caucasus before Stalingrad are decisive.

"The are convinced that the Red army is intact and will remain intact," he said. "The Russians may continue to withdraw but there is not the slightest indication that they have the slightest intention of quitting."

Standley said he had not heard any complaints by Russian authorities regarding allied delay in starting a second front, but he added that the Russian people were naturally disappointed.

Hankow Bombed by American Planes

Chungking, Aug. 11 (AP)—Fighter-escorted American bombers in a low-altitude attack on Hankow and vicinity bombed newly constructed warehouses and other objectives yesterday, Lieut. Gen. Joseph W. Stilwell's headquarters announced today.

Hankow, Japan's greatest inland base in China, is on the Yangtze river and has been a frequent target of the American bombers.

The headquarters bulletin said there was no anti-aircraft fire and no air opposition.

"Incendiary as well as high explosive bombs were dropped," it said. "A number of hits were scored in the town and on newly-constructed warehouses. At least two large fires were started."

The Hankow raid followed one Sunday by American airmen on Haiphong, French Indo-China port where a Chinese army spokesman said today Japanese reinforcements for Thailand and Burma landed around July 27.

British Aircraft Carrier Said Sunk

London, Aug. 11 (AP)—The German radio, in a social announcement, reported that the British aircraft carrier Eagle had been sunk by a German submarine today in the western Mediterranean. Four torpedoes hit the ship, the radio said.

The Eagle was in a strongly protected convoy and was attacked "at midday," according to the Germans.

The Eagle, completed in 1918, had a displacement of 22,600 tons with a complement of 748 and carried 21 aircraft.