

# REDS DRIVE INTO MANCHURIA; ATOMIC BOMB HITS NAGASAKI

## JAP NAVAL BASE NEARLY ERASED BY HEAVY BLAST

### Superfort Crew Reports Results 'Good'—Tokyo Silent on Second Atom Bomb

Guam, Aug. 9.—(U.P.)—Preliminary reports indicated that the second atomic bomb to be dropped on Japan all but obliterated Nagasaki, a major naval base and Japan's 11th largest city, during the noon rush hour today.

Crew members of the Superfort which loosed the terrifying bomb on Nagasaki watched the earth-shaking explosion and dashed back to Gen. Carl A. Spatz, commander of the strategic air forces, that results were "good."

Details Wait  
"No further details will be available until the mission returns," Spatz said in a brief communique.

But to all hands that brief report—"results good"—indicated that Nagasaki, a city of 252,630 persons, virtually had been blown off the map of Japan by an explosion equal to that which levelled four and one-tenth square miles of Hiroshima, target of the first atomic bombing raid last Monday.

Radio Tokyo was silent on the results of the Nagasaki attack. Only yesterday, however, it told how searing flames and horrible concussion blasted and burned to death "every living thing" within range in the Hiroshima raid.

Damage Heavy  
Tokyo admitted that, even four days after the mighty atomic explosion in Hiroshima, it was impossible to assess fully the devastation wrought by the bomb.

Nagasaki lies on the western coast of Kyushu, southernmost of the Japanese home islands.

In addition to its important navy yard, Nagasaki is crowded with shipyards, aircraft factories, steel works, aircraft plants and electric works of the octopus-like Mitsubishi industries.

## HALSEY'S PLANES AND SUPERFORTS CHURN CENTERS

Guam, Aug. 9.—(U.P.)—Adm. William F. Halsey's third fleet sailed into Japanese home waters today, unleashing 1,200 carrier planes against dwindling centers of enemy resistance as the Japanese reported a new strike by 100 Superforts against Tokyo.

Simultaneously Gen. Carl Spatz, commander of the U. S. strategic air force announced that the most complete devastation ever brought to any Japanese city by high explosive bombs was visited on Toyama on northern Honshu a week ago.

Industry Hit  
Tokyo said a fleet of B-29s late this afternoon attacked industrial targets around the metropolitan area and that American warships earlier thrust within 10 to 20 miles of the Japanese coast to shell Kamaishi, steel center in northeast Honshu.

Tokyo identified the targets of the Superforts as Oji Shima, Ogikubo and Tamachi in the industrial heart of Tokyo. Part of the force attacked nearby Senju. Spatz later said that reconnaissance photographs showed 99.5 per cent destruction of Toyama, one of four cities and an oil refinery hit by 800 Superforts Aug. 2.

Pamphlets Dropped  
Gen. Carl A. Spatz, strategic air forces chief, disclosed that warplanes are dropping more than 3,000,000 pamphlets every day on Japan, seeking to halt the "futile war ambitions of Japan's present leaders." The propaganda leaflets are directly tied with Russia's declaration of war.

Star to desperation by Halsey's aggressive force, the Japanese undertook a kamikaze suicide-plane attack on Halsey's fleet for the first time since the third fleet invaded homeland waters early in July.

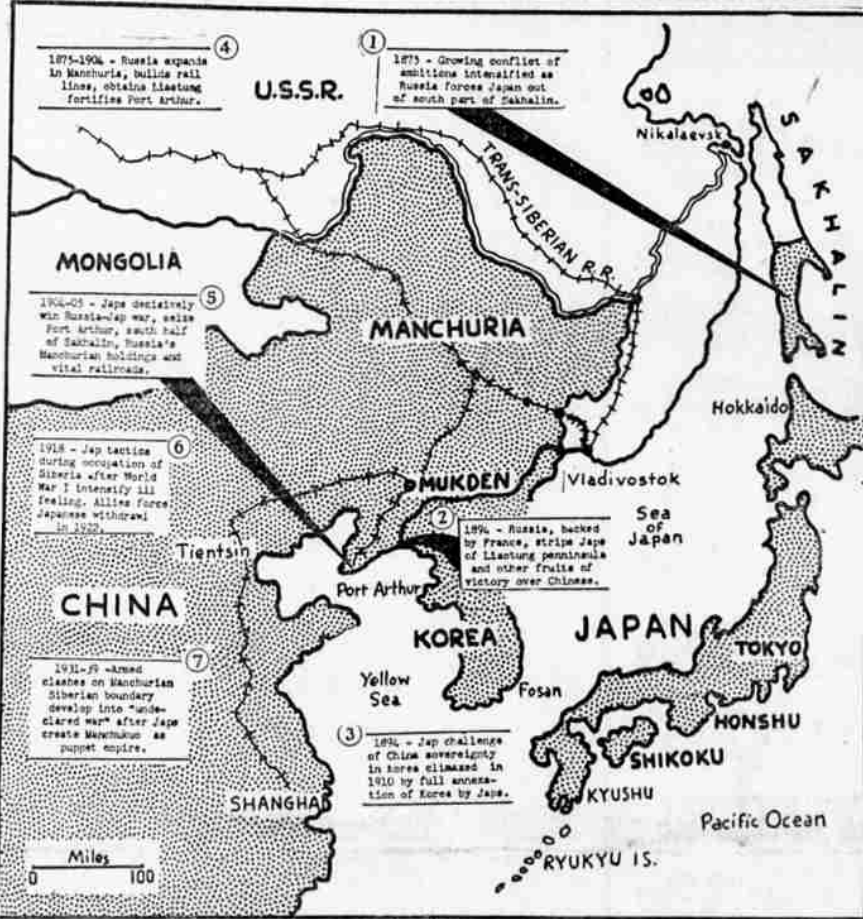
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Map shows in chronological order, high spots in Russo-Jap relations since their expansionist programs started to clash in the 19th century.

## Russia To Seek Restoration Of Territory Lost To Japan

By United Press  
Russian territorial demands in the Far East, it was believed today, will follow a pattern similar to her demands in Europe.

The primary demands of the soviet in a Far Eastern peace settlement were expected to be for restoration of the territories and rights lost to Japan in the war of 1904-05.

At that time Russia was forced to cede to Japan her lease of the Kwantung peninsula and Port Arthur, and the southern half of Sakhalin island.

Russia also recognized the Japanese sphere of influence in Korea and northern Manchuria and gave the Japanese special fishing rights in far eastern waters.

After the world war Russia was forced to make further concessions, eventually losing its joint rights in the Chinese eastern railroad.

It was believed that soviet interests in the Far East are one of the subjects being discussed in Moscow by Premier Josef Stalin and Premier T. V. Soong.

Russia is on record as stating that she regards Port Arthur as Russia and it was assumed that in a Far Eastern settlement she would desire the return of Port Arthur and Kwantung peninsula, restoration of special privileges on the north Manchurian railroad, recognition of her special interest in Manchuria, an establishment of a "friendly, democratic, neighborly" Korea, return of the southern half of the Sakhalin island and possibly the Kuriles to which the Russians have a claim based on early exploration.

Chungking, Aug. 9.—(U.P.)—Lt. Gen. Albert C. Wedemeyer, commanding general of U. S. army forces in China, announced today American-trained Chinese paratroops and commando battalions have gone into action in China as part of a long-planned military co-ordination with the Soviet Red army.

Simultaneously a Chinese government spokesman, welcoming the U. S. S. R. into the war against Japan called on the Japanese people to comply with the joint demand of China, United States, Great Britain and the Soviet Union for unconditional surrender.

Actions Linked  
Wedemeyer revealed that the Russian drive into Manchuria had been closely co-ordinated with Allied operations in the Pacific and in the China theater.

## ELLSWORTH WILL ADDRESS C OF C MEETING AUG. 24

Congressman Harris Ellsworth has accepted an invitation to address members of the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce here Friday, August 24, according to an announcement today by chamber officials.

The meeting will be held in the blue room of the Hotel Holland. Due to restricted capacity of the banquet room reservations should be made in advance at the office of the chamber of commerce, telephone 2294. This meeting will take the place of the regularly scheduled session August 17.

At the chamber meeting Ellsworth will discuss problems in Washington with special emphasis upon effect of legislative trends upon the future development of this area. Chamber officials here are loud in their praise of the cooperation extended by the fourth district representative with their organization in past months. Brief routine chamber business will precede his address.

Congressman Ellsworth will arrive in Medford August 20 and will make his headquarters at the Hotel Medford. Among the local public appearances will be an address Tuesday, August 21 at the meeting of the Medford Rotary club and Wednesday, August 22 at the Medford Kiwanis club.

Ellsworth has been vacationing in Oregon with his family since early this month, and expects to return to Washington soon after his visit here.

## CHEMICALS EYED TO CHECK FIRES

Salem, Ore., August 9.—(U.P.)—Oregon is conducting a research into the feasibility of using airplanes with chemicals as a means of suppressing forest fires, Governor Earl Snell announced today. The governor said that some laboratory experimentation and research is now under way in the use of chemicals and the Oregon Forestry Department is making a check as to methods of properly equipping planes for such use. Such a method, it is contended, would be particularly effective in extinguishing forest fires in their early stages or in connection with the suppression of spot fires which break away from a major fire such as that now raging in the Tillamook area.

The Oregon Forestry Department made very successful use of chemical-spraying airplanes this summer in treating infested forest areas in Clatsop county, the governor said.

## TWO SUSPECTS JAILED IN DRUG STORE THEFT

Approximately \$10 was stolen sometime Tuesday night from a cash drawer in Hunter's drug store, 134 East Main street, city police were told yesterday, and two suspects are in county jail today.

Police said several desk drawers had been ransacked but nothing of particular value was reported missing. It was not disclosed how entry to the building was made.

## PEAR PICKING TO START IN VALLEY MIDDLE OF WEEK

German Prisoners of War And Mexicans to Aid In Harvesting Large Crop.

Most packing plants of this area will start next Wednesday and Thursday, according to present plans. Picking will get underway Monday and Tuesday. Some test runs of machinery have been made, in preparation for opening of the Bartlett harvest, estimated larger than last year and of good quality.

County Agent Robert G. Fowler is now at Nyssa, observing methods used in handling and dispatching German prisoners of war in the sugar beet fields of that area. The German prisoners will be used only in the orchards, fruitmen report. Mexican National workers have also been assigned for local work. Five hundred German prisoners of war have been promised for this section. Three hundred and twenty Mexicans will be shipped in, in addition to the 180 already here.

Pressure tests now underway at the county agent's office indicate the fruit will be ready to pick next week.

Assistant County Agent C. B. Cordy has issued the following statement to growers:

"It is imperative that growers contact their packing houses and start picking early enough to keep the plants operating at capacity from the start. There is a large crop of Bartlett this year and unless picking is started as early as possible, some of the fruit will be overripe before it can be handled.

"If your Bartletts do not seem to be sizing very good, an early picking will relieve the trees so that the remainder of the crop will size better. This early picking would be just like thinning only the fruit thinned off would be sold.

"In cases of doubt as to proper maturity, bring a sample of pears in for a test. For this test, select six or eight pears from large spurs on the inside of the tree. Select good pears as culls do not give a reliable test."

## YUGOSLAVIA PLANS TO NATIONALIZE INDUSTRY

Belgrade, Aug. 9.—(U.P.)—Andrew Hebrang, Yugoslav minister of national economy, said today that the state is planning to take over Yugoslav heavy industry and more than half of all other industry.

## Dropped Leaflets Urge Japs To Revolt and Sue For Peace

Manila, Aug. 9.—(U.P.)—Millions of leaflets calling upon the Japanese people to revolt against their leaders and sue for peace were dropped on Japan by American planes today.

The leaflet barrage coincided with Russia's entry into the Pacific war and the dropping of a second atomic bomb on the enemy homeland.

It supplemented around-the-clock radio warnings from American propaganda stations in the Pacific to Japan to surrender to save herself from utter destruction.

Allied propagandists believed Japan might be ripe for surrender. Soviet Foreign Commissar V. M. Molotov revealed last night that peace was in her mind when he said that Tokyo had asked Moscow to mediate with the western allies for her.

## Honey Harvested Underneath Porch

Richard G. Phair of Glen Oak Court, tore down part of the front porch of his house last Sunday and harvested about 150 pounds of honey, stored there over three or four years by bees who established a hive underneath the porch.

The bees gained entrance through a small hole in the cement. Phair smoked and gassed the bees out of their home. The bees resisted at first and Phair was stung on the thumb. The gas used is not injurious to the honey but puts the bee temporarily out of commission.

## ONE LARGE FIRE STILL BURNING IN JACKSON CO.

Only one large fire, covering about 300 acres south of Rogue River, was reported burning under control today in Jackson county, while headquarters spokesmen of the Rogue River National Forest Service and State Forest patrol state that logging crews have added this week in extinguishing fires in several forest areas. Men were dispatched this morning by the national forest service to two "probable" fires, one in the Fort Klamath area and one near Union Creek.

State forest patrolmen are being assisted at the first near Rogue View Inn by army ground troops and loggers from the Art Farra crew, Art Brown and Elmer Milton camps, Medford corporation, Southern Oregon Planning Mill and Southern Oregon Sugar Pine company, as well as individual loggers and farmers near the blaze.

M. L. Tedrow, fire assistant at the national forest service headquarters, said that at least part of the Everett Skeeters, Joe Hearin and Medford corporation forest logging crews in Union Creek and Butte Falls districts have worked this week on fire control, but were released yesterday to return to logging operations.

## Radio Highlights

Washington, Aug. 9.—(U.P.)—President Truman reports to the nation by radio tonight on the big three conference at Potsdam. He is scheduled to broadcast at 7 p. m., PWT.

There was a possibility Mr. Truman might also discuss some of the questions raised by the use of the atomic bomb on Japan.

## BASEBALL

National (First game)  
Cincinnati ..... 2 6 1  
Brooklyn ..... 9 10 3  
Heusser, Riddle (4) and Lake-  
man; Herring and Peacock.  
Chicago ..... 3 6 2  
Boston ..... 7 14 0  
Derringer, Vandenberg (5)  
Chapman (6) and Williams, Gil-  
lespie (4); Lee and Masi.  
St. Louis ..... 5 11 0  
New York ..... 3 7 2  
Breechen and Rice; Feldman,  
Mylie (4) Fischer (5) Adams  
(8) and Kluttz.  
American  
New York ..... 3 9 3  
Cleveland ..... 2 7 0  
Ruffing and Robinson, Gar-  
bark (9); Bagby and Hayes.  
Washington ..... 7 14 1  
Chicago ..... 2 8 2  
Haefner and Ferrilli; Dietrich,  
Johnson (6) and Treah.

Wilmington, Cal., Aug. 9.—(U.P.) California Shipbuilding Corp. today launched the 10,500-ton Victory ship Oshkosh Victory, named for the city of Oshkosh, Wis., and Calship's 438th ship.

## RUSSIAN ENTRANCE RATED SECOND TO NEW ATOMIC BOMB

Congress Welcomes Aid But Believes Scientific Weapon Will Hurry Peace

Washington, Aug. 9.—(U.P.)—Congress today welcomed Russia's entrance into the Pacific war but ranked it second to the atomic bomb in hastening victory over Japan.

The twin developments of the week left no doubt in any minds but that the end of the Japanese war is approaching. All agreed that the Russian entry can be of benefit in speeding the day of complete victory at a saving of American lives.

There were expressions, however, that the Russian action at this time should not be considered the decisive factor.

Bomb Spurred Action  
The most direct comment along that line came from Sen. Alexander Wiley, R., Wis., who had demanded in a senate speech two weeks ago that Russia get into the war against Japan.

Wiley suggested that the first atomic bomb hurled against Japan last Sunday was a factor in the Russian decision.

"It is obvious that Russia's entry at this time will not have the decisive effect it might have had two weeks ago, before the atomic bomb was introduced," he commented.

"Apparently the atomic bomb which hit Hiroshima also blew Joe (Russian Premier Stalin) off the fence."

## 3 PARATROOPERS INJURED AT FIRE

Redding, Cal., Aug. 9.—(U.P.)—Three army paratroopers, injured when dropped into the Trinity National Forest area today were taken aboard an aerial troop carrier to the Chico army air base.

The men were among approximately 50 paratroopers dropped to help ground crews fight 175 fires in northern California national forests. Their identity was withheld pending determination of the seriousness of their injuries.

The California regional office of the U. S. forest service said all but 11 of the 192 fires started by lightning in the state forests on August 5 and 6 were under control today.

## SEISMOGRAPH JIGGLED

Berkeley, Cal., Aug. 9.—(U.P.)—The University of California seismograph was jiggled by a "tiny something" at 10:10 today, Prof. Perry Byerly reported, as San Franciscans said they felt "something like an earthquake."

## MILLION TROOPS OPEN OFFENSIVE ON WIDE FRONT

### Bombers Roar Out Ahead of Land Forces — Japs Say Pincer Move Planned

London, Aug. 9.—(U.P.)—A Red army of 1,000,000 or more men crashed into Manchuria from the east and west at key points along a 2,000-mile front today and—Tokyo said—collided head-on in battle with Japan's crack Kwantung army.

Allied sources in Chungking said the Soviets already were several miles inside Manchuria at a number of points.

On 300-Mile Front  
Radio Tokyo said that Russian forces had crossed into Manchuria from the east along a 300-mile stretch of the Siberian border from Hunchun, 80 miles west of Vladivostok, to Hutou, 250 miles north of Vladivostok.

In the west, Tokyo said, the Russians forced the border at Manchouli, 50 miles east of the outer Mongolian border.

"The garrison forces of Japan and Manchukuo (Manchuria) have engaged the invaders for self-defense and fighting is in progress," Japanese imperial headquarters reported in another Tokyo broadcast.

Another enemy broadcast spoke of "sharp fighting" in all areas.

## Bombers Pace Drive

Tokyo said Red Air Force bombers, roaring out ahead of the advancing ground forces, bombed the communications centers of Hailan, Harbin, Chiamussu and Kirin in Manchuria and Rashin and Genzan in northern Korea.

Russia exploded her first far eastern offensive of World War II only a few minutes after her declaration of war against Japan took effect at midnight. Tokyo said the assault began at 12:10 a. m.

The Japanese version indicated the offensive was taking the shape of a giant pincers from east and west aimed perhaps at cutting Manchuria in two.

## Rally Puppet Forces

Japan moved swiftly to rally puppet forces in Manchuria. Radio Tokyo said the Manchukuo puppet government at 4 a. m. proclaimed a defense decree for the entire nation against "the Soviet army's unlawful invasion."

In Tokyo itself, senior members of Dai Nippon, Japan's powerful totalitarian political party, held an emergency meeting to discuss counter-measures "capable of meeting the sudden development in the war situation," Radio Tokyo said.

Another meeting was called for 10 a. m. tomorrow to decide the party's policy to be presented to the government and to the high command, Tokyo said.

A communique from the Kwantung army headquarters in Manchuria indicated that the main attack had been directed against the eastern frontier from the narrow siver of Siberian territory wedged in between Manchuria and the sea and tipped by Vladivostok.

Japs Long Prepared  
The Kwantung army, comprising some 750,000 of Japan's toughest and best-trained troops, presumably was waiting for the Soviet attack in long-prepared defenses inside the border.

Russia, for her part, had bolstered her far eastern forces with battle-toughened veterans of the fight against Germany in the west and also sent vast quantities of tanks, planes and munitions to the far east.