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JAPAN OCCUPATION UNDERWAY

JAPS COOPERATE WITH ARMY, NAVY ADVANCE FORCES

Airborne Troops, Marines, Land Thursday at Atsugi And Tokyo Bay

Manila, Aug. 28—(U.P.)—The occupation of Japan began smoothly today with the establishment of American advance headquarters 20 miles from Tokyo and the anchoring in Tokyo Bay of a nine-ship task force with 10,000 marines and bluejackets.

An advance party of 150 technicians—the first occupation troops to land on Japan—radioed back from Atsugi airfield tonight that all 48 planes in the initial air-borne force had landed safely this morning.

Radio communications were set up and preparations begun to ready the airfield for the mass air-borne landings scheduled to begin Thursday morning. Gen. Douglas MacArthur, supreme occupation commander, will be among the early arrivals Thursday.

An NBC correspondent on Okinawa quoted the Atsugi party as saying that the Japanese garrison served some of the Americans a six-course dinner on a white tablecloth while other pilots guarded the planes. Curious Japanese soldiers and civilians had to be pushed away from the planes.

Main Plane Crashes

The main communications plane for the advance party crashed on its takeoff from an Okinawa airfield early this morning and all 19 occupants were killed. Some valuable equipment was lost, but a substitute plane was sent immediately to Atsugi in its place.

Rear Admiral Oscar C. Badger's flagship, the Cruiser San Diego, led a troop-laden transport, four destroyers, and three seaplane tenders through narrow Uruga Strait into Tokyo Bay without incident.

The Armada dropped anchor at 1:30 p.m. (12:30 a. m. EDT) 300 yards off Yokosuka naval base, 20 miles south of Tokyo and 20 miles southeast of Atsugi. American naval commanders handed the Japanese a final memorandum directing them to keep the Yokosuka base operating until American forces land there Thursday.

The Japanese were told to keep skeleton crews guarding all installations. Word reached fleet units offshore that the Japanese were stripping shore defenses, dismantling guns and sweeping mined channels.

A ranking American officer said: "The Japanese are completely cooperative and it looks like the marines and bluejackets will simply march ashore."

Some 10,000 American marines and bluejackets and British marines were poised aboard the transport Gosselin in Tokyo Bay three points around Yokosuka simultaneously with the air-borne landings at Atsugi.

(An NBC broadcast from the fleet said a Japanese mine exploded in Tokyo Bay a few points off the port side of the transport Gosselin, but caused neither damage nor casualties.

Find Bomber, Fate Of Crew In Doubt

Walla Walla, Wash., Aug. 28—(U.P.)—The wreckage of a B-24 Liberator bomber, missing since Saturday night, has been found seven miles north of Tillamook, Ore., but the fate of the 15 men aboard was undetermined, the army reported today.

The announcement said the plane was spotted from the air in the rugged mountainous region of northeastern Oregon and that word was being awaited from a ground party.

The bomber disappeared on a training flight from Sioux Falls, N. D., to the army air field here.

PLANT TO CLOSE

San Diego, Aug. 28—(U.P.)—The Louisville, Ky., division of Consolidated Vultee Aircraft Corp. will shut down Sept. 7, company officials announced today.

Bluejacket Landing Detail for Tokyo



Bluejacket landing detail lines up aboard Iowa-class battleship off Japan in preparation for naval occupation of Tokyo Bay. Adm. Halsey's mighty U. S. 3rd Fleet lies in water off Japan homeland, including battleship Missouri, aboard which the historic surrender ceremonies will take place. U. S. Navy radiotelephoto direct to San Francisco from 3rd Fleet via Guam.

HURRICANE FURY EBBS; HOUSTON TO MISS FULL FORCE

Houston, Tex., Aug. 28—(U.P.)—The latest U. S. weather bureau's advisory today reported the tropical hurricane now has struck Sealy, Tex., 50 miles west-northwest of Houston but was decreasing in intensity.

The storm was reported moving slowly north with gales of about 40 to 50 miles per hour around the center and possibly winds up to 70 miles over a small area at the center.

It now was believed that, with the course the hurricane had taken, Houston might miss the full force of the blow.

Missouri Pacific Railroad officials reported two of the company's trains were missing. Communications were down, but it was believed they had reached the small town of Francitas, near Bay City, where sufficient trackage would be found to support them.

YANK-JAP GOES ON JOB; IGNORES STRIKE THREATS

San Francisco, Aug. 28—(U.P.)—Takeo Miyama, Japanese-American machinist, today returned to his job at the Municipal Railway Bus Repair shop despite threats of 100 AFL union repairmen to "escort him out," stage a sit-down strike or a walk-out.

Miyama came to the shop shortly after 8 a. m. and was sent to repair a bus standing in the yard outside the shops. When the other workers heard the Nisei had returned they ceased work in small groups to discuss the matter.

Police and plain clothesmen guarded the repair shop in anticipation of violence.

A San Francisco hero of the Aircraft Carrier Franklin approached Miyama while he worked on the bus, to offer encouragement.

"Good luck and I hope you get your chance to work here," Chief Radio Technician Harold Stone said to Miyama. "I think you have the right to." Stone holds the silver star for gallantry in action against the Japanese.

Washington, Aug. 28—(U.P.)—President Truman will hold a news conference at 10 a. m., Thursday, the White House announced today.

BULLETIN

Washington, Aug. 28—(U.P.)—Lt. Col. Nicol Smith of the Office of Strategic Service revealed today that about 300 survivors of the cruiser Houston, sunk early in the war, are interned in a Japanese prison camp in Thailand.

Oakmont, Pa., Aug. 28—(U.P.)—Sammy Snead, of White Sulphur Springs, Va., shot a one-over-par 73 today to take an early lead in the 72-hole \$10,000 war bond tournament at the Oakmont Country club.

Snead's score was one stroke better than Byron Nelson, who turned in a 74 for the first 18 holes. Veteran Gene Sarazen had to be content with a 79, while Harold (Jug) McSpaden, away off his game, shot a poor 81.

MRS. BRIDGES HAD HETIC TIME SHE SAYS WITH HARRY

San Francisco, Aug. 28—(U.P.)—Mrs. Agnes Bridges today was expected to resume the stand at the divorce hearing of Harry R. Bridges, west coast CIO labor leader, who she said pushed her out a window because he didn't want to take her to a party.

Mrs. Bridges yesterday denied in detail earlier testimony by Bridges that she was an habitual drunkard and had entertained men unclothed in her home.

In fact, she said, one time the labor leader lay drunk on his bed while Magnus Carson, a longshoreman, chased her around the bedroom and pinched her.

"When I told Harry about it, he said the stevedores didn't mean any harm," she said. "But I didn't think it was very nice."

Mrs. Bridges said she suffered a broken leg and head and back injuries from the fall after her husband assiduously pushed her from a window of their apartment after a quarrel telling her "the next time I push you out, you go for good."

Bridges didn't like taking her to parties, his wife said on the stand because he was too much interested in other women, including Mrs. Nancy Feinstein Beredico, a New York dancer.

Mrs. Beredico charged in a cross-complaint that Mrs. Beredico was the mother of a child by Bridges. She said she first heard of Mrs. Beredico's baby from her daughter, Betty Jacqueline, last spring.

AIR POST-WAR PROBLEMS —Portland, Ore., Aug. 28—(U.P.)—Mayors of at least seven major Pacific coast cities will discuss mutual postwar problems at a conference in San Francisco, September 20, Mayor Earl Riley of Portland announced today.

GEN. WAINWRIGHT TO ATTEND NIPP SURRENDER RITE

Washington, Aug. 28—(U.P.)—Lt. Gen. Jonathan Wainwright will leave Chungking Aug. 30 for Manila to go to Tokyo for the Japanese surrender, the War Department was advised today.

Brig. Gen. Lewis C. Beebe, who also was captured by the Japanese in the Philippines, will accompany him. Beebe's home is in Fairbault, Minn.

Chungking, Aug. 28—(U.P.)—Lt. Gen. Jonathan M. Wainwright returned from a Manchurian prison camp today and in his first public statement paid homage to the troops who shared his bitter defeat on Bataan and Corregidor.

Weather-beaten and lean after more than three and a quarter years of imprisonment, Wainwright brushed aside his own ordeal to speak of the American and Filipino troops who died in the last stand on Luzon or who survived with him the death march from Bataan.

He also offered his thanks to the American people for standing by him through his defeat and capture.

That experience of popular support, he said humbly, was "perhaps unique in the experience of a defeated commander."

Wainwright held his first press conference since his liberation from the San prison camp 100 miles north of Mukden last week after a "briefing" conference with U. S. army comrades at which he was brought up to date with events since his capture.

Japs Throw Party For First Yankees

With the Third Fleet, Japan, Aug. 28—(U.P.)—Japanese threw a veritable tea party, complete with easy chairs and white-jacketed orderlies, for their American conquerors at Atsugi today.

The welcoming group consisted of Japanese members of the Atsugi liaison committee, headed by the General Chairman, Lt. Gen. Seizo Ariyue.

At the edge of the field, a pavilion tent had been set up. Inside were easy chairs and lunch-clothes with white linen. Orderlies scooted around efficiently, serving mostly cold drinks.

PAY BOOST ORDERED —San Francisco, Aug. 28—(U.P.)—The National War Labor Board today announced a general wage increase of five cents an hour under the little steel formula, retroactive to Oct. 1, and a paid vacation of one week for 15,000 coast longshoremen.

SHANGHAI TAKEN BY YANK FORCE FOR GEN. CHIANG

China's Largest City Falls Easily—Yank Paratroops Land

Chungking, Aug. 28—(U.P.)—Chinese and American paratroopers have dropped into Shanghai and taken over control of China's largest city for Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek, it was learned today.

The sky-fighters swept down into the teeming city of 3,489,998 persons with their automatic weapons ready, but they were confident that they would meet with no opposition. Chinese underground reports as early as last week had indicated that Shanghai's Japanese garrison was ready to quit.

The great seaport practically fell of its own weight when the Kuomintang underground units swarmed from their hiding places to take over, and by the time the paratroopers arrived Shanghai had already taken on a holiday appearance with crowds yelling and cheering as they raced through the streets ready to seize any luckless Japanese soldier.

Chinese newspapers in Chungking today splashed the story all over their front pages while Chiang sat in the Chinese capital awaiting the arrival of Communist Leader Mao Tze Tung and prepared for discussions aimed at peacefully solving China's internal situation.

Official amity between the Communists and the Central government was apparently only hours away as the Communist party's central committee issued a manifesto saying: "We are willing to conclude a compromise agreement with the Kuomintang and other democratic parties to facilitate a speedy settlement of various problems and to become united on a long term basis."

ELLIOTT TO TELL ABOUT LOAN NEXT

Washington, Aug. 28—(U.P.)—The House Ways and Means committee will devote its next session on Elliott Roosevelt's loan transactions to studying the testimony of Elliott himself.

It spent three hours yesterday reading testimony about a \$200,000 loan made to Roosevelt in 1939 by John A. Hartford, president of the Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company. It read depositions from Hartford, A. & P. Counsel Robert Ewing and former Commerce Secretary Jesse Jones who settled the loan for \$4,000.

Committee members said the testimony showed that the late President Roosevelt had approved the loan and later had asked Jones to try to settle it.

The committee adjourned without setting a date for resuming consideration of the case.

AWOL CANADIAN GIVEN 3 YEARS

San Francisco, Aug. 28—(U.P.)—Federal Judge A. F. St. Sure has sentenced Lionel A. Berry 30-year-old waiter AWOL from the Canadian army to three years in federal prison for failure to register for the United States draft.

Berry came here on a 15-day pass from the Canadian army in 1941 and obtained a job as a waiter in a local restaurant.

CAROLINES WAIT MIKADO'S ORDER BEFORE THEY GIVE UP

Forced Down Flier Slain; Nip Commander Defiant When Questioned

Guam, Aug. 28—(U.P.)—By-passed Japanese in the Carolines Islands today were awaiting an official order from Emperor Hirohito before surrender, as the navy revealed that a Liberator crewman forced down May 4 was killed in cold blood by an enemy officer.

The army flier, who was not identified, made a safe parachute landing on Koro in the Palau May 4. He was subsequently taken prisoner and killed by a Japanese officer, the navy said. The Japanese said the killing was under investigation and that it had not been an execution carrying out a court martial sentence.

Questioned about the murder of the unidentified crewman in violation of international law, the Japanese chief of staff, a Col. Tada, said coldly: "While the incident is regrettable it is insignificant by comparison of the loss of innocent women and children's lives by the atomic bomb."

Tada also claimed that what he said were 44,000 soldiers and 6,000 civilians under his command would "resist any attempt at a premature American landing to the point of hara-kiri."

JOBS FOR ALL, OR FREE ENTERPRISE END, SAYS HENRY

Washington, Aug. 28—(U.P.)—Secretary of Commerce Henry A. Wallace said today the only alternative to the administration's "jobs-for-all" bill is a planned economy which "obviously would mean the end of the free enterprise system."

Wallace appeared before the Senate Banking committee as it began the second week of hearings on the measure, designed to set up machinery for government action against depression and unemployment.

Wallace said the full employment bill "embodies the only known means by which the right of workers, the businessman and the farmer to prosper in a climate of full opportunity can be assured within the framework of the free enterprise system."

President Ira Mosher of the National Manufacturers association and two labor leaders also were summoned to testify today.

NAZI GANGSTERS LIST TOLD SOON

London, Aug. 28—(U.P.)—The Four-power representative in London have drafted indictments against the major European war criminals and in the next two or three days will announce the names of perhaps 25 top Nazi leaders scheduled to go on trial for their lives in Nuremberg.

The United Press learned that the list of major war criminals will be made public this week in simultaneous announcements from Washington, London, Paris and Moscow.

That step will fulfill the first directive by the big three at Potsdam calling for issuance of the first list of war criminals before Sept. 1.

BASEBALL

National Philadelphia 1 8 4 Brooklyn 7 9 2 Kraus, Montegudo (5) and Andrews, Spindel (5), Herring, Webber (3) and Dentonio.

WAR BULLETINS

By United Press Two thousand Allied prisoners of war are held in the area which will be occupied by American forces tomorrow, NBC correspondent Joe Hainline reported today from Tokyo Bay.

Hospital ships are standing by, ready to take aboard prisoners or internees in need of medical care. Others will be evacuated later.

Paris, Aug. 28—(U.P.)—From 70,000 to 80,000 American troops are scheduled to sail from Marseille to the United States during the first two weeks of September, mostly high-score soldiers ready for discharge, it was announced today.

San Francisco, Aug. 28—(U.P.)—A total of 36 members of "ultra-patriotic" societies have committed suicide since Aug. 15, radio Tokyo said today.

London, Aug. 28—(U.P.)—A Soviet broadcast said today that Red army troops have reached the southern tip of Sakhalin island, only 24 miles across a narrow strait from the Japanese home island of Hokkaido.

The broadcast said other tasks still lay ahead of the army, but did not specify whether these include a landing on Hokkaido. A Tokyo broadcast several days ago expressed fears that the Russians would force the channel.

BUTTER REDUCED TO 12 PTS. SEPT. 2; ARMY HUSH-HUSH

Amount On Hand or Order Remains Military Secret To Public

Washington, Aug. 28—(U.P.)—The ration point value of butter will be reduced from 16 to 12 red points a pound for the period beginning Sept. 2, an Office of Price Administration spokesman said today.

The reduction will hold good for both household and institutional users.

This will be the second cut in butter point values this summer. In mid-July it was reduced to 16 from 24 points.

Washington, Aug. 28—(U.P.)—The war seems to be over for all practical purposes, and the Office of Censorship has ceased operations, but the army still won't reveal such erstwhile military secrets as:

1. The amount of butter it has on hand.

2. The amount of butter it is currently buying.

Once the size of the army was a secret and a shrewd enemy might have been able to figure out its strength from statistics on butter stocks and purchase.

But while the army's size is no longer a secret—it is 8,050,000 and will be reduced to 2,500,000 by July 1—its butter facts are.

An inquiry brought the response, "sorry, but we can't give them out."

Nips' Act Neither Guilty or Ashamed

By United Press Japanese at Atsugi seemed to show "no guilt or shame in their defeat," two U. S. army officers reported Tuesday after their return to Okinawa.

American Broadcasting Company Correspondent Jack Hoolley interviewed Major Stanley B. Rusch, Houston, Texas, and Capt. Robert P. Spot, Walnut Creek, Calif., pilots of two air transport command aircraft that landed with the occupational spearhead 14 miles southwest of Tokyo.

ARMY TO REDUCE, CUT POINTS TO 80, WHEN MAC READY

Draft Hearing Brings Cut Plan—First May Not Go To Pacific

Washington, Aug. 28—(U.P.)—The Army disclosed today that it would reduce the point discharge score from 85 to 80 as soon as Gen. Douglas MacArthur gives the word, and that it plans to cut its size from 8,050,000 to 2,500,000 by July 1.

An additional demobilization plan and the projected point revision were submitted to the House Military Affairs committee as it began an inquiry into the administration plan to continue drafting young men. Under the plan, such men would be drafted for two years only.

Maj. Gen. Stephen G. Henry, assistant chief of staff for the army's personnel division, said a new point plan reducing the required number of points from 85 to 80 would go into effect only after MacArthur finds that his Pacific manpower needs are provided for and discharges can be accelerated.

Earlier, Maj. Gen. I. W. Edwards, assistant chief of staff for army planning, told the committee the army plans to whittle its strength down to 2,500,000 men by next July.

Henry said that when MacArthur's signal comes, no man with 80 or more points will be sent overseas. At present the army is screening out 75-point men from outfits headed for the Pacific.

Washington, Aug. 28—(U.P.)—Gen. Douglas MacArthur's three armies which carried the war to Japan's back door before she surrendered may furnish all the American occupation forces needed and eliminate the need of sending the U. S. First Army to the Pacific, it was believed today.

Assignment of Lt. Gen. Robert L. Eichelberger's 8th Army to occupy the Tokyo area helped round out the occupation picture and suggested there would be little left for Gen. Courtney H. Hodges' First Army to do in the Pacific.

The First Army was earmarked to proceed to the Pacific shortly after Germany capitulated, the only entire European army specifically named for redeployment. Hodges brought his headquarters over to this country and established it at Fort Jackson, S. C. The headquarters is still there though Hodges personally is not present.

These circumstances suggest that the First Army's orders may be changed and it may never be redeployed.

ALLIES SOON TO RULE SINGAPORE

London, Aug. 28—(U.P.)—Paving the way toward a rapid Allied entry into Singapore, Japanese surrender envoys signed preliminary peace agreements for southeast Asia at 1 a. m. today in the brilliantly lighted grand ballroom of Government House.

The BBC, monitored by the NBC in New York, reported last night that the British East Indies fleet, led by H. M. S. Nelson, was already steaming toward the Straits of Malacca for the British navy's triumphal re-entry into Singapore.

Cowboy Groom Of Heiress is Chilled

Reno, Aug. 28—(U.P.)—Don Valentine, cowboy musician who married New York Heiress Anne Gould Aug. 23, wanted to get back to his fiddling today after wearing of "the fresh air" at his bride's camp near Lake Tahoe.

W. M. Wells, Valentine's employer, said the cowboy told him his honeymoon was featured by numbed fingers and loss of his tent to Mrs. Valentine's childhood nurse.