

Baffled Japanese Weren't Angry On Learning What Hit Hiroshima

Tokyo — (U.P.) — The dazed survivors of the Hiroshima A-bombing who picked their way through splintered houses looking for relatives on Aug. 6, 1945, did not know what had killed nearly half the city's population.

From one B-29, the Enola Gay, came a single blast so strong it obliterated four square miles of houses and buildings in a split second.

Some Japanese believed that "Mr. B," as they had come to call the feared B-29s, had sprayed the city with gasoline and then ignited it.

Others suggested the plane spewed out fine magnesium powder, which ignited instantaneously when it hit electric power lines.

Weeks later, word filtered through the strict Allied occupation censorship that Hiroshima and, three days later, Nagasaki had been struck with the energy of split atoms.

The Japanese named it "Gen-shi Bakudan"—"Original Child Bomb"—because its force came from the original matter of all the earth—but few protested against its use.

"We would have used the atom bomb if we had it," a Japanese newsman said.

"I went to Hiroshima two weeks after the bomb. There was no resentment. They were glad the war was over."

People pinned under wreckage in the path of fires shouted "banzai" to the emperor before they were burned to death.

Young school girls sang the Japanese national anthem before they perished.

But no "banzais" were shouted last September 23rd when Jap-

anese fisherman Aikichi Kuboyama died after exposure to radioactive dust from a U. S. hydrogen weapon test on Bikini.

"Oh, the weakness of a defeated nation," the conservative economic newspaper Nihon Keizai said the next day. "We did nothing wrong."

Radio stations cancelled their regular programs and broadcast memorials to the world's first H-bomb victim.

"Ashes of Death"

Politicians of the left and right demanded compensation from the United States. More petitions were circulated. Editorials asked an end to the use of the Pacific

Faure Seeks to End Revolt Over Policies

By UNITED PRESS

French Premier Edgar Faure convened his bickering cabinet in Paris Saturday to try to quell a threatened right-wing revolt against his North African policies.

He is faced with the problem of granting more home rule in French Morocco or oust the Sultan there and try to prevent wide-scale riots threatened for later this month.

Three mainstays in Faure's loosely knit coalition have warned him against taking hasty steps towards granting autonomy to the North African protectorate. They are the Gaullists, the dissident Gaullists and some of the independents.

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Ocean as a nuclear weapons laboratory.

The term, "ashes of death," was added to the Japanese language.

A factory worker, Ishiji Asada, wrote a song, "Never Again the A-Bomb," and it was sung at Kuboyama's funeral and in Hiroshima.

Near the recorded names of the men, women and children who died in Hiroshima is a stone marker. On it are inscribed these words:

"Requiescat in pace."

"The error shall never be made again."

Knowland Expects No Special Session

Washington — (U.P.) — Senate Republican Leader William F. Knowland said Saturday there is little need for a special session of Congress and a voice of doubt President Eisenhower will call one.

Both Knowland and Senate Democratic Leader Lyndon B. Johnson (Tex.) said the pile of unfinished business left when Congress adjourned Tuesday night can be taken up quickly when the law-makers reconvene in January.

Both listed the unpassed school construction and highway proposals as items that should get top priority then.

Lee stamp will go on sale Sept. 21. It will be sold first at Norfolk, Va., in connection with the annual convention of the American Philatelic Society.

Warren Sees Economy Recovery in Europe

Los Angeles — (U.P.) — Chief Justice Earl Warren said today he noted signs of "economic recovery and full employment" during a six-week European tour which he called his "first real vacation in years."

The former California governor, who arrived here yesterday aboard a Scandinavian Airlines System plane from Copenhagen, said his tour took him to Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Finland, Belgium, Luxembourg, Austria and Germany.

"The standard of living seemed good throughout Europe as far as I could see," Warren declared. "The people seemed alive and busy. My wife and I enjoyed the trip."

Warren said he planned to visit in California for about two weeks. He will attend the American Bar association meeting in Philadelphia on Aug. 24 and then return to Washington when the Supreme Court convenes Oct. 1.

East German Deserter Kidnaped by Reds

Berlin — (U.P.) — West Berlin police announced Saturday that Communist agents in West Germany kidnaped a deserter from the East German Police army and whisked him back to the Soviet Zone.

Police said two agents of the East German secret police got the deserter, Maj. Sylvester Murau, 48, drunk and then drove him 250 miles to the Soviet Zone.

Police said the major's own daughter, a Soviet Zone resident, helped the agents kidnap her father.

Reporter Tells Experience Of Being Checked Out as Possible Polio Patient

Editor's note: What happens when the doctor decides to check you out for polio? A newsman hospitalized as a precaution in the current outbreak in Boston, dictated his experiences from a hospital bed.

By ALAN WADE
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Boston — (U.P.) — Somehow I always associated hospitals with midnight.

Tuesday, I felt terrible. Wednesday, I felt worse.

Helen, my wife, called the doctor.

"Yes," I heard her say over the phone. "I'll have him there in three-quarters of an hour."

At ten minutes of ten, we swung down Fruit st. and into the circle in front of Massachusetts General hospital.

"Can we help," asked the man in the emergency ward entrance. "My name is Wade . . ."

"Oh, yes, we're expecting you!"

You never have seen hospital efficiency until you've been branded a PP (polio precaution).

"Right this way," he said. "Just an Examining Room"

I got into one of those hospital "Johnnies" in what a male nurse told me was "just an examining room." That was an understatement.

I have a confused recollection of men with and without face masks. "Turn over and we'll take your temperature," one said while someone else was probing a finger for a blood count.

"Let me take your blood pressure," another voice said. "Breathe slowly," said my family doctor and asked a series of questions.

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ing to "sleep on your back, with your feet against the board."

Then they tied on a face mask and put my bed into the hall, down a corridor, under some arches, up an elevator.

"Welcome aboard," said the overnight nurse in a cheery greeting. "In for some tests?"

"I've had 'em all," I said. "I bet we can find some more tomorrow," she replied.

And as I dozed off about 2:30 a.m., I thought, "I'll bet they can, too!"

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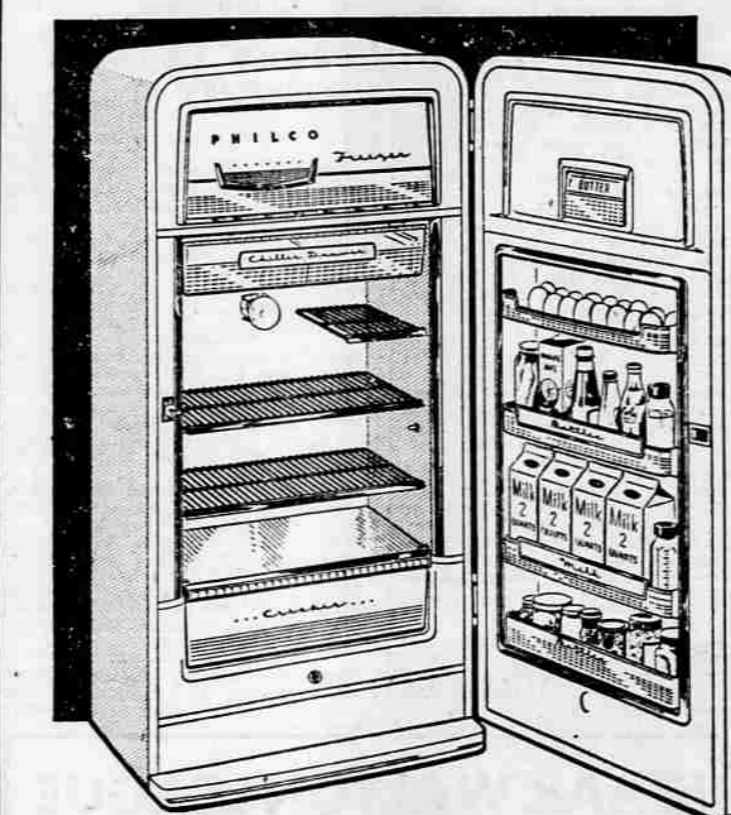


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