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THIRD FLEET AND BRITISH CARRIERS RENEW ATTACKS ON JAP HOMELAND

Adm. Chester W. Nimitz said that the U. S. Third Fleet and British carrier planes renewed their attacks on Japan Wednesday with a dawn raid on major combatant shipping and other targets near Kobe and Kure. At the same time the Third Fleet cruiser-destroyer force under Rear Adm. J. C. Jones bombarded Jap shore installations near Kushimoto on the southern tip of Honshu.

Nimitz also revealed the results of Tuesday's aerial strikes that ranged from northern Kyushu through the Inland sea to Nagoya. British and U. S. carrier planes damaged two Jap battleships, two aircraft carriers and three cruisers while adding a total of 64 Jap planes destroyed or damaged. Nimitz listed the following damage inflicted Tuesday near the Kure naval base: two battleships damaged, a heavy and a light cruiser left ablaze, a heavy cruiser damaged, and one large aircraft carrier damaged. British planes near Shikoku island damaged an escort carrier in waters north of Takamatsu.

Allied losses were not announced but Adm. Nimitz says the attacks on the major enemy combatant vessels were resumed Wednesday and Adm. William F. Halsey in a broadcast to the U. S. direct from his Third Fleet flagship off Japan said now Third Fleet attacks cannot be interpreted by Americans or by Japanese as anything but the beginning of the "final plunge into the heart of Japan." Said Halsey, "What's left of the Jap navy is helpless but just for good luck we'll hunt them out of their holes. If the Japs don't know they are a doomed nation they're even stupider than I think they are."

Meanwhile it was announced that the enemy-held China coast port of Shanghai has been heavily saturated with bombs as more than 350 American bombers and fighters hit the great port without air opposition. They sank three Jap ships including a destroyer and damaged three more warships and seven other vessels. More than 45 Japanese planes were destroyed or seriously damaged in new attacks on the city's airfields. Far Eastern Air force planes hit airdromes along the coast of Korea, China and Indo-China and Navy planes sank two freighters off Korea. Australian Liberators made a 3,000-mile round trip to bomb shipyards on the north coast of Java.

In another attack on the Nagoya area of Honshu more than 90 Mustang fighters from Two strafed and rocket-bombed airfields Tuesday. No Jap fighters opposed the Mustangs over Nagoya but six were damaged on the ground. Planes of the Far Eastern Air force also hit airfields on southeastern Honshu while naval planes sank two coastal vessels off Honshu and damaged several others. Marine planes hit Japan's southernmost island of Kyushu.

MOVE TO OBTAIN EXTRA RAILROAD WORKERS TO HELP HANDLE REDEPLOYMENT

The Senate War Investigating committee Tuesday pledged its aid to the Office of Defense Transportation in getting 75,000 additional railroad workers which the ODT says are needed to handle redeployment. Monroe Johnson, ODT chief, urged more Army discharges or furloughs of men to work on western railroads, saying if the Army doesn't solve this manpower problem it won't be able to redeploy in ten months. In the meantime before another Senate committee, War Undersecretary Robert P. Patterson opposed a resolution calling for release of 30,000 soft coal miners from the Army. Patterson said such releases would destroy the point-discharge system, breaking faith with other veterans and opening the way for additional industrial discharges.

Six more ships carrying troops returning from the European theater have entered New York harbor. Aboard the vessels were 2,238 Army veterans, 323 U. S. naval personnel and 274 Dutch marines.

SENATE GOES INTO SECOND DAY OF DISCUSSIONS ON UNITED NATIONS CHARTER

Debate on ratification of the United Nations charter went into its second day in the U. S. Senate Tuesday. The Associated Press reported that Sen. Burton K. Wheeler (D-Mont.) said he'll vote reluctantly for the charter as a "declaration of highest intentions." But Wheeler promised a real fight over limiting the use of U. S. troops by an international organization of the United Nations.

Sen. Warren G. Magnuson (D-Wash.) won applause of servicemen in the galleries when he told the Senate the quickest way to beat Japan is to say "unconditional surrender means just that." Magnuson said any softening of U. S. demands might be used by the Jap militarists to "whip up their people" into continuing the war. Magnuson's remarks were in reply to Senator Wheeler's statement "that there is a rising trend of demands for definition for our terms for the Japanese." Also during debate on the United Nations charter, Sen. Alben Barkley (D-Ky.) criticized cynics who predict there'll always be war. Barkley told the Senate that the United Nations organization will succeed if the peoples of the earth will that it shall.

JAPAN'S BOMB TONNAGE TOTAL ALREADY 60 PERCENT OF GERMANY'S

In Washington Tuesday the deputy commander of the Army air forces, Lt. Gen. Ira C. Eaker announced that the bomb tonnage dropped on Japan already is 60 percent as heavy as that dropped on Germany. Eaker told a press conference that the figure will reach a record of 270,000 tons a month by the end of the year. Peak monthly tonnage dropped on Germany was 135,000 tons. Eaker disclosed that practically the entire air power of the U. S. will be operating against Japan by the end of this year and that by the first of next year a group of B-32's, new sister ships of the B-29's, will be in operation against Japan.

The 20th Air force revealed Wednesday that 89.5 percent of the Jap city of Numazu has been destroyed by B-29 raids and that Numazu was the most completely ruined of any Jap city. Photos also show that 70 percent of the roof area of the Kure naval base, now under Third Fleet attack, was destroyed or damaged in previous B-29 raids.

NAVY ANNOUNCES PLAN TO RELEASE SOME OLDER PERSONNEL

The Navy Tuesday put into effect a program for the release of certain older personnel on their request. About 30,000 reserve Navy officers, warrant officers and enlisted men are expected to be eligible for release by December 1 under the new program. The Navy set up a formula granting men one point for each year of age to nearest birthday and one point for each four months of active duty since Sept. 1, 1939. To be eligible, 53 points must be scored by reserve line officers, enlisted reservists, Navy inductees and enlisted regulars serving under expired enlistments. Reserve officers of the supply corps must have 55 points and reserve officers of the civil engineer corps must have 57. Eligible personnel may apply for release immediately.

NEWS BRIEFS FROM AROUND THE WORLD

Lt. Gen. Nathan Training, former commander of the 15th Air force in Italy, is now commander of the 20th Air Force on Guam, replacing Maj. Gen. Curtiss LeMay who has become chief of staff to Gen. Carl Spaatz of the Pacific Strategic Air force, comprising the 20th and 8th Air forces...Premier Stalin, Prime Minister Churchill and President Truman have called off the eighth meeting of their Berlin conference and Churchill and Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden will return to London to be on hand for Thursday's announcement of the British election.

NEWS FROM THE SPORTS WORLD

Baseball: AL: The Red Sox blanked the Browns 6-0 and moved into a third-place tie with Chicago as fifth-place New York was idle. The Browns are in sixth. Red Sox (O'Neill 7-4) 6, Browns (Jakucki 10-7) 0; Indians (Reynolds 10-9) 4, Senators (Leonard 11-4) 0 - Nats' hold on second shaved to one game...NL: The Cubs drew farther away from the pack by tearing into the Phils 8-3. Cubs (Chipman 3-5) 3, Phils (R. Barrett 4-13) 3; Cards (Dockins 3-2) 7, Dodgers (Buker 4-1) 6 - Adams 13th homer helps Redbirds to take second; Giants (Foldman 3-9) 6, Reds (Fox 4-4) 4; Pirates (Gabols 6-0) 6, Braves (Hendrickson 1-1) 5 - 11 innings...Minors: IL: Syracuse 10, Buffalo 2; Balt 7, Toronto 4...AA: Toledo 6, Louisville 4; St. Paul 3, K City 0; Indpls 5, Col 0; Milwaukee 15, Nats 13...SA: Chatt 3, Atlanta 1; Birn 9, Nash 1; L-Rock 14, Memphis 11; GL: Hartford 7-6, Winstport 0-6; Scranton 5, Utica 4; Bing 11, W Barre 8...There is no further word on Joe McCarthy, Yank manager, who is reported to have resigned.