

TOKYO OCCUPATION C.I. - Sunoco. Friday, Sept. 7, 1945.

A mere few hours from now, American Troops will be marching ~~x~~ into Tokyo - night over here, but morning in Japan. The honor goes to an historic cavalry outfit, a regiment that fought with Custer in the Indian Wars of long ago. General MacArthur will be with them, as they proceed through streets lined by Japanese policement - these as a precaution against any fanatic attempt against MacArthur or his troops.

The Allied Supreme Commander will raise his flag at the American Embassy, not far from the Mikado's Imperial Palace. All day today, there was busy work preparing the Embassy, which was damaged by the B-29 raids against ~~in~~ Tokyo. For example, the flagpole was burned down; ^{so} they put up a new one. And on that staff, in a few ~~x~~ hours, the Stars and Stripes will be flying - over MacArthur's Headquarters.

HALSEY'S WHITE HORSE

The formal entrance into Tokyo will ~~be soon to~~ staged, ~~however~~, but Admiral Halsey will not ride Hirohito's white horse down the Tokyo broadway - *the Singa.*

Today's News dispatch from the Admiral's Flag Ship states that Halsey's cabin looks right now like what the dispatch calls - "A supply dump for a cavalry regiment." That is - after all the saddles and bridles and stirrups and spurs, that were sent to Halsey, as a result of his announcement that he intended to ride the imperial white horse. We are told that the cavalry equipment donated will either be sent back to the donors or be put in the Naval Academy Museum at Annapolis.

One reason why Admiral Halsey will not ride Hirohito's White Horse down the Tokyo Broadway is the fact that the surrender of Japan provided that the Mikado shall stay on his throne. Wherefore his personal property is not subject to seizure, and it is doubtful if Hirohito would lend his white horse to Halsey.

Of course, the Admiral might get another white horse, but he refuses to consider a substitute. Anyway, white horses are none too common in Japan, and the best that local scouts have noticed have been dusty grey nags that don't look imperial at all.

The Lion's Club of Montrose, Colorado, has offered to send a bronco, which might be appropriate - one of those mettlesome and spirited ^{Colorado} mustangs, of the ~~cowboy riders of the west~~ ^{bucking variety.} But Halsey has shied away

from that, really timid - if you can imagine Bull Halsey being timid. Or maybe you can, if you'll

consider the following. Having talked so grandly about riding Hirohito's white steed, Admiral Halsey now admits that he has never been on a horse in his life.

A sea dog Admiral on the ocean is not exactly an equestrian, but even a Naval Officer might at some time or other have climbed into a saddle on land. But Halsey has never been on a horse!

Anyway the ~~a~~ ride down the Tokyo Broadway would be out, because of the condition of that

thoroughfare. It is littered with rubble, after the American bombings, so choked with wreckage that it is doubtful if even Hirohito's White Horse could go stepping along - without breaking the Admiral's neck, especially seeing that the Admiral has never been on a horse before.

PRISONERS

Twelve hundred American and British prisoners of war have been released on Formosa, rescued from - Hell camps. This was accomplished by a Navy Task Force, which boldly made its way through minefields running a gauntlet of floating high explosive.

Many drifting mines were sighted - these apparently having been torn loose from their moorings during a recent storm.

It was a bold and risky voyage, but the Navy men knew it was worth it, when they saw the prisoners they were setting free. These told the usual stories of abuse and ill treatment, and called their places of detention - Hell Camps.

With new stories of Jap atrocity comes news of measures for retribution. The American occupation Forces are sending out what they call - "Atrocity teams." These are special squads of Army men who go along with rescue missions. They are authorized to arrest Japs guilty of barbarities. The atrocity teams question the prisoners about their treatment, and seize prison-~~XXXX~~

guards ~~that~~ they accuse - holding them for trial as war criminals.

One group of rescued prisoners, now in this country tell how they were abused by Japs who picked them ~~up~~ up out of the sea. They are six enlisted men and three officers from the American submarine Tang, which was sunk off Formosa.

The Tang was sent to the bottom not by enemy action, but by freak misfortune. ^{The Tang} ~~It~~ fired a torpedo which ran wild, turned around and hit the Tang. The submarine torpedoed itself, was shattered by the explosion, and sank.

The conning tower was on the surface at the time, and the men on deck got into the water. There they were picked up by a Jap destroyer, aboard which they were maltreated with ~~shocking~~ ^{sh} shocking inhumanity.

The destroyer captain had them lashed to the deck for hours in the tropical sun, until their bodies were blistered. The Jap officer jeered at them saying: "It is well known that submarine men do not get ~~up~~

enough sunshine."

On being landed, they were taken to a torture camp. There they were questioned by three Jap officers, who said they were graduates of Colleges in California. They asked about football and one of them wanted to know whatever became of Ernie Nevers?

But American education and an interest in football on the part of the Jap officers did not save the ~~submarine~~ submarine men from the usual brutal treatment. They tell of one guard who beat them, and later gave one of them a cigarette. This guard was thereupon beaten by another Jap soldier because he had violated regulations by being kind to the prisoners - after beating them.

Another story recites the grim drama of Americans who were forced by the Japs to do propaganda work. It is related by Ensign Goerge Henshaw, who was captured on Wake Island.

He tells how he was one of seventy Americans, mostly former newspapermen, radio announcers, actors, musicians, artists. The Japs recruited them for

Japanese propaganda - under pain of death. And it was pain of death for two - who were executed.

The seventy Americans were compelled to give radio broadcasts, they spoke at microphones, but they constantly contrived to fool the Japs by slipping into their broadcasts concealed messages and hints that would be understood at home.

They used tones of voice to convey what they really felt, inflections that would distort the meaning of what they were saying, They were able to get away with a lot, because the Japs had little understanding of the sarcasm, implication and innuendo that they employed to change the meaning of the propaganda scripts they had to read.

It was a gamble, a gamble with death, and two of the seventy gambled once too often. One American broadcaster left a single word out of a script, and that changed the meaning completely - reversed it. He tried to make it seem as if the omission of the word was accidental, but the Japs caught on, and he was

executed - for that one word.

Another smuggled a complete script past the Jap censors and this he read on the air - at the cost of his life.

Dr. Lewis
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INTRODUCTION TO DR. LEWIS

One of the important subjects of the hour in this country is:- What are the boys going to do when they get out of the Army, and the Navy, the younger men? How many of them will go back to college, resume their work just where they left off?

One of the foremost educators in America is sitting beside me tonight, Dr. William Mather Lewis, for many ^{long} years President of Lafayette ^{College} University, one of the oldest universities in the country.

Dr. Lewis, what do you think about it? Should the boys go back to college, try and pick up the strands of their lives right where they left off? And what should ~~be~~ the colleges do?

FOR DR. LEWIS Before I answer your question here is something that ~~may~~ may interest your radio audience, Mr. Thomas:- Figures thus far ~~is~~ available show that a smaller proportion of service men are returning to college under the G I Bill of Rights than had been expected. Great numbers of the men who are coming out of service are going straight to work.

Here in this country, as we all know, much of our political and industrial future will be in the hands of men who went out from school and college and who are now coming back. Many of my former students, on leave, dropped in to see me at Lafayette, some that I recalled as playboys. But after two or three years ~~ix~~ in service, they seemed ten years older. They ~~were~~ ^{are} no longer interested in the leisurely routine of the conventional college course. They want to get as much as they can, in the shortest time, and then get on to their life work.

The tremendous scientific and social developments of this war are going to make it necessary for men in all lines of work to run in order to catch up. These returning young men are aware of this.

L.T. Well, what can the colleges do about it, what will they do?

Dr. L. The college must give the entire community

an opportunity. Evening and weekend study will be two ways. I mentioned about the large number ~~of~~ who are going to work instead of going back to school. Night classes will be what they want. Also, public libraries can play ~~in~~ an important part by organizing open forums. Here is a chance to make our boasted universal educational opportunities really universal. The question is:- Will we let the boys down, will we give them the opportunities they deserve, a chance to make up for lost time? This is not a question for schools and colleges alone. It is also an important question for the leaders in every community -- social industrial, religious, and social.

L.T. Well Dr. William Mather Lewis I hope some one person is working on this problem, someone with authority so far as the whole country is concerned. Seems to me that you would be a good man to tackle it.

GOERING

We've been hearing that the one time Nazi Number Two man, Fat Goering, has been cured of the drug habit - cured by American doctors while being held as a war criminal. Today we have official details.

The doctors relate that Goering, while lording it as Hitler's Chief Lieutenant, had become such an addict of narcotics that he was taking forty drug tablets a day - a kind of substitute for morphine. When he was made a prisoner he had a suitcase containing twenty-four thousand tablets of the morphine substitute.

As a prisoner, the American physicians gradually decreased the amount of narcotic that he was allowed to have. He was given a kind of drug prescribed by the doctors, and finally they got him down to one tablet of this each night.

Last week, unknown to Goering a switch was made. At night they gave him a tablet, but not of the drug. It was ordinary soda mint. Goering never realized the difference, and slept soundly that night. He was cured.

Cured of the drug habit - only to face his approaching trial as a war criminal.

JEWISH NEW YEAR

In today's traditional celebration of the Jewish New Year, the least jubilant of all was in Germany. True, the Jews in that conquered country can observe their religious rites unmolested for the first time in thirteen years - but there are so few to do it.

For example, a dispatch from Weisbaden, a town of eighty-six thousand people, states that there are only forty Jews left. They gathered in a bomb damaged house for solemn prayer, rather than ^a celebration. And this was the case throughout Germany, with American-Jewish chaplains officiating at civilian observances in many places - because of the lack of Rabbis.

LABOR

The no-strike pledge is off - at least so far as the American Federation of Labor is concerned.

^{So} ~~This was~~ stated today by President Green of the A.F. of ^{L.}

Yesterday President Truman, in his message to Congress, asked that the no-strike pledge be continued. Today, Green had a conference with Truman, and when he emerged from the White House he stated; "The no-strike pledge terminated with the end of the war with Japan. We cannot renew it without the authorizations of our National Unions."

He added that the A.F. of L. has asked its members to avoid strikes - but the pledge is out.

CRASH

On a pecan plantation in South Carolina, a twelve year old boy today discovered the wreckage of an airplane, and that revealed the disastrous end of a big passenger transport that had been reported missing.

The plane was on its way from Miami to New York, and ^{it} Over South Carolina, reported that it was in trouble and would try to make an emergency landing. At about that time, people at the pecan plantation heard the motor of a plane flying low, and later a violent explosion. At dawn, they went out to investigate, the members of the plantation family. The twelve year old boy found the tragic evidence - a crash that took twenty-two lives.

PILOT

A war flyer blown out of an exploding plane and taking a twelve hundred foot drop into the ocean without a parachute - would seem to be the subject for an obituary.

However, Lieutenant Albert Levenson of Brooklyn is alive and telling the story.

It happened in one of the final air engagements of the Pacific war. Lieutenant ^{al,} flying a Navy fighter, got into a mid-air collision with another plane from his carrier. His own plane exploded, and he was in mid-air when he came to ^o-- having been blown out.

He pulled the rip cord of his parachute - and nothing happened. The parachute had been damaged by the explosion, and didn't work. And there was the Lieutenant at twelve hundred feet - and going down, down, down. *for the weeks*

What was he thinking about as he plunged unchecked toward the sea? Today he said: "I was so scared I just remember being scared, and nothing much more, except - well, I did think a moment about my wife

and kid". His wife used to be Marjor^{ay} Murphy of Brooklyn.

The thing that saved his life was the fortunate fact that he landed in a sitting position. Still, it seems a miracle that he wasn't broken up. The surmise is that he hit the top of a wave, and slid down the swell of the water - in that sitting position. It was like sliding down a toboggan on the seat of your pants, *or down the landing hill of a ski jump.*

$\frac{1}{2}$ A medical examination disclosed that he had severe burns and an injured foot and arm. But these, the doctors report, were the result of the explosion - and not the twelve hundred foot plunge without any parachute.

And now it - your final plunge for the week.

WAINWRIGHT

P.I. - Sunoco. Tuesday, Sept. 10, 1945.

The people of Washington in one day buried one of the nation's illustrious naval heroes and welcomed ^{home} the Army hero who survived the most terrible ~~xxx~~ ordeal that any General officer ^{has} ~~ever~~ sustained in ~~modern~~ ^{our} times. At Arlington cemetery, Vice-Admiral ~~John~~ McCain was laid to rest with full military honors.

Admiral Ernest J. King, the Cincus, Admiral Leahy, The President's personal-Chief of Staff, General Alexander Vandergrift, Commander of the Marine Corps, and scores of high ranking officers stood by at the

last rites for the ~~dx~~ distinguished American ^{sailor, and} ~~xxix~~ ^{airman, who in many} ~~who in several~~ battles contributed ^{much to our} ~~to the devastating~~ ^{victory over Japan.} ~~victories of our fleets in the Pacific.~~

A Navy band, headed the funeral procession with two platoons of Marines and two platoons of sailors. In front of the caisson that bore his remains to the cemetery marched a guard of honor ^{with} ~~which carried~~ Admiral McCain's Flag, three white stars on navy blue draped with black. ~~crepe~~ General Vandergrift and seven