

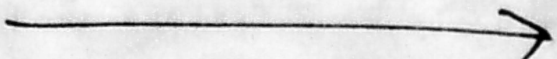
FOLLOW OCCUPATION

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The occupation of the Tokyo area is to be followed ^{next} by American landings on Kyushu - the southernmost big island of Japan. So says Tokyo.

And there are intimations of landings on still another Japanese island, the northern one, Hokkaido. But to this Tokyo objects, saying that the Russians intend to push into Hokkaido. Today, Tokyo addressed a protest to General MacArthur, stating that a Soviet broadcast had indicated a Red Army movement to that ^{huge} northern island; ~~and~~ contending that this was not in accord with the surrender terms imposed by the Americans.

The Russians, meanwhile, are proclaiming - victory. In spite of the surrender of Japan, a Soviet broadcast proclaims that the Jap armies in Manchuria were defeated by the Red Army on the field ~~of~~ of battle.

Moscow announces the liberation of sixteen hundred prisoners of war, including twenty-eight generals. ^{one of} the generals is, of course, Wainright of Bataan and Corregidor, 

who ~~But he~~ has not yet been permitted to rejoin the Americans. Word today is that his trip has been postponed for another three or four days - until he can be taken out by railroad under a Russian guard.

China, meanwhile, has ratified its treaty with the Soviets, with emphatic official statements that the new ~~xxxxx~~treaty marks the beginning of a new era of friendship between China and Soviet Russia.

All of which might have a good deal of bearing on the Chinese communists, who are continuing their ~~xxxxxxx~~ attempts to take over as much as they can of *the* territory surrendered by Japan. Clashes are reported between nationalist troops and the communists. But one ~~xxx~~ hopeful sign is the fact that the communists have accepted Chiang Kai-Sheks invitation to send representatives for discussion and a settlement.

A late story states that the Japs in Hong Kong will surrender to the British. This word, picked up by radio states that the Japanese commander will turn the ~~the~~ city over to Rear Admiral C. H. J. Harcourt

of the British Navy. That's the latest in the dispute about Hong Kong - with Chungking still saying that Chinese forces will take over. ~~from the Japs.~~

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OCCUPATION

News from the Far East, as arrangements for peace time are being made, features that old bad actor so prominent during the war - the ~~storm~~^{storm} god, the typhoon raging; wind and rains ~~have swept~~^{sweeping} over the coast of Japan. And Tokyo gives ^{ing} a report that might possibly cause some change in the MacArthur occupation plans. In any case, ~~that~~^{it} typhoon ~~introduces~~^{does continue to} an element of suspense.

Tokyo reports muddy conditions at the Atsugi flying fields, where the first landing of Americanⁿ airborne troops ~~are~~^{is} to be made. Heavy typhoon rains have been sweeping the air base, turning the ground into a quagmire. Maybe there'll be enough drying out for the fleet of American planes to come in tomorrow, as scheduled - or maybe there'll be some change in ~~last~~^{last} ~~minute~~^{minute} details ~~of~~^{for} the occupation program.

Even without the typhoon, there has been an undecided question -- a question that concerns ~~a~~^{that} huge concentration of big planes at the American base on Okinawa. The flying fields there are described as being jammed ~~with~~^{with} huge C-54s - the ~~biggest and best~~^{largest} number of

C-54s ever assembled on one field. ~~There~~ They're now on Okinawa; there for the airborne occupation of Japan - ready to take off for Tokyo.

But will they really go - will the C-54s land the first forces of American troops on the soil of Japan? That depends on more accurate information about the airstrips at Atsugi. Are they long enough to accommodate the giant C-54s?

Some of the C-54s out there waiting at Okinawa probably are planes in which I flew on my recent trip I made around the world. We were constantly on the move, from one C-54 to another. And now they have most of them ready to take off for Tokyo. They need a good deal of room in landing and taking off. When they rise into the sky they are supposed to stay up there, fly on until they come to another big field. Medium sized fields won't do. In C-54s you don't plan on any forced landings!

Are the Atsugi airstrips long enough? If not, the C-54s will be out of the picture and our troop landings this week, near Tokyo, will be made by smaller ships:- C-46s and C-47s - twin-engine transports.

At last reports from Okinawa, our air force officers ~~were procuring the~~ ^{still were working on that} needed information about the length of the Atsugi runways. - ~~and~~ ^Q now the typhoon, with its torrential rains, ~~have~~ ^S complicated ~~the~~ matters ^{more than ever.}

The honor of taking in the first plane load of troops in the American occupation of Japan goes to Lieutenant Colonel John Lackey of Norfolk, Virginia, a twenty-nine year old flyer, ~~who is the ace~~ of the troop carrier command. ^{who} ~~Colonel Lackey~~ led a flight of troop carriers in the dropping of paratroopers in the reconquest of Corregidor. Now, he ~~will~~ ^S take the lime-light in the final military operation of the long and desperate drama ^{of} the war of the Pacific.

There will be two forces of A T C transports:-

^ One commanded by Lieutenant Colonel Maurice Stallter of Eastland, Texas and the other by Lieutenant Colonel Marion Grevemberg of New York; **That** latter name, Grevemberg, rings ~~mighty~~ familiar. "Grevey," as he is known ^{in flying circles,} ~~far and wide,~~ is one of the pioneers, a trans-Atlantic flyer of the old ~~xx~~ days, and a veteran of a picturesque variety of aviation.

Some few years ago, I told about one of Grevey's adventures. In those days he was a newsreel aviator, flying motion picture cameramen to difficult spots, to film pictures. Grevey then was a colleague of mine at Movietone, and a test pilot for a novel type of plane, the Buranelli flying wing.

Quite a few years back, my Sun Oil sponsor made a spectacular test in high altitude - by having an automobile flown away up into the blue, slung under an airplane; the first time a motor car was ever carried aloft by a plane - taken up by one of those flying wings, by this same Marion Grevenberg. Later he flew out to mid-Atlantic to try and pick the films of the ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ ^{MP} assassination of King Alexander off the deck the deck of a liner - and he cracked up and his plane went down.

Now to climax an exciting and varied career - as a Lieutenant Colonel in the Air Forces, Grevey will command one of the air transport groups in the first

American plane landing on Japan.

In all this, there is a turn of drama most appropriate - the fact that the headlines now feature the Air Transport Command. The A.T.C. has born a vast, incredible burden in the winning of the war, and without much of the glory. The A.T.C. the unsung hero. Now, as the curtain descends on the war in the Pacific, the A.T.C. takes the spotlight.

ATOMIC BOMB

The suspicion is ^{of course} inevitable - that the Japs are playing up the terrible effectiveness and the unearthly ~~xxxxx~~ horror of the atomic bomb - for the purpose

of creating sympathy. ^{However} From our own side, we have had startling descriptions of the fantasmal devastation wrought by the missile that unleashed the energy in

the atom. - ^{Still} ~~but now~~ the Japs ^{do} go far beyond ^{nearly} ~~anything that~~ ^{everything that} has even been surmised over here. And they may be doing it, as part of the scheme to soften American anger and get better terms for themselves. Anyway, it is worth noting ~~in~~ what they say.

In today's tales from Tokyo, we find one point that was ^a ~~the~~ subject of dispute over here.

Right after the blast of the first atomic bomb at Hiroshima, a sensational statement was made by a technician who had done some work in the development of the atomic bomb. He declared that the explosion of radium atoms would impregnate the earth with radio activity, and make the whole area of an explosion deadly and ~~xxxx~~ destructive - with radio activity ^{persisting} ~~xxxx~~ ^{even} in ^{the} earth ~~for~~ over a wide area.

This, at the time, was formally denied by Dr. Oppenheimer, one of the chiefs of the atomic bomb project. He said - no, there was no such after effect. He stated ~~fx~~ definitely that the test explosion on the desert in New Mexico had left practically no radio-
active ~~ty~~ effect^s lingering on. Now, however, the Japs are saying that the atomic bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki did leave radio activity, and they tell ghastly stories about it.

They declare that the presence of radio-activity in the ground was proved by scientific instruments, and Domei, the official Japanese news Agency, is reported as stating the following: "An examination of soldiers working on reconstruction projects one week after the bombing, shows that the white corpuscle~~s~~^{le} had been diminished in their blood by one half, with a severe deficiency of red corpuscle~~d~~^{led}."

However, the account of radio-~~activity~~^{activity}-after-effects is the smaller part of the Japanese horror story - which concentrates on the weird effects that

the explosion had on people considerable distances away, weird and permanent effects on the human body. Ultra violet burns, ~~were caused~~. The skin burned a bright red, although there was no feeling of heat. -

~~It was~~ ^{Burned by} ~~it was~~ ^{rays.} ultra-violet, And people so injured cannot recover, - say the Japs. The Tokyo radio talks of what it calls - "a ghost parade", people doomed to die of the burns caused by radio-activity.

The Japs go on with statistics. They say that three days after the atomic bomb exploded over Hiroshima, the death list was thirty thousand. "Two weeks afterwards", says Tokyo, "the death toll had mounted to sixty thousand - and is continuing to rise". Figures the Japs give to bolster their stories about death rays hurled by the explosion of the atom.

Here's another Arab statement that President Roosevelt promised that the United States would not support any move to establish Jewish control in ~~Exxxxxxx~~ Palestine; ~~is~~ a dramatic repetition of the story that the late President gave ~~that~~ pledge to the Arab King, Ibn Saud, when the two met during the time of the Yalta Conference. Today Abdul Rahman Azzen Bey, Secretary General of the new Arab League, declared that he had ^{this} ~~it~~ from Ibn Saud personally; and, here's the way it goes:

The King of Saudi Arabia is said to have told President Roosevelt, "If Palestine is given to the Jews, I will never rest until I and all of my sons have been killed in the defense of Palestine." And Ibn Saud added that he would start ^{the} ~~A~~ war against the Jewish Zionists if he had to.

Today's version continues as follows: "Ibn Saud then stood and placed his hand in Roosevelt's and told him 'Swear that you will never support the Zionists. Fight for Palestine against the Arabs'".

And, says Abdul Rahman Azzez Bey,
Pres. Roosevelt shook Ibn Saud's hand and pledged that
he would not support the Jews against the Arabs."

This bit of melodrama, according to the new
Secretary of the Arab League, was witnessed by several
American Officers.

QUISLING

In a courtroom at Oslo, Norway, they played a phonograph record today -- and out came a voice of treason. At the same time it was a thing that emanated from a world of secrecy, conspiring and deadly peril. It was the voice of Quisling whose name is a ~~word~~^{synonym} for treason; -- and the recordings were made by the anti-Nazi underground in Norway.

The trial of Quisling has been going on for several days, and today came the climax of drama. In the evidence was placed a proclamation with which the pro-Nazi leader had welcomed the German invaders, ~~more than fifteen years old. It had been~~ a loud and arrogant oration of betrayal. -- ~~That~~ the speech of welcome to the Nazis had been recorded, in secret, by Norwegian patriots.

~~That~~ Today ^{it} was introduced in evidence at the ~~the~~ treason trial, not merely a transcript of what Quisling had said -- ^{but} ~~by~~ his own ~~his~~ booming voice saying it.

Such testimony was not to be disputed,

and when the record had been played through Quisling said: "there is no doubt -- it is my speech".

LEND*LEASE

There is prompt American reaction to the British protest about the cancellation of lend-lease.

London today expressed amazement and dismay, because of President Truman's action in terminating lend-lease, as the war ends. In Parliament, Prime Minister Attlee stated that this put Britain in what he called "a very serious financial position". He explained that Britain will now have to pay for the Eight Billion Dollars' worth of supplies per year that has been coming in under the measure of wartime help.

Former Prime Minister Churchill was blunt to the point of gruffness. He said: "I cannot believe that so great a nation would proceed in such a rough and harsh manner as to hamper a faithful ally who held the fort while their own American armaments were being prepared".

The comment ~~xxx~~ from Washington is summarized by lend-lease Administrator Leo ~~&~~ Crowley ~~who~~ states that the lend-lease law ^{only} was continued by Congress with

the understanding that it would come to an end when
the war was over. So why should the British be amazed?
They knew, says Crowley that lend-lease had been
limited by Congress to the duration of the war.

And now Hugh - let's hear
from you.