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JAPAN SURRENDERS

Tokio promises "sensational message"

TOKIO radio has now told listeners to be sure to tune in at 1-30 p.m. (5-30 a.m. B.S.T.) on Monday "to receive direct from the citizens of Japan a sensational message which the people of the war-

torn world have been waiting and longing to hear."

The regular programme was interrupted to-day for the announcement, which was made in English.

"You won't want to miss

this urgent news of vital importance to everyone," said the announcer.

"Radio monitors throughout the world are advised and urged to record this all-important event."

LAST GRIM WORDS TO JAPAN

America waits tensely

THE sands of opportunity are running out for Japan as the Tokio Cabinet ponders the final "surrender or die" demand made by President Truman in his broadcast.

A U.S. newspaper headline to-day, "Peace Predicted in 24 to 48 Hours," indicated the tension which mounted as it was realised that the President had left

the door open for a Japanese move, cables Reuter's Washington correspondent.

The President's statement is hailed as his most statesmanlike address so far. He solemnly warned Japan of further undisclosed military agreements between the Big Three at Potsdam, "which Japan will learn first-hand and will not like."

Pledge to Europe

The tremendous threat which the President held above the heads of the Japanese overshadowed the news he gave of the peace-making aspect of the Potsdam conference; but he made it clear "that the three Great Powers are now more closely than ever bound together in determination to achieve a just and lasting peace."

To suffering Europe he gave an unqualified promise of material aid in the grim winter ahead. "We must help to the limits of our strength, and we will," he said.

President Truman disclosed that the U.S. will press for the adoption of its proposal for the freedom of the waterways of Europe—including the Black Seas straits, the Danube, the Rhine and the Kiel Canal.

Tokio's bogey

Tokio radio hinted to-day that the Japanese have a new "secret weapon" for use as a reprisal against the atomic bomb.

"Suppose Japan," it stated, "decided to retaliate in kind and use a weapon like the atomic bomb? We do not intend to use it in the massacre of civilians, but are fully determined to use it against military personnel."

The Allied invasion fleet of warships and transports could be attacked by our suicide planes and hundreds of naval craft sent to the bottom of the sea."

ROCHDALE REMAND HOME SUPERINTENDENT RESIGNS

A FEW hours before Rochdale Town Council General Purposes Committee met to-day to set up the new committee of inquiry regarding Midwood Remand Home, it was announced that Mr. G. S. Thomas, the superintendent of the home, had resigned.

The resignation follows publication of a report on conditions at the home, by a Home Office inspector last month.

Mr. Thomas's resignation is, however, unlikely to change any of the plans involved in the appointment of the committee which will inquire into the administration and conduct of the home.

One of its terms of reference is the relationship of the controlling committee and officers and internal administration.

Nehru may fly to Britain



PANDIT NEHRU, a leading member of the Congress Working Committee of India, intends to fly to Britain shortly, according to a Lakore message, to-day. The visit would be "in the interest of India's independence," adds the message.

Canadian acted as "go-between" at Vichy

MR. DUPUY, Canadian Minister to the Netherlands, paid three visits from London to Vichy during 1940 and 1941, it is learned in Ottawa on good authority.

He brought back valuable information, it is stated.

Mr. Dupuy was authorised by the Canadian Government to do anything the British Government might want done in Vichy and act as "go-between" between the British Government and the Pétain administration.

Big cut in Jap food rations

TO the intolerable pressure from land, sea, and air upon the mainland of Japan is added a new complication—a 10 per cent. cut from to-morrow in the staple food supply (cables David Divine, "Evening Chronicle" war correspondent at Guam).

The cut, according to the Japanese home service radio to-day, will operate in the 21 main cities of the homeland, and, in view of the known low standard of the normal Japanese food supply, is of the utmost importance.

The radio announcement said: "We are now face to face with a situation in which we must think seriously from a new angle about the people's wartime food supply, which cannot be said to be sufficient."

IMPORTANT cuts have already been made in Japanese ration issues. Soya beans, grains, and corn have been seriously restricted, and other foods have been in short supply, not only in areas heavily affected by the American bombing, but in urban districts generally throughout the empire.

The margin between the normal Japanese diet and hunger was never, even in peace time, a wide one. The new cuts, coinciding with the incredible crescendo of attack during the past week, will unquestionably play a large part in determining the date of Japan's collapse.

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PLANE CRASH

Efforts to recover the bodies of two airmen whose Fleet Air Arm plane, which was stationed at Woodvale, near Southport, crashed into the sea at Ainsdale yesterday, have proved unsuccessful.

Tokio receives the war declaration

M. Malik, Soviet Ambassador to Japan, presented a formal declaration of war to Togo Japanese Foreign Minister, at 11 a.m. (Tokio time) to-day, stated Japanese radio.

Potsdam ultimatum accepted

THE JAPANESE HAVE ACCEPTED THE POTSDAM ULTIMATUM, SAYS A B.U.P. MESSAGE.

The Potsdam ultimatum called for the unconditional surrender of Japan.

RUSSIANS INVADE JAP INNER EMPIRE

AS the Red Army advanced into Manchuria to-day in four main drives, spearheaded by swarms of bombers and fighters, other Soviet forces smashed into Korea and invaded Karafuto, the southern half of Sakhalin Island, north of Japan proper and the nearest points yet to the Japanese mainland.

The Red Army's drive into Korea is stated by Japanese Imperial Headquarters to-day to be "on a wide front." The invasion was in the vicinity of Keiki, on the Manchuria-Korea border, about 25 miles inland from the sea.

Tokio gave the news of the invasion of Karafuto, Japanese-occupied southern half of Sakhalin Island, which took place at points near Buika. The radio was quoting a Japanese communiqué.

The broadcast added that at the same time a Soviet force had "carried out a light bombardment south-west of Buika, as well as west of Handa."

Karafuto was ceded to Japan after the Russo-Japanese war in 1904-05. The country is rich in oil and coal.—Rtr.

Korea, the peninsula which pushes out into the Sea of Japan, was annexed by the Japanese in 1910, and used to take the "overspill" from crowded Japanese cities. It has many good ports and several naval bases.

Tokio radio said to-day the Russians used 240 bombers in a pre-invasion raid on Northern Korea yesterday, another 50 of unknown nationality attacked a convoy off Northern Korea at the same time.

Wide advance

Russian troops have invaded Manchuria along its entire front.

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Cigarette "famine" in North-West

MANCHESTER and other districts of the North-West are suffering from the greatest cigarette shortage of the war. In some cases supplies are so short that it has reached almost "famine" stage.

There are, however, ample pipe tobacco supplies, and hundreds of men, unable to get

additional stocks of cigarettes for their holidays, are getting out pipes that were discarded years ago.

An official of one of the leading firms in Lancashire told the "Evening Chronicle" to-day that they had never been so short of cigarettes, either popular or cheap brands.

"It is impossible to let regular customers have extra

supplies to take with them on holidays, and many people will be without anything to smoke while they are away from home," he said.

Many shopkeepers blame women smokers for part of the shortage, but others attribute the "famine" to the very large supplies now being sent out to the Far East and to the Continent for Allied troops.



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Mon. Next Two Weeks. 6.30. W. & B. 2. Bernard Delfont's New Production of ROSE MARIE.

CHERRY LIND, SYDNEY BURCHALL, GEORGE MOON, CHARLES MAYHEW.

MANCHESTER HIPPODROME. 6.10. Ardwick Green. 8.20.

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CYRIL DOWDLE.

RITA BERNARD, LENA BROWN.

KAY WHITE. Next Week: THE TWO PIRATES.

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Phyllis James Mason

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With Hugh Sinclair.

To-day at 12.10, 2.55, 5.35, 8.20.

Full Supporting Programme.

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TATLER. Daily from 11. 10d. & 1.8.

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COUNTRY TOWN (Documentary).

LATEST WORLD NEWS.

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"TARZAN'S SECRET TREASURE," "TARZAN'S SECRET TREASURE."

JOHNNY WEISSMULLER, MAUREEN O'SULLIVAN.

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Getting Ready For Peace

REMEMBERING the false hopes that were raised from time to time in the last year of the war against Germany, we in this country are inclined to treat with caution the more optimistic utterances with regard to the struggle against Japan.

True, the outlook has undergone a vast change in a matter of days. In a week when we heard that S.E.A.C. leave would have to be postponed to ensure that the fight in that area could go on at greater pressure we read also an American military leader's view that invasion of the Japanese mainland may not be necessary after all. Tokio radio urges radio monitors throughout the world to listen on Monday for "urgent and vital news which the people of a war-torn world have been waiting and longing to hear."

So we hope. But at the same time we take heed of the military view as expressed by Lord Louis Mountbatten, who, while welcoming the change the atomic bomb and Russia have effected, declares that his own preparations will go on as before.

That, no doubt, will be the guiding principle on the whole of the military side, and it should be, too, for those industries and managements and workers in them—which are vitally linked with the prosecution of the military plans.

In one phase, however, it is essential that there should now be the assumption that the war will end to-morrow. We refer to those sections of the country's administration charged with the task of turning the nation's productivity from war to peace. There is no optimistic colouring in the view that this has now become a matter of extreme urgency.

IT is obvious that America appreciates this fact. For some time she has been concerned about what many of her leading industrialists considered to be her lack of preparation for reconversion. Yesterday, it is reported, President Truman, although busy with war tasks and with his important broadcast, called the two heads of the nation's reconversion plans for a conference on the problems of industrial transition in the event of a sudden end of the war.

Britain may well be ahead with her plans in this direction, but what is needed now is some substantial sign of movement towards implementation or, at least, some assurance that it will not long be delayed.

THE decision to release, if only temporarily, Service people who can go back to their old jobs in the food and distributive industries to ease the situation there is commendable.

That, however, is merely a step to improve a wartime situation. What the people are waiting for is the creation as quickly as possible of a satisfactory peacetime structure of industry and other major factors in the national well-being.

Such an undertaking should not be beyond the capacity of a nation which so energetically switched itself from peace to war.

These Passing Shows (London Reg., 342.1m.), Western Men (West Reg., 514.6m., 203.5m.). Saturday Sport (Scottish Reg., 391.1m.). Ballad Concert (Midland Reg., 296.2m.). Eisteddfod Concert (Welsh Reg., 373.1m.). 7-0-Concert (West Reg., 514.6m., 203.5m.). 7-20-News in Welsh (Welsh Reg., 373.1m.). 7-50-Poultry Farming (London Reg., 342.1m.).

HIGHLIGHTS FROM OTHER REGIONS

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9-0-Melville" (talk) (Scottish Reg., 391.1m.). Ulster Chronicle (N. Ireland Reg., 285.7m.).

9-30—Serenade in Sepia (London Reg., 342.1m.). "Coming Your Way" (Midland Reg., 296.2m.). Ulster Half-Hour (N. Ireland Reg., 285.7m.). Scots Songs (Scottish Reg., 391.1m.).

9-45—Gaelic News, etc. (Scottish Reg., 391.1m.). "Andrew" (London Reg., 342.1m.).

Most people, I fancy, Chester of old you may—I say know that there is a may—recall that this was Piccadilly. But where are the gardens? Remember, this is the old Piccadilly, and the present gardens are on the site of the big building with the dome in the picture.

In case you still don't know, I'd say, a choice of Anne Hathaway's cottage or some rival attraction at the other end of the country, or if, as happened to a friend of mine on a fishing holiday, a Westmorland village has for sale none of its own views but an endless stock of the Grand Canal, Venice, and the Leaning Tower of Pisa.

But the limit has probably been reached by a Liverpool reader of the Window who called

completely stumped by the query and what with persuading a morsel of cooking-fat to do the work for four when there's only enough meat for two—these and cognate problems help to answer the old question: "Why does a woman look old sooner than a man?"

The really ingenious and resourceful cook has naturally come into her own. She came still further into her own at a Leyland Women's Institute meeting recently, part of the proceedings being a prize for the best dish made from one egg and 3d. The winner—a Mrs. Jones—must be a wizard. Any woman who can produce a prize-winning dish from one egg and 3d, has wit, knowledge, a flair for genuine economy.

Challenged by such a test, what would the average man do? It is an awful thought. And not so much less so if the conditions were 2 eggs and 6d!

The head of the firm, he adds, "invented" an electric alarm clock many years ago, to the great satisfaction of the wife of a cotton manufacturer whose maid had been unable to get up to time.

She solved her problem by fixing the electric clock in her own room and the bell in the maid's room, and there it would ring away until the maid went to the mistress to ask her to switch off."

COAL FAMINE MAY STOP WORK

Minister to be told of N.W. crisis

URGENT representations from coal factors in the North-West on the possibility of a large-scale industrial stoppage next winter, unless more coal is mined, are contained in reports which will shortly be put before Mr. Shinwell, newly-appointed Minister of Fuel and Power.

ALL-NIGHT HUNT FOR SOS SHIP

A SEVEN hours' search in rough seas and heavy rain was made by the Walmer (Kent) lifeboat for the large vessel which late last night was sending out distress signals from the south part of the Goodwin Sands.

No trace of the vessel was found, but on the way back to its station early to-day the lifeboat discovered a small yacht in difficulties.

Three men—all Englishmen—were rescued and they told members of the crew that they had been adrift in the heavy seas since last night.

Hasty meal

The lifeboat reached its station about five a.m.

After the crew had snatched a hasty meal and re-serviced their boat they set out again soon after seven to continue the hunt for the vessel.

"It was the worst August night I can remember," said a member of the lifeboat crew.

"The wind was at gale force all night and the torrential rain hurt our faces as it beat down.

"The sea was as rough as it ever is in a January gale."

Hunt goes on

The unknown vessel was thought either to be aground on the Goodwin Sands or to have been involved in a collision when the first distress rockets and flares were seen last night.

The weather had moderated considerably when the lifeboat put out this morning to continue the search, but the sea was still angry.

Primate gives bomb warning

THE Archbishop of Canterbury (Dr. Geoffrey Fisher), in a letter to *The Daily Sketch* to-day, says the discovery of the atomic bomb does not create any new ethical problem, "but puts to us the old one—by what principles is man to be governed in the use of his power?—with a new urgency."

The real problem is: Will men be good enough to control it only to good ends?"

"I am thankful," Dr. Fisher says, "that this discovery has come just at this moment when the nations are war-weary and the United Nations are engaged on the task of safeguarding peace. There is a real chance that they will protect the world for a long time to come from the evil use of this power."

"But for all time the threat of it will remain. The only protection from it is to overcome evil with good in the policies of men and of nations."

Teacher-cyclist in fatal accident

Miss Joan Marjorie Kitchen (29), school teacher, Buxton-road, Stockport, died in Ulverston Cottage Hospital to-day from injuries received when her cycle collided with a motor-car on Brock Hill, Bardsea, near Ulverston. She was on holiday.

Greyhound selections

AFTERNOON
CHESTER.—Blueun, Dick, Jungle Book, Huntington, Merry's Son, Chancellor, Crown Wheel, *Round Oak, Double, Round Oak and Queen.

OLDHAM.—Whispering Grass, Joyville, Yeller, Screen, Neighbour's Boy, *Linton, Baldon, Crackers, Double, Linton and Baldon.

EVENING
WIGAN (Woodhouse).—Donald, Empress, *Shine, Vanity, Blue Boy, Miffy, Miss Nan, Marie. Double: Shine and Miss Nan.

WARRINGTON.—Some Beef, Man Sandy, Gainsborough, Linna, Tempest, Highland Hare, Alavaston Red Belle, Arrah Be Nice, *Famous Lady, Double: Highland Hare and Famous Lady.

ROCHDALE.—Honest Worker, Jugged Reynard, Silver Urn, Prince Lambeth, Morrissey's Tom, Red Mace, Bashful Danno, Monaghan Music.

Working out the nest eggs



WAR gratuities and post-war credits for released Army men are being dealt with by the post-office at an office in Church-street, Manchester. Some of the workers are seen here completing the forms and saving bank books which are sent to the released men.

POLICE JOIN BIG GESTAPO ROUND-UP

GERMAN civilian police are to be used to round up Gestapo remnants and S.S. men believed still to be free in the American zone in Germany. Announcing the decision, Lt.-Col. Babcock, the U.S. public safety officer at American H.Q. in Frankfurt, said it is estimated there are still 20 per cent. of dangerous German criminals to be accounted for.

These criminals include Gestapo and S.S. men and former German Intelligence agents.

Bandit raids

The German police are being armed as a result of raids by gangs of armed bandits, composed of displaced persons who do not wish to return to their homes and who are trying to live out of plunder.

The bandit gangs raid German towns and villages every day, swooping down in sudden raids and racing off with everything they can get their hands on—from chickens to jewels.

The bandits are armed with sawed-off rifles, and they seem to have plenty of ammunition.

—B.U.P.

Firm's part-founder retires

Mr. W. Smythe, of Heywood-street, Bury, has retired, aged 71, from active work in Bury Paper Tubes Ltd., which he helped to found 26 years ago. He will continue as director.

Printing chief dies

Mr. Frederick Law, South-drive, Timperley, partner in Frederick Law and Co. printers and stationers, Manchester, has died aged 66.

He started the business more than 40 years ago, and was later joined by Mr. Percy Acton.

GREYHOUND RACING

WIGAN (Woodhouse)

To-morrow at 6.45

6.45 (310).—Black Soap, Dash, MILF, Lil's Pet, Donald, Res.: All Clear.

7.0 (300).—Burma Road scr., Empress, 2. Roscoe 4, Ironic 6, Black Velvet 8, Big Game 10.

7.15 (300).—Silver Line scr., Big Boy 2, Not Much 4, Cyclone 6, Shine 8, Yank 10.

7.30 (300).—Vanity scr., Lone Ranger 2, Catina 4, Midnight Chimes 6, Baby 8, Gracie 10.

7.42 (500).—Topsy's Pal 5, Tops 17, Don't Be Bright Boy 14, Elton 17, Big Boy 20.

7.54 (530).—Old Sam 5, Fair Idol 8, Golden Beach 11, Domino 14, Sailor Boy 17, Miffy 20.

8.6 (530).—Saucy Sue 5, Brentworth 8, Golden Fawn 11, Bobbie 14, Shucks 17, Miss Nan 20.

8.18 (310).—Bad Biddy, Marie, Late Arrival, Battleship, Monty. Res.: Walford, Patricia.

GREYHOUND RACING

SALFORD

To-morrow at 2.30

2.30 (518 yards).—Ballybawn Hero, Mammy's Ring, Ruan Skipper, New Year's Honours, Fireabout.

2.47 (518 yards).—Mayfair, Margaret's Sandies, Dawson's Spitfire, Ebenezer, Rossmore Prince.

3.04 (518 yards).—Plawkeen, Wild Wyley, Fawn Square, Martin Joe, Dashin Charlie.

3.21 (518 yards).—Hedge Hail, Feenagh Marshall, Ruddle's Crown, Crothill Hedge, Killoughmore Express.

3.38 (518 yards).—Invaders Song, Braehead, Tansy Land, Cutie's Furniture, Fill Them Again, Prairie Sweeper, Spa Magpie, Red Mutt, Bally Sheen, Star Delight.

4.12 (518 yards).—Master Har, Lockinvar of Haverbrack, Racing Brother, Wireless' Tom, Red Mace, Bashful Danno, Monaghan Music.

4.29 (518 yards).—Gone West, Fishing Trail, Just Sandills, Bad Pace, Verge's Champion.

4.45 (413).—Aymnals Flash, Pedlar, Crackers, Sandy, Turenne.

OLDHAM STADIUM

SATURDAY at 2.30.

2.30 (240 yards).—Par Avion, Whispering Grass, Radient, Robey, Rapid.

2.45 (423).—Sylvan (scr.), Burma (3), Tamara (5), Joyhill (7), Taffy (10).

3.0 (423).—Millfield, Flyer (scr.), Yeller (3), Hopout (5), Boy of Clare (7), Ballyroan (10).

3.15 (423).—Driedy (scr.), Serene (3), Mildew (5), Jenny Dean (7), Wee Lady (10).

3.30 (423).—Neighbour's Boy, Mercury, Pilot Spring, Nelson, Greyville.

3.45 (423).—Brookfield (scr.), Newby (3), Loud Bells (5), Lynton (7), Game (10).

4.0 (423).—Kabul (scr.), Unmet (3), Baidon (5), Radio (7), Tippets (10).

4.15 (413).—Aymnals Flash, Pedlar, Crackers, Sandy, Turenne.

ECCLES

Mat. To-day.

2.30. Cont. 6. "Flight from Folly."

3.0. Cont. 6. "Cats in the Window."

3.45. Cont. 6. "Maryland."

4.0. Cont. 6. "Falsworth."

4.15. Cont. 6. "Grand."

4.30. Cont. 6. "Eccles."

4.45. Cont. 6. "Gatley."

5.00. Cont. 6. "Walt Disney's 'SNOW WHITE & THE SEVEN DWARFS'."

5.15. Cont. 6. "Gorton."

5.30. Cont. 6. "Three of a Kind."

5.45. Cont. 6. "Grotto to Death."

5.50. Cont. 6. "Laurel and Hardy."

5.55. Cont. 6. "Frosty the Snowman."

6.00. Cont. 6. "Frosty the Snowman."

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WEEK-END RUSH TO SEASIDE BEGINS

Still works down mine at 79

JOSEPH BROGAN, of Bryn road, Ashton-in-Makerfield, at 79 is believed to be the oldest working miner in this country. Born in Salford, he began in the Moore Pit, near Brighouse, at the age of nine, and is still doing six days a week.

Up to the age of 75 he worked at the coal face, using pick and shovel, and as the mine closed he was employed as a rigger. This involves hard manual labour, raising the roof of the mine.

Mr. Brogan has had only two days off this year, and that was due to illness. He is very fit physically and can read without the aid of spectacles.

His three sons also work in the same mine, the Garswood Hall Colliery, and the four have a combined service with that company of 180 years.

Labour policy on farming

AN indication that, as far as possible, the new Labour Government would avoid sudden and drastic changes in established agricultural policy was given by Mr. Tom Williams, the new Minister of Agriculture, at an informal meeting with agricultural correspondents in London to-day.

"There is nothing very mysterious or sensational about the Labour Party's policies for agriculture and fisheries," he said.

"They have been public property for some time.

"It is our intention so far as food production is concerned to do all in our power to see that the people of this country are properly fed; that farmers, farm workers and fishermen who play their part receive a fair and reasonable reward for their efforts."

Met in India after hospital spell



Corporal George (24) and his brother, Private William Mather (21), who have both been in hospital, have just met for the first time in four years. They came together in a convalescent home somewhere in India and spent a short leave together.

George, who belongs to the 14th Army and has been abroad three years and eight months, is now waiting for his turn to be sent back to his home in Mersey-street, Portwood, Stockport.

Chemists qualify

The following qualified as pharmaceutical chemists at last month's examination held by the Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain: John Clifford Farron and Frank Hoyle, of Rochdale; William Roland Parkinson, of Southport; Sidney Harbron Scott, of Blackpool; Mr. Sidney Steger, of Salford; and John Hartley Tate, of Manchester.

With a contribution of one penny a week from employees of the L.N.E.R. Prisoners of War Comforts Fund, established in November, 1943, has raised more than £17,000, and more than £3,000 has been spent in parcels for the 626 workers who became prisoners of war.

RED ARMY IS DRIVING ON

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tier, according to reports from Japanese headquarters in Manchuria, quoted by the Japanese News Agency.

Part of the Soviet Army, said the H.Q. report, "gradually infiltrated" at Hunchun, Suifenho and Hutow, in the eastern border area, and also in the Manchouli and Sano districts on the western border.

Russians in Eastern and Western Manchuria are being gradually reinforced, admits the report from Japanese Imperial headquarters.

Russian units, it says, invaded the area of Chikho on the Northern Manchukuo sector, west of Solun, which is in Inner Mongolia.

The four advancing Russian columns now threaten the first industrial towns, and Red Army troops are already across the southern branch of the great Trans-Siberian railway.

Swarms of Stormoviks are blasting at Japanese-held railway junctions and seeking out and bombing enemy strong-points. These are the main drives:

1. In the Vladivostok area of Primorie province, bordering on the Sea of Japan:

2. South-west of Kharbarovsk, 250 miles north-east of Vladivostok;

3 and 4. Nearly 700 miles north-west of Vladivostok, where two parallel thrusts are making good headway in the north-eastern corner of the Gobi Desert.

Pincer threat

Overrunning strong defence lines, the Russians made advances of up to 15 miles during their first day's fighting, and have already captured a number of towns.

Moving to-day through captured Manchouli, they are now less than 5 miles from Hallar, the main town of Hsing Peh-Sheng province.

One hundred miles south of Manchouli, the second of the columns advancing across the tip of the Gobi Desert is moving out into mainly flat country.

The Russian objective seems to be to cut vital railways on the way to the great railway junction and industrial city of Harbin, in Central Manchuria.

A double pincer move is in prospect—the first by the Kharbarovsk-Vladivostok forces to pinch out the Japanese in South-Eastern Manchuria, guarding the eastern half of the Harbin railway, and the second to the north-west.

Atom-bomb scientist seeks cancer cure

It is announced in San Francisco to-day that Dr. Ernest Lawrence, whose cyclotron materially assisted in the discovery of the atomic bomb, is now seeking a cure for cancer.

The cyclotron, housed at the University of California, near San Francisco, is however, still under strict military guard—prisoners.—Exch.

Auckinleck visits Burma troops

General Sir Claude Auckinleck, Commander-in-Chief India, has just completed a visit to the Allied troops who defeated the Japanese in Burma.

During a four days' tour, the General visited the Fegu Yomas, where heavy fighting took place, and also saw some Japanese prisoners.—Exch.

Families crowd trains

THE week-end rush to the sea from Manchester, which began early to-day, was led by housewives who travelled with young children to avoid the Saturday scramble for seats.

There were no queues, but all the trains to Blackpool and the West Coast left Victoria Station crowded.

With eight Manchester districts beginning their annual week's break to-night, station officials are preparing for another heavy day's traffic to-morrow.

29 to Blackpool

Twenty-nine trains will run to Blackpool as well as the normal services to Fleetwood and Morecambe—but relief trains may have to be put on.

Towns on holiday this week-end are Bamber Bridge, Compstall, Denton, Marple, Preston, Reddish, Romiley, and Stockport.

Longer holiday

Stockport holidaymakers will have more money to spend for their extended holiday due to the third VE-Day.

Savings clubs have paid out more this year, one society distributing nearly £150,000.

Five special trains will leave Edgeley station for Blackpool to-morrow. Motor-coach trips have been arranged to Blackpool, Morecambe, and Llandudno.

Pilot "hopped out" plane vanished

Lieut. (A.) Laurence Frank Aukland, a Fleet Air Arm pilot with the British Pacific Fleet, waited to take off in an Avenger from the deck of his aircraft-carrier.

As he was called up to taxi forward an aircraft swished overhead.

"I saw round red discs on it, and knew it was a Japanese," he said. "The next thing I knew was that the Japanese had hit the deck 25 yards ahead of me."

"I hopped out quickly, and after the mess had been cleared up went back to find my plane. It had gone—disappeared completely. I reckon I had a lucky escape."

Nazi loot flowing back

American Military Government detachments have recovered from half a dozen countries 1,250,000 books and innumerable other articles seized by the Nazis from Jews, including manuscript scrolls dating back to the fourteenth century.—Rtr.

2,000 girls arrested in Norway

Nearly 2,000 Norwegian girls who associated with the Germans have been arrested.

Police figures show that the number of Quislings, collaborators, and other anti-national suspects now under arrest—not including the girls—is 16,714.

NORTHERN ROLL CALL

KILLED

Driver George Smith (50), R.A.S.C., of Bolton-street, Higher, Ince, near Wigan, in action. Previously reported missing in Western Europe in May, he was drafted to Normandy a week after D-Day.

Mainly fine and warm

WEATHER forecast for 24 hours beginning noon to-day is:

GENERAL INFERENCE: Occasional rain in East Anglia and South-East England, but elsewhere it will be fair or fine, but some rain is expected in South-West England to-night; rather cool in East England, becoming rather warm in west.

MANCHESTER, NORTH-WEST, NORTH WALES, AND ISLE OF MAN: Variable winds, light or moderate, mainly fine; cloudy locally on south-west coast, rather warm.

FURTHER OUTLOOK: Some rain in Ireland, South-West England, and Wales; otherwise mainly fair and warmer.

TOWN CLERK HAS VOTE "BRANCHES"

THE Town Clerk of Rochdale, Mr. H. Bann, has taken the lead in helping people who found themselves without a vote at the General Election. He is setting up several district offices where an official will be ready to give assistance to those seeking advice on the electoral register.

Mr. Bann makes a special appeal to electors to check the list, which will be exhibited from August 15 to 29. One of the difficulties, however, is that Rochdale holidays occur in the middle of this period.

Mr. Bann said to-day: "Quite a lot of people are taking a serious interest in the matter at the moment, and I am going beyond statutory powers in setting up these district offices. An appeal will be made also by advertisements for electors to call and inspect the list."

He is starring on Australian radio

Petty Officer Vincent Coates of Denton, Manchester, known locally for his musical talent before he joined the Royal Navy, is now making a hit as a radio singer with Australian listeners. P. O. Coates, formerly an electrical tester, is serving with the British Pacific Fleet.



Petty Officer Vincent Coates

Manchester stocks

Opening prices

Cons. 24	87	87½	Coats J.	510	52/0
Do. 4½	110	10½	Courtald	53/8	54/0
War 1½	104½	4½	Fine-pip	23/6	24/0
Funding	114	14½	Henry A.	26/0	27/0
Victory	113	13½	Lancs. C.	35/0	35/6
Local L.	96½	9½	Rylands	22/0	23/0
Convent	106½	7	Sewing-C.	36/6	37/6
Great W.	51	52	Stithians	6/6	7/0
L.N.E.P.	64	63	Velvet D.	14/3	14/6
Do. Del.	5	5½	Churchill		
L.M.S.	26	26½	Mach. T.	22/3	22/6
Southn P.	70	71	Mather &		
Do. Del.	224	22½	Platt...	50/0	51/0
ShipCan	7½	8/0	Forster H.	24/9	25/3
Do. Pt.	13/0	13/3	Vickers	17/3	17/6
Bleachers	15/3	15/9	Dunlop	48/6	49/0
Brad. P.	25/6	25/9	Maypole	2/3	2/6
Brit. C.	30/9	31/5	C.U.	38/0	38/6
Calico P.	18/9	19/3	Turner &		
Crosses &			Newall	77/6	78/9
Beacons	34/0	35/0	Wall Ppr.	39/6	40/6
Do. Pt.	21/6	22/0	Shelf Trs.	81/3	82/6

Luxury ship is Navy leave "camp"

The luxury ship Amenity is being transformed into a floating holiday camp for Royal Navy seamen on short leave in the Pacific area.

When she steams into the war zone she will have aboard a cinema, an ice-cream shop, recreation rooms, library, shoe repair shop, tailor's shop, and even a brewery.—A.P.

Cale Delays Leave Boats
Leave-boat sailings were delayed to-day by a north-westerly gale in the English Channel.
Steamer Princess Maud, which should have left Folkestone for Calais with some 1,500 returning leave men, waited for the storm to moderate. Men on way home also delayed at Calais.

Stretford has repaired most houses

STRETFORD'S go ahead methods in rebuilding bomb-damaged property have brought warm tribute from Mr. J. L. Moffat, of the War Damage Commission, who has written thanking the Borough Surveyor (Mr. H. Perry) and his staff for the tremendous amount of work they have done.

More contracts for rebuilding, the letter states, have been received from Stretford than from any other area in the region.

Facts and figures are not lacking in support of this tribute—12,225 houses have received first-aid repairs: 8,538 extended repairs.

Proud of record

Certificates of essentiality for the total rebuilding of 14 demolished houses have been issued, and the possibilities of rebuilding 131 others are under consideration.

Chairman of the Housing Committee (Councillor George Evans) told the Evening Chronicle to-day: "We are proud of our record and are urgently awaiting release by the Government to commence our permanent housing programme."

Draw for F.A. Cup-ties

THE draw for the qualifying round of the F.A. Cup brings together a number of local clubs. In Division VI, the draw has resulted as follows: Matches to be played on September 22: Bangor City v. Rhyl, Northwich v. Fodens Motor Works, Hurst v. Earle, Witton Albion v. Glossop.

Second Qualifying Round, to be played October 6: Bangor or Rhyl v. Northwich or Fodens, Witton Albion or Glossop v. Hurst or Earle.

Third Qualifying Round, to be played October 20: Bangor or Rhyl or Northwich or Fodens v. Witton Albion or Glossop or Hurst or Earle.

Stalybridge Celtic and Shrewsbury Town have been exempted until the fourth qualifying round.

Sports Brevities

LATE SCHOLAR, in the Redcar Handicap to-morrow, may end the long run of bad luck for W. Carr, the Bolton trainer, who has yet to saddle a winner this season after only one victory last year. Second to the improved Booby Trap at Pontefract last month, Late Scholar is worth noting.

R. Laye, the Ogbourne trainer, had successes last week in two different spheres of sport. As an owner of greyhounds he won at Stamford Bridge on Thursday with Lesson Learned, a 100 to 7 chance. As a racehorse trainer he won the second race at Ascot on Saturday with Applejack, whose starting price was 7 to 1 on.