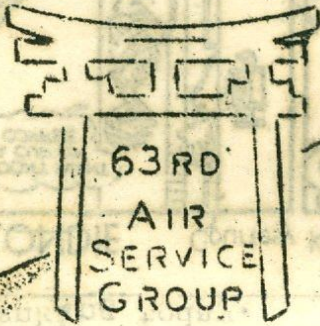


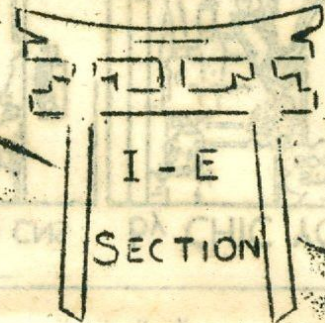
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NAVY RECOMMENDS NINE PACIFIC BASES

WASHINGTON: The Navy Department is recommending to Congress that U.S. establish and maintain nine major naval bases in the Pacific. These bases include two in the Aleutians, Hawaii, Guam, Saipan, Tinian, Iwo, Okinawa, and Manus. Five bases were also recommended for the Atlantic.

BYRNES TELLS OF JAP ATROCITIES

WASHINGTON: Secretary of State Byrnes recently completed a long report thoroughly documenting Japanese atrocities in the Pacific. At a press conference the Secretary of State told reporters how Japanese troops captured an American flyer who had parachuted into the sea off New Guinea and how they beathim with sticks virtually all that day, throughout the night, and until three o'clock the next afternoon. Then while the troops screamed wildly, a Japanese civilian named Inouye, hacked off the American's head with six slashes of his sword. Another report showed how Japanese guards forced 150 Americans into tunnels used as air raid shelters. The guards then emptied buckets of gasoline into the entrance and then threw in flaming torches. Byrnes said the U.S. sent 240 protests to the Japanese during the war. The Japs
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1ST CAVALRY TO LEAD PARADE

SAN FRANCISCO: The American 1st Cavalry Division has been assigned to lead the Allied march into Tokyo on Saturday. Meanwhile, the 1st Cavalry and other American units have been instructed to liberate all remaining prisoner of war camps.

Elsewhere, preparations are being made to occupy other areas in Japan. On Sunday 8th Army troops will go ashore at Ominate Naval Base in Matsu Bay on Northern Honshu and also land on Hokkaido, and deploy over the Jap homeland. The Ominate area will be the central headquarters of the occupation forces in Northern Honshu. It is located 35 miles across the bay from the large city of Aomori.

General MacArthur has given an ultimatum to Jap leaders to disarm and demobilize the army by October 10. General Eichelberger has announced 400,000 Allied troops will be in Japan within five weeks.

Yesterday the Jap War Parliament held its last meeting. The Premier used that awful word, and referred by name to "surrender." In announcing Jap losses he disclosed that more than 2,000,000 homes were burned by American air attacks. He added that the atomic bomb was believed likely to result in the obliteration of the Japanese.

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guilty of these inhumanities will be punished just as surely and sternly in Japan as they are being punished in Europe.

ARMY BEGINS REENLISTMENT PROGRAM

WASHINGTON: The Army has initiated a reenlistment program to keep men in the Army. The plan offers the soldier the chance to reenlist for a two or three year hitch.

The plan also includes continuance of 20% base pay for overseas service, a big reenlistment bonus, the benefits of the GI Bill of Rights and certain retirement clauses. The draft will continue for a while at least, while Congress finds out how many men can be persuaded to volunteer.

WAR BUDGET SLASHED

WASHINGTON: A \$3,500,000,000 slash has been made in government expenditures for the war effort, and President Truman said this is just the beginning of many reductions that will follow in the next few days. Thirty-seven per cent of funds has been cut from 28 agencies. Among those being sharply reduced are OPA, Office of Censorship, War Production Board, and Lend Lease.

CHINA TO BE SECURED IN ONE WEEK

CHUNGKING: In Nanking, the commander of the city said that surrender of all Nips in China will occur within one week. China's 6th Army began a mass air movement to Nanking today.

ITEMS IN THE NEWS

Lt. Gen. Jonathan Wainwright has been nominated by the President to be a four star general...Harry Hopkins, confidential advisor to the late President, has been awarded the Distinguished Service Medal...On Okinawa, Wednesday, Gen. Stilwell laid down the surrender terms for the Ryukyus to the top ranking Jap General...Radio Tokyo, now is being operated by Americans.....British forces have entered Singapore without incident...Governors for nine newly formed provinces in China have been named.... Before leaving for Europe, Secretary of State Byrnes stated that U.S. would support Russia's claim to the Kuriles and the southern half of Sakhalin Island....U.S. Marines have raised the American flag over Wake Island. The Japanese Rear Adm. who commanded the base since 1941 saluted as the colors rose.

CONGRESS CONVENES FOR SHORT PERIOD

WASHINGTON: Congress convened today, but both houses closed shop for the day almost immediately after the preliminary roll call. The House session lasted one hour and twenty-two minutes and the Senate met for only 17 minutes. Tomorrow, both houses will assemble jointly to hear President Truman's message which is expected to take hours to read. The President will not appear personally.

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