

JAP 'HOSPITAL' SHIP

The fake Jap hospital ship. Fifteen hundred soldiers aboard were listed as patients and ammunition was labelled "Medical supplies". The ship, the "Tachiguan Maru," was plainly marked with the Red Cross - another instance of that "honourable" way of fighting the Jap Emperor is so fond of talking about. They run pretty well, considering they're supposed to be sick and wounded.

Allied Far East Commanders in the headlines. General MacArthur, who directs the Occupation of Japan, personally announced the end of the war to veterans of the Pacific fighting.

In a victory celebration that takes the cake, Admiral "Wild Bill" Halsey and British Admiral Rawlings, Far East naval chiefs. Admiral Halsey rashly swore to ride the Emperor Hirohito's white horse, but later it turned out that he can't ride - so he does a hara kiri on the cake with a marine bayonet - and even that wasn't sharp.

In the big round-up in Burma, surrendered Japanese come in in a steady stream. Most of them are half-starved and suffering from all the diseases in the calendar. With the prisoners came squads of Chinese "comfort girls," who had been forced to accompany the Japanese troops.

After medical treatment, they begin the long wait to get back to conquered Japan. Escorted by American fighters, the Mikado's emissaries come into an airfield, near Okinawa. They fly white planes with green crosses - as ordered by MacArthur.