

AMERICANS BACK IN PHILIPPINES

Nearly three years after defeat, U.S. forces are back in the Philippines. A great American soldier has fulfilled the promise he made in 1942. I shall ~~return~~ return, said Gen. MacArthur, and return he has. Mac was aboard a man-o-war when the huge invasion convoy got under way. His air commandant went with him. ~~face~~ ~~within range~~ The warships bombarded Leyte Island.

The greatest armada of landing craft yet employed in the Pacific nosed their way toward the Leyte beaches.

(2nd wading) No sooner were the first men ~~wading ashore~~ ^{landing} than Gen. MacArthur ~~immediately~~ left the man-o-war, and took his place in an invasion barge. With him was Pres. Osmeña the Philippine. It's easy to imagine with what deep emotion these two men must have waded ashore.

(Along beach) It was in the Philippines that the Japanese thought they had finally crippled American power in the Pacific. It is in the Philippines that America has turned the tables. The people excitedly welcomed MacArthur's return. Some of their guerrilla fighters were decorated, and then, at the Capitol Building the Stars and Stripes were hoisted again. Tokio has been warned.

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1. TITLE: PARAMOUNT NEWS PRESENTS TO THE PHILIPPINES!
2. We are back in the Philippines! Our great new task force on the last lap of the battle for Japan itself. American seapower against the enemy, with Admiral Halsey in command, after ten days of smashing blows by carrier based planes. This was the opening round of the fight for the Philippines.
13. Now, a thrilling episode of Pacific battle as Marines smash enemy landing barges. One Jap tries to escape. Marines go aboard to fish out one more dead Jap.
27. SUBTITLE: THIS IS THE ENEMY
But there are still millions more living Japanese -- and these captured Jap newsreels show them on home ground -- clever, ruthless, fanatical -- an army of four million trained to die for their Emperor. They appear comical -- but ask the men who have fought them if they are. They're last-ditch fighters, jumping to suicide rather than surrender, men trained for death.
42. SUBTITLE: U.S. POWER
43. Back of the battle for the Philippines -- power. At a secret Pacific base, piles of equipment: trucks, jeeps, ammunition -- and listen to MacArthur's words after Batan: (MACARTHUR TALK)