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They Overrode Dad's Veto

Arrival Is Announced From Chungking Following Meeting Between Chiang Kai Shek and U. S. Commanders

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Today's Pictures Today

**A Fish-Eye View** of a fierce attack on three Jap airplane carriers by American dive bombers and torpedo planes during the battle of Midway was the rare experience of Ensign G. H. Gay, 25, of Houston, Tex., shown here. After his torpedo plane was shot down, he clung to a bag containing his deflated rubber boat and watched the burning enemy ships pass by. He hid under a cushion which floated out of his plane so the Japs wouldn't take a shot at him. Ensign Gay came out with only slight wounds.

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With the exception of the brief navy communique a week ago that Japanese planes bombed Dutch Harbor and Admiral Ernest J. King's disclosure that operations in the Aleutians are continuing, little has been heard officially from the fog-shrouded north Pacific.

### JAP FLEET MAY BE STRENGTHENED.

The feeling prevails in official Washington circles, however, that the American victory in the Midway sea and air battle might act as a spur to Japanese units which are said to be lurking somewhere in the Dutch Harbor area awaiting an op-

## ALL QUIET ALONG MIDWAY FRONT

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portunity to blast or attempt to storm United States bases.

Since Dutch Harbor is only 2,457 miles from Yokohama, some naval analysts asserted there was a possibility that additional naval units might be dispatched from Japanese home waters to bolster the present enemy task force in this battle area.

The fact that little has been heard from American forces in the Aleutians in the last week was explained in part by King, commander-in-chief of the United States fleet, when he said that weather conditions in the

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# MASS ATTACK UPON ALASKA BASE EXPECTED

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Alaskan area were extremely unfavorable to counter operations.

Naval men explained that prevailing weather should prove helpful to the Japanese by cloaking their shifting movements. Under such conditions, there is a strong possibility that the Nipponese may attempt a landing at some point, possibly Dutch Harbor.

If carried out, such a landing operation could serve a dual purpose for the Japanese: Provide the enemy with a "face saving" incident over the Midway battle and possibly immobilize bases that the Nipponese feel might be used for the eventual American offensive against them.

Regarding the Midway island engagement, the feeling rose in Washington that the American victory definitely lessened the danger of another attack in force on that mid-Pacific outpost or a second blow at Hawaii.

Preliminary reports from Admiral Chester W. Nimitz, commander-in-chief of the Pacific fleet, indicate that as many as seventeen enemy warships may have been sunk or damaged.

Knowing that officially the navy usually is conservative in its estimates of enemy losses until all reports from the scene of action are checked, some sources in Washington asserted that a final checkup might boost the toll considerably.

It was pointed out that a number of Nipponese warships which limped away in a damaged condition from the Midway battle probably would never reach Jap bases in the Marshall and Gilbert or Caroline islands.