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| 01:38:11:24 |  | NARR: Some scientists urge a demonstration of the bomb, to give the Japanese a chance to surrender. |
|  |  | NARR: But to the Japanese, surrender does not seem to be an option. |
|  | **Race War** |  |
|  | *Kamikazes attacking US ships…* | NARR: They send kamikazes – suicide pilots – against US ships. In battle after battle, their soldiers kill themselves rather than be captured. |
|  | *Firebombing of Tokyo* | NARR: The US is now firebombing their cities. 100,000 Japanese die in one night in Tokyo alone. Their war is hopeless – yet they still refuse to surrender. |
|  | **Decision to Drop** |  |
| 01:38:55:28 |  | NARR: The next step seems unavoidable: invade Japan itself. |
|  |  | NARR: Thousands of Americans, and millions of Japanese will likely die. For Harry Truman, the bomb seems by far the lesser evil. |
|  |  | Robert Norris: I may be faced with an actual land invasion of Japan. So if there’s anything that can shorten the war before that, and prevent it, I’m for it. |
| 01:39:25:28 | *Potsdam Declaration* | NARR: On July 26th, the Japanese are given an ultimatum: surrender unconditionally, or face destruction. |
|  | *Emperor Hirohito in Japan*  | Tim Naftali: the Japanese were not interested in unconditional surrender. They wanted their emperor to remain in power. They wanted to oversee their own war crimes trials. They did not want U.S. occupation of the home islands. |
|  |  | NARR: The Japanese reject the ultimatum. |
|  | *Prime Minister Baron Kantaro Suzuki* | NARR: Now all the pieces fall into alignment. |
| 01:40:00:01 | *MONTAGE of elements leading to Hiroshima (Big buildup, rising to crescendo):*Japanese leaders & Emperor…Stimson, factories, Groves, Oppenheimer…US generals… and Truman | NARR: Japanese leaders who cannot bring themselves to stop… a massive science project that has spent two billion dollars racing to create the bomb… a president facing a horrific battle who suddenly sees an alternative. |
|  | Title: “Decision” |  |
|  | Fat Man and Little Boy | NARR: What happens next -- dropping two atomic bombs on Japan in August 1945 – will become one of the most controversial decisions in American history.  |
|  |  | NARR: Seventy years later, evidence suggests the president never actually gave this order. Now that it’s ready it may be harder to stop the bomb than to let it go.  |
|  |  | Robert Norris:There is a question about whether or not Truman ever really authorized the use of the bomb. And it’s my argument that he never did, that there was so much momentum built up, that Truman, new to the job, decides not to interfere with ongoing plans. |
|  | **Enola Gay** |  |
| 01:41:10:09 | *Prepping Little Boy bomb on Tinian…* | NARR: On Tinian island in the Pacific, the uranium gun bomb, nicknamed “Little Boy,” is ready. It’s never been tested but it’s so simple that they are sure it will work.  |
|  |  | NARR: The bomb is loaded into the B-29 *Enola Gay*. A few hours before dawn on August 6th, the plane takes off. It flies 1500 miles through the night. At 8:15am, over Hiroshima, it drops the bomb. |
|  | **Hiroshima** |  |
| 01:41:46:24 | *ANIMATION: bomb falling…* | NARR: Now the bomb controls its own destiny. When it’s 1900 feet from the ground, it explodes. |
|  |  | NARR: A fireball a quarter-mile across reaches 10,000 degrees. Anything close to the center is vaporized. |
|  |  | NARR: Then a shock wave explodes buildings, knocking down anything in its path. |
|  |  | NARR: Almost everything within one mile is totally destroyed; only a few concrete structures remain. |
| 01:42:29:08 | *Wrecked city… shadows burned into stone…* | NARR: Where something, or someone, absorbed the heat, a shadow is left behind. |
|  |  | NARR: At least 80,000 people die. |
|  |  | NARR: Other bombings have killed more people; what’s new about Hiroshima is how easy it was: one plane… one bomb. |
|  |  | NARR: And still, even after this, the Japanese will not surrender. |
| 01:43:07:19 |  | Lynn Eden:the shock of the first bomb didn't quite do it, actually. It, they couldn't even at first accept that Hiroshima had been bombed. |
|  |  | NARR: The Japanese have their own plan to end the war. Behind the scenes, they have been secretly talking to the Soviets, hoping the Russians will broker a deal with the US – a *conditional* surrender. |
|  | **Soviets Enter Pacific War** |  |
| 01:43:33:07 | *Headlines: Soviet Declares War On Japan* | NARR: But two days later, the Soviet Union declares war on Japan. Now, the brokered conditional deal the Japanese hoped for is dead. But there’s still no sign of surrender. |
|  |  | Lynn Eden: the level of resistance in the Japanese government was very, very difficult to understand. It was so great. |
|  | *Tinian: crews loading second bomb…* | NARR: On Tinian, crews are preparing the next bomb – nicknamed Fat Man – as president Truman addresses the nation. |
|  | Truman news footage “…If they do not now accept our terms they may expect a rain of ruin from the air, the like of which has never been seen on this earth.” |  |
| 01:44:21:11 |  | NARR: On August 9th, a B-29 carrying the Fat Man bomb takes off. |
|  | **Nagasaki** |  |
|  |  | NARR: The target is Kokura. |
|  | *Mix of MAP & archival…* | NARR: But Kokura is obscured by clouds. So the plane heads for the backup target. |
|  |  | NARR: Because it happens to be cloudy, thousands of fortunate people are spared… others will die in their place. The second city hit by an atomic bomb will not be Kokura, but Nagasaki. |