

SURRENDER PROCEDURE DELAYED BY JAPAN

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Truman Lists Major Items Of Peace Task

Military Training to Be Advised; Conference of Capital, Labor Is Slated

WASHINGTON, Aug. 16.—(AP)—Enactment of a peacetime military training program will be recommended by President Truman as soon as congress reconvenes on Sept. 5.

Mr. Truman also told his news conference today that:

1. The draft will continue to take young men to replace veterans in the occupation forces. (It's up to congress to decide when to end selective service, he said.)

2. The Japanese, in his opinion, never will have a chance to obtain revenge for their defeat.

3. Proclamation next Sunday, Aug. 19, a day of prayer thanking God for victory and asking support and guidance in peace.

4. Called the full employment bill "must" legislation, now that millions soon will be jobless.

5. Announced he will call a conference of capital and labor as soon as congress reconvenes.

6. Said the War Labor board will continue as long as it is needed.

7. Disclosed that this government is discussing with the British a Jewish national state in Palestine.

8. Expressed hope that congress will cooperate in developing atomic energy for peacetime uses.

V-J Day Not to Be Holiday

The president reiterated that V-J day will not come until the Japanese surrender is officially signed. That surrender won't be complete, he added, until an estimated 2,000,000 Japanese lay down their arms. He said V-J day would not be a holiday. He added that the people had had enough holidays yesterday and today.

The occupation of Germany and Japan will be necessary until such time as the Germans and Japanese are rehabilitated in the democratic way of life, he said. He added that there was no discussion at the Potsdam Big Three conference of how long Germany will be occupied. This was his answer to a reporter's observation that a two-year program of reparation.

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Three Fatally Shot in Celebration Argument

WALLACE, Idaho, Aug. 16.—(AP)—A tavern argument during V-J day celebration ended with the fatal shooting of three men in the isolated logging community of Herrick yesterday, Sheriff A. J. McPhail said.

Ceorge Turner, 36, "went berserk," the sheriff said, and killed Al Timmel, tavern operator, and Henry Hibbeln, a tavern customer. Turner then was killed by Timmel's brother, Fred.

Fred Timmel was not held and there will be no inquest, McPhail said, since Turner's death "obviously was justifiable homicide."

Retain Gas, Blue Book Stamps, Dealers Told

PORTLAND, Aug. 16.—(AP)—Service station operators and oil industry officials were asked today not to destroy gasoline and fuel oil ration coupons, pending instructions from Washington.

The district OPA made a similar request covering blue book stamps.

Riot Act Invoked to Subdue Destructive 'Frisco Mobs; 7 Persons Killed, 624 Hurt

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 16.—(AP)—A wild night of uncontrolled rioting, looting and assaults subsided here early this morning after 1,000 police and Navy shore patrolmen dispersed mobs jamming downtown San Francisco streets.

The city's third night of celebrating found crowds in a destructive mood. Nearly every plate glass window on lower Market street was shattered, display shelves were cleaned out, the few automobiles parked at the curbs were badly battered, women were seized and roughly handled in many cases. Property damage mounted into many thousands of dollars.

Sailors, who comprised the bulk of the mob, were ordered back to their stations around midnight as city and Navy police got the situation under control. Rear Admiral Carleton H. Wright, commander of the 12th naval district, threatened to cancel all overnight liberty for Navy personnel if "wholesale breaches of the peace" continue.

7 Dead, 624 Injured

Civilians were ordered off the streets and hundreds of teenagers who took an active part in the looting were threatened with arrest.

Seven persons met death in accidents and 624 were injured during the three nights of celebration.

Police Chief Charles Tuttle ordered his regular and auxiliary policemen into action last night after invoking the state riot act. Marines, carrying sheathed bayonets at their sides, and firemen aided in dispersing the crowd.

Patrol wagons were sent six abreast up and down the streets, driving the people before them.

E. B. McDaniel Succeeds Crooks as State Liquor Board Member



SALEM, Aug. 16.—Dr. E. B. McDaniel, Portland physician, Wednesday was appointed to membership on the Oregon state liquor commission by Governor Snell.

McDaniel will succeed Paul L. Crooks, who resigned Tuesday. Dr. McDaniel for years has served as president of the Oregon State Motor association.

Atomic Bomb Now Given Jap Praise

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 16.—(AP)—The Japanese flow of condemnation of the allies for development and use of the atomic bomb was replaced today by praise for the scientific genius which developed it.

The influential Tokyo newspaper, Yomiuri Hochi, in an article quoted by Radio Tokyo, said, "Rather than accuse those who used the fateful atomic bomb, it will be more bishido-like to give due credit to the scientific superiority of those who were capable of producing such a weapon."

"It would be much to our good if we can accuse ourselves of being so incapable."

The transmission, recorded by Federal Communications commission, concluded:

"The Japanese must now learn to look into the face of reality. There is a reason for victory just as much as there are causes for defeat. We had failed to gauge our limitations and knew not enough of our adversary."

Lumber Firm Loses 2nd Mill in Week by Fire

CENTRAL POINT, Ore., Aug. 16.—(AP)—The Cheney Lumber company mill here was destroyed Tuesday night by a fire battled by equipment from here, Medford, Camp White, and the state forest patrol.

Cheney brothers, who lost another mill by fire in Tacoma only a week ago, were unable to estimate damage immediately. Cause was undetermined.

Oregon to Hold State Fair in 1946, Decision

PORTLAND, Aug. 16.—(AP)—An Oregon State fair—the first since 1941—will be held in 1946, the state director of agriculture and the fair manager announced Wednesday.

Manager Leo G. Spitzbart said he planned a display large enough to make up for four years' absence. Grounds, buildings and equipment at the Salem grounds are to be repaired.

Lay-Off Flood Begun; 400,000 Already Idle

(By the Associated Press)

Peace abruptly ended the well paying war plant jobs of hundreds of thousands of Americans. Many more will be out of work in the next few weeks.

How many could be absorbed into peacetime industry and how soon were largely matters of speculation although some plant executives were hopeful of quick reconversion.

An Associated Press survey of the larger war plant areas today showed that at least 400,000 workers were laid off immediately after the Japs surrendered and that another 1,878,000 would be affected soon.

Contract cancellations running into the billions by the Army and Navy resulted immediately in closing of many war plants—big and little—from coast to coast. More shutdowns were imminent.

Affected were all manner of plants, airplane, engine, tank, propeller, electrical, shipyards and others which have kept the materiel of war flowing endlessly to the armed forces for more than three years.

Some of the closings were temporary while management could reconvert to peacetime commodities; some plants will reopen shortly with greatly reduced staffs; some will remain closed.

In some cases management still was canvassing the field to see what might be done.

Western Picture

This was the picture in western cities:

Portland, Ore.—Kaiser yard officials said payroll of 60,000 employees to be dropped gradually.

Denver—Kaiser industries laid off 3,500; Rocky Mountain arsenal to dismiss 1,000 employees.

Seattle—Chamber of Commerce estimated 20,000 workers will be out of jobs temporarily but quickly reabsorbed. Todd-Pacific shipyards at Tacoma plans to discharge about 2,000 monthly until 20,000 out. Navy's Puget sound Navy yard jammed with ship repair work which will keep employment at a peak for a year.

Phoenix—Goodyear laying off 2,000 within next 10 days.

San Francisco—Army ordnance district canceled \$100,000,000 of unfilled contracts.

Los Angeles—California Shipbuilding Corp. to lay off 3,500 of 13,800 workers today. Plane plants anticipating cancellations and some ordered holiday until Monday when will return to 5-day week.

Business Activity In Roseburg Will Resume Tomorrow

Business activity will be resumed in Roseburg Friday following the two-day holiday. Removal of gasoline rationing Wednesday resulted in an exodus to the seashore, mountains and fishing spots, as celebrating workers took advantage of the general closure.

However, there remained a sufficient number of people to crowd the streets in mid-afternoon for a hastily-organized Victory parade.

Led by the Roseburg School band, the parade included the Colors, borne by Bob Elliott, a recently discharged veteran, flanked by veterans of the Spanish-American and both World wars, with an armed guard from the Roseburg rifle company of the Oregon State Guard. The guardsmen, in command of Capt. J. L. Saunders, followed the Colors, while the uniformed mounted sheriff's posse and other riders completed the parade.

Festivities last night included a dance at the armory sponsored by the state guard company.

Negro Officer Beaten, Another Shot in Melee

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 16.—(AP)—A negro special patrolman was recovering today from a severe beating after a cafe scuffle which left a negro serviceman wounded by gunfire.

The fray, punctuated by flying dishes and silverware, broke out in a cafe in the negro district during surrender celebrations last night.

District Attorney Handley said three negro servicemen were being held for military authorities. A fourth negro, PFC. Edward Terry, was shot in both knees.

The special patrolman, Harry Payton, said eight soldiers set upon him when he was called to the cafe to quiet an argument over meal payments. Payton said he fired after the soldiers failed to halt.

The men disarmed him, Payton told detectives. He went for another gun, and had just reached a site across the street when regular police arrived and halted the fray.

Liquor Rationing End Not Immediate Prospect

PORTLAND, Aug. 16.—(AP)—The Oregon State Liquor Control commission said today that the war's end will not end liquor rationing—nor even increase the monthly quota, at least for the present.

The commission relaxed one rule, however. Beer in 32-ounce bottles may again be served.



THE TRAP IN WHICH THE JAPS CRIED QUIT—Map above shows how Japan was encircled by Allied forces which, growing ever stronger as the enemy grew weaker, made the Jap case hopeless. America's amazing atomic bomb was the final crusher. Blacked-in Japanese home islands will be all that's left of the once-mighty Jap empire after terms of the Potsdam declaration are enforced.

Truman Proclaims Day Of Prayer for Aug. 19

WASHINGTON, Aug. 16.—(AP)—Next Sunday, Aug. 19, has been set aside by President Truman as a day of prayer to God to "support and guide us into the paths of peace."

In a proclamation, issued today, the chief executive said:

"I call upon the people of the United States, of all faiths, to unite in offering their thanks to God for the victory we have won, and in praying that he will support and guide into the paths of peace."

"I also call upon my countrymen to dedicate this day of prayer to the memory of those who have given their lives to make possible our victory."

Announcing the proclamation at a news conference, Mr. Truman remarked with a smile that after two days of national celebration he thought the prayer would be needed.

Portland Trip Limited to Type "O" Blood Donors

Only donors with type "O" blood will make the Anniversary trip to the Portland blood bank Friday, Violet Hannon, chairman of the Douglas County Blood Donors club, reported today.

Headquarters at Portland reports that only type "O" blood is needed at the present time. Mrs. Hannon states that if a sufficient number of donors with the specified blood type are available Friday morning, the trip will be made by bus. Otherwise, passenger cars will be used. The excursion marks the anniversary of one full year of blood donor trips between Roseburg and Portland.

The bus or cars will leave the armory at 8 A. M. Friday, Mrs. Hannon reports. The return trip will be made Sunday. Hotel rooms have been reserved in Portland.

Loan Guaranty Agency For Vets Established

PORTLAND, Aug. 16.—(AP)—The Veterans administration has established a loan guaranty division here, it was announced yesterday.

Under terms of an act passed by congress in 1944, which became effective Monday, the bureau does not make loans but guarantees 50 per cent of loans up to \$2,000.

American Legion Dates National Meet in Chicago

INDIANAPOLIS, Aug. 16.—(AP)—The American Legion will hold a delegate national convention in Chicago November 18, 19 and 20 and President Truman will attend. It was announced at Legion national headquarters.

The legionnaires canceled scheduled meetings in Indianapolis September 24-26 in favor of the Chicago meeting.

Riddle Area Hit By Bomb Balloon

Release of censorship concerning Jap balloon bombings permits report of what is believed to be the only bomb which fell in the central part of Douglas county. The presumed bomb exploded about two miles southeast of Riddle, a half-mile from any habitation. It apparently was exploded while crashing through trees at a height of about 20 feet from the ground, cutting a swath 100 feet long and about 20 feet wide through trees, but otherwise doing no damage. The explosion was heard by many people, who reported to the police. An investigation was made by the local and state police and the F. B. I. No traces of the supposed bomb, however, were found. Another bomb was reported to have been recovered by the Navy in Western Douglas county.

Construction of Annex Started by Poultry Co-op

Excavation has been completed and forms for concrete foundations are being erected at the Pacific Poultry Cooperative plant in Roseburg, where construction of an annex will more than double working space. The new structure will fill the corner portion of the lot at Sykes and Short streets.

E. L. McNeil, Ashland, who has the general contract, reports the following subcontracts: L. W. Metzger Co., plumbing, lumber, millwork, glass and glazing; Ready-Mix company, excavation and concrete; McCracken, wire and iron; Mercer Steel, reinforcing steel; Eckerson Roof Co., Medford, roofing; Trowbridge and Flynn, wiring and fixtures.

Subcontracts for heating, painting, brick work, plastering, structural steel, have not yet been announced.

Japanese General in Switzerland Is Suicidal

BERN, Aug. 16.—(AP)—The Swiss Telegraph agency announced today that Lt. Gen. Okamoto, who was named Japanese military attaché in Switzerland in 1943, had committed suicide in Zurich, where he was placed under medical care in January.

Swiss military sources said Okamoto was succeeded several months ago as military attaché and had been "hopelessly ill."

New Post Seeks Vets' Names for Honor Roll

Sutherland-Oakland post of the American Legion, which has sponsored an Honor Roll of all men and women of the Oakland-Sutherland community in military service, is urging that any names of persons eligible for the Honor Roll and not now appearing be furnished the post immediately.

It is desired to complete the Honor Roll immediately, post officers report, and cooperation in listing all names is urged.

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By L. F. Retzenstein

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12 DAYS NEEDED TO CONTACT FRONTS, HIROHITO DECLARES; ADDLED ON PEACE PLANE TYPE

(By the Associated Press)

Emperor Hirohito told General MacArthur today it would be impossible to send envoys to Manila tomorrow to receive the surrender terms and that it would take 12 days for his "cease fire" order to reach all fronts.

The emperor expressed regret at the delay, arranged to send members of his imperial family to all fighting fronts to enforce the "cease fire" order and gave the allied commander a full report of what he had done.

The emperor's message to MacArthur added: "We will, however, proceed at once with the necessary preparations and notify General MacArthur as to the date of the flight of our representatives, which will take place as soon as possible."

The type of plane ordered to make the flight by MacArthur also was questioned. The Japanese explained they did not understand the designation and asked the allied commander to repeat the entire message of instructions to them.

Meanwhile Japanese forces continued to fight, and to be beaten, from Manchurian plains to Philippine mountains, and the threat of civil war in China continued to mount.

Gen. Chu Teh, commander-in-chief of Chinese communist armies, appealed to allied ambassadors to stop sending lend-lease materials to Chiang Kai-shek's Chungking government.

War Monger Named Premier

Gen. Prince Narihiro Higashikuni, a member of Japan's royal family and a leading war lord, was named to head Tokyo's peacetime cabinet. He conferred immediately with leaders of the fallen war government. The prince, 53, is a cousin of the emperor and best known to Americans for his reported wartime statement that any captured airman would be subject to trial and punishment, including the death penalty. He was a member of the supreme war council which directed the battle against the allies.

He took over the task of forming a new cabinet as a solitary Japanese in a room where the Third fleet off the gates of Tokyo.

Tokyo reported the puppet government at Nanjing in occupied China "is being dissolved." It would be the first Tokyo-controlled government to fold up.

MacArthur reiterated that he credited the atomic bomb with saving a million American and a quarter million British lives which he said would have been the price of an invasion of Japan itself.

He told the House that the secret of the devastating new weapon should not "at present be imparted to other nations in the interests of the common safety of the world."

Churchill said Premier Stalin had promised him that Russia would declare war on Japan "three months after the capitulation of Germany."

"The fact that the German army surrendered on May 8 and the Russians declared war on August 8 is no mere coincidence, but another example of the fidelity and punctuality with which armies always keep their military engagements," Churchill said.

The House cheered.

Bomb Critics Rapped

The 70-year-old statesman declared that "there are voices which assert that the 'atomic bomb should never have been used at all.'"

But, he added bluntly: "I cannot associate myself with such ideas. Six years of total war have convinced most people that had the Germans or the Japanese discovered this new weapon, they would have used it upon us to our complete destruction with the utmost alacrity."

Cheers sounded from both sides of the House.

Churchill asserted sharply: "I am surprised that very worthy people—but people who in most cases had no intention of proceeding to the Japanese front themselves—should adopt the position that, rather than throw this bomb, we should have sacrificed a million American and a quarter of a million British lives in the desperate battles and massacres of an invasion of Japan."

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Income Tax Slash After January 1 Appears Probable

WASHINGTON, Aug. 16.—(AP)—All Americans seem likely to get a cut in their income taxes after January 1. Perhaps several million will have to pay no income taxes at all next year.

Congress is coming back September 5 in a tax-cutting mood. Some of the best-informed tax experts in Washington think a reduction in personal income taxes will be enacted before Christmas—with administration approval if the cut isn't too drastic.

The expected reduction probably would be only moderate for most taxpayers. The man earning a lot of money would have a smaller percentage cut off his taxes than the fellow making \$35 a week.

People in the lowest income group would be the ones whose income taxes might be wiped out entirely.

Wouldn't Affect 1945 Income

A survey of congressional and other tax authorities today produced the following picture:

1. No tax reductions are likely on 1945 income. The expected cut would be felt first in smaller pay-roll deductions starting January 1. It would not affect the filing of 1945 income tax returns next March 15.

2. Federal taxes on such items as alcoholic beverages, furs, luggage, jewelry, theater tickets, cabaret spending, and telephone calls will drop back down automatically to 1942 rates six months after the official "termination of hostilities."

"The hitch is that technically this termination does not occur until the president or congress so declares. There is no indication yet when such a declaration might come."

3. The 95 per cent excess profits tax on corporations is sure to be killed. Nobody loves it now. The only question is whether to do it next January 1 or later.

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