

SURRENDER OF JAPAN ARRANGED AT PARLEY

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Wage Raise Restrictions Relaxed

White Collar Class Added to Favored List

Reconversion Program Being Geared to Speed More Goods to Civilians

WASHINGTON, Aug. 20.—(AP)—The government hastened today to give white collar workers and all others earning salaries the same good news—officially—already given wage earners: The lid's about off on raises.

The only halter the government will hold on increases is this: They can be given where the increase does not mean an increase in prices, too.

Wage earners were told previously that they can get raises—without necessity of the boss getting government permission—if there are no price increases.

The internal revenue is writing out instructions about the white collar workers and they will be released soon.

The bureau held to 1942 levels the salaries of those earning \$5,000 or more and those administrative and professional people, not represented by labor unions, who earned less than \$5,000.

Losing no time in pushing reconversion, President Truman called into a White House conference John W. Snyder, reconversion director, and a special advisory committee on problems

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In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS
THE best free show in London is the little roped-off corner of Hyde Park at Marble Arch, where a certain type of Londoner goes to get it off his chest. There are two such spots in London, the other being Tower Hill. Both, whether by coincidence or design, are at historic execution places.

At the Marble Arch corner of Hyde Park stood the famous Tyburn tree, familiar to every school child. Hanging was favored here. Tower Hill was where the heads of many famous prisoners confined in the Tower of London were chopped off. They also did a lot of hanging here.

Getting your head chopped off was a mark of considerable distinction, something your descendants could refer to with pride. Those who were hanged were likely to have come from across the tracks.

HYDE PARK was taken away from the Abbey of Westminster by Henry VIII when apparently with rather mixed motives.

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Own Sales Tax Ideas Not to Be Thrust Upon Study Group, Commissioner McKenna Says

SALEM, Ore., Aug. 20.—(AP)—Coe McKenna, state senator and newly-appointed state tax commissioner, promised the state tax study commission today that he would not attempt to force his sales tax ideas on the study commission.

McKenna, who long has battled for a sales tax, engaged in an exchange with Kelley Loe, representing the State Federation of Labor and a bitter sales tax foe, who, referring to McKenna, said "it is improper for any member of this study commission to use the commission as a soapbox for his ideas."

Both Loe and McKenna are members of the 13-man commission to investigate the state's tax structure and report to the 1947 legislature.

Loe, asserting he was glad to hear that McKenna would forget about the sales tax during the commission's investigations, charged that McKenna acted improperly in giving out an interview, published eight days ago, telling what was wrong with taxes. Such statement, Loe said, should be made only after the commission completes its study.

McKenna claimed that his published statement actually was made three months ago, or before his appointment to the tax commission. He denied Loe's statement that McKenna "rushed into print."

Reality Relief Urged.

McKenna, in a speech today to

Lt. Gen. Wainwright, Freed After Three Years, Likely to Witness Surrender of Japs

CHUNGKING, Aug. 20.—(AP)—Lt. Gen. Jonathan M. Wainwright, the hero of Corregidor who was rescued from a Japanese prison camp by a humanitarian team of American parachutists, is due in Chungking shortly and may witness the formal surrender of the forces which held him more than three years.

Among the hundreds of allied prisoners released by the sudden arrival of the airborne teams carrying relief supplies were Maj. Gen. George M. Parker, Jr., of Portland, Ore., who served under Wainwright in the final days of the battle of the Philippines, and A. W. Van Stachouwer, governor-general of the Netherlands East Indies.

Also with Wainwright in Manila, it was learned on high authority, were Lt. Gen. Arthur Percival, British commander at Singapore when that stronghold was captured by the Japanese in 1942, and Sir Shenton Thomas, governor of Singapore.

Japanese Lodge Protest

The dropping of the humanitarian teams brought a protest from the Japanese general staff. The Japanese informed General MacArthur that the action endangered the smooth cessation of hostilities and asked him to see that no more such "incidents" occurred.

Wainwright, 61-year-old leader of the heroic American and Philippine forces at Corregidor, was a captive of the Japanese for three years and three months. He was found at a prisoner of war camp at Hsian, 100 miles north of Mukden, by members of one of the six-man teams parachuted into the Japanese-held territory last Thursday.

Lt. Gen. Wedemeyer, U. S. commander, in China, said Wainwright was well and that he was being brought to Chungking.

U. S. headquarters in China announced that allied air and sea forces would aid in occupying the prisoner of war camps and the job of evacuating the internees. The announcement said large numbers could be released only after allied forces had occupied the camps.

The prisoners broke into wild shouts of joy when the rescue teams arrived, Wedemeyer said. Most of them had been treated "quite well," and illness was not "unusually high," he added. The names of the freed Americans have not yet been made known.

(The American Broadcasting company reported from Chungking that Lt. Col. James P. Devoreaux, leader of the heroic Marine stand on Wake Island in 1942, was safe in a camp in the Peiping area.)

Great Celebration Stated
Wainwright will be welcomed in Chungking with eagerness for the proclamation of official V-J day to unleash the greatest celebration the ancient city ever knew.

U. S. headquarters asserted every effort was being made to speed liaison with prisoners and internees in the camps, regard less of nationality, before taking the steps which will be required to release them.

It is likely identifications will not be announced before the arrival of occupation forces. When the information is available concerning the Americans, headquarters



Lt. Gen. Wainwright

ters said, it will be made public through the War department, for U. S. military personnel, through the Navy department for naval personnel, and the State department for civilian internees.

Long Crime Trail Of Two Boys Ends In Curry County

—(AP)—A crime trail that which led half across the continent has ended for two "tricky happy kids" from the Mid-West who thought this little Pacific coast village would be a push over.

Curry County Sheriff Glenn Sabin said today the boys, Berkeley Jones, 19, and his brother, Gordon, 16, Peoria, Ill., are held on an open charge while county officers and police of two states add up the crime count.

The boys were arrested Saturday ten miles inside California where police chased them after a merchant here discovered them calmly loading loot from a general store. In the stolen car were seven shotguns and 32 pistols.

Early yesterday the boys confronted Sheriff Sabin with a pistol one boy had hidden in his sleeve. Leaving Sabin tied and gagged, they drove south and halted a motorist with the sheriff's car siren, robbed him and then swapped cars. Before leaving they fired three shots into a passing auto then shot the sheriff's tires flat.

To elude police they headed back toward Gold Beach, but crashed into a third car, seriously injuring the driver and one of the boys. State police patrol cars closed in soon afterward and disarmed the younger Jones before he could start shooting.

Sabin said the older boy claimed they escaped from a Rhinelander, Wis., sheriff two weeks ago and admitted a string of robberies while driving West.

Legion Auxiliary Will Hold State Convention

PORTLAND, Aug. 20.—(AP)—The American Legion auxiliary will hold a state convention here Sept. 6 to 8, the same days as the Oregon department, American Legion convention.

Auxiliary President Mrs. Charles E. Lemons named Mrs. Frank L. Greene, Portland, convention chairman; Mrs. Polly McInturff, Coos Bay, parliamentarian; and Mrs. Pauline Popp, Portland, sergeant-at-arms.

Pays \$200 for Driving After License Revoked

A fine of \$200 was paid in the Roseburg justice court by Roman A. Rudometkin, 38, who pleaded guilty, Judge Thomas C. Hartfield reported, to operating a motor vehicle after his drivers license was revoked. A 30-day jail sentence was suspended following payment of the fine.

Harvest Wage Limits Set by Oregon Board

Ceilings Apply to Fruit, Truck Crops; Close Study Is Urged Upon Growers

Specific wage ceilings established for fruit and truck crop harvest workers in Douglas county were announced today by Alden E. Orr, executive officer, Oregon Wage board, U. S. Department of Agriculture.

All producers, workers and others concerned with fruit and vegetable harvesting in Douglas county are urged to study the regulations for specific wage ceilings in order to avoid misunderstanding with respect to application of the law and to avoid penalties through violations. Mr. Orr stated. He called attention to the fact that these ceilings should not be confused with going or prevailing wage rates and that less than ceiling rates may be paid. The ceiling rates will limit wages which employers can lawfully pay, or employees receive, except as special approval is obtained from the Oregon Wage board.

Maximum Rates Listed
The specific ceiling order established the following maximum rates:

1. Maximum wage rates for picking berries:

(i) Piece rate:
A. French prunes—25 cents per standard lug box of 56 pounds.

B. Italian prunes—20 cents per standard lug box of 56 pounds.

(ii) Hourly rate for French or Italian prunes—\$1 per hour.

2. Maximum rate for picking apples:

(i) Piece rate—12 cents per standard apple box of 40 pounds, or

(ii) Hourly rate—\$1 per hour.

3. Maximum wage rate for picking peaches—\$1 per hour.

4. Maximum wage rates for pears:

(i) Piece rate:
A. Single picking—11 cents per Star lug of 38 pounds, or 12 cents per Monarch lug of 40 pounds, or 13 cents per E. F. G. A. lug of 44 pounds.

B. Size picking—13 cents per Star lug of 38 pounds, 14 cents per Monarch lug of 40 pounds, or 15 cents per E. F. G. A. lug of 44 pounds, or

(ii) Hourly wage rate—\$1 per hour.

5. Maximum wage rates for picking filberts:

(i) Piece rate—45 cents per pound, or

(ii) Hourly rate—\$1 per hour.

6. Maximum wage rates for

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Oregon Industries Offerina Jobs to Ex-War Workers

SALEM, Ore., Aug. 20.—(AP)—The state unemployment compensation commission said today that a "wide promotion" of persons laid off by war industries will be able to get jobs immediately in lumbering, transportation and food processing industries.

"Because of V-J day coming in the midst of Oregon's busiest season," the commission said, "the unemployment load probably will not reach its height for several months."

"The employment service has listed thousands of jobs with carpenter, railroad, lumber and machine firms and other industries. They are prepared to offer work in accord with the displaced person's skill and experience."

The commission advised that workers should accept the best jobs available, even though the pay might be a little less.

The commission now has almost \$75,000,000 to pay unemployment benefits, which range from \$10 to \$18 a week for from five to 20 weeks in any year.

Smith River Channel Hearing Set at Reedsport

PORTLAND, Aug. 20.—(AP)—Public hearings on proposed improvements of the Smith river channel will be conducted September 19 at Reedsport, Col. Ralph A. Tudor, district army engineer, said today.

Hearings on improvements for Port Orford harbor will be held September 18.

Sales Quotas on Milk, Cream, Dairy Drinks Suspended

WASHINGTON, Aug. 20.—(AP)—More milk will be available for civilians under an order issued today by Secretary of Agriculture Anderson suspending sales quotas on milk, light cream, buttermilk and chocolate dairy drinks.

The action removes the quota restrictions under which milk distributors in the 138 largest cities of the nation have been operating since the fall of 1943. Supplies of whipping cream are not affected by the quota suspension.

Anderson said suspension of the controls was made possible by the high overall level of milk production during recent months and recent favorable trends in the supplies of all manufactured dairy products, including cheese, butter and evaporated milk.

Original imposition of sales quotas was taken to avoid rationing of milk, a highly perishable product.

Quisling Faces Nazi Evidence At His Trial

OSLO, Aug. 20.—(AP)—Testimony of Hermann Goering, Joachim von Ribbentrop and other high-ranking Nazis will be introduced against Vidkun Quisling, the prosecution disclosed today as the former puppet premier of Norway went on trial on charges of treason.

State Prosecutor Schodit announced that allied and Norwegian officials now are taking the testimony of the Nazi witnesses in Germany, where the Nazi leaders themselves soon are to be tried as war criminals.

He said that those whose testimony was being taken included Alfred Rosenberg, former German minister of affairs in eastern occupied regions; Marshal Wilhelm Keitel and Col. Gen. Gustav Jodl.

Betrayed Norway, Charge
Schodit further declared in his opening statement that Quisling met Grand Admiral Raeder, Germany's naval chief, and Rosenberg in Berlin on Dec. 11, 1939 and planned the German invasion of Norway which took place four months later.

Quisling met Hitler on Dec. 14 and 15, 1939, Schodit charged, and also received 200,000 gold marks from an anti-British company for his part in planning the invasion.

Quisling pled as the accusation rang out, Schodit waved a document which he said had been found in Germany in which the entire political and military preparations for the action in Norway were laid out.

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Heads of Lumber Industry, Workers will Furnish First Test of Postwar Bargaining

WASHINGTON, Aug. 20.—(AP)—Chairman George W. Taylor of the War Labor board told the West coast lumber industry today its long dispute over wages for 130,000 workers would provide the first test of postwar labor-management bargaining.

Taylor indicated the board would step out of the picture and let the unions and companies work out their own solution.

"This was in line with the board's new policy to take government out of labor relations," he said at the opening of a hearing in the dispute, some phases of which date back 18 months.

Claude Ballard, international president of the CIO Woodworkers union, and Jerry Simpson, representative of the National Labor bureau, urged the board to issue an order. They insisted that further delay by negotiation hamper production, sorely needed for reconversion to peacetime economy.

Ballard said tension has been built up over the past few years because of accumulating wage demands. He expressed doubts that "the leaders of organized labor in the lumber industry can be held responsible for continued production in view of these tensions."

He added that the workers had waited "a long time for a decision and the position of union leaders gets worse as time continues to roll by."

Simpson said it was of the utmost importance to stabilize the industry now and not two months from now. He stated that wood cutting was proceeding at this time to build up winter and

Despair Grips Japan; Chaos Threat Faced

Rival Factions in China Nearing War; Kuriles Are Invaded by Russians

(By the Associated Press)
"Unrest and despair" were today reported sweeping Japan. Tokyo newspapers cautioned that "control of the military" would be a major problem of Premier Higashi-Kuni.

Meanwhile an indication that Japan felt she would have to maintain her armies for purposes of order and public protection came from Tokyo.

A Tokyo broadcast asked MacArthur to investigate the situation in China where, the Japanese charged, the Chungking government and the Chinese communists were making separate surrender demands.

Other Japanese broadcasts spoke of the possibility of complete internal upheaval in Japan proper.

Incidents continued to develop. Tokyo protested to MacArthur against relief parties parachuting down on the continent, one of which found Lt. Gen. Jonathan M. Wainwright, hero of Iatan and Corregidor, safe and well at Hsian, Manchuria. Imperial headquarters also reported allied forces, possibly Russian, landed in the Kuriles, precipitating fighting. American planes were fired on in China.

Greatest mass surrenders of Japanese armed forces so far have been in Manchuria. Virtually all Japanese have quit fighting there and 97,000 surrendered yesterday.

Quick occupation of all key cities by Soviet forces was forecast. Airborne units have already landed at Mukden, Hsian, Hsinking and Kirin. Ground forces were 30 miles from Mukden, former capital, and 90 miles from Hsinking, present capital.

Surrenders Mounting
Japanese in China were to receive their surrender orders tomorrow. Two enemy lieutenant generals on Northern Luzon in the Philippines made peace over-

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Forest Fire in Idaho Raging Out of Control

BONNERS FERRY, Idaho, Aug. 20.—(AP)—A 7,000-acre fire in the Kaniksu National forest about 115 miles north of here still raged out of control this morning after being whipped along by a high velocity wind yesterday.

About 500 men, including soldiers, 100 German prisoners of war and 100 local logging crews and farmers are feverishly working to complete 20 to 25 miles of fire line around the blaze.

SIGNING IN TOKYO, SEIZURE BY U. S. TROOPS TO OCCUR IN 10 DAYS, MacARTHUR SAYS

MANILA, Aug. 20.—(AP)—Formal surrender of Japan will be signed within ten days, General MacArthur announced today.

Only adverse weather can delay the formal end of the war, the supreme allied commander said, as he sent Emperor Hirohito's 16 delegates flying home with detailed instructions on the allied occupation.

Within 24 hours after their arrival in Manila, the Mikado's emissaries left Nichols field today. They left behind full details needed by MacArthur for imminent victorious entry into Japan at the head of ground, air and naval occupation forces. They will be prepared, said a headquarters spokesman, "for any contingency."

The envoys were told the date MacArthur and his accompanying forces intend to arrive in Japan and instructed to prepare the necessary airfields, harbors, and other facilities for their arrival.



NEW JAP PREMIER

First member of the imperial family in the nation's history to head a Japanese cabinet is Prince Higashi-Kuni, above, uncle of the Empress Nagako, who assumed the position of premier by appointment of Emperor Hirohito. He faces a difficult task trying to prevent a national upheaval on the eve of the occupation of Tokyo by American forces.

Slaying of Undercover Liquor Agent Confessed

SEATTLE, Aug. 20.—(AP)—Edward E. Mitchell of Tacoma has confessed he fired the shots which killed Walter B. Foley, Jr., 22, Chief Deputy prosecutor John J. Kinnett said.

Foley was a University of Washington student and former undercover agent for the state liquor control board.

Kinnett quoted Mitchell as saying he and another man took Foley for a ride intending to "pistol whip" him for demanding a shake-down bribe.

He said Mitchell asserted he shot Foley when Foley reached for a pocket as if to draw a gun. The weapon was thrown into Commencement bay from a bridge, Mitchell was quoted as saying.

Mother, 2 Children Die In Fire; Man Near Death

GRESHAM, Ore., Aug. 20.—(AP)—A young mother and her two children were burned to death when a kitchen stove exploded in a rural home here yesterday, engulfing the home in flames before the father could rescue his family.

The dead: Marie Willard, 20, Charles, two years, and Thurman, eight months.

J. D. Dillard, 22, was critically burned when he tried to enter a bedroom window to save the children.

Sheriff's Officer Clarke Larsen reported the stove was an old-wood type. Dillard was not expected to live.

Atomic Bomb Would Have Settled All Arguments

WITH 32ND DIVISION, North Luzon, Aug. 20.—(AP)—A Filipino patrol waved a white flag at a band of Japanese in the mountains. The Japanese waved a white flag back at them—but refused to come down.

Japan has surrendered. Will you give up?" the Filipinos shouted.

An English-speaking Japanese laughed loudly and hooted back:

"That's a lie. Japan can't be defeated. It's for you to surrender to us."

The Filipinos withdrew without firing.

It was expected that Lt. Gen. Kawabe and the other emissaries would report immediately to high government and military officials and perhaps to the emperor himself.

"We will do the best possible to make sure that all arrangements are completed on time," the emissaries said.

It was understood that the formal surrender will be signed by General MacArthur in or near Tokyo.

Thereafter, a statement issued by the supreme commander said, he will direct the Nipponese imperial headquarters to issue instructions for the unconditional surrender of all Japanese commanders abroad to surrender their forces to the appropriate theater commanders.

Manila sessions definitely cleared the air, MacArthur aides said, and made a successful occupation of Japan more promising.

None can say, however, whether "disorders" reported today by Tokyo radio will end before allied forces arrive.

A headquarters spokesman said that for the present a "technical state of truce" exists. No formal surrender will be signed before the American entry.

During the entire session here, General MacArthur was coldly aloof and never once met the Japanese.

At the end of today's session Lt. Gen. Richard E. Sutherland, MacArthur's chief of staff, and the remainder of the American delegation arose. Then the Japanese stood up.

"I appreciate your cooperation and wish you a safe journey home," Sutherland said.

Somber-faced Kawabe replied, "I deeply appreciate the many kindnesses you have shown. I feel them sincerely."

MacArthur said he would accept surrender in the names of the United States, Chinese republic, Soviet union and the United Kingdom.

"I shall soon proceed to Japan with accompanying forces composed of ground, naval and air elements," MacArthur announced.

"Subject to weather that will permit landings, it is anticipated that the formal surrender document will be signed within 10 days."

And he added:

"It is my earnest hope that

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Wage Order Fails To Settle Question Over Celebration

WASHINGTON, Aug. 20.—(AP)—President Truman ordered today that time and a half be paid all war workers who were on the job last Wednesday and Thursday.

His executive order did not say, however, whether workers who took holidays on the two days following surrender would be paid for their time off. Secretary of Labor Harold I. Schwelb said earlier the President "hopes that straight time wages" will be paid in those cases.

The White House said originally that August 15 and 16 would be legal holidays for overtime pay purposes, then retracted the statement. Considerable confusion resulted.

Mr. Truman did today to issue an executive order amending another put into effect nearly three years ago. The original order said no premium wage or extra compensation should be paid on work relating to the prosecution of the war on customary holidays—except time and a half should be paid for work on New Year's day, July 4, Labor day, Thanksgiving, Christmas, and either Memorial day or one other of greater local importance.

The new order added August 15 and 16 to the list.

V-J day will not be a legal holiday.

The White House said that V-J day will be proclaimed on the date of Japan's signing of surrender terms.

Levity Fact Rant

By L. F. Reizenstein

People finding it difficult to sleep these warm nights might get relief by bedding down at the Winchester dam and counting the fish going over it.