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Meat, Gasoline Outlooks Take on Brighter Color

Sugar Ration To Continue in '46, Forecast

Housewives to Be Given Price Lists in Plan to Halt Ceiling Violations

WASHINGTON, Aug. 31—(AP)—A nation plunging into its peacetime future passed these signposts today:

The coal and sugar outlook was dark.

There was brighter news on meat and gasoline.

Housewives will help the OPA fight high prices.

The WPB issued a cheerful report on reconversion of industry.

It looked bad for the unemployment compensation bill—a proposal to hand out more money to jobless people.

The federal budget was slashed by 15 billion dollars.

Coal—Secretary of the Interior Ickes said Japan's surrender has cut industry's needs very little.

He said it will be hard, "if not impossible," for the mines to produce enough soft coal to satisfy the country's requirements this winter.

He added that he wants to free consumers of "false optimism" caused by Army statements about coal.

Sugar—Agriculture Secretary Anderson predicted sugar will be rationed throughout 1946.

Meat—The Labor department said meat counters in 56 big cities are better stocked than any time since March.

Also, the pork situation will be helped Monday when the military no longer will

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Registration of Students Dated

Registration of students in Roseburg Junior and Senior High schools will be conducted Tuesday and Wednesday, Sept. 4 and 5.

Paul S. Elliott, city superintendent, reported today. The registration is for new students and for any regular students who failed to register in the spring.

Those registered prior to the close of last school year will not need to enroll again.

Registration will be conducted at both schools from 9 A. M. to 12 noon and from 1 to 4 P. M., both days, and from 7 to 9 P. M. Wednesday.

All students who have moved into the community and plan to attend either of the Roseburg High schools are urged by the city superintendent to register on the specified dates.

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Fear Among Jap Women Evokes Plea from Priest

TOKYO, Aug. 31—(AP)—Father Patrick Byrne, former Washington, D. C., Maryknoll priest, said today "there was panic among Japanese women when Hirohito's surrender proposal was announced."

"They started fleeing the cities, in fear. They had heard that the Russians mistreated German women and feared the Americans would avenge their buddies' deaths on them."

Byrne, who lived 10 years in Tokyo and never was interned, continued:

"The Japanese people had one other great fear—that they would be considered cowards if they quit. Actually, they quit because the emperor told them to."

It was harder for them to obey the emperor than to fight on.

"The Japanese don't regard the emperor as a god, but they do have an inexpressible affection for him."

Byrne is a great friend and admirer of the Japanese people—but not of their militarists.

"I also made my one and only Japanese radio broadcast to Americans on Okinawa, asking that since the Japanese women were so frightened, the Americans leave over backward in being orderly and fair."

Nippon Prison Ordeals Bared By Saved Men

Malnutrition Suffered By All so Far Rescued; Torture Also Evident

ABOARD USS ANCON, OFF YOKOSUKA, Aug. 31—(AP)—Emaciated and starving, 1,100 more allied prisoners of war reached this rescue ship today. Some said they had spent months in solitary confinement under threat of death.

Thus far 1,494 prisoners have been freed from seven camps. Many of the gallant survivors of Wake and Bataan were among them.

Everyone rescued was suffering from malnutrition, Navy Commander Harold Stassen, former Minnesota governor, reported, and 80 per cent of them showed "serious deficiencies."

The worst cases were at Shinigawa hospital—"no, don't call it a hospital, call it a hell-hole. The filth was indescribable."

A Dr. Gottfried, who had been a Navy doctor at Guam had been put to work there with pick and shovel—and not allowed to give any professional aid to fellow prisoners—Stassen related.

Torture Evident

A few of the prisoners had scarred fingers—evidently the result of Japanese torture.

One "insolent center" from which several men were liberated will not be further identified until after it is fully occupied.

At "hell hole hospital," one Australian patient had died 24 hours before the Americans arrived, and was still buried.

A British destroyer provided a guard of honor and he was interred with full military rites.

Despite the hazard, prisoners

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Il Duce's Favorite Child Faces Fascism Charges

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Hara-Kiri or Trial Choice of Jap War Lords; Atomic Bomb Knockout Blow, Editor Says

TOKYO, Aug. 31—(AP)—Gen. Hideki Tojo, Japan's premier for most of the war, is living quietly in retirement at his home in a Tokyo suburb, it was learned today.

And, as far as the people of Nippon are concerned, "We don't care much for him any more," said Saigo Hasegawa, chief of the Domei news agency foreign service.

Some people here think Tojo may commit hara-kiri. Others think he won't and is prepared to accept full responsibility as a war criminal.

"We do not attribute any responsibility for the defeat to the emperor," Hasegawa said.

"The stigma of losing the war will fall on those men who actually directed it. The Americans do not understand that the emperor's word is our people's voice," the editor explained.

"That has saved Japan from internal trouble," he added, "and Japan is the only country to come through defeat with no threat of revolt."

Thus in the first hours of the occupation it was apparent that the Japanese were accepting the fact of their defeat and were ready to place the full blame of the war which went against them upon the few highly placed mili-

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Occupation of Tokyo Finds People Quiet

Arch Criminal Tojo in Seclusion; Hongkong Rule Splits British, Chinese

(By the Associated Press)

American occupation forces fanned down both sides of Tokyo bay in peaceful Japan today as foreign dispatches indicated China is still sitting on an international powder keg.

First bloodshed in the expanding occupation of Japan was reported as unarmed Americans roamed freely through the streets of hungry Tokyo. A Japanese was shot in the arm by a Yank trooper at Yokohama for failing to halt.

Li Gen, Elcheiberger, whose Eighth Army has been busy killing Japanese for months, commented, "I haven't seen so many peaceful Japs in a long time."

"The incoming flood of heavily armed troops and the outpouring of starved and beaten prisoners steadily increased without waiting for the epidemic of surrenders scheduled to following signing of Japan's formal capitulation aboard the battleship Missouri Sunday (Saturday night in the United States). Japanese commanders in China, Indo-China, the Philippines, and Truk are among those who have arranged formal surrender for the next few days.

Tojo Still in Seclusion

There was no sign that Gen. Tojo, former premier of Japan whose name was synonymous with Nippon's fighting machine in the early days of the war, was ready to give up. Nipponese said he was living quietly in his home in Tokyo's outskirts, but they were undecided whether he planned to commit hara-kiri to atone for his failure or would wait for occupying troops to arrest him as perhaps Japan's ace war criminal.

Somberly, a Japanese looked curiously at Americans who preceded occupation troops into the Japanese capital. Like Yokohama, Tokyo had few bomb craters, although the downtown area was devastated. Fire bombs had swept out the paper houses, left concrete buildings and brick

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War Vet Jailed In Baby Slaying

VANCOUVER, B. C., Aug. 31—(CP)—Police are holding a 39-year-old war veteran for questioning today in connection with the brutal killing yesterday of four-month-old George Joseph Higginson, whose body was found in a rooming-house on the Vancouver waterfront.

Mrs. Dorothy Rogers, mother of the child, said she had left the infant in the care of a 10-year-old boy while she went out with the latter's mother.

The boy, Pat Parker, told police the child was asleep on a mattress when a man whom police said they believe is Mrs. Rogers common-law husband, entered the room. The man fondled the child and then took it into the next room. The Parker boy told police he heard a hanging sound and the baby began screaming. A few minutes later he said he saw the man coming out of the room holding the infant by one leg.

"Here take it, the man allegedly told the boy.

After a glance at the infants bleeding body the boy fled to the proprietor of the rooming-house who notified police.

Ex-Nazi Bigwig Has Hard Time Giving Himself Up

HAMBURG, Aug. 31—(AP)—Otto Dietrich, former press chief of the Nazi government, was at an internment camp for interrogation today after convincing British officers of his identity.

Staff intelligence officers said he had attempted to give himself up several days before he finally was taken in custody. A British sentry at Eighth corps headquarters in Plon castle told him: "Never heard of you—get going."

War Information Office Abolished by Truman

WASHINGTON, Aug. 31—(AP)—President Truman today abolished the Office of War Information.

In a statement accompanying an executive order, the president said he had asked the State department to study foreign information needs and to formulate during the remainder of this calendar year the foreign information program which he considers should be conducted on a continuing basis.

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