



**Weather**  
Data for 24 hours to 7 a. m.:  
Temperature:  
Maximum ..... 89  
Minimum ..... 48  
Forecast: Clear tonight and  
Wednesday. Slightly warmer east  
of Cascades.

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LA GRANDE, OREGON TUESDAY EVENING, AUGUST 14, 1945

FIVE CENTS

# WAR OVER AS NIPS ACCEPT OUR TERMS



**A-BOMB DESTRUCTION COMPLETE IN HIROSHIMA**—First photos of incredible devastation wrought on Hiroshima by atomic bomb, show area where bomb apparently struck appearing blistered like surface of moon, with all structures on lower delta of city lowered, probably from concussion. Fingers of water reaching inland from harbor are wiped out in center of bomb crater area. AAF photo by reconnaissance plane.

## Espionage on Bomb Failed

OAK RIDGE, Tenn., Aug. 14 (UP)—It was revealed today a "planned attempt" was made to espionage the American atomic bomb project here and it was thwarted by a specially trained unit of the army's counter intelligence corps.

Military agents were assigned to this home of the nation's top secret weapon and formed the nucleus of an organization which successfully protected the secret, an army release disclosed.

Key scientists working on the development of the bomb were constantly guarded, the army said.

"All attempts to obtain vital information were thwarted," the announcement said. It did not disclose whether the person or persons involved had been previously identified as having been apprehended in this country as enemy agents.

Rumors and speculations were traced to their source and so well was the secret guarded the Nazis believed, only a short time before they surrendered, the United States had not progressed beyond the early research stages in development of the atom bomb, the army said.

"With success of the project dependent upon the safety of a few key scientists, elaborate measures to protect their identity and whereabouts were instituted and counter intelligence corps agents were assigned as constant bodyguards," the announcement continued.

## Aussies Protest Special Treatment Given Hirohito

By United Press  
Radio Melbourne today reported widespread indignation in Australian government circles over the special treatment offered to Emperor Hirohito by the allies and asserted the Mikado may be indicted by Australia as a major war criminal.

In a broadcast recorded by FCC monitors in New York, the Melbourne station said the management of the surrender negotiations with Japan is being "severely criticized" in high government circles at Canberra.

"It is pointed out that, while Australia was told only perfunctorily about the Byrnes note and was given no proper time to study it or suggest amendments, Japan apparently being given unlimited time to decide its attitude," the broadcast said.

## Guam Cheers News of 'Surrender'

### Honolulu Harbor Lighted After 3 Years

By United Press

GUAM, Aug. 14—Thousands of soldiers, sailors and marines on Guam greeted reports Japan has decided to accept allied surrender terms with the spontaneous cheer: "On to Tokyo!"

Many of them will go on to Tokyo, but as members of the occupation army rather than as invaders.

Amid the cheering was relief the end is at hand. It was believed plans already drawn for the occupation of Japan will be executed as soon as possible.

Officers and men ran across the headquarters quadrangle, yelling and screaming. Jeep horns blared in celebration.

### SHIPS GLITTER LIKE CHRISTMAS PARTY

HONOLULU, Aug. 14—Every ship in Pearl Harbor glittered like a birthday candle early today.

Soldiers, sailors, and civilians shouted themselves hoarse in a wild celebration which began last night and lasted until the early hours of today. The entire town went mad after Radio Tokyo flashed its notice that an imperial message accepting the Potsdam ultimatum "is forthcoming soon."

### ITALY, THEN GERMANY MAYBE JAPAN SOON

WASHINGTON, Aug. 14—Date book of the Rome-Berlin-Tokyo axis:

Sept. 3, 1943—Italy signed surrender terms.

May 7, 1945—Germany signed surrender terms.

Aug. 14, 1945—Tokyo radio announced an imperial communique accepting the Potsdam ultimatum will be issued soon.

### SAN FRANCISCO BINGE NOW TAPERING OFF

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 14—The biggest mass celebration in the history of San Francisco tapered off at least temporarily today with the city's main street a See GUAM CHEERS... P 5

## Pétain Trial Ends, Case Goes to Jury

PARIS, Aug. 14 (UP)—The treason trial of Marshal Henri Philippe Pétain ended at 8:15 p. m. today and the jury retired to deliberate its verdict.

## Jaycees Program Set Here

Program for the junior chamber of commerce tri-state meet here Saturday and Sunday has been practically completed, Arlo Noyes, program chairman, announced today.

The program includes: Saturday morning, directors for Washington and Oregon will meet separately to discuss state business and projects.

At 8 p. m. Saturday, these officers will be joined by those from Idaho at a banquet at which national officers will be guests. Henry Kearns of Pasadena, national president, and Hal Herman, national executive vice president, will be present as special guests.

Mearns T. Gates, immediate past president, Pomeroy, Wash., will be the principal speaker. Other officers will include Lofton Tatum, Oregon, national director; Bob Graham, Washington, national director; Robert Walker, Idaho, national director; Lee Stidd, Oregon state president; Harold Leffel, Washington state president, and Leo Bodine, Idaho state president.

Attendance is being limited to 50 to comply with ODT rule. A large number of local members will be present, however.

Graham will be dean Sunday of the Jaycee institute to be presented by national officers. The institute will be an eight hour session.

## Church Bells Here Announce Peace On Earth Again

Crowds of shoppers poured out of the stores and stood quietly looking around, mostly into the sky as though they awaited something more, when the sirens and whistles announced at 4:10 p. m. that the long awaited end of the war had come.

Every car horn in town that could make a noise was immediately put into operation, as the drivers slipped their cars into the increasing line of vehicles driving down Adams avenue.

Church bells could be faintly heard in the din which announced promises of peace on earth once more.

## Celebration Plans Completed Here

La Grande citizens will celebrate the termination of almost four years of war with Japan, with a parade, a street dance, church services, with all the stores in the city closed for the day, tomorrow, Wednesday.

The parade will commence at 1 p. m., under the direction of Harley Smith and Sam Hill. The street dance will be at 9 p. m. with the junior chamber of commerce in charge, at the intersection of Depot and Washington streets.

Church services will be held in the various churches, with the First Presbyterian and the First Methodist churches combining for services in the Methodist church. The Presbyterian church will remain open all day for those who wish to mediate and offer prayers.

The Christian church will hold special services from 6 until 8 p. m. Other churches are holding individual services.

## Sign of Times

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 14 (UP)—A sign in a suburban market here reads: "Please limit abuse of the butcher to five minutes."

## MacArthur Named Commander to Meet Japs, and Accept Surrender

WASHINGTON, Aug. 14 (UP)—President Truman announced tonight that the Japanese government has accepted the surrender terms without qualification.

He made the announcement at a press conference. He read a statement which said: "I deem this reply a full acceptance of the Potsdam declaration which specified the unconditional surrender of Japan. In the reply there is no qualifications."

The president also revealed he had named Gen. Douglas MacArthur the supreme commander to receive the Japanese surrender.

LONDON, Wednesday, Aug. 15 (UP)—Moscow radio said early today that Emperor Hirohito had ordered all Japanese armed forces wherever they are to cease military operations, give up their arms and follow orders of the allied supreme commander.

Meanwhile, he said, allied armed forces have been ordered to suspend offensive operations.

V-J day will not be proclaimed until after the formal signing of the surrender terms by Japan.

The three allies in the Pacific war—Great Britain, Russia and China—will be represented at the signing by high ranking officers.

The Japanese government's message accepting the allied terms said that Emperor Hirohito is prepared "to authorize and ensure the signature" by the Japanese government and the imperial general headquarters of the necessary terms for carrying out provisions of the Potsdam declaration.

## U. S. Has Stern Plans for Japan



GENERAL MACARTHUR: He not only "came back" but will go on to Tokyo, says President Truman at historic press conference.

## Corrective Not Punitive Plan For Occupation

WASHINGTON, Aug. 14 (UP)—The United States has completed a directive outlining a stern policy to govern the immediate military occupation of Japan, it was learned today.

Informed sources said the order is being circulated for final approval among the various government agencies involved and will be ready when U. S. troops move into beaten Japan. It was described as a formula for "corrective but not punitive" occupation.

Some 2,000 specially trained army officers are set to take over administration.

Officials emphasized the directive is intended only for the initial period of occupation and in no way is comparable to the control program set forth at Potsdam. More detailed plans for Japan's economic disarmament and control still are being formulated.

It was suggested the United States, Britain, China and Russia may decide to undertake joint occupation, with each of the big four responsible for one of the main enemy home islands—Hokkaido, Honshu, Shikoku and Kyushu.

Because of her major role in the Pacific war, the United States would wield dominant influence in any such program. In event the four powers occupy Japan jointly, the United States would urge adoption of a single, coordinated control policy for the entire country as she did in the case of Germany.

## Truman Orders Cut in Draft

WASHINGTON, Aug. 14 (UP)—President Truman tonight authorized selective service to reduce draft inductions immediately from 80,000 to 50,000 men per month as a result of Japan's unconditional surrender.

"His majesty is also prepared to issue his commands to all the military, naval and air authorities of Japan and all the forces under their control wherever located to cease active operations, to surrender arms and to issue such other orders as may be required by the supreme commander of the allied forces of the execution of the above mentioned terms."

The president did not say where the surrender terms would be signed but it has been reported ceremonies would take place aboard a battleship or at Okinawa.

Truman did say arrangements were now being made for the formal signing at the "earliest possible moment."

The president, attired in a blue double breasted suit, blue shirt and diagonal blue striped tie, sat at his desk, a smile on his face, as almost 200 reporters entered his executive offices.

He was surrounded by high ranking members of his official family.

When the "all in" announcement was made, indicating the waiting press had been assembled in his office, the president arose, holding a sheet of paper in front of him.

It was his statement. As he began reading, news-reel cameras whirred.

He read rapidly, after promising the reporters they would have mimeographed copies when the conference was over.

Beyond reading the statement and the text of the Japanese government's message, Truman offered no comment.

As soon as he completed the reading, someone shouted "thank you Mr. President," and the reporters made a mad rush to their telephones.

## President Orders Federal Holiday

WASHINGTON, Aug. 14 (UP)—President Truman tonight declared a two-day holiday, tomorrow and Thursday, for all federal employes in Washington and throughout the country.

He held a press conference that the reason for two days was the employes had not had a chance to celebrate the last surrender on V-E day.