

Data for 24 hours to 7 a. m.:
 Temperature:
 Maximum 93
 Minimum 54
 Forecast: Scattered thunder showers east of Cascades Friday, otherwise partly cloudy tonight and Friday.

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More Restrictions Lifted

Truman Outlines Postwar Program

Gasoline Business Booming

As American economy and living started the long trail back to normal after four years of war and two days of celebrating many restrictions are being relaxed and are immediately reflected in trade here, according to La Grande business men.

Forecast of an end of all rationing by Christmas except for sugar, butter and other fats brought some relief as motorists cranked up their cars and put their blue ration stamps with their souvenirs.

"You're not just kidding!" was the reaction of the filling station operators who were asked here this morning if motorists were asking them to "fill 'er up."

One motorist actually put 20 gallons into his gasoline tank. It appeared his car was so empty he coasted into the station.

Rushing
 Business has been rushing for the filling station men ever since 4 p. m. Tuesday when the word of the peace arrangements was flashed. Everyone started using up his ration tickets then.

When more tires are available, according to service men, many more persons will start going to some of the places they have wanted to go. One man today drove his car to work for the first time in months. In fact, it was covered thickly with dust.

Bought More
 Two motorists had not heard the good news this morning and tried to force gasoline coupons on one operator. When told they didn't need tickets any more they ordered a few more gallons of gasoline.

When military tires are released it is expected they will ease some of the strain on the short stocks of tires which filling station men have now on hand. It will especially relieve the shortage of truck tires, operators think.

No Change
 End of rationing of canned goods and fruits has not made any difference in sales here. Heavier business today was attributed to the fact the stores were closed two days or so.

Grocers say ending of use of red points will really 'boom' sales—if they can get the meat and fats supplies to meet the demands of a public which has not had enough butter or lard or meat for months. End of sugar rationing, not expected for some time, is also awaited eagerly. Lack of sugar has perhaps stimulated some sales of canned fruits.

The office of defense transportation today lifted seven wartime regulations governing commercial motor vehicle operations. They included the mileage limitation on taxicabs and the prohibition against automobile racing.

Removes Ban
 The ODT also removed its ban on the holding of state and regional fairs and relaxed restriction on conventions and fairs.

ODT Director J. Monroe Johnson emphasized ODT regulations governing the frequency of wholesale and retail deliveries are still in effect but will be lifted "as soon as conditions permit."

With the end of gasoline rationing, OPA has started a new system to determine the eligibility of motorists for tires.

Shoes Soon
 Certificates may be issued for passenger cars used for occupational purposes and a "limited number" for non occupational uses if the applicant demonstrates denial would cause hardship.

The WPB will continue controls over leather for a while but the end of shoe rationing probably will not be delayed more than three or four months. With the war over, military requirements have dropped tremendously.

Relief from pork rationing will come with the slaughter of the spring pig crop this fall. Beef supplies have been on the upgrade for several months.

Chinese Congress Ratifies Charter
 CHUNGKING, Aug. 16 (UP)—China's legislative Yuan unanimously ratified the united nations' charter today.

Japs 'Stall' Surrender Mission

MANILA, Aug. 16 (UP)—Japan stalled off the dispatch of her surrender mission to Manila again today, radioing word to Gen. Douglas MacArthur the Japanese emissaries will not be able to arrive tomorrow as he ordered.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 16 (UP)—Gen. Douglas MacArthur may require the Japanese high command to sign the instruments of surrender in Emperor Hirohito's palace at Tokyo, military sources suggested today. This would mark a triumphant reversal of the arrogant assertion of the late Adm. Isoroku Yamamoto early in the war that he would dictate peace terms to the United States in the White House.

MacArthur's headquarters said radio Tokyo finally had replied to his broadcast instructions on the surrender negotiations.

The Japanese reply complained, however, they had not been given sufficient time to prepare their delegation and the envoys can not reach Manila tomorrow.

Soon as Possible
 However, it said, the emissaries will take off "as soon as possible."

The broadcast expressed "great embarrassment" over the delay which ascribed in part to Japanese uncertainty over the type of plane MacArthur wanted them to use.

There was no immediate comment from MacArthur's headquarters on the new hitch in the negotiations, or on a warning from Tokyo it probably would be 12 days before cease-fire orders could reach all of Japan's armed forces.

An official Okinawa broadcast earlier had said the Japanese delegates, probably four in number, would arrive at the island, near Okinawa tomorrow. That, however, appeared to be based on MacArthur's instructions.

Special Plans
 In a second message to MacArthur, reporting the members of the imperial family would advise Japanese front commanders of Hirohito's surrender instructions, Tokyo said these envoys would fly in special planes. The planes were described so that allied gunners could allow them to pass unharmed.

The broadcast said MacArthur would be notified again when the mission was prepared to leave. The second message said that the planes carrying the message to Manchuria and China would be low-winged twin-engine monoplane of the Mitsubishi MC-22 type. The plane for the south was described as a middle-sized bomber with cigar-shaped fuselage resembling a B-25.

The planes were marked with the rising sun flag and a red streamer 12-feet long.

Agencies to Hunt Jobs for Veterans
 PORTLAND, Aug. 16 (UP)—Federal agencies will emphasize a long-range program to find, classify and fill civilian jobs in the peace-time reconversion era, Lee C. Stoll, Oregon state war manpower commission director, said today.

Stoll declared that the lifting of war manpower employment controls, effective on the official V-day as proclaimed by the president, will signal the shift in emphasis.

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Hopes to Keep Atom Project To Help Peace

WASHINGTON, Aug. 16 (UP)—President Truman today proclaimed Sunday a day of thanksgiving for victory and prayer for God's guidance "into the ways of peace."

In his first news conference since Japan's surrender, the president disclosed that, the war won, he will ask congress to authorize continued research in atomic power for the welfare of the world.

Now Time
 He reminded the people that—after two days of riotous celebration of victory—it is now time to think of God "who has now brought us to this glorious day of triumph."

"Let us give thanks to Him, and remember we have now dedicated ourselves to follow in His ways to a lasting and just peace and to a better world," the president said.

Truman left no doubt he considers atomic energy—the awesome weapon to which Japan attributed her defeat—could provide an avenue to "a better world."

Huge Plants
 He said he would ask congress, soon after it reconvenes Sept. 5, to approve continuation of the \$2,000,000,000 project which created the atomic bomb.

He will ask specifically, Truman said, that congress pass legislation authorizing maintenance of research at the huge atomic energy plants in Tennessee and Washington and at the laboratory in New Mexico.

Truman also reported:
 1. The war labor board's days are numbered. He said it will continue in existence for a while but indicated postwar labor matters will be handled by the labor department.

On Training
 He will present his views to congress soon on universal peacetime training.

3. There will be no separate allied occupational zones in Japan; allied forces will be merged under Gen. Douglas MacArthur.

4. MacArthur will announce the signing of surrender documents, and the president will thereupon proclaim V-J day. He thinks the people have had enough of victory celebrating and V-J day therefore should not be a holiday.

Study Taxes
 5. Experts are studying the problem of tax adjustments and should be shaping up a program soon.

6. He proposed to Clement Attlee and Winston Churchill in Potsdam that as many Jews as possible be admitted to Palestine and that steps be taken to make Palestine a Jewish national state.

7. With Japan reduced to "total defeat" he now has time to think about such things as a successor to retired supreme court Justice Owen J. Roberts and a nominee for the post of federal loan administrator vacated by reconversion director John W. Snyder.

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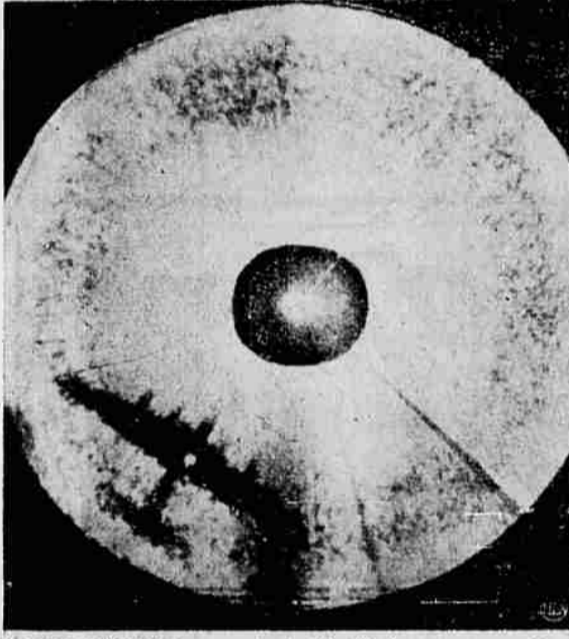
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THROUGH A "SCOPE" such as one above, radar observer sees splashes of light on a glass screen which give him a picture of objects picked up by the beam. By aiming antenna, he can scan entire horizon despite bad weather or darkness.



RADAR PICTURE, in scope, looks like this in some cases. Here, a plane's radar has picked up a bomber flying close by. Enemy plane rarely would be near enough to show like this.

Jaycee Plan For Tri-State Meet Here Complete

Junior chamber of commerce officials here are completing plans for entertainment of visiting Jaycees who will be here Saturday and Sunday for the tri-state meeting of junior chamber board members and officers.

Wives of local Jaycees will entertain visiting wives at tea at 2 to 4 p. m. Saturday at the Neighborhood club rooms. Wives of local officers will be hostesses.

At the institute, which lasts all day Sunday, wives will prepare a lunch for the guests at the Sacajawea hotel.

Union Pacific railroad has cooperated in the event by agreeing to stop the City of Portland streamliner here to let Henry Kearns, Pasadena, national president, and Harold Herman, executive vice president, get off.

Kearns, Herman and Messers T. Gates, Pomeroy, Wash., immediate past president, will receive from the local club a gift which is typical of eastern Oregon. Each will receive a large plate made from Ponderosa pine, made by Oscar Poarch, craftsman here.

Army Revises Its Deployment Plans

PARIS, Aug. 16 (UP)—American army authorities cancelled all troop movements from the European theater to the Pacific and announced today radical revisions in the redeployment program. More than 60,000 veterans will start for the United States as soon as possible.

The 63rd, 69th, 103rd, infantry divisions, the sixth armored division, and the 17th airborne have been scheduled as the first five to go.

Madame Petain to Stay With Husband

PARIS, Aug. 16 (UP)—Marshal Henri Philippe Petain's attorneys told the United Press today Madame Petain will be allowed to live with her indisposed husband and will rejoin him shortly.

One attorney said Petain's stay at Portalet prison was only temporary, but it was undecided where he would be taken later.

Bulletin

WASHINGTON, Aug. 16 (UP)—President Truman called on management and labor today to keep strikes and lockouts at a minimum during the transition from war to peace.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 16 (UP)—President Truman today accepted the resignation of Undersecretary of State Joseph C. Grew and appointed assistant secretary Dean G. Acheson to succeed him.

Garfield Simmons Found Dead of Gunshot Wounds

Garfield Simmons, about 55, for many years Union Pacific railroad engineer here, was found dead of a gunshot wound in the head on a hillside near Kamela early today, county authorities said.

Simmons, members of his family said, had been ill for some time and had been despondent because of this. He had finished his run on a helper engine this morning shortly after 8 o'clock and his companion, Claude Bailey, had gone to turn in his report, while Simmons was to wait at car.

When Simmons did not return, inquiries led to the discovery of his body.

He was secretary of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen here. He leaves his wife, Edith. Funeral services have not been fixed.

Baseball Results

NATIONAL		R H E	
St. Louis	4 7 2		
Philadelphia	0 2 1		
Burkhardt and O'Dea; Sprull and Semnick.			
AMERICAN LEAGUE		R H E	
Washington	2 6 3		
Detroit	9 14 0		
Batteries: Pieretti, Ullrich (5) and Evans; Newhouser and Richards.			