

# BUY MORE BONDS



American Plea From Japanese Hell Camps

## IT SEEMS TO ME

By Charles A. Squire

President Truman in his proclamation of Tuesday fixed today, May 13, as a day for solemn thanksgiving for victory in Europe. This special event thus doubles with Mothers' day to make this day one of universal significance.

It today we are sincere in our expressions of gratitude that the war in Europe is over and that peace is returning to that venerable seat of human progress and culture, we will prove that sincerity tomorrow and in the succeeding days by generous subscription to the bonds of the Seventh War Loan. Millions of men offered their lives as sacrifice to rid the world of a mad gangster. In tribute to their sacrifice, in gratitude for the deliverance of the world from the grip of this evil genius we citizens should pour out our dollars readily to make the Seventh War Loan a success.

It will be easy, I know, to reason that "the war is over," that "now I'm going to look after No. 1" and dodge the bond salesman. Well, the war is over for several hundred thousand Americans because life for them is over that we might have peace and comfort. A feeling of gratitude that is genuine will prompt a sharing of the sacrifice, although in this case there really is no burden but an investment in a prime security. No true American except the few who are impoverished or incapacitated will fail to have his name down on the rolls as purchasers of bonds of this loan. If he has the right spirit he will thrill as he makes his purchase, thrill to be an American, thrill to the feeling of having a part in forging this victory.

The requirements of this loan are:

## Lend-Lease Aid to Russia Partially Ends

WASHINGTON, May 12 (AP)—Lend-lease to Russia through Europe is being suspended now that war there is over.

A statement of Leo T. Crowley, foreign economic administrator, said tonight the government is reviewing its lend-lease program. It is necessary, he said, "so that American resources will be distributed in such a way as to make the utmost possible contribution to victory in the major war which we have still to win."

Meanwhile, "new shipments to Europe" are being held up except to countries at war with Japan or through which redeployment of our troops now in Europe can be facilitated thereby.

Lend-lease to Russia by other routes apparently is not affected. An informed source said substantial amounts are going by ways which had not been disclosed.

## Big 3 Meet In Germany?

LONDON, May 12 (AP)—Sections of the British press said today the next meeting of the "Big Three"—President Truman, Prime Minister Churchill and Premier Marshal Stalin—might be on German soil, and possibly in some Prussian country house near Berlin.

The London Sunday Chronicle said Stalin had rejected London as the site of the important conference on vital problems arising from victory in Europe, while the Sunday Times expressed the belief the meeting would be in Germany. The Times suggested that Churchill has traveled more than the other leaders and "should not again be asked to undertake a lengthy journey."

## Weather

	Max.	Min.	Rain
San Francisco	54	32	0.0
Chicago	53	30	0.0
Salem	53	40	0.0
Portland	57	38	0.0
Seattle	51	38	0.0
Willamette river 2 ft. 6 in.			

FORECAST: (From U. S. weather bureau, McNary field, Salem) Rain showers today. Maximum temperature expected next 70 degrees.

# 7th WAR LOAN TOMORROW

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# Naha Suburb Entered

## Kickoff Scheduled At Lunch

E. C. Sammons to Be Main Speaker; Broadcast Ready

With county war bond committees all over Oregon listening in over a radio hook-up of 18 Mutual network stations, the Seventh War loan drive will be given the official kickoff here Monday noon at a Chamber of Commerce luncheon.

Gov. Earl Snell will introduce the main speaker, E. C. Sammons of Portland, chairman of the State War Finance organization. Presiding during the luncheon will be Douglas Yeater, Marion county chairman, who has been in charge of arrangements for the official opening ceremonies here.

Leonard's supper club through Manager Mike Steinbock will provide the band for the occasion. Committee workers from all over the county will be in Salem.

The meeting will be the opening gun in the seven-week campaign that is expected to result in the purchase of well over the state quota of 110 millions and Marion county's allotment of \$4,320,000 worth of bonds. Special stress is being laid on E bonds with higher quotas than for any previous drive. Marion county is expected to purchase \$2,270,000 worth of the 10-year bonds and \$1,050,000 additional by other individuals. Corporations and banks have a county quota of \$990,000.

Later Monday will come the official opening on the national level with Secretary Henry Morgenthau speaking over a coast-to-coast radio hook-up of the major networks at 5:30 Pacific war time. (More on page 4.)

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## Bids Will Open On Relocation Of Highway

Bids on the Steiwer hill-Albany relocation of the Pacific highway east are among those representing approximately \$1,750,000 to be considered by the state highway commission at a meeting May 29 in Portland. H. H. Baldock, state highway engineer, announced Saturday.

The rerouting of a portion of the Pacific highway between Salem and Albany will involve 5.95 miles of grading and paving in Linn county which may be bid in combination with the Marion county unit of 3.92 miles of grading and paving.

Bridges in the project are the Jefferson junction over-crossing, 395 lineal feet of concrete bridge over Southern Pacific tracks, which may be bid in conjunction with the 810 foot concrete bridge over the Santiam river and 10 pile trestles.

At the same meeting bids will be opened on a crushed gravel stockpile on the Central Oregon highway in Deschutes county; five miles of grading, 44 miles of surfacing and 45 miles of oiling of forest service and county roads and two state highways in the Crater lake park area as part of the Fort Klamath timber access road project.

Bids have been called to be opened the same day for 11.05 miles surfacing and crushed rock stockpiles on the Root Creek-Silet section of the Siletz secondary highway.

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## Report Says Leopold to Give Throne to Brother

LONDON, Sunday, May 12 (AP)—A Reuters dispatch from Brussels said today that King Leopold III of Belgium had written to the regent, his brother Prince Charles, that his health would not permit him to resume the throne and asked the prince to carry on as regent.

## Sgt. Kenneth McDonald Killed in War Action

MILL CITY, May 12—Sgt. Kenneth G. (Dutch) McDonald, 21, USMC, son of L. C. McDonald of Longview, Wash., was killed in action March 19. He was stationed aboard an aircraft carrier in the Pacific. His wife, Betty Barrett McDonald, lives at Valseck.

## Truman Opens Door To Nippon Peace Request

WASHINGTON, May 12 (AP)—The army and navy journal said today that President Truman had "opened the door to a Japanese request for peace" by giving assurances that the people are not to be destroyed.

But the unofficial service publication said that it did not follow that Mr. Truman's remarks made in his victory in Europe proclamation, indicated any deviation from the purpose of his predecessor, Franklin Roosevelt "to require Japan to evacuate China and surrender all the territory she acquired from that country, and to restore independence to Korea."

The journal also saw significance in the omission from the president's statement of any demand for ousting of Japan's emperor Hirohito.

The journal commented that it was unlikely the president would have pledged that the Japanese people would not be destroyed, "without the prior knowledge (of that pledge) of Great Britain." Moscow also certainly was advised of Truman's intention, the journal said.

"Mr. Truman in his interpretation of unconditional surrender for the Japanese, stated that it meant for them the end of the war, termination of the influence of military leaders, provision for the return of soldiers and sailors to their families, their farms and their jobs, and the independence of their country."

"Significantly omitted was the expression of any intention to oust the emperor or to shoo the throne, an omission which will appeal to the conservative palace entourage which never wanted the war, and which is anxious to terminate it even though the cost be loss of territory, abandonment of the war lords' east Asia co-prosperity sphere, and denial of the power to possess a navy, a military air force and armies and the industry to provide and support them."

## Peace-Keeping Power Will Be Centered in 11 Nations

U. S. OKs Regional Security

SAN FRANCISCO, May 12 (AP)—The United Nations conference drove forward tonight under the dual impetus of a vote to concentrate peace-keeping power in the hands of 11 nations and an American delegation agreement on the hot issue of regional security systems.

Each decision has a long way to go before it is written finally into the charter of a world organization for preserving peace.

But the basic pattern for keeping peace, drafted at Dumbarton Oaks in Washington last fall by China, Russia, Britain and the United States, had survived two stiff tests.

"For the big powers had been insistent that the major instrumentality for holding the world of war should be a security council of 11 members with broad powers to step into any threatening situation threatening peace. A conference committee voted today to restrict the council membership to 11.

And the American delegation worked out a formula for giving regional blocs of nations the right to take emergency action to keep peace without depriving the council of over-all powers.

The action in the committee and in the delegation were separate. Yet they were laced strongly together. And the attitude of Latin American nations posed a big question mark over both decisions.

For Cuba withdrew a motion to increase the security council's membership to 15 only after attaching a major reservation.

Cuban delegate Guy Cisneros said his country "withdraws its proposal on condition that integration of the Inter-American (security) system within the world organization be approved with necessary autonomy."

Representatives of the Latin American countries tentatively agreed later in the day on the principles worked out by the U.S. delegation.

## French Want To Fight Japs But Refused

PARIS, May 12 (AP)—Adm. Pierre Barjot of the French general staff said today that the French wanted to fight the Japanese "and we don't care where" but that repeated requests by the government to send troops to the far east for combat duty had been turned down by the Allied combined chiefs of staff.

"We can't understand the reason," the admiral added.

Barjot said France had four divisions ready to go to the Pacific but there was no indication authorization would be given for the units to be shipped out.

The admiral said the French completed the arming of a battalion of commandos over a year ago and formally requested last November that it be sent to the Pacific. The unit was specially equipped and trained for jungle fighting.

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## Tax Research Firm Seeks to Declare Legislative Bill Void

Maintaining that "HB 403, or chapter 460, Oregon Laws 1945, as signed and as about to be included in the published session laws is not the same law... that the legislature enacted," F. H. Young, manager of Oregon Business & Tax Research, Inc., announced Saturday that his organization had retained an attorney to commence action in Marion county circuit court to declare the law null and void.

The first law of the 1945 legislature to be contested as to its validity, HB 403 is not being attacked as to purpose or the constitutionality of any of its provisions, Young declared. Because it carries the emergency clause it is now law. Its purpose is to permit tax levying bodies to set up "cash working accounts" principally to

maintain such bodies over the period between the time the new budget becomes effective and tax monies begin to roll in.

A clerical error in house bill 403, as signed, is responsible for the fact that a certain conference committee report adopted by the senate and house March 17 is not included, Young said Saturday.

"The question for the courts," according to his statement, "is whether a bill signed by the governor and presiding officers of two legislative branches is the law of Oregon or whether the measure as enacted, as shown by the legislature's journal, is the law of this state."

The attorney retained by the tax organization is Wilber Henderson, Portland, who served as legal adviser to Gov. Earl Snell during the 1945 legislative session.

## Only Way to Maintain Army Through Draft

WASHINGTON, May 12 (AP)—Congressional advocates of a peacetime draft said today army leaders are convinced the draft is the only way a postwar military force of 4,500,000 "available" can be maintained.

While the army has insisted that it has no definite plans for the size of the postwar military establishment, it submitted to the house military committee this week a written statement containing these words:

"The active reserve will be composed of those individuals and units sufficient in types and numbers which will, together with the other components, constitute an overall balanced force in the army of the United States of four and one-half million (4,500,000) men."

That figure, an army spokesman said, is strictly "a planning figure" and represents the "available" who could be called upon in a future emergency or "M-day." There are other figures based on other sets of assumed conditions.

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## Large Crowd On Hand for Scout Circus

Enthusiastic parents and friends filled more than two-thirds of the state fair horse show pavilion Saturday night to watch 1000 Boy Scouts, Cubs, Sea Scouts and Pioneers stage a Scout circus. From the masting of the participants, an impressive feature at the beginning and the end of the show, to the clown acts and the raising of towers and construction of bridges the performance went off like clockwork. Salem Saddle club riders delighted to add a varied touch.

A highlight was the presentation by Gov. Earl Snell of Eagle Scout awards to Don and Jim Bowman, Falls City; Donald Dunn Dallas; Richard Easton and Bob Schotsick, Stayton, and Wallace Hall, deaf school, Salem. Mothers of the boys who had earned the highest rank in scouting stood with them.

Rain clouds parted a few minutes before the scouts, who had camped Friday night at the fairgrounds paraded down Salem business streets Saturday noon, closed again to shower departing circusgoers, but did not dampen camp fires which glowed as boys and scoutmasters returned to their "camporee." Salem Lions sponsored the camporee and circus.

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## Nazi Sub to Surrender At New Jersey Harbor

NEW YORK, May 12 (AP)—The first enemy vessel to surrender in American home waters since the outbreak of the war—the German submarine U-858—is now en route to Cape May, N.J., where it is due Monday, the navy said tonight.

Earlier the submarine had been expected to arrive at Cape May tomorrow but the navy said it had been delayed by storms at sea.

## Paint Thinner Proves Fatal

VALLEJO, Calif., May 12 (AP)—Three Mare Island navy yard workers died from drinking commercial paint thinner, Coroner Gertrude E. Klotz announced tonight after an autopsy.

Police said the men, John C. Dailey, 60, George M. Harnes, 35, and Edgar Johnson, 53, scooped the thinner, containing wood alcohol, out of a half-filled 65-gallon keg on a shipyard parking lot.

Two other men, one of whom has lost his sight from quaffing the thinner, are under a physician's care, Coroner Klotz reported.

Police are fearful others may have taken the fatal liquid home and have broadcast a warning to the community.

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## Top Allied Commanders Confer in Chungking

CHUNGKING, May 12 (AP)—Lt. Gen. Raymond A. Wheeler of Washington, D. C., deputy supreme commander in the south-east Asia theater arrived in Chungking today for conferences with Lt. Gen. Albert Wedemeyer, U. S. commander in China and Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek on carrying on the war in Japan. Presumably the talks will center on closer cooperation in the two theaters.

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