

'SURRENDER OR DIE,' OKINAWA JAPS' CHOICE

(Story in Column 2)

IT SEEMS TO ME

By Charles F. Sprague

When, shortly after V-E day, WPB lifted the top limit from \$200 to \$1000 which could be spent on home construction, the pent-up demand broke like a tidal wave on the lumber dealers. Patrons rushed in apparently in the belief that now they could start their long-planned building or remodeling.

They were doomed to disappointment. While WPB did raise the limit for home building and repairing which would not require a permit, that did not put the lumber in the retailers' yards. What lumber the retailers can get is still gobbled up by those who hold priorities for lumber.

In the first place, most of the lumber is going from the mills to government depots for government use or to box factories for manufacture of crating for war shipments.

Priorities are issued by WPB or FHA for industrial, commercial or residential construction or alteration and repair where the applicant can convince the issuing agency that the purpose fits into the war effort. And that is not easy.

But one may ask, how come we see some new houses going up about town or in other towns? The answer is that FHA is issuing some permits to build. Also a builder may get started, using non-essential materials like cement, brick, gypsum board. He may be able to pick up

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Polish Dispute To Be Settled; Estates Divided

By Alex Singleton

LONDON, June 11.—(AP)—Hope mounted in diplomatic quarters here for an early solution of the deadlocked Polish dispute as Harry Hopkins, White House troubleshooter, sped homeward by air tonight amid unofficial reports that his Moscow visit had won a compromise from Premier Stalin.

Outside of the Polish refugee government here considerable was placed in unconfirmed reports that Hopkins had succeeded in obtaining the release of most of the 17 Poles arrested by the Russians and accused of subversive activities.

While there was no official confirmation of these reports, it was regarded here as almost certain that such a concession would precede a resumption of the discussions broken off abruptly at San Francisco last month.

The Lubin radio said last (Mon) night the Soviet-recognized Polish government at Warsaw distributed property from 8,000 estates to Polish settlers in the Opole district in western Poland as part of a "repatriation scheme."

The broadcast, reported by the ECC, said that about 60,000 repatriated Poles had settled in the west Polish district of Silesia-Dabrowa and that more than 20,000 Poles had settled in the Lucz-borek district.

L. V. Crane, Stayton Man, Dies in Action

STAYTON, June 11.—(P)—Lawrence V. Crane, was killed in action on Cebu, March 30. His wife is the former Jean Meng of Jefferson; there are two children, Lana 3 and Larry 10 months.

Crane was born June 11, 1919 in West Stayton and attended school there. He was home on furlough last November.

His mother is Mrs. Virginia Crane of Portland, Mrs. Florence Wodzowska of Salem is a twin sister and Mrs. Olive Sacre of Salem and Mrs. Irma Koons of Portland also are sisters; Merle Turner, Clem of Salem and Keith with the 15th air force in Italy are brothers. A nephew, Ciel Crane of Stayton, was killed in action in Europe last December.

Cpl. Derrill Fox of Amity Dies in Action

Cpl. Derrill L. Fox, US marine corps, son of Mr. and Mrs. Derrill H. Fox of Amity, has been killed in action, the navy department has announced.

Newsworthy

The most serious shortage of volunteers in months faced the Red Cross mobile blood bank at the First Methodist church day. It's life-saving day and the need is urgent. Last night registration were nearly 150 short.

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San Francisco	75	53	.00
Eugene	71	52	.00
Salem	72	52	.00
Portland	69	53	.00
Seattle	72	49	.00
Willamette river 2 in.			

FORECAST (from U. S. weather bureau, McNary field, Salem): Partly cloudy today with increasing cloudiness in the afternoon. Temperature about the same with a maximum near 78 degrees.

AUSSIES LAND ON BORNEO

Nips Are Trapped On Island

Ultimatum Given 15,000 as Yanks Tighten Pocket

GUAM, Tuesday, June 12.—(AP)—Lt. Gen. Simon Bolivar Buckner, jr., demanded yesterday that the Japanese commander on Okinawa unconditionally surrender surviving remnants of his garrison force as American troops made substantial gains all along the southern front despite fanatical resistance.

The commanding general of Japanese forces ignored the precedent-setting offer to negotiate a surrender and prevent annihilation, however.

Dropped By Plane

Three copies of the offer sealed in official envelopes and addressed personally to the Japanese leader, were dropped yesterday morning from two airplanes near a cave believed to be the enemy general's headquarters.

Buckner, commander of the U. S. Tenth army, pointed out that the Japanese were trapped in two pockets—one only about two square miles in size, the other of 15 square miles or less—and that annihilation was certain unless they capitulated.

There are about 15,000 Japanese still on Okinawa—survivors of an original garrison of perhaps 85,000.

Pamphlets Ineffective

(This possibly was the first time in the Pacific war that an American commander had called directly upon a Japanese general to surrender. Previously, surrender pamphlets had been dropped from airplanes behind enemy lines and captured Japanese infrequently had been taken near the front and broadcast surrender appeals to their former buddies. Neither of these methods had brought in many prisoners.)

It was disclosed today for the first time that the Japanese have resorted to use of painfully-lethal phosphorous shells which are used as an anti-personnel weapon, and cause burns which quickly produce death.

Maj. Gen. James L. Bradley's 96th division fought off numerous small counterattacks by Nipponese entrenched in caves.

Best Crops Ever Expected in U. S.

WASHINGTON, June 11.—(AP)—The largest United States wheat crop ever produced—approximately 1,685,000,000 bushels—is indicated for 1945 on the basis of June 1 reports, the agriculture department said today.

In spite of one of the coldest May's on record, the total volume of all crops is expected to be "well above average."

Total fruit production is expected to be nearly equal to the record output last year despite frost damage. Apples may make a record low.

Silverton and Salem Carry Away Honors at Jersey Jubilee

By Lillie L. Madsen
Farm and Garden Editor

Dr. M. E. DeGuire, Silverton, and Nelson & Welsh, Salem, won grand champion honors on their cattle in Marion County's 27th annual Jersey Jubilee held at the State fair grounds Monday. O. K. Beals, chief of dairy food division of the state department of agriculture, judged the 96 head exhibited. Mrs. I. F. Buserie, Marion county club secretary, clerked the show. Over 200 ring-siders took part in the picnic dinner served at noon by the club members.

DeGuire took his grand championship on Bullseye Queen Marie, which had placed first over nine other entries in the aged cow class. Junior champion was Lemonition Bright Rinda, owned by O. E. Bealy, Salem. Nelson & Welsh won the purple ribbon on Lemonition Double Aim, winning first in two-year old bulls. Junior cham-

Los Angeles Cheers Patton



Gen. George S. Patton, jr., acknowledges the cheers of thousands who greeted the famed commander of the Third Army during a parade through downtown Los Angeles upon his return to his native California with Lt. Gen. James H. Doolittle. Doolittle rode in another jeep. (AP Wirephoto)

German Torch Singer in Nightclub Sounds Theme: 'Berlin Will Rise Again'

Army's Budget Cut 6 Billion After V-E Day

WASHINGTON, June 11.—(AP)—The army proposes to spend \$39,019,790,474 fighting Japan alone in the year beginning July 1, one-fourth less than it required in fiscal 1945 for war in both Europe and the Pacific.

President Truman pointed out that the figure represented a cut from the preliminary estimate of \$45,500,000,000 made when the late President Roosevelt submitted the regular budget in January. That figure was based on continued fighting against Germany.

The president estimated that the army's strength will total 8,320,000 on June 30, 1945, and will be cut to a maximum of 6,868,000 during the succeeding 12 months.

The budget recommendation includes only \$21,963,093,400 of actual new money. The remainder of the total is expected to come from \$8,818,195,574 in unobligated balances of earlier appropriations and \$8,238,501,500 estimated from contract terminations.

"The budget," Mr. Truman said, "not only contemplates financing the war against Japan throughout the fiscal year but it provides funds for munitions and equipment to be delivered through Dec. 31, 1946."

PFC Willard Hall Dies in Los Angeles

PFC Willard Hall, a native of Salem and a member of the 41st division, died in the Veterans' hospital at Los Angeles, according to word received in Salem on Monday. He contracted malaria in the south Pacific. His parents moved to Tillamook several years ago. His wife is the former Margaret Mary Thompson of Salem.

Other acts included a young German who with the aid of a guitar sang "Boots and Saddles." A German lady next to me said that he had not been permitted to sing this song before, because it was a negro spiritual. I told her it was a cowboy song.

Auto Rationing To Be Lifted in '46, Says Nelson

CHICAGO, June 11.—(AP)—Rationing of new automobiles probably can be lifted "some time next year" and production should reach 100,000 a month next January, Henry P. Nelson, WPB conversion coordinator for the automotive industry, said tonight. Car production "will not get fully under way until October," although the green light will be given July 1, the Washington official said in an address at the annual meeting of the Chicago Automobile Trade association.

Cure For Economic Ills Eyed

Peace Meet Unit Votes to Widen Scope of Power

By Douglas R. Cornell
SAN FRANCISCO, June 11.—(AP)—A United Nations conference commission voted by acclamation today to bulwark a world league with powers to attack economic and social ills which have helped generate war in the past.

Amid predictions that it will "carry a message of hope to scores of millions of people," the commission adopted a pattern for an international social and economic council -- the first section of a world charter to be drafted in final form.

Another commission assembles tomorrow to "set in place" in a committee's words, "the keystone of the peace structure which we are in the process of building." That is the section of a world charter setting up the measures which a security council will take to halt conflict in the future by persuasion, economic or diplomatic sanctions, or even the use of armed force.

This second commission session of the week will be asked to approve a report from one of its committees drafted by Joseph Paul-Boncour of France. This report, it was learned today, says the peace-enforcement mechanism of the new United Nations organization will be a "definite" improvement over that of the old League of Nations.

"Military assistance, in case of aggression," the report declares, "ceases to be a recommendation" made of member states; it becomes for us an "obligation" which none can shirk.

"If these proposals are adopted, the international organization will cease to be unarmed in the face of violence; a collective force the size, the degree of preparedness, the composition, and the general location of which will be determined beforehand, will have been placed at the disposal of the council to carry out these decisions."

Progress on another front was reported in the completion of committee work on regional arrangement for keeping the peace. The committee is now ready to report to its commission, its work having demonstrated, in the words of Senator Vandenberg and the US delegation "what can be done when men of good will are determined to cooperate."

2 Destroyers, 2 Others Lost Near Okinawa

WASHINGTON, June 11.—(AP)—The navy announced tonight the loss of two destroyers, an auxiliary transport and a landing ship off Okinawa, with a total of 469 killed, missing or wounded.

The destroyers were the Longshaw, with 179 casualties, and the Drexler, with 209 casualties.

The Bates, the auxiliary high speed transport, suffered 60 casualties, and the LSM-135, a medium landing ship, suffered 21 casualties.

The destroyers normally carry a crew of 250 to 350, the auxiliary transport a complement of 150 to 190, and a medium landing ship 55. The destroyer Longshaw, a 2050-ton craft was commissioned in December, 1943, at Seattle.

Bomber Wreckage Not Yet Verified

VANCOUVER, B. C., June 11 (CP)—Officials at western air command said tonight they did not believe wreckage spotted earlier today by a RCAF search plane was that of the Liberator bomber which disappeared June 1 with its 11-man crew while on a routine trip from its lower mainland base. They said the wreckage may be that of another crashed plane.

Officials will continue their air search for the missing bomber.

Nazi Arrogance Gone Forever, Is Gen. 'Ike' Promise

LONDON, June 11.—(AP)—General Eisenhower, here to receive the honorary freedom of London tomorrow in a ceremony steeped in historic tradition, said tonight he believed "Russia, Britain and the United States intend to make it impossible for Germany to wage war again."

The supreme allied commander declared Germany never would return to what was considered normal before the war.

"Many Germans want to be friendly," Eisenhower said. "But they should have wanted to be friendly before. Our experience has been that the German is arrogant in victory and polite in defeat."

Bretton Woods Plans Hit by Rep. Ellsworth

WASHINGTON, June 11.—(AP)—Bretton Woods international financial plans will jeopardize American forestry industries and resources more than the war, Representative Ellsworth (R.-Ore.) declared here.

"With all its noble phrases in international cooperation and stabilization, the Bretton Woods plan leaves in the hands of each country the most powerful factor in its own trading position, namely, the value of its currency in relation to other currencies," Ellsworth said during house debate on the agreement.

"The effects of the war will disappear in a few years of increasing growth from our vast forest lands," Ellsworth said. "I am much concerned over the effects on American forestry in the long run of the new commercial policy of the United States."

Oregon Has More Farms Than in 1940

The 1945 federal farm census for Oregon shows an increased acreage and from 5 to 7 per cent increase in the number of farms, as compared with five years ago, it was disclosed today.

John Kallak, area supervisor for the farm census, said the exact increase in farm acreage had not yet been determined. He attributed the increased number of farms to the use of additional marginal land, made profitable by greater demands and prices for foods.

Detailed statistics in all counties have not been announced, but for Lane county the preliminary count showed 5351 farms, as compared to 4454 in 1940 and 4649 in 1935. Acreage in Lane increased from 509,056 in 1940 to 512,949 this year, but still was below the 523,713 acres of 1935. Average farm size in Lane was 95.9 acres, compared to 114.3 in 1940 and 112.7 in 1935.

Marion Co. Gains in E Bond Race to Launch Victory Ship

Skimming past the halfway mark in E bond sales yesterday, Marion county advanced into sixth place in the contest to name the Victory ship that will be launched by the winning county during the "Mighty Seventh" war loan campaign.

Last week Marion county slipped back into ninth place in the race among the ten leading counties, but news of the advance came Monday to revive lagging spirits at bond headquarters on Court street. The ship will be launched at Oregon Shipyards when the first big county goes over the top on E bonds.

"We have a fine chance to win out yet if everyone just gets behind this drive as in the past," declared Chairman Douglas Yeater. "We've always come through in the last week in previous campaigns, but this time the steam must be put on right away if we are to bring home this honor." Entering the fifth week of the

MacArthur In Bold Campaign On Oil, Rubber

Four Landings Unopposed and Troops Move Steadily Inland; Daring Naval Units Pave Way

MANILA, Tuesday, June 12.—(AP)—Sweating Australian troops plunged steadily inland in British North Borneo against negligible resistance today after four unopposed landings in the Brunei bay area Sunday as Gen. Douglas MacArthur bid boldly for the oil and rubber of the world's third largest island.

Already the invasion had secured for the allied navies Brunei bay, one of the southwest Pacific's finest anchorages only 800 miles from Singapore; swept through the ruined town of Brooketon, where new Japanese oil machinery lay ready to be taken to the wells, and secured the town of Victoria and Labuan airfield on Labuan island.

Beaches Hit Sunday

The Australians, famed "Desert Rats" of Tobruk and El Alamein, hit the deserted beaches Sunday at 8:15 a. m. (8:45 p. m., Saturday, PWT).

Advances were general on all fronts, and within two hours after the initial landings MacArthur himself went ashore with his forces commander, Gen. George C. Kenney, and other top officers. Correspondents credited the smoothness of the job to daring naval forces which penetrated Brunei bay three days ahead of "D-day," removed 70 Japanese mines from the channel, set up buoys and charted the waters right-up to shore under sporadic Japanese fire.

Bombs Level Towns

Ten days of continual bombing by the US 13th and Royal Australian air forces had leveled the bayside towns and driven the Japanese inland, while American cruisers and destroyers, aided by an Australian cruiser, destroyer and other vessels, laid down a heavy curtain of gunfire just ahead of the invasion. Watching the bombardment, MacArthur predicted that not a man would be lost in the landings. Actually, two were killed by an accidental fire aboard one landing craft, but the troops had advanced 2,000 yards inland before the first man was even wounded by enemy action.

Skirmishing Light

Artillery, tanks and bulldozers followed the troops ashore and soon were moving directly to Brooketon. The Japanese have been estimated to number 2,000 to 3,000 in the landing area, but only the veriest handful were met at first in light skirmishing.

Borneo, of 309,506 square miles and an annual oil production of some 20,000,000 barrels, has been an objective of allied Pacific forces since MacArthur started on the long northward trail from Australia. The island, controlled by the British and Netherlands governments, also produces rubber, some coal and many tropical products.

Most of the populace, estimated at 3,200,000, lives along the coast.

Gov. Earl Snell announced Monday an all-day state-wide tourist development meeting would be held at the capitol at 10 a. m. Friday, June 15, with all persons and organizations interested in tourist travel invited.

"The tourist industry is an industry, the income from which was estimated at \$50,000,000 in normal years. It can easily be doubled, and perhaps should be trebled," the governor said.

"We still have a war to win—a major one—but the time to lay the ground work is now. It is my opinion we should develop a well-coordinated state-wide program of tourist promotion."

Tourist Meet For Postwar Plans June 15

BEYRUTH, June 11.—(AP)—The British proposed today that French and British forces be withdrawn from Syria and Lebanon simultaneously as a step toward a speedy settlement of the Levant states crisis.

Sir Edward Grigg, British resident minister, made a new bid for American participation in settling the problem.

(In Paris, authorized quarters said more notes had been exchanged between France and Britain as a result of further attacks on French civilians and soldiers by Syrians, and the situation was described as "worse instead of better.")

May Withdraw Outside Arms From Levant

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