

Doolittle Flier in Happy Reunion at Salem Home



The fear and worry of years of anxious waiting were lifted from the shoulders of Mrs. Hulda Andrus last night as she embraced her son, S. Sgt. Jacob Deshazer, Doolittle raid flier, recently liberated from a Jap prison in China.

By Wendell Webb
(Managing Editor, The Statesman)
Years of grief and doubt and pain gave way to climactic joy last night at a little white house in Salem in which the eyes of a nation were trained.
Sgt. Jacob Deshazer came home.
Shortly before midnight an army car crept along Salem's darkened streets toward the only illuminated porch light on Oak street. The light showed flowers and a victory garden in the front yard, three tiny American flags on each porch pillar, the numbers "1063" over the door.
A slight figure in uniform climbed stiffly from the car, another uniformed figure beside him. They rang the doorbell, waited briefly—and the lights of the homecoming came on.
There was mother, gray-haired, overjoyed Mrs. Hulda An-

drus, with open arms. There was father, Hiram Andrus, who married Mrs. Andrus 27 years ago after the sergeant's father died and was the only father he ever knew. There was sister, Helen Andrus.
And there was the weary hero of 33 months of solitary confinement in the prison camps of the Japanese—a man of the living-dead, who was given up for lost in the historic Doolittle raid on Tokyo on April 18, 1942.
"Mother," "Dad," "Jacob"—words came slowly at first. Then faster. "My son, why he looks almost the same. My son." Eyes were moist—even the eyes of the newsmen who spoke softly and waited to stay out of the way.
"I won't let him out of my sight." It was Mother's day if ever there was one. And it was Dad's day, too.
There were flowers—the gift

of Lloyd Weeks' gardens. There were "welcome home" cakes brought in by neighbors. There was fried chicken in the ice box—fried by the mother who for days "just couldn't wait to see him." And the quiet, slow-spoken sergeant, still many pounds lighter than the 160 he had that epic day three years ago, didn't have to be coaxed twice to sit right down at the kitchen table with all the eagerness of a drumstick-hungry little boy.
"I've got 60 days, yes," the sergeant said. (He'll be discharged then.) "No, I have no plans for them." It didn't look like he'd need any plans—or would want to make any. His blue eyes reflected an almost unbelievable happiness as he glanced around the room.
On the piano was his picture—and something else he didn't

even know he had. It was a distinguished flying cross. His mother showed it to him proudly. It had been sent to her by the war department. "Why, I'd heard that a—but, and he couldn't say more."
No one asked the sergeant about the gripping drama which came to light for himself and two others when they were liberated 24 days ago. It began when he climbed into his B-25 on the carrier Hornet some 1000 miles east of Tokyo and took off on the raid which started the world. His fate for the next three years was sealed that same night when he parachuted to earth in central China, and fell into the hands of the enemy.
Then came the long, deadening silence of the years of war. It ended when:
"One morning the Jap guards opened the doors to my cell and

said the war was over. They offered me a pan of hot water and a razor to shave. We were so happy to get out we were afraid to ask which side won, but we knew the answer." The endless months of rice and weakened tea were gone. It was more fried chicken at home in Salem today.
The sergeant flew to Fort Lewis from the east coast Tuesday, then came by plane to the Portland airport where a reception was held last evening, and was brought here by PFC F. E. Garry of Portland, who said "he's some guy."
At Fort Lewis, the sergeant got a glimpse of his boyhood past, on the family farm near Madras, in the person of Sgt. Ben Preston, whom he had not met in 16 years. "You have changed," Ben told him. "And so have you," was the quiet re-

sponse. It was a happy reunion.
Sergeant Deshazer has his future well planned now—"God spoke to me and told me what to do" while he was in the confinement of enemy prisons. He will train as a missionary and return to Japan. His parents, of the Free-Methodist faith, think "it's fine."
The sergeant, who holds the purple heart (when he parachuted in China he hit on a tombstone and fractured a rib), holds no rancor. His eyes have none of the brooding of revenge. His eyes today were for his family—and he'll see more of them. There's sister Ruth Blackwell and brother Glen of Madras and sister Julia Griffith of Creswell. And there's mother and dad and sister Helen already here.
He was in Salem and home. A bad dream was over.

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Point Cut Due Says Patterson

By Douglas B. Cornell
WASHINGTON, Sept. 12—(P)—Congress moved today toward ending war time and building 3000 postwar airports. Between these tasks it received word that the army's point score will go down and discharges up.
The house voted to set clocks back an hour Sept. 30 and return the country to standard time.
The senate voted to give states and cities \$75,000,000 a year for five years to build 3000 airports and fix 1600 existing ones. States and cities will have to match federal money.

But the big noise in congress was discharges.
Congressional mail boxes have been crammed with letters from back home urging more and faster releases of men from service.
The senate got official word from Undersecretary of War Patterson and from Maj. Gen. Stephen Henry, assistant chief of staff for personnel, that the army:

1. Wants to turn men loose as fast as it can and will reduce the 80 points now needed for discharge.
 2. Will be down to 2,500,000 men by July 1.
 3. Has set up a special agency to release men in cases of unusual hardship.
 4. Sees no possibility of ending the draft before July 1.
- (Additional details on page 2.)



Years of rice and weakened tea gave way to fried chicken and coffee last night as S. Sgt. Deshazer returned home to the meal his mother had planned since she first heard of his liberation.



The family reunion, the climax of a trip over half way around the world, included Mrs. Hulda Andrus, mother of S. Sgt. Deshazer, Helen Andrus, sister, Mr. Hiram Andrus, step-father and the Doolittle flier. (Statesman-McEwan photos.)

Cannery Labor Pay Adjusted

PORTLAND, Sept. 12—(P)—Oregon cannery workers will get wage adjustments recommended by the 12th regional war labor board, following approval today by William D. Davis, director of economic stabilization.
Regional Chairman Dr. George Bernard Noble said today all requests for general wage increases were denied by the board, but other wage adjustments were granted, plus adjustments for vacations with pay, night work premiums, overtime, seventh day premiums, minors' wages, base wages and guarantees for piece workers.
Plants affected include the Starr Fruit Products company, Salem; B. E. Maling, Inc., Hillsboro; and Birds Eye-Snyder division of General Foods, Woodburn.

McMinnville Wave Dies

EVERETT, Sept. 12—(P)—Elizabeth Ann Crowe, 21, of McMinnville, Ore., a WAVE stationed the past year at Sun Valley, Ida., died yesterday at a doctor's office despite efforts of three Everett firemen to resuscitate her. Prosecutor C. F. Brownlee and Deputy Coroner Dave Zimmerman ordered an autopsy. Her father, Harry Crowe, of route three, McMinnville, came here today.

Grid Game Set At Homecoming

First event of the annual homecoming for Willamette university Saturday, September 15 of which Fenton Ford, navy student, is in charge, is a football game between navy Cardinals and navy Golds at 2 p. m. An alumni get-together will be at Chresto cottage at 4 p. m.; and a masquerade dance at the gymnasium at 9 p. m. to which all alumni are invited.
Slogan signs will be judged on Friday evening.

Wage Ceiling for Hop Pickers Set

PORTLAND, Sept. 12—(P)—Wage ceiling for hop pickers has been set at 3½ cents a pound for Marion and Polk counties; executive officer Alden E. Orr of the agriculture wage board said today. The action followed a hearing at Salem Saturday. Hop growers wishing an adjustment on the basis of hardship may petition the board.

Weather

	Max.	Min.	Rain
San Francisco	69	55	20
Eugene	67	47	20
Salem	63	47	20
Portland	62	47	20
Seattle	62	47	20

Willamette river - 3.8 ft.
FORECAST (from U. S. weather bureau, McNary field, Salem): Clear with warmer temperatures, near 65 degrees.

Jap Cabinet 'Purge' Expected; Mac Dooms Nip Black Dragons

Tojo Decides Life Not So Bad After U. S. Hospital Care

TOKYO, Thursday, Sept. 13.—(P)—Gen. Hideki Tojo, who tried suicide with an American pistol to escape an allied war criminal trial, today showed signs of wanting to live.
The former Japanese premier who ordered the sneak attack on Pearl Harbor, spent a restful night at an army hospital at Yokohama. This morning he ate a hearty breakfast and began to show some satisfaction with the excellent care he was given by the Americans since he tried to end his life two days ago.
During the night, Tojo took some fruit juice, was alert and slept well. At breakfast, he had oatmeal and coffee but declined jelly and apricots.
Tojo told a physician he was suffering no pain from his gunshot wound below the heart.
Lt. Col. James Perry, Tazwell, Ga., chief surgeon, said he anticipated no change in Tojo's condition.

Appointed



Francis Biddle, former attorney general, who will go to Europe soon as the American member of the international tribunal to try war criminals.

Francis Biddle To Represent U.S. at Trials

WASHINGTON, Sept. 12—(P)—Former Attorney General Francis Biddle and Federal Circuit Judge John J. Parker of Charlotte, N.C., were appointed by President Truman today as American members of the international tribunal to try war criminals. Biddle is a democrat, Parker a republican. Senate confirmation is not required.
Truman also named Nell Dalton of Louisville to head the expiring office of war information, succeeding Elmer Davis, whose resignation was announced at the same time.

Speaking to newsmen on the foreign situation, Truman:

1. Counseled Australian critics of the Japanese occupation to be patient.
2. Promised a policy on Korea to be announced later.
3. Characterized as a "perfectly silly conclusion" a remark made by Rep. Knutson (R-Minn) in the house yesterday that American financial aid to Britain now would be tantamount to underwriting the "socialization of the United Kingdom."
4. Said the control of the Dardanelles by an international commission will have to be worked out by the council of foreign ministers now meeting in London.

Suicide



Field Marshal Gen. Sugiyama, who shot himself in the head yesterday rather than face possible trial as a war criminal.

Field Marshal Gen. Sugiyama Kills Himself

TOKYO, Thursday, Sept. 13.—(P)—Field Marshal Gen. Sugiyama, long one of Japan's ranking militarists, killed himself yesterday after stating "I keenly feel my responsibility (for the war) and I am awaiting a significant opportunity to do away with myself."
The 66-year-old commander of the eastern Japan defense corps and member of the imperialist Kwantung army clique, shot himself to death in his office at 5:50 p. m. yesterday (4:50 a. m., Wednesday, eastern war time).
He was chief of the army staff and several times was war minister. He was one of Japan's three field marshals.

Much Hara Kiri Forecast as Nip Arrests Mount

TOKYO, Thursday Sept. 13.—(AP)—Japan's cabinet met today for a possible purge after General MacArthur named one of its members on his "wanted" list as a top terrorist in the Black Dragon society which MacArthur has doomed to extinction. The arrest of seven of its top terrorists has been ordered.
Lt. Gen. Masaharu Homma, author of the infamous "death march" from Bataan, fled to his ancestral home on an island off the west coast of Japan as the Americans pressed a manhunt for the plotters of war in the orient.
Japanese close to the government predicted many on the list MacArthur ordered arrested might kill themselves and had scattered to their homes ahead of the searching American forces.
But at least one wanted man, Adm. Shigetaro Shimada, Tojo's navy minister credited with directing the sneak attack on Pearl Harbor, considered suicide, decided against it, and surrendered readily at his home near Yokohama.

Adair Plans Large Military Review on Sat.

CAMP ADAIR, Sept. 12—(Special)—A formal military review, in which more than 5000 troops will participate, is scheduled for Saturday morning at 10 o'clock at army ground forces replacement depot No. 4 here, it was announced today.
The review, similar to one held last Saturday, includes an inspection by Maj. Gen. F. E. Mallon, commanding general, AGF RD No. 4, music by the 265th AGF band, known for its success in promoting the Seventh War Loan throughout states of the north-west and the colorful parade of troops in full uniform.
All members of the public are invited to attend these reviews and accommodations are being prepared to provide parking and seating arrangements. The reviews will be held in the area adjacent to 12th and D streets North, easily accessible by auto or bus travel.

RADIO DEATHS DENIED

TOKYO, Sept. 12—(P)—Destructiveness of the atom bomb at Hiroshima exceeded scientists' expectations, but there is no evidence that a single person who entered the area after the bombing died from radio activity, Brig. Gen. T. F. Farrell, chief of an American mission studying effects of the bomb, said today.

OPA to Snub Protests Against Policy on Reconversion Pricing

WASHINGTON, Sept. 12—(P)—OPA officials have declined to say to what extent, if any, the agency will revise its program in line with these four major recommendations submitted by the retailers:
1. Institution of a "broad and realistic" policy of removing price controls on non-essential commodities.
2. Immediate discontinuance of the controversial "map" orders. These orders require merchants to sell goods at average prices of 1943 or, in some cases, 1944.
3. Immediate abandonment of all pricing techniques based on use of an industry-wide average.
4. Economic pricing at all sales levels that would assure maximum production and distribution.
The latter recommendation was regarded as a specific indictment of the cost absorption policy, since

Animal Crackers

By WARREN GOODRICH
As for elimination of price ceilings on important items, OPA feels it already has a program in effect which provides for "decontrolling" as rapidly as conditions permit.
In defending cost absorption, Bowles has argued that distributors' cost during the reconversion period will not be as large as normally. He says there will be little need for big sales organizations or large expenditures for advertising.
Retailers have argued, on the other hand, that their costs are due to increase since many consumer services discontinued during the war are being resumed. These include more frequent deliveries, gift wrapping, and shopping service.
We decided it was best if we didn't see each other for a few days.

