

## V-E Day in Bend Quietly Observed

Work and reverence took the place of jubilation in Bend today as V-E day was officially proclaimed throughout the world. Only noticeable evidence that the Allied armies had finally been successful in bringing about the unconditional surrender of the foe in Europe was the gentle waving of flags on downtown streets, and from staffs on many homes.

Many persons, more humble than joyous, offered prayers of thanksgiving in churches, with the First Lutheran church scheduling special V-E day services for tonight. The Bend Ministerial association announced that general observance of the European victory will be held in the city's churches next Sunday.

Hundreds of Central Oregon parents and brothers and sisters were not unmindful that their loved ones are still engaged in the Pacific in bloody battles with the Japanese; and that most of the members of Bend's own Company 1 were still locked in death grips with Hirohito's legions.

**Nippons Are Next**  
For most Central Oregon families, victory is not to be celebrated until the Nipponese have been likewise forced into an unconditional surrender.

An air of unusual quiet seemed to pervade the downtown atmosphere today, as business houses, the banks, government offices and other establishments conducted business as usual.

An announcer with a microphone from radio station KBND stood on a downtown corner seeking to get expressions from passersby. The usual answer he got was:

"Too busy. I'm going to work!"

## Writer Accused Of Double Cross

Paris, May 8 (AP)—Supreme Allied headquarters today enforced disciplinary action against Edward Kennedy, chief of Associated Press correspondents on the western front, for filing an unauthorized dispatch describing the German surrender at Reims.

Kennedy was one of seven American correspondents assigned to fly from supreme headquarters to Reims to witness the capitulation. He alone sent out a Reims dispatch yesterday despite a group pledge on the part of the correspondents that their copy

would not be released for publication until authorized by supreme headquarters. Such authorization did not come until today.

Although the original action against the AP suspended all its filing privileges throughout the European theater, this order later was amended to apply only to Kennedy.

Fifty-nine of Kennedy's colleagues assigned to Shaef signed a letter to Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower today, describing Kennedy's action as the "most disgraceful, deliberate and unethical double cross in the history of journalism."

## Pomona Grange Meets Saturday

With a closed business meeting scheduled for all granges, the Deschutes county Pomona grange will meet next Saturday at the Pine Forest grange hall, it was announced today. The morning session will be opened by Mrs. Nellie Allen, Pomona master. The evening session is slated for 8 o'clock.

The lecturer's program, headed by Mrs. P. F. Ridel, lecturer, will start at 2 p.m. and the public is invited to this event.

Guests for the day will be Mrs. Mary Kruger, assistant nutritionist of the Oregon Dairy council, Portland, and Mrs. Mary Harris, assistant state lecturer from The Dalles.

Entertainment will be provided by the Senior Symposium team of the Bend high school, with a discussion on "The Returning Veteran." Mrs. Kruger will give a short talk, and skits and musical numbers will round out the program.

Initiation in the fifth degree will be held in the evening session, when a large class is expected to be initiated.

**Demonstration Dates Cancelled**

According to announcement from the office of the home demonstration agent, all extension unit meetings scheduled for this week will be cancelled. Miss Elizabeth Boeckl is confined to her home because of a sprain. She was injured last Sunday, it was said.

Meetings which are postponed indefinitely include the Redmond extension unit today, the Shevlin unit Wednesday, Lower Bridge Thursday and Six Corners Friday.

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## Truman Reads V-Day Message As Rain Beats Against Window

By Frederick C. Othman (United Press Staff Correspondent)

Washington, May 8 (AP)—President Truman made history this rainy morning in his oval office, reading his V-E day proclamation not only to an extra-early press conference, but to his cabinet, congressional leaders, and his family.

Then he read it to the nation from the broadcasting room in the executive office basement. To the assembled reporters, administration leaders, Mrs. Truman and daughter, the president's remarks probably sounded even better than they did to the radio audience.

He interpolated some extra and exuberant observations as he went along. Rain was falling in a downpour, but the apple-green office was brilliantly lit, not only by electricity, but by the presidential smile. Mr. Truman stood in his double-breasted black suit, shirt with hard collar, and sober blue tie. He remarked that he didn't want his words released until after 9 a. m. and said he thought he'd better read his proclamation.

He said not to worry. It would take only seven minutes. "The flags of freedom fly all over Europe," he began. Then he smiled and added that something else was being celebrated, too—his birthday; his 61st.

Mrs. Truman, clad in a black suit and a turquoise blouse, smiled at her husband and he went on reading. Then he said he had another little release, a small document which would give the Japs some idea of what they can expect from now on.

The allies, Mr. Truman said, are turning loose upon them the

greatest war machine in the history of the world.

As he talked, he was forced to blink. The photographers stood on chairs around the rear of the room and recorded the historic moment on celluloid. Their photo flash lamps made a series of flashes, like a street car trolley on an icy wire.

The president looked up from his manuscript. He said he'd been ready for this announcement since a week ago Saturday, and announced soberly that America has enormous problems before her. He used the Hollywood—terrific—and he spoke it soberly.

He said we could make the world a happy place in which to live, or we could ruin it, depending on whether we worked with our allies in peace as we have in war. Then he took up his script again.

"The victory won in the west," he said, "must now be won in the east." He thought a moment and said he hoped that this thought could be emphasized time after time. Back to his speech, he read the phrase: "The dictators once thought us soft and weak."

And he wondered, he said with a smile, what the Germans think about us now. Next Sunday, he said would be dedicated to prayer; particularly appropriate, too, he added, because it is Mother's day.

Mr. Truman said that he'd sent congratulatory cables to Winston Churchill, Marshal Stalin and general Eisenhower and De Gaulle. He started to read them, but settled for the one to Eisenhower, when secretary Jonathan Daniels interrupted to say he'd better get to his microphone downstairs. The clock said 8:57 a. m.

## Victory in Europe Costs 185 Billion

Washington, May 8 (AP)—The victory in Europe cost the United States about 800,000 casualties and more than \$185,000,000,000 (B).

These are the best conservative estimates available now. It will be a long time before the final figures are worked out.

A United Press survey showed today that this country's share of the cost of crushing the Nazi bid for world domination will exceed by three or four times the cost of world war I and its aftermath—whether the measuring standard is casualties or dollars.

The cost in money will be increased in future years by many billions of dollars through interest on government borrowings and benefits to veterans. The cost in broken lives, too, will be paid over a long period.

**War Cost Heavy**  
Most of the government experts consulted in the survey believed that at least two-thirds of the dollar outlay since defense preparations began in 1940 went directly or indirectly into the war against Germany and Italy. This is based on the allocation of men to the two major spheres of combat. On the basis of the best available information, two U. S. fighting men were sent to Europe for each one sent to the Pacific.

The cost estimate includes not only guns, bullets, planes and tanks, plus the plants to make them, but also such items as lend-lease expenditures, training costs, merchant ships, transportation, subsistence and literally thousands of articles and services that never appeared on the field of battle but were vital to victory.

## War Against Nips May Last 1 Year

Manila, May 8 (AP)—Allied military authorities, commenting on the fall of Germany, predicted today that it would be a year be-

fore Japan was beaten on the mainland. They conceded, however, that the Japanese government may surrender before that time.

## Plymouth, De Soto Agency Selected

Roy Burnett Motors of Portland today announced the appointment of the Carroll Motors, Bend, as dealer for De Soto and Plymouth automobiles and factory parts, with new cars to be stocked as soon as they are available.

J. N. Carroll, operator of the new De Soto and Plymouth agency here, has resided in Bend since 1930, and for the past eight years has operated Carroll's Body and Fender Shop. He purchased the garage that houses the agency, and the service station, in October, 1944, from L. S. Sillery. This plant is located on Greenwood avenue, at the Greenwood and Harriman intersection. The modern building has been completely remodeled and renovated.

Carroll announced today that a factory shipment of DeSoto and Plymouth parts has just arrived. In connection with his agency, Carroll is to operate a complete repair shop and service station.

Carroll will continue to operate Carroll's Body and Fender Shop, on the same basis as in the past.

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