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JAP ENVOYS ON WAY TO MANILA

PLANES LAND AT ISE SHIMA, WHILE SOLDIERS WATCH

Gen. MacArthur To Give Hirohito's Aides Surrender Terms Soon

Manila, Sunday, Aug. 19—(U.P.)—Thirteen military, naval and civilian Japanese plenipotentiaries arrived at Ise Shima at mid-day today enroute to Manila where they will receive "certain requirements" from Gen. Douglas MacArthur for the unconditional surrender of Nippon.

Ribbon-bedecked Japanese army and navy officers accompanied by men who appeared to be personal representatives of Emperor Hirohito reached the giant Ise Superfortress air strip at 12:45 p. m. Sunday, 12:45 p. m. (PWT).

They landed in two specially-marked, black-crossed attack planes, escorted by two B-25 Billy Mitchell medium bombers and a formation of speedy P-38 Lightning fighters.

Witnesses were thousands of American soldiers—mostly air ground crewmen—who had waited hours for this first definite proof that the Japanese were carrying out their announced unconditional surrender.

MOVE TO TRANSPORT Lt. Gen. Ennis C. Whitehead, commanding general of the 5th air force, escorted the Japanese delegates to two American transports waiting on the airstrip. The stay at Ise was brief.

Five Japanese envoys stepped from one plane. Two were in brown uniforms, and two were in lighter green uniforms. One was in civilian dress. The remainder of the group of 13 came from the second plane which set down on the air strip two minutes later.

The crowd of soldiers was well-behaved throughout the brief time that the Japanese delegates were "guests" of the army at this tiny isle—famous mostly as the place where the great war correspondent, Ernie Pyle, was shot and killed by a Japanese sniper.

The Nipponese delegates carried leather bags and brief cases. Their next stop was to be Nichols field, near Manila—where war first struck the Philippines on Dec. 8, 1941.

The stopover at Ise Shima lasted only 30 minutes. At 1:15 p. m. (PWT), the Japanese envoys transferred to two American C-54 transport planes and took off for Manila.

MARTHUR FIRM

The Japanese had ignored MacArthur's directive that their mission was to use "Bataan" as a password, but he brought them sharply back to the point by a terse command designating the call signs of the two planes in which they will fly to Ise as "Bataan One" and "Bataan Two."

(Under military usage, the planes could be fired upon by patrolling American warplanes if they fail to give the password when challenged.)

MacArthur's insistence upon the password Bataan highlighted what undoubtedly will be the first major American demand of the defeated enemy—immediate freedom for Lt. Gen. Jonathan M. Wainwright, the prisoners of Bataan and Corregidor, and all other captives of the Japanese.

Dispatches from Okinawa said the huge armies that had been standing by there for an invasion of the enemy islands will go in as occupation troops on a "full war footing."

Lillye Named Head Rum Control Board

Portland, Ore., Aug. 18—(U.P.)—George P. Lillye has been named chairman of the Oregon liquor control commission to replace Paul Crooks. The selection was made by Gov. Earl Snell following Crooks' resignation. Lillye will hold the post for the rest of the fiscal year when a new chairman will take charge under the rotating system of selection.

FARMERS' UNION AIDE

Salem, Ore., Aug. 18—(U.P.)—State Representative Lyle D. Thomas, Dallas, has been appointed field representative of the Oregon Farmers' Union.

SURPLUS BOARD CUT

Washington, Aug. 18—(U.P.)—A senate military affairs subcommittee headed by Sen. Joseph C. O'Mahoney, D., Wyo., today recommended substitution of a single surplus property administrator for the present three-man board.

SLAYING CONFESSED

Seattle, Aug. 18—(U.P.)—Sheriff's Capt. George Lohrer said tonight that Edward E. Mitchell, 27-year-old bartender, arrested in Tacoma, Wash., had confessed to the slaying of Walter B. Foley, Jr., 22-year-old former Liquor Board undercover agent in Seattle Aug. 5.

COAST

(Night games). Oakland 2 9 1, Portland 11 16 2, Gilmore, Lotz (5) and Kearsie; Moety and Younker. Los Angeles 5 13 1, Seattle 7 10 1, Woodend, Lammers, Merkle and Kreitner; Turpin, Frazier and Suetner. Sacramento 2 6 1, Hollywood 1 7 3, Wood and Schlueter, Smith and Hill.

SLATE DE GAULLE VISIT WEDNESDAY

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RED CROSS SEES LIBERATION FOR GEN. WAINWRIGHT

Manila, Aug. 18—(U.P.)—Lt. Gen. Jonathan Wainwright, Gen. Douglas MacArthur's successor on Corregidor in 1942, may be liberated with 200 other high ranking American officers by soviet armies driving toward the Manchurian city of Mukden, the Red Cross reported today.

Wainwright, 200 officers and 1,200 enlisted men were last reported held in one or two camps at Mukden.

The lanky general who signed the surrender on Corregidor is the most famous of the 135,000 allied prisoners of war and civilian internees known to be in Japanese hands last spring. Col. James T. Devereaux and approximately 1,000 of his gallant marines who defended Wake island were last reported in a camp near Shanghai.

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The army, which has been supplying lend-lease materials to Russia, had received no instructions at its transportation office here, Maj. George W. Berry, head of the office, said, and until such orders are received no change will be made in the flow of military supplies.

It was explained that the order means the Soviet government will pay the bills and any financial obligation will be direct instead of through WSA. A greater part of this port, which has been the chief wartime port on the west coast for lend-lease shipments, has been on Russian vessels and huge stocks of supplies and materials have been loaded aboard Russian vessels here.

STATE RESUMES 55 M. SPEED LIMIT TODAY

Salem, Ore., Aug. 18—(U.P.)—The pre-war speed limit of 55 miles an hour will be resumed tomorrow, Gov. Earl Snell announced today. An order from the office of defense transportation lifted the 35-mile limit, imposed nationally as a tire-saving cooperative measure. However, Gov. Snell pointed out that tires are worn and old, and new ones are not immediately available, and he urged continued caution and careful driving.

'TOKYO ROSE' BACK WITH BROADCAST, IGNORES DEFEAT

San Francisco, Aug. 18—(U.P.)—Tokyo Rose, who left the airwaves the day of Japan's surrender, was back at the old stand today with an audacious blend of music, propaganda, news and the patter which has made her familiar to American G.I.'s in the Pacific.

The Federal Communications commission said the program has a new name, "The Pacific Hour," and that it has been cut from one hour nightly to half an hour. The program started off as usual with a news broadcast in which the announcer ignored Japan's defeat, but almost jubilantly reported that "the Japanese nation is pushing forward to postwar reconstruction, while the last touch of the recent war are swiftly being eliminated."

Another announcer read sample Tokyo newspaper editorial comment on the Japanese surrender such as that by Asahi which urged the people to "go ahead with courage."

After an interlude of music, the appealing voice of Tokyo Rose came in:

"Remember the Pacific Hour will be on the air again tomorrow night at the same time and frequencies," she said, "and we invite you to tune into this program of news and music for the latest information... until then it's so-long for now..."

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YANKS MAKE FIREWORKS AT PEARL HARBOR THIS TIME

Pearl Harbor, first to learn of Jap's treachery, goes wild at Domei news flash that Japan accepted Potsdam surrender terms. Night sky lit by continuous streams of light from flares as every ship in harbor joins celebration starting early evening.

ARMY SET-ASIDES UPON BEEF, VEAL, HAM CEASE TODAY

Washington, Aug. 18—(U.P.)—Secretary of Agriculture Clinton P. Anderson today bolstered his prediction that meat rationing might end this fall by announcing indefinite suspension of federal set-aside purchase of beef, veal and ham.

The suspension, effective tomorrow, is expected to mean increases soon in the supply of these meats for civilians.

Anderson said lard and pork loins and shoulders will continue to be set aside for government buyers for the time being.

His announcement on beef, veal and ham was the best news for civilians since the removal earlier in the week of all canned fruits and vegetables from rationing. Anderson said fats and oils, however, would continue short "probably into next year," and that sugar would be scarce "through 1946."

CHANG ALL SET FOR ENTRY INTO CANTON, PEIPING

Chungking, Sunday, Aug. 19—(U.P.)—Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek sent radio instructions for a Japanese surrender delegation of not more than five men to appear at the Chihkiang airfield Tuesday. It was disclosed today as Central government troops made ready to move into Canton and Peiping.

Chiang's instructions were sent Saturday night in his third radio message to Gen. Yasuji Okamura, Japanese commander in China. Well informed sources predicted the China surrender would be signed soon after the general signing.

Reports here said that the Chinese First army, veterans of the Burma fighting, were to move into Canton, and Central government troops under Gen. Fu Tso Yi were reported at the outskirts of Peiping and ready to enter.

Amidst preparations here to accept the surrender of Gen. Yasuji Okamura, Japanese commander in China, the dispute between the Chungking government and the Communists went on.

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WAR BULLETINS

With the 6th U. S. Division, Luzon, Aug. 18—(U.P.)—The Japanese have killed or wounded 33 men of this division in the Kiangan area since the first Japanese peace move. Enemy troops in this area so far have refused to surrender.

Rangoon, Aug. 18—(U.P.)—British troops in Burma have halted offensive operations and have had no contact with the Japanese or any casualties since Emperor Hirohito announced Japan's surrender, official quarters said today.

TRUMAN EXTENDS WARTIME CONTROL ON LABOR, PRICES

Washington, Aug. 18—(U.P.)—President Truman tonight ordered extension of wartime labor, price, and inflation controls into the reconversion period, but gave the War Labor Board authority to wipe out the little steel formula's ceiling on wages.

His order, he told the government's economic agencies, was designed "to promote a swift and orderly transition to a peacetime economy of free independent private enterprise with full employment and maximum production."

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The communique reported that although Soviet forces continued to meet resistance in several sectors, the Japanese were surrendering in large numbers.

An encircled Japanese garrison of 5,000 men headed by a major general surrendered en masse, the communique said, and specified that troops of the Japanese third army especially were surrendering in large numbers.

Increasing Japanese surrenders indicated the nine days old Russo-Japanese war was drawing to a close. Local commanders, aware their emperor had surrendered four days ago, apparently were ceasing resistance whenever the military situation permitted them to do so.

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