

MacArthur Says Japs Facing Long and Bitter Punishment; War Criminals to Trial Soon

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Tokyo, Sept. 21—(U.P.)—Japan will never again become a world power, Gen. Douglas MacArthur said today in an interview with the United Press.

"Japan, industrially, commercially, militarily and every other way, is in a state of complete collapse," MacArthur declared. "Her food supplies are scarce and she faces conditions in this emergency that may well become catastrophic. Her punishment for her sins, which is just beginning, will be long and bitter."

The supreme commander told me that war criminal trials will commence very shortly. Japan's army will be absolutely abolished by Oct. 15. The remnants of Japan's navy are doomed to destruction, except "minor specimens which may be retainable for scientific or museum purposes."

ALL MUNITIONS TO BE DESTROYED

All Japanese munitions and all munitions plants which survived the war will be destroyed, MacArthur said. Japan will be kept on an austere basis regarding sports, entertainment, and luxuries. The Japanese are not being treated brutally but the surrender terms, no matter how harsh, are being rigidly enforced, MacArthur emphasized. Furthermore, he said, Japan can expect no relief, no food, clothing or supplies from the allied powers this winter.

MacArthur pointed out complete execution of the terms imposed by the allies is expected to take many years. The man who pursued the Japanese from Australia to Tokyo, plans to remain personally on the scene enforcing, directing, and administering allied rule over the Japanese.

Reiterating that he has no political aspirations, MacArthur said that he started as a soldier and intends to finish as one.

MACARTHUR ON LAST ASSIGNMENT

"I'm on my last public assignment, which, when concluded, will mark the definite end of my service," he said.

MacArthur received me in his new headquarters in Tokyo. His paneled office is in one of the few large buildings which survived the bombings. Oil paintings hang on the walls. From the room where a Japanese insurance magnate once operated, the general directs operations throughout the Japanese empire and the regions which Japan once seized.

The general is keen, magnetic, decisive, and intolerant of delays and inefficiencies. He radiates energy and driving force.

My own observations are certainly in accord with his estimate of Japan's condition as far as visible evidences are concerned. The nation's cities and industries are pulverized and paralyzed. Lacking outside assistance, recovery will be extremely difficult. Vast areas, many square miles of which were once teeming business districts and extensive residence areas, are now hideous ruins and seemingly endless jungles of weeds and rubble.

MASSES STUPIFIED BY WAR DEVASTATION

The masses of people appear stupefied by this devastation and defeat which has befallen upon them, although some leaders obviously are attempting the first steps toward reconstruction and rehabilitation. But anything that does seem almost futile in face of the massive job confronting them.

The dominant feeling among the masses appears to be relief that the war has ended before all were killed, but death will stalk the land this winter for lack of food and shelter.

With her cities, factories, navy, and airforce mostly gone, Japan's only weapon at the finish consisted of a big, formidable army which was prepared to fight American landings to the death—Okinawa style. But this is the very army which now is laying down its arms in droves.

Latest figures show now that 73 per cent are demobilized. MacArthur told me how 150,000 American troops went ashore without loss of a single life. The American armed total will soon exceed the Japanese, after which landings will be continued until 500,000 Americans are on Nipponese soil.

EMPEROR HELPED BLOODLESS DISARMAMENT

MacArthur said this bloodless occupation was impossible without retention of the emperor for surrender purposes and he declared that maintenance of the emperor during the disarmament proceedings had resulted in an "untold saving of American lives, money, and time."

During the interview MacArthur vigorously batted down various reports regarding the occupation, such as that the Japanese were hiding arms, that Japanese soldiers were sneaking into the gendarmerie, that the Japanese fail to realize they are thoroughly licked, or that the Americans have not yet come into actual possession of surrendered Japanese arms and munitions.

He revealed that the Japanese military and secret police were being abolished, that no permanent Japanese army for policing purposes will be maintained, that nothing will be done regarding the employment of 3,000,000 Japanese soldiers who must exist or die as members of a civilian population which is already without houses, underfed, and heavily unemployed.

MacArthur pointed out that the Japanese diet was permitted to meet briefly only to transmit capitulation instructions to the populace.

POTSDAM DECLARATION BEING ENFORCED

MacArthur greeted me with a smiling but penetrating gaze. We got down to business at once.

My first question: "In the occupation of Japan are the terms of the Potsdam declaration being enforced to the letter?"

"Absolutely, yes."

"There seems to be an impression in the United States that you are going to tolerate the existence of a standing army of Japanese who will do most of the policing of Japan," I said. "Would you care to comment on this?"

This query evoked an emphatic reply.

"There is no fabric of truth in this statement," MacArthur said. "The Japanese army is being completely demobilized by Oct. 15 and absolutely abolished."

He replied decisively, "All of it will be destroyed except minor specimens which may be retained for scientific or museum purposes."

Asked how long the occupation of Japan would be continued, MacArthur answered, "I am sure it will take many years to fulfill the terms of the surrender."

Asked if he had any authenticated reports of concealment of weapons by Japanese soldiers or civilians, MacArthur said, "None. I have no doubt that in the beginning in small isolated cases individuals have attempted to conceal arms, but it would be impossible in any degree."

There have been many reports regarding the numerical strength of the American army at present in Japan and the future maximum which will be required for the occupation, so asked MacArthur for a statement on this.

150,000 TROOPS NOW IN OCCUPATION

"At the present time there are approximately 150,000 troops in Japan," he said. "The maximum figure will reach approximately 500,000."

He said it was not planned to use American troops for any construction of housing for the Japanese and that there is no plan for importing food, clothing, or supplies for the use of the Japanese population this winter.

"Will the demobilized Japanese army in Japan be put to work under the supervision of American authorities?" I asked.

MacArthur: "His retention during the surrender and demobilizing steps is serving its full purpose. An untold saving in American lives, money, and time has resulted."

U. S. Casualties 1,071,266

Washington, Sept. 21—(U.P.)—U. S. combat casualties of World War II were counted at 1,071,266 today, an increase of 536 over the computation of a week ago.

The total included 259,637 killed, 651,934 wounded, 35,328 missing and 124,367 prisoners.

	Army	Navy	Total
Killed	205,569	54,068	259,637
Wounded	571,698	80,236	651,934
Missing	24,131	11,197	35,328
Prisoners	120,988	3,379	124,367
Total	922,386	148,880	1,071,266

Of the army wounded, 360,878 have returned to duty. Of the prisoners 98,378 have been liberated.

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REFINERY STRIKE CUTS PRODUCTION AT STEEL PLANT

Over 200,000 Workers Now Idle Over Nation — New Trouble Flares in Detroit.

By United Press

Dwindling oil supplies from the strike-hit Calumet River basin refinery center in northwestern Indiana forced the gigantic Carnegie-Illinois steel plant in Gary, Ind., to curtail production today.

More than 20,000 refinery and pipeline workers had left their jobs in six states to enforce the Oil Workers International union (CIO) demand for a 30 per cent hourly pay increase. The OIU served notice it was ready to fight to the finish to obtain the same pay for working a peacetime 40-hour week that the workers had received in working a wartime 48 hours with time and one-half for the extra eight hours.

More than 200,000 workers were idled by strikes throughout the nation.

In Detroit, more trouble flared when 800 CIO automobile workers closed Chrysler Corp.'s Dodge truck plant in a new dispute. Company officials said the strike had developed from the temporary lay-off of 2,200 employees as result of lack of truck parts from strike-bound plants.

Some 85,000 men were idled by labor disputes in Detroit, where a corps of seven labor department conciliators were at work in an effort to iron out the trouble. Hearings were ordered immediately in the strike of 4,500 Kelsey-Hayes Wheel Co. workers that had forced the lay-off of 50,000 Ford Motor Co. employees.

TWO PARK GATES CLOSED BY SNOW

Snow which fell in Crater Lake National park last night and this morning drifted in the north and east entrances, forcing closure of these and erection of barriers according to a telephone call from park headquarters this morning. From four to six inches had fallen, park officials reported, and light snow was still falling shortly before noon.

South and west entrances are still open, the report said, and it was thought that travel from these points to the lake rim by way of Annie Springs would still be possible tomorrow and Sunday.

Staff members will move the end of next week from park headquarters to the Medford office and the park will then be closed it was stated.

Weather Bureau Employees Leave

Charles Wright and family, who have resided at 526 West 10th street since coming to the city in February, left Medford this week for Seattle. Mr. Wright resigned from his position as weather observer with the local bureau and plans to enter business in Washington.

Also leaving the weather bureau this week was Saul Malmark, who received a permanent transfer to Spokane, Wash. Malmark has served as an observer with the local station since Nov. 1944.

Black Marketing Charges on File

Washington, Sept. 21—(U.P.)—The justice department today charged 12 companies and 23 individuals with meat and poultry black market operations in six cities.

It said that criminal information or complaints involving a total of several hundred thousand dollars in over-charges have been filed in New York, Brooklyn, Chicago, Los Angeles, Wilmington, Del., and Montgomery, Ala.

Baby in Woodbox Answer to Prayer Of Childless Wife

Seattle, Sept. 21—(U.P.)—Mrs. Fred Kuhn, of Renton, Wash., found the answer to her prayers last night when she returned home and discovered a tiny baby tucked safely in a woodbox on her back porch.

The wife of a jitney driver at a local car and foundry company, who said she could never have a child of her own, had made several adoption offers and today she received a very tangible reply.

The infant girl was dressed in a diaper, nightie and pink sweater and carefully wrapped with a blue blanket. Attached to the blanket was a note giving the baby's date of birth and formula.

"I read your story in a local paper," the note read, "and I know you will see that the baby has a good home."

PICTURE WORK AT DIAMOND LAKE HALTED BY SNOW

Snow at Diamond Lake has rendered filming by Universal Pictures impossible for Saturday, according to word received by the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce. A request has been issued by Universal officials for local people scheduled to appear in "Canyon Passage" to stand by until weather clears. It is hoped that production may be resumed Sunday but that will depend upon weather conditions.

If extras are needed Sunday word will be rushed to the local chamber and those who have signed to take part in the picture may secure last-minute word Saturday. Everything is ready for immediate camera work when the sky clears, according to Henry Spitz, in charge of Universal Pictures operations at Diamond Lake.

More than 80 people were interviewed by Spitz at the chamber's office Thursday and this community will be well represented in the cabin raising sequence of the widely heralded technicolor picture of southern Oregon and Jacksonville.

Brian Donley, one of the stars of the picture, arrived in Medford this afternoon from Hollywood after a brief trip to the motion picture capital.

FIVE CREMATED IN RANCH HOME

Reedsport, Ore., Sept. 21—(U.P.)—Mrs. Martha Doyle and her four children, ranging from one to five years, were burned to death early today when their farm house was leveled by fire.

The woman and children were trapped when the stairway burned and they could not get down from the second story. Mrs. Doyle's mother, asleep on the first floor, managed to escape from the house as Mrs. Doyle's sister and small child leaped from a first floor window to safety.

from the house and Mrs. Doyle's in the army overseas. The farm is located seven miles from Reedsport on the Smith river.

Would Eliminate Year Enlistment

Washington, Sept. 21—(U.P.)—The senate military affairs committee today endorsed a house-approved bill to encourage voluntary army enlistments but eliminated one-year enlistments for men already in service.

As amended by the senate committee, the bill would provide that those already in service may re-enlist for 18 months. Others would be offered a choice of a two-year or three-year enlistment.

SUGAR KING DIES

Ogden, Utah, Sept. 21—(U.P.)—Funeral services will be conducted tomorrow for Joseph Merrill Eccles, sugar, mining and lumber executive, who died yesterday of a cerebral hemorrhage. Bishop David S. Romney of the Latter Day Saints (Mormon) church will conduct the services.

KAISER TO BUILD LOW COST AUTOS AT WILLOW RUN

Huge Bomber Plant Leased For Five Years; \$10 Stock Will Be Offered Public.

New York, Sept. 21—(U.P.)—The Kaiser-Frazier corporation announced today it has leased the \$100,000,000 Willow Run bomber plant for five years for the manufacture of a new low-cost automobile called the Kaiser.

Frazier said that the designs for the Frazer car to be produced by Graham-Paige "have been frozen" while the designs for the Kaiser car, to be produced by the new corporation, are being developed.

Full Sixed Cars Both cars will be full-sized, six passenger automobiles with the Kaiser selling in the low-priced field and the Frazer in the medium-priced field, the announcement said.

The announcement indicated that under the company's operations plan, the new corporation will begin manufacture with capital and surplus of approximately \$20,000,000 and a veteran automobile management, engineering, production and sales staff.

An underwriting syndicate, headed by Otis & Co., Cleveland, and including the First California Co., San Francisco, and Allen & Co., New York, had agreed to underwrite an offering to the public of 1,700,000 shares of Common Stock at \$10 a share, the announcement said. Kaiser and Graham-Paige Motors Corporation each have purchased 250,000 shares at the \$10 price, representing an investment of \$5,000,000 in the new company.

ATTENTION CALLED TO OREGON LAWS IN C. P. ELECTION

Central Point, Sept. 21—Attention of Central Point residents has been called to Oregon voting laws in connection with the special bond election set for Saturday, Sept. 22, when voters will act on two propositions concerning the city water system.

According to a statement by City Attorney Skyrman, any resident of the city of Central Point who is a citizen of the United States and who has lived in the city for at least 30 days prior to the election and who will take an oath that he or she is registered in some precinct within the state may be allowed to vote at a special city election, even if their name does not appear on the poll list as prepared by officials.

Most residents will be eligible under the provision of residence in the city for at least 30 days and registration in a Central Point precinct.

One proposition provides for bonding the city for \$35,000 for mains to connect with the Medford water system and the other for a bond issue of \$80,000 for "repairs, additions, betterments and extensions" to the present Central Point system.

The United States leads in orange production with 41 per cent of the estimated world crop of over 212 million boxes.

SIDE GLANCES BY TRIBUNE REPORTERS

City Supe Frank Rogers playing the part of interested on-looker and giving a lot of heavy directions while a fellow employee hung a plaque on the office wall.

Floyd House calling friends to say goodbye before the (predicted) 7:30 a. m. end of the world.

Don Faber of Central Point explaining that the city's present water supply depended on John Cupp's irrigation.

War His Headache From Now On



Newly nominated Sec. of War Robert Patterson confers with President Harry S. Truman at White House concerning peacetime job of war chief

WOMAN PRISONER POINTS OUT NAZI BRUTES AT TRIAL

Lueneburg, Sept. 21—(U.P.)—A woman victim of a Nazi prison camp stood before a British military tribunal today and pointed out among the 43 Germans standing trial these she charged with responsibility for murdering her entire family.

Mrs. Ada Dimko, a Polish Jew, slowly walked across the tense courtroom and coldly designated the defendants who had shoved her parents, husband, brother, and small son into trucks and taken them to the gas chambers at Oswiecim.

She estimated that 4,000,000 other had died in the same manner at the notorious concentration camp. She said that she too had been bundled into the truck, but for some reason they had allowed her to live.

The 45 prisoners—19 of them women—are charged with committing atrocities both at Belsen and Oswiecim. They stood with flushed faces as Mrs. Dimko spoke.

Mrs. Dimko, the first witness today, said that she and other Jews were rounded up in a Polish town and sent in a single batch to Oswiecim.

RAIN AND SNOW END FOREST FIRE DANGER

All lookouts of the Rogue River National Forest service have been temporarily called in since the general snow and rain which fell over the district last night and this morning, it was stated at the Medford headquarters office today. Some may be returned later if conditions warrant.

Five inches of snow fell at Lake o' Woods, the service reports, but only rain fell in the Union Creek district.

Areas of the forest closed to travel because of fire conditions are now open, the service states, but campfire permits are still required.

Sacramento, Sept. 21—(U.P.)—The department of agriculture has been enjoined from enforcing a law preventing the sale of cream from other than grade A milk, pending an Oct. 1 hearing. Director A. A. Brock announced today.

Pasadena, Cal., Sept. 21—(U.P.)—The deadline for the world's end passed at 7:33 today without comment from its forecaster, the Rev. Charles G. Long.

His son, Frank, appeared at the door at 7:34.

"The world hasn't ended," he said to reporters and photographers. He invited them to stay until 5:33 p. m., then went back into the house.

Earlier Rev. Long had said the earth might not explode into vapor at exactly 7:33 a. m., but might linger on for another nine days.

The founder and leader of the Remnant Church of God said the Lord told him that he might keep that cosmic bomb behind the pearls gates and not drop it on the world at all "if the peoples repent of their wrongs."

FORD'S GRANDSON MADE PRESIDENT OF AUTO CONCERN

Detroit, Sept. 21—(U.P.)—Henry Ford II, today succeeded his grandfather as president of the Ford Motor Company and head of one of the world's greatest private fortunes.

Henry Ford, the 82-year-old founder of the sprawling automotive empire, and vast other holdings, resigned the presidency for the second time. He turned over the presidency to his son, Edsel, in 1918, but returned to the helm in June, 1943, shortly after Edsel's death.

Facing New Era

The elder Ford increasingly had withdrawn from responsibilities of management in the last year after piloting the company through most of its war production. His grandson and namesake became executive vice president on April 28, 1944.

In retiring at last from direction of the business, the genius of the Model T left the automobile industry he helped pioneer as it was entering a new era of unmatched production and engineering advances.

"I feel free to take this step at this time," Ford's letter of resignation said, "because the critical period during which I again assumed office has passed."

Ford Motor Company was founded in 1903, after Ford had built his first automobile in 1893.

Fire Razes Home Near Jacksonville

Fire today destroyed the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. M. von Stein on the Old Sterling Road near Jacksonville about 3 a. m. today. Neither Mr. or Mrs. von Stein or their two sons were home at the time the men of the family all being on duty for the Rogue River National Forest service while Mrs. von Stein had left to spend the night with friends.

Mr. von Stein stated this morning that he expected to drive down from Star Ranger station to visit the scene. Loss is covered partly by insurance, he said. The family had resided on the property, known as the Moulton place, for the past four years.

Rev. Long was feeling pretty vexed too, because he just remembered that in that vision back in 1938 a moving hand neglected to tell him whether an ancient or modern calendar was to be used in figuring out the beginning of all eternity.

Long had worked out his date with doom on a modern latest model calendar and, as he gloomily pointed out, if the Lord meant for him to use the old biblical calendar his present calculations were bound to be way off base.

Last night, after a week of prayers and 24 hours of fasting, Long, his 32-year-old son Richard, and their 50 followers turned the lights and went to bed just as on any other night. Most of the 50 were back at Long's house this morning.

GENERAL DOIHARA MAY FACE TRIAL AS WAR CRIMINAL

News Writers Must Stick to Truth; False Criticism of Allies Also Forbidden.

Tokyo, Sept. 21—(U.P.)—Gen. Douglas MacArthur today ordered the immediate arrest of Gen. Kenji Doihara, commander of the Japanese first general army, and imposed 10 rigid restrictions on the Japanese press.

The arrest order went out only 48 hours after Doihara was named to succeed Field Marshal Gen. Sugiyama, who committed suicide Sept. 12. U. S. army authorities were understood to be considering war criminal charges against Doihara on the basis of his record as a commander in China.

As commander of the first Japanese general army, Doihara's principal task was to supervise the disarming and demobilization of more than 1,000,000 Japanese troops in central Japan. He also retained command of Japanese eastern army district headquarters.

Ten Commandments MacArthur said his 10 commandments for Japanese newspapers and other publications were designed to educate them in the meaning of a free press. The restrictions applied to news, editorials and advertisements.

They were:

1. Newspapers must adhere strictly to the truth.
2. Nothing shall be printed which might directly or indirectly disturb public tranquility.
3. No newspaper or other periodical shall falsely or destructively criticize the allied powers.
4. They shall not invite mistrust or resentment against allied occupation troops.
5. They shall not mention or discuss allied troop movements unless these have been officially released.
6. Stories must be factually written, completely devoid of any editorial opinion.
7. Stories shall not be colored to conform to any editorial line.
8. Minor details of a news story must not be over-emphasized to stress or develop any propaganda line.
9. No story shall be disturbed through omission of pertinent facts or details.
10. The makeup of a newspaper shall not give prominence to any story for the purposes of establishing or developing any propaganda line.

MacArthur formulated his code after suspending the Japanese Domei Agency and two Tokyo newspapers for varied lengths of time for coloring news and publishing items which he said tended to disturb public tranquility.

The order for Doihara's arrest followed by two days his first call on Lt. Gen. Robert L. Eichelberger, commander of the American eighth army and the man to whom he was to report on the progress of demobilization of Japanese forces.

At that time, Doihara pledged his every effort to facilitate the American occupation. Eichelberger said later that Doihara appeared "courteous and cooperative."

Doihara 61, successively commanded the Japanese army force, was inspector-general of military education and a supreme war councilor during the Pacific war before he was given his present commands.

Two other accused war criminals, both of them already on MacArthur's list of those wanted for trial, were taken in custody by the eighth army today.

They were Lily Abegg, a Swiss German propaganda broadcaster on the Tokyo radio, and John Holland, an Australian radio announcer who broadcast Japanese propaganda from Shanghai. Holland was apprehended on Hokkaido island, northern Japan.

Survey of food retailers disclosed that women shoppers who pinch various items of produce while shopping spoil enough in one year to supply 143 divisions of troops for a week.