

HURRICANE LASHES TEXAS COAST

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS
AS these words are written, the atomic bomb story has just broken in London. The dense cloud of smoke and dust hasn't yet risen from the Jap test city. The terse ultimatum to QUIT OR ELSE has just been delivered.

Its importance is indicated by the way the papers here play it. There are double headlines clear across the front pages (all of three-quarters of an inch high) with black sub-heads. The complete story is printed in readable large type, which fills a lot of space.

The British papers are never given to big headlines, and just now the acute paper scarcity—which makes whatever scarcities we THINK we are suffering from in the States look like riotous abundance—forbids any waste whatever. But this is an exception. The publishers have obviously said: "This is NEWS! What the heck! Let's shoot the works."

REACTIONS are mixed, exactly as they would be in America. One hears over and over the comment: "Well, if such a thing has to be tried out there, no place like Japan to try it." The British think no more of the Japs than we do.

People go on into abstract speculation. Will this make war so horrible that no one—no Napoleon, no Hitler, no Jap warlord—will ever again be able to touch off the fuse that sets off the powder keg of war? Or will it mean that, using this new and terrible force, we'll go on and DESTROY the world? Will we have sense enough to quit, or will we be like the Jap and just go on and die in the last hole?

What will it do to petroleum, the struggle for which is agitating the chancelleries of all the foreign offices? Won't it be grand when, with a little capsule of this stuff in your vest pocket, you can climb your clothes, climb in your car and start off for as far as the roads lead? And what will it do to COAL?

And so on.

THE GI's reactions are far less complex. He says simply and with feeling in his voice: "Now maybe we can get home!"

THE reference to coal is significant over on this side of the water. Whatever the Turk may have been in the past, he is now by comparison in the pink and full of pep. COAL is today the Sick Man of Europe. Everywhere the need for it is paramount; everywhere its production is down—menacingly down. Everywhere in Europe the outlook for the future hinges on this question: What about coal?

It is getting on into August, and in northern Europe the weather will soon begin to get chilly. (Except occasionally, an American could use a little heat nearly every morning, even now.) The chilliness of fall will be followed by the damp, bone-penetrating cold of winter. Where is the coal to come from? (Continued on Page Four)

Weekend Rains Bring Blazes Under Control

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 27 (AP)—Forest fires in the north-west smoldered today after a two-inch rainfall over the weekend brought most of them under control.

Oregon's big Tillamook blaze was quiet on all sectors except a few spots near the northern-most fork of the Trask river near Foss. Firefighters reported flames had slowed.

National foresters at Bend said the fire in the Deschutes national forest have been checked on its eastern edge and heavy timber stands near the Skyline country were safe. The lightning-set blaze had covered about 6000 acres in the high Cascades between Mt. Jefferson and Three Fingers Jack.

Oregon Forester Nels S. Rogers said 800 men still are battling the Wilson river fire, but boundaries have remained the same for several days.

Allied Prisoners In Jap Camps To Be Evacuated

MANILA, Aug. 27 (AP)—Allied headquarters announced tonight that rapid evacuation of thousands of American and allied prisoners of war will begin "almost simultaneously" with the entry of General MacArthur's occupation forces into Japan.

Messages Received
The American Red Cross reported tonight that 5000 messages from relatives in the United States were received today by special transport, addressed to prisoners of war soon to be released and brought to the Manila area.

Most of the communications include pictures of wives, mothers and children, and will be distributed promptly. They will

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TRUMAN URGES MILITARY DRAFT CONTINUANCE

President Cautions Against Early Let-Down

WASHINGTON, Aug. 27 (AP)—President Truman urged congress today to continue induction into the armed forces of men from 18 to 25 years, cautioning that the Far East situation still involves "many elements of danger."

Cautions Congress
At the same time he cautioned congress against premature attempts to declare the war emergency at an end, asserting: "Fragile conditions would result if we were to allow the period of military service to expire by operation of law while a substantial portion of our forces have not yet been returned from overseas. I am confident that the congress will take no action which would place the armed forces in such a position."

Cites Case
Asserting he could not recommend abandonment of the selective service inductions, the president declared: "The situation in the Pacific continues to have many elements of danger, and war-torn and disorganized Europe is facing a difficult winter season with scarcities of food, fuel and clothing."

"Our occupation forces in these areas must be held at safe levels, determined largely by General MacArthur and General Eisenhower who are on the ground and familiar with the situation. We cannot stop the certain in-flow of replacements into the armed forces, without necessitating prolonged service of veteran soldiers."

Ceiling Raise
The president asked legislation raising the existing ceiling of 200,000 on the number of regular army enlistments which can be accepted and the elimination of any other legal impediments to the maximum procurement of volunteers.

NANKING, CANTON TAKEN BY CHINESE

CHUNGKING, Aug. 27 (AP)—The two great Japanese-held metropolitan centers of Nanking and Canton were reported in Chinese hands today as Chinese government and military officials prepared to complete Japan's formal surrender in China.

A Chinese army correspondent said Chinese troops first entered Nanking, former seat of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's government and planned site of the surrender signing, on Saturday and found most buildings there in good condition.

Puppets Ousted
This writer stated there was some disorder at first but occupation troops soon returned the situation to normal. All puppet organizations were dissolved, he reported, and government newspapers started publication.

Meanwhile, the 159 Chinese officials who had been waiting here for the liberation of Nanking to start surrender proceedings were said to have left by plane for Nanking. Formal surrender ceremonies are scheduled to take place in the pre-war Chinese capital on September 3.

Lakeview Mill Razed By Fire

LAKEVIEW, Aug. 27 — A weekend fire destroyed the American Box company's mill here, doing damage of many thousands of dollars and temporarily, at least, removing a major unit from lumber production in this community.

The mill, formerly the Underwood plant, caught fire Friday night under the greenchain. The blaze spread with explosive speed, and the mill was an entire loss. The box factory, moulding plant, and lumber in the yards were saved.

It was the largest mill in Lakeview. Whether it will be rebuilt has not been announced.

Japs In Full Surrender At Mili Atoll



In what is believed to be the first formal surrender of the Japanese, Capt. Masanori Shiga signs unconditional surrender document aboard the USS Levy anchored in Mili lagoon August 22. The Marshalls Islands atoll was the first garrison and base ever to be surrendered unconditionally in Jap history. Left to right, starting with Shiga (signing, second from left): Lt. E. R. Harris, New York City, psychological warfare officer; Lt. Col. C. V. Burnett, USMC, Detroit, and Capt. H. B. Grow, Greenville, Mich., who accepted the surrender of Mili on behalf of the commander of the Pacific ocean areas. (AP wirephoto from U. S. navy via radio from Guam).

FORESTERS FIGHT WEEKEND BLAZES

Foresters battled two forest fires in this area over the weekend, but both were under control Monday.

A blaze which started near a logging railroad 10 miles south of Canby, Calif., Friday afternoon and which had spread to nearly 1000 acres by that night was being patrolled today after shifts of 350 men had fought the blaze.

High winds quickly spread the fire which was in a timbered area, most of it cut over. Crews included 50 soldiers from Camp Tulelake, the Ralph Smith Lumber company of Canby, the Goose Lake Lumber company at Alturas, the Loveness Logging company, 90 men from the Klamath forest and 45 from the Modoc forest. Forest officers from Sierra, Sequoia, Klamath, Trinity and Lassen counties were called in.

There have been about eight or ten other fires in logging operations during the last three weeks in the Modoc forest.

A fire in a dense stand of lodge pole pine near Lenz, on the Klamath Indian reservation, covered about 100 acres before being brought under control today by forest crews. The blaze started near the Southern Pacific railroad about 4 o'clock Sunday afternoon.

Indian reservation crews were called Monday afternoon to a small mahogany brush fire near Sand creek, but it was not believed serious.

Work Stopped On Local Water Main

Construction was ordered stopped last weekend on a 12-inch water main extension out Washburn way to the Klamath naval air station.

The navy notified California Oregon Power company, the contractor, that the job was cancelled, presumably due to the end of the war. P. S. Lord, sub-contractor, had put in about a mile at the time the whole job came to a standstill. What will be done further is undetermined.

The line was ordered particularly to provide additional fire protection for the navy's big investment at the air station, which receives water from the city system through other sources.

4-H Queens Minta King And Gailya Eichendorf Win The Herald And News Awards

By JOY BIGGS
Minta King was named "queen" of victory gardens at the 4-H show Saturday, and was offered a job in the greenhouses at Oregon State college by A. G. B. Bouquet, professor at OSC, when and if she attends college. Gailya Eichendorf was selected as canning queen. Each girl was presented with a \$25 victory bond, Herald and News award, by Malcolm Epley, managing editor for the newspaper, who invited the girls to be guests of the paper at the Kl-

Heart Ailment Proves Fatal To Franz Werfel

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif., Aug. 27 (AP)—Franz Werfel, refugee author of some 35 books including "The Song of Bernadette," moving novel that became an Academy award motion picture, died at home last night of a heart ailment. He was 54.

His wife Alma, Composer Gustav Mahler's widow, with whom the poet-novelist's playwright-essayist fled to this country before the Nazi terror in 1940, found Werfel slumped to the floor in front of his desk.

30-Year Peace Forecast As Russia-China Sign Treaty

CHUNGKING, Aug. 27 (AP)—Russia and China were bound today in a 30-year friendship treaty which is designed to block for that period any possible Japanese aggression in Asia and which apparently paves the way for a peaceful settlement of Chungking-Chinese communist differences.

The agreement was signed formally in Moscow on August 14 after negotiations conducted by Chinese Prime Minister T. V. Soong and Soviet Foreign Affairs Commissar V. M. Molotov. Premier Stalin witnessed the signing.

The treaty ends a long under-

Man Suffers Brain Concussion When Struck By Auto

Thomas Duke, 34, Duke apartments, E. Main and Applegate, is in Klamath Valley hospital today with a brain concussion as the result of an accident at 3 a. m. Sunday.

Duke was riding a bicycle on Main in front of the Metropolitan hotel reservation at the head of a car driven by Harold M. Harris, 3618 Cannon, according to city police. Duke was taken to the hospital by police where his condition was reported good today.

Harris was arrested and posted \$100 bail on a reckless driving charge. Officers are investigating the case further.

Klamath Indian Nabbed For Theft

Virgil Jackson, 19, Klamath Indian, was arrested Sunday afternoon on the Klamath Indian reservation at the Leo Hixson ranch near Beatty by state police and special officers from the Indian service for the theft of four saddles, harnesses, and several collars.

He is lodged in the Klamath county jail. Jackson is also an army deserter, state police said, as he went AWOL from an army camp last January. He is being held for either federal or army authorities.

Most of the stolen property has been recovered and is in the possession of Willis Pankey, special officer of the Indian service. Jackson is to lead law enforcement officers today to where the remainder of the stolen property is cached.

Residents Feel Bay Area Quake

BERKELEY, Calif., Aug. 27 (AP)—An earthquake, described by the University of California seismologist as "sharp but not large," awakened many residents of the bay area at 2:13.19 a. m. PWT, today.

Prof. Perry Byerly estimated the quake centered 40 miles in a southeasterly direction from Berkeley. It lasted nine minutes on the seismograph record and was barely perceptible at the end.

Weather News

August 27, 1945
Max. (Aug. 28) 72 Min. 52
Precipitation last 24 hours .00
Stream year to date 13.28
Normal 12.37 Last year 10.62
Forecast: Clear Tuesday.

MINESWEEPERS CLEAR CHANNEL INTO TOKYO BAY

Yank Occupation To Extend Into Continent

By Associated Press
American minesweepers began clearing a path to Tokyo today while other units of 111 allied warships spearheaded occupation forces dropped anchor within 25 miles of the shattered and contused Nipponese capital.

General MacArthur, preparing to move toward Japan, disclosed that American occupation would be extended to the Asiatic continent and named Lt. Gen. Robert L. Eichelberger's eighth army, veterans of the Philippines, as among occupation forces in the Tokyo area.

Occupation Plans
The 24th corps, victors in the Philippines and on Okinawa, will take over southern Korea. Other tenth army units will occupy the Ryukyu islands immediately south of Japan.

In the ever-extending occupations a ready underway, China-based U. S. air forces were reported landing in the Shanghai area; Chinese took over more mainland strongholds; soviet troops moved into three more Kurile islands immediately north of Nippon.

British Governors
Liberating forces brought the British governors of Singapore, Hong Kong and North Borneo into Free China.

Leading the entire occupation parade, Admiral Halsey brought powerful units of his third fleet and attached British units into Sagami bay today, 24 hours ahead of MacArthur's schedule.

Advance Guard
Battleships and other major units of his advance guard calmly anchored at the head of the bay while minesweepers started clearing out an estimated

Queen And Court

Wearer of the queen's crown at the Lakeview Round-Up scheduled for September 1, 2, and 3, will be Eva Marie Meaker who was chosen queen over five other candidates. Assisting her will be Princess Nola May Harvey and Princess Betty Pardue. The contest closed August 25 when final votes were counted at the last of the Saturday night dances.

Ickes Declares 40-Hour Week

WASHINGTON, Aug. 27 (AP)—Secretary Ickes today ordered a return to the 40-hour work week for the interior department's 44,453 employees.

The department recently has been on a 44-hour basis and during most of the war worked a 48-hour week.

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135 MPH WINDS INFLICT HEAVY DAMAGE TOLL

Devastated Villages Left As Storm Moves Inland

HOUSTON, Tex., Aug. 27 (AP)—A radio patrol car at Port Lavaca in the Matagorda bay area lashed by a tremendous gulf hurricane, reported to the patrol's Houston office at 3 p. m. (EWT) today that every house in town was demolished or damaged.

Mounting Toll
Reports from other cities and villages in the same area told of a mounting toll of damage as the slowly moving storm scoured its way northeastward along the curving Texas coast, hurling winds as high as 135 miles an hour.

Col. Homer Garrison, director of the state department of public safety, said he had made preparations to rush men into the devastated areas as soon as possible to police against looting and vandalism.

Worse Than '42
The patrolman at Port Lavaca quoted the sheriff there as authority for his statement. He quoted the sheriff as saying the storm was worse than a hurricane which blasted the same area in 1942.

Other state highway patrol reports told of water three feet deep in the streets of Port Lavaca shortly before 2 p. m.

In the path of the storm's present course was the heavily populated Houston industrial sector.

The weather bureau's latest advisory placed the storm center 20 miles south of Palacios, which is on Matagorda bay across from Port O'Connor.

REDS SNATCH JAP ISLANDS IN KURILES

LONDON, Aug. 27 (AP)—The red flag of soviet Russia waved over three more islands in the Kuriles west of the Aleutians today as Generalissimo Stalin's forces speeded their occupation of Japanese territory and the disarming of enemy troops.

The latest Russian strides were announced last night in Moscow's 18th communique of the Pacific war, which also disclosed that soviet forces, expanding their hold on the southern half of Sakhalin island, had occupied the port of Rurik.

400,000 Prisoners
The bulletin disclosed that approximately 25,000 more Japanese troops—including six generals—had been rounded up, bringing to 40,000 the total taken prisoners in the past eight years.

The Kurile islands occupied by (Continued on Page Two)

Strikers Vote To Stay Off Job

Reports of a back-to-work movement to the contrary, the CIO International Woodworkers union at a meeting yesterday voted to stay on strike "until the issues are settled."

A representative of The Herald and News was denied admission to the Sunday meeting, and after the meeting was handed a statement by the union press committee which read: "At a meeting that packed the union hall, the membership of local 6-12 IWA voted overwhelmingly to continue the strike until the issues were settled."

The committee said there was no secret written ballot on the question. It had been previously reported that an attempt would be made at the meeting to obtain a vote in this manner.

Tokyo Tames 'The Tiger'; Yamashita Sues For Peace

MANILA, Aug. 27 (AP)—General Tomoyuki Yamashita, "The Tiger," commander of Japanese forces in the Philippines, opened surrender negotiations with the U. S. army today from his mountain hideout in northern Luzon.

In a letter delivered to an army outpost near Kianggan, Yamashita said he had received instructions from Tokyo to surrender and that he had ordered his surviving troops to stop fighting.

The tamed tiger said he believed negotiations could be entered into immediately, although he was still awaiting further instructions from Tokyo.

The letter was addressed to Maj. Gen. W. H. Gill, commander of the 32nd division. It was brought in by a Japanese patrol contacting a American lines through directions conveyed by the

Gill in a letter sent through the mountain lines.

The Nipponese patrol carried a radio for further communications.

Finals
The fantastic finale to the long quest for the conqueror of Malaya and Corregidor resulted directly from Yamashita's action in releasing an American fighter pilot unharmed. He was Capt. Dan Shaw of Poteau, Okla., who returned with a letter from Japanese mountain headquarters praising him for refusal to disclose information during 11 days he was held captive.