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### Weather News

Sept. 15, 1945  
Max. (Sept. 14) 81 Min. 42  
Precipitation last 24 hours .00  
Stream year to date 13.30  
Normal 12.55 Last year 10.82  
Forecast: Partly cloudy, cooler.

### In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

GERMANY—In the preceding article in this series, some of the shortcomings of military government in the American zone of occupation were dealt with. While we are on that subject, we might as well go through with it.

You hear much criticism of AMG from people who strike you as knowing what they are talking about. Especially from people who speak German fluently and know something about German character.

ONE reason why military government often falls short of what it might otherwise accomplish is the well known unwillingness of subordinates to go beyond "channels" and do things that are obviously sound for fear they will get into trouble with a superior. One common way of putting it is: "The captain doesn't propose to stick out his neck and give the major a chance to jump on it."

LET us cite an example. In a small German resort town that is suffering from an excess of refugee population from a nearby industrial city, a group of Germans of proved non-Nazi type got together to see what could be done in the way of getting some houses built. They found a couple of architects (unemployed, like everybody else) and worked out a design for two rooms and a kitchen, so built as to be added to later if desired, at a cost of around 5000 marks—which is only \$500 in pegged invasion marks, but represents some 1500 dollars in actual German buying power at the present moment.

When they got their plans worked out to their satisfaction, they put up a notice on a bulletin board (that being the approved German method of getting information around, even in peace time, and especially so now with newspapers running) and in a little while they had a million marks subscribed by people who wanted such a house and had a little money.

(Always in disturbed and uncertain times, people hide their money out or carry it around on their persons, and Germans in this period of chaos seem to be no exception to this general rule of economics.)

IT certainly looks like a perfectly sound idea, with no war-like possibilities involved. It was especially sound in the Germany of the present moment, where vast numbers of people in every city are idle and where housing is acutely scarce (without having seen these smashed and ruined cities, you can't begin to get an idea of how scarce houses are.) Nothing is truer than the proverb that Satan will find work for idle hands to do—and there are certainly plenty of idle hands here.

Building these houses would have provided quite a little employment now and would have kept out a lot of cold and dampness this winter, when the real pinch will come. But the local unit of military government refused to OK the plan and it was dropped.

One can't help suspecting that the officer on the job simply refused to stick out his neck in a case not covered by the regulations and declined to pass it on up with a recommendation, on the theory that he would thus be handing up a hot poker which wouldn't make him any too popular with his superior.

This case is cited not as a scandal but merely as an instance of how purely military government works. This writer talked recently with an extremely intelligent and well informed Englishman who offered precisely the same complaint as to the working of military government in the British occupation zone.

OVER here nothing is easier than to see something or hear something and draw WRONG conclusions from it. In a previous article in this series mention was made of the obvious lushness of the western German's purely agricultural districts. A hasty look at these fertile, well-tended, unmarred fields and gardens and orchards and vineyards, with people hard at work in them, leads inevitably to the snap-shot judgment that Germany has plenty of food and that all this talk of impending starvation is a wash. But wider observation, coupled with a little intelligent study of the whole situation, changes the picture considerably.

This writer's method has been to question all the best-informed authorities he can gain access to, listen to all they have to say and then go out and TALK TO THE GIs. If the GI consensus agrees with the conclusions of the ex-

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### ALLIED LABEL FOR JAPAN IS 'NOT AN EQUAL'

No Place Yet For Her Among Civilized Nations

By The Associated Press  
American headquarters told Japan today she is "not an equal in any way"; and Lt. Gen. Masaharu Homma, allegedly responsible for the death march from Bataan, surrendered for allied questioning along with three other prominent Japanese.

They were Lt. Gen. Shigenori Kuroda, Homma's successor in the Philippines—who remarked "We lost the war—there must have been some mistake"; Col. Kingoro Hashimoto, reportedly responsible for the pre-war attack on the USS Panay in the Yangtze river; and Yoshitaka Ueda, all three also on MacArthur's "wanted" list.

Puppets Taken  
Three members of the Philippines puppet government also were in custody today. Arrested at the resort city of Para, 20 miles from Osaka, and jailed here were Puppets President Jose P. Laurel; his son, Jose P. Laurel, Jr., commander of the presidential guard and aide de camp of his father; and Benigna S. Aquino, president of the puppet national assembly.

General MacArthur's chief, general of the Japanese press told Kuroda that the Japanese news industry is a "defeated enemy which has not yet demonstrated a right to a place among civilized nations."

Domel Laid Off  
Col. Donald Hoover made the blunt statement in announcing the laying off for domestic service only of the one-day suspension of the Domel News agency, subsidiary of the Japanese news industry.

### NO DATE SLATED FOR HEUVEL TRIAL

A trial date was scheduled to be set today in the case of the State of Oregon vs. Earl Heuvel, but Judge Arlie G. Walker, Yamhill county, who was appointed to hear the case by the chief justice of the state supreme court, was not present here this morning.

Judge Walker has been holding a court term in Dallas, Ore., and was apparently unable to be here today.

September 15 was agreed as the day on which a trial date would be set in a stipulation signed by District Attorney Clarence Humble and Defense Attorney Herbert Welch.

Heuvel, former Klamath Falls police chief, and his attorney were present in the courthouse. Humble was to inform the defendant and his attorney today of the order in which he desires to try the four cases.

The ex-chief was indicted by the grand jury of Klamath county on four moral charges and is free on \$21,000 bail.

### Rotary's Junior Livestock Show, Slated For Fairgrounds Sunday And Monday Will Be 'Bigger And Better' Than Ever

The tenth annual Junior Livestock show, barbecue and auction will be back on a bigger and better prewar scale Sunday and Monday at the county fairgrounds, said Henry Semon, club sponsor.

A total of 54 fat calves, 24 sheep and 12 hogs, along with 24 young dairy animals which will not be auctioned, will weigh in Sunday morning.

Judging of all animals, for a long list of prizes and awards, will begin Sunday afternoon, and the public is cordially invited to the fairgrounds for this part of the show, Semon said.

Judges Named  
Harry Lindgren, OSC livestock specialist; L. J. Allen, assistant state club leader, and Harry Seymour, state club leader, will act as judges of the show. Judging will be completed Monday in time for awards to be presented at the barbecue.

The big barbecue, which has been suspended during the war,



Smiling happily, the first five marines to be discharged from the Klamath Falls Marine Barracks in its capacity as a separation center, received their honorable discharges Friday from Col. Charles T. Brooks, commanding officer. Three of the men are residents of Klamath Falls and all of them are overseas veterans having earned at least 85 points. Left to right, they are: PFC James W. Sweek, 2412 Reclamation, Klamath Falls; Sgt. William R. Keeney, Salem, Tech. Sgt. Hubert L. Tutor, Randolph, Miss.; Sgt. John W. Paxton, 801 California, Klamath Falls; Cpl. Robert C. Scott, Box 297, Klamath Falls; and Col. Brooks, (Official Marine Corps Photo).

### AUTO WORKERS WILL ASK STRIKE VOTE

DETROIT, Sept. 15 (AP)—The United Automobile Workers (UAW) announced today the intention to petition for a strike vote in 135 General Motors plants throughout the nation, affecting 325,000 workers.

The decision of the union was revealed by Walter P. Reuther, vice president, at a press conference less than 24 hours after virtually all production in Ford Motor company plants had been halted, idling 50,000 Ford employees, and indirectly affecting 75,000 others.

"We sincerely hope that no strike will be necessary," said Reuther.

### Three Boys Held In Assault Case

Three high school boys, who were charged with assault and battery by the fathers of three other boys after a brawl last Sunday outside a lunch counter at Esplanade and Wall, were committed to the juvenile detention home this morning by Circuit Court Judge David R. Vandenberg pending further order of the court.

Class prejudice at Klamath Union high school was blamed for the unsavory incident after the three lads charged told juvenile officers that "they didn't like '400' kids, who thought they were better than everybody else."

The complaints were signed by the fathers of the three boys who were allegedly assaulted.

One of the boys held has a previous record for assault and one other has come to the attention of the authorities prior to this incident.

### Bataan Death March Orders Denied By Japanese General

By AL DOPKING  
TOKYO, Sept. 15 (AP)—Burly, baggy-suited Lt. Gen. Masaharu Homma denied today that he had ordered the death march of Americans from Bataan, but acknowledged that he was ready "to take full responsibility for any of the acts of my subordinates," and surrendered to Kinawaga prefectural police for allied questioning.

Homma and Lt. Gen. Shigenori Kuroda, who followed him as commander of Japanese forces in the Philippines, reached the rural police station at 3:45 p. m. in a Japanese war department Ford accompanied by Associated Press Correspondents Morris Landsberg and Max Desfor. Kanagawa police are expected to turn the two generals over to American authorities for questioning about war crimes with which their names are linked.

"Some Mistake"  
Kuroda, 58-year-old officer who spent 36 years in the army, said, "We lost the war—there must have been some mistake."

Kuroda said 10,000 American prisoners were held in the Philippines under his command (May, 1943-September, 1944) but he knew of no atrocities.

### OWI Operations Ended Today

WASHINGTON, Sept. 15 (AP)—Operations of the once-vast office of war information ground to a virtual halt today.

While a presidential order puts the agency out of existence, the actually its official business already was at an end. Because of the five-day week, only a handful of employees were at their desks.

The big OWI pressroom, once one of the busiest in Washington, practically was deserted.

Effective at midnight, OWI's overseas branch will be taken over by the state department.

### Civilian Freed From Jap Camp

LANGELL VALLEY—Friends here have received word from Mrs. Wesley Carter of Portland, that her husband, formerly of Bonanza and Langell valley, has been liberated from a Japanese prison camp in Tokyo and will be on his way home soon.

Carter was a member of a civilian construction crew on Wake Island and was taken prisoner when that island fell to the Japs. He left Langell valley in July, 1941, with Lloyd Pepple, who was taken prisoner at the same time. No word has been heard from Pepple since April, 1944.

Mrs. Carter wrote that her husband said that he is in good health and anxious to be home.

### BASEBALL AMERICAN LEAGUE

|                                                                              | R  | H  | E |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----|----|---|
| Cleveland                                                                    | 2  | 9  | 1 |
| Philadelphia                                                                 | 6  | 16 | 0 |
| A. Smith, Salverson (4) and Hayes, Black and Rosar.                          |    |    |   |
| St. Louis                                                                    | 4  | 9  | 0 |
| New York                                                                     | 7  | 10 | 1 |
| Kramer, West (5) Fanning (7) and Hayworth; Page and Robinson.                |    |    |   |
| National                                                                     |    |    |   |
| Complete game of July 20:                                                    |    |    |   |
| Brooklyn                                                                     | 12 | 13 | 2 |
| Chicago                                                                      | 5  | 9  | 1 |
| Buker and Sandlock (5); Starr, Warneke (9) and Erickson (9), Livingston (5). |    |    |   |

### RED TERRITORY PROPOSAL HITS BIG 5 COUNCIL

Desire For Control Of Mediterranean Reported

By FLORA LEWIS  
LONDON, Sept. 15 (AP)—A reliable report that the soviet union has made territorial demands in the Mediterranean area considerably beyond anything the United States and Britain had anticipated was interpreted in diplomatic quarters here today as an indication of Russia's determination to become a Mediterranean power.

The soviet proposals arose, authoritative sources said, during a discussion of Italy's colonies by the big five council of foreign ministers yesterday.

Diplomats speculated that the Russian demand referred to the strategic Dodecanese islands strung across the entrance to the Aegean sea and guarding the approaches to the Dardanelles.

Surprising Move  
The report of the surprising Russian move came shortly before the council issued a communique announcing that all nations which wanted to submit in writing their peace treaty proposals.

The establishment of Russian influence in the Mediterranean would reshuffle power positions in that area, already a source of Anglo-French maneuvering.

Developments already confronting the foreign ministers on Russian Mediterranean aims include:

1—The Russians are demanding increased control of the Dardanelles, which belong to Turkey. It is reported that they are suggesting the internationalization of the straits by powers on the Black sea shores—Russia, Romania, Bulgaria and Turkey.

2—The Russians asked and received full participation in the international administration of Tangier, strategic port at the western gateway to the Mediterranean opposite Gibraltar.

3—The situation in the Russian occupied part of Iran is becoming increasingly difficult. The Iranians have sent notes reminding the Russians, American officials said.

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### Bluejackets Meet Mighty Michigan In Top Grid Tilt

NEW YORK, Sept. 15 (AP)—The football season opens on a nationwide basis today with Michigan meeting Great Lakes in the big game of the day.

Fully 30,000 are expected at Ann Arbor to watch Lt. Paul Brown's inexperienced Bluejackets meet a favored Wolverine eleven which has eight of its lettermen back from last year.

Rochester, with two victories already, plays host to Oberlin in the top eastern tilt.

The southwest features Baylor against the Blackland army air squad in a night contest at Waco, Tex., and the Pacific coast offers the Fresno State-California engagement at San Luis Obispo.

### 600 Acres Burn At Modoc Point

Two grass and brush fires which had joined Saturday morning near Modoc Point had covered approximately 600 acres of land by Saturday afternoon and had started into a stand of timber, according to Klamath Indian Agency reports.

The fires, which had broken out near the highway Friday afternoon, one south of the Lamm residence at Modoc Point and the other north of Barclay springs, had come together and were burning over the hill next to the highway and back into forest lands.

All crews from the Klamath Agency and Klamath Forest Protective association crews were battling the fire. This is the fourth to be started in the last few weeks in the same area, and it is believed that increased auto travel on that route with careless smokers throwing lighted cigarettes from their cars is to blame for the recent outbreaks. The grass at the side of the road is extremely dry at this time of the year.

## CIO Officials Meet With Big Lakes Company

Weyerhaeuser AFL machinists made no attempt this morning to pass through the strong CIO picket line at the plant entrance but there was some indication that work might be resumed soon in two other strike-bound operations.

A CIO official said that there would be no back-to-work movement by any crew until all operators have been contacted and a special meeting of the local is held.

Big Lakes Meeting  
A meeting has been held by the CIO and the Big Lakes Box company management, at which a return to work of Big Lakes loggers was discussed. Another meeting, with the plant committee, is slated tomorrow, and there appeared a possibility that the Big Lakes situation would then be clarified.

Vernon Chase, CIO-IWA head, said that a meeting was slated with the Pelican Bay Lumber company this afternoon. In the Big Lakes and Pelican Bay cases, Chase indicated that negotiations will be carried on after the men return to work.

These meetings followed an announcement from the CIO earlier in the week that it was accepting a request from the west coast lumber commission that work be resumed under terms that existed when the dispute developed, and that differences be negotiated.

No Weyerhaeuser Meeting  
No meeting has been held between Weyerhaeuser management and the CIO, although there had been suggestions from both sides for a session either Friday or Saturday.

The Kesterson Lumber corporation today said it had notified the union that it stood ready to meet but that it saw no reason for discussion as it interpreted the WCLC telegram as a straight back-to-work proposal. Kesterson officials said they were ready to blow the whistle.

An Ewama Box company official told the press he was ready to meet with the CIO at his office at any time.

Skeleton Picket Line  
There were about 50 pickets on the line at Weyerhaeuser this morning, but they disbanded shortly after 8 o'clock when it became apparent that AFL machinists would make no attempt to go through a skeleton picket line of two or three men was left at the scene.

It is understood that an official from the U. S. conciliation (Continued on Page Six)

### Relief Ship Off Course, Unlighted When Torpedoed

WASHINGTON, Sept. 15 (AP)—The navy disclosed today that the man who sank the Japanese relief ship Awa Maru last April 1 was Commander Charles E. Loughlin of North Wales, Pa.

Loughlin, a 34-year-old hero of the service, was reported to have been killed in action. The ship was torpedoed from his submarine the Queenfish, sent the Awa Maru down while she was 40 miles off course and unlighted. She was carrying relief supplies to allied nationals in Japanese hands and had "safe conduct."

This country apologized officially to Japan and Loughlin, court-martialed, received an official letter of admonition from his superiors. Secretary of the Navy Forrestal said.

Loughlin previously had won the Navy Cross and a Gold Star in lieu of a second award, the Silver Star for gallantry in action, and shared in a Presidential citation for the Queenfish.

### Congress Prepares For Fight, Probe Controlled

By MAX HALL  
WASHINGTON, Sept. 15 (AP)—Battle lines tightened today in this history-making postwar congress.

Senate republicans met to discuss what they are against and what they are for. House republicans met yesterday. The two groups hope to agree on a program.

Supporters of President Truman defended two main points of his peacetime policy—more help for the jobs of today, and national planning for the jobs of tomorrow.

Many of the committee-room preliminaries on those two issues are out of the way. Full-scale fights will start next week.

Pearl Harbor Probe  
The Truman administration kept its thumb firmly on the Pearl Harbor investigation which is about to start. Six democrats and four republicans have been appointed to the investigating committee.

Alben Barkley, the administration spokesman in the senate, is expected to head the group. He will be in a position to steer the course of the inquiry.

From another democrat, Rep. Lyle Boren of Oklahoma, came the first determined effort to have congress declare the war legally ended. The president has appealed to congress not to do that. It would end presidential war powers and controls which he says are still needed.

They also planned to debate this question: Whether or not they should propose names to the president whenever he fills governmental positions that must—under the law—be occupied by minority-party men.

The republicans have members on several federal commissions, but the appointing is done by the president.

Fights Foreseen  
On the big questions of the president's postwar program, some democrats were making it plain they will fight any compromises.

Senator James Mead of New York said yesterday he will support Senator Harley Kilgore of West Virginia in his coming fight on the senate floor to increase weekly payments to jobless people—in some cases up to \$25.

That feature of the unemployment pay bill was slashed out by the senate finance committee.

The navy, like many a war worker, feared today that the pickings in peacetime may be much leaner.

This was underlined by two White House developments:

1. President Truman was reported to have told Secretary of the Navy Forrestal, Chairman Walsh (D-Mass.) of the senate naval committee and others that the postwar navy will just have to stand in line hereafter when it comes to appropriations.

2. Mr. Truman recommended cutbacks amounting to \$1,518,301,253 in current appropriations for the navy, and also of \$5,306,252,674 of unspent balances from appropriations for prior years.

### 71 MPH WINDS HIT FLORIDA, HEAD FOR KEYS

MIAMI, Fla., Sept. 15 (AP)—Winds clocked at 71 mph roared over the Florida coastline south of Miami at 1:50 a. m. (PWT) today as the vanguard of a hurricane with an estimated peak velocity of 150 mph as the core swept toward the Florida Keys.

Winds of 63 mph were registered at Caryfort light, 40 miles south of Miami.

The barometer had dropped to 29.73 at Miami and 29.941 at Caryfort light.

The weather bureau warned that the fury of the hurricane would increase as the center approached, especially over the area south of Miami and the Keys.

"The full force of the hurricane is expected to give winds (Continued on Page Six)

### 23 KILLED WHEN PLANE EXPLODES

KANSAS CITY, Sept. 15 (AP)—Twenty-three persons, including 19 European veterans returning to their homes on the west coast, were killed early today in the crash of a Douglas C-47 military air transport plane only 14 seconds after leaving Fairfax airport.

Only three of the 24 military personnel aboard were removed from the flaming wreckage. Two of these, Sgt. Bernard C. Tucker, Etna, Calif., and Cpl. Fred Ebert, Pasadena, Calif., died later at a Kansas City hospital.

The remaining survivor, Sgt. Ora D. DeLong, whose papers indicated he is related to G. L. DeLong, San Bernardino, Calif., was reported in a critical condition.

The plane was bound from Newark, N. J., to the west coast and had stopped to refuel.

The plane had just crossed the Missouri river when it exploded and crashed, one witness said.

"It looked like the entire sky lit up," said William F. Maxwell, a tourist hotel operator, nearby. "But I only heard a small explosion."

Wreckage of the huge transport was scattered over a wide area.