

Yanks In Manila Calling Tokyo



Lt. Col. Gonseth (right) from Chicago and First Lt. Card (only identification) operate radio equipment at Manila as communications are re-opened with Tokyo for transmission of surrender terms.

13,650 N. C. War Workers Will Be Hit By Cutbacks

DORTON REPORTS

Says All Laid Off Can Be Absorbed By Other Industries In State

RALEIGH, Aug. 18.—(AP)—Approximately 13,650 North Carolina war workers will be affected by cutbacks and layoffs in the next few days, but twice this number can readily be absorbed by other industry in the state.

Dr. Dorton said a survey just completed of 22 manufacturing plants in 14 North Carolina towns, all of which were devoted primarily to war production, showed that the number of workers would be reduced from 27,350 to about 13,700 in the next week or so.

The end of the war in the Pacific and the resulting reconversion program will also affect other plants, Dr. Dorton said, but in most of these little or no layoffs are expected since some already have converted to civilian production, and others are expected to complete the reconversion process within a short period of time.

Can Be Absorbed "All of these workers could readily be absorbed in North Carolina if they had the proper skills and were at the right place," he said.

CHURCHES TO HOLD SPECIAL SERVICES

Will Comply With Proclamation For Prayer And Thanksgiving

In the churches throughout the city today, special services will be conducted in compliance with President Truman's proclamation that the day be observed as one of prayer and thanksgiving.

At St. James, Episcopal church, the Rev. B. Wood Gaither, minister of supply in Rev. Mortimer Glover's absence, will render special prayers of thanksgiving at both the holy communion at 8 o'clock in the morning and at the 11 o'clock intercommunion services.

Dr. Fred W. Paschall, pastor of Trinity Methodist church, will lead

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In respect to registrants 18-25 years of age, the order provided

New Ruling Issued On V-J Holiday Pay

WASHINGTON, Aug. 18.—(AP)—Secretary of Labor Lewis B. Schwellenbach ruled tonight that employers must pay time and one half to war workers on government contracts for working on Aug. 15 and 16—the two-day holiday when the surrender of Japan was celebrated.

The labor secretary also announced that President Truman has expressed the hope that those workers who did not work during the two-day celebration be paid straight time. But employers are not required to pay employees who did not work, Schwellenbach said.

Schwellenbach's announcement was made to clarify an erroneous white house statement issued Tuesday night proclaiming the two days as "legal holidays."

The president's proclamation, it was explained later, had been merely to give federal government employees a two-day holiday with pay.

ALLIED NATIONALS AWAIT LIBERATION

140,000 Expected To Be Freed When Jap Surrender Completed

MANILA, Aug. 18.—(AP)—In prisoner of war and internment camps scattered from Manchuria to Singapore and the Netherlands Indies as many as 140,000 Allied nationals may be awaiting liberation after completion of Japanese surrender negotiations.

A summary of the prisoner of war and internment situation released by the American Red Cross here today said that of 200,000 Allied nationals confined, probably 50,000 died in camps or on torpedoed ships. Most of these fatalities involved prisoners of war. Approximately 10,000, mostly civilians, have been repatriated or liberated.

More than 33,000 prisoners and internees are Americans; nearly 100,000 are British, Australians and Canadians, and the remainder Dutch.

A British foreign office commentator quoted the Swiss Charge D'Affaires as saying 6,800 Allied nationals—including 650 Americans—were liberated by the Japanese in the Shanghai district Aug. 15. He said the Swiss intermediary at

that the full policies and procedures provided for in the Selective Service law shall remain in effect. For registrants in the 26-37 age bracket, the orders provide that it will no longer be necessary for employers, including the federal government, to file requests for deferment in Class II-A, II-B and II-C.

Since the local board will take no further action with respect to the classification or reclassification of men 26 or over, pending the is-

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Truman Urges Full Speed Reconversion

Tells Department Heads To Press For Removal Of Many Controls ISSUES DIRECTIVE

Wage Increases Not Involving Boost In Prices May Now Be Given

By JAMES MARLOW WASHINGTON, Aug. 18.—(AP)—President Truman late today threw the whole weight of government behind America's rushing drive into the peace-time future.

Mr. Truman issued a directive which, rounding up and formalizing all he had said during the week, told his department and agency heads they must: "Move as rapidly as possible without endangering the stability of the economy toward the removal of price, wage, production and other controls and toward the restoration of collective bargaining and the free market."

"In The Woods" This directive came some hours after one of the highest officials in government had said the sudden Japanese surrender found this nation caught "in the woods."

This, in effect, is what Mr. Truman said: 1. The whole government must do all it can to help the change-over to peace.

2. Prices must be controlled but, just as in wartime, they can be eased to adjust cases of hardship or inequities.

3. The entire effort will be under the control of Reconversion Director John W. Snyder who earlier in the week said the problem ahead called for "no minding of words." He'll coordinate all the efforts.

4. Bosses can give wage increases which do not involve price increases and the War Labor Board will continue for a time to handle labor disputes which interfere with reconversion just as it handled those blocking the war.

Public Must Do Job Four days after the sudden ending of the war with Japan one of the highest government officials frankly said:

"We don't pretend to have any master blueprint charting every action for the future. That's impossible. "Our job is to get out of the woods—where we found ourselves when the surrender came—and the first thing to do is to tackle the trees right in front of us."

"The public has to do this job. The government can only help." Here is the picture of what has

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VETERANS PROTEST ORDER TO PACIFIC

Army Says Only Men Without Excessive Combat Service Will Be Sent

WASHINGTON, Aug. 18.—(AP)—Reported protests of European war veterans against being assigned to the Pacific drew from the war Department today a comment that only men without excessive combat service under 38 years of age are being sent.

Newspapers have received telegrams reporting to come from men of the 86th and the 95th Division, the first two combat outfits from Europe designated for the Pacific, complaining about their assignment.

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WEATHER

FORECAST For North Carolina: Sunday partly cloudy and slightly warmer. (Weather Standard Time) (By U. S. Weather Bureau) Meteorological data for the 24 hours ending 7:30 p. m., yesterday. Temperature: 1:30 a. m. 71; 7:30 a. m. 75; 1:30 p. m. 82; 7:30 p. m. 76. Maximum 84; Minimum 71; Mean 77; Normal 77. Humidity: 1:30 a. m. 89; 7:30 a. m. 93; 1:30 p. m. 71; 7:30 p. m. 84. Precipitation: Total for 24 hours ending 7:30 p. m.—0.00 inches. Official since the first of the month—5.12 inches. Tides For Today (From the Tide Tables published by U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey) High Low Wilmington—6:10 a. m. 1:20 a. m. 6:55 p. m. 1:27 p. m. Masonboro Inlet—3:51 a. m. 10:11 a. m. 4:37 p. m. 11:05 p. m. Sunrise 5:36; Sunset 6:55; Moonset 4:15 p. m.; Moonset 1:27 a. m.

Japan's Surrender Envoys Land On Ie Shima In Manila Flight; Enemy Giving Up In Manchuria

RED SPEARHEADS REGISTER GAINS

45,000 Surrender In Two Days But Many Others Continue To Fight

LONDON, Aug. 18.—(AP)—Japanese troops laid down their arms in growing numbers in Manchuria today while Soviet spearheads swept within 70 miles of Hsinking, puppet capital of Tokyo's stolen empire, and plowed out gains of 19 to 67 miles toward Harbin.

Moscow's war bulletin, although ambiguous, indicated that more than 25,000 enemy troops gave up the fight during the day for a two-day surrender total of 45,000.

But thousands of other Japanese troops had not obeyed the "cease fire" order. The Russian army newspaper Red Star estimated there were more than 1,000,000 crack Japanese soldiers in Manchuria, Korea, Inner Mongolia and Southern Sakhalin Island.

Slashing forward on three fronts Soviet columns narrowed to 255 miles the closing pincers that threaten to split Manchuria in two, outflanked the old capital of Mukden and drove within 145 miles of Harbin, great central Manchurian arsenal city.

May Be In Conference Meanwhile at the headquarters of Soviet Far Eastern commander Marshal Alexander M. Vasilevsky—presumably at Khabarovsk—conferences were believed progress with a Japanese surrender emissary who was picked up by a Soviet plane today at Harbin.

This envoy, identified in a Khabarovsk radio broadcast as "General Hata", was believed making arrangements for the complete surrender of Gen. Ootzo Yamada's Kwangtung army in compliance with a Soviet ultimatum to lay down arms by noon Monday.

Surrenders thus far have been the unorganized capitulation of small Japanese groups and units. (Continued on Page Two; Col. 6)

UNRRA WILL HELP EXILED REFUGEES

Council Overrides Disent Of Russia, Others In Adopting Policy

LONDON, Aug. 18.—(AP)—Overriding the dissent of Russia, Poland, Yugoslavia and Czechoslovakia, the council of the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration today sanctioned aid for war refugees who wish to remain in exile.

The 28-to-4 vote in an open plenary session was taken after opponents charged the step would involve UNRRA in explosive European politics. Delegates from Yugoslavia and Poland declared that if UNRRA cares for persons unwilling to be repatriated, the organization would be violating a rule against mixing in the politics of member countries.

Russia, Poland and Yugoslavia declared they "reserved full rights," meaning they kept the right to consider the measure inoperative so far as they were concerned.

Yugoslavia amendments which would have imposed tight restrictions on relief to repatriates had been defeated earlier in a

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Yank Airman Killed When Japs Attack Two Planes Over Tokyo

By HUGH CRUMPLER United Press War Correspondent OKINAWA, Aug. 18.—(UP)—One American was killed and two were wounded in a 25-minute running fight between two photo reconnaissance B-32s and 14 Japanese Zeroes over the Tokyo area today—three days after Emperor Hirohito's announcement of Japanese surrender.

It was the second attack in two days on peaceful American photo missions. Four planes of the same bombardment group were attacked yesterday without casualties, and two formations of P-38 photo planes met heavy anti-aircraft fire over Kyushu but escaped without damage.

American gunners shot down two of the enemy fighters in today's fight. Both B-32s returned to Okinawa Bases, one of them badly holed by the Japanese guns which shot out one of its four engines.

The Zeroes pounced on the two American planes at 1:25 p. m., Tokyo time, about 20 miles south of Choski. Lieut. J. R. Anderson, Charlotte, N. C., said he was flying at 20,000 feet on a peaceful photo mission when the Zeroes swarmed in, knocking out one of his engines with their first pass.

Anderson radioed the other B-32: "Can you slow down? My number three engine is shot out and I can't keep up with you."

One of the Japanese pilots cut in and said in English: "Yes, please slow down so I can catch you and shoot you down."

Anderson said his reply was unprintable but "if that Jap understood English as well as he speaks it, his ears are still red hot."

The Zeroes continued the attack, diving into the zone of fire set up by the guns of the

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WILL TRANSFER TO U. S. PLANES

MacArthur Orders Use Of Word 'Bataan' As Code For Two Craft

By RUSSELL BRINES MANILA, Sunday, Aug. 19.—(AP)—Two white-painted transport planes carrying Japanese surrender emissaries to Manila to meet their conquerors landed on Ie island, in the Okinawa group, today at 1:45 p. m. (11:45 p. m. Eastern War Time). They were escorted by B-25 bombers and P-38 fighters as they swooped down on the vast, almost empty B-29 strip.

The first of the Japanese planes circled low into the field, as though it were landing, at 1:35 p. m., then pulled up and away. The two planes circled repeatedly, finally landing 10 minutes later.

Only transfer planes, to carry them on to Manila, were parked there. General MacArthur's headquarters indicated the Japanese planes presumably had used the code words "Bataan One" and "Bataan Two" as they signaled their approach.

The envoys, expected to bring with them information on the results of the first surrender interviews between Japan's blue-blooded emissaries and continental generals, left Tokyo's Kisa-azu air-drome at 7:18 a. m. Sunday, Tokyo time, ending one of the most unusual periods of diplomatic shadow-boxing ever to precede a surrender.

General MacArthur at the last minute refused to allow the emissaries to forget their brutal victory at Bataan during the flight, and designated for the second time Saturday night that fateful word as the call sign for the Japanese transport planes. Since the Japanese did not quibble further, it was assumed at headquarters here that they were using the calls.

Sets Tone The word "Bataan" probably sets the entire tone of what is bound to be a tense series of conferences between the Allies and the Japanese emissaries. MacArthur already has given ample evidence that in manner and tone he will not allow the visitors to forget the war's atrocities and the fact that the Japanese have been defeated.

The Japanese, on the other hand, will be undertaking a personally unpleasant mission representing a nation which in all post-surrender statements gave the world the impression it regards itself as proudly right and only temporarily defeated.

It was believed here that delays in the envoys' trip to Manila had been made to allow time for the emperor's representatives to confer with continental generals of the Japanese forces on surrender. They therefore are expected to carry information on the military attitude in Manchuria and China.

MacArthur's headquarters said Colonel Dawson, MacArthur's personal interpreter, would first enter the emissaries' plane when it reached Manila.

The Japanese will then leave the plane in order of their rank, proceeding a short distance to

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Tokyo Says Totalitarian Party Out And Cabinet Plans Future

SET-ASIDE BUYING OF MEAT STOPPED

Suspension Expected To Mean Increase In Supply For Civilians

WASHINGTON, Aug. 18.—(AP)—Secretary of Agriculture Clinton P. Anderson today bolstered predictions 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 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 food 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."

In addition to the ending of set-asides of beef, veal, and ham, the Army is reported to have told Anderson it no longer will need set-asides of beef, veal, and ham. He did not, however, confirm this report.

The terminated beef and veal set-

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NEW PARTIES SEEM

Foreign Minister Stresses The Need For 'World's Understanding'

By NORMAN MONTELLIER United Press Staff Correspondent SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 18.—(AP)—Japanese broadcasts said today that the Japan political association, Nippon's totalitarian party, has been dissolved, and that the new cabinet members already were planning extensively for the nation's future.

Radio Tokyo, announcing the end of the political association—which was organized to bring "sure victory" to Japan—predicted that at least four parties would emerge in the postwar parliament, involving a "vast and complete shake-up" in that body.

Tokyo said members of the "now defunct" Japan political association would form one new party, liberal diet members a second, the social masses party third, and "young and fresh members" the fourth.

Domei, the Japanese news agency, said that Mamoru Shigemitsu, Foreign Minister in the new cabinet of Gen. Prince Naruhiko Higashi-Kuni, stressed at a press conference Japan's need for the "world's sympathy and understanding."

He also was quoted as saying that "unfortunately, we have to face the fact that we have been defeated. This fact should be admitted as it is, and any over-optimistic views should be avoided."

The cabinet held an extraordinary meeting late Saturday, said Tokyo, after Higashi-Kuni paid the traditional ceremonial visit of new he pledged he would endure all hardships in "safeguarding the national policy and undertaking the task of reconstruction Japan."

Shigemitsu, according to a broadcast dispatch quoting the Tokyo newspaper Asahi, is slated to be

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\$5,586,210,000 Spend By Army In Southeast

ATLANTA, Ga., Aug. 18.—(AP)—Maj. Gen. Edward H. Brooks, commanding general of the Fourth Service Command, announced today that the Army has spent \$5,586,210,000 in the southeast since 1939.

Brooks said that during the past fiscal year expenses for all purposes averaged \$250,000,000 per month. This covered all expenditures by the Army in the raising of hundreds of thousands of soldiers in seven southeastern states.

He said that more than 1,300,000 men were accepted from the area covered by the Fourth Service Command since the first man was inducted under the Selective Service Act. Of these, Brooks said, some 1,100,000 were assigned to the Army and more than 242,000 inducted into the Navy.

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STORM SWIRLING ACROSS ATLANTIC

Disturbance Reported 500 Miles East Of San Juan, Puerto Rico

MIAMI, Fla., Aug. 18.—(AP)—A tropical storm of nearly hurricane intensity was reported sweeping north of the lesser antilles tonight, swirling across the Atlantic in a north westerly direction.

"The storm is getting near hurricane force, attended by winds of at least 65 miles per hour or more," said Grady Norton, chief forecaster of the U. S. Weather Bureau in Miami.

"It is a circular storm, pretty well formed."

Norton hesitated to predict whether the disturbance would strike the South Atlantic coast of the United States, declaring: "It will take about a week for it to get here—if it does get here—and a hurricane can play a lot of tricks in that time."

By latest reports, sent in by Army and Navy "hurricane hunter" planes, the storm was moving approximately 500 miles east of San Juan, Puerto Rico. Shipping in the area was advised to take caution.

PACIFIC COAST STORMS

SAN DIEGO, Calif., Aug. 18.—(AP)—Two tropical storms are hovering at sea near here, the Navy's weather report said today. One is off the mouth of the Colorado river in the Gulf of California and the other is at sea 800 miles southwest of San Diego. It is moving northward.

The 11th Naval District has issued storm warnings and predicted exceptionally high beach swells tomorrow for the San Diego-San Pedro coast area. Highest swells, reaching seven to ten feet, are expected in the afternoon and evening.

STRIKE ENDED

CHICAGO, Aug. 18.—(AP)—A strike which last Saturday idled 7,100 workers of the American Steel Foundries company in a dispute over contract negotiations was ended by agreement today between the company and the United Steelworkers of America (CIO), Oliver E. Mounot, company vice-president, announced.

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U. S. Advises Bulgarians To Free Votes From Fear

By JOHN M. HIGHTOWER WASHINGTON, Aug. 18.—(AP)—The United States today warned today warned the Bulgarian government—a regime set up after the Russian Army moved in—to free its forthcoming elections from fear and intimidation so that they may be truly democratic.

Otherwise, Secretary of State Byrnes made clear, this country will not consider signing a peace treaty with the former Axis satellite nation.

Bulgaria is one of the key nations in Russia's Eastern European

U. S. Terminating Lend-Lease Plan

Notice Expected To Be Served On Allied Nations This Week

WASHINGTON, Aug. 18.—(AP)—Allied nations receiving lend-lease assistance will get notice Monday or Tuesday that the gigantic aid program has been terminated, it was learned tonight.

The system which poured \$39,000,000 of war goods and civilian necessities into countries fighting the Axis is being shut down on order of President Truman. The lend-lease law authorized the president to terminate the program at the war's end.

The action was decided upon at a White House conference Friday attended by Leo T. Crowley, foreign economic administrator; Secretary of State Byrnes; Secretary of the Treasury Vinson and other top policy officials.

It is understood that letters of

Tension Between Chinese Reds, Government Eased

By SPENCER MOOSA CHUNGKING, Aug. 18.—(AP)—Tension between the central government and the Chinese Communists eased today as preparations were completed for the surrender of all Japanese forces in China on Tuesday.

After two days of apparent defiance of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's government, Communist Leader Gen. Mao Tze-tung was reported to have agreed to send a representative to Chungking to discuss outstanding issues with Gen. Chiang.

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