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JAPANESE SURRENDER!

Nippon Accepts Terms Laid Down At Potsdam Meet

WORK IS STARTED ON BIG WAREHOUSE FOR BURLEY MART

W. C. Greene Awarded Contract to Erect Building Covering Over an Acre of Land for Mountain Burley Tobacco Warehouse; Work Begins

Walter C. Greene, local building contractor, Monday started moving dirt for the erection of a huge burley tobacco warehouse here, to supplement the floor space contained in the two houses now being used by the Mountain Burley corporation. Mr. Greene received the contract as a result of having submitted the low bid to the building committee.

The new structure is to be erected on a plot of land acquired from the state and lying south of the local bus station. It is said that plans call for the erection of a warehouse 200x237 feet, covering more than an acre of land, and equal to about two-thirds the floor space contained in the two houses now being used.

The building will have a concrete floor, walls of cinder blocks, and a built-up roof, and will contain facilities for the comfort and convenience of the farmers. Mr. Greene expects to have the building ready for the corporation by November 20, well in advance of the opening of the tobacco sales.

The increasing popularity of Boone as a burley tobacco market has brought about the continual expansion of warehouse facilities, and last year when all records were broken on the local floors, it appeared certain that more warehouse space would be needed. Thus immediate steps to prevent future congestion on the local market were taken, and the new house plans were started. Despite the bumper crop of burley which is in prospect this season, Mr. R. C. Coleman, operator of the local market, believes the weed can be kept moving the coming season, and that with expanded facilities, there will be no need for farmers to wait to dispose of their crop, and receive their checks.

DOUGHTON ASKS HALT TO DRAFT

Tar Heel Congressman Says Not One More Man Should Be Inducted After V-J Day

Washington, Aug. 13—Not a single man should be drafted after V-J day, Representative Robert L. Doughton of the Ninth North Carolina district emphatically declared today upon returning to Washington from a brief recess at his Laurel Springs home.

If the draft director, Gen. Lewis B. Hershey, attempts to induct 100,000 men monthly in peacetime, as reported, Mr. Doughton said, "he will have the derdest row on his hands he's ever seen."

"The country won't tolerate that," asserted the chairman of the house ways and means committee. "It's criminal."

Regardless of the date of the Jap surrender, Representative Doughton continued, the induction of men critically needed on the farms and in essential industry should be "stopped right now." "We've got as many troops as we need for fighting purposes," he added, "yet farmers are being taken away before they have time to make their crops, and others are being changed over from 2-A to 1-A classification."

"We've got to put the brakes on, good and stiff. As long as there was a war emergency, we were glad to let the army run things the way they thought best; but if they don't end inductions when the war ends, somebody else will have to draw the deadline."

Clearly indicating that congress is the "somebody else" in his mind, Mr. Doughton also called for the discharge of veterans "as rapidly as can be done in an orderly manner."

Eire has banned radio broadcasts of "swing" music.

Dies On Leyte



PVT. WALTER NORRIS

PVT. NORRIS DIES FROM MENINGITIS

Son of Mr. and Mrs. Cloyd Norris Succumbs to Sudden Illness in Pacific Zone

Pvt. Walter Norris, 22 years old, son of Mr. Cloyd Norris and the late Mrs. Norris, Route 2, Boone, died July 8 at 5:05 p. m. at Leyte, Philippine Islands, from a sudden illness. Information reaching the family is to the effect that Pvt. Norris had complained of a slight headache, and 48 hours before his death became suddenly ill, and was taken to a hospital, where medical officers diagnosed the fatal illness as meningitis.

Capt. James S. Parks, army chaplain, conducted the funeral services on July 9th, and burial was in the U. S. cemetery, Leyte.

Pvt. Norris had been in the army since last October and had been in the Pacific area since the middle of May.

He is survived by the father and three sisters: Betty Joyce, Nancy Jane and Lois Norris, all of the home.

U. S. CONTROLS ARE REVOKED

Washington—The government yesterday revoked all wartime manpower controls, effective immediately, and set forth a plan aimed at speedy re-employment of veterans and released war workers.

In an action timed to coincide, manpower commission announced a seven-point program which it said would stimulate "reconversion activities and the speedy re-employment of displaced workers, at the same time restoring a free labor market."

Among the controls lifted are those providing for hiring through the U. S. employment service, employment ceilings to channel workers to essential industries, and the requirement for certificates of availability in changing jobs.

Dr. Morrison Will Be Heard at Appalachian

Dr. Roy Morrison, of the University of North Carolina, will deliver the summer commencement address at Appalachian College here Friday, Aug. 24, at 8 o'clock, it has been announced by Dr. B. B. Dougherty, president.

Dr. Morrison is well known in education circles in the state and been teaching in the graduate department of Appalachian during the summer.

General MacArthur To Govern Japan

Washington, Aug. 14—General of the Army Douglas A. MacArthur, who told the Filipinos "I will return" and did it, was assigned tonight to govern the enemy he whipped on the road back.

Appointment of General MacArthur as supreme commander for the occupation of Japan was the next logical step for the man who beat the Nip land forces back from the doorstep of Australia.

BOONE PEOPLE ARE JUBILANT AS WAR COMES TO CLOSE

Merrymaking Starts On Receipt of Jap Surrender, and Hundreds Gather in Churches to Offer Thanks for End of World Conflict

Boone received the news of the Jap surrender with jubilation as the fire siren, steam whistles, firecrackers and automobile horns turned the main street into a bedlam of unrestrained joy.

However, 30 minutes after President Truman's announcement of the end of the conflict hundreds of the people of the town gathered at the various churches to join in prayer and thanksgiving for the coming of peace. It had previously been arranged to hold these services immediately following the news of the Jap surrender.

Following the merry-making the crowds on the streets gradually dispersed and before midnight quietude had settled upon the city, as householders returned to their radios to hear the varied repetitions of the startling news.

Stores Close
In accordance with the action of the directors of the Merchants Association taken on Monday, practically all stores of the city are closed today to celebrate the advent of peace.

MERCHANTS GIVE ANNUAL PICNIC

Boone Retailers Are Hosts to Employees and Families at Picnic This Afternoon

The annual Merchants Association picnic will be held this (Thursday) afternoon, when the business men of the city will entertain their employees and families at an outdoor chicken dinner on Winkler's Creek. Games, races and contests will be enjoyed in connection with the picnic, and all merchants, employees and families are being asked to attend.

Plans are for those going to assemble at the bank corner at 2 o'clock, so that arrangements may be made for all to get transportation to the scene of the picnic.

Important Notice
Those attending the Merchants picnic are asked to bring their own forks and spoons with them. Enough silverware could not be found to take care of the situation, and this request was made by the arrangements committee.

TO DISCHARGE FIVE MILLION

Washington, Aug. 14—President Truman tonight forecast that 5,000,000 to 5,500,000 men now in the army may be returned to civilian life within the next 12 to 18 months.

Furthermore, he said in announcing Japan's surrender, only the lowest age groups will now be drafted into the army. Preliminary estimates indicate only those under 26 will be called, Mr. Truman added.

His recommendation was that selective service reduce inductions immediately from 80,000 a month to 50,000,000.

U. S. CRUISER SUNK; HEAVY LOSS OF LIFE

Washington, Aug. 14—The heavy cruiser Indianapolis was lost recently in the Philippine sea from enemy action with 100 percent casualties to her personnel totaling 1,198 officers and men.

Casualties included five navy dead, including one officer; 845 missing, including 63 officers; 307 wounded and nine enlisted marine corps wounded.

To make a smoother soup, add a beaten egg yolk to every four cups of cream soup. Add yolk just before serving.

Manages Theatre



R. E. AGLE

AGLE MANAGER OF LOCAL PLAYHOUSE

Former Resident of Boone Returns to Take Charge of Appalachian Theatre

R. E. Agle, who for the past three years was connected with the Pet Dairy Products Company in Kingsport and Johnson City, Tenn., has taken over management of the Appalachian Theatre here, having assumed his duties Monday. For the past two weeks he has been in Statesville undergoing special training in theatre operation, a field in which he received early training during his pre-college years when for six years he was connected with the Alameda Theatre in Albemarle.

Mr. Agle came to Boone in 1934 after his graduation from Lees-McRae College and for seven and a half years was employed by Dr. G. K. Moore at the Boone Drug Company. In Kingsport where he served as assistant manager of the Pet Dairy Products Company, Mr. Agle was active in both the Junior Chamber of Commerce and Civitan Club. Mr. and Mrs. Agle and children are making their home in the S. E. Day residence.

CHRISTMAS IS ON THE WAY

Packages May Be Mailed All Year-Round to Navy, Marine and Coast Guard

Overseas gift packages for the fighting men of the navy, coast guard and marines may be mailed all year round, Rear Admiral Jules James, USN, commandant of the Sixth Naval district and Charleston navy yard, reminded families and friends of the fighting men this week.

There is no deadline by which Christmas mail must be posted, but the navy urges packages be mailed now to insure delivery by Christmas since the fleet is operating 5,000 miles beyond the fleet post office, San Francisco.

Gift packages must be not over five pounds in weight, no more than 15 inches in length, nor more than 36 inches in length and girth combined.

In mailing gift packages to navy, marine and coast guard personnel, Admiral James called attention to these recommendations: Use a strong box, use shredded paper inside the box, use strong wrapping paper, and use strong wrapping cord.

Stores Will Remain Open On Thursday

Beginning August 23, the stores of the town will remain open all day each Thursday, thus ending the taking of a weekly half-holiday by the businessmen of the town.

The action was taken by the Merchants Association Monday, it has been announced. Business places began taking weekly half-holidays on Thursday last April 15.

Washington, Aug. 14—Japan surrendered unconditionally tonight, and history's most destructive war is over except for formalities.

President Truman released the stirring news at 7 p. m., (ewt).

Arrangements still must be completed for the signing of formal surrender terms. General Douglas MacArthur has been appointed supreme allied commander to receive the surrender. Then V-J Day will be proclaimed.

"Meantime," the President announced, "the allied armed forces have been ordered to suspend offensive action."

And while the world celebrated with unrestrained joy, he ordered a Japanese government (which once had promised to dictate peace terms in the White House) to stop the war on all fronts.

Through Secretary of State Byrnes and the Swiss legation, Mr. Truman did the dictating.

He decreed that the Japanese government:

1. "Direct prompt cessation of hostilities by Japanese forces.

2. "Notify MacArthur of the effective date and hour of cessation and send emissaries to the general to arrange formal surrender."

In addition, he announced plans for slashing army draft calls from 80,000 to 50,000 a month and forecast the return of 5,000,000 to 5,500,000 soldiers to civilian life within 12 or 18 months.

Mr. Truman, accompanied by his wife, walked out on the porch and stepped up to a hastily erected microphone. He waved and smiled. Then he spoke:

"Ladies and gentlemen, this is the great day. This is the day we have been looking for since December 7, 1941.

"This is the day when Fascism and police government ceases in the world.

"This is the day for the democracies.

"This is the day when we can start on our real task of implementation of free government in the world.

"We are faced with the greatest task we ever have been faced with. The emergency is as great as it was on December 7, 1941.

"It is going to take the help of all of us to do it. I know we are going to do it."

For millions of Americans, for hundreds of millions of allied people, his surrender announcement signified victory, peace and the eventual return of loved ones from the war. To millions who sleep beneath stark white crosses, it meant their sacrifices had not been in vain.

For Japan, as for already vanquished Germany, it meant the end of savage conquest and aggression, dismemberment of an empire won by blood-spilling, disarmament and occupation.

Those were the terms of the allied declaration of Potsdam, decreeing unconditional surrender, to which Japan acceded.

For the United States, the price of victory in World War II was more than a million casualties, an expenditure of some \$300,000,000,000.

The White House made public the Japanese government's message accepting that ended the war which started December 7, 1941. The text of their message which was delivered by the Swiss charge d'affaires follows:

"Communication of the Japanese government of August 14, 1945, addressed to the government of the United States, Great Britain, the Soviet Union and China:

"With reference to the Japanese government's note of August 10 regarding their acceptance of the provisions of the Potsdam declaration and the reply of the governments of the United States, Great Britain, the Soviet Union and China sent by

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