

WEATHER

North Carolina—Fair weather but with some cloudiness and moderate temperatures today and Friday. Rather cool again tonight in interior.

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RED TROOPS SMASH ACROSS MANCHURIA BORDERS

Atomic Bomb--Or Bombs--Loosed on Nagasaki With 'Good Results'

1,200 THIRD FLEET CARRIER PLANES HIT JAPAN

FLEET MEETS FIRST ENEMY AIR OPPOSITION

Attacks Against North Honshu Targets Begun Before Dawn

NO SHIP DAMAGED

By Morrie Landsberg GUAM, Aug. 9.—(AP)—Admiral Halsey's mighty Third Fleet attacked Japan anew today with more than 1,200 carrier planes and brushed aside enemy air opposition, the first encountered since it started hounding Nippon's homeland more than a month ago.

A dispatch from Associated Press Correspondent Al Dopping with the fleet, said the armada's anti-aircraft guns thundered as the Japanese planes appeared and that he saw two shot down. No ship reported damaged.

Returned carrier pilots, who started their attacks before dawn against northern Honshu, reported many Japanese planes set afire on the ground, two ships sunk and at least six others damaged.

The return of Admiral Halsey's massive fleet to waters off north Honshu—the same sector where it began its "red July" scourge of the enemy fleet, air force and coastal industries—came as Admiral Nimitz pledged Russia the assistance of the Navy.

The Tokyo radio reported that in addition to the heavy carrier plane attacks, surface units of the Third fleet were shelling the northeastern Honshu steel city of Kamakura. "The attacks are now continuing," Nimitz said, suggesting the same day-long type of attack which last month destroyed or damaged more than 1,000 enemy vessels and more than 1,300 planes.

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JAPS 'REPORT' RUSSIAN WAR

Important Announcement Forecast For 8:30 Disappointing

NEW YORK, Aug. 9.—(AP)—Mutual Broadcasting system said today a Japanese radio announcement for which listeners had been ordered to stand by was merely a formal announcement that Russia and Japan were at war.

The text of the Tokyo statement, as recorded by Mutual: As from Aug. 9, the Soviet Union will consider itself in a state of war with Japan. Simultaneously the Soviet ambassador to Tokyo will inform the Japanese government of this declaration. A little past midnight Aug. 9 the Soviets opened an offensive on the northern border of Manchukuo (Manchuria). The Kwangtung army headquarters at 3:30 a. m. Japanese time issued a communique saying that Soviet forces opened an offensive along the eastern border of Manchukuo.

At the same time a small number of enemy planes bombed various key points of Manchukuo. A little past midnight, according to a communique issued at 5:50 p. m. Japanese time, Soviet forces crossed the eastern and western borders of Manchukuo. Russian planes raided points in northern Manchukuo.

MacArthur Pleased At Reds' Declaration

MANILA, Aug. 9.—(AP)—General MacArthur said today he was "delighted at the Russian declaration of war against Japan."

"This will make possible a great pincer movement which cannot fail to end in the destruction of the enemy," he said.

"In Europe, Russia was on the eastern front and the allies on the west. Now the allies are on the east and Russia on the west—but the result will be the same."



TRUMAN ANNOUNCES RUSSIAN WAR ON JAPAN—President Truman stands at his desk in the White House at Washington and announces that Russia has declared war on Japan. Secretary of State James F. Byrnes (left) and Adm. William D. Leahy, (right), naval chief of staff, are seated around the President. News men stand at left. AP Photographer John Rous made this exclusive picture.—(AP Wirephoto).

Stalin Gets Seat At Pacific Peace Table

Entry Of Russia Into War May Have Far-Reaching Diplomatic And Territorial Effects

By Jack Bell

WASHINGTON, Aug. 9.—(AP)—Russia has gained a seat at the Pacific peace table, and her presence there may have far-reaching diplomatic and territorial implications.

By her declaration of war against Japan, the Soviet union became a partner with the United States, Great Britain and China in settlements that will determine, among other things, which strategic islands American forces are to hold after the fighting ends.

The disposition of these islands, such as Iwo Jima and Okinawa, went unmentioned in the master plan for dismembering Japan agreed upon at Cairo in November, 1943, by President Roosevelt, Prime Minister Churchill and Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek.

This belief is strengthened by authentic disclosures that at

WHAT'S DOING

TODAY 7:00 p.m.—Regular meeting of Kiwanis club. 7:30 p.m.—Baseball game at high school park between Shelby Legion Juniors and Army team from Moore General hospital.

FRIDAY 12:30 p.m.—Regular meeting of Rotary Club. 8:30 p.m.—Cleveland Lodge 202 A. F. and A. M. meets at lodge room for work in second degree.

Congress Not Likely To Be Reconvened Before October 8

WASHINGTON, Aug. 9.—(AP)—The possibility of congress reconvening before October 8, the scheduled end of its recess, was discounted strongly on capitol hill today.

An authoritative congressional spokesman declared there is absolutely no move afoot among either the majority or minority leaders of house or senate to call the lawmakers back to Washington, even should Japan surrender in the next few days or weeks.

The same source, with close White House connections, declared President Truman likewise has

PETAIN SPURNED GERMAN HELP

Germany Violently Opposed Armistice Between France, Allies

PARIS, Aug. 9.—(AP)—A witness testified at the trial of Marshal Pétain today that the old soldier resisted efforts of several "rich" ministers to ask German help in repelling the allied landings in North Africa.

The witness, Maj. Edouard Archambeaud, said Pétain sent two telegrams to North Africa, one ordering continued resistance, and the other ordering a cessation of hostilities.

Adm. Jean Darlan, then Pétain's right hand man but soon to become a collaborator with the allies in Algiers, sent American armistice terms to Pétain on Nov. 10, recommending their acceptance, the witness swore. He said Germany violently opposed the armistice between France and the allies.

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ATOMIC BOMBARDIER — Major Thomas W. Ferebee (above) of Mocksville, N. C., was the bombardier on the Superfortress which loosed the world's first atomic bomb on Hiroshima, Japan. He was one of the three crew members who knew what the plane carried.—(AP Wirephoto)

GET ARCHITECT FOR HOSPITALS

Plans Will Be Shown To Public Before Put In Final Form

Walter Hook, Charlotte architect, who has designed some 70-odd hospitals throughout the southeast, was formally engaged to draft tentative plans for the two hospitals in Cleveland's new \$400,000 hospitalization program that contemplates enlargement of Shelby hospital and a new hospital for Kings Mountain.

Mr. Hook was delegated by the trustees, acting upon recommendation of the building committee, to

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Truman's Address To Begin At 10 Tonight

WASHINGTON, Aug. 9.—(AP)—President Truman reports to the nation tonight on the war situation. His half-hour address over all radio networks will begin at 10 o'clock, eastern war time.

When the address first was scheduled it was expected to be chiefly a report on the Potsdam meeting of the Big Three, with some mention of the new atomic bomb. Now Mr. Truman is expected to discuss also Russia's declaration of war on Japan

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100 B-29'S HIT TARGETS IN TOKYO AREA

Second Use Of Amazing New Explosive Made Today At Noon

IMPORTANT TARGET

By Murlin Spencer

GUAM, Aug. 9.—(AP)—The world's most destructive force—the atomic bomb—was used for the second time against Japan today, striking the important Kyushu island city of Nagasaki with observed "good results."

More than one bomb may have been dropped in this second attack and it might have been of a different size than the first one which destroyed 60 per cent of Hiroshima. The carefully worded communique said only that the second use of the atomic bomb had occurred, leaving to speculation all other details.

(The atomic bombing was followed with an attack by "about 100 B-29's" on the Tokyo area targets, Tokyo radio reported in a broadcast recorded by the Federal Communications Commission. The bombers struck at Oji, Shima, Ogi-kubo and Tamachi, described as industrial areas, and at Senju at 4:50 p.m. Japan time, the broadcast added.)

The atomic bomb was dropped at noon, Japanese time—about nine hours after Tokyo radio reported Red army troops supported Russia's declaration of war on Japan by attacking enemy forces in eastern Manchukuo both by land and by air, and while four other Japanese cities still burned from round-the-clock B-29 incendiary and demolition attacks.

IMPORTANT TARGET Nagasaki, western Kyushu seaport and railroad terminal with an estimated 255,000 population in its 12 square miles, was a far more important military target than Hiroshima, first atomic bomb target.

The doubleblow, coupled with renewal of Halsey's Third fleet car-

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U. S., Russian Leaders Confer On War In China

By SPENCER MOOSA

CHUNGKING, Aug. 9.—(AP)—Lt. Gen. Albert G. Wedemeyer, commander of U. S. forces in the China theater, conferred with Russian military representatives today shortly after the announcement of the Soviet Union's declaration of war upon Japan.

It was understood here that Russia's intention to participate in the war against Japan had been known to high American officers since the Tehran conference and that detailed plans already had been perfected for smooth coordination of air, ground and sea operations.

This coordination with Russian power will be much better than it was in the European theater, one source said.

Simultaneously with Wedemeyer's meeting with Russian leaders it was disclosed authoritatively that the value of Russia's entry into the war proper, Manchuria and Indo-China. PARATROOPERS

The disclosure coincided with authentic reports that American trained and equipped Chinese paratroopers already are employed behind the Japanese lines in China.

F. Lionel Pratt, Australian adviser on Madame Chiang Kai-shek's confidential staff, said today that one of Russia's first "logical objectives" might be the important Japanese naval base of Rashin, in Korea.

The 74-year-old Australian, who first came to the Orient to cover the Russian-Japanese war in 1904-1905, said Russian air bases doubtless were fully prepared for offensive operations, but thought the best value of Russia's entry into the war should be to draw Japanese troops northward to Manchuria.

President Has Five-Point Plan For Reconversion

WASHINGTON, Aug. 9.—(AP)—President Truman today laid down a five-point plan designed to speed reconversion to peace time production and recommended the lifting of controls as soon as possible.

The president said in a letter to WPB Chief J. A. Krug that he hopes the WPB staff "will stay on the job" because their work is not yet done.

The war production board, Mr. Truman said, can and should "play an important role in reconversion."

He asked Krug to take these steps:

- 1. A vigorous drive to expand production of materials which are in short supply "not only because of military demands but to meet civilian demands as well."
2. A limitation on the manufacture of products which would require materials that are in short supply.
3. A broad and effective control of inventories "to avoid speculative hoarding."
4. Granting of priority assistance "to break bottlenecks which may impede the recon-

version process."
5. Allocation of scarce materials for the production of low-priced items "essential to the continued success of the stabilization program."

The five-point plan was announced after the president had conferred with Krug and Price Administrator Chester Bowles, who have disagreed over fundamental reconversion policy.

TWO DIFFER Krug has been represented as wanting controls removed as soon as materials become abundant again. Bowles contends that should be retained until the dangers of higher living costs are ended.

The issue previously had been submitted to War Mobilizer John W. Snyder and Economic Stabilizer William H. Davis, but it was so tied up with administration policy that it apparently had to

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Five Make Getaway In Local Jail Break

A Sixth Prisoner Who Escaped With Group Returned; Assistant Jailer Knocked Out

Five of the six prisoners who broke from the Cleveland county jail last night at 9:30 o'clock after S. B. Cooper, the assistant jailer, had been knocked out with the blow of an unknown instrument, were still at large this morning and were the objects of a widespread search by city police, county officers, highway patrolmen, the FBI, United States deputy marshals and state highway patrolmen.

TRUMAN, AIDES DISCUSS BOMB

President Calls In Military, Diplomatic, Scientific Advisers

WASHINGTON, Aug. 9.—(AP)—President Truman called in top military, diplomatic and scientific advisers today to discuss the atomic bomb whose terrific destructive effect twice has been felt by Japan.

Secretary of War Stimson cancelled a regular Thursday morning news conference to attend the White House meeting. He took with him Major General Leslie Groves, who supervised the secret work which harnessed for war purposes the atom's terrific energy. Groves was to have attended Stimson's news conference today.

Secretary of State Byrnes, who sat beside Mr. Truman when the president announced Russia's declaration of war on Japan yesterday, came across the street to join the meeting.

Others present included sci-

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Japan Surrounded By Most Menacing Forces In History

By JOHN M. HIGHTOWER WASHINGTON, Aug. 9.—(AP)—The mightiest armed forces of all history completely encircled the seared and tottering empire of Japan today, ready to smash it into oblivion if the Japanese do not surrender within a few hours.

Russia's entry into the conflict, reuniting the powers that blotted out Nazi Germany, robs the Tokyo government of its last hope for a holdout stand on the Asiatic continent. It thus shortens the war by many months even if the Nipponese

Stone Succeeds Gen. Chennault

CHUNGKING, Aug. 9.—(AP)—Appointment of Maj. Gen. Charles B. Stone, 3rd, 41, as commander of the U. S. 14th Air Force was announced today by Lt. Gen. George E. Stratemeyer, commander of Army Air Forces in China. Stone succeeds Maj. Gen. Claire Chennault, who recently resigned.

TIN CANS TO BE SALVAGED

The first collection of tin cans in Shelby will be made September 8 and regularly every month thereafter. It was announced this morning by Oliver Anthony, local salvage chairman, following a conference held at the city hall yesterday afternoon between Mr. Anthony, Mayor Harry S. Woodson, members of the city board of aldermen, George K. Snow, state salvage chairman, and R. E. Zimmerman, assistant state chairman.

The city officials agreed to cooperate by furnishing trucks. Housewives are asked to save their cans after they have taken out the ends and flattened them. This tin is badly needed in reconversion, it was stated yesterday by Mr. Snow. The collection will be held in conjunction with a nationwide effort to salvage this valuable product.

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HARD FIGHTING UNDERWAY IN INVADED AREAS

Russian Forces Push Over East Frontier At Several Points

PINCERS MOVEMENT

By The Associated Press

Red army troops slashed across the eastern and western frontiers of Japan's stolen Manchuria early this morning shortly after the Russian declaration of war became effective, and sharp fighting now is in progress in all invaded areas, the Tokyo radio announced today.

A broadcast Domei dispatch said Russian forces had battered across the eastern frontier of Manchuria at "several points" along a 300-mile line extending southward from Hutou to Hunchun. Hutou, just across the Soviet-Manchuria border, is 350 miles east of Harbin, and Hunchun is about 240 miles southeast of that key industrial and communications center, regarded as a prime Russian objective.

A Japanese imperial headquarters communique said the Russians struck across both the eastern and western frontiers, beginning shortly after midnight. This suggested a vast pincers movement against the crack Kwangtung army, pride of Emperor Hirohito's forces, believed massed in Manchuria.

At the same time, the enemy communique said, Soviet planes raided targets in northern Korea and northern Manchuria in separate actions.

The headquarters communique

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RED PLANES HIT JAPANESE

"Scattered Raids" Over Northern Korea And Manchuria

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 9.—(AP)—Russian planes made "scattered raids" over northern Korea and northern Manchuria after Soviet ground forces drove into Manchuria, Japanese imperial headquarters announced today.

The communique said Japanese garrison forces in Manchuria (Ma Chukou) had been joined by troops of the puppet regime in fighting the Russians in "self-defense."

"Fighting is in progress," said the imperial headquarters communique issued at 5 p. m. Tokyo time (4 a. m. EDT). It reported action began "around midnight" although Japanese Kwangtung army headquarters at Hsinking had placed the start at 1 a. m. TOKYO BROADCAST

Both communique were broad-

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