

### WEATHER

Considerable cloudiness early today, later, clear to partly cloudy. Few widely scattered thundershowers today and Wednesday. Continued moderate temperature.

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# NO JAP REPLY TO SURRENDER TERMS YET RECEIVED BY SWISS

## B-29'S RESUME HEAVY BLOWS AGAINST JAPS

### 5,000 Tons Of Bombs Dropped By Many Superfortresses On Japan

### RAIDS TO CONTINUE

GUAM, Aug. 14.—(AP)—Superfortresses struck Japan with a 5,000-ton demolition attack today and headquarters indicated they will continue their crushing blows right up until a final official surrender notice is received.

The raid today by hundreds of B-29's was underway when Tokyo radio broadcast that the enemy

GUAM, Wednesday, Aug. 15.—(AP)—More than a thousand planes of the strategic air forces, including 800 B-29's, have operated against Japan in the last 24 hours, 20th Air Force Headquarters announced today.

would accept the Potsdam declaration but there was no hint here that the bare announcement from Tokyo would be sufficient to call off the continuing attacks.

The crushing assault may have helped goad the dawdling Japanese peace negotiators into their decision.

The Japanese also had the knowledge that the world's mightiest naval force—the U. S. Third fleet with a British carrier task force—was idling close off the home shores after pressing home air strikes on the Tokyo area Monday.

The enemy had attempted to reach the fleet with a belated air attack, Admiral Nimitz reported, but 21 of the attacking planes were shot down and none got near the ships.

Meanwhile, the American and British carrier airmen knocked out 117 parked Japanese planes and struck ground installations a stout blow despite bad, rainy weather on Monday.

So far as has been disclosed, the fleet was not in action any-

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## Okinawa-Based Planes Batter 43 Jap Vessels

OKINAWA, Aug. 14.—(AP)—Record numbers of Okinawa-based planes left a Japanese heavy cruiser dead in the water, knocked out 42 other vessels and gave Nippon's southern islands the heaviest pounding ever delivered by the Far East air forces against Japan.

The cruiser, which attacking airmen said seemed to be one of the enemy's largest, was caught between Korea and Japan by night patrol bombers. Five hundred pound bombs stopped the warship cold. It didn't open fire until the Americans had released their bombs and were well on their way.

Shipping definitely sunk included four freighters ranging up to 2,500 tons and ten coastal vessels.

### RAIDS CONTINUE

Strikes against the southern islands of Kyushu and Shikoku were delivered by 600 bombers and fighters of General MacArthur's far east air forces Sunday. Gen. George C. Kenney said the raids continued today.

Only some small buildings remained standing after a bulleseye bombing of the railway and military center of Miyazaki on southern Kyushu, crewmen said. The city was "a sea of flames" after the attack, and smoke towered 15,000 feet over the targets.

Thirteenth air force Liberators hammered the Heito aircraft assembly plant on Formosa in a heavy strike.

Airdromes of Kanoya, Mitsushima and Miyazaki were among targets of the Kyushu attackers.



TRUMAN DECORATES SECRETARY BYRNES — President Truman (left) pins the Distinguished Service Medal on the breast of Secretary of State James F. Byrnes (center) on the lawn of the White House in recognition of the secretary's service as War Mobilization director for two and a half years. Mrs. Byrnes (right) looks on. Behind the President is Gen. George C. Marshall, and in background at right stands Undersecretary of War Robert P. Patterson.—(AP Wirephoto).

## Tokyo Says 'Imperial Decision' Made Today

### Weeping People Gather Before Hirohito's Palace And Bow In Shame, Broadcast Reports

Domei, Japanese news agency, said in a broadcast recorded by the FCC today that "on Aug. 14, 1945, the imperial decision was granted" and that weeping people had gathered before his palace and "bowed to the very ground" in their shame that their "efforts were not enough." The broadcast did not say what the emperor's decision was.

Domei transmitted only about 130 words of the item and then broke off to say to editors: "Hold this item."

The portion of the Domei dispatch on the "Emperor's decision" said Hirohito had felt "extreme concern" ever since his rescript of Dec. 8, 1941, with which he declared war.

As recorded and translated by FCC, the dispatch read: "How shall the 100,000,000 people, filled with trepidation, reply to the emperor? His majesty's subjects are moved to tears by his majesty's boundless and infinite solicitude."

"Aug. 14, 1945, the imperial decision was granted. The palace grounds are quiet beneath the dark clouds."

"Honored with the imperial edict in the sublime palace grounds, the mob of loyal people are bowed to the very ground in front of the Niiju-Bashi (the bridge which leads to the palace)."

TEARS FLOW  
"Their tears flow unchecked. Alas! in their shame, how can the people raise their heads?"

"With the words, 'forgive us, O Emperor, our efforts were not enough,' the heads bow lower and

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## May Demands Immediate End To Draft When Japs Quit

WASHINGTON, Aug. 14.—(AP)—Chairman May (D-Ky) of the house military committee today called for an immediate halt to further inductions once Japan falls and the earliest possible release of men already drafted.

May said in an interview he would introduce as soon as Congress reconvenes next month legislation to end next draft calls, thus assuring similar bills before both houses.

Senator Langer (R-ND) announced last night he would act similarly in the senate.

May added he also plans to discuss with President Truman the

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## CHINESE CUT VITAL RAILWAY

### Japanese South Of Tungan Left Without Rail Facilities

By SPENCER MOOSA  
CHUNGKING, Aug. 14.—(AP)—Chinese forces have cut the Hunan-Kwangsi railroad at Tungan, leaving all Japanese to the south of Tungan in Hunan province without rail facilities, the Chinese high command said today.

Tungan is midway between Kweilin and the rail junction city of Honyang, a distance of about 180 miles.

The Chinese also moved forward in eastern Kwangtung province, recapturing Hweilin on the China sea coast. Japanese remnants, with the Chinese forces in close pursuit, were retreating along the Swatow-Hong Kong highway, the high command said.

Chinese troops, pursuing approximately 20,000 Japanese soldiers retreating northward from southern Kiangs, have reoccupied the town of Fengcheng, 35 miles south of the Big Kan river port of Nanchang, a

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## Broadcast Of Game Will Be Made From Star Office 8:30 P. M.

A play-by-play of tonight's baseball game between Shelby's Junior Legion team and Norfolk, Va., in the regional tourney at Sumter, S. C., will be broadcast from the Star office tonight starting at 8:30 o'clock.

A loudspeaker attached by long distance telephone to the radio loop from the Sumter park to radio station WFIG there will bring the reports immediately with each crack of the bat. Cost of the service is to be borne by fans enjoying it and will be continued for each game if necessary financial support is forthcoming. The Star starting the fun with a \$5 contribution for each game played. The broadcast will be handled by Frank Connor.

Telephone officials asked that calls be held to a minimum for the score because imminence of V-J day has so overloaded the exchange with calls that the limited staff will be unable to handle the usual volume of calls for the score.

## REDS CAPTURE LINKOW, CUT RAIL LINES

### Russian Armies Continue Batter Thrust Into Manchuria

### ADVANCE 28 MILES

LONDON, Aug. 14.—(AP)—Russia's tank-tipped armies continued their whirlwind thrusts into Manchuria today after capturing the three-way rail junction of Linkow and cutting the last rail communication line for Japanese troops fighting in the Sungari-Ussuri river valley.

The capture of Linkow by Marshal Kirill A. Meretskov's first eastern army put the Russians 177 miles east of Harbin, major Japanese arsenal city and rail junction of Central Manchuria.

The line severed is one of three north-south railroads in Manchuria, running from the Korean port of Seishin to Kiamusze on the Sungari river.

Russian communiques disclosed also that another vital north-south route, the 950-mile railway linking Dairen and Mukden, was threatened.

Harbin was the goal of a five-pronged Soviet drive. Advances up to 28 miles were reported yesterday, with the Russians announcing the capture of at least 22 Japanese strong points. There still was no Soviet confirmation of Japanese reports that Russian marines invaded southern Sakhalin island, establishing two beachheads on Karafuto, the Japanese half of

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## FINAL PLEAS IN PETAIN CASE

### Case Expected To Go To Jury Tonight; Long Deliberations

PARIS, Aug. 14.—(AP)—Fernand Payen, attorney for Marshal Pétain, opened the last arguments of the old soldier's treason trial today by telling the high court of justice that "he constantly and scientifically tricked the Germans, but he never tricked the Allies."

The verdict will be handed down by 12 parliamentary jurors and 12 jurors drawn from resistance groups. Some jurors frequently have expressed antagonism during the trial to defense witnesses.

Payen, chief defense counsel, compared Pétain to Pierre Laval in the Vichy regime. Laval, he said, was convinced that Germany would prevail and he worked for an intimate union with the enemy.

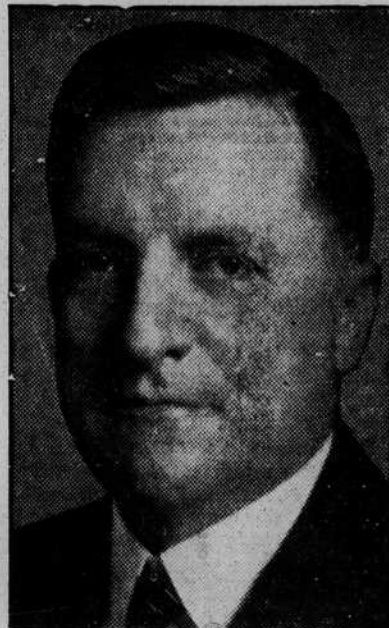
"But that was never Pétain's policy," Payen declared. "It never was before and a man doesn't change in character and manner of thinking at 84. Documents and other evidence show that Pétain fought the Germans as hard as he could

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## 2 PRISONERS MAKE GETAWAY

Two long-term prisoners of the State Highway and Public Works Commission, Ira Edmunds sent up from Person county for 25 to 30 years for second degree murder, and Nello Faucette, sent up from Durham county for seven to 10 years for larceny, escaped from the road gang working near Polkville yesterday afternoon.

A widespread search of the surrounding countryside was instituted immediately but so far no trace of the escaped prisoners has been found.



CONGRESSMAN BULWINKLE

## BEAM REUNION ON THURSDAY

### Congressman A. L. Bulwinkle Will Be Speaker At New Prospect

The annual reunion of descendants of John Teeter Beam will be held at 10:30 a. m. Thursday at New Prospect Church.

Principal address of the occasion will be delivered by Congressman A. L. Bulwinkle who will be presided by Holt McPherson, managing editor of the Shelby Daily Star. Following the program a picnic dinner will be served on the grounds.

The descendants of John Teeter Beam, who was born 213 years ago, now number approximately 2,000, the majority of them living in and around Cleveland, Lincoln and Rutherford counties. For more than 25 years those reunions have been held at New Prospect church, site held at which John Teeter Beam donated for a Lutheran church that later became a Baptist church. His grave is in the cemetery there, along with a large number of his descendants.

PROGRAM GIVEN  
The program as arranged by President Oliver S. Anthony, who invited all Beams, their families, relations and friends to attend and bring a well filled basket, follows:

Assembly and worship on the grounds at 10:30 a. m.; prayer and devotional 11; brief history of John Teeter Beam 11:30; special music 11:40; introduction of speaker 11:45; address by Major Bulwinkle 11:50; 12:20 report of nominating committee; adjournment and picnic dinner on grounds 12:30 p. m.

## WHAT'S DOING

### TODAY

7:00 p. m.—Regular meeting of Lions club.  
8:00 p. m.—Cleveland Lodge 202 A. F. & A. M. meets at Lodge room for work in second degree.

8:30 p. m.—Play-by-play broadcast of Shelby-Norfolk baseball game to be given by loudspeakers in front of Star Office. Game to be played in Sumter, S. C.

### WEDNESDAY

8:00 p. m.—Midweek prayer and praise service at First Baptist church.

## Tokyo Again Says Message On Way

WASHINGTON, Aug. 14.—(AP)—The Japanese have not yet replied to the allies' surrender terms, the White House was informed today.

Presidential Secretary Charles G. Ross made public a memorandum from the Swiss legation here shortly after noon eastern war time saying that coded cables received in Bern "do not contain the answer awaited by the whole world."

(The Tokyo radio at 12:01 p. m. EWT said "the Japanese government's reply to the four powers is now on its way to the Japanese minister at Bern." The broadcast was recorded by the FCC.)

Ross' disclosure came on the heels of reports, which he had himself passed on to reporters previously, that the Japanese surrender answer had been received in Bern.

In a memorandum to Secretary of State Byrnes the Swiss legation here said:

"With reference to the telephone conversation this morning between Mr. Max Grassli, charge d'affaires ad interim of the Swiss legation and the Honorable James F. Byrnes, secretary of state, the legation of Switzerland wishes to confirm the receipt of the following open (not coded) cable from the political department in Bern, received at 10:59 (EWT) August 14:

"Very urgent 760—Japanese legation reports that coded cables it received this morning do not contain the answer awaited by the whole world.

"(Signed) : Politique."

Ross called reporters into his office to read the memo, as he said, "without comment."

The Swiss memorandum threw back to a Domei radio broadcast from Tokyo the only basis for the report that the Japanese would accept the surrender terms.

On Saturday the United States, Great Britain, Russia and China agreed to accept the Japanese surrender with the emperor retaining his throne if the emperor were subjected to the orders of an allied supreme commander of occupation forces.

The Allies also stipulated that eventually the Japanese people must be permitted to select their own form of government.

Word from the Swiss came in the middle of a day that had started off expectantly with radio reports from Bern and Tokyo saying the Japanese had framed an answer and that it was on its way to the Allied capitals through the Swiss neutral diplomatic channels.

Ross had announced to reporters earlier in the day that Commodore James Vardaman, President Truman's naval aide, had talked to the Swiss legation shortly after 7 a. m., and had been informed that the Swiss had received the coded surrender message in Bern.

EXPECTATIONS HIGH  
This raised expectations that the Japanese reply would be in the hands of Allied leaders in a matter of hours.

When the lengthy coded message received by Japanese officials in Bern proved to be something other than the surrender reply, Swiss officials there and in Washington were informed quickly of this fact.

Because of their previous conversation with Commodore Vardaman the Swiss acted hurriedly to notify Secretary Byrnes of the situation.

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## Officials Predict 7 Million Unemployed By Christmas

WASHINGTON, Aug. 14.—(AP)—Government officials helping to supervise the return of American industry to a peacetime basis today saw prospects of 7,000,000 unemployment by Christmas.

These leading federal economists say temporary mass unemployment is sure to come regardless of anything industry can do.

They add, however, that if this mass unemployment is only temporary "it will not be alarming."

Alike in their views although representing separate agencies, these economists—anonymous at their own request—said unemployment might rise to eight or nine million next year unless the government moves to prevent such an increase.

(The number hunting jobs has been estimated at 1,400,000; it stood

at 13,000,000 in 1932, low point of the depression.)

The economists added that unemployment should begin shrinking late in 1946 and early 1947. They emphasized, however, that no one can estimate the extent of shrinkage.

### DEVELOPMENTS

Today's reconversion scene also included these other developments:

1. It was learned that John W. Snyder, director of war mobilization and reconversion, is preparing a general statement on reconversion policy. This statement will set the pace for an expected flurry of other pronouncements from federal agencies on their own roles.

2. Dr. George W. Taylor, chairman of the war labor board,

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## Redeployment Plan To Be Reversed Soon After V-J Day

PARIS, Aug. 14.—(AP)—A month after any Japanese surrender is signed a complete reversal in the present European troop deployment procedure will take place that will bring the high point man into his own" a U. S. spokesman said today.

Officials said it would take at least 30 days to put the reversal into effect.

Orders were expected to grant priority to high point men on home-ward bound ships. At present the low-score men have been given top billing as they were rushed to the Pacific either directly or by way of the United States.

These low score men now will be pushed to the end of the line while 85-pointers and above go home.