

WEATHER

Cloudy and cooler today and tonight, except continued warm in southeast today. Few scattered thundershowers on coast today. Friday, cloudy; moderate temperature.

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HIROHITO WILL SEND MEMBERS OF ROYAL FAMILY TO BATTLE FRONTS TO ENFORCE SURRENDER ORDER

Truman Sees No Chance For Japs To Get Revenge

WASHINGTON, Aug. 16.—(P)—President Truman said today he does not think the Japanese people will ever have a chance to obtain revenge for their defeat in this war.

In his first peacetime news conference the President declared that if Congress goes along, the scientific discoveries which made possible the atomic bomb will be turned to the welfare and benefit of mankind.

Commenting on the situation in the Pacific since he announced the Japanese acceptance of Allied peace terms the President said: "The surrender will not be complete until two million Japanese lay down their arms."

Gen. Douglas MacArthur will announce the signing of the surrender, which will take place at a point MacArthur designates.

There is no apparent necessity for dividing Japan into occupation zones although troops from all the Allies will be under MacArthur's command.

Congress will decide when to end the wartime draft, Mr. Truman said.

The President will make a recommendation to Congress on universal peacetime military training program shortly after it meets again.

There has been no decision yet on combining the army and the navy in peacetime, he said.

The President's declaration that Japan will have no chance to obtain revenge for its defeat came in response to a reporter's question.

The reporter said most Japanese radio pronouncements since acceptance of the surrender terms seem to indicate the Japanese are planning a military come-back in

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105 U. S. Warships Were In Third Fleet

Halsey Reveals Make-Up Of Powerful Fleet; 28 British Vessels Also In Group

GUAM, Aug. 16.—(P)—Admiral Nimitz today proudly named 105 of America's newest and fastest warships and 28 British vessels forming the powerful allied Pacific fleet which helped push Japan over the brink of defeat with continuing naval blows in the final weeks of the war.

The American vessels, operating as the Third Fleet from July 10 to August 15, were joined by the British men of war on July 15.

The special communique identified for the first time the full strength of Admiral Halsey's Task Force 38, a powerful striking arm that packed a wallop of more than 1,000,000 tons of fighting steel.

The mighty concentration of American and British warships destroyed or damaged more than 1,500 Japanese planes and nearly 1,000 ships and small Japanese craft.

In the 37 day span of operations it struck Japan from the air on fourteen separate days and pulverized land targets with seven naval bombardments. Only a single ship—a light American unit—was damaged.

The roster of the mighty armada included eight American and one British battleships; 16 American and four British aircraft carriers; 19 American and seven British cruisers; 67 American and 17 British destroyers.

Attached to Nimitz's honor roll was a statement of high praise for the hard working service forces which carried the supplies of war across thousands of miles of ocean and delivered them at sea to the fuel and ammunition-consuming fighting ships.

Even in its formidable array, however, the listing of the Third Fleet's ships failed to show the entire strength of the Pacific fleet. For instance, the super-battleship New Jersey and the older Washington did not operate with Halsey during the period mentioned in the communique.

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MAN PINNED BY TRACTOR

Edmund Lovelace Rescued From Beneath Machine Long After Accident

Pinned under a tractor for an hour before anybody found him, Edmund Lovelace, 30 was brought to the Shelby hospital shortly before noon today suffering from injuries to his head and limbs which he sustained when the tractor he was driving turned over on him as he was driving on the road from Coleman Blanton's house to Pink Lovelace's house. It was thought that he rounded a curve too fast.

After neighbors were attracted by his calls, they spent more than 30 minutes trying to get him from beneath the machine. Rescue was made more difficult by a nearby yellow jacket's nest, one person being stung five times while he was trying to assist Lovelace. Finally a wrecker was sent for but before it arrived enough manpower had been assembled to lift the tractor from Lovelace's body and a waiting ambulance took him to the hospital.

Edmund Lovelace is employed at the Dover mill but farms part time. He is the son of Pink Lovelace, who lives near where the accident occurred. Examination at the hospital had not been completed early this afternoon and the seriousness of his injuries had not been determined.

Part Of Country Still Celebrating

Wide gaps in the nation's business time table continued today as part of the country continued to celebrate the end of the war and the rest of it returned to work after one day of letting off steam.

Major financial and commodity markets remained on a holiday but planned to re-open Friday. Banks in New York state reopened today after a one-day holiday while in the rest of the nation a mixed situation prevailed, some banks closing today while others were reopening after a holiday yesterday.

JAP PRINCE TO HEAD NEW GOVERNMENT

Unprecedented Selection Indicates Gravity Of Situation

PROPAGANDA CHANGE

By the Associated Press

Emperor Hirohito ordered his defeated forces to stop fighting today, Japanese broadcasts reported, and simultaneously named a royal-blooded general to head Japan's peacetime government.

The Mikado's belated "cease fire" order was issued only after General MacArthur, supreme allied commander from whom the new premier will take his orders, sharply criticized Tokyo for unnecessary delay in replying to his surrender instructions.

The government-controlled Domei news agency said it will still take "several days" for the emperor's order to reach all of his widely-scattered 5,000,000 soldiers, many of whom are still fighting.

Hirohito named one of his cousins, Gen. Prince Naruhiko Hagiashi-Kuni, to form Nippon's new government. It was an unprecedented step. Never before, Domei said, has a member of the royal family headed the government of Japan.

Hagiashi-Kuni was one of Japan's directing wartime generals and once was reported to have threatened trial and possible death to captured allied airmen.

He began forming his peacetime cabinet by calling in key members of Premier Baron Kantaro Suzuki's last wartime cabinet which resigned yesterday.

Among members of Suzuki's fallen government who called at the new premier's headquarters in the Akasaka detached palace were former Premier Prince Fumimaro Konoye; Adm. Mitsumasa Yonai, who was navy minister; and Lt. Gen. Tadachi Wakamatsu, vice minister of war. War Minister Gen. Korechika Anami has committed suicide.

Domei said because of "the gravity of the situation" formation of the cabinet will be rushed and "may be completed by tonight."

Hirohito's selection of a prince as premier, the news agency said,

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Game Broadcast Tonight At 8:15

Fans contributed last night sufficient money to see the sectional games broadcast through that is in Shelby tonight—and started the kitty for similar local service on the Regionals at Charleston next week. Tonight's broadcast will start at 8:15 in front of The Star office.

Frank Connor, handling the amplifying equipment, effected a perfect matching last night with the result that the report was like being at the game itself.

James S. LeGette, post athletic officer, telephoned this afternoon that weather is threatening rain in Sumter but that otherwise prospects for winning the sectional title tonight are bright. He said that if and as soon as the team wins the section crown it will move to Charleston where the regional play opens Sunday—the Charleston games are also to be broadcast here.

Reconversion Leaders Hope To Avoid Mistakes Of 1918

By the Associated Press

WASHINGTON, Aug. 16.—(P)—The pattern for the vast reconversion task ahead took clearer form today. It was bordered on all sides by official warnings that lessons learned from world war I must be heeded.

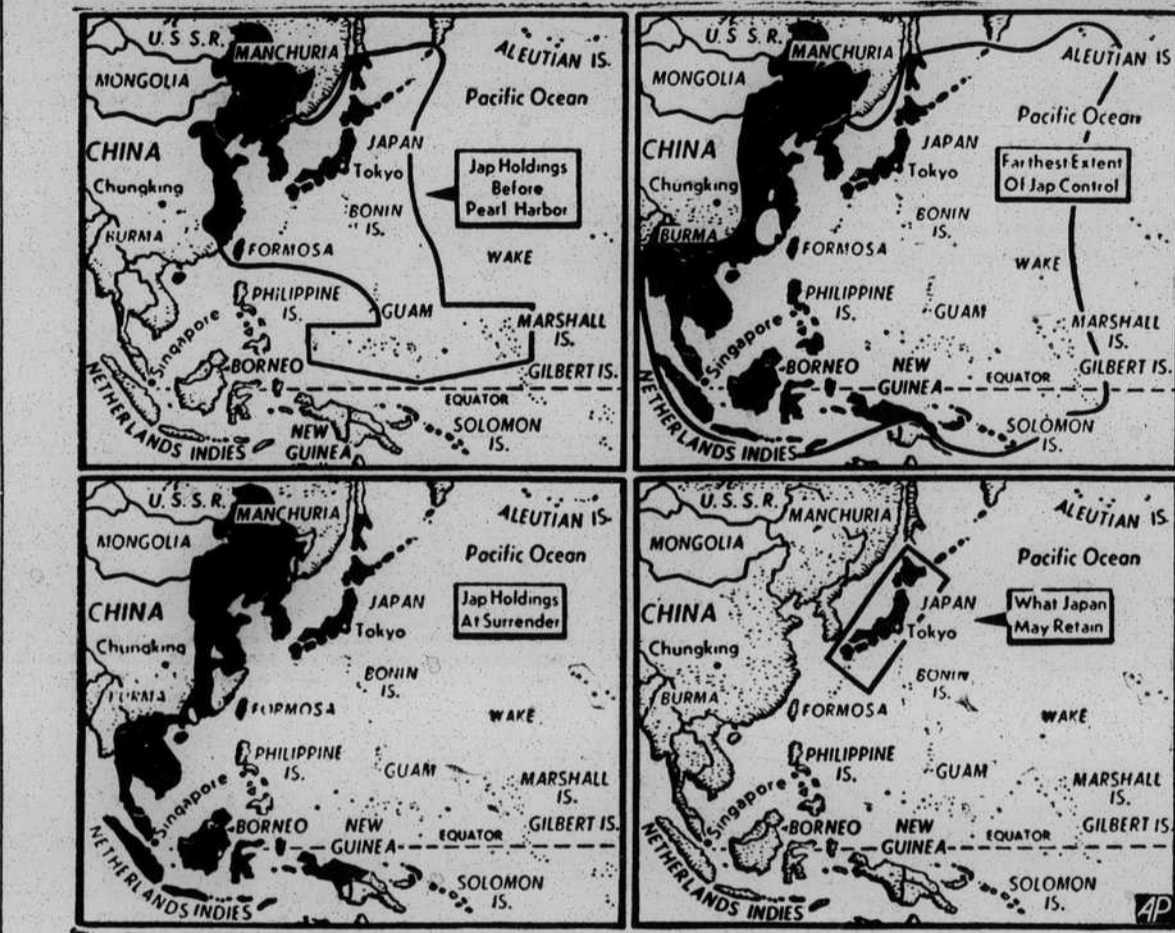
Top officials are saying a serious inflation—soaring prices—could wreck the best-laid reconversion plans of industry and government.

Today—two days after victory—the home-front situation took on this shape:

The country has its instructions. Government agencies have issued their policy statements. Industry has a green light to produce in unlimited quantities. All sorts of wartime controls are crumbling. The consuming public threw its gasoline coupons and blue points into the waste basket.

From reconversion director John W. Snyder: "The greatest single danger to an orderly reconversion lies in the threat of inflation. We cannot and must not repeat our

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FOUR STAGES IN THE RISE AND FALL OF THE JAPANESE—These maps show in detail the four stages in the rise and fall of the Japanese empire. Upper left: The extent of Japanese holdings before they went to war in 1941. Upper right: Furthest extent of their gains during the war. Lower left: Jap holdings when surrender negotiations began. Lower right: The approximate area allowed them under the Potsdam surrender terms.—(AP Wirephoto Map).

SHELBY STORES OPEN AGAIN

Filling Stations Report Big Day On Gas Sales Today

Business in Shelby headed back towards normalcy today with merchants opening their doors for business after a one-day holiday in celebration of the victory over Japan. Filling stations were doing much larger business with gasoline rationing removed. They were expecting an additional pick-up shortly.

The county courthouse and Shelby city hall remained closed today but will open again tomorrow morning. Mills generally will resume operation at 11 o'clock tonight although the Ella Mill will not start operating until 11 o'clock Sunday night, and the Full-Knit Hosiery plant reopens at 7 a.m. Friday.

Yesterday business was at a total standstill with little business of any kind operating in the city.

PRAYER SERVICE

Since Tuesday evening there has been very little demonstration of any sort. A central prayer meeting was held last night at the First Baptist church in thanksgiving for peace. Prayer meetings were also held in several of the rural churches.

Both the rationing board and the draft board were closed today but will re-open again tomorrow morning. Strain on the rationing board has been greatly relieved by reason of the removal of gasoline restrictions.

The postoffice was making one city delivery today and handling dispatch of all incoming and outgoing mail.

HUSS CLINE IS BADLY HURT BY M. L. LACKEY

D. Russ Cline, Shelby horseman and local business man, is in the Catawba hospital at Newton in a critical condition as the result of being struck over the head with a pistol by Marshall Lackey, now being held in the Newton jail without bond.

The assault is said to have taken place at the Newton horse show yesterday afternoon. Bad blood had existed some time between Cline and Lackey. Lackey fired on Cline several months ago in Shelby after Cline had offered Lackey's wife a ride in his automobile. Lackey is now on probation from a sentence given him in federal court on a liquor charge, and was only recently released from a stay in a hospital for inebriates.

Formal charge of assault with deadly weapon with intent to kill has been placed against Lackey, who will be allowed bond, it was stated by officers if Cline's condition improves.

Third Fleet Pilots Forced To Fight On

GUAM, Aug. 16.—(P)—Crack pilots of Admiral Halsey's great American and British carrier fleet fought on in self defense Wednesday—after they had been told officially to "cancel all operations and return to base."

"We knew that meant the war was over," they said. They had completed the first of six or seven scheduled strikes against Tokyo-area ground targets when the cancellation order came. And on the way back they shot down 26 of the biggest group of intercepting Japanese fighters encountered in weeks. The score brought their total to 1,175 enemy planes destroyed or damaged in the past week's four days of flaming action.

They were not elated over firing what theoretically were the last shots of the war, for several of their friends failed to return from that early morning, post-surrender scrap with nearly 50 enemy fighters.

OVER CHOFU "We were over Chofu, about ten miles west of Tokyo, when we got the message," Lt. Ted W. Hansen, Santa Cruz, Calif., flier, told Associated Press correspondent Al Dopkins.

"Through an opening in the clouds, we saw Atsugi Field, but the guns there didn't fire on us," he continued. "We (his group of six American planes) were between Atsugi and Tokyo Bay when 15 to 20 Jap fighters jumped us."

In addition to the 26 shot down in such dogfights, nine more enemy planes were downed near the fleet during the day, Admiral Nimitz's communique reported.

The communique also disclosed the damaging of an American naval auxiliary vessel, not otherwise identified, at Okinawa Monday evening with a loss of 15 killed, one missing and 14 wounded.

Eighth War Bond Drive In October

WASHINGTON, Aug. 16.—(P)—To help finance the war's windup, an 8th war bond drive—the Victory Loan—may get under way in early October.

Treasury Secretary Vinson, calling for no letup in payroll savings, said the campaign, with a probable goal of from 10 to 14 billion dollars, should "provide a fitting climax" to the series of successful drives by which we at home have financed the war.

"There are millions of our men overseas. Billions of dollars will be needed to bring them home, to provide their mustering-out pay and to care for the disabled. Other billions will be required to provide for contract cancellations x x x and we must maintain forces of occupation."

CONGRESS WILL LOWER TAXES

Reduction In Personal Income Taxes Likely Before Christmas

WASHINGTON, Aug. 16.—(P)—All Americans seem likely to get a cut in their income taxes after January 1. Perhaps several million will have to pay no income taxes at all next year.

Congress is coming back September 5 in a tax-cutting mood. Some of the best-informed tax experts in Washington think a reduction in personal income taxes will be enacted before Christmas—with administration approval if the cut isn't too drastic.

People in the lowest income group would be the ones whose income taxes might be wiped out entirely.

A survey of congressional and other tax authorities today produced the following picture:

- 1. No tax reductions are likely on 1945 income. The expected cut would be felt first in smaller payroll deductions starting January 1.
2. Federal taxes on such items as alcoholic beverages, furs, luggage, jewelry, theater tickets, cabaret spending, and telephone calls will drop back down automatically to 1942 rates six months after the official "termination of hostilities."
3. The 95 per cent excess profits tax on corporations is sure to be killed.

FIGHTING QUESTION The size of any reduction in the personal income tax will be settled in congress, maybe after a knock-down fight.

The administration certainly will

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WHAT'S DOING

TODAY 7:00 p.m.—Regular meeting of Kiwanis club. 7:00 p.m.—CAP cadets meet at armory.

FRIDAY 12:30 p.m.—Regular meeting of Rotary club. 7:00 p.m.—Masonic fellowship dinner at lodge room in Masonic temple.

Demobilization Must Wait For Japanese Disarmament

WASHINGTON, Aug. 16.—(P)—If the Japanese behave, if transportation permits and if the draft act remains in effect, the army plans to let 5,000,000 soldiers become civilians in the next year.

The navy, with a newly-announced point system, will free 1,500,000 to 2,500,000 in the next 12 or 18 months. The Marine Corps has adopted the army point system for discharges but makes no estimate of the number affected. "Our first responsibility before we make additional men eligible for release from the army will be

Radio Message Heard By FCC; No Formal Reply

By the Associated Press

Emperor Hirohito will send members of the imperial family to the various fighting fronts to assure that his orders to "cease fire" are carried out by the Japanese troops, the Japanese government said today in a message to General MacArthur which was recorded by the Federal Communications Commission.

The message advised the Allied Supreme Commander that the order ending hostilities had been issued as he directed and added that members of the imperial family would enforce it personally, although in some isolated instances it might take as long as 12 days.

CHINA FACES CIVIL WAR

Northern Communist Troops Clash With Guerrillas

By JOHN GROVER

CHUNGKING, Aug. 16.—(P)—Unofficial reports today said Chinese communist troops, apparently bent upon seizing control of all key cities north of the Yellow river when Japanese lay down their arms, had clashed with Central government guerrillas at several points near Tsingtao and Tientsin.

Previous unconfirmed reports had said the communists were moving to seize both those cities as well as Peiping, Hsuechow and other strategic centers in direct defiance of orders from Generalissimo Chiang Kai-hek.

Chinese communists formally rejected today Chiang's order to remain at their present post and take no independent action against the Japanese, saying the order was "definitely contrary to the interests of the Chinese nation."

The rejection came as Chiang awaited a reply to an invitation to Gen. Mao Tze-tung, a communist leader, to confer with him in Chungking.

"We have many international and internal problems awaiting settlement," the generalissimo said in a radio message to the communist official. "These involve our national welfare. Please do not delay in coming here."

The communists issued a communique saying their troops were

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Sunday Set Aside As Day Of Prayer

WASHINGTON, Aug. 16.—(P)—Next Sunday, Aug. 19, has been set aside by President Truman as a day of prayer to God to "support and guide us into the paths of peace."

In a proclamation, issued today, the chief executive said: "I call upon the people of the United States, of all faiths, to unite in offering their thanks to God for the victory we have won, and in praying that he will support and guide into the paths of peace."

"I also call upon my countrymen to dedicate this day of prayer to the memory of those who gave their lives to make possible our victory."

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The message, in English, estimated that six days would be required to make the message entirely effective in China, eight days in Bougainville and 12 days in New Guinea and the Philippines.

The message expressed great embarrassment, but said that it was "impossible for us to arrange for the flight of our representative on Aug. 17," as demanded by MacArthur, "due to scarcity of time."

"We will however proceed at once with the necessary preparations and notify General MacArthur as to the date of the flight of such representative, which will take place as soon as possible," the message said.

The type of plane ordered to make the flight by MacArthur also was questioned. The Japanese complained they did not understand the designation and asked the Allied commander to repeat the entire message of instructions to them.

NO FORMAL REPLY

MANILA, Aug. 16.—(P)—The Japanese had made no formal reply to General MacArthur's message of surrender instructions tonight, almost 24 hours after receipt was acknowledged in Tokyo.

MacArthur yesterday demanded that Tokyo order all Japanese troops to cease hostilities and give instructions for sending a representative of Emperor Hirohito to Manila to receive surrender terms.

The Japanese Domei news agency reported earlier Emperor Hirohito had complied with the Allied Supreme commander's instruction that imperial troops be instructed to cease fire.

Headquarters of American forces in the Pacific told correspondents at 9 p.m. (8 a.m., Eastern War Time) however, that no word had yet been received.

The mystery of the prolonged

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WAR CONTINUES IN MANCHURIA

Red Army Mobile Units Advancing Steadily Over Wide Area

MOSCOW, Aug. 16.—(P)—Russian forces continued today to drive deeper into Manchuria where a Soviet communique said last night, Japanese troops still are offering resistance.

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The war department has 471,000 See DEMOBILIZATION Page 2