

WEATHER

North Carolina—Partly cloudy with mild temperatures today, tonight and Tuesday, scattered showers to night and Tuesday and in east portion today.

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TO SIGN SURRENDER IN TOKYO

Enemy Sees Armed Occupation Forces Necessary In Japan, China

SAYS JAPANESE HAVE CEASED HOSTILITIES

Intend To Carry Out Demands In Potsdam Surrender Ultimatum

PROMISE TO COMPLY

MANILA, Aug. 20.—(AP)—The Japanese indicated in an official message to General MacArthur today that it would be necessary for the present to keep armed forces both in Japan and on the continent to maintain order.

Tokyo also asked MacArthur to send officials to investigate "the actual situation in China" in a message heard by the Associated Press monitor.

The message said Japanese forces already had completely ceased hostilities and "intend to carry out the demands mentioned in the joint proclamation" of Potsdam.

However, the Japanese added, "It is deemed necessary to take appropriate measures for the maintenance of order and the protection of the general public."

CONFUSION The message made no further statement on the situation in China, which it asked MacArthur to investigate.

"The federal communications commission in San Francisco heard one message presumably beamed to MacArthur saying that Chungking and Chinese Communist forces were pushing into Japanese-held territory making separate surrender demands, confusing the situation."

"Let us add," the message concluded, "that the above report and the request of ours is being made out of a sincere desire to carry out promptly our requirements."

CLEVELAND HAS TWO MEN IN JAP PRISONS

The local chapter of the American Red Cross has accepted messages from the next of kin of the two Cleveland county men, now reported to be in Japanese prisoner-of-war camps. These messages which had to be in San Francisco by August 24 will be delivered to the men as soon as they are liberated.

The local men held by the Japanese are Pfc. Hugh Hamrick, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Hamrick, of Bowling Springs and Pvt. Coy Lankford, son of Mrs. J. F. Lankford, of Double Shoals. Both of these men were taken prisoners by the Japanese in the Philippines and later transferred to other prisons. Pfc. Hamrick was removed to Osaka prison camp and Pvt. Lankford was taken to Fukuoka on Honshu island.

Mrs. Hamrick had a letter from her son in March in which he acknowledged the receipt of mail from home and pictures. Mrs. Lankford had a card showing that her son had been transferred from one prison to another.

The Red Cross cannot accept messages for those reported missing in action, local officials pointed out.

High-Ranking Nazis To Testify Against Quisling As He Goes On Trial Today

By NED NORDNESS OSLO, Aug. 20.—(AP)—Testimony of Hermann Goering, Joachim von Ribbentrop and other high-ranking Nazis will be introduced against Vidkun Quisling, the prosecution disclosed today as the former puppet premier of Norway went to trial on charge of treason.



Imperial Japanese surrender arrangements delegation file out of a C-54 transport plane upon arrival at Nichols Field at Manila from Ie Shima. The officer leading his party down the ramp is Lt. Gen. Takashiro Kowabe, vice chief of the Jap Imperial Others in the photo are not identified.—(AP Wirephoto from Signal Corps radio from Manila).

President Gives Top Spot To Reconversion

More Low-Priced Clothing Expected Soon; Nation To Have Big Christmas Season

WASHINGTON, Aug. 20.—(AP)—President Truman continued to give top place to postwar problems today, calling to the white house reconversion director John W. Snyder and a special advisory committee on reconversion problems.

The committee, headed by former Governor O. Max Gardner of North Carolina, composed of representatives of organized labor, farm groups. It was created to advise the office of war mobilization and reconversion when secretary of state Byrnes was director.

Before the committee met, another big cutback in war orders was announced. The war shipping administration cancelled 425,000,000 of contracts for 135 vessels and special military equipment for the navy.

Seeking to speed the flow of scarce materials into civilian production, WPB Chairman J. A. Krug asked all prime and sub-contractors to cancel with "utmost speed" all orders for materials no longer needed to fill military commitments. Krug's letter said that to do otherwise will needlessly postpone the full-fledged reconversion effort which is crucial to the nation's economic welfare.

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Force Of Competition

"The secret of America's great power is the force of competition," reveals Henry J. Kaiser in an article in The Washington Merry-Go-Round appearing on page 4 in today's Star.

"America will go on growing just as long as we enlarge the scope and widen the opportunities of competition." Kaiser lists his four-point program which competition will speed forward for the creation of employment. He urges the building of health clinics throughout the United States. Homes, highways and transportation are also in his plan.

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RADIO STATION SITE BOUGHT

Local Station Hopes To Get On Air By End Of This Year

A nine acre tract of land has been purchased from Oren Hamrick at the corporate limits on West Warren street for the radio station which the Western Carolina Radio Corp., a newly chartered firm, expects to build in Shelby by an early date. The tract fronts 200 feet on the highway, extends to a depth of 256 feet, then forms an eight acre square on a knoll where the 300 foot radio tower will be erected.

The delay in getting a radio station was due to a "freeze" order made by the Federal Communications Commission in Washington which forbade any private construction during the war so that all communication equipment would be diverted to war uses. This "freeze" has been lifted and the FCC will begin granting construction permits and franchises Oct. 7.

The local radio station has purchased most of the necessary equipment and part of it has already been delivered in Shelby. Other vital items such as radio tubes, copper wire, etc. will soon be available.

"While we got a charter and set out over a year ago to provide a radio station in Shelby, we encountered many difficulties due to the heavy demand for war materials," says Lee B. Weathers, president of the corporation. "The FCC has also been working to provide more air channels for Frequency Modulation (FM) broadcasting, television and facsimile. The whole system of transmission by air is undergoing a change and most of the receiving sets now in use will

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SUTTLE'S DRUG STORE ROBBED

Suttle's Drug Store, on LaFayette street, was robbed of between \$25 and \$50 in cash and an unknown quantity of narcotics by a thief who dropped in from the skylight some time Saturday night or Sunday morning, according to report made to police yesterday.

Police are at a loss to understand how the intruder got back out of the building after he had entered by way of the roof and the skylight which was left open. There is a 12-foot drop from the skylight to the floor. All other doors and windows in the building were found locked when the robbery was discovered. To reach the skylight the thief would have had to climb a partition and made his way by overhead pipes. So far no clues of importance have been found by the police.

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WAINWRIGHT MAY WITNESS SURRENDER

Released General Due In Chungking; Other Prisoners Freed HELD OVER 3 YEARS

By Spencer Moosa CHUNGKING, Aug. 20.—(AP)—Lt. Gen. Jonathan M. Wainwright, the tall hero of Corregidor who was rescued from a Japanese prison camp by a humanitarian team of American parachutists, is due in Chungking shortly and may witness the formal surrender of the forces which held him more than three years.

Among the hundreds of Allied prisoners released by the sudden arrival of the Airborne teams carrying relief supplies were Maj. Gen. George M. Farker, of Portland, Ore., who served under

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 20.—(AP)—The Japanese general staff protested to General MacArthur that the dropping of humanitarian teams of American parachutists at prison camps in Japanese-held areas endangered the "smooth" cessation of hostilities and asked him to see that no more such "incidents" occur. The complaint was carried in message No. 13 from the general staff to MacArthur's headquarters. It was recorded by the Federal Communications Commission.

Wainwright in the final days of the battle of Philippines, and A. W. L. Tjarda Van Starckenborgh Stachouwer, governor-general of The Netherlands East Indies. Also with Wainwright in Manchuria, it was learned on high authority, were Lt. Gen. Arthur Percival, British commander at Sin-

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Rain In Charleston; Game Play Doubtful

Some doubt as to whether the Shelby-Meridian baseball game would be played tonight at 8:30 o'clock as scheduled was expressed early this afternoon at Charleston. Rain was drizzling down slowly and the ground was in none too good shape. As soon as definite word is received from Charleston it will be posted on the bulletin board in front of the Star office.

If the game is played, a play by play broadcast will be given to fans in front of the Star office. This broadcast will come directly by wire from Charleston, S. C.

Congress Wants Firm Hand On Pacific Bases

By William F. Arbogast WASHINGTON, Aug. 20.—(AP)—Strong congressional backing lined up today behind a house naval committee's recommendation for firmer United States control of Pacific bases than through "gentlemen's agreements."

This country, the committee said, should at least have a working agreement for use of bases on islands held by our own Allies as well as by Japan.

Just what Congress could do about this was uncertain. But indications are that both senate and house will be asked soon to go on record as supporting the committee's position and urging the State department to strive for a strong United States hold on any islands needed to keep peace.

"It is apparent that we must be given very definite and tangible results with respect to the use of such areas," a naval sub-committee declared in a report made public by Chairman Vinson (D-Ga.).

"Nor can we rely upon gentlemen's agreement" in these matters," it added. If the United States is to discharge her responsibility as keeper of the peace in the Pacific, the committee said, it must have the bases from which to operate. And these bases, the report continued, were taken at great cost in American lives and were built at great cost in American money.

OUTRIGHT CONTROL The committee urged outright control by the United States of Japanese-mandated and outlying Japanese-owned islands and retention of "very definite rights" to American bases built on islands controlled by our Allies. It withheld until later recommendations as to Formosa, Ponape, Jaulit and Yap, still held by Japan.

The report recommended "at least dominating control" over the Marshalls, the Carolines, the Ma-

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WHAT'S DOING

TODAY 7:00 p.m.—Jaycees meet at Hotel Charles. 7:30 p.m.—State Guard drill at armory. 7:30 p.m.—City council meets at city hall. 8:15 p.m.—Broadcast from Star office of Shelby-Meridian Junior Legion baseball game played in Charleston, S. C.

TUESDAY 7:00 p.m.—Scouters club meets at Bethel Baptist church with Troop 9. 7:00 p.m.—CAP cadets meet at armory. 7:00 p.m.—Rotary club directors meet at Hotel Charles.

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MacArthur Sees Formal Wind-Up Within 10 Days

By Russell Brines MANILA, Aug. 20.—(AP)—Formal surrender of Japan will be signed in Tokyo within ten days, General MacArthur announced today.

Only adverse weather can delay the formal end of the war, the supreme allied commander said, as he sent Emperor Hirohito's delegates flying home with detailed instructions on the allied occupation.

Within 24 hours after their arrival in Manila, the Mikado's emissaries left Nichols Field at 1:03 p. m. today. They left behind full details needed by MacArthur for imminent victorious entry into Japan at the head of ground, air and naval occupation forces. They will be prepared, said a headquarters spokesman, "for any contingency."

The envoys were told the date MacArthur and his accompanying forces intend to arrive in Japan and instructed to prepare the necessary airfields, harbors, and other facilities for their arrival.

It was expected that Lt. Gen. Takashiro Kawabe and the other emissaries would report immediately to high government and military officials and perhaps to the Emperor himself.

"We will do the best possible to make sure that all arrangements are completed on time," the emissaries said before leaving Manila.

It was understood that the formal surrender will be signed by General MacArthur in or near Tokyo.

Thereafter, a statement issued by the supreme commander said, he will direct the Nipponese imperial headquarters to issue instructions for the unconditional surrender of all Japanese commanders abroad to surrender their forces to the appropriate theater commanders.

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Balkan Governments Not Representative

Bevin Agrees With Opinion Expressed Saturday By Byrnes; In Soviet Sphere

By Alex H. Singleton LONDON, Aug. 20.—(AP)—Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin told commons today that the governments of Bulgaria, Romania and Hungary—all in the Soviet sphere—"do not represent the majority of the people."

He expressed conviction that the crown colony of Hong Kong on China's coast would revert to Great Britain, although he foresaw possible difficulties.

He said the new labor government would welcome a change in the Spanish regime of Generalissimo Franco but would take no steps to "promote and encourage civil war in that country."

Bevin called on all Poles, military and civilian, to return to their country and said Generalissimo Stalin had assured him Russian troops would be withdrawn

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JAPS QUITTING IN MANCHURIA

Resistance Almost Completely Ended As Result Of Ultimatum

LONDON, Aug. 20.—(AP)—Swift Russian occupation of all key cities in Manchuria was forecast today as Japan's highly-trained "wangtung" army, estimated to number at least 1,000,000 men, surrendered garrison by garrison to the advancing Red army.

Dispatches from Moscow said resistance had ceased almost everywhere in compliance with the ultimatum issued last week by Marshal Alexander M. Vassilevsky, Russian far eastern commander, who gave the Japanese until noon today to lay down their arms.

Soviet airborne units already had landed in the key cities of Mukden, Harbin, Hsinking and Kirin, and reported that the Japanese garrison was ready to give up.

The Russians said last night their ground forces were on the approaches to Mukden and Hsinking, puppet capital of Manchuria, and indicated that occupation of the cities might be only a few hours away.

SURRENDER DETAILS Surrender details were arranged Saturday when a Russian plane flew representatives of Lt. Gen. Ootzo Yamada, the Japanese commander in Manchuria, to Soviet headquarters.

A Russian communique last night said the three Russian armies in Manchuria had ceased operations on all sections where the Japanese were laying down their arms and were "accepting the surrendering

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AMERICAN GENERAL GREETES JAPS IN MANILA—Lt. Gen. Charles A. Willoughby (extreme right), representing Gen. Douglas MacArthur, greets members of the Japanese surrender arrangement delegation at Nichols Field in Manila at the end of their flight from Ie Shima.—(AP Wirephoto from Signal Corps via radio from Manila).