

WEATHER

North Carolian: Fair weather with little change in temperatures today, tonight and Friday.

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Halsey Sets Up American Naval Shore Headquarters In Japan

2,500,000 Troops Now In Germany Will Be Reduced To 400,000

BERLIN, Aug. 30.—(P)—Gen. Eisenhower said today that the 2,500,000 American troops now in Germany would be reduced to a fixed occupation force of about 400,000 well before the end of the winter. The American commander said the importation of food from the United States to feed Germans was inescapable, but that he did not mean he intended to fatten the Germans. He said he hoped to have the Germans elect their own officials in city and rural areas this fall. Eisenhower declined to predict how long the Allied occupation of Germany would last, saying this was a matter of higher government policy, but added that the Americans did not expect to stay here forever.

YOKOSUKA IS OCCUPIED BY TARS, MARINES

Nimitz Watches Forces Wade Ashore With Leveled Guns "THIS IS A PLEASURE" By Morrie Landsberg YOKOSUKA, Japan, Aug. 30.—(P)—Admiral Halsey set up American naval shore headquarters in Japan today a few hours after ten thousand American marines and blue jackets waded ashore with leveled guns and occupied the nearly deserted Yokosuka naval base.



MARINES GAZE ON LANDING SITES IN JAPAN—Marines aboard the U. S. transport Lanier crowd the rail for a first look at Japan as the ship plows through Sagami Bay on the approaches to Tokyo. This picture was made by Max Desfor, Associated Press photographer on assignment with the war time still picture pool.—(AP Wirephoto via Navy radio from Guam).

'Going Splendidly' Says Commander Of Occupation

By The Associated Press ATSUGI AIRFIELD, NEAR TOKYO, Aug. 30.—General MacArthur arrived in Japan and set up headquarters in Yokohama as Nippon's military ruler today amidst the first alien armed forces ever to occupy the sacred islands. Paratroopers and seaborne marines and sailors swarmed out of the skies and in from the sea in an unbroken stream. They took over Atsugi airfield, 18 miles from Tokyo; ran up the American flag over Yokosuka naval base, Japan's second largest; rode by Japanese truck into Yokohama, port of Tokyo where the occupation force will establish general headquarters; and began evacuating prisoners of war from "a black hell hole" where "bestial beatings were common."

Reconversion News Mixed: Good And Bad

Better Living In Sight; Rich Markets For Industry, But Unemployment On Increase WASHINGTON, Aug. 30.—The climb toward better living got a boost today. OPA, starting Sunday, is handing out more meat, more cheese, more butter.

Snyder Urges Standard Pay For Unemployed

WASHINGTON, Aug. 30.—(P)—Establishment of a national unemployment compensation standard received strong endorsement today from John W. Snyder, director of war mobilization and reconversion.

Snyder told the house ways and means committee unemployment during reconversion probably will total six million by the end of the year and eight million by early spring, and that sharp reduction in the living standards of displaced workers is threatened. The committee is hearing witnesses on a bill to standardize jobless pay at \$25 a week for 26 weeks.

"The return to peace is part and parcel of the war," Snyder said in his prepared testimony. "The human as well as the material costs of transition are costs of war. We have recognized this fact in the progress for assistance to business and veterans. We cannot in good conscience adopt another attitude towards displaced war workers."

Present unemployment compensation systems, he continued, cover only some 3 million of the nation's 52 million gainfully employed. Among those excluded are 2,900,000 federal employees, many of them workers in shipyards, arsenals, munitions depots, gun factories and explosives plants; 200,000 in the merchant marine; and 2,000,000 employees of firms hiring fewer than eight workers. The bill would extend jobless pay to all of these groups. As reasons for increasing maximum benefits Snyder cited these figures:

"The over-all cost of living is up about one-third—and the prices of food, clothing and household goods are now from 45 to 50 per cent higher than in August 1939. "An unemployed worker today would need at least \$22 to buy as

British Reported In Port Of Hong Kong

LONDON, Aug. 30.—(P)—A Reuters dispatch from Sydney today said British Pacific fleet headquarters announced that a strong British naval force under Rear Admiral Cecil Harcourt had entered the Port of Hong Kong to reoccupy that crown colony.

Halsey's four-star flag was hoisted at 10:45 a.m. (9:45 p.m. Wednesday, Eastern War Time). The Third fleet admiral however, maintained his actual headquarters aboard the battleship Missouri where Japan will formally surrender Sunday.

Airborne troops, landing at Atsugi airfield with General MacArthur, occupied Yokohama, five miles closer to Tokyo. Not a shot was fired in the first seaborne invasion in Japanese history.

Marines reached Yokosuka at 9:35 a.m. (Japan time 8:35 p.m. Wednesday, Eastern War Time) and the task force commander, Rear Adm. Oscar C. Badger, docked his flagship cruiser, the San Diego, at 10 a.m. (9 p.m. Wednesday, Eastern War Time).

A stocky Japanese vice admiral awaited Admiral Badger and Rear Adm. Robert B. Carney, Admiral Halsey's chief of staff, at the battleship dock. Carney accepted surrender of the base, which Badger will administer, at 11:12 a.m. (10:12 p.m. Wednesday, Eastern War Time).

British earlier had occupied two small islands in the Bay, and Americans took a third, seizing also the thin blade of Futsu Peninsula across the Bay from Yokosuka.

Marines reaching Futsu at 5:58 a.m. (4:58 p.m. Wednesday, Eastern War Time).

Grand Jury Indicts 13 Mica Companies

ASHEVILLE, Aug. 30.—(P)—Thirteen corporations and 15 of their officials were charged with violating the anti-trust law in the operations of the mica industry in two indictments on file in U. S. District court here today.

The Turncombe county grand jury returned the indictments late yesterday. They charged the defendants with conspiring to fix the terms, conditions, and manner in which the mineral is produced and sold.

The government said those named in the indictments controlled about 85 percent of the domestic production of sheet mica, 65 percent of the production of fabricated mica, and between 80 and 95 percent of wet ground mica production.

A large part of United States production is centered in western North Carolina. Mica was designated as one of the strategic materials necessary to national defense.

Fliers Released From Jap Prisons Tell Of Brutalities

SHANGHAI, Aug. 30.—(P)—Stories of brutal Japanese captors who beat them with bamboo sticks and metal rods until they were black and blue from knee to hip and could hardly walk, were related here by eight American fliers.

One airman said he had his wrists tied behind him and had been hung by his thumbs in efforts by the Japanese to force him to reveal American plans to invade Nippon. All are in good condition, and their wounds are healing. They still are held by the Japanese who threatened correspondents with bayonets when they first

tried to interview them in the YMCA here. Entrance was gained after a 15 minute delay. The city of Shanghai still awaits its official release.

The prisoners are: 2nd Lt. Harold H. Elfler, Chicago, pilot of an Army B-24 bomber; 2nd Lt. William R. Martin, Jr., Colorado Springs, Colo., and Sgt. Clyde J. Sellers, Mt. Pleasant, Mich.; Navy fliers AMM 1/c Walter Pallack, Chicago; AMM 3/c Frank Marates, Chicago; AOM 3/c Ted Hauser, North Hollywood, Calif., and Sea-

LENTZ MOVING TO MARION JOB

Succeeds Michaux As Third District Maintenance Supervisor

L. E. Lentz, maintenance supervisor here for district one of Division Nine for the State Highway and Public Works Commission, has been transferred to division three, where he will hold the same position. He will be stationed at Marion, and will go tomorrow to the new job, it was stated today by Hugh Noel, division engineer.

Lentz will succeed R. V. "Dick" Michaux of Burke county whose death occurred Monday.

No successor for the district one supervisor's post had been named today but Mr. Noel expects to fill the post in the next few days.

As supervisor of district three, Lentz will have under his maintenance supervision state highways in McDowell, Burke, Rutherford and Polk counties; as supervisor of district one he had that responsibility for Cleveland, Gaston and Lincoln counties.

Mr. and Mrs. Lentz, who have made their home at 627 South Washington, will leave tomorrow to take up their residence at Marion.

Plans Underway To Feed Europe

WASHINGTON, Aug. 30.—(P)—President Truman disclosed today that the State and War departments and the foreign economic administration are working on plans for the feeding of Europe, pending operation of the Bretton Woods and other postwar financing programs.

Mr. Truman told his news conference that he was unable to give details since the plans were still being studied and worked on. He said representatives of the British governments would come here to participate in discussions necessitated by the abandonment of the lend-lease program.

He would have more to say about that later, he stated.

Game Broadcast Tonight At 8:10

A play-by-play broadcast of the Shelby-Oak Park, Ill., third round game of Junior Legion national championship will be furnished tonight starting at 8:10 p. m. in front of The Star office for fans unable to make the trip to Charlotte.

Lee Kirby will report the game which comes through facilities of Charlotte's radio station WAYS.

Truman Will Not Ask Courts Martial

Thinks Entire Country Shares Blame For Pearl Harbor Disaster; Spurned Preparedness

WASHINGTON, Aug. 30.—President Truman announced today that he will not order courts martial in the Pearl Harbor disaster.

He said the entire country shares in the blame.

As some congressmen set up a clamor for military trials to shed more light on America's greatest defeat in arms the president told his news conference:

"I think the country is as much to blame as any individual in this final situation that developed in Pearl Harbor."

That was his analysis to a news conference today after studying the official documents on investigations of the setback which this country suffered when the Japanese struck Hawaii Dec. 7, 1941.

Mr. Truman authorized this quotation: "I came to the conclusion that the whole thing is the result of the policy which the country itself pursued. The country was not ready for preparedness."

"Every time the president (Franklin D. Roosevelt) made an effort to get a preparedness program through the congress, it was stifled. Whenever the president made a statement about the necessity of preparedness, he was vilified for doing it."

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Questioning brought from the president these additional points: 1. He has no objection to a court martial but will not order one. 2. He still favors a unity of

De Gaulle Back Home

PARIS, Aug. 30.—(P)—Back from the United States and Canada, Gen. De Gaulle arrived at Orly airfield late today.

St. Lawrence Seaway May Be Completed

WASHINGTON, Aug. 30.—(P)—President Truman plans to recommend to congress soon the completion of the St. Lawrence Seaway project long advocated by his predecessor, President Roosevelt. Asked at his news conference if he planned to make a recommendation for the completion of the project, Mr. Truman said simply, "Yes, I do."

True Story Told Of Heroic Death Of Colin Kelly

By ELGAR BROWN Representing The Combined American Press

ABOARD MERCY SHIP REEVES OFF OMORI PRISON CAMP, Tokyo Bay, Aug. 30.—(P)—How Capt. Colin Kelly actually died in battle was related for the first time today by the surviving crewmen on his warplane. Their lips had been sealed for nearly four years by confinement in a Japanese prisoner-of-war camp.

America's famed ace, one of the war's first martyrs, didn't sink the Japanese battleship Haruna by piling his bomber against its stack—but he did a great hero just the same.

At the mention of his name, tears welled into the eyes of Pfc. Robert Altman, 26, of Sanford, Fla., just evacuated from the vile Omori camp in the suburban Tokyo area.

Altman's story was told under dramatic circumstances. This auxiliary, high speed transport and others of the tiny mercy fleet huddled in the bay south of Tokyo bulging with Allied prisoners, deathly sick, ailing and sound, brought out during the night from their hell-hole to relate sickening stories of abuse and viciousness by sadistic captors.

DEC. 10, 1941 Altman was loading 500-pound bombs onto the B-17 at Clark field, Luzon, on December 10, 1941. He asserted: "Suddenly the Japs launched an air raid and we had to take off with only three bombs. We crossed northwest Luzon and saw the Nips' landing party under the protective bombardment of three destroyers and one heavy battleship

WHAT'S DOING

TODAY 7:20 p.m.—Regular meeting of Kiwanis club. 7:30 p.m.—CAP cadets meet at armory.

FRIDAY 7:30 p.m.—Regular meeting of Rotary club.

Nuernberg Stage Being Set To Try Nazi War Criminals

By RICHARD KASISCHKE NUERNBERG, Aug. 30.—(P)—In the bomb-blasted heart of this one-time showplace of Nazidom they are working feverishly to prepare the stage for one of the greatest dramas in history—the trial of Nazi arch war criminals before an international military tribunal.

It would be a task in any city anywhere to prepare for the influx of an estimated 1,000 people from two hemispheres to participate in and record the trials which will last weeks, perhaps months. In Nuernberg

—in whose waste of stone an intact building is an exception and where food and fuel are short—the job is herculean. The chief defendants, Hermann Goering, Joachim von Ribbentrop, Franz von Papen already are on hand. Other top-ranking survivors of Hitler's new order assembled here for the trial include Marshal Wilhelm Keitel and Col. Gen. Alfred Jodl of Hitler's general staff, Jew-baiter Julius Streicher, Kurt Daluege, former gестапо chief; Ro-

Secretary of State Byrnes is expected to propose full hearings in order to bring out all facts related to any controversial matters he fears might menace the peace of Europe. Byrnes also is understood to have several other suggestions designed to speed up the work of the council. It has been assigned the task of drawing up proposed peace treaties for Italy, Romania, Bulgaria, Hungary and Finland, in addition to recommending solutions for the territorial disputes. COMMITTEES One proposal Byrnes may make would establish committees of experts to deal with the major specialized problems. For example, a com-

COUNCIL TO MEET SEPT. 10

Outsiders May Plead Cases For Entry To United Nations

WASHINGTON, Aug. 30.—(P)—Countries formerly allied with Nazi Germany may get a chance to plead their own cases before the Big Five foreign ministers in London next month. Similarly, it was learned today, nations involved in territorial disputes may be summoned to present their views when the council convenes for the first time September 10. The council is a creation of the recent Potsdam Big Three conference.

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