

WEATHER

Clear to partly cloudy and continued rather warm today, tonight and Sunday.

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OCCUPATION GRIP IS EXPANDED

SURRENDER CEREMONIES TO GO ON AIR

Truman Will Broadcast Short Speech During Ceremony

AT 9:30 P. M. EWT

WASHINGTON, Sept. 1.—

(AP)—The White House announced today that the Japanese surrender ceremonies on the battleship Missouri in Tokyo Bay will go on the air at 9:30 P. M., Eastern War Time tonight.

Gen. Douglas MacArthur, supreme Allied commander in Japan, notified the White House to this effect.

From Washington, President Truman will broadcast a speech of about eight or nine minutes during the ceremony, after which the broadcast will be switched back to the Missouri for brief addresses by General MacArthur and Admiral Chester W. Nimitz, Pacific fleet commander.

The White House also announced that the President will take part in a two-hour radio program beginning at 9 p. m. eastern war time tomorrow night to be conducted by the armed forces radio service.

The President's brief address on the Sunday program will begin at 9:19 p. m. and all networks are expected to carry at least part of the program.

NOT CLEAR

Presidential Secretary Charles G. Ross said he did not know whether the broadcast of the surrender ceremony aboard the Missouri will be a delayed and recorded affair or whether it will be simultaneous with the actual signing.

The MacArthur message did not make his clear. All it said was that the ceremony would go on the air at 10:30 a. m. "On the second" September 2 (Tokyo time) in Tokyo Bay (9:30 p. m. tonight September 1 in Washington).

It was not known this morning how long the ceremony will last.

DEATH CLAIMS MRS. M. J. DOVER

Mrs. M. J. Dover, 44, of Ross Grove community, was found dead in bed early this morning, having apparently slipped away from a heart attack during the night. She was the former Miss Minerva Hord of Waco.

Mrs. Dover was found dead by her husband about four o'clock this morning. Although she suffered from asthma from time to time, she did not appear ill yesterday as she went to her work with the J. C. Penney Co., with whom she has been associated for about 15 years.

Funeral arrangements had not been completed this morning pending word from a son in the Navy. Services will be held from the First Baptist church, of which she was a member with Dr. Zeno Wall officiating, and interment will be in Sunset cemetery.

Surviving are her husband, M. J. Dover of Ross Grove; her mother, Mrs. J. L. Hord, of Waco; two sons, Bruce, with the navy somewhere at sea; Lamar, with the army in England; six sisters, Mrs. Carl Putnam, Kings Mountain; Mrs. W. N. Williams, Gastonia; Mrs. Ruth Hord McGregor, Detroit, Mich.; Mrs. U. A. Black, Waco; Mrs. J. O. Long Abbeville, S. C.; and Mrs. Lewis Black, Statesville; and two brothers, Victor Hord, Charlotte, and J. L. Hord, Jr., who is in service somewhere in the Pacific.

Advanced Status Of Post Office Lifts Box Rates

Box rates at Shelby office will be advanced with the December quarter beginning October 1 it was announced today by postal officials following receipt of a directive based upon the local office's advance into the \$100,000 receipts class.

The 1944 receipts figure was \$126,573, a new high mark, and as a result the box rentals will go to the next scale which is: Number one boxes from 75c to \$1.00 per quarter; number two boxes from \$1.00 to \$1.50; number three from \$1.50 to \$2.00; number four from \$2.00 to \$3.00.



U. S. THIRD FLEET PLANES FILL SKY OFF TOKYO—More than 1,000 carrier-based planes of Admiral Halsey's Third Fleet stage an aerial show as the mighty force steams off the shores of Japan, awaiting orders to move into Tokyo and other Jap ports. In "V" formation, some of the planes are seen roaring over ships of the fleet.—(AP Photo from U. S. Navy)

HOME-BUILDING IS INCREASING

More Sheets, Work Clothes On Way But They Will Be Higher

WASHINGTON, Sept. 1.—(AP)—Here are home-front highlights as the nation ends another week of peace (it's wonderful):

Private home-building is already increasing. The Federal housing administration said so. Big spurt coming soon.

You may have to pay more for work clothes, sheets, pillow cases. The OPA said the law compels it to let mills charge more—and that this may raise retail prices.

The heat's on congress to decide who gets fired when a veteran gets his old job back.

The proposal to pay more to unemployed people has hit a brick wall in congress. Senator Vandenberg (R-Mich) is suggesting a compromise.

UNEMPLOYMENT

And here are the cities hit hardest by unemployment, together with the number of people who applied for unemployment payments in the week ending last Saturday:

Detroit 87,537; Chicago 59,401; Los Angeles 50,578; New York 48,229; Newark 37,983; Buffalo 25,117; Paterson, N. J., 22,870.

The figures were announced by the Social Security board.

The board also reported nearly 600,000 claims for unemployment compensation were filed in the week ending Aug. 26, bringing the total of claims then on file to 960,913.

Yanks Impressed By Tokyo Defenses

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 1.—(AP)—Both American army and navy men are "impressed" by the extent of Japanese naval installations in the Tokyo Bay area, Lt. Gen. Robert L. Eichelberger, commander of the Eighth army said today in a broadcast from Tokyo heard by the American Broadcasting company.

Eichelberger said he had established headquarters in the Yokohama area but probably would move to Tokyo with General MacArthur in the near future.

BROADCAST AT STAR OFFICE:

Shelby Fans Flock To Game In Charlotte To Back Team

Happy, cheering fans by the thousands, devoted followers of Shelby's great Junior Legion baseball team, poured toward Charlotte this afternoon to cheer their favorite.

Additional temporary bleachers erected in centerfield of Charlotte's Griffith park today lifted to 15,000 seating capacity for tonight's game, officials announced today.

The club on to the national championship they're expecting them to bring home tonight if they defeat the Trenton, N. J., finalists.

Additional thousands planned

Prisoners Tell Of Japanese Bestiality

Men Beaten To Death, Spat Upon, Starved, And Otherwise Subjected To Torture

By Vern Haugland

OFUNA PRISON CAMP, NEAR YOKOHAMA, Sept. 1.—(AP)—Ninety-five Americans and eight English prisoners, liberated from the filth of a hidden concentration camp today related the war's most gruesome tales of Japanese bestiality.

They saw one man beaten to death and seven die of malnutrition.

Some were spat on in the streets on forced marches through irate crowds.

Many were compelled to wear metal bits in their mouths for 14 hours at a time.

Others were left with their hands tied behind them for 24 hours.

A 21-year-old pilot, Ens. Fred Turnbull, of Highland Park, Mich., tortured after his carrier plane was shot down over Formosa, said:

"I tried to die and made peace with my God."

"My captors tied my hands behind me, made me lie down and covered me with my parachute," the youthful Michigan pilot said.

"I heard two shots."

Already wounded when shot down, he was too numb to feel a bullet that entered his arm but felt one that pierced his chest.

A Japanese made a practice swing at Turnbull's neck with a sword after he had pulled the prisoner's collar down and an angered Formosan, giving him first aid, hit him in the back with a bayonet for not moving fast enough.

"At a hospital close to an airfield, shrapnel and bullets were removed without an anesthetic," Turnbull said.

"BIT TREATMENT" Eight survivors of a 12-man crew on a privateer plane were given the "bit treatment" after their ship had been shot down south of Tokyo Aug. 11.

"The bits were used to keep us from talking," said Naval Lt. John B. Rainey, of Houston, Tex.

"Every half-hour, they came in to see PRISONERS Page 2

CHANDLER HERE:

As Commissioner Of Baseball He Must Be Neutral

"This business of being 'bishop of baseball' (a name given him by Senator Joe Blythe at his Charlotte clambake last night) is uncomfortable in that I have to be neutral," declared Senator A. B. "Happy" Chandler, high commissioner of baseball, here this morning as he showed unmistakable enthusiasm for Shelby's Junior Legion baseballers playing for the national championship tonight at Charlotte.

"I can't take sides myself, but I brought Bill Hutchinson with me to root for Shelby," Chandler ginned. Hutchinson, who as head of International News Service's Washington staff scooped the world on the end of the Japanese war and the surrender terms, said he'd risk his reputation at prognostication that Shelby will sweep to the championship by taking Trenton tonight.

Senator Chandler and Mr. Hutchinson came to Shelby after last night's game to be overnight guests of Governor and Mrs. O. Max Gardner. They went today to Lake Lure to be luncheon guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Gardner at their Lake Lure cottage and leave late this afternoon from Gastonia for Washington. Both were keenly regretful that previous engagements made it impossible for them to see tonight's game, Senator Chandler having to meet Mrs. Chandler in Washington at 8 a. m. tomorrow to proceed to Boston where she is to christen the new aircraft carrier "Philippine Sea" at the Quincy yards.

Senator Clyde R. Hoey and other Shelby friends called on Senator Chandler during his visit here.

to come to The Star office where Lee Kirby will furnish a play-by-play report of the game from the playing field over long distance telephone through facilities of Charlotte's radio station WAYS. Tonight's broadcast is sponsored by The Star which will make up any deficiency in the fund already given for support of the broadcasts brought from all the out-of-town tournament games played by the Shelby club.

Good wishes poured in as native

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Ezra Pound May Be Released

ROME, Sept. 1.—(AP)—An informed source said today that Ezra Pound, American writer held by the U. S. Army in northern Italy, may be released because of lack of evidence to support treason charges brought against him in the United States. The final decision is up to the Justice Department in Washington. Pound was accused of participating in propaganda activities of the Mussolini government.

LEND-LEASE TO BE REPAID

Byrnes Puts Quietus On Idea Debt Has Been Written Off

WASHINGTON, Sept. 1.—(AP)—Nations which received lend-lease aid had it straight from Secretary of State Byrnes today that the United States has by no means torn up their I. O. U's.

They will not be asked to pay in dollars because they do not have the dollar credits. But they are on notice that they will be expected to make some kind of settlement.

It seemed probable they would be requested to pay off in the form of lowered trade restrictions—particularly the British whose economic officials will arrive next week to discuss possible substitutes for lend-lease.

Byrnes made it clear in a formal statement issued yesterday that President Truman's report to congress saying the \$42,000,000,000 of lend-lease might as well be written off did not mean there would be no settlements.

ALREADY REPAID Victory, reverse lend-lease and the prospect of free postwar trade because of lend-lease operations already has repaid this country, Mr. Truman said.

The State Department issued a press release using as a peg for Byrnes' remarks this question:

"In light of the recent lend-lease reports, are we to assume that all lend-lease debts are to be cancelled and the only lend-lease settlements required are settlements for shipments unused or undelivered at the close of the war?"

To this Byrnes replied "there is no justification for that assumption."

Congress Reconvenes Next Wednesday

WASHINGTON, Sept. 1.—(AP)—Congressional leaders officially notified members of the senate and house by telegram today to be back on the job next Wednesday.

At one time Oct. 8 had been set for the reassembly date, but President Truman asked the leaders to meet sooner to speed reconversion legislation.

WHAT'S DOING

TODAY 8:15 p.m.—Broadcast in front of Star office of Shelby-Trenton game to be played in Charlotte.

SUNDAY 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.—USO center open to service men visiting in the city.

MONDAY 10:00 a.m.—Kings Mountain Baptist association pastors and workers conference at First Baptist church.

7:30 p.m.—First Baptist board of deacons meets at church.

8:00 p.m.—Boy Scout court of honor meets at court house.

WORKERS FROM GERMANY MAY BE REPARATION

May Be Used To Repay Nazi Slave Labor From Allies

COMPUTE MAN-HOURS

LONDON, Sept. 1.—(AP)—

A possibility that German workers will be used as repayment for Nazi slave labor to western European countries entitled to reparations from Germany was seen today in a questionnaire sent out by the British foreign office.

Among the war costs and damages the countries are asked to list for prospective reparations the man-hours lost by forced labor of their nationals taken to Germany and man-hours lost in work compelled by Nazi occupation troops.

It was considered significant that this computation of labor losses was requested rather than the dollar cost.

The questionnaire asked that detailed answers be filed with United States, British and French governments by Oct. 1 and it went to all European United Nations except Poland, which will present claims to Russia for payment from the Soviet zone of occupation in accordance with the Potsdam agreement.

In evaluating damages, the countries are asked to figure them out in United States dollars, according to the rate of exchange in 1935. The prices are to be specified according to the values in 1938.

CONFERENCE

The questionnaire makes clear that the countries will have a chance to discuss their views on reparations at a general conference. Associated Press Correspondent

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GIRL ARRESTED IN HUSS CASE

NEWTON, Sept. 1.—(AP)—Sheriff Ray Pitts announced today that he had arrested a 19-year-old Valdeese woman, listed as Mrs. Phoebe Hildebrand, on an adultery warrant naming her jointly with Revis Nuss, now in jail here on a charge of murdering his wife.

Pitts said Huss, 27-year-old farmer and sawyer, would be given a preliminary hearing on the murder charge Tuesday, and that Mrs. Hildebrand, wife of an overseas soldier, would be given a hearing on the morals charge on the same day.

COUPLE QUARRELED The body of Mrs. Huss was found in a lake on the Catawba river near Hickory yesterday a week ago. She remained unidentified for 24 hours until her husband viewed the body. He was taken into custody for questioning and later, Sheriff Pitts said he signed a confession that he choked his wife and threw her body into the water.

Pitts quoted Huss as saying he and his wife quarreled after she accused him of running around with another woman. They slapped each other and then he seized her by the throat and choked her, the officer said Huss told him.

Mrs. Hildebrand was arrested at Valdeese last yesterday. She is the mother of a five-year-old child, whose father she divorced before marrying Hildebrand, Pitts said.

EDDA CIANO INTERNED ROME, Sept. 1.—(AP)—The ministry of the interior said today Edda Ciano, daughter of the late Benito Mussolini, had been interned on Lipari, a grim island off Sicily where her father once imprisoned scores of anti-fascists.

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TWO FACTIONS MEET: Madame Chiang Called Back To China To Aid In Conference

By DeWITT MacKENZIE, AP News Analyst

Over in Tokyo Bay the great is being enacted just across from Japan—the Chungking conference upon which may depend whether this vast country will be plunged into that most terrible of all conflicts, civil war.

This Chinese development in a way is as important as the official surrender aboard the Missouri. For Japan already is beaten and has lowered her flag, while the fierce quarrel between the Chinese Communists and Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek's government is an active threat to peace in Asia. Fratricide for the Japs to sign, we shouldn't overlook that other drama which

Stage Is Set For Final Signing Of Surrender Aboard Missouri Tonight

By The Associated Press

YOKOHAMA, Sept. 1.—American troops extended their steel grip today along both sides of Tokyo Bay, on the stage of which will be played out tomorrow the greatest military pageant of the century—the final and formal surrender of the Japanese empire.

Last of the actors to take their places were the Eighth Army men of Lt. Gen. Robert L. Eichelberger, scheduled to begin their mass landings in the bay section by nightfall tonight. (A radio report said the landings already had begun.)

As a backdrop there was the black horror endured by prisoners of war, who poured from their stockades of death and degradation with blood-freezing accounts of the wanton cruelties inflicted upon them in the years when Japan was riding the crest of conquest.

Now, as the gaunt Lt. Gen. Jonathan Wainwright remarked, "the shoe was on the other foot." He and his staff who survived the forced surrender of the Philippines and the evil years behind enemy wire arrived to witness the Japanese surrender signatures tomorrow (Saturday night, U. S. time) aboard the battleship Missouri.

Exact time of the ceremony was not disclosed. (But President Truman expected to address the United States between 10 and 11 p. m., Eastern War Time Saturday, which would be 11 a. m. to noon Sunday, Japan time.)

General MacArthur, supreme allied commander over the conquered and obsequious Japanese, laid his plans at a private conference Friday night with Admirals Nimitz and Halsey and Generals Spaatz and Kenney in Yokohama's new Grand Hotel.

Kamikaze Pilots Urged Japs To Continue War

Japanese imperial headquarters made one half-hearted attempt to postpone the national ignominy a little longer by asking MacArthur today for further conferences on surrender terms, but it was declared at this headquarters that the Missouri ceremony would proceed as scheduled.

Already on hand were the representatives of Britain, Australia, New Zealand, France, the Netherlands and Russia.

General Eichelberger, who came in advance of his army, declared, "If the Japanese continue their present attitude, there will be no trouble for them or for us."

If there should be, however, General Spaatz, commander of U. S. strategic air forces in the Pacific, said that American planes were in position to drop at least 8,000 tons of bombs on Japan if necessary.

Throughout the Pacific, the Japanese were surrendering or arranging to surrender vast forces peacefully. The only untoward incident reported was the reported escape of three Japanese suicide boats from Hong Kong, where British aircraft promptly sank one, beached another and forced the third back to port.

HONG KONG SURRENDER The informant said Japanese normally follow the emperor's word like sheep, and the kamikaze fliers responsible for the pamphlets undoubtedly would be put to death if caught.

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5,000 ENEMY TROOPS ON NEW GUINEA ARE ILL

SYDNEY, Sept. 1.—(AP)—General Adachi, Japanese commander of the 18th imperial army, messaged the general officer commanding the Australian sixth division today that 5,000 of his 14,000 troops in New Guinea have malaria or beriberi and 1,000 are litter cases.

Adachi, who is making arrangements for surrender, was quoted by the New Guinea correspondent of the Sydney Sun as saying it would require two to three months to get his forces to the coast from back jungle country. They are scattered over 500 miles between Ramu and Hollandia.

He said Japan has sent no supplies since April, 1944. For the past year, the troops have been subsisting largely on native sago potatoes.

Adachi is expected to arrive next week at the command post of an Australian unit to be flown to sixth division headquarters.

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