

WEATHER

Cloudy today, tonight and Sunday; scattered showers and thundershowers in east today; moderate temperatures becoming cool in west and central portions tonight.

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GREAT HURRICANE NEARS SOUTH FLORIDA COAST

MacArthur Orders Japs To 'Quit Acting Like' Equal Of Allies



U. S. S. SARATOGA BRINGS VETERANS HOME—The "Grand Old Lady" of the Pacific fleet—the U. S. S. Saratoga, largest aircraft carrier operating with the U. S. Navy in the Pacific—slips through San Francisco's Golden Gate with her flight deck crammed with cheering war veterans homeward bound. The returning men are Navy veterans of the Pacific fighting—3,800 of them.—(AP Wirephoto).

19 VETERANS:

Twenty-Two Killed In Army Transport Crash

KANSAS CITY, Sept. 15.—(P)—Twenty-two persons, including 19 veterans of European battlefronts, were killed early today as a C-47 army transport plane crashed in flames 14 seconds after leaving Fairfax airport.

CITY AWAITS FEDERAL AID

Mayor Says That Airport Construction To Start As Soon As Grant Is Made

Shelby will be ready to proceed with the construction of its new airport in the Sharon church section as soon as the federal aid for airports bill is passed, it was stated this morning by Mayor Harry S. Woodson, who indicated his belief that Congress would pass the measure at an early date. City officials conferred recently with Representative A. L. Bulwinckle and at that time he expressed the opinion federal aid would be provided. Shelby is tentatively included in the bill for an allotment of \$300,000 for the construction of its airport, however it is likely that the figure will be revised. This was the first estimate of the Civil Aeronautics authority when it was proposed to put the Shelby airport on the Hackett Blanton farm and when a smaller airport was being considered. The estimate has not been revised since that date. It is the opinion of city officials

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Cherry Invites Trumans To Be Guests At Mansion

RALEIGH, Sept. 15.—(P)—President and Mrs. Truman have been invited by Governor and Mrs. Cherry to be their guests at the executive mansion when the President comes to North Carolina for a brief visit in November. The President will address a meeting of the state senate at Statesville on November 2.

MANY 'WANTED' MEN ARE BEING ROUNDED UP

Press, Radio Told Their "Distorted" Stories Must Cease

SOME OFFER SELVES

By The Associated Press TOKYO, Sept. 15.—Lt. Gen. Masaharu Homma, conqueror of the Philippines, and the Filipino puppet president Jose P. Laurel were among several wanted men taken into custody today as General MacArthur's headquarters bluntly informed Japan that she was not an equal of the Allies in any way and would have to quit acting like one.

Besides Homma and Laurel, those who surrendered or were seized today included Lt. Gen. Shigenori Kuroda, Homma's successor in the Philippines command; Col. Kingoro Hashimoto, the man blamed for the sinking of the U. S. gunboat Panay in China in 1937; Yoshitaka Ueda, Japanese geopolitical expert; Laurel's son and Benigno S. Aquino, president of the former puppet assembly of the Philippines.

Homma and Kuroda surrendered together to Japanese police; the other Japanese surrendered at Eighth army headquarters; and the Filipinos were arrested near Osaka and flown to Eighth army headquarters.

Meanwhile Col. Donald Hoover, head of censorship in MacArthur's counterintelligence office, called in the heads of Japan's press and radio, told them that their distorted stories of the occupation must cease forthwith and that Japan was a defeated enemy which has not yet demonstrated the right to a place among civilized nations.

Hoover announced that the Dome agency, suspended yesterday because of distortions and bad faith, would be permitted to resume operations only on a limited domestic scale and under 100 per cent U. S. censorship but that Dome and any others who transgressed again would be closed.

Homma glibly asserted that he had not ordered the Bataan death march and that it wasn't so bad, anyhow, brushing off the proven horrors of that cruel herding of captured Americans on Luzon. He acknowledged, however, that as the commander he was responsible for acts of his subordinates.

Kuroda, evidently not trying to be humorous, remarked, "we lost the war—there must have been some mistake."

Looking over the Tokyo and Yokohama industrial bomb damage, he exclaimed, "terrible!" Both generals were high on MacArthur's list of men wanted for questioning and possible trial as war criminals.

OFFERED HIMSELF At the same time Yoshitaka Ueda offered himself at Eighth army headquarters. He was numbered 24 on General MacArthur's list although his activities were unknown even to many of the Japanese, he is credited with being the master mind of the imperialistic Japanese geo-political bureau. On the MacArthur list, he had been called Ueda Yachiatake, with his names transposed, spelled

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TODAY IN CONGRESS:

Supporters Of Truman Defend His Job Policies

WASHINGTON, Sept. 15.—(P)—Battle lines tightened today in this history-making postwar Congress.

Senate Republicans met to discuss what they are against and what they are for. House Republicans met yesterday. The two groups hope to agree on a program.

Supporters of President Truman defended two main points of his peacetime policy—more help for the jobs of today, and national planning for the jobs of tomorrow. Many of the committee-room

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'HOME' FROM BELGIUM—Gilbert Leclercq (above) 16-year-old Belgian boy, told immigration officer in Pittsburgh that he joined the U. S. Army in Europe, "came home" with the Yanks, and received an honorable discharge.—(AP Wirephoto).

BIG TELEPHONE EXPANSION ERA

Southern Bell To Spend Vast Sum In Southeast; New Phones Soon

A \$300,000,000 to \$400,000,000 construction and installation program—aimed to meet the expanding telephone needs of the southeast—was announced today by Hal S. Dumas, president of the Southern Bell Telephone company, through S. M. Gault, manager.

Mr. Dumas said the program, the largest ever undertaken by the Southern Bell company, would extend over the next five to six years.

DOUBLE INVESTMENT Some idea of the size of the program is given by Mr. Dumas when he points out that it means that "We must in this comparatively short period of time spend a sum for expansion about equal to the dollar investment in the facilities we now possess."

A large proportion of the amount to be spent by the telephone company in the near future will go toward clearing up pending applications for service, but beyond that, Southern Bell anticipates a period of substantial economic development in the south which will necessitate further telephone expansion to meet the growing requirements.

Mr. Dumas said Southern Bell's post-war plans included many different projects, some of which he outlined as follows:

Filling as quickly as possible applications for service being held because of the lack of facilities;

Extending and improving rural telephone service;

Catching up with plant shortages to provide for the volume of business now being handled;

Expanding the long distance network.

Extension of service into other fields as the need develops.

VOICES CONFIDENCE

President Dumas expressed telephone people's confidence in the ability of southern economy to retain and expand the position it has gained as the result of its achievements under the impact of the war. "As we see it, the south is what you might call a 'natural' for rapid growth in the years just ahead. We have a bountiful supply of raw materials, a matchless climate, a great source of native-born, intelligent labor, which has acquired new skills in hundreds of southern war plants.

"As the south develops so must the telephone system which serves its business and social life. Our aim is to contribute to that development through the provision of an ever-expanding, ever-improving service."

Primary emphasis at first will be placed on the installation of equipment and outside facilities needed to care for the more than 240,000 orders for service now pending.

"The planning, engineering and manufacturing phases of providing the tremendous quantities of equipment needed for this purpose are already well underway," Mr. Dumas said. "Some equipment

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RUSSIA ASKING CONCESSIONS IN SOUTH EUROPE

Demands Indicate She Means To Become Great Power There

ITALY'S COLONIES

By Flora Lewis LONDON, Sept. 15.—(P)—Reliable report that the Soviet Union has made territorial demands in the Mediterranean area considerably beyond anything the United States and Britain had anticipated was interpreted in diplomatic quarters here today as an indication of Russia's determination to become a Mediterranean power.

The Soviet proposals arose authoritatively sources said, during a discussion of Italy's colonies by the Big Five council of foreign ministers yesterday.

Diplomats speculated that the Russian demand referred to the strategic Dodecanese Islands strung across the entrance to the Aegean Sea and guarding the approaches to the Dardanelles.

The report of the surprising Russian move came shortly before the council issued a communique announcing that all nations which warred against Italy would be asked to submit in writing their peace treaty proposals.

The establishment of Russian influence in the Mediterranean would reshuffle power positions in that area, already a source of Anglo-French maneuvering.

RETURN CONTROL The Big Five foreign ministers were scheduled to meet again this afternoon and may hold another session Sunday.

British and American plans focus mainly on returning control of most Italian colonies to Italy with international supervision.

Since the vast majority of the Dodecanese population is Greek, it had been expected that these islands would be turned over to Greece.

Egypt wants at least a part of adjoining Cyrenaica and the Ethiopians have claimed Eritrea and Italian Somaliland on the Red Sea.

TRAIN CRASHES INTO OIL TRUCK

Engineer Is Killed; Fireman And Truck Driver Are Injured

CHICAGO, Ill., Sept. 15.—(P)—A Wabash railroad train carrying the Brooklyn Dodgers from St. Louis to Chicago, crashed into a gasoline laden truck and trailer at nearby Manhattan today killing the engineer and injuring the fireman and truck driver. None of the ball players or other passengers was injured and the train was able to proceed to Chicago after a two-hour delay. The Dodgers were riding in the rear car.

Witnesses said the trailer exploded following the crash and flaming gasoline set fire to the railroad depot and several buildings of a lumber company.

A railroad spokesman said the locomotive left the track and the engineer Charles Tettmeyer of Chicago, burned to death in the car. The fireman, George Ebert of Decatur, Ill., leaped from the cab but was seriously burned. Truck driver was not immediately identified.

The Dodgers, scheduled to play the Chicago Cubs today, were accompanied by eight sports writer.

Subs Flee From Fury Of Storm

KEY WEST, Fla., Sept. 15.—(P)—The Navy reported today that the big submarines berthed at the Naval base here have been dispatched to sea to escape the hurricane whirling in from the Bahamas, and small subs submerged, crewless, to the safety of the ocean floor at dockside.

The latter will be brought to the surface again after the storm has passed.

Homma Denies Ordering Death March But Ready To Take Responsibility

By Al Dopking

TOKYO, Sept. 15.—(P)—Burly, baggy-suited Lt. Gen. Masaharu Homma denied today that he had ordered the death march of Americans from Bataan, but acknowledged that he was ready "to take full responsibility for any of the acts of my subordinates," and surrendered to Kanagawa prefect rural police for Allied questioning.

TRUMAN ENJOYS HIS VISIT HOME

Likely To Wait Until Return To Capital To Fill Court Post

INDEPENDENCE, Mo., Sept. 15.—(P)—President Truman was having the time of his life today, mingling again with the folks who know him best.

The former Jackson county judge, casting aside for the weekend, cares of the nation's highest office, relaxed and enjoyed himself amid scenes of earlier struggles as an up-and-coming politician.

As Mayor Roger T. Sermon, proud as a peacock over having the president back home, put it, "I think he wanted to get back and put his feet on this Jackson county soil."

Folk who talked things over with Mr. Truman figured that he had no thought of doing anything more startling while here than visiting his "mama," 92-year-old Mrs. Martha Truman, at Grand View, some time tomorrow, and calling by his offices in the federal building at Kansas City to look over his mail and shake hands with old friends.

SUPREME COURT

They figured he would wait until after his return to Washington to announce his choice of a successor to retired Justice Owen J. Roberts as a member of the U. S. supreme court.

There are some grounds for belief the president may hold another conference on the matter at Washington before acting definitely on the supreme court vacancy.

After he and Mrs. Truman flew in from Washington on the big C-54, the "Sacred Cow," they had supper in their old white frame home at 219 Delaware street.

The president then went over to Mayor Sermon's house for a little stag reception, where he renewed friendships which have been a source of pleasure to him since

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Schooner Pounded To Pieces In Surf

NORTH MIAMI BEACH, Fla., Sept. 15.—(P)—One man was drowned and six reached safety today as raging winds drove the two-master, 70-ton Honduran schooner Icaros on the beach here and pounded it to pieces.

Police at nearby Surfside reported the dead man was Cecil Wedburn, a Honduran, who fell overboard while attempting to rescue a dog. His body was brought to land by the six crewmen who rode through the wild surf in a lifeboat.

Capt. Bonnie Dixon said the vessel left the Bahamas yesterday and was trying to reach Miami. The Coast Guard said the craft was a total loss.

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FORD PLANTS STOPPED:

More Than 200,000 Workers Off Jobs Due To Strikes

By The Associated Press Labor disputes, showing a steady rise across the country since V-J day and the subsequent ending of wartime's no-strike pledge, today kept more than 200,000 off their jobs, a new high for the last several months.

The spotlight along the nation's labor front, focused to display the changeover from war to peacetime production, fell directly on the labor strife in Detroit's heavy industrial area. But it touched over a wide section of the North Central part of the country and into many sections of the east

where labor issues brought unrest to a varied line of business and industry.

In the Detroit area some 75,000 workers were idle as a direct result of labor controversies. The Ford Motor company laid off 50,000 automobile workers yesterday and all Ford plants in the country stopped production of new autos, tractors, trucks and engines.

LABOR ACCUSED Henry Ford 2nd, executive, vice-president, attributed the layoff to "crippling and unauthorized strikes."

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MIAMI EXPECTS TO MISS WORST OF THE STORM

Core Of Disturbance Likely To Hit Keys Between 2 And 3 P. M.

150-M.P.H. WINDS

MIAMI, Fla., Sept. 15.—(P)—Grady Norton, chief forecaster of the U. S. weather bureau here, said at 9:50 a. m. (EWT) today that "Miami is definitely going to miss the worst of it" as a great hurricane sparked by winds estimated at 150 M.P.H. screamed toward the south Florida coast.

Norton said the storm was approximately 1550 miles southeast of Miami at 9:30 a. m., driving on the same relentless course north

northwestward with no sign of a turn to the north. When it strikes, he said, the hurricane will be traveling almost parallel with the necklace of "keys" which stretch out into the Gulf of Mexico.

MOVED TO SAFETY

Hurricane warnings—ominous black and red flags—were hoisted along the Florida west coast from the Keys to Naples as the great winds whirled on after battering the Bahamas.

Hurricane-wise residents in most outlying exposed areas had already moved to havens of safety.

Palm Beach reported winds of 25 M.P.H. at 10 a. m., whipped by blustering rain. Both Miami and Palm Beach had brief power failures as the storm slowly drew nearer.

Over 100 patients at the Morrison field hospital were moved to the Biltmore hotel in Palm Beach. Forty percent of them were bed patients.

An advisory issued by the weather bureau at 10:30 a. m. said the vanguard of the

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'Wheelhorse' Likely To Head Investigation

WASHINGTON, Sept. 15.—(P)—An administration wheelhorse probably will bang the gavel in a forthcoming investigation by ten congressional lawyers of the Pearl Harbor debacle.

Senate Democratic Leader Barkley (Ky.) told some colleagues he might not be able to serve, but indications are strong he will accept chairmanship of a joint senate-house investigating committee.

He thus will be in a position to direct the course of an investigation many legislators think will have a bearing on the 1946 and 1948 political campaigns.

Senate colleagues who will serve with Barkley are George (D-Ga.), Lucas (D-Ill.), Ferguson (R-Mich.) and Brewster (R-Me.). House members are Cooper (D-Tenn.), Clark (D-N.C.), Murphy (D-Pa.), Keefe (R-Wis.) and Gearhart (R-Calif.).

Both sides disclaim any intent to let partisan politics creep into the inquiry. But the selection of members—all of them lawyers before they entered Congress—followed strict party lines.

PARTY LINES

Barkley, Cooper, Lucas and Murphy are New Dealers. George and Clark are southerners who don't always subscribe fully to administration views on domestic issues. But where it is a case of Democrats vs. Republicans, they are Democrats.

George won't make up his mind until Monday whether to accept membership on the committee. He is chairman of the senate finance committee and there is a tax reduction bill coming along which will demand a lot of his time.

Among the Republicans, Keefe and Gearhart are former county prosecutors. Ferguson, a former judge, served as a one-man grand jury in Detroit before election to the senate. He and Brewster know the inquiry ropes from their membership on the senate war investigating committee.

With 10 members who know their way around in a courtroom, the committee still must pick a legal counsel when it organizes, probably next week.