

### Text Of MacArthur's Concluding Address

U. S. S. MISSOURI, Tokyo Bay. Text of the concluding address of General MacArthur, supreme Allied commander, following formal Japanese surrender:

"My fellow countrymen: Today the guns are silent. A great tragedy has been won. The skies no longer rain death—the seas bear only commerce—men everywhere walk upright in the sunlight. The entire world is quietly at peace. The holy mission has been completed and in reporting this to you, the people, I speak for the thousands of silent lips, forever stilled among the jungles and the forests and in the deep waters of the Pacific which marked the way. I speak for the unnumbered brave men and women who have advanced from the challenge of that fifth of May. It did so much to save us from the brink of disaster.

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"A new era is upon us. Each of us has a part to play in the lesson of victory. It is a lesson of profound concern for our future security and the peace of our civilization. The destruction of the war has opened a new scientific discovery has in fact reached a point which reveals the traditional concept of war.

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"And so, my fellow countrymen, today I report to you that your sons and daughters have served you well and faithfully with the calm, deliberate, determined fighting spirit of the American soldier and sailor based upon a tradition of historical trait, as against the fanaticism of an enemy supported only by mythological fiction. Their spiritual strength and power has brought us through to victory. They are homeward bound—take care of them."

### Text Of Mr. Truman's V-J Day Proclamation

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and happiness and decency for more people than any other philosophy of government in history. And this day has shown again that it provides the greatest strength and the greatest power which man has ever reached.

We know that under it we can meet the hard problems of peace which have come upon us. A free people with the free Allies, who can develop an atomic bomb, can use the same skill and energy and determination to overcome all the difficulties ahead.

Victory always has its burdens and its responsibilities as well as its rejoicing.

But we face the future and all its dangers with great confidence and great hope. America can build for itself a future of employment and security. Together with the United Nations, it can build a world of peace founded on justice and fair dealing and tolerance.

As President of the United States, I proclaim Sunday, September 2nd, 1945, to be V-J Day—the day of formal surrender of Japan. It is not yet the day for the formal proclamation of the end of the war or the resumption of hostilities. But it is a day which we Americans should always remember as a day of retribution—as we remember that other day, the day of infamy.

From this day we move forward. We move toward a new era of security at home. With the other United Nations we move toward a new and better world of peace and international good will and cooperation.

God's help has brought us to this day of victory. With His help we will attain that peace and prosperity for ourselves and all the world in the years ahead.

Miss Doris Grahl left Tuesday for Washington, D. C., where she has a position with the Veterans Administration, after spending a few days here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lynwood Grahl, and her grandmother, Mrs. H. C. Ferguson.

### Dairymen Will Continue Same Delivery Schedule

At a recent meeting of the N. C. Dairy Products Association of this district, it was decided to continue with the same delivery schedule in order to keep the price of milk down. The same schedule would also enable dairy employees a holiday on Sundays.

R. B. Davenport, district manager of Pet Dairy Products Company, reported his company, and said home delivery would continue on Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday. Dairymen were present from Franklin, Hendersonville, Asheville, Blount, Hickory and Waynesville.

Miss Anne Osborne, who is attending the University of North Carolina, has returned to Chapel Hill to resume her work after spending the summer here with her family.

### William D. Cochran Promoted To Corporal

William D. Cochran, son of Mrs. Willie Cochran, of Waynesville, has been promoted from private first class to corporal, according to Capt. Robert E. Dickinson, commanding officer of Company C, 78th Battalion 16th Group, at Camp Claiborne, La.

Cpl. Cochran is serving in the messengers of the U. S. Army and is presently clerk in his unit. He entered the service on November 16, 1942.

### E. A. McElroy Returns After Ten Years Absence

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. McElroy, formerly of Haywood county, who have been residing in Miami for the past ten years have returned to the county to make their permanent residence here.

Mr. McElroy has purchased the Crawford property on the Deilwood Road and plans to build a store and service station which he will operate. His plans are to start construction this week.

Mr. McElroy was employed by the government as a Marine inspector during his stay in Miami. Mrs. McElroy is also a native of Haywood county, being the former Miss Ruby Melton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Melton.

Mrs. Evelyn Osborne, superintendent of the Mission Hospital, Asheville, spent the week-end here with her family.

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