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WAR ENDS

JAPS GIVE UP

All hands of the United States Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard may take satisfaction in the conclusion of the war against Japan and pride in the part played by them in accomplishing that result.

The demobilization of the armed forces of the United States and the return to conditions of peace will create problems exacting patience and control almost as great as the tensions of war. I ask that the discipline which has served so well to bring this democracy through hours of great crisis be maintained to the end that nothing shall mar the record of accomplishment and glory that belongs to the Navy, Marines and Coast Guard.

JAMES FORRESTAL.

FOLLOWING IS THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT'S MESSAGE ACCEPTING OUR TERMS:

"Communication of the Japanese Government of August 14, 1945, addressed to the governments of the United States, Great Britain, the Soviet Union and China; with reference to the Japanese government's note of August 10 regarding acceptance of the provisions of the Potsdam Declaration and the reply of the Governments of the United States, Great Britain, the Soviet Union and China sent by American Secretary of State Byrnes under date of August 11, the Japanese Government have the honor to communicate to the governments of the four powers as follows:

1. HIS MAJESTY THE EMPEROR HAS ISSUED AN IMPERIAL RESCRIPT REGARDING JAPAN'S ACCEPTANCE OF THE PROVISIONS OF THE POTSDAM DECLARATION.
2. HIS MAJESTY THE EMPEROR IS PREPARED TO AUTHORIZE AND ENSURE THE SIGNATURE BY HIS GOVERNMENT AND THE IMPERIAL GENERAL HEADQUARTERS OF THE NECESSARY TERMS FOR CARRYING OUT THE PROVISIONS OF THE POTSDAM DECLARATION. HIS MAJESTY IS ALSO PREPARED TO ISSUE HIS COMMANDS TO ALL THE MILITARY, NAVAL, AND AIR AUTHORITIES OF JAPAN AND ALL THE FORCES UNDER THEIR CONTROL, WHEREVER LOCATED, TO CEASE ACTION NOW, TO SURRENDER ARMS AND TO ISSUE SUCH OTHER ORDERS AS MAY BE REQUIRED BY THE SUPREME COMMAND OF THE ALLIED FORCES FOR THE EXECUTION OF THE ABOVE MENTIONED TERMS ".

THE TEXT OF THE CAPTAIN'S MESSAGE TO ALL HANDS:

"As you all know Japan has accepted our surrender terms. The orders for all Japanese forces to cease hostilities are being sent out now. So far no orders have been received from the Commander in Chief U.S. Pacific Fleet for us to cease hostilities and so we will remain in a war cruising status until such orders are received. The order may not come until after the surrender terms have been signed by the enemy and the Allied Powers. It will probably then be further necessary to maintain precautionary measures aboard ship until all Jap submarines are accounted for. We have all survived the hardest part of this war and a few more days of caution will insure that we will all get home safely. I congratulate you all on being veterans of this war.

And now let us all bow our heads in prayer.

Almighty God who has seen us safely through this great conflict we thank Thee with all our hearts for Thy kind and careful guidance. We pray that we have followed Thy teachings in our efforts to defeat our enemies and that our victory will benefit all of mankind that they may now live and worship as befits their station.

Give us strength, O Lord, and Thy just guidance that we bring to this world a just and lasting peace. Grant us the knowledge and forethought necessary to treat our defeated enemies fairly and justly, that we may teach them to respect the rights of all people to live a free and fruitful life, that we may teach them to live in harmony with others.

We beseech Thee most heavenly father to grant those of our comrades in arms, who made the supreme sacrifice during this great conflict, a full and everlasting life in the World without end. Amen."

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LONDON: Tokio said Monday night that Russian marines had swarmed ashore on Karafuto, Japanese owned southern half of Sakhalin Island, in an invasion of enemy territory lying only 30 miles north of the Jap homeland. Supported by guns of the Soviet Pacific Fleet the Russians have established 2 beachheads on the west coast of the island in a swift follow up to a seaborne invasion of Korea, the enemy said. The Russian landings were made as the desperate command of the Jap Kwantung Army in Manchuria hurled Kamikaze suicide planes at Russian armored tanks in an effort to stop the Red Army drive sweeping toward the arsenal city of Harbin from the west. Tokio news broadcasts said the Russians stormed ashore on Karafuto at Ambetsu, which lies just below the fortified border separating the Japanese half of the island from the Russian.

CHUNGKING: Generalissimo Chiang Kai Shek, U.S. Lieut. General Wedemeyer and Ambassador Hurley conferred again Monday as tension between the Chungking government and the Chinese Communists increased. The three Allied leaders conferred Sunday night and met again Monday morning amid indications that plans were underway for a rapid reoccupation of Jap held China, possibly with airborne troops when Japan surrenders.

RICHMOND, CALIF.: Richmond shipyards will terminate their wartime ship construction Sunday with the launching of a C-4 transport, the 747th vessel to come out of the 4 yards. Kaiser yards have produced 7,204,000 deadweight tons of shipping since Jan. 1941, almost as much tonnage as the United States possessed before the war.

LONDON: The Parliament Wednesday will have it's first ceremony since V-E Day. King George is scheduled to begin the brilliant procession at 1100 with a speech from the throne. In the House of Lords there was hope that for the first time in 6 years the session may begin with the world at peace.

CHUNGKING: An Office of War Information correspondent said "Kweilin, once a city of 500,000 was ravaged with fury reminiscent of Lidice. A Kanhsien report asserted that 50,000 Chinese residents of that Southern Kiangsi Province city were killed or disappeared during the 6 months of Japanese occupation but no details were given. A Chinese news dispatch said that up to the end of July more than 1000 civilians had been killed in the Yangtze port of Chang. This report said the Chinese died of poisonous injections forceably administered by the Japanese who said they were inoculations against meningitis. At Kweilin, which the Chinese re-occupied July 27th, Japanese squads for 20 days before they fled, systematically set sections of the big city afire. Traitors in the city, Chandler wrote, were given \$3000 Chinese for every building they destroyed. Even trees lining the main streets were scorched and dead. Modern buildings, lavish hotels and beautiful shops were in ruins. The only buildings left standing in the entire city were those which the Japanese were using as headquarters and had no time to destroy. Everything else - every building and every coolie hut - was a mass of rubble. The handful of people who remained during the enemy occupation were found huddled, wet and hungry, along the river bank and under half shattered buildings. A Chinese officer estimated that 2/3s of the city's population left when the Japanese approached last year. Many others warned by leaflets dropped from the air cleared out after Japanese occupation of the city. Only people too poor to travel remained.

NEW YORK: The Communist newspaper "The Daily Worker" published a letter from Bernhard M. Baruch, prominent U.S. businessman and adviser to several presidents in which he expressed hope that the people of America can deal "on a friendly basis" with Russia but insisted that relationships should be on a "two way street". Baruch's letter was in reply to an editorial in the "Daily Worker" which said that he doubted that amicable relations between the 2 countries could be achieved. In his letter Baruch said he recognizes that Russia and America have different political and economic systems but declared "They are entitled to have what they want and we are entitled to have what we want".

MOSCOW: General Eisenhower declared Monday that he had not halted his troops at the Elbe or anywhere else last spring because the Russians requested it. He added he would be glad to place before Congress the record of the way the Red Army High Command cooperated with him during the European war. Eisenhower at a Moscow Press Conference said he ordered American commanders to stop at the Elbe short of Berlin and to turn south because he wanted to break up Hitler's Bavarian redoubt as fast as possible. The American General who is visiting here at the invitation of the Russians, said that subjects Generalissimo Stalin had talked about during their social meeting in Moscow convinced him that Soviet Russia's paramount desire is to be friendly with the United States.

SWITZERLAND: The Zurich newspaper "DieTat" Monday criticized the use of the atom bomb by the United States and urged the Swiss government to protest use of the weapon. "There is no difference", said DieTat editorially, "Between the Americans who use Atom bombs and National Socialists who spread their atrocities over Europe, to annihilate their enemies."

LONDON: France and Canada were given places on the central governing council at the 3rd international conference of the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration it was announced today. The admission of White Russia and Ukraine to memberships also was voted today by UNRRA delegates giving Soviet Russia three votes as at the San Francisco Conference. Subsequently it was voted to admit all members of the United Nations who apply for membership. The admission of France and Canada gave the 2 countries a place with the U.S., Britain, Russia and China in administering UNRRA's policy. William Clayton, U.S. Ass't Secretary of State today was elected Chairman of the UNRAA Committee on Financial Control which supervises the organization's budget.

GUAM: The new battleship ALABAMA, it now can be disclosed was damaged by the typhoon which hit the Third Fleet near Okinawa on June 5th, after escaping unharmed 3 years of warring action in the Atlantic and Pacific. Fleet headquarters announced Saturday that she was quickly repaired and once again she is adding to her record of doing a big and tough job quietly and efficiently.

RETURN OF SOLDIERS FROM INDIA: The Southeast Asia Command has announced that details for the movement home of American soldiers in the India-Burma Theater will be published "a day or so after surrender is signed."

LOCAL NEWS: Home Town Publicity stories will appear in your local newspaper. Be sure to indicate on your questionnaire the name and location (town) of the newspaper in which you want your story to appear. The deadline for Home Town Publicity questionnaires is extended to 1800, Aug 17.

Custom slips are now available at the ship's office, for listing souvenirs and purchases made outside the continental limits of the U.S. All souvenirs must be listed, as of "no value", since no souvenir will be passed without a special pass.

An intelligence officer will come aboard at Pearl Harbor to issue passes for souvenirs. It will obviously save time to have all souvenirs so listed, since only those of possible military value will have to be examined, and all other can be covered by a single pass listing the articles.

Each man must turn in a customs slip, even though he has no article to declare. In this case "nothing to declare" will suffice. Get your customs slip and turn them in to the ship's office as soon as possible.

ST LOUIS: Donald Barnes, President of the St. Louis American League Baseball Club announced the sale of his controlling interest in the Browns to Richard C. Muckerman, Vice President. Muckerman, also Vice President of an Ice and Fuel Company, and a bank director, said he contemplated no changes whatever in the club's management - that Luke Sewell would continue to handle the team and that General Manager William DeWitt would remain in his capacity at the head of the business office.

WASHINGTON: An early return to normal for American's top sports attractions curtailed or dropped during the war appeared likely. The 2 world series in baseball, professional football's 13 non-championship games and the big football bowl games, all tentative because of transportation difficulties, seemingly will be played if the war end comes soon. Those events would be made possible by an indicated easing of the Office of Defense Transportation's rigid restrictions on non-essential travel. Bowling and boxing may be the first to resume full scale operation. Sgt Joe Louis, heavyweight boxing champion, has not defended his title since he knocked out Abe Simon on March 27, 1942 but it is conceivable that the "Brown Bomber" will be back in Madison Square Garden by the time the snow flies. The same thing is true of some of the other ring champions.

NEW YORK: Compilation of plane and ship losses based on all communiques and press releases since Potsdam proclamation July 26 and received here up to mid-night August 10, shows that 714 Japanese planes were destroyed, 13 probably destroyed and 792 damaged against United States loss of 106 planes and British loss of 25. Japanese ship losses during same period were 147 sunk, 18 probably sunk and 300 damaged against reported U.S. loss of 2 light warships sunk and another damaged.

LONDON: Preparations for a permanent United Nations organization will be made by members of the United Nations Interim Commission when they convene in London Thursday. These members, chosen at the San Francisco Conference will handle the groundwork of organization and will call a plenary session of the United Nations when 28 nations have ratified the world charter. The interim commission will work on dissolution of the old League of Nations Organization and it also will plan for the establishment of a permanent secretariat of the new organization and make nominations for an international court.

WASHINGTON: Howard Barre Darr, Vice-president of the American Relief for Italy said Saturday that \$14,000,000 worth of food, clothing and medicine was distributed to the Italians during the first year of the organizations activities.

RIO DE JANEIRO: President Vargas signed a decree today allowing Brazilian newspapers to publish in English, Spanish, French and Portuguese the A.P. reported. Newspaper use of all but Portuguese had been forbidden since 1941.

LOS ANGELES: To evade ceiling prices some dealers are selling dressed chickens and rabbits as pets. Instead of receiving a carcass to take home for eating the customer gets a "companion". There are no ceiling prices on pets.