

# JAPS SURRENDER; EMPEROR LAYS DEFEAT TO ATOM BOMB

## MacArthur Appointed Hirohito's Boss

### Cruiser Indianapolis Torpedoed By Jap Submarine; 883 Perish

315 Rescued After 5 Days Adrift At Sea  
10,000-Ton Warship Sinks 15 Minutes After 2 Explosions



THE CRUISER INDIANAPOLIS

BELELIU, PALAU ISLANDS—(P)—The 10,000-ton cruiser Indianapolis, sunk in less than fifteen minutes, presumably by a Japanese submarine, twelve minutes past midnight July 30—and 883 crew members lost their lives in one of the Navy's worst disasters.

She went down in the Philippines sea, within 450 miles of Leyte while on an unescorted high speed run from San Francisco.

She had completed the trip to Guam and was bound for the Philippines.

There were 315 survivors. (The Navy in Washington, first to announce the tragedy, said there were "100 per cent casualties" and listed five Navy dead, including one officer, 843 Navy missing, including 63 officers, 307 Navy wounded, including fifteen officers; 30 Marine Corps missing, including two officers, and nine enlisted Marine Corps wounded.)

An atomic bomb was speeded from the United States to the Marianas by the Indianapolis just prior to her sinking.

The crew knew only she was carrying top secret cargo.

The cruiser set a new speed record for surface ships between Honolulu and San Francisco on the dash, making the run in 78½ hours.

The fatal torpedo attack came without a second's warning. Two explosions flashed out of her bow. She quivered while flames streaked like a white, searing torch down passageways all through her slim hull.

In less than fifteen minutes the Indianapolis was gone; 10,000 tons of "proud and

### Petaín Doomed To Die As Traitor

PARIS—(P)—Marshal Petaín was convicted and sentenced to death early today by three judges and a 24-man jury who deliberated almost seven hours.

The high court of justice added it "hoped the sentence would not be executed."

(This recommendation for clemency presumably will be considered by Gen. De Gaulle, president of the French provisional government.)

Besides condemning the 89-year-old former chief of the Vichy state to death for "plotting against the internal safety of France", the court also sentenced him to NATIONAL INDIGNITY AND ORDERED CONFISCATION OF ALL HIS PROPERTY.

The lengthy judgment, read by Judge Mongibeaux, president of the court, went over the acts of collaboration of the Vichy government with Germany point by point and laid their responsibility at Petaín's feet. Mongibeaux said the marshal instituted "a veritable regime of terror" in France.

### Radar Secrets Bared; U. S. Tells How Enemy Is Blasted In Dark, Fog

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WASHINGTON—(P)—Most of the wraps on radar—the most remarkable defensive and offensive weapon of the war—were lifted Tuesday by American and British Allies who declared the development should prove as valuable in peace as it has been revolutionary in conflict.

Radar, whose name stands for "radio detection and ranging", has been one of the top secrets of the war, and very little has been written about it in this country since mid-1943 when the Associated Press published a series of articles with the cooperation of the United States Navy. There have been tremendous advances since then.

Civilian scientists of the Navy, as far back as 1922, were doing research of the type that led to the development of radar independently in the United States, England, France and Germany during the 1930s. Britain was the first nation to employ it operationally.

Tuesday military and scientific leaders of Britain and the United States disclosed all that can be told now of the technique which detects objects by means of radio-wave echoes in some what the same way we can detect the presence of an unseen cliff by uttering a shout and listening for the sound echo.

The facts released by our armed forces and the Office of Scientific Research and Development (OSRD) and by the British Information Service in this country relate the story of an electronic "cat's eyes" that can SEE THROUGH DARKNESS, FOG, SMOKE AND THE THICKEST OF CLOUDS.

It is the story of something that has rendered sea and aerial navigation virtually fool-proof, thus presaging a new era of safety for civilian transport by sea and air. (Radar's application to land transport is still a question mark.)

It is the story of an entirely new dimension in warfare—the ability to shoot accurately at an unseen enemy and to trace his advance long before he comes into view.

It is the story of radar sets ranging in size from a tiny one that can be strapped to the leg

### 5 Million GI Release Seen

WASHINGTON—(P)—President Truman Tuesday night forecast that five to five and a half million men now in the Army may be returned to civilian life within the next twelve to eighteen months.

Furthermore, he said in announcing Japan's surrender, only the lowest age groups will now be drafted into the Army. Preliminary estimates indicate only those under 26 will be called, Truman added.

His recommendation was that Selective Service reduce inductions immediately from 80,000 a month to 50,000.

Selective Service Director Lewis B. Hershey, following Truman's instructions, Tuesday night telegraphed all state directors ordering them to start at once the induction of all registrants 26 years of age or older.

The President did not mention the Navy draft call, currently about 20,000 men a month.

Hershey said he had no word of the Navy's plans, but that it would be "reasonable to expect a cut there, too."

Actually men through 37 previously were subject to the draft, but in practice calls the past few months have been confined to men under 30.

Hershey said he regarded the President's instructions "as a flat prohibition" on drafting of men 26 and over.

### Lone Jap Plane KO'd After Surrender News

A broadcast from the U. S. Third fleet said Tuesday night that Adm. William F. Halsey's great armada of warships had an air raid alert an hour after Japan's total surrender was announced.

Fourteen minutes after Adm. Halsey's ensign was raised in victory, a Japanese airplane was shot down over the fleet.

The apparent attack against the Allied ships was attempted while the Third fleet hovered only a few miles off the Japanese coastline.

### Jubilant Loop Throng Hails Peace

Impromptu Parades, Hail Of Confetti Give Carnival Air

Two full pages of pictures of the St. Paul celebration of the Japanese surrender are on Pages 10 and 11.

By ELLIOTT TARBELL  
Ting! Ting! Ting! Ting!

That frenzied tinkling of the bells on press association teletype machines in St. Paul newspaper and radio offices signaled the "flash" bulletin just after 6 p. m. Tuesday that marked the end of the most terrible war in history and launched St. Paulites on a victory celebration that will continue through today for almost all the city's residents.

For federal government workers and state employees the holiday will run for two days because President Truman proclaimed a two-day holiday for federal employees and Gov. Thye followed suit by granting two days off for the state's workers.

City and county employees also are receiving holidays, as will those from the Wilder charities building.

For a few minutes after the first radio announcements were barked over the air and the first newspaper extras hit the streets, the crowds were calm. There was little of wild rejoicing at first, just relieved smiles as the people absorbed the news for which they had been waiting so long.

Many of them, let out of work an hour or more earlier, had been waiting downtown, especially for the announcement that the peace which had been shattered for America back on that fateful Dec. 7 of 1941 had come back all over the world.

After the first shock of the announcement that IT WAS TRUE AT LAST wore off the crowd began to "hau out" and the carnival spirit took over.

A group of servicemen clambered atop a parked automobile at Seventh and Washburn and opened a quart bottle of whiskey with lusty whoops.

The laughing crowd cheered.

A to a to a to a horns began honking, accompanied by the rising shouts of the crowd.

The Seventh and Washburn corner was the center of the loop demonstration.

A jalopy occupied by some

### Nimitz Gives Forces Order To Cease Firing

GUAM—(P)—Orders have been issued to the U. S. Pacific fleet and to other forces under command of the commander in chief of the U. S. Pacific fleet to cease offensive operations against the Japanese, Adm. Nimitz announced today.

The announcement was made in a very brief communique issued at 11 a. m.—exactly three hours after President Truman's announcement that Japan had accepted surrender terms.

Nimitz did not disclose at what time his order was issued to all fleet units and other forces under his command.

However, it was known that it had been radioed to Adm. Halsey's Third fleet, off Honshu, almost immediately—barely in time to prevent carrier pilots from unloading hundreds

### Nation Faced Obliteration, Mikado Says

SAN FRANCISCO—(INS)—Gen. MacArthur today sent a message to Emperor Hirohito to communicate by radio with his headquarters in Manila and to send his messages in English.

SAN FRANCISCO—(UP)—Emperor Hirohito proclaimed the unconditional surrender of Japan to his 100 million subjects Tuesday night in an unprecedented Tokyo broadcast and, referring to the "NEW AND MOST CRUEL" atomic bomb, said total extinction of human civilization would result if Nippon continued to fight.

Faced with the alternative of capitulation or "ULTIMATE COLLAPSE AND OBLITERATION OF THE JAPANESE NATION," the emperor declared solemnly in a history-making recital that "we have ordered the acceptance of the provisions of the joint declaration" of United States, Great Britain, China and the Soviet Union.

"The enemy has begun to employ a new and most cruel bomb, the power of which to do damage is indeed incalculable, taking the toll of many innocent lives," the emperor said.

Premier Baron Suzuki, broadcasting after the emperor, told the Japanese people that Japan's war "aim" had been "lost by the enemy's use of the new-type bomb."

The text of his recital as recorded by United Press:

"To our good and loyal subjects: after pondering daily the general trends of the world and the actual conditions obtaining in our empire today, we have decided to effect a settlement of the present situation by resorting to an extraordinary measure.

"We have ordered our government to communicate to the governments of the United States, Great Britain, China and the Soviet Union that our empire accepts the provisions of their joint declaration.

"To strive for the common prosperity and happiness of all nations, as well as the security and well-being of our subjects, is the solemn obligation which has been handed down by our imperial ancestors, and which we lay close to.

"Indeed, we declared war on America and Britain out of our sincere desire to insure Japan's self-preservation and the stabilization of East Asia, it being FAR FROM OUR THOUGHT either to infringe upon the sovereignty of other

### Draft Curtailed; V-J Day Awaits Treaty Signing

WASHINGTON—(UP)—Peace came to the world Tuesday night when President Truman announced that Japan has accepted unconditional surrender and that Allied forces have been ordered to cease firing.

Gen. MacArthur, "the man who came back", was named Supreme Allied commander to receive the formal Japanese surrender.

WORLD WAR II—THE BLOODIEST CONFLICT IN ALL HUMAN HISTORY—IS AT AN END, EXCEPT FOR THE FORMALITY OF SIGNING SURRENDER DOCUMENTS.

V-J day will not be proclaimed until after the instruments of surrender are signed.

America's three allies in the Pacific war—Great Britain, Russia and China—will be represented at the signing by high ranking officers.

Mr. Truman proclaimed the tidings at 6 p. m. St. Paul time, shortly after he received Tokyo's formal reply to the Allied surrender terms.

Summoning reporters to his office, he read a statement, which said:

"I deem this reply a full acceptance of the Potsdam declaration which specified the unconditional surrender of Japan.

"IN THE REPLY THERE IS NO QUALIFICATION."

Tokyo informed Mr. Truman that Emperor Hirohito is prepared "to authorize and ensure the signature by the Japanese government and the imperial general headquarters 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

### Legal Holidays

WASHINGTON—(AP)—President Truman proclaimed today and Thursday as legal holidays.

In New York Emil Schram, president of the New York Stock Exchange, said the exchange will be closed today and Thursday.

Japan and all the forces under their control wherever located to cease active operations, to surrender arms and to issue such other orders as may be required by the supreme commander of the Allied forces of the execution of the above mentioned terms."

Thus was the "infamy" of Pearl Harbor fully avenged three years, eight months and seven days after Japanese planes struck a nearly-mortal blow against the United States without warning.

Japan had paid the full penalty for the treachery that plunged the United States into two-front-war—the costliest in all history.

IN TERMS OF BLOOD AND TREASURE, THE GREAT CONFLICT HAS COST THE UNITED STATES MORE THAN A MILLION CASUALTIES AND 300 BILLION DOLLARS.

THE COST TO THE WORLD WAS MORE THAN 55 MILLION CASUALTIES AND A TRILLION DOLLARS IN MONEY, MATERIALS AND RESOURCES.

World War II ended six years—less seventeen days—after Germany precipitated it by marching into Poland. The end was announced calmly by Mr. Truman who declared a two-day legal holiday—today and Thursday.

He also authorized Selective Service to reduce draft inductions immediately from 80,000 to 50,000 men per month. Bedlam broke loose in usually reserved Washington the moment the White House flashed the word that "it's all over."

A snowstorm of ticker tape went cascading into the