

V-DAY HOLIDAY PLANNED HERE

Many War Plants to Release Workers; Churches to Hold Prayers.

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agreement to close all hotel bars here was reached, and alcoholic beverage commission officials reported today that virtually all taverns in the downtown district have volunteered to lock their doors on V-day in the interest of public safety—and liquor conservation. ABC authorities, however, expressed fear that some neighborhood establishments will lift the lid on a one-day spurge.

From a survey, it was learned that 17 war plants are prepared to give employees the remainder of the day off if news of the war's end comes in the middle of a shift. Many will extend the holiday through the next day also.

Eleven other companies will continue production without delay and one concern reported that "there will be nothing mentioned to our employees for fear of a let-down in production as a result of anticipation." Eleven factories also have instructed special guards to effect plant evacuation as rapidly and efficiently as possible.

Plan 24-Hour Closing

Plans for the closing of the Curtiss-Wright Corp's propeller plant here for 24 hours after official announcement of German defeat, were announced today by Robert L. Earle, vice president and general manager of the propeller division.

The announcement will be made over the public address system and no employees will be allowed to leave the building until after a short interval to put their machines in proper condition.

The plant will reopen 24 hours after the end of the shift, during which the announcement is made unless it comes on a week-end. Should that occur, arrangements have been made to still give the employees a 24-hour holiday.

Most downtown stores will close on V-day and the day following.

Outline Worship Program

The worship program as outlined by Howard J. Baumgartel of the Church federation, is as follows: If the European peace is announced after 9 p.m., services will be held in practically all churches at 11 a.m. the next day. If the news is released after 9 a.m., special services will follow at 7:30 p.m. on V-day. Some Baptist churches will open their doors immediately for private prayer.

"We want to avoid a sacrilegious orgy that marked the close of hostilities in World War I," the Rev. Charles S. Paschal, chairman of the Indianapolis Baptist executive committee. "We are sure that if the people in Indianapolis could be impressed with the sacred significance of the occasion, they would fall on their knees before God. The boys on the fighting front will be doing that, and we at home should accept it in the same spirit."

Meanwhile local flag and confetti merchants are eagerly anticipating their biggest sales day since Nov. 11, 1918. Kipp Bros. Toy factory, 117 S. Meridian st., suppliers of novelties to retailers throughout the state, reported demands for noise-makers, serpentine and snow confetti, paper hats and patriotic gadgets have reached a new high in the past two weeks.

Expect a Sell-out

Leon Levin, manager, said he fully expects to be "cleaned out" of merrymaking devices in a single day when the armistice is declared. B. B. Davis of the Advertising Specialties Co., flag wholesalers, reported his firm is "running two weeks behind on flag and festoon orders," caught in the crush between the V-day sellers' market and the pressing demands of the war and navy departments for banners for patriotic and signal purposes.

William H. McKittrick of the Indianapolis Union Railway Co., while reminding that the company frowns on indiscriminate whistle-tooting, signed "I guess some of the boys in the yards will give the peace announcement a good blow-off on their own initiative." He added, however, that all railroad workers will remain on the job.

WILLIAM PETERSON, VONNEGUT AID, DIES

William Peterson, employee of the Vonnegut Hardware Co. for 15 years, died Friday at his home on Main rd. He formerly resided at 1524 Dawson st.

Mr. Peterson, who was 63, had resided here since birth. He worked for E. C. Atkins Co. for 12 years before going to the hardware company.

Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Ruth Doolin; three granddaughters and one grandson, all of Indianapolis.

Rites will be held at 3 p.m. Monday at the J. C. Wilson Chapel of the Chimes, 1234 Prospect st. Rev. Ernst Piepenbrock, pastor of Evangelical and Reformed church, will officiate and burial will be in Crown Hill.

NAZIS LEAVING FINLAND

STOCKHOLM, Sept. 9 (U.P.)—The evacuation of German troops from Finland is proceeding smoothly, press dispatches from Helsinki said today.

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Allies Smash Nazi Bid to Break Channel Traps as Climax Approaches on Moselle

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As allied forces tore apart the Nazi defense bastions before the Reich beyond Liege and across the Moselle river between Nancy and Metz, the Hitlerites trapped in the channel ports of Boulogne, Calais, Dunkerque, Le Havre and Dieppe attempted a major breakthrough but were repulsed by the allies.

Nazis Moving Supplies

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