

## JAP SIGNING ON AIR AT 8:30 P. M.

Truman Expected to Set Sunday as V-J Day.

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the dreadful warning of the atomic bomb should their efforts for peace once again come to nothing.

The President's proclamation will end, as far as history is concerned, the war against Japan that began three years, eight months and 25 days ago with the Japanese surprise attack on Pearl Harbor. And in so doing it will bring to a close the entire second world war that engulfed the world in bitter strife exactly six years ago when Germany invaded Poland on Sept. 1, 1939.

### Fearful of Trick

Actually the people did most of their celebrating when Mr. Truman announced the Japanese acceptance of all surrendered demands and the end of hostilities on the evening of Aug. 14.

But America had gotten its fingers burned once before—at Pearl Harbor. And in many hearts—indeed in the very actions of the army and navy—there was evident anxiety the Japanese might be baiting some gigantic new trap.

All that will end when Mr. Truman speaks to the nation tonight. The occupation of the erstwhile enemy's homeland is well under way. There have been virtually no incidents, and Japanese forces are being rapidly disbanded.

There may even be a mild renewal of the Aug. 14 celebration, aided by a two-day Labor day holiday. But mostly people will celebrate down inside with hearty gratitude that it's really over and a new peace-time era with its promise of better living is here at last.

### May Ask Prayers

It is likely the President will ask the nation to observe this Sunday as a sort of second Thanksgiving Sunday, with prayers of gratitude for the end of the century's second tragic conflict and a high resolve to carry through to success the newly wrought plans to make the peace last.

Sept. 1, 1945, thus becomes the fifth historic day in the life of Harry S. Truman of Independence, Mo., in less than five months.

Since April 11 he will have (1) become President of the United States—on April 12; (2) announced the end of the war in Europe—May 8; (3) terminated the San Francisco security conference—June 26; (4) announced the Japanese surrender acceptance—Aug. 14, and (5) proclaimed V-J day.

President Truman has warned against too-early termination of the "duration" because it would mean an abrupt end to wartime controls, some of which he feels are essential to the beginning of reconversion.

## GATES CABLES PLEA FOR HOOSIER'S LIFE

Governor Gates last night cabled Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower urging leniency in the case of Pfc. Robert A. Colby, 22-year-old Greencastle soldier convicted of murder in Europe.

At present the war department has no new information on the case. The sentence of death is awaiting review by the judge advocate of Gen. Eisenhower's headquarters.

The cable was dispatched hoping it would reach proper authorities before the death sentence could be carried out. Earlier yesterday Governor Gates wrote a letter to Gen. Eisenhower urging leniency if possible and vouching for Colby's character as a civilian.

Meanwhile Representative Louis Ludlow continued his efforts to gain a complete airing of the case following steps earlier in the week when he wrote Gen. Eisenhower. S. marines.

## 'Tokyo Rose' Two Other Girls, Writer's Nisei Guide Says

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blue slacks and jacket and wearing her hair in a long American bob. She came to Japan with her family in 1940.

"We came for a visit and got stuck," she claimed.

I encountered her in the Domel office where we were assured of Domel's profound desire to "maintain the freedom of the press." The Domel manager produced Miss Sato as a girl guide for our tour of Yokohama's fire-gutted shopping district. He offered her in lieu of a pint-sized male staffer in horn-rimmed glasses.

Miss Sato maintained a constant and detailed chatter during our trip, giving us directions, comments and questions in a steady stream. When we drove over a fire-lit plain, she said:

"This is—I mean, was—Yoko-hama's Broadway."

Whereupon she giggled. But the

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### Baking Entrant



## CRIPPLED DAD SEEKING WORK

Earnings Needed to Keep Family Together.

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cut loose one of the guy wires on the slack side . . . when the weight of the wire was removed the pole soared straight up for a second and then broke in three sections and crashed to the ground.

Doctors' bills and medical treatment more than used up the settlement from the insurance company, Mrs. Leaver said, "and then the settlement ended last April."

PULLING himself up into a sitting position by the trapeze-like bar over-hanging his bed, the young man drew out a pamphlet on ideas for work.

"I've tried a lot of things, but, being in and out of the hospital, I haven't been able to develop a trade yet . . . and now we're broke . . . we couldn't even buy the materials to begin with."

"I'm mechanically minded, he explained. "If there were money to buy leather, I'd like to try making leather goods, cases for glasses or belts, perhaps."

HE POINTED to an article where another shut-in made a living by twisting gold wire into ornaments—"I bet I could do that," Mr. Leaver declared.

"We did have chicks and were going to sell eggs, but now the chickens are having to be sold. Last week we sold a dog we'd bought for breeding."

Little Joanne, oldest of the two blue-eyed blond children, was out of school a lot last year because of bad headaches and stomach trouble, to add to the family's worries. Now she needs a tonsil and adenoid operation.

DOLLY, a serious baby, who was only a few months old when her Daddy became crippled, could eat much more than the income allows.

Religion has helped the little family keep faith . . . a Bible, well-worn on the stand beside Mr. Leaver's bed. Mrs. Leaver goes to the Calvary Tabernacle church several nights a week, where Joanne attends Sunday school.

"When Dolly gets old enough to cross the railroad track safely, she'll go, too," her mother explained.

MR. LEAVER, who had to quit school at 15 to take his first job, has worked as a baker, plumber, factory man, steam fitter and steeplejack. "I worked on the dome of the courthouse, a few years ago," he said proudly.

"When the world shrunk to these four walls," he motioned, pointing around the one bedroom, in the tiny three-room home, "I gave up once."

"But," he exclaimed, as his crew-cut red hair bristled straight up, "I won't give up again."

## 'ENOCH ARDEN' BRIDE ASKS ANNULMENT

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WASHINGTON, Sept. 1 (U. P.)—The former German luxury liner Europa will leave Bremerhaven, Germany, about Sept. 13, on her maiden voyage as a U. S. naval transport carrying 4000 veterans from Europe, the navy said today.

The 49,746-ton vessel, seized by the United States as a prize of war will put in first at Southampton, England. She will sail about Sept. 19 for New York.

The Europa, third largest liner afloat, was commissioned as a U. S. vessel this week. She is manned by 900 naval personnel and 100 U. S. marines.

At least, after I got an annulment, I can wait until Geno gets home and see what happens," she said. "I'm so mixed up and so tired right now I don't know what to do."

The pretty blond said Marshall knew of her decision to get an annulment and agreed that she had no choice.

Mrs. Marshall said Marshall would return to Wichita probably today. She planned to stay in Kansas City.

She said she had no answer from Birdwell but was going ahead with an annulment plan. Mrs. Marshall thought possibly Birdwell might not get her cablegram until he reaches Hawaii.

"I wish he would get the cablegram," she said. "But I'm afraid he might be in bad condition right now and that this might make him worse."

Technical Bigamy

Michael W. O'Hern, Jackson county prosecutor, said yesterday even though technically Mrs. Birdwell-Marshall was guilty of bigamy, but he said she would not be guilty of the charge in Missouri unless she comes into the state and lives with her present husband.

Mrs. Marshall was married to Marshall in Olath, Kas.

O'Hern said that Mrs. Marshall had two ways out. She was divorce from Birdwell and the other was annulment of her present marriage.

"She got into this mess innocently," O'Hern said. "No jury would convict her, and I wouldn't prosecute her under the circumstances. It's doubtful," he continued, "that anyone else would."

Mrs. Marshall learned that her first husband was still alive Thursday, the date of their second wedding anniversary. She had been notified on Oct. 21 that her husband had been killed in the crash of his B-24 bomber over Borneo. Birdwell was a turret gunner and friends of his had told Mrs. Birdwell that her husband could not have survived. He could not have gotten out of the turret in time to use his parachute, they said.

"Zero Hour" wasn't released in Japan, although Domel probably monitored it. By the same token, Miss Sato heard our OWI broadcasts.

During our tour we maintained a rigid dignity under the somewhat persistent G. I. catcalls, secure in our knowledge that Miss Sato was only a guide.

The only reason I got her phone number was because a person is liable to need a guide any time in a strange land—and there's none stranger than I am.

REDS HOLD \$50,000 JAPS

LONDON, Sept. 1 (U. P.)—The Red army's bag of Japanese prisoners neared the \$50,000 mark today.

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