Its All Over

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song. The president waved his right hand and the crowd waved wildly back.

Hundreds of people crowded the sidewalk immeiately in front of the executive mansion where the broa vista opens across the wooded lawn upon the famiilar portico, which most of America knows as the "front door."

President Truman forecast that 5,000,000 to 5,500,000 men now in the army may be returned to civilian life within the next 12 to 18 months.

Furthermore, he said, only the lowest age groups will now be drafted into the army.

"It is too early to propose a definite figure for the occupation forces which will be required in the Pacific 12 months from now or what reduction it may be possible to make in the strength of the army force now allotted to occupation duties in Europe," the president said in a statement.

Mr. Truman said that in justice to millions of men who have given "long and faithful service under the difficult and hazardous conditions of the Pacific war and elsewhere overseas a constant flow of replacements to the occuptaional forces is thought to be imperative."

Truman Dispatches Order To Japs to Cease Firing

Washington —(AP)— President Truman tonight dispatched through Secretary of State Byrnes an order for the Japanese government to stop the war on all fronts.

The dispatch was sent through the Swiss government, being turned over to the Swiss legation here a few minutes after 7 o'clock.

The president ordered:

1. That the Japanese government "direct prompt cessation of hostilities by Japanese forces." General Douglas MacArthur, as supreme allied commander must be informed by the Japanese of the effective date and hour for hostilities to cease.

2. That the Japanese government send emissaries immediately to MacArthur with information on the Japanese forces and with full power to make arrangements as MacArthur directs for the formal enemy surrender.

3. That the Japanese government stand ready to receive from MacArthur information on "the time, place and other details of the formal surrender."

Peace

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neighbors about the ending of the war.

WFHR set up a loud speaker in its upper story window during the afternoon and when the all-important announcement of the ending of the war came at a few minutes after 6 o'clock tonight, scores of people in the street below stopped to listen intently to those words of tremendous import which came flowing out of the loud speaker. WFHR had a street microphone in readiness and soon was interviewing happy people about the great news.

Wouldn't Be Fooled

Determined not to be fooled by any such false announcement such as that which threw downtown Wisconsin Rapids into a brief uproar Sunday evening, the whistles and sirens of the town held off for several minutes, then let loose in in all their ecstacy to let all those who might not have heard that the killing of men by men on a wholesale scale had at long last come to an end. Japan had finally given up, almost four years from the day upon which she had so treacherously attacked the United States.

By 6.30 tonight, a steady stream of cars was continually crossing the Grand avenue bridge with everyone blowing horns, waving arms happily and shouting at anyone—friend or stranger. Despite the fact that many had celebrated prematurely Sunday night at the false peace announcement, there was no holding back this time because this time everyone knew for certain that war was over and the world was again at peace, for President Truman had just said so himself.

A parade to celebrate the ending of the war was immediately scheduled for tonight, to begin at 10 o'clock. The Soo Line and Milwaukee Road depots will serve as meeting points and everybody is invited to participate. The line of march will extend east on Grand avenue, across the Wisconsin river bridge, north on Second street to Market Square and back to the starting point

Church Services

Union church services will be held at 7:45 tonight in the First Methodist church under the sponsorship of the Ministerial association.

County and city police will have full forces on duty throughout tonight and the thousands of happy celebrants are cautioned to have a good time but to do it sanely.

By 6:45 tonight the downtown area of the city was filled with people—young and old alike. Everyone simply had to talk and shout and let go . . . folowing almost four long, tiresome years of horrible war. But, now it was finally over and the peace which some of the little tots standing along the street curbing had never known, had returned to the world once again.

Stores and business offices in Wisconsin Rapids will be closed all day tomorrow in commoration of the war's conclusion.

Industry, too, will pause to celebrate the victory in which it helped play such a major role. All five of the pulp and paper mills of Consolidated Water Power and Paper company and the plastics and the Adhawagam company closed down tonight at 7 o'clock. Operations will be resumed tomorrow night at 11 o'clock. The Prentiss Wabers Products company shut down tonight at 7 o'clock and will not resume operations until 7 o'clock Thursday morning. The Nekoosa-Edwards Paper company will be down from 11 o'clock tonight until 7 o'clock Thursday morning.

TIME TO CELEBRATE!!

In celebration of the ending of World war II, Wisconsin Rapids will stage a victory parade at 10 o'clock tonight. All stores in the Tri-City area will be closed and industry will shut down tomorrow. Union prayer services will be held at 7:45 this evening at the Methodist church.

Final Triumph

Washington—(AP)—In an impromptu speech on the White House lawn early tonight President Truman told a large crowd of spectators that this was a great day for democracy.

He said it marked the final triumph over Facism and would go down in history as one of its most noteworthy days.

The whole country now should unite, the president said, in efforts to preserve the future peace of the world.

Cost of Peace Is Recalled By Gov. Goodland

Madison—(AP)—Upon receiving word of the capitulation of Japan, Governor Goodland issued the following statement today.

"Citizens of Wisconsin join with citizens of the nations and all other peace-loving countries in rejoicing over the news of the final military victory over Japan. It marks the end of military aggression for selfish purposes and the strengthening of our determination never to permit such things to happen again.

"Thousands of American homes are in sorrow. Their sons and daughters made the supreme sacrifice in order that our way of life might stand victorious. We must never forget that our victory over the forces of slavery has been dearly bought. It must remain our sole purpose to demand and stand for those things that will insure a creative and peaceful world. That is our first duty to the memory of those who have died in this war.

"The military victory is but the first step. We must continue with the same determination to win the peace and we pray for divine guidance to help us in that aim.

"Let us celebrate this final military victory with the dignity that befits the citizens of a great state and nation and renew that spirit of unity for a creative peace that alone can insure the continuation of life or free men and women everywhere."

By-Passed Garrison Starved on Wake

A shipload of starved Japanese, intercepted on Independence Day, 1945, was stark testimony to the effectiveness of America's stiff sea-air blockade around the by-passed Japanese-held islands in the Pacific

An empty Wake Island-bound enemy hospital ship was halted by the American destroyer Murray and then, in the first such incident of the war, allowed to continue its mission of mercy. Heading homeward, the vessel, the Takasago Maru, again was stopped and searched by a boarding party from the Murray.

Most of the 974 patients aboard were found to be suffering from malnutrition—an easy gauge of the true plight of the isolated Japanese bases.

ENEMY POORLY PAID

Griping, long a pastime commonly associated with soldiering, well may have been popular among the Japanese, too. So far as army pay was concerned, anyway. The Japanese buck private earned only six yen a month—about $1.38—and a general received the equivalent of $128.50.

LEGAL HOLIDAYS

Washington —(AP)— President Truman tonight proclaimed August 15 and 16 as legal holidays with the notation that war workers who work on those days would be paid overtime.

Gave Lives to Bring Victory in Europe

OFFICIALLY LISTED AS DEAD—S/Sgt. Robert K. Bell, 28, Wisconsin Rapids, missing in action since July 18, 1944, was declared officially dead by the government a year later. He was killed over Germany when his plane exploded in mid-air.

DIED IN GERMANY—Sgt. Otto Smith, 33, Adams, was killed in action in Germany shortly before the Nazis surrendered. An infantryman, he was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur O. Smith, formerly of Adams and now of Maywood, Ill.

KILLED IN ACCIDENT — Cpl. James M. Perham, 22, Wisconsin Rapids, was killed in a motorcycle accident near Putzin, Germany shortly after that country surrendered. He was a paratrooper in the 82nd division.

DIED ON RHINE RIVER—Pfc. Verlyn W. Ebert, 21, of Arpin was killed in action on the Rhine river in Germany March 26, 1945. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ebert and he married June A. Stoflet February 2, 1944.

KILLED IN ITALY—Sgt. Earl Breese, 33, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Breese, Port Edwards, was killed in action April 14, 1945 in Italy. He was attached to the Tenth Mountain division and was a former Nepco employe.

ALL MANPOWER CONTROLS OFF

Washington —(AP)— The government today revoked all war-time manpower controls, effective immediately, and set forth a plan aimed at speedy reemployment of veterans and released war workers.

In an action timed to coincide with Japan's surrender, the war manpower commission announced a seven point program which it said would stimulate "reconversion activities and the speedy reemployment of displaced workers, at the same time restoring a free labor market."

Among the controls lifted and those providing for hiring through the United States employment service, employment ceilings to channel workers to essential industries, and the requirement for certificates of availability in changing jobs.

Eliminated also was the mandatory feature of the 48-hour week in any area or industry where it is in effect, an official said. However, the little steel formula for general wage stabilization is not affected by action of the WMC which has no jurisdiction over it.

YANKS TRAINED CHINESE

Thirteen generals were among a group of combat-seasoned Chinese, the first foreign officers ever to receive U S Army staff training in their homeland, who graduated from an infantry school in Southwest China in July, 1944.

Peace on Earth!

ON this page, as in the hearts of those for whom they fought, are inscribed the names of the men of this community who will not come back.

These are the Gold Star men of South Wood County. Young men, most of them, who left their homes, their work, their security and their future to defend the Republic in her greatest war.

Won peace for us and for the Entire World.

Cast your eye down this list. You knew many of these young men well. They were boys who sat at the next desk in school, your fellow workers at the office and shop, lads from nearby farms. They were your fellow citizens.

Each name is a reminder of the awful cost of Victory. Each name should also be a prayer that the things for which they fought and died will not be forgotten but will be cherished by a grateful nation.

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HENRY J. BAIN	560 Hill St., Wis. Rapids, Wis.
VICTOR F. BALDWIN	131 16th Ave. So., Wis. Rapids, Wis.
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DONALD E. BREHM	1220 Franklin St., Wis. Rapids, Wis.
EARL W. BREESE	Port Edwards, Wisconsin
GEORGE E. BROWN	RFD No. 5, Wisconsin Rapids, Wis.
HAROLD J. BROWN	RFD No. 5, Wisconsin Rapids, Wis.
BERNARD V. BUEHLER	Nekoosa, Wisconsin
RICHARD D. CARLSON	Wisconsin Rapids, Wis.
LELAND E. CLEVELAND	Wisconsin Rapids, Wis.
CHARLES W. COLLIER	Wisconsin Rapids, Wis.
DOUGLAS A. CONKLIN	Vesper, Wisconsin
CLIFFORD A. COOPER	Wisconsin Rapids, Wis.
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JAMES J. HAVLENA	Nekoosa, Wisconsin
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CHARLES A. HLADILEK	Vesper, Wis.
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GERALD H. MASON	Wisconsin Rapids, Wis.
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JOHN N. SIMON	Wisconsin Rapids, Wis.
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