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Increasing Cloudiness, Warmer To-day and Tonight, Showers Collier Tuesday, Light Rains in West.

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GERMANY SURRENDERS

U.S., Britain After Proof Over Arrest By Russians

Evidence Asked At Conference In California

BY JOHN M. HIGHTOWER
San Francisco, May 7 — (AP)—The United States and Britain were reported by United Nations conference officials today to have demanded of Russia that she supply her evidence against the 16 arrested leaders of the Polish underground.
The aim is to break the latest Big-three deadlock over Poland. It is part of a strategy sidetracking the Polish row from the main line of the conference in order that the Big-three may try for maximum unity in designating a world organization for future peace.
President Truman and Prime Minister Churchill are reported to have intervened directly with Marshal Stalin.
Stalin To Leave
Russian Foreign Commissar Molotov is now slated to quit San Francisco for Moscow around mid-week. So long as he is here, speculation continues that Russia may give the conference a sensation by making known her future plans toward Japan.
On the main line of conference developments, word spread today that Stalin may have replied favorably to Molotov's request for instructions on the review and regional arrangements amendments to the dumbarton oaks charter.
Perhaps the greatest developing issue now is the demand of the Latin American countries that the Pan-American security system be allowed to be independent of the proposed world security council in using force to block aggression.
Latin Americans
The Latin American nations also are reported upset by a big-power amendment which says that in selecting the six non-permanent members of the security council, the world assembly may take into account their ability as warrior nations and also their locations.
Britain backed this amendment and some of the Latin delegations contend it was designed to give such Commonwealth countries as Canada and Australia an advantage in setting council seats. However, it would also work to the advantage of the larger and more powerful Latin American states and against the smaller nations.
The Big-five countries—Russia, U.S., Britain, France, and China.

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By DON WHITEHEAD
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They are now asking themselves "Where do we go from here?"
It is a strange ending to a strange war, an ending nobody could have quite visualized and without the dramatic conclusion most of us had pictured. Suddenly the war just melted away into nothingness and the guns were still.
The war came to an end for this army some weeks ago. That is why V-E day will be little more than a symbol to troops who had seen victory in the making for days. It took no official announcement for them to realize it was all over.
There is no enemy across no man's land to come forward with upraised hands in final surrender. Across the Mulde river are the Russians. There is no desolate battlefield and the doughboys are not in foxholes. They sat in the warm sun cleaning their battle-worn gear and weapons.
There will be no wild celebrations among the troops. These men have seen too much death and suffering.
Loose Cigarette Sales Forbidden By OPA Today
Washington, May 7 — (P)—OPA today banned the retail sale of loose cigarettes, putting distribution on a full package or nothing basis.
Since the beginning of the current shortage some retailers have curtailed package sales, offering instead individual cigarettes, usually at 1 cent each.
This, OPA said, has resulted in "unnecessarily high" prices.

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"In view of this fact," the announcement said, "tomorrow will be a public holiday and the day after, Wednesday, will also be regarded as a holiday."
"Parliament will meet at the usual time tomorrow."

SALUTE HIM!



He's the American fighter. The spirit in his face is the spirit that wins battles. It's the spirit of the Soldier, the Sailor, the Marine, the Coast Guardsman, the Flyer—of the Army and Navy Nurse, the WAC, the WAVE, the SPAR and the "Lady Marines"—yes, it's the spirit, too, of the Home Front—Americans all who can't be licked because they WON'T be licked.

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There is nothing to look back upon during the years of battle in Europe but the German mistake, the mistake of Hitler and his Nazi party. Millions of lives might have been saved, billions in property, if a fanatical Hitler, prodding his subjects to fanaticism, had quit more than two years ago when he knew the end was certain and inevitable in defeat.
We may rejoice only in the fact that Germany is out. We must look forward with the same determination we displayed against Germany to Japan. There is fighting still ahead, bitter fighting, and many more American young men will die on land, on sea and in the air.
We do know that Japan's days are numbered. The full strength of the Allies, up to now exerted by the American forces, will in a short time be flung mightily against the Japanese homeland. Her industries will crumble under the weight of bombs, her ships will go down to the bottom of the seas, her sons will lay down their lives in increasing numbers.
We may thank Almighty God for this day. We may pray that soon another such dawn will brighten a sorely tired world at war.

White House Marks Time Just Before Declaration

Equipment Set Up For Official Broadcast

Washington, May 7 — (AP)—The White House marked time today on a momentarily expected victory in Europe proclamation — but arrangements were complete for President Truman to go on the air when it is issued.
Broadcast equipment was readied for use in the White House diplomatic room, usual site of presidential radio addresses.
Shortly before noon, boxes of sandwiches were carried into the office of Jonathan Daniels, presidential press secretary, indicating no one planned to go out for lunch. The usual parade of official visitors trooped in and out of President Truman's office.
To Remain Seated.
On Capitol Hill radio receiving equipment was set up in the house of representatives so that the members could remain in their seats to hear the historic V-E declaration of the president.
House Democratic Leader McCormack asked and received unanimous consent for the speaker to declare the house in recess at any time, to hear the proclamation.
McCormack told the body "nothing definite can be said," but indicated he personally expected that the proclamation may be made sometime during the afternoon.
McCormack told his members that after the president's message is heard the house will resume its work.
"It is my feeling, and I hope the house agrees, that we should continue with the business at hand and set a good example for the rest of the country," McCormack declared.
"I agree fully with the gentleman," Minority Leader Martin (R.-Mass.) responded.
Truman in Conference.
President Truman was conferring with aides in the executive offices today as news was flashed to the world from Reims of the unconditional surrender of German arms.
Newsmen surged into the White House in anticipation of an expected V-E announcement.
OWI Director Elmer Davis was among those at the White House. He told reporters:
"When there is any official announcement it will come from in there" (indicating the president's office).
Mr. Truman arrived at his office at 8:27 a. m., EWT, accompanied by his military and naval aides, and went directly to his office.
Newsmen who have been staffing the White House around the clock for a week, jammed the big oval reception room.
White House aides said they had nothing official to announce at once on a cessation of hostilities in Europe.
"Nothing to Say."
Press Secretary Jonathan Daniels told a news conference during the morning he had "nothing to say" on a V-E day proclamation.
"The White House has nothing official to announce here now," he stated in response to questions. "We don't know when there will be an announcement."
At that time President Truman was in his private office swapping talk with Sgt. James P. Connor, of Wilmington, Del., who won the Congressional Medal of Honor on D-Day last June.
Generally, Washington took the dramatic news from Reims in stride, indicating that it was prepared to heed for the most part President Truman's recommendation that the end of the long struggle in Europe be made the occasion for a day of national mourning.

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GREATEST WAR IN ALL HISTORY COMES TO END

UNCONDITIONAL TERMS SURRENDER ACT SIGNED ORDERED ANNOUNCED AT HEADQUARTERS OF GEN. EISENHOWER.

London, May 7 — (AP)—The war against Germany, the greatest in history, ended today with the unconditional surrender of the once mighty Wehrmacht.
The surrender to the Western Allies and Russia was made at Gen. Eisenhower's headquarters at Reims, France, but official announcement by the Big Three was held up, pending simultaneous action by Washington, Moscow and London. The best information available in London tonight was that the announcement might not be made until tomorrow afternoon.
In Washington microphones were made ready for a broadcast by President Truman. Prime Minister Churchill, after a busy day at 10 Downing St., went to see King George VI.
News of the surrender came in an Associated Press dispatch from Reims at 9:35 a. m., Eastern War Time, and immediately set the church bells tolling in Rome and elsewhere.
In the hour before the news from Reims, German broadcasts told the German people that Grand Admiral Karl Doenitz had ordered capitulation of all fighting forces, and called off U-boat warfare.
Joy at the news was tempered only by the realization that the war against Japan remains to be resolved, with many casualties still ahead.
The end of the European warfare, greatest, bloodiest and costliest war in human history — it has claimed at least 40,000,000 casualties on both sides in killed, wounded, and captured — came after five years, eight months, and six days of strife and overspread the globe.
Hitler's arrogant armies invaded Poland on Sept. 1, 1939, beginning the agony that convulsed the world for 2,076 days.
Unconditional surrender of the beaten remnants of his legions first was announced by the Germans.
The historic news began breaking with a Danish broadcast that Norway had been surrendered unconditionally by its conquerors.
Then the new German Foreign Minister, Ludwig Schwerin von Krosigk, announced to the German people, shortly after 2 p. m. (8 a. m. Eastern War Time), that "after almost six years struggle we have succumbed."
Von Krosigk announced Grand Admiral Karl Doenitz had "ordered the unconditional surrender of all fighting German troops."
The world waited tensely. Then at 9:35 a. m., EWT, came the Associated Press flash from Reims, France, telling of the signing at Gen. Eisenhower's headquarters of the unconditional surrender at 2:41 a. m. French time (8:41 p. m., EWT). Germany had given up to the Western Allies and to Russia.
London, May 7 — (P)—A broadcast on the Flensburg wavelength today said Germany had capitulated unconditionally.
Admiral Karl Doenitz has "ordered the unconditional surrender of all fighting German troops," the broadcast said.
This statement attributed to German Foreign Minister Ludwig Schwerin von Krosigk was broadcast to the German people.
"German men and women! The high command of the armed forces has today at the order of Grand Admiral Doenitz declared the unconditional surrender of all fighting German troops."
The broadcast was recorded by the British Ministry of Information.
There was no Allied confirmation.
"After almost six years struggle we have succumbed," the Krosigk broadcast said.
"Our sympathy firstly goes out to our soldiers. Nobody must deceive himself on the harshness of the terms which our enemies have imposed on the German people."
"Nobody must have any doubt that heavy sacrifices will be demanded from us in all spheres of life."
"We must take them upon us and stand loyally to our obligations."
"On the other hand," the broadcast continued, "we must not despair. From the collapse in the past we must keep in mind one thing: the idea of our unity, the idea of front comradeship, the idea of assistance to each other."
The von Krosigk broadcast said that he was "the leading minister of the reich government," which Doenitz had appointed him for the purpose of "winding up all military tasks."
The "Flensburg radio" has been used for several days for the issuance of German communiques and official German orders. Flensburg is just below the German - Danish border in an area surrendered last week to Field Marshal Montgomery. London authorities said it seemed unlikely that Montgomery had permitted the Germans to continue broadcasting from there, but there was no official explanation. Radio monitors here said the station, if not actually located at Flensburg, was certainly in that area.
Following is the text of the von Krosigk's broadcast as recorded by the British Ministry of Information:
"German men and women! The high command of the armed forces has today at the order of Grand Admiral Doenitz declared the unconditional surrender of all fighting German troops."
"As the leading minister of the reich government which the admiral of the fleet (Doenitz) has appointed for the winding up of all military tasks I turn at this tragic moment of our history to the German nation."
"After a heroic fight of almost six years of incomparable hardness Germany has succumbed to the overwhelming power of her enemies. To continue the war would only mean senseless bloodshed and a futile disintegration."

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