Two Day Holiday Begins

Proclamation Is Issued By Cherry

By ASSOCIATED PRESS

The tumult and the shouting of victory from every corner of North Carolina had hardly died today when the State began a two-day holiday proclaimed by Governor R. Gregg Cherry to coincide with a National V-J Day.

Under the Governor's proclamation the sale of beer, wine, and liquor was suspended for the two-day period ending Midnight Thursday. All banks in the state will observe a legal holiday.

Charlotte's populace turned out almost en masse yesterday as church bells and honking horns proclaimed the good news of peace once more. Cars were locked in a traffic jam while pedestrians, many of whom had lost cars during the war, converged on Independence Square to join in a wild celebration at the turn of events. Church-goers gathered at places of worship to join in prayer and thanksgiving.

Special services were conducted at Independence Square today with loudspeakers transmitting the program.

Raleigh's radio stations had loud-speakers on the streets there yesterday telling the story of climactic events.

SNAKE DANCE

In Asheville civilians and servicemen made whoopee with a long snake dance of about 200 persons weaving in and out between creeping cars. Police were re-enforced with firemen and military police to care for any eventuality.

Lumberton's fire whistle blew fourteen times and crowds turned out in the downtown section to celebrate. An informal service of worship was held at the First Baptist Church, and a community service was planned for the City Armory tonight. Tobacco sales will not be halted.

A service of thanksgiving for peace and the end of global war was held today at Duke University, with Dr. W. T. Laprade, chairman of the university history department, delivering an address on "obligations of victory." University authorities announced suspension of classes until Thursday.

At Greensboro almost half of the population turned out to give vent to their emotions within minutes after the announcement came of the Japanese surrender. A bugle call sounded through the din of noise while confetti filled the air. Greensboro will continue its celebration with a parade set for today and a service at Memorial Stadium in late afternoon.

The Laurinburg-Maxton Army Air Base planned a victory program for today with services in the various chapels and free continuous movies in the theatres.

HORIZONTAL
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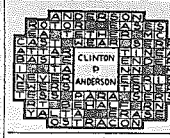
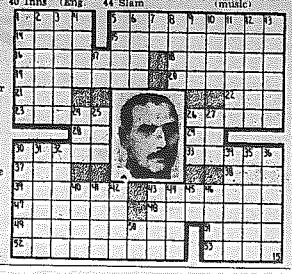
14 Notion
15 Ear piece
18 Worldly
18 Praiser
19 Petty rulers
20 Store fodder
21 Greek letter
22 Non est inventus (ab.)
23 Man's hat
26 Pottery fragment (var.)
28 Island off Okinawa
29 Mixed type
30 Attire
33 Indian province
37 Remark (ab.)
38 Exist
39 Icebox part
43 Taken aback
47 Hereafter
48 County of his country
49 Member of a tribe
57 Verbal
52 Perceiving by senses
53 Comfort

VERTICAL
1 Osculated
2 Shape ideas
3 Honey
4 East Indian ox
5 Roughen
6 Belongs to her
7 Sun god
8 Not busy
9 Stretch
10 So
11 Antiseptic
12 Anointer
13 Sea nymph
17 Note of scale
24 Encore
25 Assent
26 Watering place
27 That man's
30 Is carried
31 Cure again
32 Alkaloid
34 African desert
35 Amphitheaters
36 Tamper
40 Inns (Eng. slang)
41 Open space
42 Bird's home
43 Wolf-hound
44 Slam
45 Livonian River
46 Black haw
50 Tohe E (music)

Answers To Previous Puzzle





Comic Strip Reconversion

Fast Changes Due For Palooka, Buzz Sawyer And Old Terry Lee

NEW YORK—(AP)—With the end of the Pacific War, many comic-strip authors, who prepare their work weeks in advance, today faced an acute reconversion problem—how to extricate their heroes from the battle lines in time to keep pace with history?

Quite a few comic-strip characters, unprepared for the cessation of hostilities, still are dealing devastating blows to the enemy.

Among them are Milton Caniff's "Terry and the Pirates," Zack Mosely's "Smilin' Jack," Ed Good's "Scorchy Smith" and Quin Hall's "Strictly Private."

Comic-strip artists made plans as did industry for postwar times, but now it must be done in days instead of weeks or months.

In some cases, however, favorite characters have been going through a reconversion program so gradually the readers were not aware of the plan.

As long ago as last December, Roy Crane, the father of "Buzz Sawyer," brought him home on leave with the express purpose of acquainting the public with Buzz's home town and friends. Now Crane intends to have the flier released from the Navy and take up his position as an American citizen.

Caniff's Terry Lee will go back to his adventurous career after the Jap menace is gone. But, said Caniff, it is hard to tell what is going to happen to the characters, a lot depends on how the world situation develops.

In the case of "Smilin' Jack," Mosely already has made plans for his release from the Air Corps. He soon will return to civilian life as a pilot.

Scorchy Smith currently is in the Pacific fighting Japs, but soon will become a civilian air pilot.

Other strips that will be reconverted are Joe Palooka, by Ham Fisher, and Capt. Yank, by Frank Tinsley.

Huntersville Girl Drowns

Miss Margaret Blythe Dudley, twelve-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles C. Dudley of Huntersville, drowned yesterday in a lake at Camp Catechee, a Girl Scout camp near Brevard.

Mr. and Mrs. Dudley were notified of the tragedy early last night, shortly after the rest of Huntersville—and the nation—began celebration of the end of the second World War.

Few details were known early today. Information from Brevard was that she called for help when in water about twelve feet deep but sank before assistance could reach her. It happened about 4 in the afternoon.

The body was recovered a short time later. Efforts to revive her with an inhalater were unsuccessful. The information from Brevard indicated that physicians were of the opinion that a heart attack could have been the cause of death.

Miss Dudley, who was called by her middle name Blythe, had been at Camp Catechee since the first of the week, and her parents had planned to go to the camp today to bring her home.

Funeral services will be held at the Huntersville Presbyterian Church, of which she was a member, tomorrow at 11 A. M. with the pastor, the Rev. John W. Grier, officiating. Burial will be in the church cemetery.

Pallbearers will be Frank Blythe of Huntersville and Lloyd Williams, Dr. Alton B. Choate, Joe L. Blythe, Russell E. Crump and Guy O. Bagwell, all of Charlotte.

Miss Dudley was born in Huntersville March 21, 1933, and had lived there all her life. She would have been in the seventh grade of the Huntersville school this Fall. She was an honor pupil and a Girl Scout.

Surviving are her parents and a brother, Charles Council Dudley Jr., of Huntersville.

Her father is executive secretary of the Charlotte Merchants Association and her mother a case worker with the County Welfare Department. She was a granddaughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. William B. Blythe, the former being a leader in Mecklenburg affairs including service on the Board of County Commissioners, and a niece of Legette Blythe, widely-known Charlotte newspaperman.

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'I'm Glad It's Over'

President Truman Calm: Happy Crowd Shouts, 'We Want Harry'

By TOM REEDY

WASHINGTON —(AP)—A slight space man in a blue and relaxed on a wicker chair on his back porch last night and sighed:

"I'm glad it's over."

That was the reaction of Harry S. Truman to Japan's surrender terms. Mr. Truman announced the end of the Pacific war at 7 P. M. (EWT) after five days of nerve wracking tension and thereby unleased the greatest demonstration of mass hysteria this capital has ever seen.

The President made the announcement to 140 newspaper correspondents in his executive offices, surrounded by his entire staff and his personal friends. Then he got hungry.

Bid of the momentous news, he strolled back to the living quarters of the White House where dinner was almost ready. But he didn't get the chance to eat it right away. The crowd in front of the Executive Mansion already had grown to what the Secret Service estimated at 75,000. And they were shouting:

"We want Harry."

They got "Harry." Mr. Truman walked out on the lawn of the spacious White House grounds and made a 200-word speech.

"This is a great day," he began.

The multitude cheered.

He finished and walked into the White House. Turning to an attendant he observed that he would like to "cool off."

GOES TO BACK PORCH

Mr. Truman went to the back or south porch of the White House and relaxed in a wicker arm chair.

"I'm glad it's over," he said.

He sat there for ten minutes, got up and walked into the dining room where Bess, his wife, who had come from Independence, Mo., on Friday, was ready for the evening meal.

They ate not horrifedly, but with a feeling that apparently there was work still to be done. Mr. Truman wiped his chin with a napkin and again walked onto the lawn of the grounds facing the huge crowd on Pennsylvania Avenue. He waved and went back into the White House. This was about 8 o'clock.

A half hour went by. Mr. Truman couldn't help but hear the automobile horns, the shouting, the singing, the cheering. And he couldn't help reacting. He went out again at 8:30 o'clock and waved once more from the portico. The crowd hollered.

He walked back through the huge main door of the White House and disappeared. But the "we want Harry" calls still echoed. It was the kind of a day that tries men's souls, but it apparently was easy for Harry Truman to be a traditional Missourian, a word-saver, an ordinary guy—which is his best stock in trade.

He beat down exultation. He quelled it at every opportunity.

The best illustration of that was Mr. Truman's observation to the crowd that the job ahead—establishing independent governments everywhere—needs some help.

City News

Rev. Mr. Gamble Ill

The Rev. William A. Gamble, former Army chaplain who accepted duties as pastor of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church in July, suddenly became ill Monday and was taken to Veterans' Hospital at Columbia, S. C. He was installed as pastor of St. Paul's on July 29. Mrs. Gamble and their son, William A. Gamble III, have left for Columbia.

Hawkins To Go To Orlando

Marcus Hawkins leaves this week to assume new duties with the Ivey Store in Orlando, Fla. He is at present associated with the Ed Mellon Co., and in Orlando will be connected with the women's ready-to-wear department of Ivey's.

Family Night Program

A special program will be given Friday at 8 P. M. at First Baptist Church. W. W. Enete, missionary to Brazil, his two sons, Billy and Noble, and doll, Sammy, will take part. The program will be under the direction of the Woman's Missionary Union. At 7:15 P. M. Friday a business meeting will be held by the Woman's Missionary Union, Woman's Missionary Society, Young Woman's Association, Girls' Auxiliary, Royal Ambassadors, and the Sunbeams.

Severs Reunion Canceled

Severs family reunion scheduled to be held Sunday at Bryant Park has been canceled.

Meeting Postponed

The regular meeting of the Junior Chamber of Commerce has been postponed from 1 P. M. today until 1 P. M. Friday.

Watermelon Cutting

Patriots Order of Sons of America will have a watermelon cutting tomorrow at 8 P. M. at the Oakhurst Community Club for all members, their families and friends. Floyd Mullis and J. T. Sikes will be in charge of the cutting.

Dr. Witthoff To Speak Thursday

Evelyn M. Witthoff, M. D., will speak at the Church of the Nazarene, corner of Cleveland and Worthington Aves., Thursday at 8 P. M.

Dr. Witthoff was a prisoner of the Japanese at Santo Tomas University at Manila for 37 months. She sailed for India as a missionary under appointment by the Church of the Nazarene with international headquarters at Kansas City, Mo. With several other missionaries, she landed in Manila about the time of the attack upon Pearl Harbor.

The public is invited to hear Dr. Witthoff tell her experiences during internment.

U. S. production of Persian lambskins is only about 8,000 skins a year.

Army Training Men To Rehabilitate Prisoners

FORT OGLETHORPE, Ga. —The adjutant general's school opened its first correctional medical personnel course designed to train officers and men in the care of the Army's own wrongdoers here today, Col. Lathrop Clapham, school commandant, announced.

The course will be continued until sufficient personnel has been trained to meet Army needs in the operational functions of U. S. disciplinary barracks, prisoner rehabilitation centers and post stockades, an official release said.

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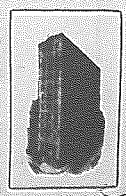

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