

# WW II Ends...

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his command at Singapore surrendered the same year.

Both men received one of the five pens MacArthur used in signing. He retained one for his family and earmarked one each for the Smithsonian Institute and the museum at the United States Military Academy.

MacArthur signed for the Allied nations. Next to sign was Fleet Adm. Chester Nimitz, as representative of the United States. He was followed by representatives of the other Allied powers.

Displayed on a bulkhead while the ceremonies continued was the flag of Commodore Matthew Perry, whose American fleet had anchored in the same Tokyo Bay in 1853.

As Capt. Carroll Payne soared high above the Japanese capital in his B-29 Superfortress, he found it difficult to accept the ease of this particular mission over enemy soil. Each previous run over Tokyo had been with a cargo of bombs, but this trip was too soft to be true.

PAYNE WAS PILOTING the lead plane in a flight of 1,000 that flew across Tokyo Bay at the precise moment the surrender ceremonies were being conducted on the Missouri.

"We had always said our plane had a magnet in it because it was always being hit, and flying over this same city at low level without armament was an apprehensive experience," he recalls.

The victory flight was flown at about 500 feet instead of the specified 2,000, a situation that did not go unpunished later.

"The wing commander was so mad he made us practice precision formation for 10 days after the war was over," he noted.

"The Missouri sure looked good to me down there, but we had been fighting so long it was hard to believe that the war was really over."

But it was over. NIGHT HAD FALLEN in Washington when President Harry Truman spoke over an international radio hookup. Truman called the surrender a victory over tyranny and designated the next day as V-J Day — Victory in Japan.

The President, speaking from the White House where the Japanese had once boasted they would dictate surrender terms to the United States, praised those who died in the war and added the victory would help the nation move toward a new security at home.

"God's help has brought us to this day of victory. With His help we will attain that peace and prosperity for ourselves and all the world in the years ahead."

The all-network broadcast then switched to Tokyo for addresses by Nimitz and MacArthur. The Supreme Allied Commander spoke for "the thousands of silent lips, forever stilled among the jungles and the beaches and the deep waters of the Pacific that marked the way."

"We have known the bitterness of defeat and the exultation of triumph, and from both we have learned there can be no turning back. We must go forward to preserve in peace what we won in war," he said.

World War II was over at last.

More than 15 million persons, including 290,000 Americans, were to be denied the fruits of peace. But for the United States September 2 was its day of retribution — reparation for a day of infamy nearly 45 months earlier.

The Rising Sun had set.



DR. CHARLES ALLEN

## Houston Pastor Due To Address Church Meeting

Dr. Charles L. Allen, pastor of the First Methodist Church of Houston, will be one of the main speakers during the 21st annual Town and Country Church Conference here Oct. 13-14.

His talk is titled "Don't Die on Third." Reagan Brown, general chairman of the conference and Extension sociologist at A&M, said Allen is one of the best known clergymen in the South. The minister is the author of 16 books, all best sellers in the religious field.

Time Magazine said of him: "The success story of Charles L. Allen is not the result of raftering oratory. He speaks simply, seldom raises his voice and uses few gestures. He emphasizes Christian daily living and prayer. He is inclined to say simply, 'You'll be happier if you live this way.'"

Brown said clergymen and lay leaders from throughout the state will attend the discussions. Conference theme this year is "Lift Up Your Eyes and See the Man as Pastor, The Community and Its People, The People and their Needs."

The non-denominational meeting is sponsored by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service and Texas Agricultural Experiment Station and is conducted by the A&M Department of Agricultural Economics and Sociology.

RETREAT FOR OTHERS ASSISI, Italy (AP) — A Franciscan monastery here has opened a retreat for non-Roman Catholic clergy.

## 3 Industrial Engineering Profs Named

Appointment of the Department of Industrial Engineering's fifth doctorate and two instructors has been announced by Dr. A. W. Wortham, department head.

Dr. Robert J. McNichols, Robert P. Beals and William M. Barnes join the faculty Sept. 1.

Assistant professor McNichols studied and taught at Ohio State. The registered professional engineer-in-training instructed mathematics at Ohio State 13 quarters. His bachelor, master and Ph.D. degrees were awarded at the Columbus institution.

While studying under a five-year Ohio Malleable Foundry scholarship, McNichols acquired strong backgrounds in math, statistics and operations research. His summers were spent as a foundry lab technician.

An Air Force production controls officer, Beals joins the staff as assistant professor. He acquired bachelor and master degrees in industrial engineering at Wayne State and was captain in the Air Force Aircraft Modification Depot in Great Falls, Mont.

Beals also worked as methods analyst for Burroughs, systems

engineer for Chrysler, senior systems specialist at Texas Instruments and program manager for Montgomery Wards in Chicago. He taught part-time at Wayne State in advanced production and inventory control and engineering administration.

Barnes, of Waelder, moves to an instructor position after three years as graduate assistant in the department. He received bachelor and master degrees in industrial engineering at A&M and is pursuing a Ph.D. Barnes will teach manufacturing processes, production and inventory control.

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