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Luzon is liberated.

**The Weather**  
Eastern Pennsylvania —  
Partly cloudy and cooler.

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**United Nations Approve World Security Charter**  
Delegates from 50 nations complete work except for signing of Charter which begins today. Senator Vandenberg announces he will sign Charter and help to have it ratified. Truman closes Conference today.

**York To Honor Gen. Devers Tonight**



Gen. Jacob L. Devers is coming home today. The signing of the charter is expected to begin on Monday. Devers will arrive in York on Tuesday. He will be met at the York train station by a large group of citizens. The parade will start at 7:30 o'clock.

**State Seeks End Of Telephone Co. Labor Vote Delay**  
Pa. Labor Relations board asks local court to quash company's appeal holding up workers' election scheduled two weeks ago. State asks speedy hearing on motion but time for argument is fixed for Aug. 5, because Attorney Fletcher, company counsel, won't be back from vacation until then.

**Manchester Lordford Settles Executive Benefit Case By Paying \$120**  
Jacob Kissel, Manchester, has paid the sum of \$120 to the U. S. Treasury and made restitution in the sum of \$60 to his former, an settlement of American-Indice Damage action filed against him in U. S. Middle District court by the OPA. OPA charged that Kissel was guilty of a month's non-compliance. A consent decree, also signed by Judge Albert W. Johnson, has been entered in court requiring the defendant from collecting rents in excess of the maximum allowed under past coastal regulations.

**German Diplomatic Report Shows Franco's Close Link With Axis**  
Berchtesgaden, Germany, June 25 (AP)—German diplomatic reports which have been filed by the Axis indicate that Franco is being the signature of Benito Mussolini's agreement with the German Foreign Ministry in the German Foreign Ministry in the Spanish leader's country was the most important and military operations.

**War In The East At A Glance**  
American advancing north in Luzon. Heavy rain over Luzon. Heavy rain over Luzon. Heavy rain over Luzon.

**Route Of Devers' Parade Tonight**  
The route of which the parade in honor of Gen. Devers will travel this evening, starting at 7:30 o'clock, follows: Leave Hotel Yorktown, go north on Duke Street to George Street, south on George Street to Chestnut Street, west on Chestnut Street to Market Street, south on Market Street to Elmwood Boulevard, where the procession will enter through the main entrance to the square, then south on Elmwood Boulevard, west on College Street, west on College Street to Park Street, south on Park Street to York Street, south on York Street to the fair grounds, then proceed in the grandstand.

**List Highlights Of Program At Fair Grounds**  
Highlights of the program at the fair grounds in honor of General Jacob L. Devers tonight, starting at 7:30 o'clock, are:  
Procession of automobiles by the Spring Garden band and school.  
Parade arrives and passes before the grandstand.  
General Devers passes the grandstand about 8:15.  
Military reception of the General.  
Invocation by Rev. Dr. C. R. Swenson.  
General Devers reviews veterans of World War II.  
Message by Spring Garden band.  
Address of welcome, Mayor John L. Snyder.  
General Devers' address.  
Formal exit of the General, audience standing.  
Including the playing of the call to attention and the rendering of honors to the General (credits and Scriptures). Two military bands and the Spring Garden band will participate in the program. They will not follow to play the opening "Star Spangled Banner."  
Mayor John L. Snyder will make the address of welcome and introduction and will present Rev. Dr. C. R. Swenson, pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, who will pronounce the invocation.  
Music played by the Spring Garden band which will precede the mayor's welcoming speech, will be two pieces which are favorites of General Devers, "March Across the Sea" and "My Hero." Mrs. James Chittam will sing the second song.  
Color guards from all three city warrent organizations will stand before the speaker's stand which will be erected at the fair grounds for the occasion. It will be a low wooden structure over the race track and in full view of the grandstand.  
Mayor Snyder last night made a special appeal for veterans who served under Devers' command in Europe to telephone him at City Hall before noon today. These men, he said, are needed for the possible making-up of the parade and their presence will be a special tribute to their former commander.  
Parade Passages  
The parade will be led by a band of city police. The band, which has been ordered to meet outside the fair grounds, will then proceed to the fair grounds.

PACIFIC

American airborne troops landed in northern Luzon to spearhead a drive down Cagayan Valley with mechanized equipment, while guerillas in Tuguegarao were fighting off Japanese counterattacks for the third

day. In the former area, converging forces had advanced early on the week to within 20 miles apart, threatening to bottle up an estimated 20,000 Japanese. On 28 June the forces joined, and General MacArthur announced the liberation of Luzon Island, which the Japanese had invaded on 10 December 1941.

Mopping up was continuing on Okinawa. An additional 794 Japanese prisoners of war were captured for a total of 8,696. The Japanese had tried four small air attacks against American airfield installations with little damage. American patrols searched for still lurking foes and for the bodies of comrades, hoping to solve the mystery of what happened to US soldiers and marines captured by the Japanese during the 82 days of the battle.

Chinese troops encountered Japanese rearguards after the enemy withdrew 60 miles above Wenchow. Allied forces were within 175 miles of Shanghai, and heavy fighting was raging at Liuchow. The enemy had been cleared from a 365-mile stretch of coast.

Australian troops were driving down the north coast of Borneo against little opposition. They had captured Seria, potentially the richest petroleum area in the British Empire, and found that at least 21 of its 50 wells were still burning from Japanese sabotage. The US had thrown air power into a raid at Balikpapan, sending more than 150 Liberators, Mitchells and Lightnings against the port with more than 200 tons of bombs dropped.

## EUROPE

A mountainous 4,871-square-mile sector of far eastern Czechoslovakia, the Carpatho-Ukraine, had been returned to the Soviet Union by mutual desire and agreement of its peoples. The population of the area was predominately Ukrainian. Persons living in Slovakia outside this area were able to assume either Soviet or Czechoslovak citizenship and move into either territory, receiving compensation for property they were unable to take with them.

## HOME FRONT

Fifty-one of the nation's 96 senators were ready to vote for ratification of the United Nations charter, according to an Associated Press poll. That totaled just eight short of the two-thirds majority required. Not one of the 74 senators interviewed expressed outright opposition. Delegates at the UN conference gave final approval to the charter, capping off two solid months of work on the organization to promote world peace. President Truman expressed the desire to have the US be the first country to ratify the charter.

York's own General Jacob Devers was escorted in a triumphal parade from Hotel Yorktowne over the main streets of the city to the fairgrounds for a formal homecoming reception. The Sixth Army Group commander made a speech at the fairgrounds in which he said that it would take as much effort to beat Japan as it had taken to beat Germany, but that "it will be done."

The executive secretary of Pennsylvania's Council of Defense announced that tin can salvage collections would have to be doubled. During the first months of this year only 5,056 ton of cans were sent to detinning plants, while during the first five months of 1944 the total amounted to 7.084 tons.

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