Eisenhower did not attend the actual signing. That was carried out by generals of America, Russia, England and France on his behalf.

After signing the last sheet Jodl arose and General Admiral Hans Georg Friedeburg and Jodl's aide, Maj. Wilhelm Oxinius, jumped up with him.

### **ASKS GENEROSITY**

Lt. Gen. Walter Bedell Smith, who signed for Anglo-American forces as SHAEF chief of staff, asked Jodl to meet him at 10 a.m. Monday morning to arrange for German Liaison officers to carry out the surrender and disarmament

Jodl stood with eyes half shut, leaning slightly forward, and said in English, "I want to say a few words." Then he spoke rapidly in German in a voice which seemed on the point of cracking once or twice:

"General, with this signature the German people and the German armed forces are for the better or worse delivered into the victor's hands.

"In this war which has lasted more than five years both have achieved more and suffered more perhaps than any other people in the world.

"I express the hope the victor will treat them with generosity."

Ten minutes later he was presented before the supreme commander. Eisenhower stood very grim at his desk in his cubbyhole office and asked if Jodl understood the terms he would carry out.

Jodl muttered "Yes" to Maj. Gen. K.W.D. Strong, SHAEF intelligence officer who was the interpreter.

The Germans' heels clicked and they strode out, Jodl tripping on a camera floodlight cable.

The war was ended at a black-topped table 20 by 6 feet, bathed in floodlights which heated the tiny "war room" almost insufferably.

### SIXTY SPECTATORS

Some 60 spectators, including 16 correspondents representing world news agencies, radio networks, newsreels and still pictures and sound and recording technicians of the signal corps officers, charged with recording the scene on film and to record it for posterity, gathered shortly before 2 a.m.



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# UNCONDITIONAL SURRE DE TO ALLIED POWERS

### **Proclamation Of** V-E Day By Big 3 Delayed By Stalin

Report Truman and Churchill Ready at 11 A. M. to Broadcast Official News of German Surrender-Stalin Not Ready-Daniels Says White House Does Not Know When Announcement Will Be Made.

LONG LIST OF **NOTABLES ARE** 

### SEEK DATA ON DEMOBILIZING AFTER V-E DAY

House Committee Torn by Dissension Over News Leaks.

SHAEF FAILS

### Chronological Story of News Of War's End

day, (6:21 a. m.)

London, May 7—0.05—A BBC

broadcast said today that the
capitulation of German forces in
Norway had just been announced.

(6:43 a. m.)

London, May 7—0.05—The BBC

recorded at 7.000 p.m. (2:200 pm.)

### OFFICIAL END OF WAR ANNOUNCEMENT

# PEACE GOODS ON MARKETS

Quantities Limited-Goods at 1939 Level Within a Year-Brown-Out, Racing Bans to Be Lifted.

## AMERICA PRAYS. CELEBRATES AS

## History's Greatest War **Ends As Western Allies** And Russia Crush Nazis

By The Associted Press

London. May 7—The war against Germany, the greatest in history, ended today with 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 announcment by the Big Three was held up, ing simultanebus action by Washington, Moscow and London. The best information able in London tonight was that the announcement might not be made until tomorro

In Washington microphones were made ready for a broadcast by President Trunne Minister Churchill, after a busy day at 10 Downing St., went to see King George The end of the European warfare, greatest, bloodiest and costliest war in human history—it was 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 that overspread the

invaded Poland on Sept. 1, 1939, beginning the agon Hitler's arrogant armies invaded Poland on Sept. 1, 1939, begining uised the world for 2,319 days. Unconditional surrender of the beaten remnants of his legions first

struggle we have succumbed."

Van Krosigk announced Grand Admiral Karl Doenitz had "ordered the unco surrender of all fighting German troops."

The world waited tensely. Then at 8:35 a. m., (CWT), came the associated flash from Reims, France, telling of the signing at Gen. Eisenhower's hoodquarter.

(CWT), came the associated Press

Germany Gives Up After Over Five

Chief of Staff, Signs for Vanquished Reich.

Years of Conflict

Surrender Takes Place in Little Red School House Near Reims, France — Capitulation Signed Sunday at 7:41 P.M. Central War Time-Jodl, New Army

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