

Jap Columns Penetrate India For 1st Time

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line, allied jugular vein in the Burma theater.

Gen. Sir Claude J. E. Auchinleck, commander in chief for India under Admiral Lord Louis Mountbatten, southeast Asia commander, minimized the seriousness of the Japanese threat. He said the Manipur drive was an effort "to divert allied forces and relieve strong allied pressure against their lines on the Arakan front."

(The Arakan front is on the west Burma coast roughly 250 miles southwest of the enemy push into Manipur.)

"No real threat can materialize unless and until the Japanese manage to penetrate to points where they can attack our rail and river communications or our airfields in Assam," Gen. Auchinleck said.

Although Imphal is 175 miles by road from any point on the allied lifeline in the upper Brahmaputra valley, it is only 75 miles by air across rugged country from key rail and river lines there.

Gen. Auchinleck based his discounting of the Japanese threat on their inferiority in the air, which will not permit them to supply their forward columns by plane, and will prevent them from interfering with air supply to allied troops.

Rotary Told Labor, Capital Need Agree

Only when the people of the United States realize that they are at one time capital, labor and consumers can management secure the cooperation necessary to bring about the most efficient production for the benefit of all. R. B. Ambrose, vice president of the Portland Woolen mills, told Salem Rotarians and their Ladies' Night dinner guests Wednesday.

Women he declared, as purchasing agents for final consumers, hold places of key importance in the untangling of current economic confusion.

The bargain seeker, according to Ambrose, has been one of the influences leading toward greater production, using the materials at hand.

Free enterprise he defined as the system that recognizes that men may be equal but cannot remain on one plane, under which each individual is encouraged by the knowledge that he will be repaid for his ability, his ingenuity and the energy he expends and for his services to mankind.

Only under such a system, Ambrose said, is truly efficiency possible.

Music was provided by James W. Jenks, vocal soloist, member of the Albany Rotary club, accompanied by Ruth Bedford, and by an accordion ensemble from the Meisinger studios.

William M. Hamilton, Rotary club president, served as master of ceremonies. The mirror room of the Marion hotel was decked with spring flowers for the occasion.

US Bombers Strike Berlin

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elsewhere—strafing airdromes, railways and other targets in Germany and enemy vessels along the coast.

The capital's anti-aircraft batteries appeared to have been strengthened since the last daylight raid March 9, crewmen said.

Several fliers reported seeing bombers broken in two over the target by flak. One US bomber was forced down on the island of Gotland, Sweden, the Swedish radio announced.

Through occasional breaks in the clouds crewmen said they saw hundreds of fires in Berlin and the billowing black smoke from these added to the darkness over the city.

Advocates of Dam Confer With Cordon

PORTLAND, March 22—(AP)—Advocates of the Umatilla Rapids dam, proposed for postwar construction across the Columbia river, conferred here today with Guy Cordon, interim US senator. Cordon also talked with representatives of the Deschutes county irrigation project.

ON the HOMEFRONT

By ISABEL CHILDS

Four-H club boys and girls raised 11,000,000 chickens in 1943. Apparently they raised some hogs, too.

Perhaps 4H members should be encouraged to dabble in nylon.

Infantrymen Slug Forward At Cassino

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Allied artillery was hauled up to blast point-blank at fanatic German parachute troops clinging to the ruins of the Continental hotel and a half dozen other buildings at the southern edge of Cassino as the fight for that Nazi stronghold rose to its wildest pitch.

Behind this raking fire, battle-hardened New Zealand infantry slogged forward foot by foot, often engaging in fierce hand-to-hand combat. At the end of a week of savage fighting the Germans still were resisting with a ferocity that has characterized their defense of the Rome.

Fighting fully as bitter raged on the steep slopes of Monastery hill west of Cassino, from which German guns and mortars pumped terrific fire into the battle areas. Two more Nazi counterattacks against allied-held Castle hill, directly above the rubble of Cassino, were flung back today.

(The German-controlled Rome radio announced that the nazis would withdraw all military installations from Rome and "further deviate" military traffic from the Eternal City "so that responsibility for bombing Rome will remain entirely with the allies.") The Germans declared Rome an open city last August 14 when they said all military installations had been withdrawn.

Describing the swirling battle laid out before him, Lynn Heizerling of the Associated Press wrote at 4:40 p.m. today: "The flashes of allied shells could be seen as they exploded in the German-held portion of Cassino immediately at the base of Monastery hill. Clouds of smoke drifted over the town and valley as the battle grew in intensity without any major change in positions."

He said about 30 more German prisoners were taken today, bringing to 268 the total seized in a week of hard fighting. Allied observers estimated that at least three German companies were wiped out in last Wednesday's huge air and artillery bombardment of Cassino's defenses.

Jarvill Files for Council Patrick A. Jarvill, 800 Highland avenue, grocer, this week became the first person to file as candidate for the city council. Jarvill seeks the position now held by Ross Goodman.

Allied Bombers Sink Jap Ships At New Guinea

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and along the Sepik river. A Liberator on reconnaissance located the destroyer 22 miles east of Tadiji in the Aitape area Monday night, heavily damaging it with a 1000-pound bomb. The Liberator lost sight of the warship, spent part of the night locating it, then sent it down early Tuesday 32 miles southeast of Tadiji with a 1000-pounder and two 500-pound bombs.

Medium bombers swept low to sink the two merchantmen in the same general area. Aitape is about midway between Wewak and Hollandia, Dutch New Guinea. In the latter vicinity, two convoys have been attacked from the air over the past weekend with the certain loss of five ships and damage to others.

Bombers from the Solomons continued at midday Monday the campaign to rip apart Rabaul's ground defenses. Supply areas and anti-aircraft positions were among targets of the 133 tons of bombs. At least 10 guns were put out of action.

Supply and bivouac areas near Wewak were dealt a 160 ton bombing blow Tuesday by escorted Liberators, Mitchells and Bostons. Within little more than a week, the Wewak-Aitape region has been rocked by more than 1600 tons of explosives.

Foe Yields to Flank Drive

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scribed the town as "a powerful stronghold in the German defenses on the central part of the southern Bug river." In peacetime a town of 50,000, Pervomaisk lies 100 miles northwest of Nikolaev and 120 miles north of Odessa. In recent days it has been a stubbornly-held position at the elbow of the Germans' extreme southern front, holding off Russians who have been trying to drive southward and westward. The battle for Pervomaisk was mainly of infantry. The compar-

tively minor role taken by artillery and tanks was indicated in Stalin's naming only one tank commander and one artillery commander among ten generals cited for the victory. The town was one of two main Nazi bastions on the eastern bank of the Bug barring the approach to Nikolaev and Odessa. The other is Voznesensk 40 miles to the south, and when that falls the Russians will have a relatively clear path to both Black sea cities.

Moscow was silent on the German-reported offensive at the important Proskurov-Tarnopol area which joins the western and southern sections of the long Russian-German front, but this is often the case when a big Soviet movement is under way. The Russians reported advances throughout the southern front, taking more than four score towns and villages on the various sectors.

Code Hearing Here Today

Concluding a session in Portland on Tuesday and Wednesday, the accident prevention division of the state industrial accident commission will conduct a two-day

hearing on revised industrial codes at Salem today and Friday.

The local hearings will be held in the legislative hearing room on the ground floor of the capitol and will convene at 9:30 each morning.

The logging safety code will be considered on Thursday, while Friday will be given over to a dis-

Lampert Named to Head McNary Portrait Fund

Gov. Earl Snell Wednesday appointed State Senator Frederick S. Lampert, Salem, as custodian of funds for a painting of the late Charles L. McNary, to succeed of the sawmilling and woodworking code.

be hung in the United States senate chamber in Washington, DC.

Contributions for the fund will be received by the Salem newspapers. The amount required for the painting was not announced. Mrs. McNary, who is now in Salem, has approved the proposal. It was announced.

MONTGOMERY WARD

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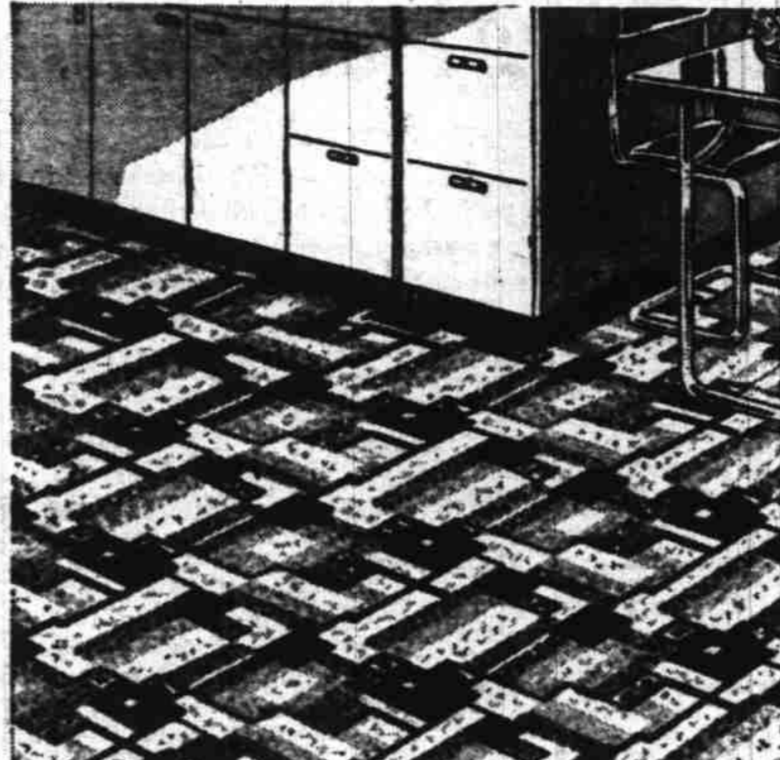
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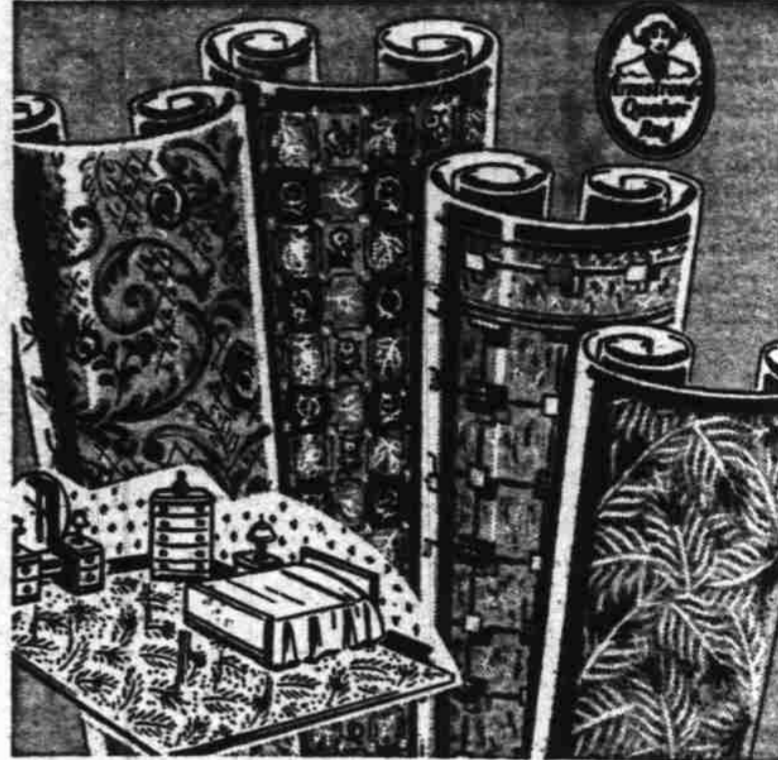
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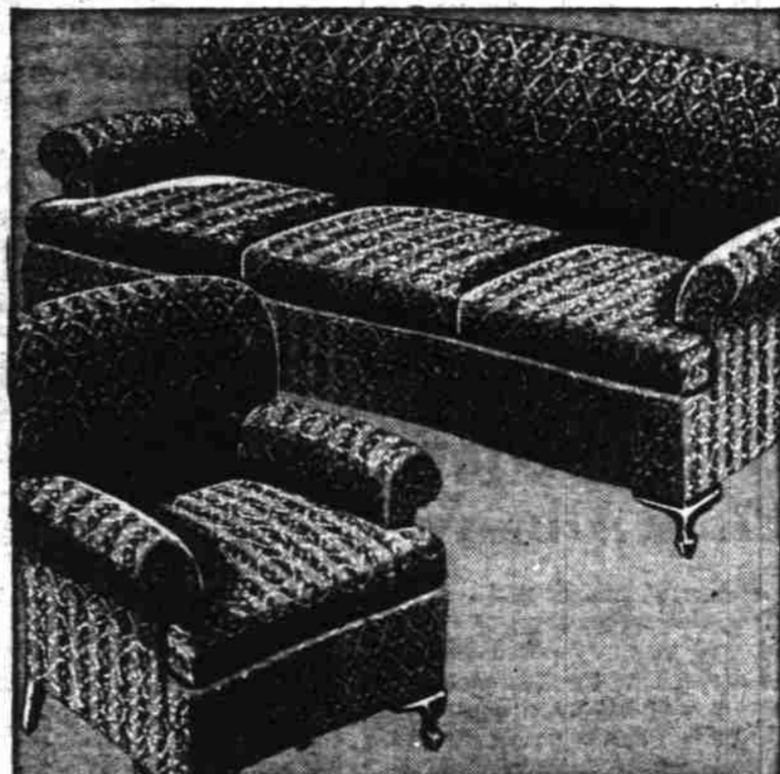
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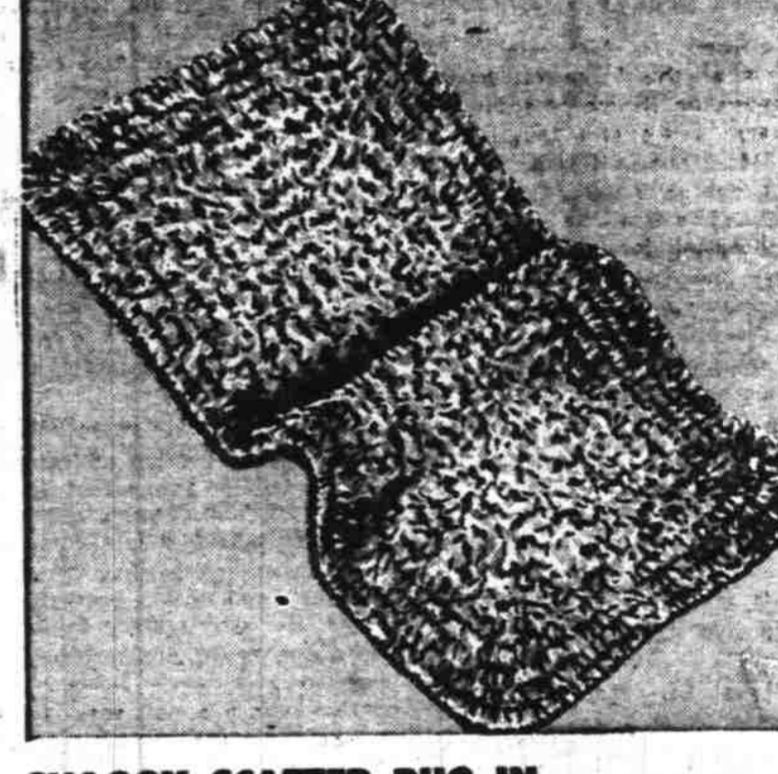
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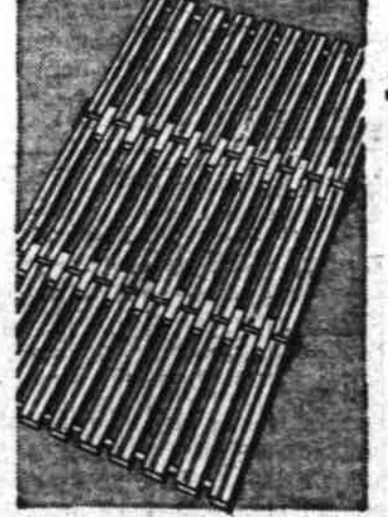
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