

Objective: Tokyo

Total War Might Must Be Thrown Against Japanese

Reconversion of Troops and Supplies From Europe Going On

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Editor's Note: This is the first of three articles dealing with the problem of manpower, transportation and supplies that will face us in the all-out effort against Japan.

With the crumbling of Hitler's third Reich the victorious Allies have won the first game of a double-header in this tremendous global war. Germany's 80 millions, girded for total war, were brought to unconditional surrender by the combined might of Britain, Russia and the United States at a cost to our forces alone of close to a million casualties.

It cost us three years of strenuous effort before Hitler's legions were driven back to the soil of Germany and before we were able to deliver the full weight of combined ground and air power over Germany's 225,000 square miles of fatherland. It cost us almost a year of the bloodiest fighting in history from June 6, 1944, D-Day, before Germany was crushed to her knees, her cities a mass of rubble.



Before us we have the Japanese empire, proper, with 148,756 square miles of territory, but with an army of some four million well-equipped, well-trained troops scattered over four and a half million square miles of China and another 503,000 square miles of Manchukuo.

What will it cost and how long will it take for the unconditional surrender of Japan? How much help can we expect of Britain? Will Russia declare war against her one-time enemy?

Cost to Be as Great As European War

While no one here is prepared to answer these questions on the nose, there are many circumstances from which we may draw conclusions. From an economical standpoint, to bring our total might of arms against Japan will cost approximately as much as against Germany. While production of many war factories will be cut on some items, cost of transportation and supply will considerably outweigh the same cost on the German front. The transport problem alone will be staggering.

Contrary to some opinions expressed in Washington, the army supply is preparing and indeed is already moving supplies and equipment from the German theater to the Japanese theater of war. Plans for this transport of men and materiel have been completed for more than a year. Every piece of equipment, insofar as it is economically feasible, will be reconitioned, crated and shipped to the Japanese theater. All this in addition to the new equipment, the B-29s and the new A-26s and other equipment to be shipped directly from America.

One school of thought here believes that Japan will not stand the bombing, the loss of her cities and



Admiral Nimitz, left, and General MacArthur.

her factories and utilities . . . that Japan will surrender before her national economy is ruined as was Germany's. One thing is certain, the new U. S. incendiary bombing technique will be developed to a high degree against Japan. Where 300 B-29s are dropping 1,500 tons of incendiaries today, 800 to 1,000 of these super-planes will be dropping more than 3,000 tons of incendiaries in the near future. And it only takes 250 tons of incendiary bombs to burn out a square mile of Japanese cities.

Those who adhere to this school of thought believe that with this stepped-up bombing from our new bases on Iwo and Okinawa, which will lay waste to Tokyo, Yokohama, Osaka, Nagoya, Nagasaki and other cities on the Japanese mainland, together with the tight blockade being thrown between the mainland and the stolen Jap empire, will bring Japan to surrender terms within the next few months, probably by the first of 1946.

On the other hand there are those who believe it will be necessary to

defeat the Japanese army before the Japs come to terms. This will entail not only invasion of the Jap islands but of the east and south China coast and will require an army of about five million men, and long months of cutting the Chinese nations into pockets for the piecemeal destruction of the Jap army. How long this will take, no one is prepared to say. It will depend largely upon the Jap ability to maintain supply lines to her armies in China. That this will be a difficult task can readily be seen.

In the first place there is a dearth of railroad transportation in China. There are 200 up-to-date military highways. Distances are great and the American navy, likely, with the aid of a powerful British navy, will have established an airtight blockade, not only about the Japanese islands, but along the China coast up and down the Yellow sea, the East and South China seas. Japanese war plants in Manchukuo will come under the same pounding as plants in other sections and, while it is presumed that the Japanese war lords have built up a stock pile of raw materials, it is evident that these cannot last in a long campaign.

Cutting Japanese Life and Supply Lines

Recent invasion of Borneo by U. S. forces was done, not only to quench the Jap oil and gas supply from that rich deposit of oil, but to furnish oil and gas for American ships, American tanks and planes, to save some of the long haul across the Pacific in the coming months.

If indeed it is necessary to defeat Jap armies in China to bring a yelp of surrender from Hirohito and his war lords, our armies will invade China, a country of starving millions, divided within itself, with sufficient manpower, but with only a comparatively few trained and equipped troops.

Break between General Stilwell and Chiang Kai-shek, which resulted in withdrawal of General Stilwell, was said to be over distribution of American supplies. General Stilwell wanted these supplies for the Chinese men whom he was training to fight and which the Chinese leader seemed reluctant to commit to showdown battle for fear he might lose the few troops upon which he could depend himself from other hostile elements within China itself.

Invasion of the China coast will not be considered a difficult maneuver by our amphibious forces. As a matter of fact, with the Jap navy cut down to approximately 75 per cent of its one-time power, with their air power dwindling and extended over vast distances, General MacArthur and Admiral Nimitz could pick and choose their landing spot anywhere from Canton on the south to Dairen on the south tip of Manchukuo . . . establish beachheads and move inland, with the Japs probably unable to reinforce coastal garrisons.

But transportation and long supply lines would be more difficult to maintain because of distances than in the German area of war, because, as we have pointed out . . . there are few roads and fewer railroads. Since Pearl Harbor, we have been island hopping, moving nearer and nearer to the Jap home empire. The crushing defeat of the Japs in the Philippines and opening of our sea lanes there . . . were body blows at the Jap strategy of holding our forces away from the homeland.

Cottons and Jersey Favored For Swim and Beach Outfits

By CHERIE NICHOLAS



THIS is the time of the year when a maiden's fancy turns to thoughts of what's "the style" in play togs, swim suits and beach ensembles. Now that all nature seems to be joining in one grand chorus that invites one to come and play in the great outdoors, the summer style parade will be made up for the most part of sportswear and seashore fashions. Judging from the signs that cast their shadows before, this is going to be a most glamorous season on the beach for the new swim-suits and ensembles were never more versatile and eye-thrilling. Designers are making a fascinating play on stripes, maneuvering them in every conceivable way. In the new fashions stripes go up and down, around and around and on the bias in ways that give the garment an individual look.

A very important trend is toward costume ensembles achieved with a matching robe or cape or jacket to be worn on the beach. This applies to sun frocks and play clothes too, the idea being to add a wrap that will tune the outfit to many-purpose wear.

As to materials, crisp striped cottons are very much in evidence on the beach and in the sports realm in general. Seersucker is being made up ever so smartly in styles that are not only good-looking but extremely practical. This year washable cotton jersey is making a great hit for swim suits, and exotically flowered rayon jersey is being made up into brief wrap-around skirts in sarong effects. Bright oriental-looking cottons are all-over shirred for figure-fitting swim suits with bra tops.

One of the big success fashions of the season is the stunning suit of red rayon jersey which is shown to the left in the accompanying illustration of smart seashore fashions. This stunning ensemble of scarf and swim suit comes from the New York Dress institute. The fetching white

cotton beach stole is a thrilling example of what creative genius is doing with even the simplest of materials this season. In this instance the white cotton is hand-painted with footprints for the motif, done in multi-color. The deep fringe is hand-tied of white cotton yarn.

One-strap swim suits present a thrilling new fashion theme for this summer. See a clever interpretation of this in the attractive model centered in the foreground. Important also is the fact that this suit is made of washable white cotton jersey. For the bra and onehip decor Ella Raines, the designer, uses brown and white striped cotton jersey. The single strap over one shoulder is of the same brown stripe.

The beach ensemble to the right takes on a costume look because of the matching coat that so smartly complements it. You will see this trend to add a coat or other beach wrap emphasized all the way through this season's smart outdoor fashions. This is a glowing example of the ingenuity with which designers are manipulating stripes in the current mode. Crisp cotton with peppermint stripes is the material used. The stripes play all sorts of capers, some going vertical, horizontal, on the bias and in other deft arrangement that achieves a designfulness pleasing to the eye.

The first appearance of black in sportswear was accepted as a passing novelty, but it has proved so effective and practical its style prestige is reaching a new high. Form-fitting swim suits of dull-surfaced black elasticized silk are among the smartest, as are also those of elastic black satin. Then there is the swim suit of water-repellent black velvet. It's a beauty.

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Sheer Loveliness



The memory of the bride in a traditional white wedding gown is ever to be cherished. If your budget is limited, that need not be a barrier, for if you can sew it will add to the endearment of your bridal dress if you make it yourself. By taking advantage of the wartime budget lessons given by your local sewing center, experts will show you the latest tricks and modern finishing touches. The bride pictured "made her own" of a lovely white sheer, for this summer fashion favors exquisite diaphanous materials for the wedding gown. Suggested materials include sheerest of white cotton voile, nylon, marquisette and organdy over a rayon taffeta slip.

Bows Trim Up Dresses, Jackets and Dickies

Detachable bows that you can wear with this dress and that, play a flattering role in costume decor this spring. So now the ambition among college and teen-age girls is to collect bows and bows (spelled bows, not beaux). The newest trick is to smarten your dainty lingerie dickey with little black ribbon velvet bows, topping off with a matching velvet bow in your prettily coiffed hair. There are lots of other instances too, where an artful black velvet bow will fit into the scheme of things perfectly. Then there are those new, starched frost-white lingerie bows, that are being so importantly featured this spring. Designers are placing them in most unique ways on smart navy or black spring frocks or on two-piece jacket dresses. Perhaps the cleverest is the nifty short jacket that has a slot cut at the upper left shoulder through which is drawn a large butterfly bow made of lace and embroidery.

White Accessories Are Essentials This Year

That fashion slogan "iced with white" has caught the fancy of women who are alert to fashion and to what is most flattering. A white hat, a white coat, white gloves and footwear are summer wardrobe essentials this year. Then every lady of fashion needs must have in store endless frilly white blouses together with frothy, lovely jabots and other neckwear items galore.



Dehydrating Quality Surplus Vegetables

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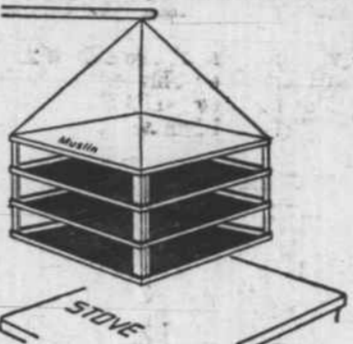
LACK of jars need not prevent the gardener from laying aside a large amount of this year's garden products for winter use.

Before drying, vegetables should be precooked in steam or boiling water. Steam cooking will furnish a superior product to those cooked in water. They should be removed as soon as tender and placed in the drier.

A satisfactory drier is illustrated here. Or it may be advisable to dry in the oven, or in the sun, behind glass. It is advisable to furnish air circulation by means of electric fan, if possible. This process involves bringing currents of relatively dry air into intimate contact with the material to be dried.

The temperature in the drier should not be hot enough to cook the food, yet it should be of a suitable temperature to cause evaporation of moisture. The drying must be a continuous process in order to prevent the growth of organisms.

For best results foods should be cut into uniform sizes and spread evenly in thin layers to dry, stirring frequently. After the product has been dried, it should be condi-



Type of Hanging Drier.

tioned for about 10 days, but stirring from time to time, to prevent mold. After this period it may be placed in sealed air tight bags, such as cellophane or waxed paper, or in sealed jars, or placed in a stone crock, if desired.

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 3. What technical term is applied to a government by women?
 4. Who elects congressmen at large?
 5. The Singhalese are inhabitants of what country?
 6. What is the longest monosyllable in the English language?
 7. Why do leaves turn up before an impending rainstorm?
 8. Under whose administration was the national debt at its lowest?
 9. When and where was the American Legion organized?
 10. What ancient pass connects Afghanistan and India?
- The Answers
1. Proper. As it should be.
 2. They do not bear fruit.
 3. Gynarchy.
 4. All the voters of a state.
 5. Ceylon.
 6. Strength.
 7. It is due to an increase of atmospheric moisture. Therefore the leaf stalk absorbs more moisture, and "warps," turning the leaf over.
 8. Our national debt reached its lowest level during President Andrew Jackson's term, when it amounted to \$37,515.05 in 1836.
 9. It was organized in St. Louis May 8 to 10, 1919.
 10. Khyber pass.

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