

WEATHER

Mostly cloudy and mild today and tonight, showers on the coast today. Tuesday, considerable cloudiness and warmer, showers extreme west portion.

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YANKS FIGHT INSIDE COLOGNE

Marshal Zhukov's Big Guns Begin Shelling Baltic Port Of Stettin

John F. Schenck, Sr., Industrial Pioneer, Dies At Lawndale

Funeral From Residence Tuesday 11 A. M.; Was Leader In Southern Industry

John Franklin Schenck, Sr., 79, whose long and busy career as one of the south's outstanding industrialists bridged the phenomenal development of the southern textile industry in which his family has been at the forefront for five generations, died Sunday at 2:30 at his home in Lawndale.

Two weeks ago Mr. Schenck suffered a paralytic stroke from which it appeared he was recovering until a heart attack seized him last Monday and gradually throughout the week his life ebbed away until the end came quietly in the early afternoon Sunday.

The funeral will be conducted Tuesday at 11 a. m. from the home. The Rev. John W. Suttle, for 33 years Mr. Schenck's pastor, will conduct the service, being assisted by Dr. Zeno Wall, pastor of the First Baptist church here, and the Rev. C. G. Isley, pastor of the Methodist church at Lawndale. Burial will be in the family vault in Sunset cemetery.

In 1892 Mr. Schenck married Miss Lily Moore, whose father, the late Samuel Moore, was an extensive ranch owner in Texas, and she died several years ago. To that union were born four sons, John F. Schenck, Jr., vice-president and general manager of the Cleveland Mill & Power company; Dr. Sam Moore Schenck, Shelby surgeon; Jean W. Schenck, secretary and general manager of the Lily Mills company; and Hal E. Schenck who died in 1938. In 1941 Mr. Schenck married Mrs. John M. Maness, widow of a Hamlet physician, who also survives.

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Son, grandson and great-grandson of pioneers in the southern cotton industry — his great grandfather, Michael Schenck, in 1813 built in Lincoln county the first cotton mill erected south of the Potomac river — and himself the father of outstanding cotton mill executives, Mr. Schenck trained for law but gained rank as one of the leaders of industrial enterprise and civic progress in North Carolina. His contribution to the industrial and civic life of his native

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MRS. PUTNAM'S RITES TUESDAY

Beloved Wife Of Rev. D. F. Putnam Died Following Fall Sunday

Mrs. Eliza Spangler Putnam, 74, wife of Rev. D. F. Putnam, died early today at Shelby hospital where she was carried Sunday afternoon when she fell and broke her hip at her home. She had been in declining health since suffering a stroke three and a half years ago.

The funeral will be held at the home, 805 West Warren street, Tuesday at 3 p. m. Rev. John W. Suttle, assisted by other pastors, will conduct the service.

A native of Cleveland county, Mrs. Putnam had made her home in and around Shelby all her life. A daughter of the late Webb and Margaret Wilson Spangler, she was born July 8, 1871. She married the Rev. Mr. Putnam, Baptist minister, in 1896 and to that union three daughters were born, Mrs. J. C. Bowling of Shelby, Mrs. Carl L. Bailey of Plymouth and six grandchildren, two of whom are in service; a third daughter died seven years ago.

Nips Being Prepared For Invasion
By the Associated Press
The Japanese people "are being prepared for the possibility of invasion and at the same time being convinced that invasion does not mean defeat," Domei news agency said a Nazi correspondent in Tokyo reported to Germany.

The writer was identified as Dr. Lily Abegg of the Transoceanic agency. The Japanese broadcast was recorded by the federal communications commission.

THREE RUSSIAN SPEARHEADS REACH BALTIC

Two New Attacks Launched, Toward Stettin And Stettin Bay

STARGARD CAPTURED

LONDON, March 5.—(AP)—Marshal Gregory Zhukov's big guns have begun shelling the suburbs of Stettin which lie east of the Oder, Moscow dispatches said today, and the Berlin high command announced the fall of Stargard, a fortress 19 miles east of the big Baltic port.

After plunging triple spearheads to the Baltic the Russians were reported launching two powerful new attacks—one to the north between Stargard and the Oder toward Stettin; and the other to the west, from their Baltic footholds, toward Stettin bay.

Advanced units already were in sight of Stettin bay. Two Russian spearheads on the Baltic near Kolberg and at Koeslin have been supplemented by a third farther east between Koeslin and Schlau, the Germans reported.

Stargard, one of the most important outer defenses of Stettin, was taken after a brief street fight, Berlin announced, by Marshal Gregory Zhukov's First White Russian Army.

Capture of the city of 35,000 knocked down one of the chief ob-

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YANKS FIGHT IN NORTH LUZON

Lost Enemy Resistance In Manila Reported Wiped Out

By FRED HAMPSON

MANILA, March 5.—(AP)—American doughboys pushed deeper today into the mountains of northern Luzon, reported headquarters stronghold of Japanese Gen. Tomoyuki Yamashita, as Gen. Douglas MacArthur disclosed that Filipino guerrillas had cleared one entire northern province of Nipponese troops.

Other Americans overcame the last Japanese resistance in Manila, continued their eastward pressure to secure the city's water supply area and occupied two more Philippine Islands.

MacArthur's communiqué said units of the 25th and 32nd divisions of Maj. Gen. Innes P. Swift's First Corps had made new gains in the northern mountains along the Balet Pass road, the Villa Verde trail and the Ambayabang river.

These spearheads were east and south of Baguio, the Philippine summer capital. Yamashita, "the Tiger" conqueror of Singapore, was reported weeks ago to have withdrawn there to direct the "last stand" defense of the Philippines.

Other first corps units have been engaging the Japanese for days in the vicinity of Rosario, some 25 or 30 miles southwest of Baguio.

The guerrillas, under Col. R. W. Volckman, struck in the north coast province of Ilocos Norte. MacArthur's

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Iwo Jima Was All Fortress, One Of Japs' Main Defenses

(Editor's Note: Just why was Iwo Jima, tiny Pacific island, such a tough nut to crack for tough American Marines? In this first of several stories Associated Press War correspondents explain Iwo's toughness as one of the world's most heavily fortified bases. Today the Leathernecks are on the verge of total conquest of the island after what their commander, Lt. Gen. Howland M. Smith, described as one of the bloodiest battles in the 168 years of Marine Corps history.)

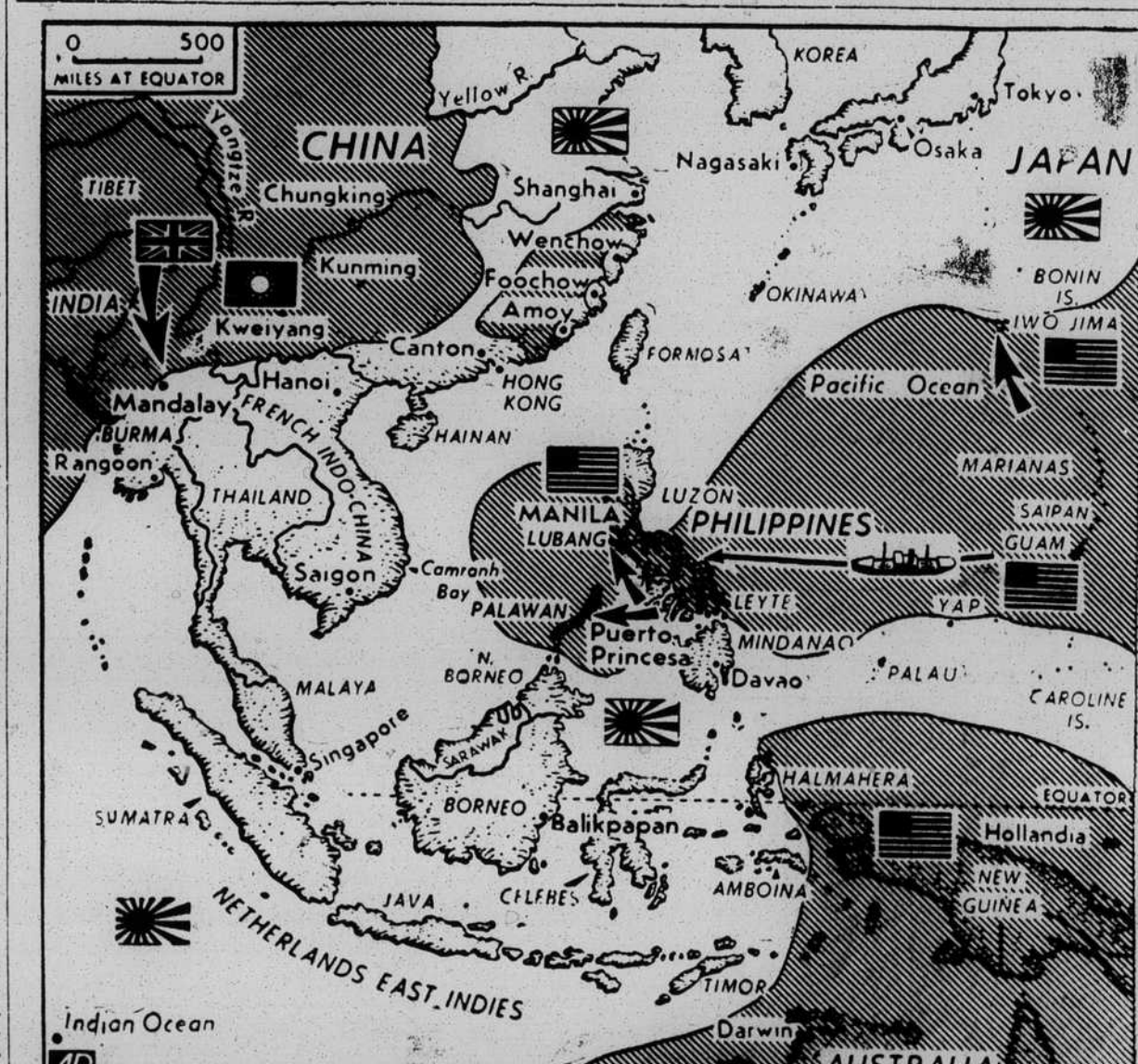
By MORRIS LANDSBERG
IWO JIMA, March 5.—(AP)—A

sign posted on the Central Motoyama airfield on Iwo island written in both Japanese and English, warned:

"Notice: Trespassing, surveying, photographing, sketching, modeling, etc., upon or of these premises without previous official permission are prohibited by the Military Secrets Protection law. Any offender in this regard will be punished with this law."

It was signed "Ministry of the Navy, October 1937."

Japan plainly didn't want the world to know what she had done and was doing on Iwo Jima—



HOW U. S. ADVANCES IN PACIFIC THREATEN JAP HOLDINGS — Arrows indicate latest American successes in the Pacific—the assault on Iwo Jima and the taking of Palawan and Luzon. Arrow with ship indicates opening of trade route from United States through Manila with occupation of Central Philippine Islands. Palawan's position makes it a threat to the Jap sea lifeline to the south. Shaded area is that held by Allies. Arrow on continent shows British-Chinese drive threatening Mandalay in Burma.

Jap Counterattack On Iwo Hurdled Back

Limited Gains Made By Marines; 12,864 Enemy Dead Counted Through Saturday

U. S. PACIFIC FLEET HEADQUARTERS, Guam, Mar. 5.—(AP)—Sturdy U. S. Marines made limited gains in northern Iwo Jima Sunday and hurled back a Japanese counterattack in which hundreds of screaming Japanese were killed, Fleet Adm. Chester W. Nimitz announced today.

FDR Nominates Vinson Loan Administrator

WASHINGTON, March 5.—(AP)—Fred M. Vinson, economic stabilization director, was nominated today by President Roosevelt to be federal loan administrator.

Vinson thus succeeds Jesse Jones as head of the loan agencies handling billions of dollars. They were severed from the commerce department so they would not come under the jurisdiction of Henry A. Wallace. Before the senate confirmed Wallace for secretary of commerce, special legislation returned the federal loan administration to an independent status.

A former member of congress from Kentucky and a former justice of the United States circuit court for the District of Columbia, Vinson has been stabilization director since James F. Byrnes gave up the post. Byrnes moved into the position of war mobilization direc-

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WHAT'S DOING

TODAY
7:00 p.m.—Junior Chamber of Commerce meets at Hotel Charles.
7:30 p.m.—State Guard drill at the armory.
7:30 p.m.—Regular meeting of American Legion post at Legion building.
7:30 p.m.—Fleming Council Boy Scout court of honor meets at court house.
7:30 p.m.—City council meets at city hall.
7:45 p.m.—Board of deacons of First Baptist church meets at the church.
TUESDAY
7:30 p.m.—C.A.P. members meet at armory.

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U. S. Tank Unit Advances Mile Within City

PARIS, March 5.—(AP)—First Army tanks fought a mile deep inside Cologne tonight, driving through the Bickendorf northern section within 2 1-2 miles of the towering cathedral at the heart of the great Rhineland metropolis.

The final assault started in the cold darkness of 4 a. m. Maj. Gen. Maurice Rose's Third Armored Division passed the city limits, striking from the north through the suburb of Bockelmuned. There the tanks were about three miles from the towering Gothic cathedral at the heart of Cologne, long the most ravaged city of the Rhineland.

House to house fighting was touched off quickly AP Correspondent Don Whitehead, with the First Army, reported.

Cologne lay under a pall of smoke. The thunder of battle was rolling across the city in increasing fury as the Americans closed in for the kill on the 11th day of their great drive from the Roer river, 21 miles behind.

To the north, the American Ninth army captured Homburg, a manufacturing west bank suburb of Duisburg, and the approaches to two Rhine bridges. Lt. Gen. William H. Simpson's men stood on the Rhine for 15 miles, and Canadians to the north held another 52 mile stretch of the meandering west banks.

Germans surrendered by the thousands; the total in the offensive passed 60,000. A blackout was

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Poland Not Asked To Security Conference

Representatives Of 44 Nations Expected To Attend Meeting In April

WASHINGTON, March 5.—(AP)—The government announced today that all United Nations except Poland are being asked to attend the world security conference at San Francisco.

If all accept as expected this will mean an attendance of 44 nations.

By a last minute hitch France refrained from joining in sponsoring the conference. This leaves sponsorship to the United States, Russia, China and Britain.

France, the official announcement said, has agreed to participate in the conference but felt that, partly because she had not helped work out the Dumbarton Oaks proposals, she should not join in sponsoring the invitations.

The voting procedure agreed on by Roosevelt, Stalin and Churchill at Yalta to fill the last big gap in the Dumbarton Oaks plan also was announced.

In substance it provides that a small nation may have the right to bring charges against a great power and get them heard by the proposed world security council even though the great power itself may object.

However, on any vote to decide that a great power was threatening the peace, or to take action against that power, each of the five great nations would have, in effect, a veto.

Secretary of State Stettinius issued a statement seeking to explain the voting agreement. Now at Mexico.

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Vandenberg To Be Delegate To Conference

WASHINGTON, March 5.—(AP)—Senator Vandenberg (R-Mich.) announced today that he had accepted President Roosevelt's invitation to become a delegate to the world security conference in San Francisco.

The Michigan senator said he had made his decision after "an exchange of cordial and satisfactory personal letters with the President."

This exchange clarified "my right of free action," he said.

As a delegate, Vandenberg said

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Pfc. Howard Newton, Previously 'Missing', Safe In Own Lines

Pfc. Howard L. Newton, who was previously reported missing in action in Belgium since December 20, was listed missing through an error. A telegram received today by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Newton of route 1, Belwood, stated "in reference by telegram of January 9 and letter of January 11, corrected report now received states your son Pfc. Howard L. Newton was not missing in action December 20, as previously reported."

Pfc. Newton entered the service in October, 1942 and left the United States in February, 1944. While serving in the European theater of operations he was wounded in France on July 11, but had recovered and returned to his company. He was wounded again while fighting in Germany on November 27, but the wound was slight and he was returned to action again.

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THE WAR TODAY:

Rundstedt Making Skillful Job Of Retreat Across Rhine

By DEWITT MACKENZIE, AP Writer

German hope of making a major stand in the Cologne plain has been killed by the steam-roller Allied advance, but Nazi Field Marshal von Rundstedt continues to fight a grim rear-guard action at several main crossings.

The German commander is in the midst of one of the most dangerous operations war can produce—retreat across a great river under attack. It's a task that would tax the military genius of any age, and it must be said for Rundstedt (who is one of Hitler's best generals) that he has been doing

a workmanlike job. His undoubted capabilities add to the credit of Eisenhower and his captains in their magnificent offensive.

Marshal von Rundstedt's last-ditch resistance west of the Rhine is for two purposes. First, of course, he is protecting the withdrawal of his forces and such of his equipment and supplies as he can rescue. Secondly, he is continuing to carry out the policy of his master to wage delaying actions every-