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5th Army Edges Forward

First Pictures of U.S. Landings at Salerno



Troops of the Fifth Army and veterans of the Tunisia campaign swarm onto the beaches at Salerno, Italy, from landing craft of the great invasion fleet which brought the first American troops to the Italian mainland.

NazisBeginning ToEvacuatethe Briansk Sector

Outskirts of City Shelled As Russians Drive to **Encircle Vital Base**

German troops yesterday began an evacuation in the area of Briansk, toughest Nazi stronghold in central Russia. Soviet forces brought cannon within 12 miles of the city and were driving forward on either side with the aim of encircling it completely. The outskirts of the city itself were being shelled. (Russian forces have captured two Briansk railway junctions on the east bank of the Desna River, and in the words of the Soviet communique, "have come right up to the town of Briansk" itself, Moscow announced late last night.) German troops yesterday began an

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One Russian spearhead raced northwest of Briansk toward Roslavl yesterday, and another crossed the Desna River heading southwest. Highly significant was the Berlin admission today that the Russians had crossed the Desna in great force and had established a bridgehead there. It was on the Desna that the Germans had hoped to hold their line south of Briansk.

A great Russian attack is in progress in the Kirov sector, as the Russians fight their way toward Roslavl, according to Berlin, which reported that "extremely heavy fighting" had developed.

An indication of heavy German casualties was revealed by Moscow radio, quoting reports from Stockholm, which broadcast that the Nazis were clearing all French hospitals to accommodate German wounded from the eastern front. Over 20 trains carrying wounded Germans from Russia have passed through Fontainebleau in the last four days, a Erench railway official stated.

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Evacuation of German troops from the
Briansk area was interpreted as the beginning of a mass retreat in this sector.
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joining the central and southern German
fronts, is one of the easternmost points. fronts, is one of the easternmost points the Germans have been able to hold.

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Sweeping forward six to 18 miles west and southwest of Stalino yesterday, the Red Army not only threatened Melitopol, but came nearer to sealing off German forces in the Crimea, 100 miles westward.

In its relentless drive westward, the Red Army has recaptured more than 250 villages and towns. Thirty-seven hundred villages and towns. Thirty-seven hundred Germans were killed in yesterday's fighting, more than 75 tanks were destroyed or captured and great quantities of or captured and great quantities of supplies and equipment were taken, the Russian communique reported.

RAF Sinks Three Ships, Damages 16 Off Holland

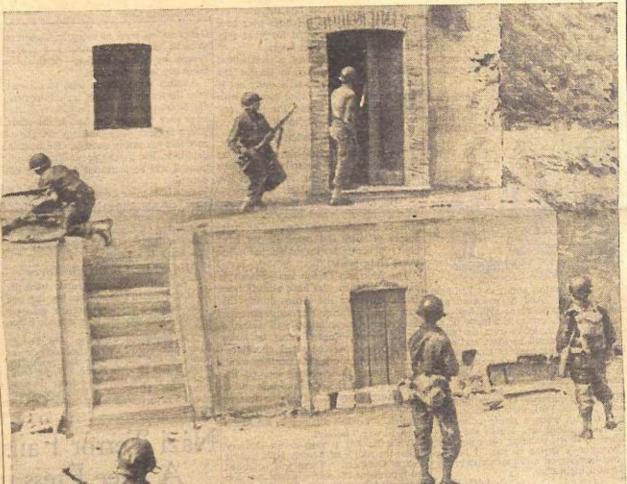
RAF Typhoon bombers sank two coastal vessels and a barge off the Dutch coast yesterday in a 20-minute attack and damaged ten tugs, three barges, one coastal ship, a dredger and a launch.

The Typhoons' leader said the attack took place at "wave-top height." Two bombers were reported missing.

The Ministry of Home Security meanthe Ministry of Home Security meanthe united Kingdom in August left 108 the United Kingdom in August left 108 persons killed and missing and 164 injured.

Switzerland Mobilizes

A broadcast from Swiss radio yester-day morning reported the Swiss army had been mobilized.



OWI Radio Photos

U.S. troops, with rifles on the alert, search a beachside building near Salerno for German snipers shortly after driving the German troops from the port near Naples.

Allies Capture Salamaua Field

American Troops Repulse Jap Counter-Attack In Lae Sector

ALLIED HQ, Southwest Pacific, Sept. 13-U.S. and Australian troops have captured Salamaua airfield on New Guinea and are pursuing the retreating Japanese, Gen. Douglas MacArthur's communique announced today. On the Lae sector, a Japanese counter-attack has been re-

Capture of the airdrome gives the Allies almost complete control of all approaches to the isthmus which connects Salamaua peninsula with the mainland. In the northern sector, however, Japanese resistance still continues.

Allied forces occupied the airfield after one of the greatest victories they have non

one of the greatest victories they have won one of the greatest victories they have won in the southwest Pacific. Following an artillery bombardment of strong Japanese positions, Allied infantry stormed the Japines. The Japanese retreated, leaving hundreds of dead and masses of equipment behind

ment behind.

Americans and Australians are closing in on Lae in a pincer movement from the northwest and northeast. On the west, the main enemy outposts have been reached. Forces advancing from the northeast have met resistance from Legenses patrols. Japanese patrols.

Gunner Survives Flak, Hurt Falling Off Bike

A USAAF BOMBER STATION, England, Sept. 13-S/Sgt. George A. (Shorty) Good, ball turret gunner from Whitefish, Mont., was grounded

with head injuries. "Shorty," who has chalked up enough missions into enemy territory to get into the Air-Medal-with-Cluster class, and who has escaped injury from flak bursts which perforated the close-fitting globe of his turret, fell off a bicycle.

Army Makes the New M3 Its Official Tommy' Gun

WASHINGTON, Sept. 13-The Army has adopted the new M3 as its standard sub-machine-gun, it was announced here. The .45 caliber M3 weighs less than nine ounds complete, as compared with the 12-pound 'Tommy' gun, is only 22 inches long and fires at the rate of 450 rounds a

minute.

The M3, which has practically no recoil, is in mass production and will gradually supplant other weapons of its type, Army officials said.

Italian Planes Land in Africa CAIRO, Sept. 13 (AP)—The first two Italian aircraft to escape from German hands have landed intact in Middle East, it was announced here this afternoon.

Raiders Freed Duce, NazisSay

Already Chaotic Italy Left In State Akin to Civil War by Report

Adolf Hitler's dramatic announcement that Mussolini had been "liberated" in a daring raid by German parachutists and SS troops appeared last night to have plunged some parts of northern Italy, already in chaos, into a state next to civil

Late Sunday night, German broadcasts were interrupted by the reading of a special communique announcing that II Duce had been snatched from imprison-ment, thus frustrating his delivery into Allied hands.

Where the former Italian premier had been confined and in what circumstances were not disclosed in the announcement, nor was any hint given as to his present whereabouts. However, that Allied whereabouts. However, that Allied sources lent credence to the Berlin claim was found in an Algiers broadcast which said it was reported that Mussolini was en route to Hitler's headquarters.

It was believed in many quarters that if the German story were true, Musso-lini would lead a Nazi-established government which would repudiate the armistice accepted by Badoglio. The Italian Marshal, King Victor Emmanuel and Prince Umberto all were reported by the Wil-

(Continued on page 4)

Nazis Battle Desperately **ToHaltPush**

8th Army Poised for Stab North; Germans in Toe Facing Trap

Tank-led troops of the Fifth Army pushed back stubborn German lines in "bitter fighting" near Salerno yesterday as the Eighth Army, on the Calabrian , peninsula, and British troops, at Taranto, poised for thrusts northward.

According to unofficial reports from Allied headquarters German troops, facing the possibility of being trapped between the Eighth Army and the Allied armies 100 miles north, have begun to evacuate the southern area by air. A number of Ju52s—air transports used in the attempted withdrawal of Tunisia—have been shot down in the

Tunisia—have been shot down in the lower boot area.

Algiers radio said the Fifth Army, which landed five days ago under Lt. Gen. Mark W. Clark, was meeting stiffer resistance than had been encountered either in North Africa or in Sicily, but that after hurling back German counter-attacks they had enlarged their bridgeheads. The Allies also have landed tanks, and, Algiers radio said, "very 'bitter fighting" is in progress.

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Where Will Allies Land Next?

Meanwhile, the next landing of the great United Nations' "shuttle service," as the trans-Mediterranean invasion fleet is now called, is still the primary question of European speculation. The fleet of invasion craft is now believed free for another thrust, and it is the belief that another landing will be made within the next two or three days either at another point in Italy or the Balkans.

Around Naples and Salerno the Allied troops were reported to be fighting against desperate German opposition, while Gen, Montgomery's Eighth Army pushed ahead both from Brindisi on the eastern coast of the Italian mainland along the western shore northward toward Salerno and the important port of Naples.

Nazis Bring Up Fresh Troops

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The Axis has brought up more forces to oppose the Allied troops moving inland in the Salerno area but it is still too early to determine whether they intend to make a determined defense of the mainland of Italy. It is believed that the Nazis are using every effort to delay the Allied sweep and are trying to buy time in order to prepare their defenses north of Rome. The Naples-Salerno battle is still savage and bloody but with the Allies pouring in additional supplies and reinforcements there is nothing to cast doubt forcements there is nothing to cast doubt on the outcome of a final and decisive Allied victory.

In the south, Gen. Montgomery's forces

fronts. There was little resistance along the western shore except for mines and demolitions, and the town of Crotone already has been taken. On the other side of the peninsula, British troops have taken the entire heel of Italy and are suching porth.

pushing north.

Allied planes of the Northwest African
Air Force yesterday battered Axis communication centers, roads, highways, railroads and troop concentrations, especially in the Naples area. They were meeting strong resistance from Axis fighters, how-ever, and the presence of a large number of German bombers and fighters over the Salerno area was believed to indicate the (Continued on page 4)



Eighth Army captures Crotone, moves in area on Gulf of Taranto. British at Taranto drive to Bari. Fifth Army edges its way inland in stiff fighting,

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Balkan Guerrillas

In all the Balkan countries there is ferment. From Greece to Yugoslavia in particular comes news of preparatory invasion work being done by guerrilla fighters. Following instructions issued by the Allied High Command, guerrillas are concentrating on cutting enemy lines of communication, Railway bridges between Salonika and Athens have been blown up, and in western Greece two important road bridges were destroyed during the past month. That means the enemy defensive positions on the north shore of the Gulf of Corinth are being attacked from the rest. Also on the south shore of the Gulf of Corinth, guerrillas have struck successfully, capturing a large force of Italian troops, who, surrendering, left the guerrillas in possession of all their arms and military

In Yugoslavia there is hardly a railway line which has not been cut during the past three months. Many of the lines are completely out of use. At one point 11 German trains were derailed, many kilo-metres of track dismantled and large quantities of enemy transport and military supplies destroyed. In central Bosnia 250 kilometres of railway track have been destroyed and 2,300 square kilometres of country cleared of enemy troops. In Croatia, in 11 days, 19 attacks were made on the railway line Zagreb-Susak, while in Slovenia a special train was defailed and 71 German officers were killed, including several generals.

Now some 300,000 fully armed Italian soldiers in Yugoslavia and Greece have formally come under Allied command. They stand ready to open the passes for the invasion the Germans have been preparing frantically to meet. These troops working with Balkan guerrillas could easily wreck the best laid German defense plans, and Germany must now take over the job of policing the Balkans or get out. Either decision is fraught with new risks, the guerrillas and the Allied High Command will see to that.

Allied Trojan Horse

At the present time there are close to six and a half million foreign workers in Germany. These represent better than one out of every four of the industrial and agricultural workers laboring in Germany and Austria.

In every big industrial center in every target for Allied bombers, there are thousands of these men, and during the confusion which follows a heavy air attack these foreign workers have their opportunity.

At Hamburg, for example, there were foreign workers of 21 different nationaliincluding Belgians, Bulgarians, Danes, Dutch, Croats, French, Hungarians, Italians, Russians, Poles and Slovaks. After the mass raids these workers started to disperse. It is perhaps no coincidence that the present troubles in Denmark followed immediately after the return home of thousands of Danish workers from Hamburg, who knew what things were like inside Germany.

These workers and some of their German colleagues have taken the opportunity after heavy raids to pay off old scores, and when millions of men grow restive the problem is a dangerous one. Actually these foreign workers inside the Reich represent the Allied Trojan horse. They are waiting for the day when they can help open the door to Fortress

Europe. A story has reached Great Britain that indicates these workers are already well organized and call themselves the "Internal Enemy." They are in touch with German workers whom they can trust. One day soon Hitler may find he has a poorly equipped but desperately determined army of six and a half million fighting in his rear.

That will be the day the Fortress of Furope falls.

Hash Marks

GI Philosophy. Virtue is learned at your mother's knee, but vice—that's learnt at some other joint.

Maybe it's the heat that does things like this to a guy. Anyway, there's a Pvt. at an Army training center in Utah who at an Army training center in Utah who invariably buys two bottles of the State's 3.2 beer, pours the contents of the two bottles together and has his drink. He explains to bystanders, "I'm used to 6 per cent beer."

The younger generation catches on fast.

Warsonevious small boys of North

War-conscious small boys of North Tarrytown, N.Y., have been appropriat-



ing all kinds of things to simulate weapons in their war games. Recently a bus driver missed his coin box. Investigation showed it had been borrowed by three little boys who were using it in a battle as a "bombsight," which drops nickels, instead of bombs, when it is pressed.

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The horse must really be here to stay.

The other day a man walked into a beauty parlor in Ellensburg, Wash., and asked to have his horse given a peroxide bleach and a platinum rinse. The beauty parlor operator thought it was a gag and rushed outside to see if someone had changed the sign over her shop. It turned out to be a legitimate request, though. The man was entering his swanky nag in a horse show.

Fun on the home front. A father wrote his son who participated in the successful drive at Attu, "Congratulations, you've beaten the Japs at Attu, but they've beaten us right here on our front lawn,"
(Pop was referring to the Japanese beetles which are ravaging thousands of gardens on the east coast.)

A lieutenant we know spent a little time reading up on English history, got quite fascinated with the tales of the brave knights of old and decided it would be



nice to buy a suit of armor to take home for a souvenir. And he was even pre-pared to pay as much as £90, too. So one day he goes out to the home of an expert on armor, looks over the guy's collection, sees a suit he likes, and asks, "How much is this one?" "That's worth £3,200," replies the expert without batting an eyelash. (PS: The Lt. is now content to collect penny postcards.)

Here's the ultimate in something or other. A New York society woman got pretty fed up when a gossip columnist kept writing about her. Finally she complained in court, accusing the columnist of "constantly spying on me. I believe he was happing on a chandelier over my. he was hanging on a chandelier over my table at a night club."

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TORRE HOOM

Rogers Debunks Post-War Pledges

Nobody's Going to Do Anything For Soldiers Unless They Fight for It, He Says

By Andrew A. Rooney

On the fringe of the fanfare that accompanied the five visitng senators, Will Rogers Jr. stood watching everything. Rogers, the 31-year-old son of the late philosopher-humorist, was elected to Congress from the Beverly Hills district of California last year, and he is over here, in between Congressional sessions, to see what goes on.

Rogers looks like his father, laughs like his father and has the same common-sense feeling for humor. He introduces himself as "Bill Rogers," and after talking to him for a few minutes people tend to forget whose son he is.

He has been over here for six weeks and very few people know about it. He has stayed for days at several airfields in order to get the right story. There have been no conducted tours and neither has he prefaced several hundred speeches with the familiar "I did not come here to make speeches, but -.. He simply has not made the speeches he didn't come here to make.

A Lot of Feuding in Washington

"It's difficult to say anything about home except in truisms and platitudes," Rogers says. "New York is just like you hear it is. If you can crowd the rest of the Army away from the bar, you can usually find someone to buy you a drink.

"There has been a lot of feuding going on in Washington and it's going to get increasingly feuding. A lot of extreme words are going to be spoken in Washington in the next session of Congress, but I hope you people over here don't get upset about it. We always denounce each other as liars and Fascists in Congress.

"There is an election coming up and election statements are going to be extreme, but that's just the way we run elections. We are all together on any issue concerning the war,

"We glare at each other in Congress and shout 'Wait 'til the boys come home,' as a threat."

Rogers doesn't talk like the usual ever-campaigning Congressman. He tells the boys over here that they'll have to fight for what they want when they get back home.

There has been a lot of talk about what everyone is going to do for the servicemen when the war is over, but if they come back and stand around with their mouths open saying 'I'm here, feed me,' they're in for a tough time.

Can't Guarantee Jobs

"Demobilization is a big job. Giving soldiers cash and complimentary jobs won't solve the problem. No one can give any soldier any guarantee.

"The war with Japan will afford a sort of tapering-off period because that war will be won with strategy. The mass forces of men and materials we have been getting together for the war in Europe won't all be needed."

The American Legion has been snapping up the men who have already been discharged from the Army during this war, and, realizing that any post-war servicemen's organization will swing a lot of weight, Rogers wants to know how the boys over here feel about itwhat kind of an organization they want.

The young Congressman entered the Army after the U.S. declared war and it was several months before the reserve commission he got in college finally came through. "I didn't come up in the Army

the hard way," he says.

While he was serving as an infantry officer the people of Beverly Hills elected him to Congress. There was so much red tape about the soldier's vote that Billnever got to vote for himself. One of the

"Cash and jobs won't solve the problem" things he has tried to swing in Congress

those overseas-can vote.

Another thing Rogers tried to do was raise the family allowance for servicemen, He found the men had no kick with the wage they were getting but in the cases where families were hard up the allowance was not nearly enough. He tried to double it, but as the proposition stands now, it will be increased \$13 if the bill passes.

He wishes more Congressmen had come over here with him to look around. "Back there they hear about ten per cent losses and it's just a figure. You get over here and see the boys it's happening to and you know it isn't hay,

Impressed With Air Force

" A three or four per cent loss for the air force doesn't sound so big for one raid, but the infantry doesn't go over the top every day the way the Air Force

does.
"I'm impressed with the Air Force.
Back home when I was in the Army down south, if the buses were full going to town, it was the Air Force. If the bars were full, it was the Air Force. It was always the Air Force. But now, over here, I find they are a lot of highly trained neaple.

"My estimation of this whole war over since he has been a member is a simple here has gone up. It is really the big system by which soldiers-particularly league. We have good planes, but, by gosh, the Germans are always coming up with good answers, and they have no realization of the toughness of these air battles at home."

Will Rogers Jr.

One of Bill Rogers' main interests over here has been feeling out the English on the question of post-war cooperation.

Would Make Travel Easier

Rogers himself envisions close cooperaion among the English-speaking people Britain-Australia, New Zealand. Canada, South Africa and the United States. He would like to have arrangements made so that people could travel between those countries without the red tape of a passport, just as Americans and Canadians do now.

"An arrangement like that should have no anti-Russian angles at all," Rogers says, emphasizing the binding powers of says, emphasizing the binding powers of the common language. "I'd rather see an international solution but I don't see how it's possible. If it is handled intelli-gently it won't be anti-Russian." Although his visit here is unofficial, Rogers' ideas will probably carry weight in the Foreign Affairs Committee, of which he is a member. He will fly home

which he is a member. He will fly home shortly, in time for the opening of the next session of Congress.

Nazi Terror Fails to Blot Out A Free Press in Beaten France

family in France is reading clandestine newspapers despite the best German efforts to stamp the latter out, according to François de Menton, the underground resistance leader, just appointed commis-sioner of justice in the French National Committee of Liberation.

All shades of French political opinion, he said, both left and right, are united on one issue-the resistance of France to German domination.

Giving a first-hand account of condideclared that of the total population of France, from 60 to 70 per cent were followers of Gen. Charles de Gaulle,

ALGIERS, Sept. 13—Practically every while another 20 per cent were Communists. Only 15-20 per cent were behind the Wisher rations he added principally the Vichy regime, he added, principally because it is now too late for them to

Most urgent problem, de Menton said, was the deportation of French workers to Germany. He said that movement of French workers to the Reich had dropped greatly since July and that about 30 000 greatly since July and that about 30,000 Frenchmen were hiding from Nazi

Food conditions are bad, he declared, with the meat ration giving enough for but one small meat dish a week. In this connection, de Menton said that tuber-



My Prayer

Dear God: please take my hand and lead Thou me.
The night is dark and gloom encircles me.
I did not ask nor choose this path, I did not ask nor choose this path,
But it is one that I must take.
Help me to bravely walk and trust.
Hear my prayer for peace this day.
My son is over there somewhere, with other mothers' sons,
He was my baby, loved and cared for tenderly,
And was not taught to fight his fellow-man.

But hate and greed imposed itself upon this world of ours And he, like your Son, was called to serve; To give, if need be, his very life

That we may live. Dear God: Your Son walked through the valley, Let Him now walk beside our boys To guide and lead them on to victory in Thy name and cause, So they may come home and build a world That honors all things good and beautiful, And live as You intended man to live.

Britain Copr. 1914 King F "NOW where the devil is he? Goes out ten times for every time he comes in!"



Mrs. H. H. Herron.

Sailor Eleven Victor, 20-19, In First Game

Blocked Kick Gives Great Lakes Squad Contest Over Fort Riley

GREAT LAKES, Ill., Sept. 13—The Great Lakes Naval Training Station eleven opened its season here yesterday before 15,000 boots by edging the Fort Riley Cavalrymen, 20—19, on a last period blocked kick.

Ken Roskie, fullback from South Carolina University, paced the sailors' attack, which produced a 14-point rally in the third period after the soldiers had taken a 13—6 margin at half-time.

The bluejackets tallied in the first quarter, covering 67 yards on 11 plays, Roskie, Bus Warren of Tennessee and Notre Dame's Steve Juzwik moving the ball to the one-yard stripe. Roskie then went over.

Ruman's Passes Count

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Bob Ruman, of the University of Arizona, covered 59 yards with three heaves in the second period, his last pass to Bob Ford, of Mississippi, a 21-yard toss, going for Riley's first score. John Patton, of Texas Christian, converted. Bob Balaban, also of TCU, recovered Warren's fumble less than a minute later, and Keith Kaywood ran seven yards on a Statue of Liberty play to give Riley its advantage at the half.

Great Lakes tied the score in the third stanza, Roskie plunging from the one-yard line at the culmination of a 52-yard march, Russ Letlow converting. The sailors went over for their final score in that quarter, Emil Sitko, ex-Notre Dame freshman, going 36 yards off tackle. John Rogers converted to make the score 20—13 for the sailors.

The Cavalrymen pushed over their last touchdown in the fourth, Ford taking a six-yard pass from Ruman for the tally after a 55-yard march. George Perpich, ex-Georgetown tackle, blocked Patton's kick, averting a tig.

Bears Set Back Redskins, 21-14

BALTIMORE, Sept. 13—The Chicago Bears defeated the world champion Washington Redskins, 21—14, in an exhibition pro football contest before 50,000 fans here yesterday.

The Bears outclassed the Redskins for the first three quarters, staying in Redskin territory most of the time, then dug in during the fourth period to stave off a Washington rally.

Washington rally.

Quarterback Sid Luckman,ex-Columbia All-American, stole the passing spotlight from Slinging Sammy Baugh. Two of the Chicago touchdowns were scored by Harry Clark, while Wilbur Moore was responsible for the Redskin tallies, going over on passes from Baugh in the final

Giants Tumble Lions, 21-14

NEW YORK, Sept. 13—The New York Giants clipped the Detroit Lions, 21—14, in a pre-season National Professional Football League exhibition game here yesterday. Most of the thrills came in the last period when Charlie Lenenbock, Detroit back, caught the Giant kickoff on the goal line and raced the length of the field for a touchdown, tying

With four minutes remaining, Len Vounce, Giant guard, intercepted a Lion pass and scampered 26 yards to the one-yard line from where Carl Kinscherf bucked over with the deciding score.

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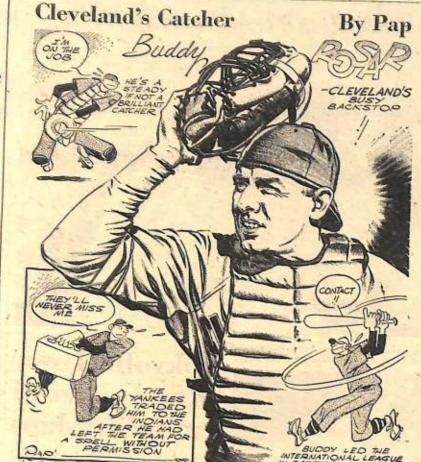
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'Doc' Alexopoulos Leads Blues To Victory in Flier Field Day

By John Cowman Stars and Stripes Unit Correspondent

FIGHTER STATION, Sept. 13-Sparked by Sgt. "Doc" Alexopoulos, of Ipswich, Mass., the - Fighter Squadron Blues chalked up 570 points here yesterday to win the - Fighter Group's first anniversary field day.

The Blues walked off with first honors in five events and placed second in three others. Second place went to the —
Fighter Squadron Greens, who tallied 325
points. The — Fighter Squadron Whites
took third and Headquarters Squadron
Pede were in the hold.

in three minutes, 45 seconds.

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Crushing the Green team, the big Blue outfit played smart ball all the way to annex the football contest, 21—6. Alexopoulos sparked the Blues, scoring twice in the first haff. One tally came after a long end run, the other was scored on an intercepted pass, when "Doc" trotted 30 yards for the marker.

Alexopoulos defeated team mate Sgt. Louis Von Verheide, of Ashland, Ky., to take the table tennis singles, then went on to win the doubles with S/Sgt. William Taylor, of Chicago.

In a pitcher's duel, the Greens took advantage of five hits to beat a good Blue outfit, 4—3, on the diamond. All the Green runs came in the first inning, when

took third and Headquarters Squadron Reds were in the hold.

Collecting 50 points and establishing an early lead for the Whites, S/Sgt. Louis Ducharme, of Harrisville, R.I., and Cpl. William Plunk, of Denver, Col., outscored the Blue team to win the horseshoe tournament. The Whites went on to defeat an officers' Blue team in the volleyball finals for another 100 points.

The — Fighter Squadron Greens swept the two-mile bicycle race when S/Sgt. Robert E. Fudree, of Annapolis, Md., maintained an early lead to win the event

Minor League Results

International League

Sunday's Games

Syracuse 5, Jersey City 4

Baltimore 6, Newark 4 (first game)
Newark 7, Baltimore 1 (second game)
Montreal 3, Toronto 2 (first game)
Toronto 6, Montreal 1 (second game)
Buffalo 4, Rochester 3

Toronto will play Montreal, Newark will play
Syracuse in playoffs starting today. Winners will
meet for right to play American Association winners in Little World Series.

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Eastern League

Sunday's Games Elmira 4, Springfield 1 (first game) Elmira 3, Springfield 1 (second game)

Elmira 3, Springfield 1 (second game)
Hartford 3, Binghamton 2 (first game)
Binghamton 3, Hartford 2 (second game)
Wilkes-Barre 5, Utica 1 (first game)
Utica 2, Wilkes-Barre 9 (second game)
Scranton 4, Albany 1 (first game)
Albany 10, Scranton 2 (second game)
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Elmira 79 60 568 Binghamton 74 66 529
Hartford 77 69 568 Springfield 46 88 333
Wilkes-Ba'e 77 61 558 Utica 37 101 268

American Association Sunday's Games
Columbus 13, Indianapolis 5 (first game)
Columbus 8, Indianapolis 0 (second game)

Engineers On Top, 10-7

The - Engineers defeated the - MPs. 10-7, at Eaton Manor Sports Ground Sunday in a free-hitting semi-final of the second half playoff of the London International Baseball League, Sgt. Amy Fontana, of Wampum, Pa., accounted for seven of the winners' tallies. Winning hurler was S/Sgt. Johnny Puskas, of Pittsburgh, who gave up eight hits against 14 by Sgt. Myron Scow and S/Sgt. Cornelius Sabotta, both of Arcadia, Wis.

Louisville 6, Toledo 2 (first game)
Louisville 3, Toledo 0 (second game)
St. Paul 5, Milwaukee 4 (first game)
Milwaukee 6, St. Paul 3 (second game)
Kansas City 4, Minneapolis 2 (first game)
Kansas City 3, Minneapolis 0 (second game)
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Milwaukee 83 61 576 Louisville 67 77 465
Indianapolis 80 63 559 Minneapolis 65 77 458
Columbus 79 65 549 St. Paul 63 79 448
Toledo 74 71 510 Kansas City 63 81 438

Southern Association

Playoff Results
Nashville 11, New Orleans 5 (first game, Wednesday)
Nashville 4, New Orleans 3 (second game, Thursday)
New Orleans 5, Nashville 3 (third game, Friday)
Nashville 5, New Orleans 2 (fourth game, Sunday)

Pacific Coast League

Portland 5. San Francisco 3 (first game)
Portland 4. San Francisco 3 (second game)
Oakland 12. Sacramento 7 (first game)
Oakland 5. Sacramento 2 (second game)
San Diego 11. Hollywood 4 (first game)
San Diego 3. Hollywood 2 (second game)
Scattle 3. Los Angeles 1 (first game)
Los Angeles 4, Scattle 2 (second game) Sunday's Games

Final Standings

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Mooney Signs With Dodgers NEW YORK, Sept. 13—Tex Mooney, 290-pound tackle who was formerly with the University of Southern California, has signed a contract to play with Brooklyn Dodgers in the National Foot-

Tinsley Gets Medical Discharge SPARTANBURG, S.C., Sept. 13—Pete Tinsley, veteran Green Bay Packer guard, has received a medical discharge from the Army Air Corps.

YanksClipBosox, 1-0,9-6; Indians Edge Bengals, 2-1

Newcastle High Has Blonde for Fullback

NEWCASTLE, Ind., Sept. 13— Agnes Rifner, 16, blonde and pretty, is listed on the roster of the Newcastle High School football team as full-Agnes, however, isn't a line

She reported Friday to work at her speciality-kicking extra points after touchdowns, which is in keeping with the family tradition. Her brother, John Rifner, now with the Air Force in Africa, formerly was fullback on the Newcastle eleven where he specialized in extra points.

Moles Capture Air Force Title

Annex Diamond Crown With 7-6 Decision Over Fighter Nine

EIGHTH AIR FORCE HQ, Sept. 13

The — Bomb Group Moles edged out the Fighter Command nine, 7—6, here yesterday to become the Eighth Air Force baseball champs, Sgt. Joe Rundus, of Bellville, Kan., following up Saturday's no-hitter with his second victory of the series.

series.

The Moles got a total of 11 safeties off Sgt. Walter Dixon; of Greensboro, N.C., former Scranton hurler. With the score tied the Moles shoved one tally across in the sixth on a single by Pvt. Al Slakish, of Wilkes-Barre, Pa., who went to third on an error and scored on a fielder's choice. Three more runs were tallied by the winners in the eighth

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The Fighters made a vain stab at victory in the final frame, but fell short after scoring twice. Rundus whiffed eight batsmen, Dixon setting three down on

Heavy work at the plate for the Moles was credited to Slakish and Cpl. Joe Uhls, of West Frankfort, Ill., who led his team in batting in the earlier games of the



American League

Sunday's Games

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New York 1, Boston 0 (first game)
New York 9, Boston 6 (Second game)
Cleveland 2, Detroit 1
Washington 4, Philadelphia 3 (first game)
Washington 9, Philadelphia 5 (second game)
St. Louis 2, Chicago 0 (first game)
St. Louis 6, Chicago 2 (Second game)
W L Pet,
New York 85 49 634 Chicago 66 67 1
Cleveland 73 60 549 St. Louis 62 71
Washington 75 62 547 Boston 62 74
Detroit 69 65 515 Philadelphia 44 88

Vesterday's Schedule

Yesterday's Schedule Detroit at Chicago (night game) Cleveland at St. 'Louis No other games scheduled,

National League

Sunday's Games Sunday's Games

Cincinnati I, Pittsburgh 0 (first game)
Pittsburgh 7, Chicago 0 (second game)
Brooklyn 8, Philadeiphia 4
New York 3, Boston 0 (first game)
New York 7, Boston 0 (first game)
Other teams did not play.

W L Pet.
St. Louis . 90 44 .672 Chicago . 61 71 .462
Brooklyn . 74 59 .556 Philadelphia 58 75 .436
Cincinnati 74 61 .548 Boston . 56 73 .434
Pittsburgh 73 68 .518 New York 49 /64 .368

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Yesterday's Schedule Brooklyn at Boston St. Louis at New York No other games scheduled

Leading Hitters American League

Appling, Chicago
Wakefield, Detroit
Curtright, Chicago
Cramer, Detroit
Johnson, New York
Hockett, Cleveland

Vaughan, Brooklyn . 130 535 105 168 314

Home Run Hitters
American League—York, Detroit, 31: Keller, New York, 26; Sephens, St. Louis, and Heath, National League—Nicholson, Chicago, 22; Ott, New York, 18; DiMaggio, Pittsburgh, 15.

American League—York, Detroit, 105: Etten, New York, 94; Johnson, New York, 94; Dohnson, Chicago, 106, Elliott, Pittsburgh, 92; Herman, Brooklyn, 88.

Dodgers Subdue Phillies, 8-4, in Last Game At Ebbets Field

NEW YORK, Sept. 13—The New York Yankees ran their string to five straight over the Boston Red Sox at the Stadium

over the Boston Red Sox at the Stadium here yesterday, winning a double-header, 1—0 and 9—6.

Ernie Bonharn was the big noise for the Bombers in the first game, allowing the Hose six hits and knocking in his own winner in the eighth inning with a bingle after Joe Gordon doubled and stole third. Joe Dobson, the loser, was relieved in the ninth by Mace Brown.

The Yanks had to come from behind twice in the nightcap before winning. Four runs in the fifth inning made it 5—5, and the Sox went ahead again in their half, 6—5. The Yanks tied it up in the sixth, scoring one in the eighth and two in the ninth. Atley Donald relieved Charlie Wensloff in the fifth to take credit for the victory. Yank Terry, the loser, gave way to Pinky Woods in the seventh.

Boudreau's Hit Counts

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The Indians kept their hold on second place with a 2—I decision over the Tigers at Cleveland, Manager Lou Boudreau's long fly in the ninth scoring Mickey Rocco, who had tripled, with the deciding tally. Loser Tommy Bridges allowed only four raps, while Allie Reynolds was knocked for seven.

The Washington Senators wound up their season with the Athletics with a 17—5 advantage in games by taking a twin bill at Griffith Stadium, 4—3 and 9—5. George Case opened the seventh inning of the opener with a homer making

9-5. George Case opened the seventh inning of the opener with a homer making the score read 2-1 in favor of the Macks, but Gerry Priddy's circuit blow with one aboard in the eighth insured the Nats' triumph. Wilfred Le Febvre, who took over from Dutch Leonard in the sixth, was the winner while less Flores who

was the winner while Jess Flores, who lasted through the eighth, was the loser. In the nightcap the Griffs attacked Don Black and Jim Schweib for 12 hits. Black, the loser, allowed eight markers before Schweib arrived in the eighth. Mickey Haefner went the route for Washington, yielding eight blows.

Muncrief Hurls Four-Hitter

At St. Louis the Brownies blanked the At St. Eouis the Brownies blanked the White Sox, 2—0, then went on to annex the second game of their twin bill, 6—2. Bob Muncrief authored a four-hitter in the first game with the winning runs coming across in the seventh on four straight singles. Thornton Lee and Jake Wade were rapped for eight hits, Lee being the loser.

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In the clincher St. Louis pounded Orval Grove for 12 hits and Gordon Maltz-berger for four more. Denny Galehouse allowed seven knocks in the entire

distance.

Over in the National League the Cardinals were idle, their double-header with the Cubs at Chicago being postponed. Across the river, in Brooklyn, the Dodgers bade goodbye to Ebbets Field for the season with an 8—4 win over the Phillies. The Bums came from behind, chasing Al Gerheauser with six tallies in the eighth inning. Curt Davis lasted until the eighth to take credit for the game. Arkie Vaughan got a single, a double and a triple, the Flock collecting a total of 11 hits.

Reds, Pirates Split

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The Reds and the Pirates had a split day at Cincinnati, Bill McKechnie's boys edging home with the 1—0 opener, the Bucs coming back, 7—0, in the second game. Elmer Riddle notched his 18th mound triumph in the first tussle, allowing one hit, Bob Elliott's double in the eighth. Before that blow, Riddle retired 22 consecutive men. Tommy O'Brien walked in the ninth and was promptly doubled off the bag. Rip Sewell gave up ten hits in losing.

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Xavier Rescigno scattered four hits, while the Pirates got nine off four Red twirlers in the second game. Ray Starr, who started, lasted six stanzas, and was tagged for the setback.

The New York Giants had a field day at the Polo Grounds, taking the Boston Braves twice, 3—0 and 7—2. Cliff Melton and Nate Andrews were the opposing moundsmen in the opener, each allowing seven hits. In the second game, Ace Adams started the first game of his major league career and had a no-hitter for only runs in the ninth. Charlie Barrett, the loser, was relieved by Armand Cardoni

Frank Cormaci Cards 72 AsHansCrescentTriumphs

Sgt. Frank Cormaci, Omaha, Neb., pro-shot a 72 when partnered with Cpl. Joe Fiore, of New York, to win their match and aid the Hans Crescent golf team to take their 13th triumph Sunday at the Addington Golf Club course with a 9—3 victory over the Addington golfers. victory over the Addington golfers.

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Cpl. Rick Famlin, Delaware, Pa.: Sgt. Bud
Long Island, N.Y.: Pvt. Sam Raymond. Rocksway, N.J.: Cpl. Ed Sullivan, Harrford, Conn.:
Walter Kupice, Chicopee Falls, Mass.: Cpl. Dick
III., and Sgt. Eij Thomas, Pittsburgh, Pa.

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Vols Need One More Victory NEW ORLEANS, Sept. 13—The N







Hull Tells Allies Of Needfor Club **ToInsurePeace**

Warns of Wars in Future If Victors Fail to Guard Against Aggression

WASHINGTON, Sept. 13—New and even more destructive wars will follow this one if the United States and likeminded nations fail in the tasks of peace, Secretary of State Cordell Hull said in a broadcast last night.

"It is clear that a system of organized international cooperation for the maintenance of peace must be based upon the willingness of the cooperating nations to use force if necessary to keep the peace," Hull said.

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He stressed the need for means of restraining aggression. Peacefully inclined nations, he said, must be willing to accept responsibility for this task in accordance with their respective capacities.

"All of this calls for the creation of a system of international relations," Hull said, "based on rules of morality, law and justice as distinguished from the anarchy of unbridled and discordant nationalism, economic and political.

"The United States intends to do its part in helping the war-torn world to heat its wounds."

Operation for Helen Hayes

NEW YORK, Sept. 13—Condition of actress Helen Hayes was reported much improved 24 hours after she underwent an operation at Doctors' Hospital.

No Travel Rationing-Yet

JACKSON, Miss., Sept. 13—Joseph B. Eastman, director of the Office of Defense Transportation, said that there was no present plan to impose rationing on civilian travel, with the possible exception of the Christmas holiday season.

Albuquerque's Postmaster Back

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ALBUQUERQUE, N.M.—The postmaster is back from the wars and the
nearby village of Tajique again has a,
post office. The re-opening was made
possible by the discharge of Postmaster
Gerald E. Whitman from the Army. The
post office had to be closed several months
ago when Whitman entered the Army and
a substitute could not be found.

Eaker and Aides Receive Medals

A USAAF STATION, England, Sept. 13—Maj. Gen. Ira C. Eaker, Eighth Air Force commander, was presented the Legion of Merit, three other officers and two sergeants were given Distinguished Service Crosses and two officers received the Distinguished Service Medal at a decoration ceremony here.

The DSCs, the Army's second highest award, went to Col. Jack Wood, Lt. Col. William E. Buck. San Antonio, Tex.; 2/Lt. August V. DeGenaro, Hamden, Conn.; T/Sgt. Michael Arooth, Springfield Mass.; and S/Sgt. Roy L. Schellin, Brainerd, Ia.

Brig. Gen. Orville Anderson, Alexandria, Va., of Eighth Bomber Command, and Col. C. B. B. Bubb, Leavenworth, Kan., of Eighth Air Force headquarters, were presented the Distinguished Service Medal.

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L. Anderson, of Washington, D.C., chief
of Eighth Bomber Command; Col.
Waldine W. Messmore, Shreveport, La.;
Col. L. W. Sweetser, Wakefield, Mass.;
Lt. Col. Alfred H. Von Kolnitz, Mt.
Pleasant, S.C.; Capt. H. B. Wesley, Van
Nuys, Cal.; and 1/Lt. Robert H. Shafer,
Mt. Clemens, Mich. Mt. Clemens, Mich.

Jewish Holy Day Meals

SOS headquarters announced yesterday that Chaplain Judah Nadich, APO 887, was arranging for Jewish soldiers in London during the New Year high holy day, Sept. 30, or the Day of Atonement, Oct. 9, to have festival meals with private families or at the Balfour Services club. Men interested in invitations were advised to write Chaplain Nadich.

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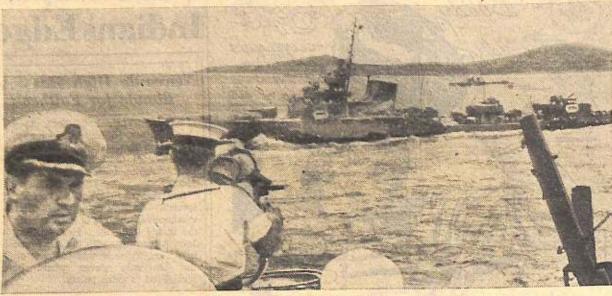
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5.45—Spotlight on Bob Strong, 6.00—News (BBC). 6.10—Personal, Album—Dinah Shore, 6.25—GI Supper Club—request program, 7.00—Sports—Stars and Stripes ra-

9.35—The Music (BBC).

7.00—Sports—Stars and Stripes radio reporter.
7.05—The Kaie Smith Show.
7.30—Downbeat—Tommy Dorsey's orchestra.
8.00—News From Home—Stars and Stripes roundup.
8.10—The Fred Waring Show.
8.25—Miniature.
8.30—Fibher MeGee and Molly.
9.00—News (BBC).
9.00—Waltz Time.
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9.25—Into Battle—(BBC) Fighting spirit of the United Nations.
the United Nations.
1.5—The Music Society of Lower Basin

British Sailors Watch Italian Fleet Steam to Malta



An Italian destroyer moves in close to a British warship as it steams south from ports in the Adriatic toward Malta with other warships of the once-mighty Italian navy.



Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, supreme Allied commander in the Mediterranean, confers with his naval chief, British Adm. Andrew Cunningham, as the Italian ships anchored in Malta's harbors.



Near Salerno, Lt. Col. Price, of the Fifth Army, shakes hands with an Italian commander after American troops had captured a town.

U.S.Captures U-Boat Chief Who Sank the Ark Royal

WASHINGTON, Sept. 13 (AP)—The commander of the U-boat which sank the British aircraft-carrier Ark Royal has been captured off Brazil, the Navy Depart-

He is Capt. Friedrich Guggenberger, who was decorated by the German government for the torpedoing of the carrier near Gibraltar on the night of Nov. 13-14, 1941. He was taken prisoner after a U.S. patrol plane had recently destroyed a German submarine off the coast of Brazil.

Germany Calls Men 50-60

STOCKHOLM, Sept. 13 (AP)—Germany is calling up men from the age group of 50-60. The German press carried

CAIRO, Sept. 13—Liberators of the Ninth U.S. Air Force successfully attacked Maritza and Calato airdromes on the Isle of Rhodes in the Mediterranean Sunday, it was announced today. It was reported that Italian forces which fought a three-day battle with German forces on Rhodes, located 45 miles south of Turkey, in an effort to seize beach and airport positions pending arrival of Allied naval units gave in when aid failed to arrive. ent announced today. He is Capt, Friedrich Guggenberger,

between 1884 and 1893 must report to their local police stations for enlistment for military service during the second half of September.

Libs Hit Nazi Airfields On Rhodes, Near Turkey

TokyoBigLoser In Surrender of **ItalianWarships**

British Naval Might Freed To Fight Japs; More Warships Give In

The Italian surrender, while a great blow to Germany, has turned out to be black news indeed for Japan as well, for as more ships of the Italian fleet steamed into Allied ports Monday, it became apparent that Tokyo no longer could count on the Mediterranean to immobilize a huge share of Britain's great sea power.

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Into British Malta crept another large force of surrendering Italian warships Monday, among them the battleship Giulio Cesare.

With "Mare Nostrum" thus literally and totally cleared of enemy opposition, the "crossroads of the world" came under utter Allied domination for the first time since the start of the war.

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The collapse of a world naval power had in one stroke freed for duty in the Pacific theater a swarm of great British warcraft and all their attending smaller ships that had been required previously to keep watch over the Italians.

In addition to the Giulio Cesare, which battled the Luftwaffe along its 740-mile flight from Venice, a seaplane carrier, four destroyers and several submarines steamed into Malta to join a large force of war-

destroyers and several submarines steamed into Malta to join a large force of warships which previously had arrived.

Five Italian battleships are at Malta, along with many cruisers and destroyers. One small Italian warship was reported to have surrendered at Cyprus, and there were numerous and conflicting reports of additional surrenders, making it diffi-

were numerous and conflicting reports of additional surrenders, making it difficult to ascertain the exact totals of Italian craft now in Allied hands. Italian submarines were reported popping up all over the Mediterranean seeking Allied havens.

Of the eight Italian battleships in what was once Mussolini's proud fleet, one, the Roma, has been sunk by German bombs, five have surrendered, and another, the Cavour, is believed undergoing repairs at Trieste and is at present unseaworthy. Only one, the Impero, is in German hands.

LaGuardia Tells Italians To Force Nazi Surrender

NEW YORK, Sept. 13-Mayor F. H. LaGuardia last night broadcast a message to the Italian people, asking them to force the surrender or flight of the Germans opposing the Allied occupation of Italy. Referring to the Germans as "our common enemies," LaGuardia outlined a program for the sabotage of the German

a program for the sabotage of the German military machine.

"While we attack them, wherever they may be in Italy," he told the Italians, "you can cut off their provisions and their water supply. You can set fire to their barracks and sabotage the railroad tracks near the German military centers, even if you only destroy short distances. Near the border, however, your work of destruction should be more complete."

5th Army Hurls **Back Nazi Lines** In Bitter Fight

8th Army Takes Crotone; Report Nazis Leaving Southern Italy

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importance the Axis attaches to the possible enlargement of the force under Gen. Clark.

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The Germans also were pouring additional troops into northern Italy. Five hundred Nazi "Tiger" tanks are reported to have entered Italy between uly 28—three days after the fall of Mussolini—and Sept. 2—the day before the Italians signed the armistice terms.

The surrendered Italian fleet continued to pour into Allied ports yesterday, and all capital ships have now been accounted for except one, which was undergoing repairs in an Italian shipyard. Only one capital ship is believed to have fallen into German hands.

Meanwhile, both Italian civilians and troops carried on their fight against the Germans. In Turin and Milan a shooting war was reported in progress, while throughout northern Italy the people were said to be openly antagonistic, despite Marshal Kesselring's declaration of martial law in the area.

A36 Dive-bombers in Action

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Allied bombers of the Northwest
African Air Force continued to blast highways, railways and airfields under German
control in the Naples and Salerno areas,
attempting to cut off columns of Nazi reinforcements being rushed in to support
the German panzer units.
U.S. A36 Invader dive-bombers ripped
Nazi communication lines with bombs
and cannon fire, destroying 78 trucks and
damaging 50 more. They have now destroyed nearly 400 trucks in the last four
days.

Nazi resistance in the air is stiffening, however. Over the beachhead at Salerno Allied fighters encountered between 90 and 100 fighters, while two other large formations were intercepted by Lightnings and Spitfires. Four enemy planes were destroyed.

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Reports from inside Italy as well as from neutral sources said that despite Marshal Kesselring's order declaring martial law in the northern sector of Italy, both Italian troops and civilians still are resisting the Germans.

Berlin reports, relayed through Madrid, said the Nazis are encountering organized opposition in Milan and Turin and that Venice has not yet been occupied.

Raiders Freed Duce, NazisSay

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Meanwhile, Italian frontier reports said that only coming military events could clarify the "extreme confusion" into which the Italian people had been plunged. These reports said that members of the Fascist militia were fighting on the side of the Germans. In German-occupied Italian cities, former Fascist leaders have been liberated and have started to hunt down those forces which came out into the open after Mussolini's overthrow, it was said.

Although it was generally believed that Il Duce, if he has been "freed," has merely exchanged one form of imprisonment for another, there was little doubt that the German raid, if true, constituted one of the war's most spectacular and astonishing exploits.

The German news agency DNB said last week that Mussolini was being held

last week that Mussolini was being held at the time under strong guard in Rome, but the British Foreign Office stated yesterday that it had no information as to the fallen Duce's whereabouts and that at no time had he ever been in Allied hands.

There have been wild and wholly un-confirmed rumors of what had happened to Mussolini since the day he and his Fascist regime went under, July 25.

A Swiss radio report that the parachutists had made their sortie in Sicily and that Mussolini had been flown out was largely discounted.

It was assumed that Hitler now would set up a purpose Feerick that with Months.

set up a puppet Fascist state, with Musso-lini as its head, but it was believed it would have little reality for the majority of Italians, manifestly glad to be rid of the heiling hierarchy. the heiling hierarchy.

By Milton Caniff

Terry and the Pirates







