

TEMPORARY CURBS ON SALES

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Pursue Foe Over 100 Miles From El Agheila

LONDON.—(AP)—While Britain's Eighth Army pursued Marshal Rommel's retreating forces more than 100 miles west of El Agheila today, dispatches from Cairo said it was possible that some of the enemy forces previously reported trapped on the road to Tripoli had broken out of the British armor blocking their line of flight.



"DOUGGIE" READS HER FAN MAIL.—Little "Douggie" Gray, daughter of Navy Lieutenant James Gray, looks over fan mail and clippings which came to her after widely published photo showed how she stole the show right after her dad was decorated for heroism in the South Pacific at Pensacola, Fla.

Some Nazis May Be Out of Trap

LONDON.—(AP)—A Reuters dispatch from Allied Headquarters in North Africa quoted a headquarters spokesman as saying today that "we have made contact with the enemy at several points and destroyed small detachments here and there."

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