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Stabbing at

Positions of

Germans in

Aerially Screened

Operations

LONDON.— (AP)—
United States troops were stabbing at German positions in three central Tunisian sectors today in aerially screened operations that may lead to the long-awaited general offensive and the final battle for North Africa.

British forces in the Roban area to the börth met and repulsed a German attack led by 32-ton tanks, the monstrous New Mark VTs, which are shielded by seven-inchick armor and mount 38-millimeter guns. The British wrecked two of the Mark VTs and four lighter tanks.

3 Sectors

Operations

# STALINGRAD ARMY SMASH

# Reds Strike Death Blows To Mighty Siege Force

44,000 Germans Still Battling

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By HENRY C. CASSIDY

MOSCOW.— (AP) — The
powerful German siege force
of 330,000 men which Adolf
Hitler boasted never would
be ousted from Stalingrad has
been almost completely liquidated and its commander,
Field Marshal Friedrich Paulus, with fifteen generals, has
been captured, the Russians
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the Don and 40,000 more are under
guard of their Red Army captors,
a prical Soviet communique said.

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views estimate being 120,000.
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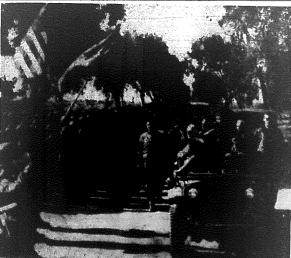
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The German troops remaining the Caucasus also were faced with the saster today. The midnight con-

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Arctic Explorer Dies



PRESIDENT REVIEWS AMERICAN TROOPS IN AFRICA — From the front seat of a jeep President Roosevelt salutes the colors as he reviews an armored car unit of the Army of the United States at Port Lyautey, near Casablanca, French Morocco, during his precedent-breaking visit overseas.



SAMPLES RATIONS IN FIELD—After reviewing U. S. troops at Port Lyautey, near Casablanca, President Roosevelt had lunch in the field, eating the same ration issued troops. He announced it was a good meal, too. Left to right around the table: Harry Hopkins, Lieut-Gen. Mark Clark, the President and Maj.-Gen. George S. Patton. Note mess kit. Other pictures of the Casablanca conference are on page 8.

# Roosevelt Back From Long Trip

Returns to White House To Put Victory Plans Into Effect; Last Lap Completed By Train

Nazis Admit Army Lost Field Marshal Paulus

Declared Wounded

Withdraws Boss Flynn Nomination Complies With

His Request

WASHINGTON. —(AP)— President Rosevelt told Ed-ward J. Flynn today he was complying reluctantly with a request to withdraw Flynn's nomination to be United States minister to Australia.



## General And Crew Rescued From Sea

Gen. Twining's Wife and Family Living Here, Get Notification

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ALLIED HEADQUARTERS
ORTH AFRICA.—P—The Free

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## Hundreds Of Former Stalingrad Residents File Back Into City