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Terrific Air Blitz Against Italy Forecast

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BOSTON—(AP)—A prediction that American and British airmen will give Italy "a hammering such as no country has ever received before" came today from Edward Kennedy, veteran Associated Press coverage unparalleled in the Middle Eastern and North African theatres.

Kennedy, sun-tanned, lean and hardened, holds a record as the only newspaperman who covered the Middle Eastern and North African wars from the time the first shot was fired by Italy in 1940 until the last German surrendered after Tunis and Biszerte fell. He gave his views after returning on his first vacation since before the structure of the structur

PERFECT CONDITIONS

"Conditions are perfect for giving the Italians a ter-rific pasting from the air," he said. "The skies are so blue, with few clouds and no fog, that the amazing American bombsight is operating with uncanny accuracy. Distances are short, enemy resistance is light and Allied casualties are comparatively few. The United States Air Forces already have done a job of bombing that has been unequal-led in this war.

"In my opinion, the African campaign was not a second front. It was a first front, for it kept the Meditseranean cases, exposed the Axis" Achilles heel—Italy—to attack, and establish a abel of aggression 2,350 miles long from which a death blow can be issueched at the Axis. A large, well-trained force is ready and they have terrific supplies."

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Here are some of the thoughts of a war correspondent as he retraced a blood-stained route from Spain to the Balkans and the Middle East in an interview here:

"It was in Spain that I first saw the German 88mm, gun. The Nazis used the Spanish War as a testing ground, or his weapon, improving it markedly. And up until nine months ago it was the best gun in Africa.

"The German 88mm was the main reason behind all of the British reverses in Africa. It could outrange the British guns, and they made the error of trying to throw tank against tank—a sort of 'charge of the light brigade'
—while the Germans smashed them from distances they couldn't reach.

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AMERICAN GUN BETTER

"The American 90mm and 155mm guns changed all this. It was the 155's which pounded Mateur to pieces from ten or twelve miles away, and really opened the gate-way for the final American drive.

"After Spain, I went to Rome and was there when Mussolini announced that he would not go into the war immediately. At that moment he reached the height of his popularity. It was the first and last time he could have been elected President of Italy.

"The campaign in Greece was a horrible and touching experience. One of the worst days was an Easter Sunday near a tiny village on the River Lethe. The villagers were cooking their Easter lamb. Then the bombers came—150 of them by twos and threes, steadily for an hour and a half until there was little or nothing left.

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"After returning to Egypt and moving back and forth across the desert, the turn of the war finally came at Alamein, General Montgomery had just taken over. He captured the imagination of the British troops. He told them that Egypt would be defended inch by inch, over their dead bodies, if necessary. He forbade any man to surrender while he still had a single piece of ammunition. The men liked that.

"The British by then had learned all of the German tricks. They had achieved the co-ordination of the Afrika Korps. Man for man they were more courageous and better fighters than the Germans. And above all they had learned to rely on guns rather than tanks alone."

Large Force Of Big Ships Makes Raid Unescorted

Wuppertal Gets RAF Blows

LONDON—(AP)—A large force of United States heavy bombers, flying without fighter escort, attacked targets of northwest Germany today and eighteen of the craft are missing, Headquarters of the Eighth Air Force announced.

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RAF ATTACK

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"The attack was nearly as heavy as that recently made See YANKS IN on page 11

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PRECISION BOMBING—Here is a sample of the high precision bombing that American airmen are using with deadly accuracy in their daily bombings of Italy. Black smoke and Itames signal a direct hit on the target during a raid on Leghorn. Bombardier aimed not at oil tanks to right of explosion, but at the cracking and refining plant enveloped by blast, thus destroying a source of Italian oil production. U.S. Bombers Mining Date Not Hit Salonika Recognized By FR

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Axis Problems In Tense Balkans

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Measure Goes Back To Congress With President's Disapproval

WASHINGTON—(AP)—President Roosevelt vetoed day the Connally-Smith-Harness Anti-Strike Bill.

The Chief Executive said in a message to the Senate at the measure had an entirely praiseworthy purpose but at the was convinced it would in some cases produce rikes "in vital war plants which otherwise would not out?"

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Some time in January it was decided that even though the Philippines were lost some effort should be made to send medical supplies and amunition to the forces holding out in Batan. Maybe if we sail been in Washington we would have seen the reasons for that decision.

Raid Jap Bases In Solomons

Notes, largest and most important of five German alr-dromes in the area, is six miles southeast of Salonika, Pilots returning at dusk last night reported direct hits on at least three of six great stone hangars

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By JOHN H. COLBURN

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