

WE HAVE MINATED BRITISH TAKING BREAK NAZI LINE

Back Door To Caen Beaten Open In Push

British And Germans Locked In
Greatest Armored Battle Of Invasion

By WES GALLAGHER
SUPREME HEADQUARTERS ALLIED EXPEDITIONARY FORCE (AP)—British tanks shattering through Nazi defenses into open terrain only four miles southwest of Caen locked with the Germans today in the greatest armored battle of the invasion, as Supreme Headquarters estimated at 20,000 to 25,000 the total of prisoners on Cherbourg peninsula.

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Perhaps 10,000 prisoners have been captured in the last 48 hours, according to Allied reports.

Headquarters disclosed that Lt. Gen. Miles G. Dempsey, 17, commander of the veteran 13th Corps of the Eighth Army in Africa, Sicily, and Italy, was leading the British Second Army in France.

The huge tank battle near Caen may decide the fate of a large part of the German 15th and 17th Armies. The Germans have thrown four armored divisions into this area.

Carrying down southwest of Caen in an outflanking drive, Gen. Sir Bernard L. Montgomery's steel fist tore a breach six miles wide in Nazi defenses, but the panzer force from Caen, poured over the Caen River and battered two miles along a point northeast of Espay.

This deep penetration sliced the road from Caen to Evreux, and threatened the remaining German field highways feeding into Caen from the south and southeast.

British armor can move swiftly across the open, rolling hills.

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First Three-Way Shuttle Raid Made

By AUSTIN BEALMEAR
LONDON (AP)—American bombers struck the enemy last night in France, Belgium and Belgium in the first three-way shuttle raid since the attack on the Atlantic coast.

A group of 100 B-24 Superfortresses, 100 B-26 Marauders, and 100 B-25 Mitchells, all from the United States, took part in the raid. The bombers were escorted by 100 P-51 Mustangs and 100 P-47 Thunderbolts.

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Mogilev Is Captured By Soviets

Mighty Russian
Drives Made

LONDON (AP)—Mogilev, the approach to the White Russian capital of Minsk, has been captured by the Soviet Red Army, Marshal Stalin announced tonight in a special order of the day.

By EDDY GILMORE
MOSCOW (AP)—Supported by one of the greatest armored forces ever hurled against the Germans, the Russian front, the Red Army closed in from three directions today on Minsk, the capital of White Russia.

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John W. Bricker

Bricker Named Running Mate Of New Yorker

MacArthur Gets One Vote As
Republicans Make Nomination

By PAUL MILLER
CHICAGO STADIUM (AP)—A 1944 Republican ticket headed by Gov. Thomas E. Dewey for President, with Gov. John W. Bricker of Ohio as his running-mate, was nominated in a whirlwind session today by a national convention that gave Dewey all its votes save one and made it unanimous for Bricker.

A lone delegate from Wisconsin, Grant Ritter, 55-year-old farmer of Beloit, cast his vote for Gov. Douglas A. MacArthur, explaining "He's still my candidate. We didn't get an opportunity to present him."

In Albany, Gov. Dewey announced he would fly to Chicago at once, reach here by 7 P. M. (CWT), and address the convention at 9 P. M.

Representative Joseph W. Martin of Massachusetts, convention chairman, dispatched the following telegram to Dewey:

"May I in behalf of this great Republican Convention advise you of your nomination as President. Heartiest congratulations. We know you will make a winning President."

Even before the roll call, shortly after Dewey's name was placed in nomination, by Gov. Dwight Griswold of Nebraska, Wendell L. Willkie, the 1940 nominee, whose possible attitude toward Dewey candidacy was a subject of conjecture, addressed a congratulatory message to Dewey from New York. A bulletin over the Associated Press wire at the platform brought word of the gesture.

Governor Bricker, playing the key role in a harmony move that developed overnight, announced his own withdrawal as a Presidential candidate as soon as Dewey's name was placed in nomination.

In a dramatic convention appearance to tremendous applause, at the termination of a rousing demonstration which greeted the nomination of Dewey, the call of Ohioan strode to the speaker's stand, looked steadily over the vast reaches of the roving convention hall and said:

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No Fight On Platform 40,549 Invasion Casualties Listed

By DAVID A. MARTIN
CHICAGO (AP)—The Supreme Command announced today that the first two weeks of the European invasion cost the Allies 40,549 casualties, including 24,162 Americans killed, wounded and missing—figures that still do not include last week's losses in the Cherbourg assault or the start of the present British offensive in the Caen area.

Of the casualty total for the period from June 6 to June 20 inclusive, 3,267 were killed, 10,902 were wounded, 1,542 British and 933 Canadians.

A large percentage of the American casualties came in the first two weeks of the invasion, the command said, but it did not include last week's losses in the Cherbourg assault or the start of the present British offensive in the Caen area.

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Willkie Is Denied Wire

NEW YORK (AP)—Wendell Willkie attempted to telegraph a congratulatory message to Gov. Thomas E. Dewey today but was blocked by a wire from the New York State Telephone Company.

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