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ALLIES TO ROLL FURY OF SEA, AIR AND LAND ATTACK ON AXIS DEFENSES

Peace Chance Dim; Invasion Of Italy Seen

All-Out Attack on Continental Objective Regarded as Only Course Open

LONDON—(AP)—Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden reiterated in the House of Commons today that the Allies had offered Italy no peace terms when asked how it happened that Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower had spoken of "honorable conditions of peace" in his recent broadcast to the Italian people.

Reinforcement Of Axis Troops Ends

Germans Forced To Bring Fighter-Bombers To Sicilian Area

By HAROLD V. ROYLE WITH THE AMERICAN SEVENTH ARMY NEAR TAORMINA, SICILY, Aug. 3.—(AP)—Germany's hard-pressed military machine has been compelled to withdraw fighter bombers from other fronts to prevent the retreat of its harassed ground forces, through mountainous northern Sicily to the Messina bridgehead, from turning into a rout.

Intruders In Forays

British Heavy Bombers Take Rest

LONDON—(AP)—RAF intruder planes carried out their usual forays over the continent last night, but Britain's heavy bombers took a rest after having been in almost continuous action for the past two weeks against Hamburg and other objectives in Germany.

Strike At U. S. Guns

Savagely striking at concentrations of American 155-mm. and 160-mm. field guns, the newly arrived ME-109s and FW-190s tried out their new tactics yesterday to knock out the guns of the American artillery which has been making each day 24 hours of hell for the lines of the Germans trying by every means to hold their hill positions.

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Orel's Fall Seems Sure With Reds 5 Miles Away

Nazis Likely To Abandon Bastion

By HENRY C. CASSIDY MOSCOW (AP)—The fall of the German stronghold of Orel appeared inevitable today as a smashing Red Army offensive carried to within five miles of the city.

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WASHINGTON—(AP)—Secretary Hull asserted today the State Department is "functioning efficiently."

Clash of Frenchmen and Axis Troops in Lyon

BERN, Switzerland—(AP)—French dispatches to Swiss newspapers reported an outbreak of clashes between Frenchmen and German and Italian troops which resulted in the imposing of an 8 P. M. curfew in Lyon.

AP's Tucker, Hurt in Air Crash, Operated On

NEW YORK—(AP)—George Tucker, Associated Press war correspondent injured in a plane crash in Algeria last week, successfully operated on for a blood clot on his brain today in a New York hospital.

Yanks At Edge Of Munda Air Strip

Main Enemy Lines and Much Fighting Remain Ahead, However

By WILLIAM F. BONI ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN THE SOUTHWEST PACIFIC—(AP)—United States infantrymen have hacked their way out of the jungle through nests of fierce-fighting Japanese to the eastern edge of the Munda air strip but the main enemy defense line and much bloody battling still lie ahead.

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Giraud, De Gaulle Assert Ideas Same

ALGIERS—(AP)—Pledges to work together for the liberation of France were exchanged by Gen. Henri Giraud and Charles de Gaulle following an agreement whereby the latter placed his French troops under Giraud's command, it was announced here last night.

Capture Or Destruction Of Italian Fleet Seen; Would Aid War On Japs

By JOHN HIGHTOWER WASHINGTON (AP)—There is growing opinion in naval circles here that the Allies can count with reasonable certainty on capturing or destroying the major portion of Italy's hapless fleet, possibly soon.

Moscow Dateline

By HENRY C. CASSIDY

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