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BEFORE AND AFTER



These two photos will give an idea of what Allied air forces did to Sicilian targets as a preliminary to the invasion of the island. Photo made from a U. S. reconnaissance plane, of the Milo aerodrome on Sicily before Allied bombers gave it their well known attention (above). The picture below shows how the air field looked after Allied planes gave it "the works." There were 122 Axis planes on the field when the bombers struck. Official U. S. Army Air Force radio photo. (International Soundphoto)

Allied Forces Advance In Sicily;

Navies Shell Catania

Red Army Begins Counter Attacks

Nazi Forces Pushed Back At Belgorod

German Attempts to Enlarge Wedge Are Frustrated With Big Losses

Moscow, July 11.—(AP)—German infantry and tank divisions have been pressed back on some sectors of the Belgorod front by Russian forces turning from defense to counter attacks, a Soviet communique declared today.

The Red army launched its attack as the Germans recoiled back after repeated and unsuccessful attempts to enlarge the wedge they had driven into the Russian lines at terrific cost in nine days of continuous fighting, the bulletin said.

The Russians declared the nazis had "retreated with big losses," but it seemed apparent from front line dispatches that the Germans still are holding stubbornly to much of the territory which they gained in the fighting a week ago.

The Germans were reported to have suffered heavily in one action when they ran into a tank ambush which the Russians had prepared under cover of a night attack. The nazis were expected to attempt to slip back into the area. The Russians, driven in front and out the back and the Germans defeated in confusion in the Russian said.

Elsewhere on the Belgorod front, Russian troops in the northern end of the front when they had a short rest.

The Russian communique reported that activity there was confined to an artillery duel which ended with an armistice on the night of July 10. The day's fighting in the German front planes in a series of attacks that front line dispatches reported to be 2,742 tanks and 1,147 planes for the nine-day period.

OPA Plans To Increase Meat Rations

NAZIS DENY REPORT ROMMEL SHOT DOWN

Stockholm, July 11.—(AP)—German authorities deny a report that Field Marshal Erwin Rommel had been shot down by allied fighter pilots while en route to Sicily in a transport plane, a Berlin dispatch to Stockholm reported.

The report, said to have originated from a broadcast by a German underground radio station, was carried by the Swedish newspaper Svenska Dagbladet.

Martinique Joins Allies

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Jury Probes Mine Strike

Pittsburgh, July 11.—(AP)—The government made its first move under the Connally-Smith anti-strike act today by convening a special session of the federal grand jury here to inquire into the lingering coal strike that began June 30.

Government Makes First Move Taken Under Legislation Banning Strikes

All the charges against the 221,000 miners returned yesterday, and more than half were set on June 25 when Congress passed the anti-strike law. The law, which prohibits strikes by public employees, was signed by President Roosevelt.

Farrell Gets New Trial

Indianapolis, July 11.—(AP)—The State Supreme court, in an opinion by Justice M. V. Barkley, ordered a new trial for Andrew William Farrell, convicted in 1938 in connection with a charge of tampering with evidence.

WEATHER

FOR NORTH CAROLINA. A few scattered showers this afternoon, little change in temperature tonight.

AMERICAN AIRPLANES RAID JAPS IN CHINA

Chungking, July 11.—(AP)—Fifteen of the U. S. Army air force's latest seven days of bombing and strafing missions which began from the Yangtze river today, were flown by American planes.

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Eighth Army Advances On Airfield

Allied Headquarters in North Africa, July 11.—(AP)—General Sir Bernard L. Montgomery's British eighth army driving on the Sicilian east coast to Augusta toward Catania is meeting only weak enemy resistance, it was announced late today.

Capture of Ports Officially Confirmed; Aerial Assault on Island Continues

Allied Headquarters in North Africa, July 11.—(AP)—Allied forces heavily bombed the Catania airport from the sea early yesterday morning, said an allied headquarters communique which officially confirmed the allied capture of the ports of Augusta and Ragusa, Naro, railway junction town, also fell.

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Canned Goods Are Allocated To Civilians

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