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ALLIES MAKE SWIFT NEW GAINS IN ITALY

Governor Declares McDonald Claims To Be 'Distortion'

Raleigh, May 26—(AP)—Governor Broughton said today the "attempted distortion or misstatement" of Dr. Ralph McDonald, Democratic candidate for governor, "relative to the purchase of 175,000 cases of Rocking Chair whisky, will not deceive the people of North Carolina. The decision rests with them."

Governor Broughton issued his statement on the heels of one by McDonald, in which the candidate lashed out against what he termed "unwarranted liquor interests" and said the governor "confirmed every statement I made about the 'old Rocking Chair deal'."

"I have nothing to add to my statement of yesterday, which contains the true facts of the transaction," Governor Broughton said.

Instead Makes Denial

Simultaneously, W. B. Umstead,

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North Carolina To Vote Tomorrow As Campaign Is Ended

American Planes From Italy Blast Points in France

Allied Headquarters, Naples, May 26—(AP)—American Fortresses and Liberators, in the longest mission yet flown by Italian-based aircraft yesterday attacked rail yards at three points near Lyons, France, at the head of the Rhone valley, Mediterranean Allied air force headquarters announced today.

The heavy bombers hit the Toulon area rail yards and three targets in northern Italy—Vicenza airfields, Montalcone harbor and oil tores at Porto Marghera, near Venice.

Well over 3,000 sorties were flown for the second successive day by the MAF, which shot down 20 enemy aircraft at a cost of six heavy bombers and the same number of planes.

8,500 Japs Perish In India Drive

Ceylon, May 26—(AP)—Allied headquarters estimated today that a total of 8,500 Japanese troops have been killed in the Manipur area in southeast India, where heavy fighting was said to be continuing in the Ukhrul sector, southeast of Imphal.

Additional heavy losses are being inflicted on the invaders in this fighting, headquarters said.

Despite all attempts, a communique declared, the Japanese have failed to penetrate Allied positions on the southwest edge of the Imphal plain, and have been thrown back in this sector on the Tamu-Kohima road, leaving 200 killed and abandoning a machine gun.

Gen'l Eisenhower Highly Pleased By Invasion Services

Supreme Allied Headquarters, England, May 26—(AP)—General Dwight Eisenhower returned today from an inspection of British ground forces of his supreme invasion command, and announced that he was highly pleased with the thoroughness of their training.

Soon afterwards, he had an audience with King George VI in Buckingham Palace.

It was disclosed in London that Allied vehicles, from tanks to jeeps, had been marked for the invasion with a white star, which has been the symbol of the American fighting forces on land and in the air. It is understood that this will not be extended to air units—that is, the RAF still will be using its red, white and blue targets as insignia. The use of the American white star for all forces follows a precedent set in North Africa and Italy.

Mud-Slinging Acts Mark Final Days; Charges Specific

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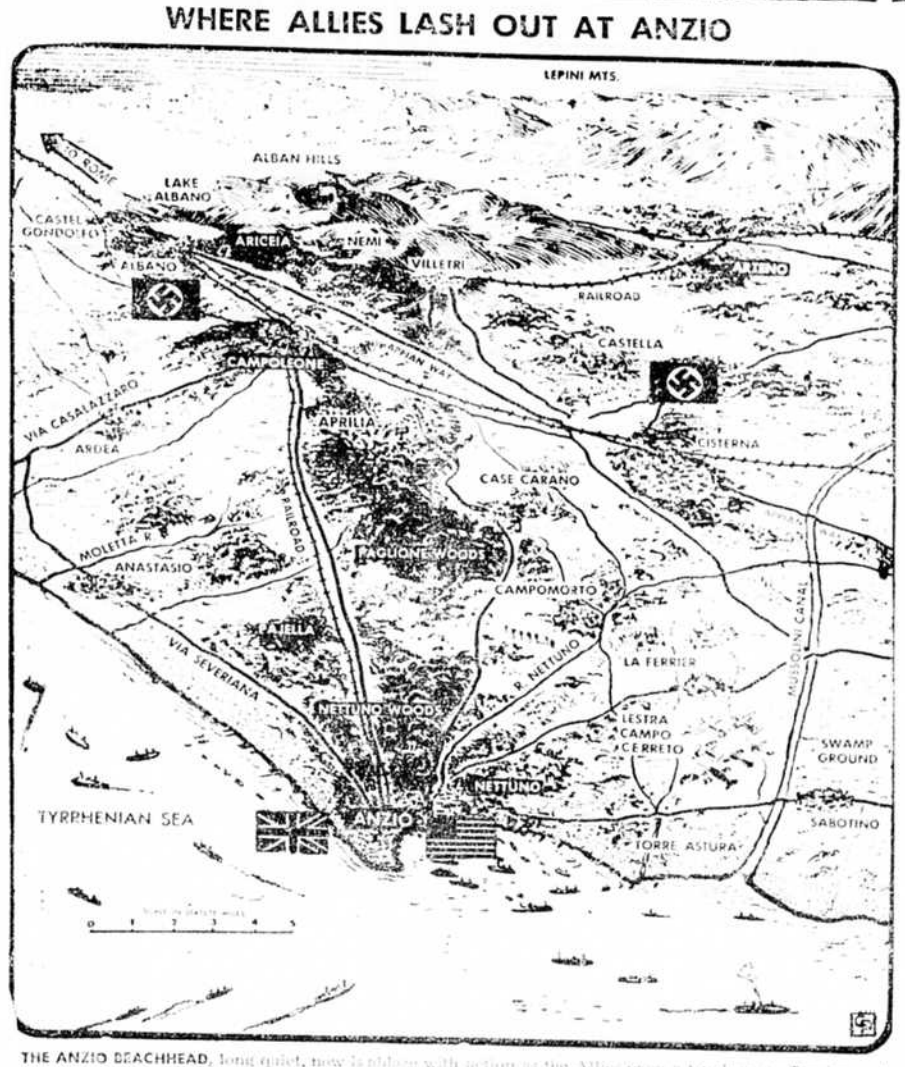
WEATHER
FOR NORTH CAROLINA

Partly cloudy and continued warm tonight and Saturday, with widely scattered thundershowers.

WHERE ALLIES LASH OUT AT ANZIO



THE ANZIO BEACHHEAD, long quiet, now is ablaze with action as the Allies open a tough new offensive and American infantry and tanks smash at the German ring, seeking not only to enlarge the beachhead but to unite with the troops smashing up the coast. This panorama provides an excellent close-up of the beautiful combination of valleys, hills and mountains that stretch away from the water. Heavy fighting was reported around Cisterna and just beyond the Mussolini Canal at the right. (International)

Nazis Rolled Back On Route To Rome

Nazis Claim 69 Of Soviet Planes Downed in North

London, May 26—(AP)—A broadcast Germans communique said today that a Soviet air attack on a German convoy off northern Norway resulted in Nazi fighters shooting down 69 out of 84 attacking planes. Another plane was brought down by escort vessels in the convoy, the communique said.

Earlier the Berlin radio said the action took place last night off Nordkyn, at the extreme tip of Norway, about 200 airline miles northwest of the Soviet port of Murmansk.

Capture Of Jap Base In Guinea Near

Ninth Airfield In Months to Fall To American Unit

Cisternia Bastion Falls to Allies; 12,000 Prisoners

Allied Headquarters, Naples, May 26—(AP)—Allied forces rolled back the Germans today [illegible] advances toward Rome at [illegible] of the Italian [illegible]

[illegible] British troops from the [illegible] Anzio beachhead area, [illegible] to the main front, fifth army troops captured Cisterna in heavy fighting and plunged forward more than three miles, cutting two important road leading northward and northeastward.

Cisterna, which had constituted one of the kingpins of the enemy's line around the Anzio beachhead till yesterday after a savage four day battle in which heavy casualties were inflicted on the defenders. American infantry and armor had been battling for the town for three days.

[illegible] with armored [illegible] Mussolini's [illegible] Pontine [illegible] opposition.

A third German pocket took form in the hills above Cisterna as the Allied air forces continued to smash heavily at fleeing vehicles. A headquarters announcement said more than 1,750 enemy vehicles had been destroyed in the past 48 hours.

The total of Germans captured since the offensive began two weeks ago rose to more than 12,000, and the columns continued to fall to the rear as the Allied forces mopped up captured areas.

In plunging beyond the Mussolini canal, 13 miles west of Cisterna, the eighth army forces encountered "stiff resistance, the bulletin said, and the enemy clung to positions on the flanks of the advancing Allies.

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Durham Hunt For Woman In Odd New Turn

[illegible], May 26—(AP)—The [illegible] of Lacey M. Jewett, 67, [illegible] Mrs. Jewett [illegible] attempted to obtain [illegible] but [illegible] disclosed her exact destination.

The [illegible] agent, Lonnie Bradley, [illegible] newspaper men by long distance [illegible] this morning that [illegible] Associated Press photo of Mrs. Jewett appeared in the [illegible] and that [illegible] bore a remarkable likeness to her. [illegible] that she hoped to be [illegible] there.

Night Club Job Losers Can Get Job

[illegible], May 26—(AP)—The [illegible] manpower [illegible] says Lt. Gen. Richard Stoneman, [illegible] and [illegible] gets that "I'm better for women than for men" [illegible] the night clubs let's look them up and the pool rooms and bowling alleys with them."

And, the metropolitan general of the Army Service Forces added in a speech that women [illegible] have lost jobs in night clubs because of a new [illegible] limited to difficulty in getting waiters and bartenders.

"There are plenty of jobs for them in your plant," General Stoneman told a cross-section [illegible] and industrial [illegible] "Surely the railroad and shipbuilding [illegible] are carrying the [illegible] and [illegible] to our fighting men.

"Let's put these women to work at something useful. Our men are dying in Burma and in the mud of the Aleutians. Pacific Theater in Italy and [illegible] in [illegible] Germany. There are many [illegible] jobs to which they can go [illegible] to provide any help on a matter of convenience and of a soft job."

The country's outlook, General Stoneman said, "and [illegible] more than [illegible] men, and many other industries are being [illegible] manpower they must have to fulfill their essential part in the [illegible] of victory."

Jap Air Weakness In Pacific Evident

[illegible] U. S. Pacific Fleet Headquarters at [illegible] and Pearl Harbor, May 26—(AP)—[illegible] personality there [illegible] the [illegible] aerial [illegible] there for the Aleutians [illegible] the [illegible] high tribute to Tokyo's [illegible] Fleet, and there [illegible] been [illegible] American carrier planes in [illegible] [illegible] Marcus and Wake [illegible] Saturday.

[illegible] Japanese must almost [illegible] [illegible] Marcus [illegible] Wake [illegible] not [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]