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ALLIED VISE MENACES CHERBOURG SECTOR

INVASION SIGHT THAT GREETED NAZIS IN FRANCE

Under a roaring canopy of fighters and bombers, hundreds of Allied landing barges like those pictured above have poured troops onto the coast of France. Shortly after the landings were effected, reconnaissance photos by the U. S. Eighth Air Force showed beachheads had been established, and ever since then Allied forces have been moving inland and already have liberated several cities and are pressing on against the Nazis.

First Phase Of Invasion Achieved

Pincer Move Begun Back Of Beachhead

Invaders Are Pressing Further Inland After Sweeping Enemy From Coast Area

Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Force, June 8—(AP)—Allied invasion troops, reinforced by air and sea attack, south of fallen Bayeux [illegible] today, striving to chop off the Cherbourg peninsula and Berlin reported a pincer threat to seize the tip of the jutting coast and the strategic port of Cherbourg.

Capture of Bayeux [illegible] the railway, [illegible] Cherbourg itself. Berlin declared hence-to-hence fighting raged in St. Mere Eglise, twenty miles southwest of the port, and said paratroopers from [illegible] on the west coast [illegible] miles southwest of the city. There was no Allied confirmation of this report.

But farther west the Germans pictured Allied forces already within twenty miles of a junction that would cut off Cherbourg itself. Berlin declared hence-to-hence fighting raged in St. Mere Eglise, twenty miles southwest of the port, and said paratroopers from [illegible] on the west coast [illegible] miles southwest of the city. There was no Allied confirmation of this report.

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Area Behind Landing Hit By Bombers

Bridges, Airdromes, And Railroad Yard, Smashed in Attacks

Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Force, June 8—(AP)—A powerful force of 750 to 1,000 American heavy bombers swept a wide arc of south Normandy early today, smashing bridges, airdromes and railroad yards and junctions in a vigorous effort to dislodge an [illegible] on the beachhead battle field.

Wide fighter sweeps followed in the biggest aerial operations of the third day of the invasion, in [illegible] of installations from Rouen [illegible] behind the front. Meanwhile [illegible] the day of battle [illegible] on Paris.

The heavy bombers [illegible] city on the main railway between Cherbourg to Paris burning with at least 20 fires from an attack at 4,500 feet.

These blows followed RAF strikes last night in which a series of rail targets near Paris and German transports 12 miles behind the invasion coast were riddled with heavy carpets of bombs. The transport target was a concentration in the forest of Cherrisy, where the road runs from Bayeux to St. Lo.

Allied planes of all descriptions had flown 22,000 sorties in the last 48 hours and air operations were mounting today as weather improved.

More than 2,000 of the 9,000 [illegible] flown by the Allies in the 24 [illegible] ending at midnight were in one of these fighter sweeps which [illegible] down six enemy aircraft and lost 21 of their own number.

A total of 144 German planes had been knocked down in the last 48 hours and 20 others destroyed on the ground. The last tabulation also cited the Allies had lost 119 aircraft, but [illegible] tomorrow [illegible] tempting to keep an [illegible] the tabulation and [illegible] announcement of losses [illegible] official [illegible].

Next night fighters [illegible] the British formations and scored three [illegible] fall of the invasion, knocking down 29 of the RAF big bombers.

Enemy attacks being on the [illegible] which [illegible] were heavier tonight in the region of Chateau-Dun, Lessay, Rennes, Nantes and Dinan, all [illegible] France's towns, and bridges [illegible] junction point.

[illegible]

Democratic Threats Increasing In South

Mississippi Joins Other States Making Demands on Coming National Convention

(By The Associated Press)

The South needed new Democratic [illegible] today, with Mississippi [illegible] the ranks of state delegations [illegible] the convention [illegible] Democrats barring Negroes from [illegible] primary.

Following almost exactly a pattern set previously by Texas Democrats, the state administration controlled Mississippi convention voted yesterday to instruct the party's 12 electors in the state to reject the Democratic presidential nominee unless the national convention meets certain demands.

Like democrats in a number of other states, the Mississippi convention adopted for the convention, [illegible] strongly reminiscent of those previously approved by Texas and South Carolina conventions. They included opposition to anti-poll tax and racial equality planks in the platform. The resolution also urged "retention of white supremacy" and charged Democrats barring Negroes from the party primary.

[illegible]

South Carolina Democrat took the same course, except that they delayed choosing electors until after the national convention acts on the platform.

Because it is considered by politicians that the convention will [illegible] two-thirds rule, the action by the three states threatened to shift from the regular Democratic nominee a bloc of electoral votes in areas where he virtually was assured of a large popular majority.

Third Must Be Won To Gain Security; Foothold Acquired

Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Force, June 8—(AP)—Supreme Headquarters announced today that the first phase of the invasion has now been accomplished.

The first phase was the seizing of a foothold and the breaking of local German resistance.

Allied troops are now entering the second phase, which is aimed at defeating the German tactical reserves.

The third phase, which must be won before the Allied position is completely secure, is that of defeating the German strategic reserves.

Berlin Reports Russians Have Launched Offensive

London, June 8—(AP)—DNB, in a Berlin broadcast today, announced that the Russians had launched an offensive on a broad front in the sector north of Iasi, Romania.

A broadcast Rumanian communique said "heavy fighting is in progress."

There was no confirmation immediately from Moscow, but a new offensive on the Russian front has been expected to put new pressure on Germany's east while American and British forces are attacking in France and Italy.

Last night's Moscow communique said German attacks north of Iasi have "diminished considerably," indicating the Germans may have been stopped in a push which they announced earlier.

School Pay Increases Postponed

Building Principals And Teachers Will Share $400,000 Sum

[illegible]

Chinese Achieve Extensive Gains In Lungling Area

Chungking, June 8—(AP)—Chinese troops have occupied part of the Burma road town of Lungling, second most important Japanese base in the southwestern province of Yunnan, west of the Salween river, the Chinese high command announced tonight.

Chinese southeast of Tengcheng, north of the Burma road, and the main Japanese base in Yunnan, also took the offensive and made limited advances against that communication hub, the communique said.

U. S. Casualty Record Now 217,131 Total

Washington, June 8—(AP)—Secretary of War Stimson reported today that a recent three-day period of heavy fighting preceding the fall of Rome cost American forces in Italy 2559 casualties.

American casualties in the Italian campaign from the landings last September to May 29 amounted to 37,529, Stimson said.

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From the start of the war, Army and Navy casualties total 217,131, an increase of 10,001 since a report on May 25. Stimson said that Army casualties up to May 29 totaled 171,258. This was an increase of 10,245 since his previous report. Of the new Army casualties total, 28,902 were killed, 85,729 wounded, 30,061 missing and 22,143 prisoners of war.

No Navy casualties reported up to today, amounted to 46,873, of which 19,202 were killed, 12,782 wounded, 9,256 missing and 4,682 prisoners of war.

Inquiry Demanded Of Invasion Talks By General Miller

Washington, June 8—(AP)—A congressional investigation was proposed today by Senator Chandler, Kentucky Democrat, right after news conferred president of Major General Henry J. F. Miller being demoted to lieutenant colonel and sent home from England because he talked in advance at a cocktail party about the invasion date.

Chandler said he intends to ask the military affairs committee today to urge it a report on the case from the War Department.

"That is one of the most serious things an officer could do," the senator declared. "Thousands of lives depended on keeping that date secret. I think the committee ought to know all of the circumstances of the case."

Miller, 53-year-old former cavalry man, was one of the commanding generals of the United States air force. He had a record of 33 years of honorable service.

SLAYING REPORTED

Rome, June 7—(AP)—The Socialist newspaper Avanti said today the retreating Germans had slain Bruno Buozzi, secretary-general of the Confederation of Labor, and 14 of his associates. The bodies were said to have been found six miles from Rome.

Presidential Veto Of Price Extension Is Now Possibility

Washington, June 8—(AP)—Presidential veto of the price and wage control extension bill was considered a possibility today after the Senate voted to relieve merchants of damage liability in cases where they prove that charged ceiling price violations were unintentional.

Senator Maybank (D-S. C.) Democrat, [illegible] the Senate which [illegible] [illegible] June 30 [illegible] generated [illegible] controlling [illegible] expiration [illegible]

Plane Output Lags Despite Many Pleas

(By The Associated Press)

Production of aircraft engines at the Wright Aeronautical Corporation plant in Lockland, Ohio, continued below normal today and some hundreds of the company's employes, idle as a result of a labor dispute, were exhorted with the help of their kin to return to work by tomorrow.

William Kennedy, the company plant manager, said last night that the strikers, who have hampered production for three days, would be discharged if they failed to resume production by that time.

Kennedy's ultimatum came hastily after a War Labor Board order to the strikers to return then back and after representatives of the Army and the employes CIO union had made similar requests. The board said "no group can be permitted to place their grievance above the immediate needs of the armed force."

The disputes arose when seven Negro workers were transferred to a department formerly manned by white employes.

Meanwhile, work stoppages in scattered sections of the country, resulting from labor controversy, created an additional estimated 6,000 men and women idle at nine important industries.

CHURCHILL MAKING NO NEW STATEMENT

London, June 8—(AP)—Prime Minister Churchill told the House of Commons today he did not propose to make any statement on the battles in northern France during the day "unless something exceptional turns up."

Fifth Army Is 38 Miles Beyond Rome

Rome, June 8—(AP)—The Fifth army has captured Civita-vecchia, Rome's principal port, 38 miles northwest of the capital and today was thrusting swiftly up the west coast to maintain contact with the retreating enemy.

Other Fifth army units, pushing in a more northerly direction, captured the town of Bracciano 20 miles north of Rome, on the west shore of the large lake of the same name. Still another column was fast repeated pushing the foe on the east side.

The Germans appeared still to be withdrawing in a good state of demoralization, without any indication yet available as to when they might turn and attempt a determined stand.

Allied forces driving up the north of Rome captured Field Marshal Kesselring's former headquarters, about three miles northwest of Civita Castellana.

The stage on Civita Castellana, about 25 miles northeast of Rome, made rapid progress up highway Three, certain official report that reconnaissance elements encountered some opposition west of the town indicated it might be bypassed first.

General Sir Oliver Leese's men captured the important town of Monte-Rotondo, 12 miles northeast of Rome, and four nearby towns, including an important airfield.

WEATHER

FOR NORTH CAROLINA:

Partly Cloudy, with little temperature change tonight and Friday.

Cotton Mixed Near Close

New York, June 8—(AP)—Cotton futures opened 15 cents a bale higher to 10 cents lower. Noon prices were ten cents a bale higher to five cents lower. July 21.39, October 20.42, December 20.20.

	Pv. Close	Open
July	21.07	21.10
October	20.43	20.43
December	20.19	20.18
March	19.91	19.90
May	19.69	19.67

Motors Lead In Trading

New York, June 8—(AP)—Motors continued to attract large scale buying in today's stock market but many leaders were stalled by further profit taking.

Fractional advances were registered for General Motors, Chrysler, U. S. Steel and Goodyear. In the declining sector were Woolworth, General Electric and Standard Oil N.J.

Bonds and commodities were narrow.

Eisenhower At Sea Near Landing Area

Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Force, June 8—(AP)—General Eisenhower and Admiral Sir Bertram Ramsay, commander of Allied naval forces, intercepted a four and a half hour cruise off the French invasion beaches yesterday long enough to direct and to a hundful of unknown drifting soldiers, it was learned today.

On their way to their dedicated rendezvous [illegible] international conference numbers, Eisenhower was informed that a Japanese barge had been sighted floating helplessly at one side of the convoy.

The men aboard [illegible] that they needed to [illegible] the [illegible] signal. Then the bridge of the fast British naval vessel carrying Eisenhower and Ramsay and that their plight would be relayed to the top home [illegible].

Eisenhower and Ramsay [illegible] conference with high officers, including General Sir Bernard L. Montgomery, commander of the invasion ground forces, and Rear Admiral Allan Goodrich Kirk, commander of the United States naval task forces in the invasion operation, was held in the midst of an armada of thousands of ships.

The supreme commander left an English coastal town to attend the meeting only 24 hours after the early landing operation. At one point the conference was carried on within five miles of the enemy, because Eisenhower felt he could thereby get better communications.

MacArthur In Bomber Range Of Philippines

(By The Associated Press)

General Douglas MacArthur's men of an officer today within striking range of the Philippines, the Allies' last stepping stone to Japan. [illegible] reached their goal [illegible] today in the Pacific war.

Toughened American marines on Biak, largest island of the Schouten group off Dutch New Guinea, [illegible] smashed the Japanese defenders [illegible] grab Mokmer airdrome after 12 days of savage fighting. Mokmer [illegible] miles [illegible] in size [illegible] pines.

Announcement of the Yank Mokmer [illegible] Japanese [illegible] in every [illegible] theatre except central China, where fierce Chinese resistance was being overcome.

This key Hankow-Canton railway center in Hunan province was being [illegible]

Japanese [illegible] China [illegible] Allied [illegible] by India, Allied [illegible] being the [illegible] from [illegible] new [illegible] United [illegible] of Wings to Victory and Peoples.

[illegible] the Yanks [illegible] Biak [illegible] Boroko, two miles west, and a mile inland; and Oridate, three and a half miles west of the road.