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Allies Roll North After Rome Falls In Brisk Struggle

By NOLAND NORGAARD
ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, NAPLES, June 5 (AP)—A welcome approaching hysteria showered down upon the fifth army in captured Rome today as allied troops surged into the town in ever growing numbers and rolled on across the Tiber in pursuit of the Germans falling back to possible defense lines 150 miles northward.

With the major parts of two German armies, the 10th and 14th, already declared by Lt. Gen. Mark W. Clark to have been destroyed, 500 heavy American bombers today joined a mighty attack on the retreat routes north of Rome.

NAZI COLUMNS HIT
While Romans cheered and sang after a night of liberation in which bare-chested Partisans had joined allied troops in ejecting the Germans and fascists from the virtually undamaged city, the heavy bombers blasted railyards at Ferrara, Castel Maggiore, Bologna, Faenza and Forlì along the double-track line to Venice and Rimini.

By mid-afternoon, fighter-bombers had destroyed and damaged at least 300 vehicles among the German columns fleeing northward.

Lightnings raked airfields and other targets in the Po valley, and the Mediterranean allied air forces announced that both major rail lines into France already were temporarily blocked by Sunday attacks.

In Rome, no important artistic or religious monuments were found destroyed as a result of German demolition or the sharp street clashes with German rearguards which sought to delay the Sunday occupation. A few military installations had been demolished by the retreating Germans.

The only wrecked sections of the city were immediately adjacent to the San Lorenzo, Tiburtina, Ostiense and Trastevere railyards which the allies had bombed.

Partisans Help

Last ditch German rearguards died within the shadow of the Roman forum and in the streets of the government quarter in bitter clashes as Italian partisans, barechested and wearing hammer and sickle insignia fought hand to hand with fascist and nazis in a brief battle for liberation.

The Italian populace cheered American and allied infantry and tank teams as they threaded the city's streets, rushed to kiss the bearded and grimy liberators and with shrill cries warned of ambushes ahead.

Some of the Romans died in the city's closing hours of German domination—victims of machineguns they tried to seize almost bare-handed.

But despite the sporadic clashes, which took place even though the German high command had pretended until the last that Rome was an open city, the Italian capital with its store of cultural and religious treasures apparently came through unscathed for the most part.

Vatican Quiet

Police officers said all was quiet at the Vatican, where the pope has been a virtual prisoner of German bayonets since last September. A Berlin broadcast said Baron von Weizsaecker, German ambassador to the Holy See, "has left his residence in Rome, Villa Bonaparte, and moved to Vatican City. Other diplomatic missions of the tripartite powers will move to Vatican City—namely those of Japan, Hungary, Slovakia, Romania and Finland."

British correspondents in Madrid said the pope spent Sunday in prayer and in consultation with papal officials during the hours of violent liberation of the city. The Swiss guard had been (Continued on Page Four)

Reds Repulse German Tanks

LONDON, June 5 (AP)—Russian troops again have successfully repulsed large forces of enemy tanks and infantry in north and northwest of Iasi, in Romania the soviet communist announced tonight.

Soviet airmen made a mass raid on the railway junction of Kishinev and on military objectives in the town, the broadcast communique said, at a time when there were many enemy military trains at the rail junction. As a result of the bombing, many fires broke out, accompanied by explosions, the war bulletin reported. Locomotives, wagons, platform wagons with equipment, fuel tankers and war material dumps were set afire in the raid, in which one soviet plane failed to return.

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Wildly Cheering Italians Help Yanks in Rome March Through Nazis' Resistance

By DANIEL DE LUCE
ROME, June 5 (AP)—Mussolini's balcony hung empty in the gauzy mist of moonlight as fifth army soldiers in Indian file encircled the former dictator's office at the Palazzo Venezia last night and thousands of Roman Partisans fanned the fires of liberation.

Behind a screen of Partisan volunteers who wore hammer and sickle armbands, waved red flags and brandished old firearms, American forces drove to the Tiber river through futile German resistance in the streets—resistance that was real despite the German pretense that Rome was an open city.

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Japs Fling Planes Into Biak Sky To Meet Yank Offense

By MURLIN SPENCER
ADVANCED ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, NEW GUINEA, June 5 (AP)—Japan flung more of her husbanded airforce into swirling sky battles in the southwest Pacific—risking 70 planes,

COURT VOIDS OLD INSURANCE RULING

WASHINGTON, June 5 (AP)—Overruling a decision that has stood for 75 years, the supreme court held today that insurance is business in interstate commerce, and is subject to the Sherman anti-trust act.

Justice Black wrote the court's 4-3 decision. Chief Justice Stone wrote a dissenting opinion in which Justice Frankfurter concurred. Justice Jackson also wrote an opinion in which he dissented in part. Justice Roberts and Reed took no part in the case.

The case specifically involved 196 stock fire insurance companies, and 27 individuals connected with the Southeastern Underwriters association Florida, Alabama, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina and Georgia.

Added Interest

Anti-trust charges brought by the justice department were dismissed by the federal district court at Atlanta on the ground that the supreme court had held for 75 years that the business of insurance was not commerce and, hence, the companies were not subject to the Sherman act, which prohibits combinations or conspiracies which restrain interstate commerce.

Added interest was given the case by the fact that legislation is pending before congress to exempt insurance companies from the federal anti-trust legislation and to leave their regulation to the states.

Thirty-five states filed briefs urging the supreme court to hold that insurance was not commerce and not subject to federal regulation. To rule otherwise, it was contended, would (Continued on Page Four)

Old Sedan Hunted In Kidnap Case

SEATTLE, June 5 (AP)—The two-day old kidnaping of five-year-old Florence (Susie) Marks today was shrouded in mystery today, with police carrying out an intensive search for an old, dirty sedan believed to have been used in the abduction.

The child, daughter of Lt. Cmdr. and Mrs. Jacob Marks, formerly of Chicago, was taken from her home early Saturday morning and abandoned a few minutes later less than a mile from her home.

Police said they were told by the child that two men participated in the abduction, one of whom was dressed in a blue uniform with stripes on the sleeve like a navy officer. One of the men, she said, called her by name.

One man was picked up for questioning Saturday night, police said. He still is being held.

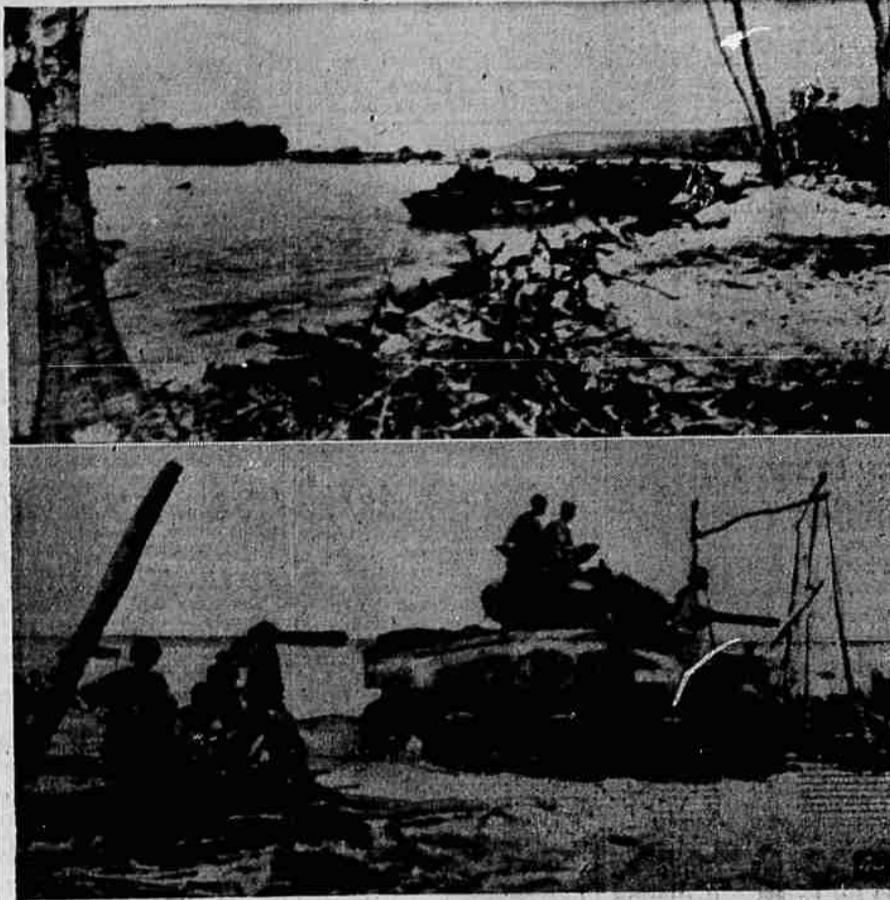
Erroneous Invasion Flash Results in Safeguards to Prevent Similar Mistakes

By The Associated Press
Additional safeguards, with aid and approval of allied censorship authorities, have been introduced in the London office of the Associated Press as a result of an erroneous invasion flash Saturday inadvertently transmitted over all AP news wires.

A message Sunday from Rob-Bunnelle, chief of AP's London bureau, said appropriate action had been taken in full consultation with the authorities to prevent censorship control and mission supervision over cables furnishing direct communications between AP's London New York offices.

The erroneous flash, saying General Eisenhower's headquarters announced allied landings in France, was sent by a 30-year-old British girl, Joan, who had punched it out practicing on a machine at the time in operation.

Ready for Japs on Biak



Amphibious alligators (top) hug the shore of Biak Island in the Schouten group in the southwest Pacific, ready for land or sea action. In the background, LST's are being unloaded. An American medium tank (lower) rolls onto the beach at Biak Island in the Schouten group ready to engage the Japanese tanks. Shortly after arrival, the Yank tanks met the enemy's in the first battle of this kind in the southwest Pacific. (AP Wirephoto from Signal Corps Radiophoto.)

Naming of Forest Area for Jack Kimball Wins Support

F. R. TO SPEAK
WASHINGTON, June 5 (AP)—President Roosevelt will address the nation at 5:30 p. m., PWT, tonight, to discuss the fall of Rome in a 15-minute broadcast to be carried by the four major networks.

GI Speaks From Musso's Balcony

NEW YORK, June 5 (AP)—The allied entry into Rome received its crowning touch today when a soldier stood with one of his comrades on the marble balcony overlooking the famous Palazzo Venezia where Mussolini used to harangue the Italian people and made a speech about the fallen dictator, NBC said.

A cheering crowd of Italian men, women and children stood below and although they didn't understand a word he said they laughed and cheered and waved flags.

Mutual Broadcasting System said the G. I. speaker from Mussolini's balcony was John Vitto of Port Chester, N. Y., a signal corps camera man.

"I promised my mother that is what I'd do when I got to Rome. I can do anything Musso can do. I'm an American," Vitto was quoted as saying.

Man Accused of Accosting Girl

Accused of accosting a young serviceman's wife as she was going home alone late Sunday night from attending a show at the Tower theatre, Gordon Donald Vassey was in the county jail Monday charged with assault with intent to rape.

The young woman told authorities that shortly before midnight Sunday after leaving the theatre, she had almost reached her home nearby when a man appeared beside her, grabbed at her and spoke insultingly. She said she managed to elude him and ran into the house. Vassey was arrested by authorities a short time later.

Bly Girl Enters Queen Contest

Dark-haired Martha Givan of Bly is the fourth young girl to enter the race for queen of the Klamath Buckaroo Days on July 2, 3 and 4.

Martha is 18 years old and has been practically raised on a horse. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Griffin, Bly ranchers and she attended Bly high school. Riding and dancing are her favorite hobbies.

2200 SHORT BOMBS DROPPED ON COAST

By W. W. HERCHER
LONDON, June 5 (AP)—Approximately 1250 American heavy bombers and fighters—leading an allied aerial assault of powerful proportions against the fortified French coast—smashed military installations in the Boulogne and Calais areas today with an estimated 2200 short tons of bombs.

The German radio at Paris asserted American bomber formations were over Paris at noon. Berlin reported Russian planes were over Hungary last night.

This was the fourth attack in a row against the Pas de Calais, the area of France closest to England, and it came after RAF bombers attacked French coast objectives and targets in Cologne, Germany, last night.

For more than three hours powerful fleets of American and British bombers thundered across the English channel.

Since June began, the more than 200 miles of French coast line—bristling with German guns—has been shaken from end to end by allied bombs.

The big British bombers made it their target for the third consecutive night last night. The U. S. eighth air force has neglected strategic targets deeper in the continent for the past four (Continued on Page Four)

Goering Got Sacred Loot

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, NAPLES, June 5 (AP)—The theft of a costly altar statue from the Benedictine Abbey at Cassino for Reichsmarshal Hermann Goering has been proven by an order of the day issued on May 28 by Lt. Gen. Richard Heidrich, commander of the German first parachute division, an official allied source said today.

The order said: "I have sent a deputation to reichsmarshal... The deputation took with them as a present from the division to the reichsmarshal, a costly altar statue taken from the Cassino abbey by one battalion of the third parachute regiment. The reichsmarshal received our delegation in Berlin on May 25. He evinced great pleasure at the gift of the first parachute division."

U. S. Subs Sink 16 Jap Ships

WASHINGTON, June 5 (AP)—United States submarines have destroyed 16 more of Japanese dwindling fleet of merchant ships, the navy reported today, bringing the total of enemy ships sunk by American submarines to 749.



King Vittorio Emanuele today gave up the Italian throne and conferred powers on his son, Umberto, after allies took Rome.

EMANUELE GIVES UP ITALY THRONE

NAPLES, June 5 (AP)—King Vittorio Emanuele has signed a decree giving up his throne and conferring his powers upon his son, Crown Prince Umberto, it was announced tonight.

The monarch named Umberto lieutenant general of the realm, but in the official decree retained title as head of the House of Savoy and remains a king without power.

Vittorio Emanuele, 74, has ruled Italy nearly 44 years, having ascended the throne July 29, 1900. He announced last April 12 his "final and irrevocable" decision to withdraw from public life "on the day on which allied troops enter Rome," and to turn his kingly powers over to Prince Umberto as lieutenant general of the realm.

The king's decision to retire paved the way in April for the formation of an enlarged compromise war cabinet under Marshal Pietro Badoglio, in which all six political parties forming a liberation junta were represented.

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throats. Some were lying across the German machineguns they had tried to seize banded.

"Why were you so long coming?" We expected you four months ago," said some of the Partisans.

Others in unwhispering silence, asking no questions, waited for their wounds to be bandaged.

Thousands were with the occupying forces. They waved flags and brandished old firearms. American forces drove to the Tiber river through futile German resistance in the streets—resistance that was real despite the German pretense that Rome was an open city.

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