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Wants New Soldiers To Guard Germany

By EDWARD KENNEDY
(Substituting for Hal Boyle)

ANZIO BEACHHEAD, March 1—(Delayed)—(AP)—The British have a definite idea on that frequently asked question of what Germany, and ought to be done with the Germans after we win the war.

There is one here, however, who has a plan. He is P. R. Robert B. Hickey, who is 21, knows something about the unpleasant side of war. His father, Edward Kennedy, was killed in the Pacific last year. He himself was blown out of a truck while he was in a tank destroyer unit on the Volturno front and suffered an injury to his ankle which caused him to transfer from combat duty. But there is no bitterness in his plan, he says.

Let the Germans go about their business and make a living, but keep all weapons away from them. They have caused much trouble in the world to be allowed to have weapons. The only way can be sure they don't arm is to keep an occupying force there for at least twenty years and maybe 30 years. This should not be done, but it might be necessary to have any war weapons they don't have any war weapons.

But the boys who are fighting this war should not be kept over here to do this occupation job. That should be done by new soldiers who should be taken in this army at 18 and serve overseas for one year. They could continue their education while on duty in Germany, and, however, that one year away from home would certainly make them appreciate America more.

After being reclassified Hickey said that, while out of combat duty, he still would like to be in the combat area. So he was sent to the beachhead, where he carries the mail by jeep to forward units.

"I like this job, as the boys are always glad to see me and the letters from home that I'm bringing certainly make them feel good."

He was just about to start college when he was inducted, and one of his worries, shared by many other young soldiers, is that the war may last so long he will be too old to continue his education.

"I would like to see something about that plan where the Government will help discharged soldiers continue their education," he said.

There's a bridge club here known as the International Bridgehead Bridge Club. It differs from a bridge club at home in that just where you are trying to play, no trump rebounded the Germans seem to know it and distract you with a little shillie or a few bombs.

President of the club is Lt. Samuel W. Wilson, who is from New York. He also publishes a newspaper here called "Beachhead Bugle."

There's prohibition on the beachhead. With Army officials having forbidden the sale of liquor to all military personnel. As always when you have prohibition, there's bootlegging but not much. It consists of the occasional sale of a bottle of wine and little known pleasures, as one of its characteristics is that it doesn't stand up to traveling.

Edmund Briss, French war correspondent who recently arrived here, said the French Army on the Carcinio front serves wine with meals and conversed since in champagne to the troops.

The wine is fortified, bringing its alcohol content from 10 percent to 25 percent and is served in the form of a diluted wine with water, cutting the absolute content back to 10 percent and retaining the taste of the wine.

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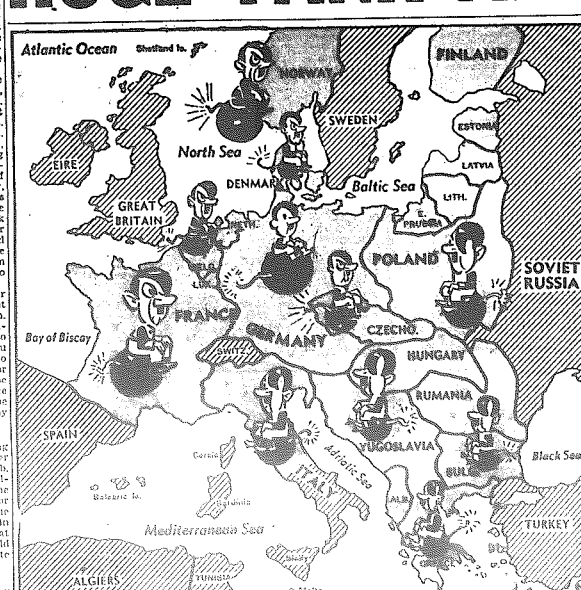
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SPEAKING OF BOMBERS OVER EUROPE—While the Allies are raining bombs down Hitler's Europe there are plenty of "underground" bombs, fused to explode under the Führer when the great Allied invasion starts. Map above shows Nazi-occupied Rumania, with its millions of captive slave-laborers, in which strong "underground" movements await "D" day.

Finn Peace Land Behind Jap Lines In Burma

By FRANK L. MARTIN

ON THE INDIA-BURMA FRONTIER—(AP)—American engineers and British infantrymen, landed by American gliders and transports, have carved out an air strip and placed a strong force squarely across supply lines linking the enemy's northern and southern armies.

Details of this daring assault were disclosed today, nearly two weeks after the operation established a strong Allied position more than 100 miles south of where Lt. Gen. Joseph W. Stilwell, with his Chinese and American regiments, are driving southward to clear the way for a new supply line in China.

The green-clad British and Indian infantry forces were flown into the Burma jungle from India by gliders, and a special air command task force, first proposed at the Quebec conference of President Roosevelt and Prime Minister Churchill.

"FLIP CORBIN" ENTERS Commanded by Col. Philip G. Cochran of Pine, Pa., the special air unit, shipped into the jungle by the United States Army Air Force as a solution to the problem of getting a strong, combat force into the heart of Burma without struggling through the mountains.

In his first note to Stilwell, Cochran is known as the original of the term and the Burma air command strip commander, Flip Corbin.

The bold attack caught the Japanese completely by surprise. Allied forces rushed the air base and landed out into a widening offensive zone, and were met by their new strongest southeast of Myittha before the Japanese could cover their supply lines between north and south Burma were in danger of being cut.

The first elements landed at night more than a week ago. I was on the field when the first American gliders filled with British assault troops and American engineers took off.

In preparation for the invasion, bombers and fighters from an American air base in India had been ordered to the front line, they had been ordered to the front line, they had been ordered to the front line.

As soon as they landed in Burma, British assault troops leaped from the gliders and moved to strategic positions around the valley.

Hundreds Of Bombers In Assault

Smash Through Nazi Fighters

LONDON—(AP)—Very strong forces of American heavy bombers smashed through German fighter opposition to attack targets in S. Strategic Air Force Headquarters announced.

The heavy blow from British bombers followed a smash at Vienna yesterday by four-engine American bombers from Italy, and an overnight raid by RAF Mosquitoes against undisclosed targets in western Germany.

A German broadcast recorded by U. S. Government monitors said "imagine aircraft from the south again had penetrated Nazi territory today. Alan Randall, Canadian press staff writer in London, said between 500 and 700 American planes staged the Friday assault on Vienna.

The German radio declared that American bombers had crossed into Austria, Germany at most. HUGO FORCE

The phrase "very strong forces" used in the U. S. announcement, indicated 700 to 1000 B-24 Liberator bombers and Liberator fighters participated in the assault.

The bombers today smashed at aircraft plants, airfields, and other targets in southern Germany, and were escorted by Lightning, Thunderbolt and Mustang fighters in very great strength," the headquarters announcement said.

This southern section of Germany has been hit day and night by Allied air power as the month passed.

With its massive effort, the American air armada probably numbered between 1500 and 2000 planes.

It was the 13th mission of the bombers which had hit Berlin four times and other sections of Germany six times before today's assault.

WAR CENTER The area hit heavily today is the site of some of Germany's most important war industries.

Three important ball-bearing factories are known to have been damaged seriously on Feb. 24 when the Luftwaffe shot down a B-24 Liberator bomber and a B-17 Flying Fortress.

Two other factories, the Deutsche Star Kuehler and the Pichler and Schuler, both of which were damaged during the attack.

A few German raiders were over the London area last night and Sunday, but they were shot down.

Some bomb damage also was reported in the Vienna area.

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