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THE MISSOURI MINER

Missouri School of Mines & Metallurgy

VOLUME 29 (Featuring Activities of Students and Faculty of MSM) NUMBER 102

Thirteen Faculty Members Leave MSM

Thirty-Seven On Staff For Summer

As a new semester starts at MSM, it is interesting to note that other faces besides those of students are conspicuous in their absence.

Twelve members of the faculty have left the School of Mines to serve in the military forces or in war industries. The following are those faculty members who have left MSM:

Dr. R. Nelson Smith (Chem.); to University of Chicago for War experimental work.

Dr. J. S. Johnson (E. E.); commissioned in the U. S. Navy.

Dr. Samuel Ellison (Geol.); to work for the Stormolin Oil Co., Texas.

Prof. C. H. Black (Drwg.); on sabbatical leave; to M. I. T. to obtain M. S. in City Planning.

Mr. D. D. Wyatt (M. E.); to work with National Advisory Committee on Aeronautics.

Mr. W. W. Gandy (Math.); commissioned in the U. S. Navy.

Mr. A. D. Topping (Mech.); to work for Goodyear Co.

Mr. Nicholas C. Costakos (Mech.); to work for Goodyear Co.

Mr. C. T. Jonk (E. E.); to the U. S. Navy.

Mr. W. C. Alsmeyer (C. E.); to work for Goodyear Aircraft Corp.

Mr. J. W. Dunn (Petr.); to work in Wichita Falls, Texas.

Mr. H. B. Estes (Phys. Ed.)

Thirty-seven members of the faculty will be on hand for the summer semester, with the remaining complement of teachers returning in the fall. The teaching staff, by departments, for the summer term includes the following:

Ceramics, Prof. Herold; Chem. Eng., Dr. Schrenk, Dr. Ray, Prof. Monroe, Prof. Delano, Mr. Livingood; Civil Eng., Prof. Butler, Prof. Carlton, Mr. Esbaugh; Engr. Drwg., Prof. Schooler; Economics., Prof. Lloyd; History, Mr. Roberts; Elect. Eng., Prof. Frame, Prof. Lovett, Prof. Ranes, Prof. Jensen, Mr. Embree; English, Dr. Guest, Prof. Cagg; Geology, Dr. Muilenburg, Prof. Grawe; Mathematics, Prof. Rankin, Prof. Goodhue, Mr. Erkiletian, Mr. Carpenter; Mech. Eng., Dr. Myles, Prof Kilpatrick, Mr. Thorpe; Mett. Eng., Prof. Walsh; Mining Eng., Prof. Read; Language, Prof. Henning; Physics, Dr. Woodman, Prof. Willson; Phys. Ed., Mr. Hafeli.

PLANS MADE FOR SUMMER SPORTS

The intramural sports program for the summer will begin next week with three sports planned for. Round Robins in tennis, golf, and softball are tentative if enough students are interested.

Since the number of members in the organizations is not known, the competing organizations are indefinite. The plan at present is to have two or more fraternities combine in forming teams for the sports.

Coach Hafeli will meet representatives from the fraternities and the Engineers club Wednesday at 5:00 p. m. to discuss plans. A complete turnout of managers is urged or nothing definte can be accomplished.

Freshman Chemistry at the School of Mines this summer will be taught by Dr. Ward L. Ray, visiting Professor of Chemistry from Carroll College, Waukesha, Wisconsin. Dr. Ray holds a Ph. D. from the University of Wisconsin.

Dean Wilson also announced yesterday that a new chairman for the Mining Department has been selected to fill the office vacated by Dr. Trengrove. The name of the new chairman, the Dean said, will be announced shortly.

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150 Expected to Register at MSM

One hundred and twenty-three students registered at the School of Mines yesterday, June 5th. This is more than was anticipated, and it is expected that the total will go up to 150 due to late registration.

Last summer the enrollment was 334, and the civilian enrollment for the spring semester was 288. This drop is accounted for by the stringent new draft laws and the fact that a number of students unfit for military service are working in industry this summer.

The statistics for the classes are as follows: freshmen, 38; sophomores, 12; juniors, 29; seniors, 36; and unclassified, 8.

Hitler Lacks Warplanes To Match Allies

By UNITED PRESS

Allied airmen covering the invasion of Europe are pitted against German pilots who still are skillful and daring and whose planes still are well-made and deadly. But, from Hitler's standpoint, there just aren't enough of them.

The Germans are believed to have started the war with 7,000 first-line aircraft. Now they have only a fraction of that number. Apart from heavy combat losses, the German fighter output is estimated to have been slashed more than 80 per cent by Allied bombings. They long since gave up the large-scale manufacture of bombers.

Allied airpower, on the other hand, is enormous. The number of British and American heavy bombers alone in the European theatre has been placed at between 5,000 and 6,000. America's total plane production is more than three times that of Germany and both Britain and Russia exceed it.

And — although no figures are available — there is no question of trained pilots, gunners and bombardiers to fly those planes.

As a MINER Sees it

Some of the boys were forced into stuyding for finals despite all they could do to sluff off. The lads in P. Chem., E. E., etc. were turning out reports in mass production. For future reference, there is a guy in St. James who sells them six for fifty nine cents. Knock twice and say, "Leo sent me".

Ferber had his own private delivery service worked up last semester. Any time was convenient, and very informal, too. B. J. liked those blue pajamas with the big yellow polka-dots, "Bunny". She likes khaki, also, it appears.

Triangle has been doing its damndest lately. First a beer bust in honor of Weber's fatal step, then a reception with all the trimmings. Everyone had an exciting evening playing dominoes (not galloping) or something, till the old folks gave up and left. Something about "making hay while the moon shines".

Orlofsky has a regular path three inches deep worn out Salem road these days. He never would wear shoes, much less a tie, before this. What some people won't do for a woman!

The seniors who got their pardons will probably remember the good damsels of Rolla for a long time. You'll never see another bunch to compare in your lives. If you can understand them, you're wasting your time as an engineer.

The "incendiary blonde" bid a fond adieu to our fair hamlet yesterday. Casselman got in a good one before the smoke cleared away at the station. The blonde definitely added something to this community—just what I don't know, but the "big boys" tell me it was okay.

Who is the character who suddenly contracts poison ivy to get out of a date? He must have gotten that idea out of an old physics lab notebook. It was so unique she believed it, almost.

Did anyone get by the Chem. Dept. without the "good Doctor" getting his hands in the pot? Usually, there is just about enough left for a bottle of Pine Tree out of your contingent fee after the plumbers' cut is deducted.

Our boy Boaz talked fast and furiously at the Triangle shindig. He ought to change his brand of liquor or try out the old-fashioned rainbarrel. Chaney again conquered all without wasting a drop. What were you looking for at 2:30 a. m. —had she lost something? Linc found that his half of that bottle disappeared very mysteriously. These transfers only learn through long, hard exeprience.

Are you fitted for a ball and chain when working at the "emporium"? Seems as though you can't even mention wine, women, or song without the authorities frowning. Then there was an upper athletic—who, hold 'er, Newt!

All of the fraternities are one big happy family at Sigma Nu. Joe Dow is slowly losing his mind (driving him to drink, no doubt), but otherwise it's a good deal. Sigma Nu is doing a real service for quite a few fraternity men by taking the initiative in this matter.

11,200 TONS BOMBS DROPPED.

LONDON — Thousands of Allied bombing planes softened up the defenses of western Europe for the Anglo-American invasion armies last night and early today dropping more than 11,200 tons of high explosives down on the the Nazi coastal fortifications in eight and one-half hours of furious attack.

REDS TO STRIKE, TOO.

LONDON — Military observers said today that a general Russian offensive coordinated with the Anglo-American attack from the west may be launched within the next 48 hours and almost certainly will begin before the weekend.

WASHINGTON, JUNE 6 (UP) —Headquarters of the European theater of operations reported to the War Department today that Allied aircraft covering the invasion "are hitting any target that has a bearing on the strength of the armies at the front."

"No target is too small" to be ignored by the Allied air forces, the report continued.

"At the eve of invasion, targets for the 9th Air Force Mustangs, Thunderbolts and Lightnings were concentrated in a relatively narrow but important area of northern France and Belgium, crisscrossed with roads and rail lines from Germany, leading to the first line of pillboxes and trenches and dotted with strategic air bases and cities."

As before D-Day, the fighters and bombers also continued to strike at the larger targets behind the landing points, the department said. The headquarters report said that the U. S. Ninth Air Force was now "flying more fighter-bomber missions with more aircraft than any airforce in history."

Only 'Secret Weapon' Is Rocket Gun, Says Nazi

By UNITED PRESS

Rumors that the Germans are prepared to hurl "invisible aircraft and "uranium bombs" against the invading Allied troops today are wholly untrue, the Germans themselves admit, but in their place they claim to have rocket guns with fantastic range and extraordinary power.

German artillery Gen. Paul Hasse conceded in a recent article in the Koelnische Zeitung that widely-circulated stories of fabulous Nazi "secret weapons" were entirely unfounded in fact. But he added, according to Swiss sources, that the new German rocket gun had many devastating uses and that more were being developed.

While the effect of the rocket shells' fragmentation is limited, Hasse said, the air pressure from their explosions can annihilate men, tanks, guns and buildings over a wide area. He added, however, that the rocket artillery was primarily a defensive weapon.

INVASION AT A GLANCE . . .

Forces Participating—Allied assault armies of Americans, British, Canadians; landed from Allied naval forces supported by strong air formations.

Commanders — Invasion under supreme command of Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower; assault forces under command of British Gen. Sir Bernard L. Montgomery, hero of Allied victories in North Africa.

Location—On the Norman coast of France, south across the English channel from Britain, according to an Allied communique; German broadcasts say invasion concentrated in 75-mile stretch along north coast of the Normandy peninsula extending westward from the mouth of the Seine approximately to Cherbourg.

When announced—At 9:33 A. M., June 6, 1944, British daylight summer time (2:33 A. M. Rolla war time) from supreme headquarters, Allied expeditionary forces, somewhere in Britain. By German broadcasts at 6:42 A. M. (BDST) (11:42 A. M. Rolla war time).

The Prospects—German broadcasts admit loss of German airdromes on Norman peninsula; that Allied forces have penetrated to Caen approximately 8½ miles from north side of peninsula coast.

OUR MEN IN SERVICE

LT. GOWDER WOUNDED IN ACTION.

Lt. Charles Gowder of Muskogee, Okla., was recently wounded in action, but has returned to duty after a brief stay in a hospital. The pilot of an English-based Flying Fortress, Lt. Gowder has been decorated with the Air Medal and the Order of the Purple Heart. He is the brother of Sgt. Thanya Gowder, WAC recruiter stationed in Rolla at the present.

Today's Invading Forces Forerunner of Millions

By UNITED PRESS

The Allied invasion of western Europe this morning is giving the Germans just a sampling of the great hordes that are to follow and complete the job of knocking Hitler off the map of Europe.

British experts have estimated that a successful invasion will require from 60 to 70 divisions—that is, from 900,000 to 1,050,000 men. The Germans, counting on prepared defenses and short interior lines of communication, claim the invaders will need 1,500,000 men even to open a western front.

Whatever the total, the world knows that the final invading force today is predominantly American. Prime Minister Churchill disclosed in a speech this spring that the initial forces will be divided—half British and half American. But as the invasion continues, he said the numerical balance will shift toward the Americans.

Allied Landings End Nazis' Rabbit Raising

By UNITED PRESS

The first victims of the landings in Europe were 200,000 rabbits if recent German radio reports were true.

A Berlin broadcast recently reported that the German soldiers stationed along the "Atlantikwall" had raised 200,000 rabbits as a "meat reserve" and that rabbit raising had become a sport "even for generals and field marshals."

The broadcast said the German high command would order the bunnies to be killed on D-day "because when they get nervous they might send off mines."

Legal Notices

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sealed proposals for Tunnel Repairs for the University of Missouri at the School of Mines & Metallurgy, Rolla, ,Missouri, will be received at the office of the Acting Business Manager, School of Mines & Metallurgy, Rolla, Missouri, until 11 a. m. on the 14th day of June, 1944, at which time they will be publicly opened and read aloud.

All bids shall be made on the printed forms attached to and made a part of the proposed contract documents. On and after May 29th, 1944 the contract documents may be examined at the office of the Acting Business Manager, School of Mines & Metallurgy, Parker Hall, Rolla, Missouri, and at the office of Klipstein & Rathmann, Architects, 316 North 8th Street, St. Louis, Missouri, from whom the said documents may be obtained on deposit of the sum of Twenty-Five Dollars ($25.00).

Desposits will be refunded to each actual bidder upon return of the contract documents in good condition within a reasonable time after receipt of bids; and the other deposits, less $10.00, will be refunded upon return of the documents within thirty (30) days after the receipt of bids.

Each bidder must submit with his bid a Cashier's or Treasurer's Check or a guaranty bond with a surety company as surety, in an amount equal to five (5) per cent of the sum of his base bid.

The character and amount of security to be submitted by contractors for the performance of the contract is stated in the proposed contract documents.

No bidder may withdraw his bid for at least thirty (30) days after the scheduled closing time for the receipt of bids.

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Each bidder must submit with his bid a Cashier's check or a Treasurer's check or a Guaranty Bond with a Surety Company as surety in an amount equal to 5 per cent of the sum of his base bid. The character and amount of security to be submitted by contractors for the performance of the contract is stated in the proposed contract document.

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About Rolla People . . .

VISITS HUSBANDS PARENTS.

Mrs. James Falkenrath and daughter, Janet Kay, are spending some time in Hooker, Mo., visiting her husband's parents. Mr. Falkenrath is in the U. S. Navy in his "boot training" at Farragut, Idaho.

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TO VISIT MOTHER IN ROLLA.

Mrs. A. G. Wynn and daughter of Corpus Christi, Tex., will arrive today to visit her mother, Mrs. Myrtle Smith.

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ATTEND COUNTY SUNDAY SCHOOL MEETING.

Rev. and Mrs. J. V. Carlisle and son, Jerry, and daughter, Mary Ann, and Mrs. Virginia H. Newsham attended the Phelps County Sunday School meeting in Newburg last night where Rev. Carlisle delivered the address.

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RETURN HOME.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Branson of 213 E. 8th street, returned home Sunday evening after spending some time in Kirkwood, Mo., visiting at the home of their son and daughter-in-law, Lt. and Mrs. Ray Branson.

Lt. Branson left for overseas duty Sunday morning.

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RONALD LEE LIPS CELEBRATES BIRTHDAY.

In celebration of his eighth birthday, June 2, Ronald Lee lips entertained 13 of his little friends with a lawn party at his home at 1605 Olive St. Guests were: Larry Fuller, Mike Gelven, Johnny Allen, Allen Baumgardner, Coeleita Bener, Patsy Spradling, Jo Ann Hawks, Huldanna Linville, Jackie Gavemer, James Langston, Lucien Bolon, and Chester Spradling. Refreshments of birthday cake, ice cream and soda were served, and Ronald Lee received many nice presents.

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Friday and Saturday, June 9-10
Saturday Cont. Shows from 1 P. M.
John Carradine, Osa Massen, Jeanne Bates and Larry Parks in
"THE BLACK PARACHUTE"
Plus
The Three Mesquiteers in
"THE VALLEY OF HUNTED MEN"

Midnight Owl Show Saturday, June 10, at 11:30 P. M.
Ann Dvorak and Eric Portman in
"ESCAPE TO DANGER"

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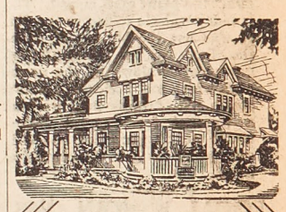

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THE WEATHER

Fair and continued cool.

Rolling Along With Rolla!

Observations - -

By

EDWARD W. SOWERS

D-DAY! This is it! The invasion is on!

* * *

AT 3:15 a. m. our phone rang, long and loud. We stumbled — half asleep — to the receiver. "This is the United Press," said a calm voice. "—the invasion is on."

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DESPITE the fact we had been expecting just such a call, having prearranged for the day-and-night service with UP, it was a shock to hear the words spoken with never-failing UP authority—"The invasion is on!"

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YES, THIS WAS IT. The United Press doesn't make mistakes on such news. "General Eisenhower announces wholesale landings on the north coast of France," the voice continued. We first telephoned the shop foreman and the circulation manager, then jumped into some clothes, and, half-dressed, hurried to the office. Stan Taylor was already in the shop, preparing for the "extra".

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OTHER STAFF MEMBERS followed soon thereafter. The teletype started clicking away at the story, by direct wire from battle headquarters. Ben Gross arrived at the shop without his eyeglasses, but he succeeded in jamming the type into the page as fast as Taylor set it on the linotype. Jean Thomas, news editor, interviewed busy telephone operators, night police officers, hotel clerks and others. Myrtle Brown helped Lyle Custer, circulation manager, line up boys and check them out. The "extra" took form and was on the street at 5:58 a. m.

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ONLY OPPOSITION to the invasion on the "home front" was encountered when the NEW ERA ran into the local gestapo. John Hale, Rolla city police officer, threatened small newsboys with arrest "for blowing whistles" and offered to arrest us, too, "if any more whistles are blown." Although we ordinarily frighten easily, we mustered up courage enough to urge the boys to continue their sales. They did—and sold more than 1,000 copies.

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SOME of the newsboys sold as many as 97 papers. We brought up the rear with our sales, selling only 13 beteen the office and Harvey's cafe—there for a cup of coffee at 6:30 a. m. An army officer asked us for an "extra" and we tore the first one in two before handing him a whole one.

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THE "EXTRAS" were touched off with a simultaneous blowing of big steam whistles here. Advised of the invasion "flash" by the NEW ERA, M. H. Buckey, civilian defense commander, authorized the fire siren to sound the prearranged war emergency signal. Sam Tankersley, after a call from the NEW ERA, ordered his night man at the MSM plant to "blow the whistle". He did—but had earlier refused to blow 'er until Sam called him. "Just some kind of a blow-up at the New Era," the plant man mused. The laundry whistle joined in the din. It was not the big steam whistles, however, but the small signal whistles blown by the newsboys which had Policeman Hale's steam up. "Guess he'll get out a warrant for General Eisenhower next," grumbled one citizen, glad to get the invasion news.

LOCAL WOMEN CAN AID INVASION WITH SURGICAL DRESSINGS

Mrs. Tansy Boorman, executive secretary of the local Red Cross chapter is issuing an urgent appeal to the women of Rolla and Phelps County, asking them to devote as much time as possible to the rolling of bandages at the Surgical Dressing Rooms here, located at 505 Rolla St. It seems unnecessary to remind that many millions of additional bandages will be needed as the casualties mount in the invasion just begun. Work at the Surgical Dressing Rooms enables the women of this community to render a direct, vitally-needed services to the war effort. Don't fail those boys!

-:- MARKETS -:-

CATTLE — Steers $17.25; Vealers $15.25.

HOGS — Heavies $13.70; Buchers $12.25.

SHEEP .. Spring Lambs $15.75; Clipped Lambs $12.50.

INVASION BEACHHEADS SEIZED!

Greatest Armada--11,000 Planes, 4,000 Ships--Stab Toward Paris

Allied Armies Land Early Today--Proceed "According to Plan"

BULLETIN—1:45 P. M. Tuesday

SUPREME HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED EXPEDITIONARY FORCE, LONDON, June 6.—(UP)—Allied invasion armies landed in northwestern France today, drove at least 9½ miles into the vaunted Nazi west wall to the town of Caen, and after 12 hours of fighting held beachheads on a broad front along the coast of Normandy.

Prime Minister Winston Churchill told Commons late today that the invasion is "proceeding in a thoroughly satisfactory manner" and simultaneously a supreme headquarters spokesman said the American and Allied armies had "gotten over the first five or six hurdles" in the greatest amphibious assault of all time.

The German Transocean News Agency, however, broadcast a statement by a Nazi miiltary spokesman which said that except for the Caen beachhead, all the invasion troops had been thrown back toward the sea.

Blow Falls at 6 A. M. In Europe-11 P. M. Here

SUPREME HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED EXPEDITIONARY FORCE, LONDON, June 6.—(UP)—Allied armies today stormed northern France with history's greatest invasion armada—11,000 planes, 4,000 ships and thousands of smaller craft—and in the first few hours seized beachheads that threatened to isolate the Normandy peninsula and win a railroad pointed straight at Paris.

Some six hours after the first waves of American, British and Canadian assault forces landed by sea and air on the Normandy peninsula, Prime Minister Churchill told Commons that the invasion was proceeding "according to plan".

"Obstacles which were constructed in the sea have not proved so difficult as was apprehended," Churchill said. "The fire of shore batteries has been largely quelled.

"Massed air-borne landings have been successfuly effected behind enemy lines and landings on the beaches are proceeding at various points at the present time."

Obviously enjoying his resumption of the role of the great war reporter, Churchill added:

"I cannot, of course, commit myself to any particular details as reports are coming in in rapid succession. So far, the commanders who are engaged have reported that everything is proceeding according to plan — and what a plan!"

DNB said American paratroops landed near Barfleur, 16 miles east of Cherbourg at the northeastern tip of the Normandy peninsula, while a massed sea-borne operation was being carried out near St. Vaast-La Houge, a few miles to the south.

Other invasion forces were pouring ashore at Caretan on the Orne estuary northeast of Caen and between the Orne and Seine estuaries, DNB said. At least six battleships were supporting the latter landings, it said.

An earlier report of a paratroop landing north of Le Havre proved incorrect, DNB said. Instead, the agency explained, the Allies had dropped uniformed dummies which exploded when touched.

Air-Borne Troops Strike

At least four Anglo-American air-borne divisions have been observed between Le Havre and Cherbourg, another DNB broadcast said. The greater part of the landed paraunits, especialy the British, can be considered annihilated, DNB said.

Allied headquarters announced that some 200 Allied minesweepers manned by 10,000 officers and men were clearing the approaches to the invasion beaches. Churchill placed the total number of ships involved at 4,000, at least 1,000 greater than participated in the invasion of Sicily. In addition, Churchill said, thousands of smaller craft were taking part in the European landings.

SUPREME HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED EXPEDITIONARY FORCES, SOMEWHERE IN GREAT BRITAIN, Tuesday, June 6.—(UP)—American, Canadian and British troops invaded western Europe today, landing on the northern coast of France to open the greatest military operation of all time.

Brilliant, battling Gen. Sir Bernard Montgomery commanded the striking force which two days after the freeing of Rome, made from the West its part of the three-way blow from west, south and east which is to free all Europe from the German yoke and carry the Allied armies to Berlin.

German broadcasts, which for three hours before the official announcement had been carrying reports of an Allied invasion, supported by airborne troops, said that heavy fighting was proceeding in the area of Caen, which is 8.6 miles inland from the Normandy coast.

The German reports described a gigantic operation which they said included powerful air forces and heavy warships—according to one version, battleships—which covered the landings with their fire.

According to the Germans, the invasion spearhead centered at the Seine river estuary around Le Havre.

Gen. Eisenhower Announces Landings

Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower announced the invasion in the following communique No. 1 from his supreme headquarters here—

"Under the command of Gen. Eisenhower Allied naval forces, supported by strong air forces, began landing Allied armies this morning on the northern coast of France."

He followed this with an order of the day to Montgomery's assault troops — a poignant, earnest message in which he said the Allied fighting men were dedicated to the greatest military attack of all times ,that they had overwhelming superiority in weapons and munitions and that, though the Germans were tough and well equipped and would fight savagely, the Allies would destroy the German military machine, free Europe, and win security for themselves in a free world.

Eisenhower invoked the blessing of God in a "great and noble undertaking".

Next Eisenhower broadcast a message to the peoples of all Europe, and especially to France, urging them to continue passive resistance and to follow instructions but not to rise prematurely.

Soon after announcement of the invasion, it was made known that Gen. Charles De Gaulle, the man who came to Britain in 1940 to carry the French flag which the Vichymen were trailing in the mire after France collapsed had returned to Britain—this time from Africa—and would address his people during the day.

Buckingham palace announced that King George also would broadcast a message, and King Haakon of Norway broadcast a special message to his own people.

Before the invasion announcement, Allied supreme headquarters had broadcast instruction to the people of France and Holland.

The message to the French said that a new phase of the air war was starting and that people along the coast were to leave their homes for the open country, avoiding main roads, as soon as Allied

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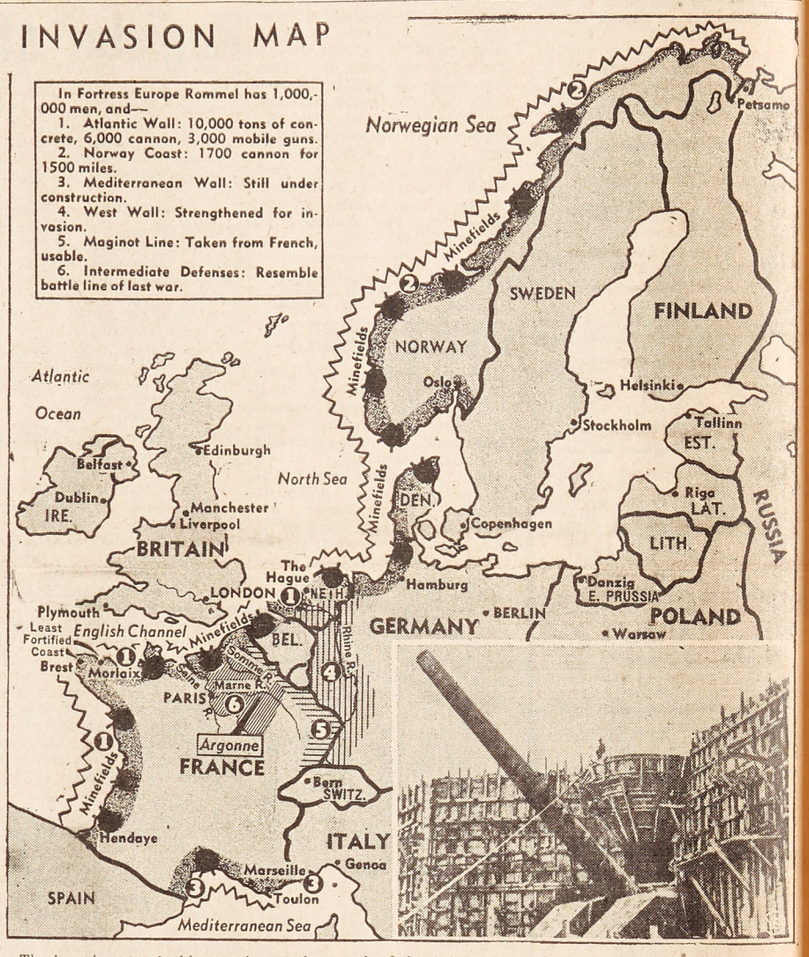
INVASION MAP



The invasion struck this morning at the mouth of the Seine river in northern France, pictured above. The kind and disposition of German defenses against Allied invasion are mapped, above, from description given by Ralph E. Heinzen, former UP director in France, after 13 months' internment in Germany. As described by the Germans, main defenses consist of three barriers, ranging back from the coast to the Rhine. First comes the "Atlantic Wall", stretching from Hendaye, on the Spanish frontier to the Hague, Netherlands, armed with thousands of permanent cannon behind steel and concrete and containing more thousands of mobile guns. In coastal waters before this, say the Germans, are "millions" of mines and anti-assault craft steel obstacles. Similar marine and coastal emplacements extend all along the coast of Norway to Petsamo, Finland. Second defense barrier, behind Atlantic Wall, is deep anti-tank and anti-personnel system across the plains of Picardy, straddling the Somme river and roughly approximating the battle line of World War I. Third barrier of German defenses consists of recently overhauled Siegfried Line, protecting the Rhine, and the Maginot Line. Germans also boast of a Mediterranean Wall, protecting south coast of France, anchored in the Pyrenees and Alps. Inset photo shows great gun, said by Germans to be one of many along coast, some of which have already been silenced early today by the mighty Allied armada. (NEW ERA-NEA map.)

Invasion Bulletins

HEAVY BOMBERS PAVE WAY.

LONDON, June 6. —(UP)—More than 1,300 RAF heavy bombers struck the mightiest blow of the war at the chain of German batteries along the northern coast of France last night and early today just before the Allied invasion.

NAVAL GUNS POUND BEACHES.

LONDON, June 6. —(UP)—More than 640 naval guns, ranging from four-inch to 16-inch, are bombarding the French beaches and enemy strong points in support of the Allied armies, Allied Supreme Headquarters announced today.

NAZI SHIP SUNK IN SEINE.

LONDON, June 6. —(UP)—DNB, German News Agency, admitted in a broadcast today that a German vessel had been sunk during violent fighting in the Seine estuary.

ADVANCE IN ITALY, TOO.

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, NAPLES, June 6. —(UP)—The Allied 5th Army drove the battered Germans in disorderly retreat across the Tiber River on a 17-mile front from Rome to the Tyrrhenian Sea today and sent powerful armored columns five miles beyond the river under orders to destroy the fleeing enemy.

GENERAL "IKE" WATCHES HIS SHOW.

ALLIED ADVANCE POST, ENG., June 6. —(UP)— Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower stood on a rooftop on invasion eve and watched a mighty airborne armada form in the dusky sky and wing toward France to begin the final phase of the war of liberation.

GERMANS CLAIM ALLIED PARATROOPERS DESTROYED AT CAEN.

LONDON, June 6. —(UP)—The German High Command in its first invasion communique today said Allied forces suffered "particularly heavy reverses" in the Caen area of northern France and claimed that an entire regiment of Paratroopers was destroyed in that sector.

Eight officers of the Army Nurse Corps have been awarded the Purple Heart for wounds received as a result of enemy action in Italy, the War Department said.

BACK THE ATTACK!

Officer Threatens NEW ERA Newboys With Arrest Here

John Hale, a Rolla city police officer, early today threatened several Rolla Daily NEW ERA "extra" newsboys with arrest—and threw in the publisher for good measure.

About 6 a. m., shortly after the "invasion extra" hit the street here, Policeman Hale yelled at three NEW ERA newsboys shouting "extra" at 8th and Pine streets.

"Hey, stop that noise—you can't blow those whistles—if you blow them again I'll arrest you," Hale shouted.

The publisher of the NEW ERA, several staff members and several citizens who had already purchased the "extra" were standing at 810 Pine street. We remonstrated with the officer that it was war news which the public wanted but he advised us that we, too, would be arrested if there was any further use of the whistles.

Several of the newsboys, frightened, scurried to residential sections. It was necessary to round up more boys for the street sales, and, after they were reorganized, they succeeded in selling more than 1,000 "extras" bringing the first printed news of the great invasion to Rolla.