

Augusta, Big Sicilian Naval Base, Captured; 3 Key Railroad Towns Taken in Swift Drive

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time or inclination to carry out a scorched earth program. Gen. Achille Dabé, commander of the Italian 206th coastal division, was captured along with many prisoners in addition to around 6000 previously reported taken by the allies. Many counter-attacks were repulsed, especially by the Americans in hard fighting near Gela, and enemy tanks (all of French origin) were destroyed.

Italian General Captured

The Italian navy, except for submarines, had not yet been encountered in any strength and the Germans, for the moment, showed no definite signs of deciding where to throw the bulk of their armor in Sicily.

While allied air fleets continued to sweep ahead of the invasion forces and sank or damaged five transports and two destroyers carrying axis reinforcements, the communiqué disclosed that a number of enemy tank counter-attacks had been beaten off by American, British and Canadian troops.

Ragusa is a town of 50,000 located at a railroad junction. It is a small oil center.

"A large number of prisoners were taken and tanks were destroyed" in the fighting, the communiqué said. Previously, at least 2000 prisoners had been reported officially and 4000 others were unofficially listed as captured.

The American 7th army under Gen. George S. Patton Jr., which fought inland from Licata and Gela again repulsed stiff axis counter-attacks, spearheaded by tanks, and took many prisoners. London reports said Patton's forces were attacking Agrigento, 25 miles north west of Licata.

Port Undamaged

An allied communiqué said that the port of Syracuse was now in allied hands and that the harbor and port facilities apparently were undamaged.

While the land forces continued their advance, air squadrons led by Flying Fortresses pounded Messina, shutting off traffic with Italy, and hundreds of fighters and fighter-bombers destroyed axis supply and troop convoys on the roads of Sicily without meeting much axis air opposition. Twenty-eight axis planes were shot down. We lost 11.

Swedish dispatches quoted German reports that the allies had landed seven infantry divisions—normally 105,000 men—and two tank divisions in the first two days of the invasion. One tank division was identified as American and the other as British.

The threat to Augusta, axis seaplane and submarine base 33 miles south of Catania, arose from the capture of Syracuse on the first day of the invasion, Saturday.

American forces were slowly advancing out from their bridgeheads in

the Locata-Gela area of the south coast and massing strength to meet an anticipated major axis counter-attack from the west. A German communiqué said fierce fighting was continuing in Sicily. Twenty-five enemy planes were shot down over Sicily and Sardinia yesterday and heavy losses were inflicted on the allied landing fleet, the communiqué said.

While torpedo planes concentrated on enemy shipping, bombers struck at enemy ports and fields, both on Sicily and on the nearby Italian mainland, and other aircraft shot up enemy troop and transport concentrations in support of ground forces.

Two axis supply ships were sunk.

OFFICER BAKER IS SUSPENDED

Deputy Inspector Charges He Struck Two Youths At Diner.

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friend and took Mr. Shorridge across the street threatening to lock him up, the report stated. After Baker is said to have hit him, Mr. Andrews said he would call the police. Then he was struck with the baton, it was charged.

The patrolmen were quoted as telling the young men to "go on home and forget everything."

Officer Baker, assigned to district 13, had failed to make a 1 a. m. report, according to records in the game-well office. Sgt. Liese later found him at Lexington and State aves. and brought him to Inspector Small.

To See Chief Today

When questioned at headquarters, Patrolman Baker said he had gone to the diner on a report of some young man causing a disturbance and also to get something to eat. He admitted that he had had one bottle of beer, according to the report filed with Police Chief Becker.

He was scheduled to appear in the police chief's office at 2 p. m. today.

Witnesses seeing the incident besides the four young men, are Max Stewart, 845 Wright st.; William Taulman, 643 S. New Jersey st.; George Sullivan, 631 E. McCarty st.; Roy Rhude, 2523 N. Delaware st.; Alvin Morgan, 522 N. Belmont ave.; John Baird, 2301 Hoyt ave.; Frank Mike, 1341 Barth ave.; Charles Camden, 3124 S. Keystone ave.; Carl Mulder, 3801 N. State ave., and Roscoe Grubbs, R. 5. Box 507.

PREPARE ITALIANS FOR LOSS OF SICILY

LONDON, July 13 (U. P.)—The Italian press has begun to prepare the nation for the eventual loss of Sicily, a Stockholm dispatch said today, and Radio Morocco said serious anti-war demonstrations have broken out in Northern Italy.

A spokesman for allied headquarters in North Africa was heard broadcasting over Radio Algiers what he called the allied peace terms for Italy. They are:

1. Unconditional surrender of the Italian armies and the Fascist government.

2. Free choice for the Italian people of a non-Fascist government.

COAST GUARDSMAN KILLED

BOSTON, July 13 (U. P.)—One coast guardsman was killed and another was critically hurt early today when the motorcycle on which they were riding from their Chelsea station to a base here skidded, overturned and traveled nearly 50 feet.

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THE INDIANAPOLIS TIMES

CITY IS COOL TO BLUE 'REFORMS'

Police Will Continue to Use Own Tactics, Miller Says.

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sposable for the approval of all affidavits.

"I'm not agreeing that the police department can't file affidavits without your approval," Mr. Miller fired back at the prosecutor. "It's your duty to approve all affidavits if the police officers insist they have a legal case and if you don't approve the affidavits some other way will be found to do it."

Previously Mr. Blue had said he would not continue to approve affidavits in cases where the arrests were illegal.

After clashing back and forth, the prosecutor said he would the corporation counsel if the city administration was willing to follow the law in making arrests.

"Sure, I've said several times we'll always follow the law and cooperate but Mayor Tyndall's policies have been put into effect in the police department and they will continue," said Mr. Miller.

"That's Your Opinion"

"How about all these illegal arrests?" asked Mr. Blue. "You are asking me to prosecute cases in which illegal arrests have been made."

"That's your opinion about those illegal arrests. If a policeman insists he has a legal case we're going to see that his case gets into court," said Mr. Miller.

When Mr. Blue pinned the corporation counsel down to further technicalities about police work, Mr. Miller blurted:

"Why don't you see Chief Becker about those things? He's the person you ought to see; you know where his office is; go over and see him."

Blue Is Icked

Visibly icked, Mr. Blue retorted that he had especially urged Chief Becker, the mayor and Mr. Remy to attend the conference "but they didn't seem to want to be here."

The prosecutor then proposed to name a committee to meet regularly on all law enforcement matters and asked Mr. Miller if the police department would abide by decisions of the committee.

"I can't bind the city administration to the decisions of any committee unless I know what the decisions are going to be," Mr. Miller said.

"Well, do you agree to the appointment of a committee?" Mr. Blue asked.

"Sure, it's all right to appoint a committee," Mr. Miller said.

The prosecutor named Sheriff Otto Petit, himself and Chief Becker on the committee.

Bain Backs Prosecutor

Judge W. D. Bain of criminal court supported the prosecutor in his program of uniform law enforcement.

"Gentlemen, it's a terrible situation when the police and the prosecutor can't get together on legal procedure in arrests and prosecution," Judge Bain said. "The courts are going to be put on the spot all the time if cases come up to my court without the approval of the prosecutor. How in the world are they going to be prosecuted?"

Judge Bain added that "it is just not reasonable that a police officer should determine whether a case should go to trial or not."

Judge John Niblack didn't agree 100 per cent with Mr. Blue's program that the prosecutor should have the last say on who should be prosecuted and who should not.

"I think the prosecutor should approve affidavits in all cases, then dismiss the case if they are illegal or bad arrests," said Judge Niblack.

Sheriff With Blue

"There are bound to be some bad arrests under the conditions police have to work and at the same time there'll be plenty of good ones."

Sheriff Petit sided 100 per cent with the prosecutor.

"My office will co-operate fully with the prosecutor in a uniform policy of legal arrests and proper prosecutions," he said.

Judge John McNeils of municipal court 3, agreed that the prosecutor should approve all affidavits before any case gets into court.

"That's the prosecutor's duty and no one else's," said the judge.

All agreed, even Mr. Miller, that the prosecutor's office should issue all subpoenas in all cases and that the prosecutor should prepare all affidavits for issuance of search warrants.

BEATEN PROPRIETOR IN POOR CONDITION

Thaiche Salokoll, operator of a tavern at 825 Indiana ave., who was beaten Sunday, was reported to be still in a critical condition at City hospital today.

Another person was arrested last night and held for investigation in connection with the attack. Three others also have been arrested. T. S. Salokoll, operator of the U. S. army air corps, son of the victim, arrived by plane from Florida today.

Post-War Blueprint

Industry in City Guards Research

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nish electricity for homes, eliminating the necessity of paying light bills and paying for itself in a comparatively short time.

These are only two of many similar post-war products now being developed by Indianapolis and Indiana concerns which promise to revolutionize the life of the average family during the coming few years.

Many other companies have completed post-war plans which are not nearly so spectacular from the layman's point of view but which are of great importance in the plans of business leaders to keep the economic structure of the nation afloat with a minimum of government assistance, after the war.

Efficiency in Desks

Typical of this type of planning is that done by an office furniture manufacturing concern.

This concern surveyed the field and concluded that with the tremendous output of recent months there is enough office furniture now in offices to last a generation.

So the only hope for new business, as this company sees it, is to engineer its product to an extent that it will make obsolete the office furniture now being used and thus create a new market. And that is what the firm is doing.

The reasoning of this company is that if an office pays a girl \$25 a week and can then save an hour a day of her time by more efficient desks, thus saving 62½ cents a day, or \$3.75 a week or \$187.50 a year, that the office will be glad to buy a new \$75 desk.

Survey Foreign Markets

The post-war plans of many Indiana concerns call for the invasion of the foreign market. Many companies that never shipped overseas before are now laying plans to start immediately after the war. They feel that the opportunities will be fairly equal with those getting their products overseas first getting in on the ground floor.

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Use Wooden Models

The shortage of material has forced many companies to restrict the work in their laboratories to the making of wooden models. But this is not satisfactory because the models cannot be tested and delays preparations for the manufacture of the product.

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