

SICILY: A Pictorial Record of the Invasion

Transport planes and commanding officers of paratroopers go through that briefing to insure perfect coordination.

Meanwhile, at North African port assets troopshipped the deck. A few smaller landing craft can be seen in foreground while behind the LCY other vessels steam out.

Tanks and trucks rumble off to the dropping beach, and there go inland.

Some Army equipment was not unscathed, was a reluctant boat landing.

Despite constant Allied air cover a few Axis planes did break through, dropped eggs a little too close for comfort.

Rain in a sunbaked Sicilian town captured by the Allies.

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THE WAR FRONTS

1 ITALY: The implication that Italy might soon be out of the war was the most generally anticipated... King Victor Emmanuel had accepted the "invitation" of Premier Benito Mussolini and his cabinet... Mussolini immediately formed a military government with the announced policy to "continue the conduct of the war."

2 SICILY: The Allied conquest of Sicily proceeded quickly... The American advance was so rapid that Italian troops were unable to occupy the port facilities of the capital at Palermo.

3 CRETE: One of the biggest attacks ever made on the island... The principal action continued in the direction of Chel and the Red Army made substantial gains. The key point of Balchava was taken and Red Army troops were reported to have cut the line there.

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5 AIR OFFENSIVE: Principal bombings are indicated on the map above right... The heaviest air blow ever struck descended today on Hamburg as the RAF in two successive raids dropped more than 200 tons of bombs each time in the city... U.S. forces in southern Italy... The number of aircraft in the attack force... The number of aircraft in the attack force... The number of aircraft in the attack force...

6 SOUTHWEST PACIFIC: Ground troops... The principal action continued in the direction of Chel and the Red Army made substantial gains. The key point of Balchava was taken and Red Army troops were reported to have cut the line there.

7 WAKE: Army Liberators bombed Wake Island twice in three days... Bombing attacks carried out by 10 types of our aircraft... The number of aircraft in the attack force... The number of aircraft in the attack force...

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Paratroopers landed at night behind enemy lines as all glider-borne troops, paving the way for the main force.

Speedy trucks across the Sicilian beaches. Army engineers brought men which they unloaded and rolled down.

Happy to have the war over with, Italian soldiers give up arms as they surrendered to advancing Canadian troops.

In New Guinea there was sharp fighting near Komandon, seven miles from the enemy base at Salamona. In sharp fighting, 262 Japs were killed.

Five original Liberators bombed Sardinia, Italy, the enemy headquarters for the island base captured by the Japs in 1942. The raiding force made a round trip of 2000 miles and earned five 100-mile wings.

One of the highly-sound Navy Mark VI "Tiger" sniped cold by our anti-aircraft. Near front trend and column, gun.

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An American map titled "Newsmap: Monday, August 2, 1943." The map, of Europe and Africa, shows the path and locations of Allied shuttle bombings. Four other maps show the stages of the Allied Sicily invasion from July 12 to July 26, 1943. Yet another map shows up to date positions in the Central Front from Zhizdra to Belgorod, Soviet Union. Printed text and photographs reveal news on multiple fronts. Printed text and drawings on the back give soldiers tips on how to recognize Allied tanks.

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