

**Holland**

Dutch Radio announced Germans seized many new hostages, whose lives will be forfeit if sabotage continues.

**Borneo Oil**

Japanese able to use big quantities of oil in British and Dutch Borneo suitable for fleet.

**Nazi Bases In Norway**

Nazis have built four naval strongholds for battle in Atlantic and Arctic Oceans.

Every precaution being taken against Allied attack on Norwegian coast. Large stretches of coastline fortified.

**Egypt**

British light naval units shelled harbour at Mersa Matruh, causing heavy damage.

Eighth Army keeping up pressure against Rommel's forces at El Alamein.



THIS IMPRESSIVE PICTURE of the destruction caused on March 3 by R.A.F. bombs to the Renault works

**DAMAGE TO THE RENAULT WORKS.**—More ground photographs, smuggled out of France, showing damage done to the Renault works, near Paris, after the successful R.A.F. raid on March 3.

on the outskirts of Paris is one of a remarkable series taken inside the smashed buildings in spite of all Nazi precautions.

## BRITAIN'S RIGHT TO SINK VICHY WARSHIPS

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

WASHINGTON, Tuesday.

The United States considers Britain would be wholly justified in sinking the units of the French Fleet now at Alexandria to prevent their falling into the hands of Germany and has so informed the Vichy Government.

Two Notes addressed by President Roosevelt to the Vichy Government on the subject were made public by Mr. Sumner Welles, the Acting Secretary of State, to-day.

The first Note, sent on July 3, proposed that the French warships should pass through the Suez Canal under the protection and custody of the United States to some safe American or neutral Latin-American port. The President pledged the return of the ships to France at the end of the war.

These ships comprise the old battleship Lorraine, 22,189 tons; the 10,000-ton cruisers Duquesne, Tourville, Suffren, and Duguay-Trouin, the 1,300-ton destroyers Basque, Forbin, and Le Fortune; and the ocean-going submarine Protée.

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### 300 KILLED IN JUNE RAIDS

Civilian casualties due to air raids on the United Kingdom during June announced by the Ministry of Home Security last night were as follows:

	Killed, or missing & believed detained in hospital	Injured and detained in hospital
Men .....	126	133
Women .....	137	168
Children under 16 ..	37	36
Total ..	300	337

In June last year 339 persons were killed and 461 injured. From the beginning of the war to the end of last month civilian air raid casualties totalled 45,100 killed and 56,343 injured.

Announcing last month's figures the Ministry points out that they are only a fraction of the casualties attributed by rumour-mongers to particular raids.

## ROMMEL ATTACKS TO FIND A WEAK SPOT

### HEAVY TANKS FAIL TO REACH OUTPOSTS

From CHRISTOPHER BUCKLEY, Daily Telegraph Special Correspondent

WITH THE EIGHTH ARMY, Tuesday.

It is hammer and tongs again on the El Alamein front, with Axis forces attacking hard against the northern end of our position. They are seeking to eliminate the effects of our advance last week.

The enemy attacks followed the customary method of artillery bombardment, followed by waves of attacking tanks and lorried infantry.

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## GERMAN PROGRESS IN STALINGRAD THRUST

### NEW CROSSING OF DON FORCED

### ENEMY DISLODGED FROM VORONEZH SUBURBS

From OSSIAN GOULDING, Daily Telegraph Special Correspondent

STOCKHOLM, Wednesday.

The biggest battle of the whole war is being fought for Voronezh, the Russian stronghold, on the Moscow-Rostov railway, near the east bank of the Don.

More than a thousand German tanks are in action but, as the Soviet late communiqué makes clear to-night, the Russians are still holding on.

But in the elbow of the Don, in the area at the distant approaches to the great industrial base of Stalingrad, the Germans continue to make progress.

## RAIDS ON U-BOAT YARDS ALARM ENEMY

BY OUR AIR CORRESPONDENT

The R.A.F.'s campaign of striking at U-boats where they cannot dive is showing such good results that the Germans are taking steps to protect them from heavy raids by Bomber Command.

At the sally ports, for instance, they have built a great number of concrete pens with very thick roofs.

Yesterday I was given the authoritative assurance: "There is no doubt that the cumulative effect of these attacks has been useful."

The Germans have good cause to be alarmed. New U-boats have been "killed" before making their first raiding trips. The production of others has been delayed by attacks at many points in the construction chain.

This battle between the aeroplane and submarine fought out over land has been going on for several months. Now its pattern is clear.

#### FIVE OBJECTIVES

Bomber Command has had five objectives in mind, each covering a stage in the life of a submarine. Chronologically they are:

- Materials factories,
- Components factories,
- Slipways,
- Training facilities,
- Sally ports.

## NEW AXIS ATTACK IN EGYPT HELD

### R.A.F. INCREASING WEIGHT OF COUNTER-BLOWS

From CHRISTOPHER BUCKLEY, Daily Telegraph Special Correspondent

EL ALAMEIN, Wednesday.

Foiled in his attempts by daylight against the British positions at Tel el Eisa, the previous day, the enemy renewed the attack yesterday evening, under the cover of dusk, and continued the action into the night.

While night attacks against defensive positions give a greater opportunity of penetration at some point or other, the prospects of a decisive, co-ordinated break-through are to some extent diminished.