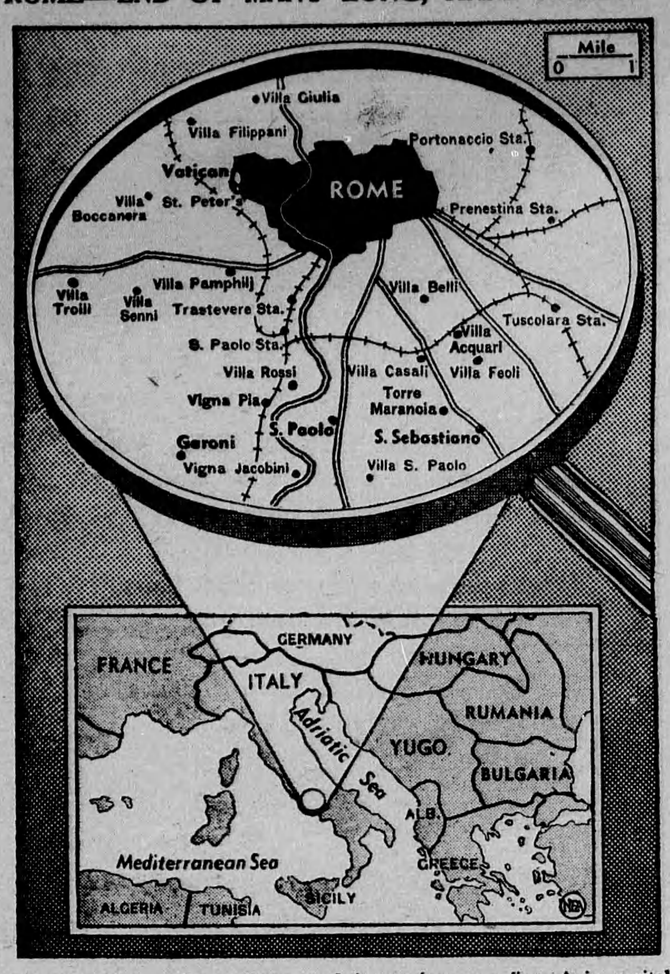
ROME—END OF MANY LONG, HARD ROADS



The map above shows Rome and its environs — first Axis capital city in this war to be attacked by Allied ground troops.

THE WAR - WEEK — Commentary on Current Events

Nazis Can No Longer Pretend That Italy Is Part Of Axis

To have spent so much for the prestige of holding Rome measures how heavily they (the Germans) value that prestige, writes Joseph C. Harsch in the Christian Science Monitor. There is no reason why their estimate of its value should not be the yardstick of its value to us. Rome was for them an argument that German troops were superior to Allied troops.

They wanted that argument to bolster the confidence of their people in the German army during the pre-invasion period. They wanted it to give their troops on the Channel and on the Russian front an extra fillip of confidence at the moment of the assault. They invested lavishly on this.

Their defeat below Rome lowers the morale of every German soldier anywhere in Europe. It also gives every Allied soldier that ounce of extra confidence which comes from knowing that a crack German army has just taken a thorough drubbing on another front.

Airfields Valuable

Add to that a few other more tangible gains which go with Rome. The city itself may not be of miltary value. But around Rome are a cluster of airfields which are the biggest and best on the peninsula. The possession of the air fields at Foggia has already proved of enormous advantage to the Allied cause. From Foggia the Balkans and southern Germany have been brought under the weight of Allied air power.

The Rome airfields are about 150 miles nearer the German frontier than Foggia. That automatically carries the range of the Allied air attack 150 miles deeper into Germany. Of course, that doesn't happen at once. It took well over a month to get the Foggia fields in operating shape. Filling in the bomb craters is the least of the job.

What takes time is getting the flow of fuel and supplies moving and repair facilities set up. How soon Rome's airfields could be in operating condition is a variable. Much depends on how soon the port of Ostia can be organized to receive supplies.

Transportation Centre

Then there is Rome's value as a transportation centre. It is in every sense the rail centre of the country. It is also the communications centre.

More than these, it is the political centre. Mussolini's residual Fascist Government has had only a shadow of influence and authority since the surrender of the King. But what substance that shadow still enjoyed derived largely from the fact that Rome was still in Axis hands. With the fall of Rome that dwindles to nothing. When the Germans lost Rome they lost the last basis for the pretense that there is still an Italy in the Axis.

And not to be overlooked is the Vatican. So long as German troops patrolled the boundaries of Vatican City, the Papacy was forced to mold its voice always with an eye to this fact. Osservatore Romano, the Vatican daily newspaper, has been forced to heed German wishes to circulate in Rome itself.

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Modern Etiquette

By Roberta Lee

1. What would be a good excuse to offer if one wishes to decline an invitation that one does not care to accept?

2. When a new acquaintance leaves and says "I am very glad to have met you" what reply should one make?

3. At what time should the water goblets be filled at the dinner table?

4. Can you give any suggestions what to give a couple who are observing their first wedding anniversary?

5. Is it ever proper to lay bits of food on the tablecloths?

6. Is it proper to have a child introduce his small friends to adults?

ANSWERS

1. An earlier engagement for that day or evening would probably be the best excuse. 2. Merely respond with a cordial "Thank you". 3. Immediately before the guests are called in to dinner. 4. Books, stationery, playing cards, or subscriptions to magazines. 5. Yes, in such cases as when individual dishes for hard breads or celery are not furnished. 6. Yes and this is excellent training for the child.

Anglo-American Co-operation Pays

Allied victory is being aided greatly by the little-known British-American patent pool, under which war manufacturers on each side of the water have free access to every talent and invention on both sides. Thus the full capacity of both nations' productive capacity can work with the full measure of both nations' inventive genius. It is good to know how completely the two English-speaking nations can cooperate to beat the Nazis and the Japs.

'SKY-FARMERS'

Atop the New York Children's Aid Society's building, high above the city's sweltering streets and only eight blocks from Times Square, youngsters from 4 to 6 years old tend their own miniature Victory gardens. "Rural" life seems to have been too much for lad in foreground.

Tokyo Preparing For Allied Bombing

Tokyo, preparing for Allied bombing of Japan, has evacuated non-essental person from the city and levelled inflammable wooden structures near war industries and other targets to reduce the fire hazards, a German correspondent stationed there cabled Berlin recently.

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No German Ships At Sea After War

I fully agree with Lord Vansittart's program for dealing with postwar Germany, but speaking as a sailor of some experience and having experienced some German chivalry at sea in the last war, I am of the opinion that to the ten points there should be added an eleventh, viz: "Not a ship on the sea". The United Nations will run their freight for them and they can pay the usual commercial rates, thus helping to pay for the war they started. — B. H. Symns, Tofino, V.I., B. C., in Maclean's Magazine.

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