

# Photos Illustrate Methods of Daring Invasion Assault



Minus the smoke of naval guns pouring hot steel into shore installations, this is what German sentries along the coast of France saw in the early morning of D-Day. Photo was made during large-scale

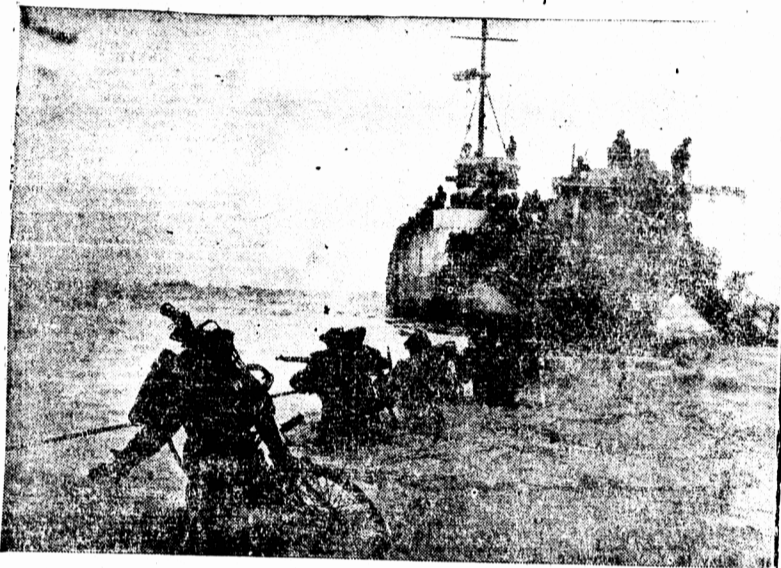
British Army exercises, in co-operation with naval and air force units, a few weeks before invasion. Note barrage balloons protecting convoy.



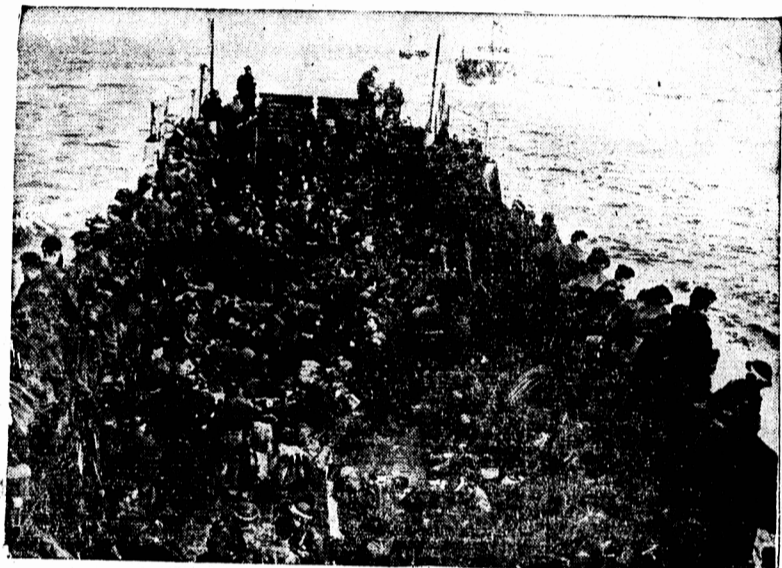
Invasion preparations in Great Britain, many of which will not be fully disclosed until Germany's final submission, included the widening of British highways and the strengthening of many bridge spans to carry heavy invasion equipment. In concentrated areas, signs, as shown here, warned civilians not to talk with soldiers.



Prime Minister Winston Churchill paid a surprise visit to the Canadians in the field, shortly before D-Day broke. Mr. Churchill is greeted as he arrived at a Canadian unit's headquarters. Mr. Churchill's visit was an informal one "a friendly visit to the Canadians."—(Canadian Army Overseas Photo).



Here's how British, Canadian and American mobile troops, loaded down with full equipment, plus in this case a bicycle, stormed the beaches of Normandy in the early dawn of D-Day. This photograph was taken during the first large-scale British Army exercises which preceded actual invasion by only a few weeks.



Heading for their objectives, these British troops, aboard an infantry landing craft, re-enact scenes which took place along the shores of France in the early dawn of D-Day, as British, Canadian and American troops stormed Hitler's vaunted westwall. This photograph was made during the last large-scale exercises which preceded invasion by only a few weeks.



German prisoners, including an officer, start on their way to prison camps in Britain. In spite of many Germans rolled back across the Channel in the West Wall the Canadians rolled up onto French beaches in their invading craft and a little later the same boats. (Canadian Army—W.I.E. Radio-Photo)



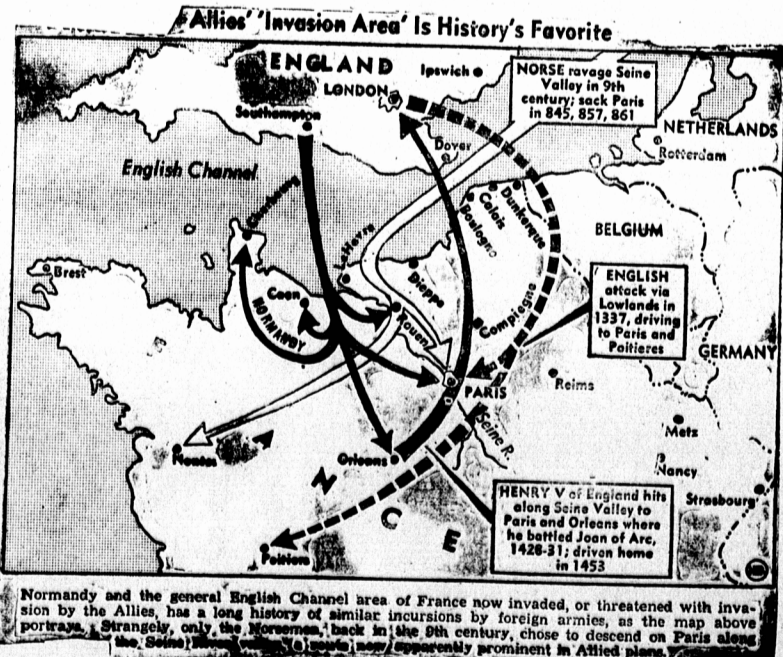
Near the Canadian front line in France, gunners of an R.C.A. Anti-Tank Battery wheel a 17-pounder into position against possible counter-attacks by Armoured Units of Rommel's retreating Germans. — (Canadian Army — W. I. B. Radio-photo).



British flag marks beach commanders post on the beaches being stormed in the course of invasion. Photo was made during large-scale operations of the British Army a few weeks before the real thing.



Moving into the interior of France as they drive the enemy back to new positions, Canadian Armoured troops are watched by villagers as the tanks pass through a French town. (Canadian Army—W.I.E. Radio-Photo).



This once proud Panzer Grenadier, one of Hitler's so-called "supsermen", is just one of thousands of British prisoners today. He was captured during the 8th Army drive on Rome. (Canadian Army Overseas Photo).