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CHURCHILL BACK IN ENGLAND

Churchill arrived back at Paddington Station, London, on Sunday after his 10,000 mile trip, having flown back from Algiers with an American pilot. He was met by Mrs. Churchill, First Sea Lord Sir Dudley Pound and an enthusiastic crowd.

After reviewing the victorious Eighth Army in Tripoli, complete with Air Commodore's uniform, walking stick and cigar he addressed the men:

"You have altered the whole face of the war in a most remarkable way. What this has meant in tireless endu-

rance and self-denial of the troops and fearless leadership by the officers can only be appreciated by those who were on the spot. But the fame of our desert army has spread throughout the world. You no doubt feel a sense of relief after all those thousand miles of desert to be once again in a land of grass and water. You will not lose, I think, that advantage. You will go forward to fight in a country which, although it will produce new difficulties, will not have the same grim hardships as those of the desert which you have learned to surmount.

RUSSIAN STEAM ROLLER

Referring to Russia, Lord Haw-Haw made the crack that steam-rollers usually go backwards as often and as far as they go forward. In some places the Germans have now withdrawn further back than their lines of last winter. Over 44,000 prisoners, including a Hungarian Corps commander, have been taken west of Voronezh.

The German troops from the Caucasus are now left with the Kerch straits as a last line of retreat. Whether they will manage to save any equipment or indeed any men in a sea crossing hazardous with the ice and perilous indeed with Russian naval supremacy and mastery of the air with British-built Mosquitoes remains to be seen.

Even on a small-scale map the latest advances claimed by the Russians seem phenomenal. Their armies, released from investing the Germans at Stalingrad, have lost no time in their advance westward and have now reached the Gulf of Taganrog, capturing the coast town of Yeisk and the important city of Azov at the mouth of the Don. They have thus finally blocked the last land way of escape open to the Germans and over 80 miles now separate the armies formerly destined to capture the Russian oilfields and any possible relieving force.

Rostov itself has been approached within six miles and is now invested on a front 30 miles broad. Further north in the Donetz basin all the communications on which the Germans relied between their main bases at Orel, Kursk and Kharkov have been cut. For instance, only one rail-route, and that a round-about one, now remains between Kharkov and the whole Donetz basin.

ONLY 200 MILES

Little news comes from the British First Army. It seems stuck, literally stuck in the mud. An officer wrote me that washing is discouraged, partly for lack of water, partly because a good coating of mud acts as some deterrent to the ubiquitous insects. Politics behind the lines take the headlines; when the allies arrived nearly 7,000 of de Gaulle's supporters were in jail; the British parliament is worried because only 900 have been released.

Now only 260 miles lie between First and Eighth Armies. But Rommel has no alternative but to fall back to the

Mareth line, defences constructed before the war by the French and officially destroyed under the 1940 armistice terms between France and Italy. Withdrawal to this line will give the allies a further 60 miles and four airdromes at Ben Gardane, Fom Tatahouine, Remada and Medenine.

Initiative remains for the present with von Arnim's men. They have held the American advance 70 miles west of Stax at Macnassi and the Faid pass. But both in the north and south British fighting patrols have gained some ground. The German supplies are being constantly sunk — 10 ships being lost to submarines and 4 to aircraft this week. One British submarine surfaced so close to the Tunisian coast that it was fired on by a German armoured car but this unusual battle was without effect.

NEWS IN BRIEF

The Roumanian generals captured at Stalingrad complain that they were never told of the Russian offer of honourable surrender.

A hundred thousand shops, bars and night clubs are to be closed in Germany. No more confectionery or jewellery are to be produced. In Italy the public sale of spirits has been forbidden.

The Australian Militia (Home Guard) is to be liable for service overseas; Australia lost over 56,000 soldiers in 1942. General Smuts' motion that South African soldiers should serve outside Africa was passed with twice as large a majority as brought South Africa into the war.

Stockholm's "Dagens Nyheter": The British daylight raid on Berlin with Mosquitoes was studied rudeness towards Reichsmarshal Goering, but it was also a symbolic episode; victory fanfares were replaced by detonation bombs from aircraft sent by the nation which sought to the very end to reach a peaceful agreement with the Nazi Reich.

INTOFF

**FØROYA
BRUNATRYGGING**

**Hús - innbúgv - vør-
ur - verða tryggjað.**

Telf. 234.

Stort Udvalg i Dame og Herrehandsker.

*Damehandsker i Gazelle, Ruskind og glaceret Skind.
Damahandsker i Doeskind (Vaskeskind) almindelige
og haandsyet.*

Damehandsker i Peccaryskind.

Herrehandsker (Læder) forede.

Herrehandsker Chamois Læderhandsker (Vaskeskind)

Herrehandsker til Motorbrug.

Kun en Gros.

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Thorshavn, den 4. Februar 1943.

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