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## TEN ARE BROWNED AS DREDGE SINKS

### 'Total Victory' Allied Goal FDR Says

President Asserts Mussolini Will Get Punishment

WASHINGTON, July 28. President Roosevelt declared tonight that "the first crack in the axis has come" and added that the United Nations will not settle the conflict for "less than total victory."

The chief executive, in an analysis of the war broadcast to the American people, promised that Benito Mussolini and "his fascist gang" would be "brought to book and punished for their crimes against humanity."

He said "no criminal will be allowed to escape as the president of resignation."

It was a rosy-tinted picture of the war which the president drew, depicting the "criminal, corrupt fascist regime in Italy" as "going to pieces."

He spoke of the manner in which Russia had turned new German offensives into a counteroffensive and of the manner in which the Japanese were being pressed in the Pacific.

Yet he warned that it would not be an easy matter "to knock out Hitler, his gang and Tojo and his gang" even though plans for eliminating Mussolini and his gang had largely succeeded.

Looking ahead toward the post-war world, the chief executive said the United Nations were substantially agreed on general objectives but also were agreed that the time had not arrived for an international discussion of all the terms of peace and all the details of the future.

### Nazi and Italian Troops Said Fighting Each Other Fiercely; Near-Revolution Sweeps Milan

London, July 28. Violent fighting has broken out between Italian and German troops in northern Italy according to reports coming out of the war-weary land of fallen fascism, where grave disorders bordering on outright revolution were said to be sweeping Milan.

Accounts reaching Madrid said Italian military resistance in the north at Milan and Turin was blocking a German attempt to pour ten divisions into a line along the Po River, where the Germans were believed to have established a defense system in betrayal of a pledge to Marshal Badoglio to help hold all Italy.

Ankara heard reports that Italy will now negotiate peace. A Rome spokesman in a closely censored telephone conversation with Bern, Switzerland, declined to confirm or deny that Italy had already asked for an armistice.

Reports which were not confirmed but which were received in Switzerland from the Italian border said that all workers in Milan had left their jobs and that there was gunfire when the people apparently became uneasy at the delay of the new government.

The allies still watched for definite indication whether Italy is staying in or getting out of the war. The disturbances were said to have been in spite of a state of siege declared by military authorities.

In Milan workers rushed from factories to join women and children in mobs crying "we want peace. Some shots were fired but most of the crowd refused to obey orders from Rome to use such means to break up the surging crowds.

Regular army troops moving against nests of fascist resistance in Milan were using tanks. Later a Swiss radio broadcast, heard here by the Associated Press, said the Milan situation had become worse and "armed forces have intervened."

Despite interference by the armed forces the workers remain on strike, said this broadcast. It added that demonstrations in favor of the soviet union had taken place and that there were closely. Meanwhile, a series of announcements from Rome and reports

### Two Missing as 48 Rescued; Storm Damage Here High

Galveston's death toll in the tropical hurricane which struck near here Tuesday reached ten yesterday when army engineers announced the sinking of the hopper dredge Galveston while the city prepared to deal with the problem of repairing the damage caused by Tuesday's tropical hurricane, damage conservatively estimated as between \$1,000,000 and \$3,000,000.

Absolute estimates concerning property damage to the city and its industries still were not available last night. It was believed, however, that Todd-Galveston Dry Dock on Pelican Spit bore the brunt of the industrial damage, officials saying that it was "very considerable."

Bodies of ten of the 48 men aboard the army engineers' dredge Galveston had been recovered last night and were being held at local funeral homes. Forty-eight men were rescued, 24 by the coast guard and two members of the crew were unaccounted for.

Police and local funeral homes had no information regarding reports that one or two people had been killed in the city during the storm.

The following announcement was issued by the district army engineer, Col. W. G. Saville, district engineer, announced with regret that the United States government-owned hopper dredge Galveston sank near the end of the north spit in Galveston harbor during the hurricane on Tuesday and Wednesday, July 27-28, with the loss of ten members of the crew, including the veteran master, Emil Laine. Twenty-four members of the crew were rescued from the wreck by the United States coast guard in the morning of July 29.

Two previous attempts to rescue the crew were made on July 27 and in the early morning of July 28 had failed. Another 24 members of the crew were rescued by the coast artillery detachment at Fort Travis on the Bolivar shore after making their way

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### Hamburg Has Greatest Air Raid of War

Night Attack Is Followed by U. S. Assault Near Berlin

London, July 28. Flying Fortress concentrated deeper into Germany than ever before today in a night attack on Hamburg, the city which has been the target of the heaviest bombing raid in the history of the war.

The great American bombers also battered a German plane factory at Kassel and destroyed more than 50 night fighters in furious battles in which 25 heavy bombers and one allied fighter were lost.

The air ministry said "just over 3300 tons (3526 United States tons) of bombs were dropped on Hamburg last night, shattering the violent record set by the RAF on Saturday night, and that more than 3000 tons had fallen in the current bombing cycle on Continental Europe's greatest port and Germany's leading submarine center."

The first central German target of the Flying Fortresses was an aircraft assembly plant at Oschersleben near Magdeburg which lies 480 miles east of the nearest big English coastline. The fortress flew at least 25 miles over Hitler's vaunted "European fortress."

The month was held amid any indication of secrecy and urgency aboard the Italian embassy launch in the Sea of Marmora yesterday. Immediately after the conference Menemencioglu left hurriedly for the capital at Ankara and it was disclosed that Guazilia, who has been in Turkey as ambassador under the fascist regime of Benito Mussolini, would leave by plane today for Rome.

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### Step Made in Restoration of Electric Power

One highline has already been put in operation to Galveston from the Houston plant of the Houston Lighting & Power Co.

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### Present Status Of Italy in Fact and Rumor

By Associated Press. Facts known about Italy's position in the war were few Wednesday night, four days after the resignation of Benito Mussolini, but rumors ran rampant.

This is what was known: Italy's Rome radio has announced Mussolini resigned, Marshal Badoglio and a military dictatorship in power; fascism abolished; foreign relations unchanged with the exception of the German-Italian pact; the German-Italian pact annulled; the German-Italian pact annulled.

Three and a half divisions of some of Hitler's best troops are arrayed on the Itria line from San Stefano in the north to Catania in the south and they undertook full responsibility for the fate of the Messina bridgehead.

Like military work, the Italians were out to pick and shovel laboring excavating entrenchments, erecting tank blocks across roads and sand-bagging German field guns. Only a relative handful of Mussolini's ill-fated "first million bayonets" still was permitted to handle weapons in combat.

San Stefano loomed ahead of the Americans as importantly as Hill 609, whose capture split the axis front in northern Tunisia. Lt. Gen. Omar N. Bradley, the canny Misourian who outsmarted the Nazis at hill 609, is commanding one of Patton's corps in the Messina push.

A vital north-south road runs from San Stefano to Nicosia, key to the central sector where American and Canadian are fighting shoulder to shoulder. Once the Americans get into San Stefano the axis would be compelled to fight for it.

### Jap Warship and Transport Sunk By Allied Flyers

Allied Headquarters in the Southwest Pacific, July 28. (Thursday) Another Japanese warship and at least one transport or cargo vessel have fallen victim to allied bombers in the Southwest Pacific.

The destroyer and transport were sighted by a reconnaissance plane at Cape Gloucester, New Britain. Four-engine bombers were sent to the attack and direct hits were scored on both ships despite a protecting cover of Japanese fighters.

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### Poliomyelitis Declared Epidemic Now in Several States of Southwest

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A sharp rise in the number of cases since early June was largely accounted for by outbreaks in Texas, California and Oklahoma, doctors said, adding that no specific cause could be assigned for the situation and that no predictions could be made as to the possibilities of a further spread.

Latest available figures for the week ended July 17 showed 297 cases in the United States, as compared with 245 for the preceding week and a five year average of 101 cases.

In the latest report, 231 cases, or 94 per cent, were reported from three states—Texas, which had 102; California, 92; and Oklahoma, 39. During the first week in June, Texas reported six cases.

Arizona reported only three cases for the week ended July 17, but for the first half of the year, that state had a total of 45.

Previous to July 17, no state other than those four had reported more than six cases in any week. The increasing tempo of action in the central and northern areas under command of Adm. Chester W. Nimitz apparently is designed not only to prepare for the long-expected invasion of Kiska but also at the very least, for harassing naval or amphibious attacks against other points.

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Ahead of us are many bigger fights. We and our allies will go into them as we went into Sicily—together. And we shall carry on together.

One tangible result of our great increase in merchant shipping—

### Highlights of Address Given By President

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### The Weather

East Texas: including Galveston. Mild temperature in north and central sections Thursday. Little temperature change in extreme south. Rain in northeast portion and near upper coast. Scattered thundershowers elsewhere.

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