

SEA MASTERY ENSURES SUPPLIES FOR GREEKS.

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Britain's command of the whole Mediterranean remains unaffected by Germany's attempt to close the Sicilian channel. Our cameramen with the fleet send us these pictures of the men and ships that trailed their coats under the nose of the harbour-loving enemy. Only principal naval actions, such as the bombardment of Genoa, make headline news, but every day the Mediterranean fleet is kept at fighting pitch, one of the reasons why the anti-aircraft gunners mastered the Nazi dive-bombers.

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(SIGNALLING) One of the most welcome signals announces the arrival of letters from home. Shooting a line from ship to ship they soon have the mail sent across and the expectant sailors learn whether they've got a letter from their sweetheart or merely won the football pool.

(GV) One result of our alliance with Greece is that the invaluable island of Crete is now used as a naval base. It dominates the Italian-owned Dodecanese islands, and it has a fine harbour, where the supplies for the British garrison can be unloaded.

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(SV NATIVES) If all the Balkans had had the spirit of the Greeks Hitler's pressure on Rumania and Bulgaria would have been in vain ... British men-of-war rule the Mediterranean, and in the long run sea power always means victory.

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