

BEACH-HEAD POSITION TENSE!

As we go to press the Nettuno beach-head holds fast. Audaciously, within Nazi gun-range, the ~~RAF~~^{allies} hastily constructed an airfield, for use by fighter planes. Improved-type steel mesh track provides a first-rate runway in a few hours. Within fifteen hours of taking over the ground, the airfield was in use. Our fighters ^{now} give air ~~marksmen~~ cover for the great number of men ~~now~~ holding the shrunken salient of Nettuno.

~~Individuals in the area are being evacuated.~~

Naval gunfire covered landings of reinforcements.... ~~The~~
~~Nazi fire base.~~

X At night, ^{our} oil and ammunition stores were hit. *by Nazi bomb boys*

In command at this critical period is General Alexander. On his shoulders rests ~~the~~ a tremendous responsibility: ~~the~~
~~Allies cannot afford another setback.~~ From the local command comes the information on which the Prime Minister bases his confidence that the Battle of Rome will be won. Both ^{on} ~~the~~ the beach-head and the southern front Gen. Alexander intensifies the allied attack.