

FIRST ALLIED SHIPS DOCK AT ANTWERP

Into One of the largest, best equipped seaports in the world now pour ~~the~~ war supplies for the western front. The Scheldt estuary was first cleared of mines. Now and again large explosions rewarded the minesweepers' ~~work~~ *work*.

In the wake of the sweepers a ten-thousand-ton cargo boat was the first ship to enter the liberated port. Antwerp is the key to victory in the west. Its capture intact is a big feather in the cap of Britain and Canada. Monty's dash through France and Belgium gave the Germans no time to destroy the port. The epic British and Canadian storming of Wlacheren and the Scheldt gave the allies the use of ~~Antwerp~~ ^{it}. From now on, supplies on the scale required for any conceivable offensive can be quickly handled *at Antwerp*.