

## ALLIES PREPARE NEXT BLOWS ON WESTERN FRONT

Canal traffic, highly important in Holland and Belgium, has been largely disorganised by German demolitions, and many of the waterways are now half dry. Hundreds of barges make a pathetic sight as they lie stranded. By merely wrecking some lock gates the enemy put long stretches of canals out of action before he was forced back. It is damage which does not take long to repair, so these invaluable water highways may soon be in use again.

Allied airmen are much more thoroughly disrupting German communications. They too are giving their attention to canals and there are vacancies for engine drivers in Germany.

~~Marshalling yards, always favorite targets of the~~  
~~come in for more attention than~~ Pilots of the 8th Air Force put in some effective work on an aerodrome near Munich.

In Strasbourg the French and Americans have made a roundup of German prisoners, suspected civilians and police who worked under the Gestapo in the days of occupation.

General Eisenhower is contemplating the end of the present comparative lull and recently called on ~~Field Marshal~~ <sup>Monty</sup>

~~Montgomery~~. Ike was ~~wearing boots~~ he doesn't mean losing <sup>h boots</sup>

The two leaders, who have seen eye to eye on military matters ever since they met in North Africa, will get things moving in a big way at the earliest moment.