

1 In one device oil is pumped out 2 6
under high pressure 7 ignited on surface

WALL OF FLAME AGAINST HUN INVADERS.

Fire under the Channel, over the beaches and in the fields behind was the hot reception ^{prepared} awaiting the much threatened German invasion after Dunkirk. It was all installed by orders of the ~~Minister~~ of Petroleum Warfare Chief Mr Geoffrey Lloyd.

(one out)

In the dark hours of 1940 Britain was almost without weapons but had great stocks of Petroleum. Apparatus to use oil in big scale defence measures was rushed into production.

(CU dig) Detonators were strewn in the path the Germans would have taken had they penetrated the wall of fire over the Channel.

(17 after CUU tankburn) Though the ~~highly ingenious~~ flame throwing methods were kept secret, there was no attempt to hide from reconnaissance planes that fire defences were installed. That wholesome knowledge made the Germans realise that any hastily prepared invasion must fail. For the enemy the golden moment was lost and much of the credit belongs to the fire defences so brilliantly improvised in the hour of peril.

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