

THE MEDITERRANEAN FRONT.

The new Commander-in-Chief of Middle East is General Paget; shortly after taking up his new Command he made a tour of Palestine and Syria to get to know his soldiers. As in nearly all theatres of war, troops of many nationalities are working here together --- waiting for the grand assault on Hitler's Germans

In Palestine, the cameraman recorded this ceremony by the Allenby Bridge of the River Jordan --- the Blessing of the Waters, and baptism. Members of the Greek Church including the Patriarch conducted the ceremony --- a fragrant memory of peaceful things for men whose recollection is only too grimly held by war

In the River Jordan, with all its Biblical tradition and symbolism, five Greek soldiers swam ~~in the historic waters~~ to be baptised

Now across to Italy --- where another nation whose homeland is still in German occupation has its representatives in the fight. Commandos from Belgium have just returned to our lines after causing havoc among the German positions in the mountains.

*Also doing good work in Italy*

This is the P.I.A.T. --- the latest anti-tank gun to come off the secret list. Already it has proved its worth in battle, though it is a model of simplicity.