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**NOW THEY PREPARED.**

We partners, in the British Commonwealth of Nations hand out laurels to Canada for the thorough way she prepared for her share in the invasion of Sicily. Manoeuvres with smoke which so soon were to be put to good effect in the Mediterranean.

This is Canadian soil being used as a training ground for the big show. Here men exercising for the invasion, now a successful and well established fact.

And here's a pat on the back for the United States. American paratroops engaged in a final dress rehearsal. Teamed up with British Airborne troops, they provided the dramatic first act to the storming of Sicily.

Substitute Sicily for the training ground, and you have an idea of how things looked on that eventful 9th July.