

NEWS FROM THE MIDDLE EAST

Sidi Barrani now well and truly in British hands becomes a base for assembling the great mass of Captured Italian war ~~Material~~ Material. Our own despatch riders take an interest in some motor cycles left behind in the flight of Grazziani's men. On the sandy beaches are marshalled many of the thousands of Italian prisoners awaiting transportation to internment camps. The men and material which have fallen into our hands are colossal. These pictures afford only a meagre idea of the continuous stream of defeated and disheartened troops, which flows mile after mile into captured territory. On the coastal road, British tommies pass a monument erected by Mussolini when he thought he held Sidi Baranni for keeps - What's he going to build now he's lost it?

Out of the 38 thousand prisoners taken in the British victory over the Italians, in the Middle East, 24 thousand were Italian regulars. Let old God Face put that on a monument.