

BATTLES OF THE SKY.

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Latest pictorial despatches from the war zone include these scenes of the withdrawal of troops from a port in Holland. The movement was carried out in perfect order despite unceasing attacks from enemy bombers. In this action anti-aircraft guns performed heroic and miraculous feats of arms --- accurate bombing by the German planes was rendered ~~largely~~ almost impossible. But during the crossing, the convoy was repeatedly attacked --- the sea bears witness to the number of bombs that were dropped but still the anti-aircraft guns and ^{allied} ~~allied~~ planes held the mastery of the situation.

The port of embarkation was also bombed --- and a hospital ship was sunk. Now watch closely --- a burst of fire claims a Nazi victim.

Still under the hail of bombs, the wounded were taken to hospital.

Now to Northern France --- our cameraman records the graphic story of the bombing of an open town by the German Air Force. Refugees are still streaming away from their homes when the air-raid alarm is given. In the ensuing dog-fight, the R.A.F. shot down Messerschmitts and Heinkels.

~~At the distant sky like a falling leaf, the enemy troops~~
~~are coming slowly.~~

No enemy formation is too great for the R.A.F. to tackle --- but we must see to it that they do not always have to ~~fight~~ fight against odds. We can build planes faster than Germany if every man at home pulls his weight.

*Away in the distant sky, like a falling leaf,
punch holes were coming slowly to earth*

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Now the Hurricanes get first a Messerschmitt, then a Heinkel
--- and the Heinkel crashes in flames.

New evidence of Germany's barbaric methods of warfare --- an
American Ambulance machine-gunned --- neither the stars and
stripes nor the Red Cross were sufficient protection against the
Nazis --- they prefer to attack the defenceless. After this actio
expanding
~~action~~ bullets were found in the streets. All civilized nations
agreed many years ago never to use ~~this~~ ^{this} the foul and agonising
~~weapon~~
~~device~~ --- but no device is too inhuman for Germany to use.

We could expect no mercy from such a vile enemy --- we've got to
win this war. And we shall win --- if every man and woman makes
the effort of a lifetime.