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**FRENCH BATTLEFRONT BREVITIES.**

Vickers machine guns pin German heads down while British infantry go in beneath the canopy of bullets. Firing over the heads of advancing men was battle school training, now its riproaring reality.

We picked out these shots of a British Mortar Crew in action on the Normandy front to illustrate the rapid fire power these men can maintain. Multiplied many times you can imagine the effect at the receiving end.

A fine battlefield panorama on which to hang a reference to the new British tank, the Cromwell, now being used on the Western front. British armour in the field has reached a new "high" in hitting power. Apart from Cromwells and Churchills there's a new version of the Sherman tank which mounts a British 17 pounder gun, guaranteed to kill any existing enemy tank at a thousand yards or better.

Roadside camera studies of General Montgomery in conversation with General Dempsey C-in-C Second Army. On this day Monty was visiting battle areas at CAEN and spending much time with his men who took part in its capture. From Alamein to Tunis and Sicily to Italy it's always been the same. Monty's men have a way of knowing that when the General's car pulls up it means a friendly chat and words of congratulation. It's a million to one that he's got some fags and books for them too.

An Army Red Cap salutes smartly and into the famous Normandy town drives the General to take a look around.

The name of Montgomery spreads through the town and French folk quickly assemble to give him an enthusiastic welcome. "Merci mon General" they shout, and they mean it. There's not a French man or woman who hasn't heard of his fame and friendly manner.