

casualties and damage caused by indiscriminate robot attacks on the same areas yesterday as night. Press dispatches from Sweden, meanwhile, quoted the newspaper Stockholm Tidningen as saying Germans were concentrating Denmark large numbers of robot bombs weighing as much as tons and capable of travelling through the stratosphere as far as New York.

## MAGAZINE PLANS TO FIGHT COURT RULING

strict Judge Upheld Postmaster's Action Penalizing Esquire

Washington—(AP)—Esquire magazine, loser of two rounds in its fight to retain second-class mailing privileges, is expected to open a third soon by asking the U. S. Court of Appeals here to consider its plight.

The appeal would be taken from a decision by U. S. District Judge W. Davidson, assigned to the case from the Dallas, Tex., bench. He held that Postmaster General Walker was justified in ordering Esquire magazine's second-class mailing privilege revoked.

Davidson did not rule on a contention by Walker that the publication contained obscenity, but did that the cabinet official's action in reclassifying the magazine for mailing purposes was not arbitrary or capricious.

Earlier, Esquire argued its case before a Postoffice Department mailing board. A majority of the board voted in favor of the magazine, but Walker reversed the ruling. If Walker's action is upheld by the courts, the magazine would be barred from the mails, and loss of the cheaper periodical postage would cost it about \$500,000 a year annually.

Chinese, claiming 14,000 Japanese died in the Hengyang siege, said they were counterattacking continuously to prevent seizure of the 175-mile gap in the Hankow-Canton railway, on which Hengyang is an important junction.

### 40 Jeeps Captured

Southeast Asia headquarters today raised by 4,500 the total of Japanese killed in the India fighting since the enemy first was met there, bringing the new toll to 15,500. The 4,500 additional dead Japanese were credited to the 33rd Corps, which first engaged the enemy in India on April 4. Previously it had been announced that the 4th Corps had killed 11,000 of the enemy since March 4.

Headquarters reported that 40 jeeps were captured in pursuit of enemy southeast of Ukhrul, but where the Japanese obtained the machines was not explained.

On New Guinea's north coast Allied troops firmly held their Driniumor River positions after turning back two attacks by a Japanese force trying to break out of entrapment. Gen. Douglas MacArthur announced that advance enemy forces knifed through Allied lines Wednesday and crossed the river but were cut off by reinforcements.

## ALVIN MUELLER IS SERIOUSLY WOUNDED

Parents Advised he was Hit In France June 25

Pfc. Alvin C. Mueller, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Mueller, 1111 E. Blodgett street, was seriously wounded in action in France June 25, according to a telegram received by his parents this morning. The telegram further advised Mr. and Mrs. Mueller that a letter containing present mail address would follow. Pvt. Mueller entered the service in February, 1942, and has not been home for the past two years.

## BRITISH SEIZE BRIDGE IN ITALY Along With German Engineers

Rome—(AP)—Allied troops stormed today across the Arno River which flows through Florence, putting behind them a considerable barrier before the German Gothic Line across Italy.

The Arno is a natural moat 400 feet wide at places and was believed to have been fortified on the north bank during the German retreat from Rome. It flows in deep gorges through captured Arezzo, Florence, and Pisa where it meets the sea.

An official source said the swift advance of tanks and infantry from Arezzo so surprised the enemy that the British captured a bridge intact, along with German engineers who were waiting to destroy it.

South African armored troops and British Guardsmen made another advance of several thousand yards in another sector.

American troops climbed relentlessly on Livorno (Leghorn) after capturing the height of Monte Magiore and pushing on up the Italian west coast to the edge of Montenero, only four miles from the heart of the big port.

The newest gains brought the Fifth Army up against strong German defensive positions and fierce fighting raged all along the front, with the enemy launching sharp counterattacks.

An official announcement said French troops of the Fifth Army, which were credited with capturing Poggibonsi over the week end, had driven back one heavy counterattack and were holding to their position.

## YOUTH IS KILLED WHEN AUTO HITS POWER POLE

Janesville—(AP)—Calvin Little, 19, was killed yesterday when the car which he was riding collided with another, then left the road and struck a power pole. Three other youths in the car with him were injured.

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