

# SUNDAY SPORT: IN HISTORY

How we marked the BIGGEST news events in history. Today, D-Day . . .

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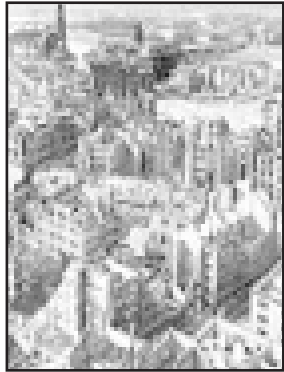
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## 'If I lose The General Election, I'm going into cheaper car insurance, Oh Yes!'

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### New Rough Guide to Dresden a bit rougher than expected

From our man in London - THE POPULAR Rough Guide series of travel books has amazingly rushed out a new edition of its Dresden guide . . . less than a week after the city was blanket-bombed.

Author William Tallis said: "Travellers will find that the railway yards have all gone and I wouldn't bother trying to visit the Zwinger Palace, the Dresden State Opera House and the Dresden Frauenkirche. Well, not until they're rebuilt anyway.

"Oh, and they might want to skip the section on churches, theatres and places of historical interest because that's kind of gone by the wayside.

"On a brighter note, there are a lot more cemeteries people can visit."

### Bank broken at Monte Cassino

From our correspondent in Italy - SOLDIERS of the USA, the UK India, the free French forces Canada, South Africa and New Zealand have broken the bank at Monte Cassino.

The troops, who have been engaged in a card battle since January, finally broke the bank playing five-card brag.

They walked off with a million Lira between them and General Sir Oliver Leese, who has established himself as a renowned bluffer, said they wouldn't celebrate until it had been established exactly how much this represents once exchange rates have been taken into consideration.

He said: "A million is a lot of money whatever the currency."

# HOLLYWOOD STARS LIBERATE EUROPE

Burton...Connery...Fonda...Lawford...McDowell...Mitchum...More...

Philips...Segal...Steiger...Todd...Wagner...Wayne...invade Northern France



From our correspondent at Sainte-Mere-Eglise - THE shadow of Nazi tyranny finally began to lift from the Continent of Europe when a brave band of Hollywood stars invaded northern France.

The massed forces of 20th Century Fox set off from Portsmouth, England, late on the evening of June 5 under orders of General Eisenhower and headed for the Normandy coast.

In heavy seas, the stars went into make-up and the tension was broken when Welshman Richard Burton - playing Flight Officer David Campbell - demanded: "Get me a bloody drink."

As dawn broke over Normandy the



brave celebrities ran up the five invasion beaches - Omaha, Utah, Gold, Sword and Juno.

All was not smooth. The operation ground to a halt on Omaha Beach when Robert Mitchum insisted he had been promised a bowl of fruit.

He told a startled runner: "Where the hell is my fruit? I was told there would be a bowl of fruit for me. I ain't going another step up this beach until I've got my goddamned fruit!"

Under heavy fire, a selection of mangoes, apples and tangerines were brought for the Connecticut, Illinois-born hardman.

Under the circumstances, he agreed to temporarily forego his Chinese star fruit but added: "They betta be waiting for me in Caen, or there'll be hell to pay."

Script editors were summoned when John Wayne, playing Lt Col Benjamin Vandervoort, insisted on wearing a cowboy hat and calling the Germans "sister" as his unit advanced on the small town of Saine-Mere-Eglise.

After an hour of tense negotiations with producers it was agreed that Mr Wayne could wear spurs but would revert to an 82nd Airborne Division helmet and would refer to the Germans as "Krauts".

As filming drew to a close, an emotional Mr Burton burst into tears and bellowed to the third unit assistant director: "Get me a bloody drink!"

Then, as night drew in and fighting eased, Kenneth More, playing Capt Colin Maud, refused to leave his post as beach master blaming "these bloody tin legs."

The director assured Mr More that he was getting confused with another of his roles in the war and the situation was defused.

As the director called "Cut" for the final time, a rich Welsh baritone rang over the French countryside: "Get me a bloody drink".

## BRIT YOBS TRASH ROME

...Pope kept awake all night...Troops out of control on happy hour Grappa...Chants of 'f\*\*k the Pope and the IRA'...

From our correspondent in Rome - A MINDLESS minority of British hooligans have spoiled the liberation of Rome by getting blind drunk, attacking locals and hanging the flag of St George from the ruins of the Coliseum.

It was American troops, members of the 5th Army, who were first to reach the centre of Rome late last night after encountering dogged resistance from German forces on the outskirts of the city.

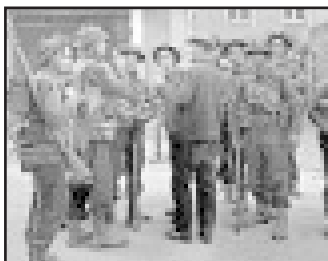
They were followed less than an hour later by a gaggle of British troops from the 8th Army, who were wrapped in flags of St George and clutching

bottles of local Grappa they had bought in a happy hour promotional offer.

They immediately harangued a bar owner into opening his bombed-out premises, where they proceeded to drink staggering amounts of alcohol before fighting among themselves.

Pope Pius XII, who had appeared on the balcony of St Peter's to address thousands of Italians who had gathered in the square, abandoned his address after drunken chants of "f\*\*k the Pope and the IRA" and "come and have a go if you think you're hard enough" could be heard ringing out below from drunken British troops.

British General Sir Harold Alexander, who has overall command of the Allied forces in Italy, described the campaign as "daring, unconventional and



brilliant."

He then added: "But of course it's been spoiled by a mindless minority who have ruined it for the majority."

The German forces have now fallen back to the so-called Gothic Line of defence, running across Italy just north of Florence.

Fighting will resume once the British troops have slept off their hangovers.

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