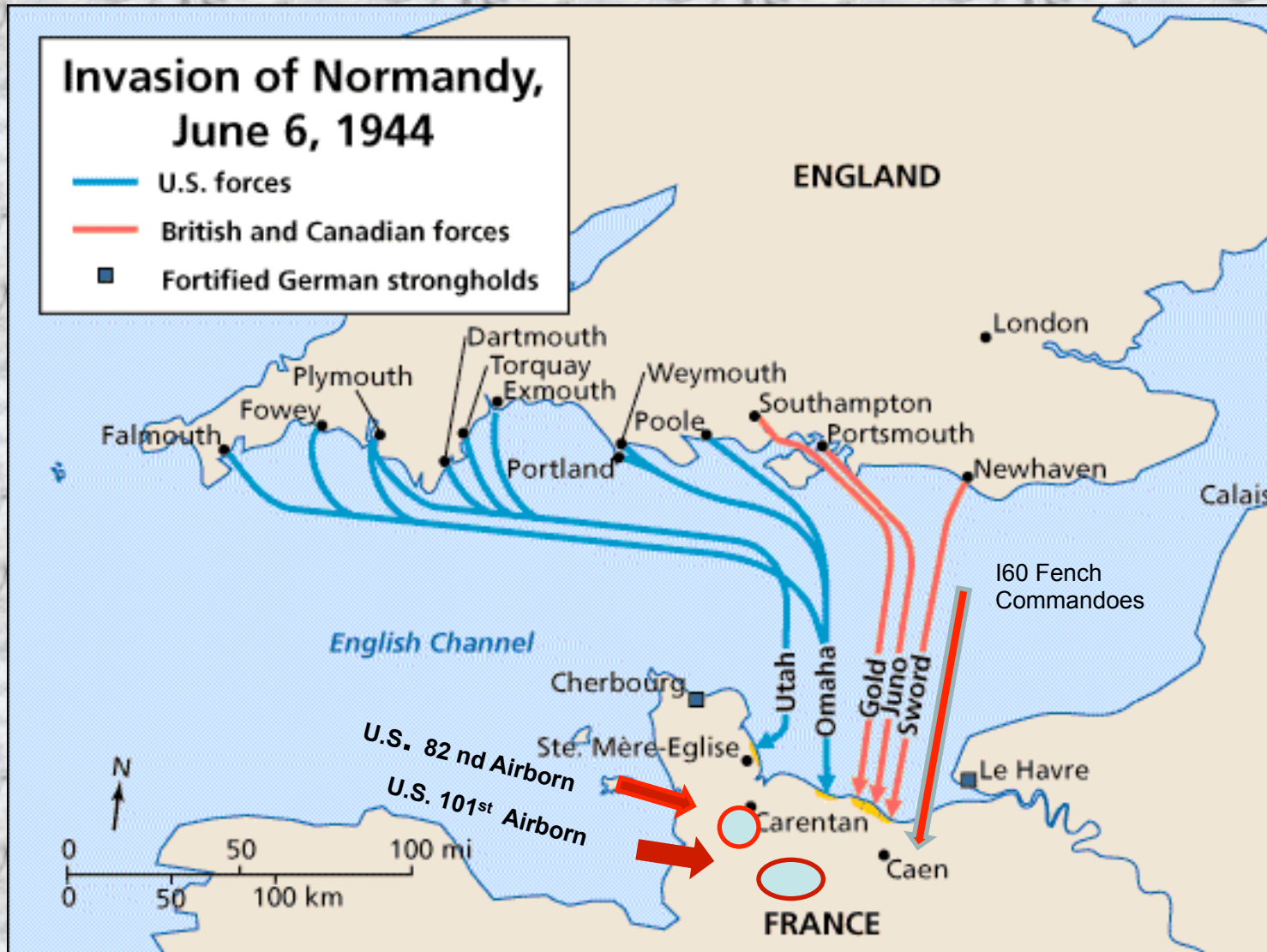


# The Normandie Landings



June 6, 1944 ( D-Day, ) the American forces landed 23,250 on Utah Beach, 34,250 on Omaha Beach, and 15,500 airborne troops. In the British sector the British and sent 24,970 on Gold Beach, 21,400 on Juno Beach and 7,900 British and Canadian airborne troops. Canadian troops numbered 28,845 on Sword Beach. 177 Free French Soldiers were with the invaders.

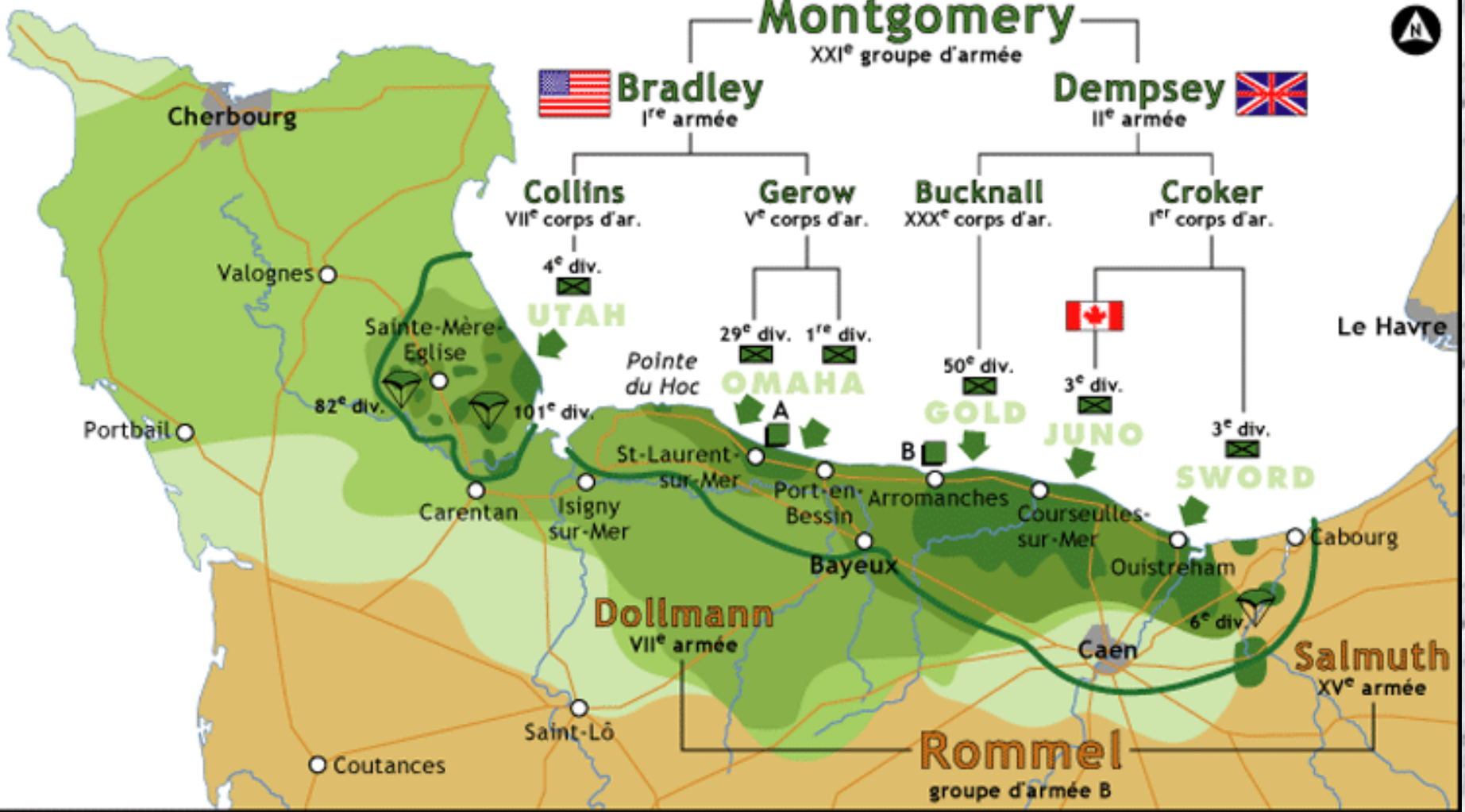
On D-Day, Allied aircraft flew 14,674 sorties, and 127 were lost.

In the airborne landings on both flanks of the beaches, 2,395 aircraft and 867 gliders of the RAF and USAAF were used on D-Day.

Operation Neptune involved huge naval forces, including 6,939 vessels: 1,213 naval combat ships, 4,126 landing ships and landing craft, 736 ancillary craft and 864 merchant vessels. Some 195,700 personnel were assigned to Operation Neptune: 52,889 US, 112,824 British, and 4,988 from other Allied countries.

By the end of 11 June day 5, 326,547 troops, 54,186 vehicles and 104,428 tons of supplies had been landed on the beaches.

These beaches, however, were heavily fortified by Nazis. Thousands of troops were slaughtered on the beaches, with more than 9,000 Allied soldiers killed or wounded but the Allies ultimately overwhelmed the Nazis and advanced into France.



↓ Landing Zones

☒ Infantry Divisions      ☒ Paratroopers Div

Territories Liberated by Allies

6 June   7 June   12 June   27 June   25 Jult

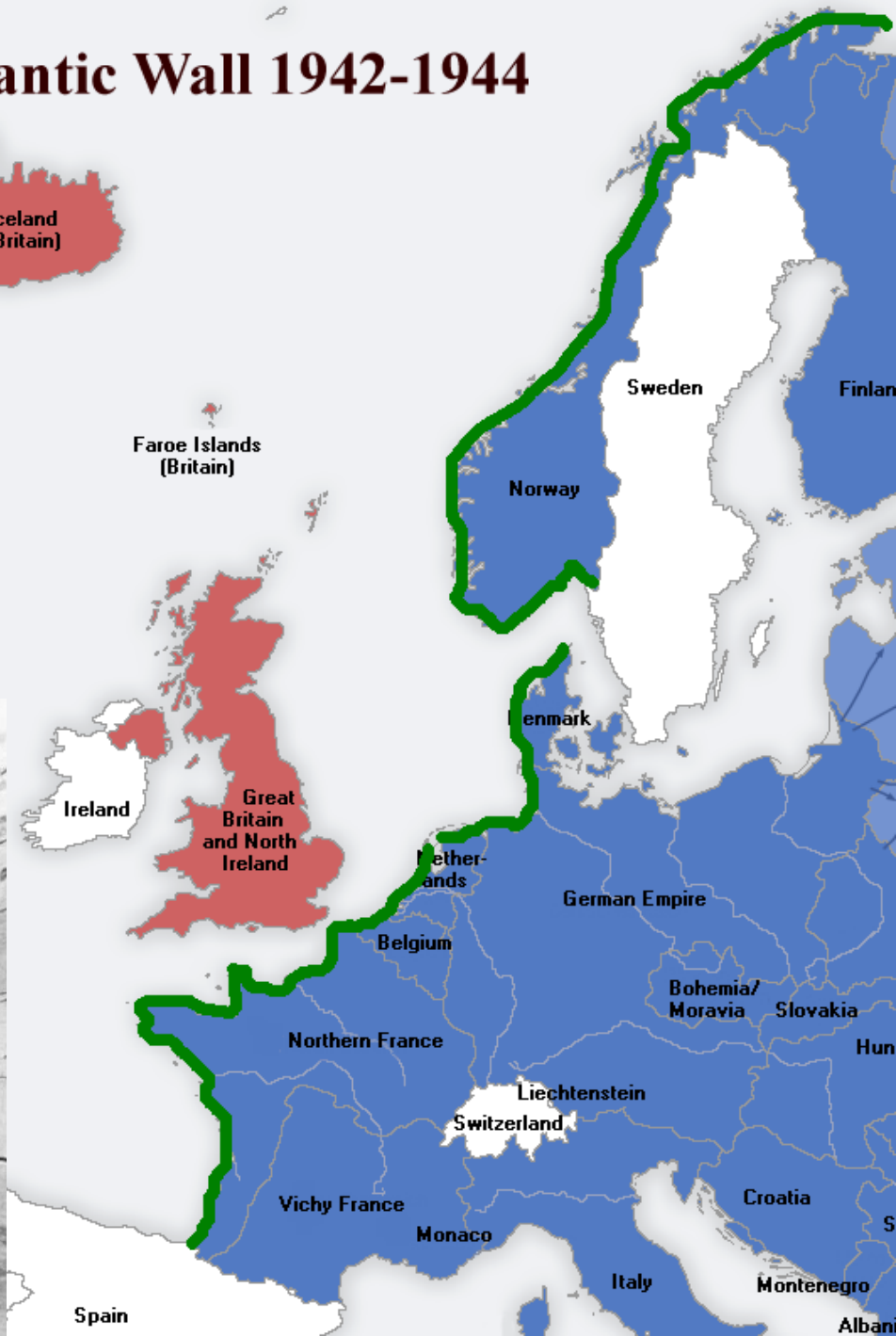
■ Artificial Ports ( Mulberry)

— 25 km —

# Atlantic Wall 1942-1944



Faroe Islands (Britain)



The Third Reich built the Atlantic Wall. These fortifications extending from the Spanish-French border to northern Norway.



## Music Starts



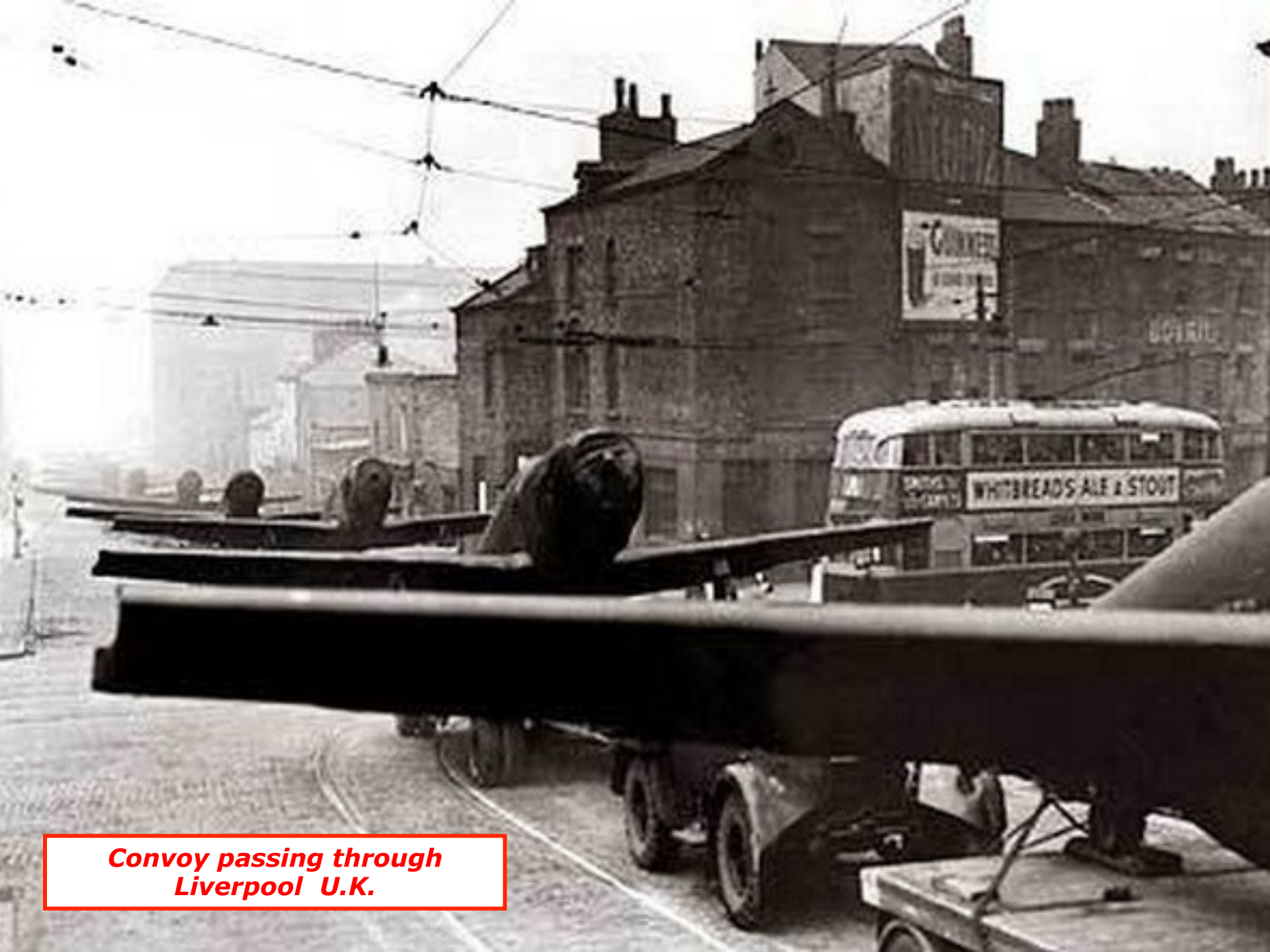
**The landing is preceded by a large gathering of troops, weapons and ships in England.**



**camouflaged vehicles**

# American Dodge Ambulances





***Convoy passing through  
Liverpool U.K.***



# Stock of Fuel



# Boarding







PA13-2

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**Bombardment of Pointe du Hoc**



**American  
Paratroopers**



Time to jump at  
midnight  
behind enemy  
lines prior to  
beach landings

*Release*





# American Paratrooper

(prepared to jump)



## American Paratrooper

**24,000  
American  
Paratroopers  
preceded the  
invasion,  
jumping  
behind enemy  
lines.**

A Glider landed in a pasture





**A U.S.  
Landing Ship  
Crossing the  
Channel**





# DUKW amphibious vehicles



## British Troops Landing

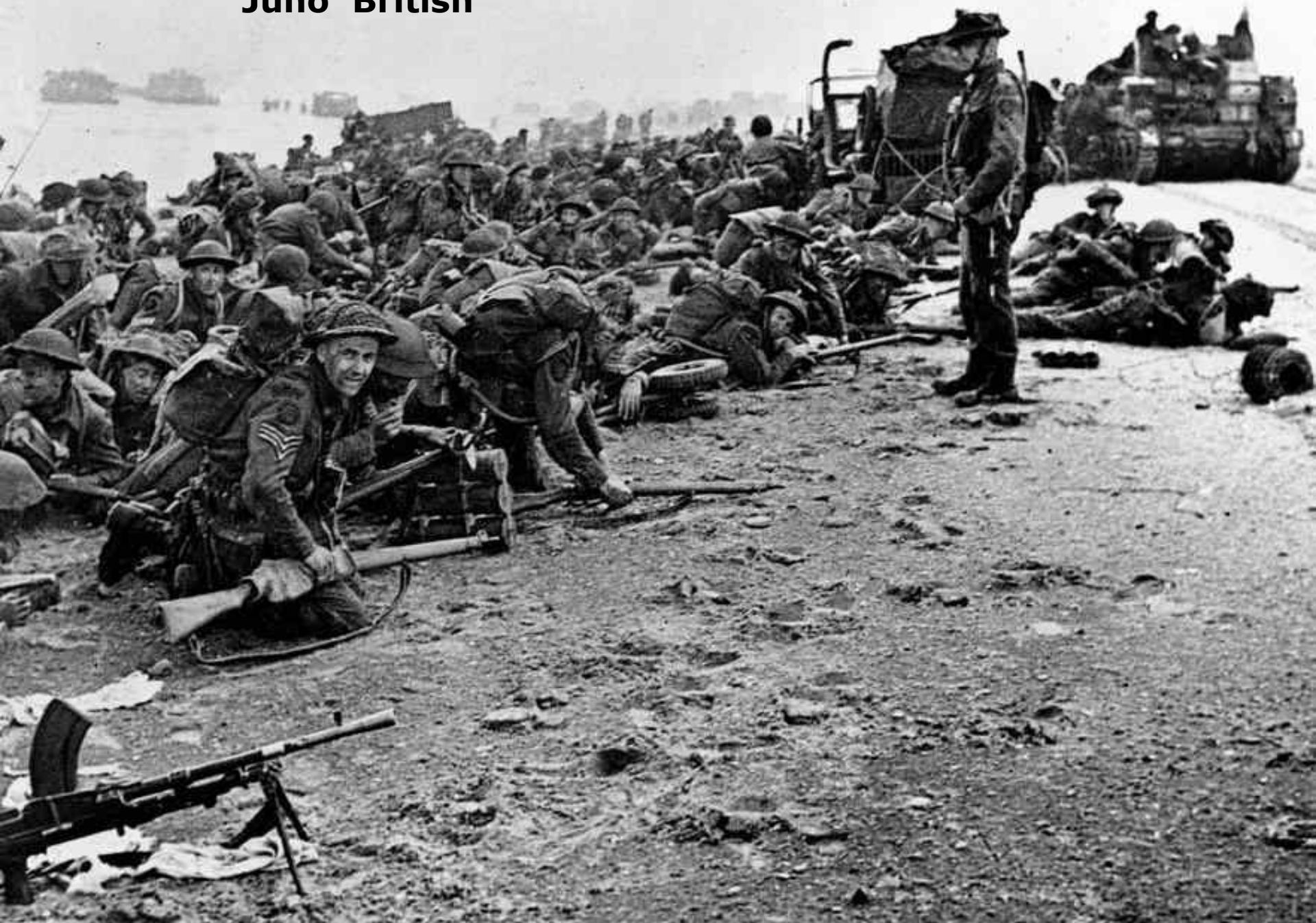


# U.S. Storming Omaha Beach





## Juno British



**Sword Beach  
Canadian Forces**







LCA 1375

LC 150

U.S. Forces Utah Beach



***Gold Beach  
British Forces***



# Omaha Beach





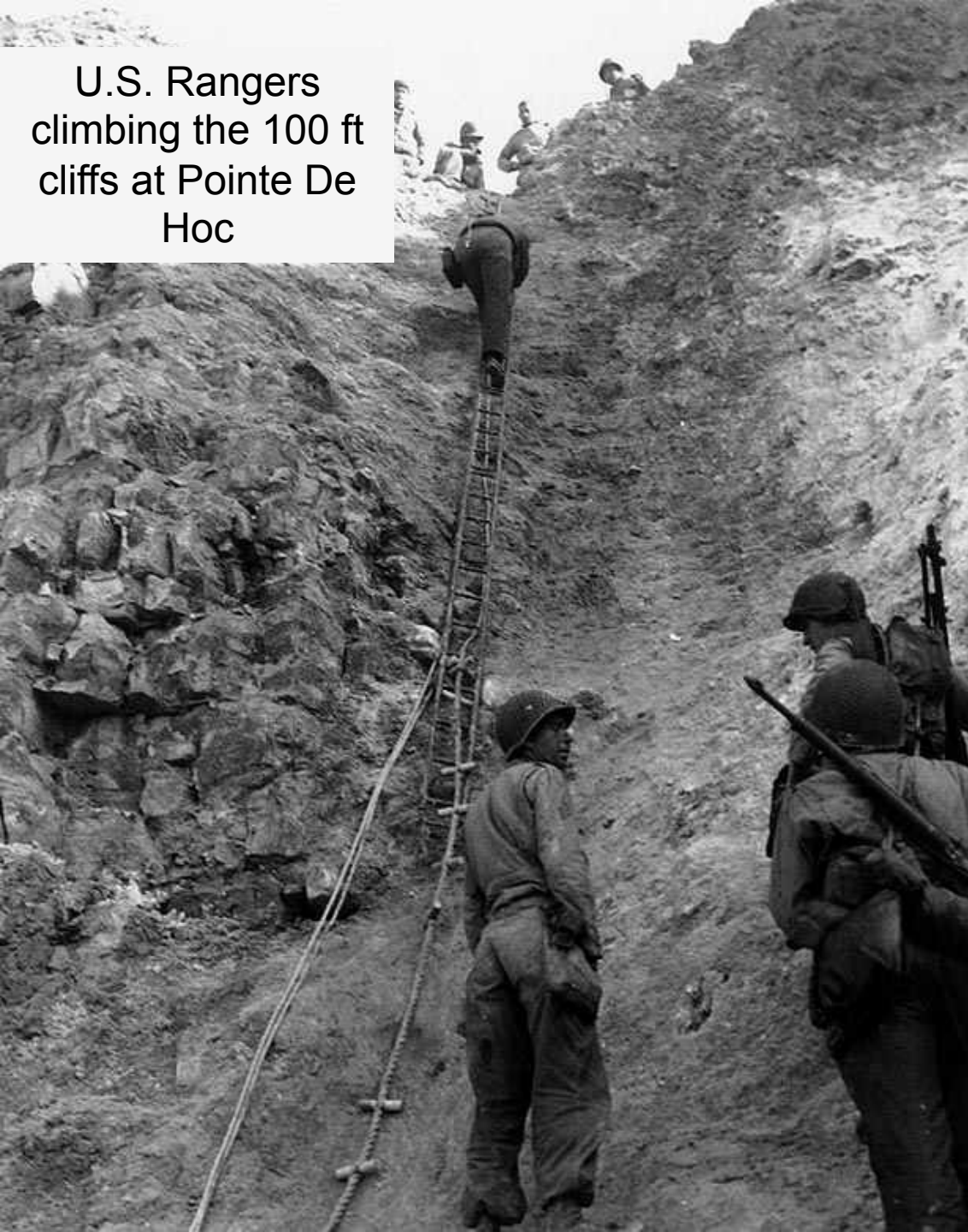


**U.S. Second Wave  
reinforcements**





U.S. Rangers  
climbing the 100 ft  
cliffs at Pointe De  
Hoc



The assault began before the main landing to knock out German Guns at the top of the Cliff. Two U.S. Navy Destroyers gave support, Rockets were fired to get ropes atop the cliffs.

The rangers destroyed the guns that had been moved inward.

Determined to hold the vital ground, yet isolated from other Allied forces and outnumbered the Rangers fended off several counterattacks from the German 916 th regiment until units of the American 29th Infantry Division's broke through from Omaha Beach on June 7

**U. S. Rangers - La  
Pointe du Hoc**





Captured  
Nazi's





**Utah Beach**







Mulberry A



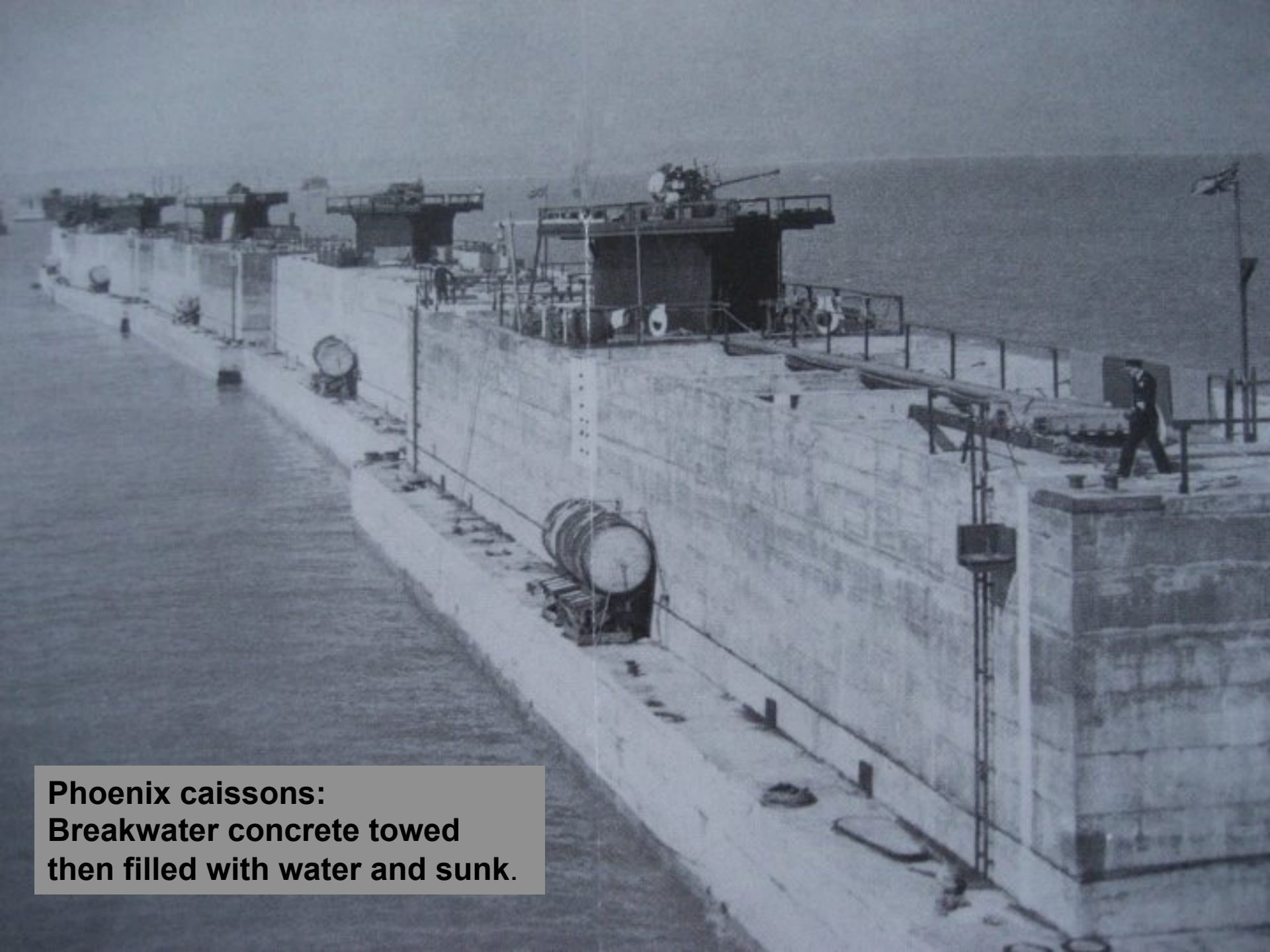
Two artificial harbors were created:  
· Mulberry A: St Laurent sur Mer  
· Mulberry B at Arromanches

**Mulberry A was destroyed by the storm of June 19 to 21**



**Arromanches :  
Mulberry B**



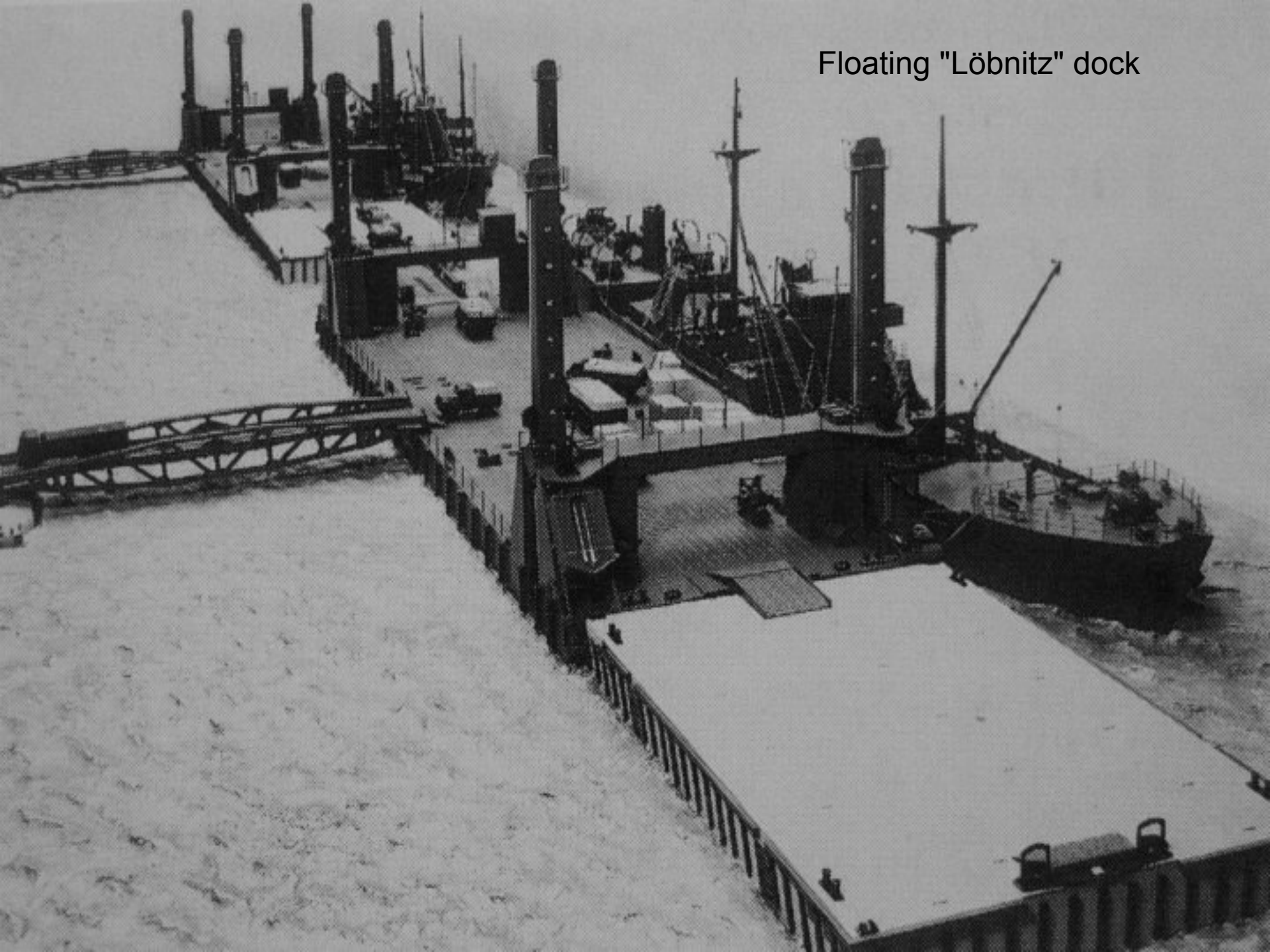


**Phoenix caissons:  
Breakwater concrete towed  
then filled with water and sunk.**



Effectiveness of dams  
built to provide a safe  
harbor

Floating "Löbnitz" dock



Floating bridge "Whale"









**Reinforcements  
arriving**









315

5170









U.S. SIGNAL CORPS

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## Trucks and Supplies





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Now the Tanks







**Beach area secured now  
the advance inward.**

Anti-air balloons







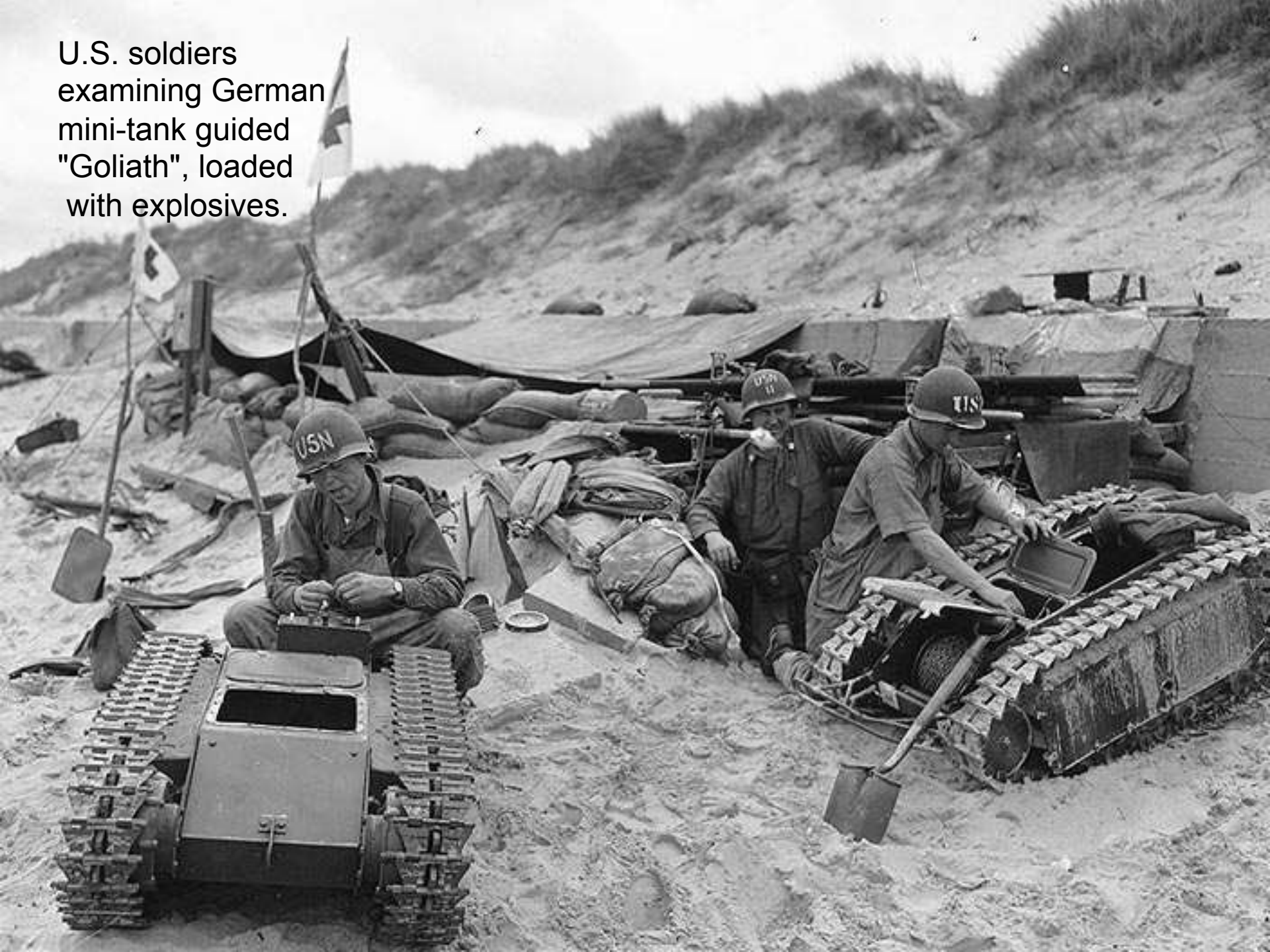
# The greatest landing in history







U.S. soldiers  
examining German  
mini-tank guided  
"Goliath", loaded  
with explosives.



## The Wounded









**Field Hospital**



Navy Personnel  
Repatriation  
of wounded

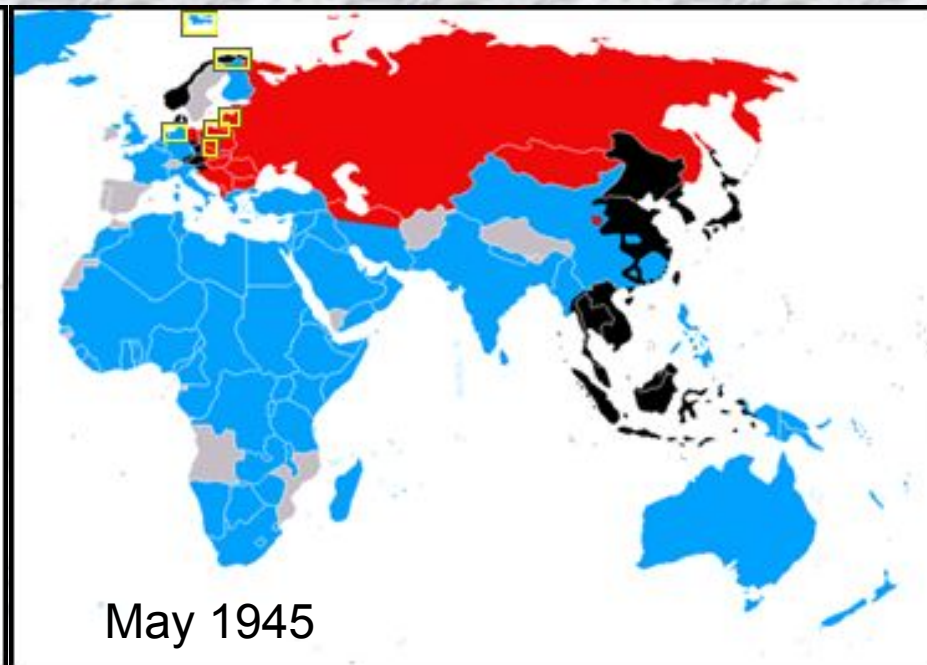
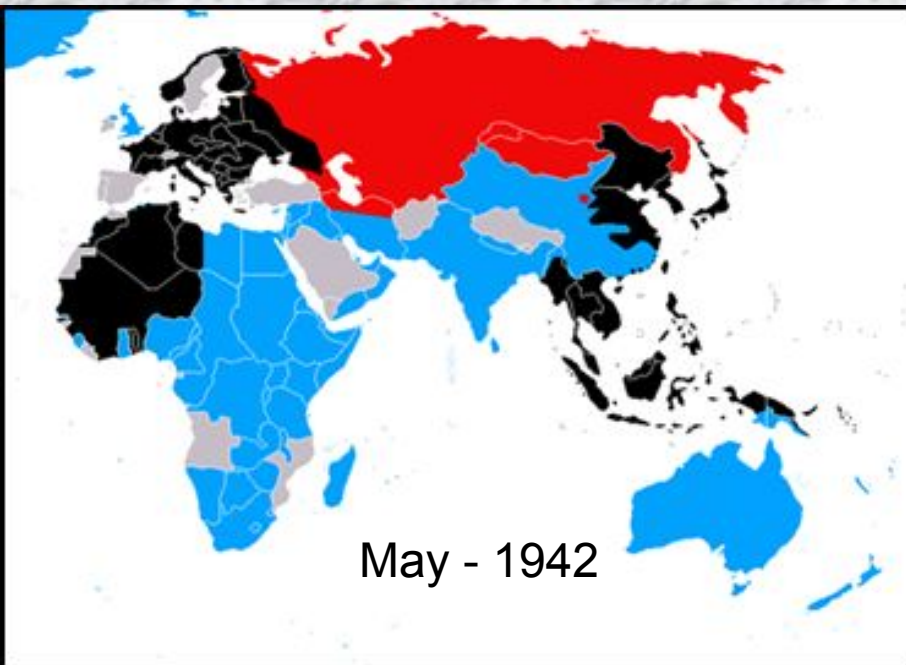






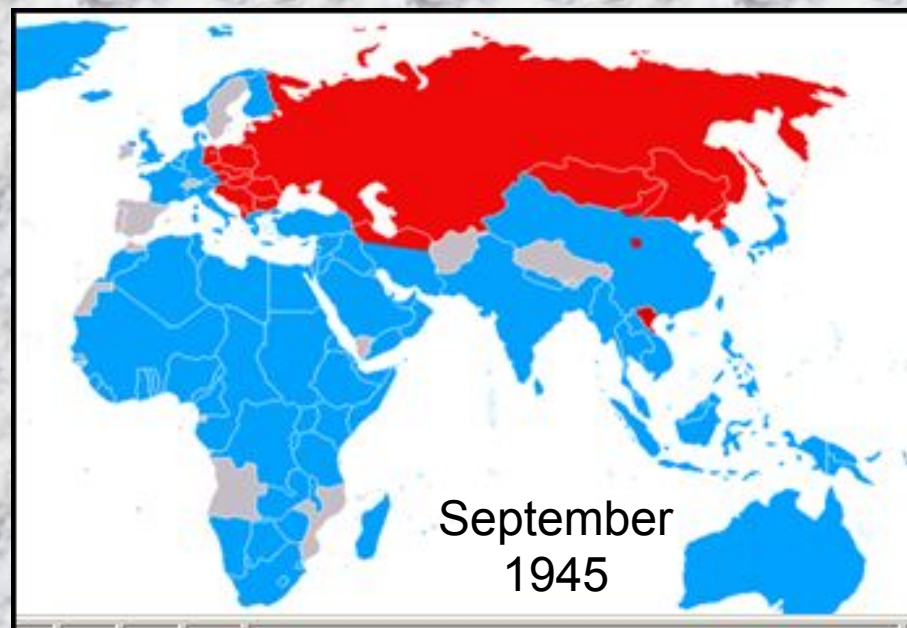
**It was hell!**





## Europe – Africa - Asia

Western allies (blue),  
Soviet & allies (red)  
Axis (black)



They gave all for these  
freedoms, will the present  
generations guard and protect  
what they fought and died for  
Or will western nations open  
the flood gates to immigrants  
Who don't care or understand  
the culture and sacrifices of  
the nations that welcomed  
them

# ***End***

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