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LOCATION : HOLLAND.

Paramount

THE ATTACK ON HERTOGENBOSCH.

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Vickers machine gun batteries of the ~~MANCHESTER REGT.~~ in position before HERTOGENBOSCH. At PAPENBYK burning village in the distance.

Infantry and Bren gun carriers pulling anti-tank guns move forward on at Dutch road to attack.

Infantry of the ~~Oxford and Bucks Regt.~~ advance to capture the village of PUTTERSHOEK.

Various shots of the above, C/U. of Sergeant.

Patrol of the ~~Highland Light Infantry~~ searching shelled village of PUTTERSHOEK for snipers.

Men of the ~~Manchester Regiment~~ digging and getting potatoes for supper. At the same time, burning Bren gun carriers, hit by the Germans, can be seen in background.

PTE. E. BARKER of the Army Catering Corps of ELY, Prepares apple dumplings in Old Dutch barn.

25 lb. guns supporting the infantry in action.

A field oven built of ammo boxes filled with sand, bakes a nice meal for the hungry gunners who have been in action for 24 hours. Other cooks are preparing hot meals on Petrol stoves.

Dykes are a great handicap to our progress in the low countries, Pictures show a Sherman tank being recovered by R.E.M.E. unit.

In the advance of the wall of the DYKE had collapsed under the strain, and tipped the tank in the ditch. Our recovery units soon had it in action again - but there was no time for the tank crew to have dinner.

~~Scottish Highlander~~ with Bren Gun in truck at WIJBOSCH.

In the ruined steeple of WJBOSCH CHURCH, a Royal Engineer found a Nazi flag. He threw it down to the ~~Scottish~~ troops. They soon demonstrated their feeling

In the town of SCHIJNDEL Much damaged by our bombardment, armoured cars move through. The Germans started shelling it; picture shows civilian running to cover.

Other shots in SCHIJNDEL showing British Tanks, etc.

In SCHIJNDEL THE Black Watch liberated 22 Americans Airborne Troops, dropped five weeks ago to capture the bridges.

Pictures show American troops greeting our Patrol of Black Watch.

These American boys lived for 21 days in a ditch on bread and butter, and were helped by the Dutch.

They later joined their wounded at the hospital and helped in the liberation of the town.

Various shots of the boys and their rescuers.

As in the last war, our tanks are using fascines, which they drop to cross ditches.

Picture shows special tanks in harbour at SCHIJNDEL.

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## DOPE SHEET

Cameraman: Sgt. Gordon  
Story: 12 Corps attack.  
Location: Around Dethel, the main action being at M.R. 406442.  
Length: 300 ft.  
Date: 22.10.44

A700/182/8

Operations by the British 2nd Army in Holland have been slowed ~~and~~ down by the problem of supplies. The long journey to the Front prevents the building up quickly of big supplies. This situation will be completely relieved when Antwerp begins to operate as the main British supply base. To speed up the task of the Canadian forces in freeing the Scheldt Estuary, 12 Corps have been detached from the spearhead of the British 2nd army beyond Nijmegen and given the task of pushing west from the corridor to the sea. This morning the attack began in the ~~the~~ half light of early morning from a line approximately from Dinther, M.R. 440413 to Greffen M.R. 430520, in the direction of S'Hertogenbosch.

7th Armoured Div were on the southern half of the attack, the spearhead in the early stages being Infantry of 131 Inf. Bde. the Queens of 7th Armoured Div. accompanied by tanks of 22 Armoured Bde. and Flail tanks and Crocodiles of C Squadron, 141 Regt. R.A.C. (The Buffs), 31 Tank Bde. 79th Armoured Div. who were working in conjunction with 1/5 Queens.

Armoured cars and half-tracked vehicles go forward over open country to make first contact with the enemy:  
Light armoured elements of 22 Armoured Bde. m.s. A jeep brings in one of the first casualties among the infantry, from mortar fire before the attack went in.  
m.s. A stretcher party moves up ~~the~~ through the trees to bring back another casualty.  
c.u. The second company of Inf. moves forward through the trees.  
c.u. A Sherman tanks moves up the side of the wood to give support to the Inf. moving through the trees.  
c.u. Inf. carriers move up behind the tank.  
l.s. Shelling starts many fires among the farms. 6 inch shot of one fire.  
m.s. With another blazing house in the background. Flail tanks sweep a track for the Inf. to move forward.  
m.s. Inf. run across open ground to cover while occasional enemy rifle fire makes movement on this open country exceedingly risky.  
c.u. Low angle shot of Crocodile moving forward to mop up an enemy position which is delaying the Inf.  
ms. Different angle on Scene. No. 4. 6 inch c.u. Cromwell tank fires its machine gun on an enemy machine gun post.  
m.s. A Crocodile deals with enemy snipers by directing ~~it~~ its jet of flame on the house and in the trees where they were hidden.  
m.s. Loading a wounded Infantryman on a jeep.  
m.s. Jeep driving away with casualty.

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## DOPE SHEET

Camerman: Sgt. Johnson  
Story: 12 Corps attack.  
Location: Dethel, East of S'herstogenbosch.  
Length: 200 ft.  
Date: 22.10.44  
Formation: 1/5 Queens. 131 Bde (Queens) 7 Armd. Div.

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Supported by flame-throwing Crocodile tanks of "C" Squadron 141 Regt. R.A.C. (The Buffs) of 31 Tank Bde. 79 Armoured Div., Flail tanks, Sherman, Churchill and Cromwell tanks, the 1/5 Batn. of the Queens formed the spearhead of the southern thrust from the corridor to the west. At 6.30 a.m. the infantry moved forward to the start line closely followed by the Crocodiles, bren carriers and tanks. The countryside was flat and open with the exception of one or two small woods in which enemy machine gun posts and snipers were hidden. The few E farmhouses in the district also harboured machine gunners and snipers, these were dealt with by the tanks or by the Crocodiles with their flame throwers.

m.s. Cromwell tanks moving into position.

m.s. Cromwells move into position. A fire can be seen in the background.

l.s. Carriers in battle positions await the word to advance after the flame-throwers had been at work.

l.s. Flail tanks move forward clearing a lane for further supporting traffic.

l.s. Crocodile tanks move into position.

m.s. do.

m.s. Sherman control tank moves into position beside blazing house.

m.s. Cromwell tank firing BESA at an enemy machine gun post.

m.s. Infantry running past an opening under fire.

m.s. Cromwell tank firing BESA at machine gun post.

l.s. Flame throwing Crocodile tank in action against a house containing snipers.

m.s. Evacuating a casualty.

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DOPE SHEET

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Cameraman: Sgt. Laws  
 Story: The Drive on Hertogenbosch  
 Location: Hertogenbosch  
 Length: 500 ft.  
 Date: 23/10/44  
 Formation: 51st Highland Division

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Today the drive on Hertogenbosch continued. At dawn there was a heavy artillery barrage put down, followed by an attack by the 51 Highland Div. who were carried into the attack in Kangroos (a Sherman tank with the turret removed). Starting at Oederode, the opposition was slight through to Schijndel and on to the outskirts of St. Michiels - Gestel where the opposition increased considerably and up till dark we had not entered the village, in fact we had to withdraw slightly.

Rolls 1 & 2 Show that dawn advance by the Kangroos and Sherman tanks.

Rolls 3 & 4 Show the 2nd Derbyshire Yeomanry Recce. Regt. advancing on foot to the outskirts of St. Michiels-Gestel.

Roll 5. Show the thatched cottages on fire ( of which there are many ) and one has collapsed on an air raid shelter, in which there were several children and the mother. The Recce. Regt, dig them out and then continue fighting.

m.s. Kangroos advancing ( Dawn )  
 m.s. Shermans going into attack ( Dawn )  
 l.s. Kangroos carrying Infantry into attack ( Dawn )  
 l.s. Bren Carriers advancing ( Dawn )

m.s. Kangaroos advancing ( Dawn )  
 m.s. German prisoners carrying back one of their wounded pass our advancing Kangaroos ( Dawn )  
 l.s. Anti-tank guns and carriers advancing ( Dawn )  
 l.s. Infantry search through the gardens at Schijndel.

Various shots of the Recce. Regt. advancing through farmyards and orchards under fire near the outskirts of St. Michiel\*gestel.

Burning cottage with knocked-out Recce. Car in foreground.

Recce. Regt. pass burning cottage.  
 Ass. ... Regt. pass burning cottage.

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Assault Troops pulling tree away from centre of road.  
From different burning cottage to ~~supps~~ lying in the  
ditch.

There was considerable small arms fire here.

m.s. A German prisoner comes in.

m.s. Assault Troops advance.

c.u. Cpl McCane of 22 Beacon Street, Salford, S.  
Lanse. looks through his binoculars whilst Pte. T.  
Bridley of Oxford, gives covering fire.

m.s. Assault Troops crawling along ditch - yet  
another cottage on fire in the background.

l.s. Assault Troops digging furiously at air raid  
shelter which has been smothered by fall of  
cottage ( the one previously shot ).

m.s. The Mother i sbrought out of the shelter.

m.s. A child is brought out of the shelter.