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### WASHINGTON:

The Senate Judicial Subcommittee declared Friday after full investigation into seizure of the Montgomery Ward mail order plant in Chicago that President Roosevelt had not constitutional authority to take such action.

### F-L-A-S-H- -- ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, ITALY:

The Eighth Army has captured the town of Roccasecca and Mount Cairo, it was announced Friday night.

FIFTH ARMY troops have captured Cori. San Giovanni, in Liri Valley, has also been captured.

### UNDATED:

Martin Hallensleben, military correspondent for the German news agency, reports tonight (Friday), "Field Marshall Kesselring has given orders to his troops to give way at main points of enemy's pressure. This decision was taken in face of sweeping might of massed enemy tanks. Tanks have been given the task of rolling over German lines deep into their rear and cutting off German fighting men. They have been lined up mainly in the areas of Cisterna and on a triangle formed the Melfa and Liri rivers. In the area of Cisterna, the enemy has achieved

(Italy story continued)

The enemy is sparing neither sacrifice nor efforts to force a breakthrough, or breakthroughs, in the German system of strong-points. With every new hour more fresh forces are being hurried into the front, and the battle has increased in violence since yesterday.

At several weak points Kesselring has brought up strategic reserves, but has refrained from calling up the entire body of his reserve strength.

The present frontline now runs from north of Anzio and Via Velletto to Aprilia and thence via Cisterna-Sezso-Priverno, to the area north of Vallecorsa and here further to Pastena towards the estuary of Melfa and Liri and then up to the area of Roccasecca and Piedimonte, where it finally joins an old mountainous front from north of Cassino to the Adriatic."

UNDATED:

A German newsagency despatch from Mussolini's headquarters said today that an all-out offensive against partisan formations in northern and central Italy began today (Friday).

The German front line radio tonight broadcast an "eve of battle" call to German anti-invasion forces on the Atlantic Wall stating "German soldiers must realize they are on the eve of the day that will decide the fate of Germany. Many of us will be killed but we face this knowledge calmly."

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, MEDITERRANEAN:

An official MAAF statement issued today on the second anniversary of the signing of the Anglo-Soviet treaty tells the story of how the MAAF has helped the Russian armies by preventing Germans from enjoying a breathing space in the Balkans. It stresses that RAF night fighters together with heavy bombers of the 15th Army Airforce has so disrupted Balkans communications that the Germans have had no chance to prepare for an expected new Russian drive across the Bucharest Plain. When the Russians slowed up their offensive in order to consolidate their gains and reestablish their supply lines the Germans had good prospect of being able to draw on their reserves in Central Europe and the Balkans for a desperate stand. In the race for time, the advantage lay with the Germans. Then beginning on April fourth, day and night bombers ranged over Balkan supply networks disrupting every route for German reinforcements. Rail centers in every Balkan capital were hit. Only one remaining supply artery for the Germans remains unchallenged - air transportation - and this can deal with only a fraction of the requirements of the southern Russian front. This limited capacity has been further reduced by pounding cargo airfields by Italy based bombers.

LONDON:

American fighter-bombers and Mosquitoes today attacked German airfields, railway targets and other objectives in Northern France. Vichy radio reported that Lyons, Chambery and other targets were bombed. "Vast fires", said the radio, "were caused in the center of Lyons. In one suburb there were 300 injured and two thousand reported homeless."



