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SEA

On the coast of Dalmatia the enemy-occupied town of Bar and its harbour, with other enemy positions at Uloinj, were shelled by light naval forces on the night of April 6/7. On the same night further North among the Dalmatian islands our light Naval forces captured another enemy schooner.

LAND

Numerous patrol clashes occurred. Casualties were inflicted on the enemy, and prisoners taken.

Artillery in the Fifth Army Allied Bridgehead set fire to an enemy ammunition dump, and destroyed remote control tanks approaching our positions.

AIR

Medium bombers yesterday attacked the railroad bridge at Orte; lighter aircraft attacked the airfield at Bastia and a factory at Popoli. A small force of medium bombers also attacked Niksic in Yugoslavia. Fighter-bombers flew many sorties in support of the ground forces, hitting bridges, dumps, rail tracks and motor transport. Two enemy aircraft were destroyed in combat. None of ours is missing. M.A.A.F. flew about 1,000 sorties. Enemy air activity over the battle area amounted to over 50 sorties.
