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NAZIS LANDING AT TUNIS AND BIZERTE

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While it was anticipated that the Axis would attempt to bring large numbers to Tunis, perhaps Italians, but more likely Germans from Sicily, and perhaps even from Libya, where Rommel is on the run, it is believed that the Axis is extremely short of shipping and the move would be most dangerous in the face of the Allies' increasing Naval strength in the Mediterranean.

The Axis' sudden jump into Tunisia has been made in an effort to halt Allied convoys in the Mediterranean as well as Allied moves eastwards.

The question is who will get the most men into Tunisia first, but in this respect time favours the Allies who have the advantage of land movement as well as the sea, whereas the Axis must move men - except from Libya - by sea.

The view taken of the German march into unoccupied France is that it is not particularly bad for the Allies since it further stretches the German lines and will be met by considerable moral resistance.

There is no further news of the French fleet at present, but it is thought doubtful that the Frenchmen would scuttle their own ships.

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