

“An Army usually loots for 2 or 3 days after conquering a territory—Russia has been systematically looting Germany for 3 months.

“The Axis made two major mistakes:

- 1) The Germans invading Russia,
- 2) The Japanese war on your country.

“The Germans subsequently made three great battle mistakes:

- 1) After we landed in France, they should not have defended Normandy but should have dropped back behind the Seine,
- 2) They never should have created an offense at the Bastogne bulge,
- 3) They should not have defended the west bank of the Rhine but rather should have dropped back to its east bank and made their stand there.”

Montgomery on Battle of El Alamein

We asked him to tell us about the African battle of El Alamein.

He said that all of the writers of books and all of the so-called reportorial strategists had never given the true facts of this battle, that he alone had all of the facts.

“The German line,” he went on, “had integrated companies or divisions of Germans and Italians side by side. The Italians are notably bad fighters. Rommel was expecting an attack from his flank on the sea and this attack would have been tough on him. I hit him on his right, or sea flank. He pulled all of his good German fighters from out of his integrated line to his sea flank, then I gave him a left hook and ran around to the left. Rommel was not as good a General as von Runstedt, who is the best General I ever fought against.

“Generals must practice morale building. Before the invasion of France, everyone knew there was going to be an invasion, as it had been in the newspapers for three months. I rode on the hood of a jeep throughout England talking to troops, building confi-

dence, telling the men that they were not going to be killed, impressing my men with what they knew, namely that I would not waste men in an engagement. My men know I will not fight until it is good business. Men must have the gleam of battle in their eyes. Generals do not win battles unless they meticulously plan their campaign and subsequently follow through. I always plan a major campaign for three months.

“In the Normandy campaign I laid down the plan last March. I planned the feint on Caen using British troops to suck in German reserves and especially their motorized strength. With this having been done, the Americans could hit the Germans on the right flank and encircle them.

“I now am the Field Marshal of the British Armies. I have charge of air, sea and land. I am now engaged in finance, agriculture and business—all are things I know very little about.”

Monty Admits He has Memoirs

Monty went on to say that the Ruhr is a war machine. The German people can never use all the civilian goods that they produce from the Ruhr. The factories that made guns can produce millions of bicycles, refrigerators, etc.

Again he stressed that America and England must import against future exports. He further said that it gets very cold here in winter with 12 feet of snow, and again stressed that this would be the battleground of the winter, as there was no coal.

I told the Field Marshal that his was a wonderful story and that he should record it immediately. He admitted that he had kept a diary. He said, “If I published it, it would start another war. You cannot deal with five nations and not have disagreements, and you cannot tell about these disagreements publicly. I think it is wonderful that we have agreed on as much as we have. Potsdam has been very successful.”