

# Fighting Canadians Help Take Caldari

## Daring Night Raid Also Made on Village of Berrati By Dominion's Soldiers

London, Dec. 15.—(UP)—The Bari radio (Italian pro-Allies station) reported to-day that all heights overlooking the Ortona-Orsonga road in the Adriatic sector of Italy now are in Allied hands.

Algiers, Dec. 15.—(AP)—Canadian and Indian troops led an 8th Army attack that captured Caldari, six miles from Ortona on the Adriatic coast of Italy, and cost the Germans 200 prisoners. Allied headquarters announced to-day.

### Seize Enemy Commander

Canadian troops in a daring night raid on the village of Berrati, two miles from Ortona, captured the commanding officer of the 361st Armoured Grenadier Division, his adjutant, four other officers and 140 men.

An Allied officer announced that two bridgeheads across the Moro river, forced by the Canadians on the coast and Indian troops farther inland, now have been merged into one. It is about a mile in depth and five miles wide.

This bridgehead includes Caldari.

The Canadians had replaced the battle-trying British 78th Division. Not content with steady day attacks, the aggressive Canadians staged a night raid on Berrati, catching the Nazi garrison by surprise to take nearly 150 prisoners and kill many other Germans. The Canadians retired after the raid, on the night of December 12, taking all equipment of value with them.

Indian troops, which are flanked along the coast by the Canadians, and inland by the New Zealand 2nd Division, took Caldari against stubborn resistance in their fiercest attack.

The weather improved on both the 8th and 5th Army fronts.