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# SHORTENED BRITISH - GREEK LINE HOLDS FIRM

## *Sudden Death Of Greek Premier*

### Christos Cavrakos assumes leadership — Urges calm.

ATHENS, April 19—(AP)—The sudden death of Alexandros Corizis, for less than three months Premier of Greece, was announced late tonight in broadcasts from the Athens radio.

A short time later a proclamation by Christos Cavrakos said he had assumed the duties of supreme military governor, on orders of the war ministry.

He urged calm and discipline among the people and added:—"Assembly of groups is absolutely forbidden. Anyone infringing on this order will be court martialled."

(NBC heard the Athens radio say that Korizis died suddenly at 4 p.m. Greek time—10 a.m. A.S.T.—Friday.)

"Thus, in three months," the announcer said "two Prime Ministers have fallen while performing their duty after having consecrated their whole strength to the service of their country."

Korizis, 55, a banker, succeeded his intimate friend, Premier George Metaxas immediately upon the death of the latter on Jan. 29.

Metaxas himself designated Korizis, who was governor of the Bank of Greece, as his successor.

King George II was reported to be calling a meeting of the cabinet to designate a new Premier, the announcer said.

Alexandras Corizis was not a military man but on taking over the Greek premiership Jan. 29 he pledged himself to carry on the policies of his military predecessor, Gen. John Metaxas.

Corizis, a scholar, and a banker, assumed Metaxas' other portfolios of war, aviation, foreign affairs, navy and education. He took office at a time when the only foe of Greece was Italy and the Albanian campaign was definitely in favor of the Hellenes.

With the death of Metaxas, whose long military career began with German training, Korizis was cred-

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## Kotzias to form New Greek Gov't

ATHENS, April 19—(Saturday)—(AP)—King George of Greece named Kostas Kotzias, former military governor of Athens, to form a new government to carry on the war against the Axis after the sudden death of Premier Alexandros Korizis, the Athens news agency said today.

Kotzias, who served as governor of Thrace from early in March until the Germans overran that eastern strip, was expected to present a new cabinet list this morning, it was reported by the agency.

Kotzias addressed a radio message to the Greek nation to stand firm as an example of the "excellent Greek troops who have covered themselves with honor and glory for six months and who continue with the same heroism under the most difficult conditions to fight an unprecedented battle."

He also paid tribute to the British Imperial troops "fighting on our soil at the side of our troops."

Korizis died late yesterday, and the government did not immediately disclose the cause of his death. Funeral services were scheduled for 1 p.m. today, an announcement said.

## Col. Ralston At Halifax

HALIFAX, April 18—(CP)—Any extension of the four-month compulsory training plan will depend on future developments in the war, and the need for man power, Defence Minister Ralston said on his arrival here tonight.

The Minister, on a tour of inspection of training centres, in the Maritimes, told newsmen the camps are being used to capacity with the arrival of the second draft of the 21-year-old class at their camps today.

He said the new plan of training the reserve army recruits side by side with men of the regular army is working out very successfully. The entire scheme is fulfilling all expectations, he said, and was working smoothly.

During the morning Col. Ralston inspected defences in the Halifax area and inspected the training centre at Yarmouth in the afternoon. He left tonight for Kentville, N.S., to visit the Aldershot Camp tomorrow.

During the weekend he will inspect the Sussex, N.B., camp and troops at Amherst, N.S.

## Coming Events

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**I. O. D. E. rummage sale, May 3. L-902.

**Remember St. Peters Cathedral Rummage Sale Saturday, May 3rd. L-645-4-5-19-5-3.

**After April 18th my blacksmith Forge will be closed. Linsay H. Coles, North Milton. L-851-4-18-21.

**Sale of jam, jellies and pickles by Ladies Aid of P. E. Island Hospital, Holman's, Saturday afternoon, April 19. L-803-4-16-31.

**Rummage Sale, Christian Church Schoolroom, April 19, 7 o'clock. L-865-4-18-21.

**Buying Pigs at Fredericton Monday paying $8.00 pair for good pigs over 22 lbs. Knud Jorgensen. L-878-4-19-11.

**Stewart Ross loading hogs at Melville April 28th, not 21st as previously advertised. L-882-4-19-11

## Re-opening of Strand Theatre Is proposed

### City Council Discusses Plan at a Special Meeting.

Prospects of having in operation a third motion picture theatre in Charlottetown, equipped along modern lines, were discussed at a special meeting of the City Council last night.

The proposal came from the F. G. Spencer Company, Ltd., which now operates the Prince Edward and the Capitol theatres and has a lease on the unused Strand Theatre, over the Market Building. Extensive remodelling of this theatre is involved in the project, which the Council held over for further discussion at the next monthly meeting.

The Spencer Company proposes to remodel and decorate the present entrance and stairway leading to the Strand Theatre; modernize, renovate and decorate the theatre proper, reseating the interior to a capacity of six or seven hundred, installing new lighting, modern projecting and sound equipment, etc. at an estimated aggregate cost of $23,000.

It is proposed that the City agree to making the whole entrance and stairway to the theatre solely available to the Company, construct a new entrance to the west end of the

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## R. A. F. Pilots To fly huge Bombers overseas

TACOMA, April 18 —(AP) —Between 36 and 40 Royal Air Force pilots, most of whom have seen action over the English Channel and Germany, are in Tacoma preparing to fly 19 four-motored, long range bombers to service overseas.

The men, all young, are going to learn the intricacies of flying the nearby McChord Field daily to huge Boeing bombers, released to Great Britain under the lease-lend bill.

Within three weeks the 19 bombers, all armored and marked with R. A. F. insignia and representing a total value of $4,750,000 are expected to take off, probably en route to Britain.

## Danube bridges Are dynamited

BUDAPEST, April 18—(AP)—Dynamiting of two bridges at Novisad by Yugoslav troops has blocked traffic on the Danube, it was disclosed here tonight. The steel superstructures fell into the channel.

## One R.C.A.F. man Killed, two missing

OTTAWA, April 18 —(CP) — One member of the Royal Canadian Air Force was reported killed, two missing after operation flights, one dangerously injured and another seriously injured overseas, in official advices received at Air Force headquarters today.

Lac. James Ernest Owen, 21, son of Thomas Owen of Montreal, was killed by a bomb explosion during an enemy air raid Monday on a Royal Air Force station. Ac1 J. F. Tighe, 28, of Ottawa, was dangerously injured in the same raid.

Sgt. Herbert Robinson Easton, 25, son of John Easton, Winnipeg, was reported missing after an operational flight overseas on April 8.

Sgt. Robert Edward Venning Andecuonn, 25, of Outremont, Que., a graduate of McGill University and a former North country gold miner, also was reported missing.

Sgt. Henry James Forster Kerr, 21, son of Samuel James Kerr of Russell, Ont., suffered serious head injuries in a flying accident overseas on April 10, and was admitted to hospital.

## Yugoslavia is Enemy territory

LONDON, April 18 — (AP) — Britain tonight officially pronounced Yugoslavia "enemy-occupied territory."

The board of trade and ministry of economic warfare declared it was now "a punishable offence" to have dealings with anyone in Yugoslav territory and the goods of Yugoslav origin or ownership are liable to seizure.

The Germans have announced capitulation of the Yugoslav fighting forces.

## *Berlin Pounded By R. A. F. Planes*

### Churchill warns Rome will be bombed if Athens or Cairo touched.

(By Noland Norgaard, Associated Press Staff Writer)

**LONDON, April 18—(AP)—The war's heaviest raid on Berlin, pressed home with more and bigger bombs and bombers than ever before, left the German capital checkered with flames early today, the Air Ministry announced tonight.**

**Prime Minister Churchill warned the world that captured British bombs are to be dropped on Vatican City by masquerading Italian airmen the first time the R.A.F. raids Rome.**

**This warning of what was called a "characteristic trick" was contained in a statement issued at No. 10 Downing Street—Mr. Churchill's official residence—that Rome will be attacked systematically if the Axis molests either Athens or Cairo.**

**British airmen will take "the greatest care" not to bomb Vatican City, centre of the Roman Catholic world, said the announcement, but once the bombardment of adjoining Rome is begun "it will continue as convenient to the end of the war."**

Athens and Cairo, which the British Government thus seeks to save from air-borne devastation, are, respectively, the repository of the ancient culture of Greece and a shrine-filled city sacred to the Moslem faith.

The Downing Street statement denied that the Berlin raid was in revenge for London's hurts.

London sources said however, "it will remind the Germans that the R.A.F. still is able to reach Berlin."

The Air Ministry left no doubt that the city was "reached", saying "very substantial damage" was inflicted.

The ministry news service, recalling that the Germans admitted severe damage from the last big raid, April 9, said this one was bigger.

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## Nazis admit Many British Planes in raid

BERLIN, April 18—(CP)—The German high command acknowledged tonight that the strongest force of British airmen since the war began "attempted" to raid the capital last night and early today but claimed only single craft penetrated the anti-aircraft ring around the city.

(London sources described the raid as the heaviest to date and it was disclosed that the new powerful British bomb was used.)

The Nazis said that four public buildings, among them the Prussian State Library, previously bombed, were hit and claimed about 10 apartment houses damaged.

"The number of injured was small," the communique said.

Propaganda Minister Goebbels told the people of Germany to display the swastika Sunday in honor

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## Minimum Butter Price not fixed yet

OTTAWA April 18 — (CP) — The dairy products board has not disclosed when it will set a minimum butter price of what the price will be, but today a spokesman for the dairy and creamery interests forecast it would come into effect May 1, or possibly earlier.

With the wholesale price of butter a fraction under 30 cents in Montreal, this spokesman said, there was an urgent demand to fix the price which he thought would be close to 30 cents.

However, he expected the minimum price to be fixed soon regardless of the market so that producers could map out their operations accordingly.

"In some quarters it is being urged on the board that the minimum price be advanced half a cent a month," this source said. "It costs three-eighths of a cent a month to store butter and if, beginning June 1, the minimum price were advanced half a cent a month the holder of butter could sell in any month without loss."

## *Fierce Fighting Still Under Way In North Africa*

### Heavy toll taken by British planes and warships.

By Eric Bigio
Associated Press Staff Writer

CAIRO, April 18 —(AP) —Fierce but apparently still-indecisive hand-to-hand bayonet and mechanized fighting raged on along the North African front today among stalled axis mechanized units and British Imperial forces, supported by guns of the British Mediterranean fleet and planes of the Royal Air Force.

Middle East headquarters here announced a heavy toll was inflicted on men and machines of the axis force at Tobruk, Libyan port 80 miles from the Egyptian border, and at the hotly contested border post of Salum, just inside Egypt.

Seventy seven prisoners —including five officers — were reported captured by the British and march-

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## Axis ships Are blasted

**LONDON, April 18—(CP)—A 7,000-ton Axis supply ship was left burning rapidly at the stern and another 3,000-ton vessel of the same type was left sinking rapidly and emitting black smoke after a raid by Blenheim bombers of the coastal command off the Norwegian coast today, the Air Ministry announced.**

**One vessel was attacked from a height of only 50 feet, the statement said, adding that four heavy bombs hit the ship squarely amidships, causing a big explosion**

## Unending mass Of Nazi force Causes concern

LONDON, April 18 (CP Cable) — The unending mass of men, arms and planes the Germans are able to throw recklessly against the stubbornly resisting allied line in Greece is causing increasing concern over the outcome of the campaign.

This tremendous pressure maintained by steady reinforcements, is forcing the allies to withdraw to a shorter line. Faced with superior forces, they are battling savagely and gallantly, but the sheer weight of the enemy is overpowering.

When the allies meet the Nazis on equal terms they generally triumph, but then the Germans throw more power into the drive oblivious to cost—and this has been heavy, according to today's middle east communique.

The most worrying factor is the continual dive bombing due to Nazi air superiority. The great air force permits the Germans to maintain a virtual 24-hour attack.

Incidentally, informed sources speculating on the Allies' ability to withstand the enemy masses suggested the imperials may seek to prevent further losses by concentrating on the more important Libya campaign, the price of which is Suez, lifeline to the east.

Britain is fighting in Greece because she was morally bound to aid a gallant ally, but it is suggested that in the empire's main struggle her interest lies in assuring the safety of Suez. As long as German mechanized forces are on the Egyptian border and bombers are on Libyan airfields, the Suez Canal is jeopardized

## Eskimos are Brought out After "battle"

OTTAWA, April 18 — (CP)—A Royal Canadian Mounted Police airplane flew out of the north today with three Eskimo prisoners aboard and a story of an outburst of violence on lonely Belcher Islands which indicated nine men, women and children died.

Two men and one woman were reported flown to Moosonee in Northern Ontario in the plane which carried investigators to the Hudson Bay islands from Ottawa following a radio report from the north that three Eskimos died by violence last February.

Abbreviated reports to police headquarters here traced the picture of a savage scene in which clubs and rifles were used in causing the deaths of at least three persons, while others were chased from shelter into the bitter cold and died.

Ottawa headquarters said their reports from investigators so far said the total of known dead was believed to be nine.

A dispute over interpretation of religious matters has been reported as the cause of the Belcher Islands violence.

## Japs take Important port In fast drive

**SHANGHAI, April 19 —(Saturday) —(AP) —Japanese forces, supported by warships and airplanes, captured Ningpo, important trade and political centre 200 miles south of here, in a lightning nine-hour drive, it was reported today.**

**The capture of the treaty port was made known by neutral military authorities, but has not yet been announced by the Japanese.**

**Ningpo, one of the first ports opened under the 1842 treaty of Nanking, is the capital of Chekiang Province.**

## Probe Death

TORONTO, April 18 — (CP) — Every resource of the attorney-general's department was promised today to investigators in the inquest into the death of Basil A. Twiss, Toronto insurance man. Twiss died last week following an injection of vitamin B solution which an autopsy showed later to have been contaminated by staphy-lococcus germs.

A conference of medical and police authorities was held at Queen's Park during the morning. After the meeting, it was said that it had not yet been disclosed how the solution became contaminated.

Nine other persons have suffered illness following injections but are said to be recovering.

## Nazi Consulate Denies waiter Was agent

RIVERHEAD, N. Y., April 18 —(AP) — A statement attributed to Bruno Johannes Valenski, 31, a Central Islip waiter arrested on a robbery charge, that he was a Nazi spy in the United States brought blank denials today from the German consul general in New York City.

Sheriff Jacob S. Dreyer, of Suffolk County, said that in a 12-page statement Valenski detailed the "Nazi espionage and sagotage set-up in the United States." Dr. Hans Borchers, German consul general, declared he had never heard of the man, but later said a file had been found in the consulate seeking aid as an unemployed seaman.

George Foster, chief of the sheriff's bureau of investigation, quoted Valenski as saying he had been sent by German officials to the Panama Canal to take pictures of fortifications but that he got "cold feet" and deserted.

## Honorable Mention for Island Poet

TORONTO, April 18—(CP)—Mrs. Sara Carsley, Calgary, was announced today as the first-prize winner in the literary competition of the women's Canadian Club of Toronto. First prize of $50 was awarded Mrs. Carsley for her poem "Little Boats of Britain," the story of Dunkirk.

Two $25 second prizes went to Mrs. J. K. Laurie of Montreal for her "Sonnet On Words By Churchill," and Robert H. Blackburn of Lavol, Alta., for his poem "Moraine Lake."

Honorable mention was given Dorothy Hutcheson Duchemin of Charlottetown for her poem, "Ever He Loved The Ways Of Birds."

## Gen. Smuts Says victory Is assured

NEW YORK, April 18 — (CP) — Gen. Jan Smuts, Prime Minister of South Africa, said tonight in a broadcast from Cape Town that "victory is assured, perhaps in another year or 18 months." The broadcast was reported by the BBC and heard here by CBS.

Gen. Smuts said that a great job had been done in South Africa in record time, and he believed the section of the South African people that had lagged behind in the war effort be "in it in the end."

"The effort" Gen. Smuts said, "is not for the war alone, but for the years and generations to follow. It will be one of the chapters in the development of South Africa."

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BEST FOR ALL BAKING !

## *German Shock Troops Die By The Thousand*

### Allies in new positions turn back fiercest attacks by enemy.

By J. Wes Gallagher
Associated Press Staff Writer

ATHENS, April 19 —(Saturday)—(AP) — A shortened, solid British-Greek line across Macedonia is holding firm against assaults of almost incredible fury by masses of German shock troops, the Greek command announced early today.

From Mount Olympus on the east, through the central valley of the Aliakmon river, and on westward around Grevena, the new defences repelled "all enemy pressure," the Greek command said.

"On the Albanian front our movements on Albanian soil were carried out calmly," it was stated.

It was in the west that the British Imperial forces and the Greeks successfully made a forced withdrawal to bunch up their defences.

The roads which straggle down the mountains of northern Greece were thick with the traffic of the Allied armies as they rectified their lines for further resistance. This rectification, described in official British statements as a gradual withdrawal to a shorter line of defence, was, by military necessity, unexplained.

But one thing was known: The Allied front lines are unbroken on the Allied right flank, where the Germans are flinging massed and formidably armed forces against the front bulwarked by Mt. Olympus and the Pindus Mountains.

Yet if Greece is saved by this valiant stand it will be a modern Thermopylae, for the defenders are greatly outnumbered.

At least 10 divisions and 1,000 aircraft are being thrown at the allied right and center. They are meeting the most stubborn of hand-to-hand resistance, especially in the Kalabaka sector of the centre.

**On the right the German columns, ascending the steep slopes four rows deep, seem inexhaustible. The slaughter among them is monumental and the bodies are piled high.**

Some estimates place the German dead in Greece as high as 50,000. But still they come.

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## More trouble Flares at Ford plant

DETROIT, April 18—(AP)—State Police took up posts at the gates of the Ford Motor Company's River Rouge plant late tonight upon reports of further trouble inside the property and a crowd gathered.

Observers reported seeing a number of men wearing insignias of the United Automobile Workers (C.I.O.) and that a union sound truck was broadcasting: "Don't go in the foundry. Your lives are in danger."

Early this morning three U.A.W.-C.I.O. men, members of the union which carried on a 10-day strike at the Rouge plant which ended April 11, were injured in a reported series of fights with other workers in the foundry.

## Paraguayan Revolt quelled

ASUNCION, Paraguay, April 18.—(AP)—An attempted revolt has been suppressed and Provisional President Higinio Morinigo warned Paraguayans tonight he was resolved to "act with the utmost energy to impose order and continue nationalist revolutionary wark."

Informed sources said those responsible for leading the attempted revolt were supporters of exiled former President Rafael Franco, now in Montevideo, Uruguay.

(Franco, an army colonel, seized power in February, 1937, only to be overthrown by another uprising in August, 1938. At Montevideo he disclaimed knowledge of reported street demonstrations at Asuncion yesterday demanding Morinigo invite him to return from exile).

### TAKES OWN LIFE

WOODSTOCK, N. B., April 18—(CP)—The body of Charles Kennedy, who inquest witnesses said had been worried over a criminal case and civil action for damages, was found hanging today in a barn at Richmond. The court cases were to have been tried next week and arose from an altercation between Kennedy and a nephew. The latter lost an eye. A coroner's jury found Kennedy had taken his own life.

## Charlottetown Man gets Wings

OTTAWA, April 18—(CP)—Group Capt. Frank S. McGill today pinned the crested wings of the Royal Canadian Air Force to the tunics of another group of fighter pilots, graduates of No. 2 service flying training school of the British Commonwealth Air Training Plan.

R.C.A.F. headquarters said the new pilots "now are ready for transfer overseas to complete their training on service types of aircraft."

Among the graduates: D. L. Cox, Charlottetown; M. D. McKenzie, of Pictou, N.S.; Egma. Murray, Stellarton, N.S.; H. L Spinney, Central Argyle, N.S.; D. H. MacKinnon, Advocate, N.S.; J. P. Sawyer, Nassau.

## Bad weather Grounds Nazis

LONDON, April 19—(Saturday)—(CP)—All Britain except one country district in northeast Scotland had a chance for a good night's sleep free of air raid alarms last night and early today as stormy continental weather grounded the German air force.

No one was injured in the Scotland raid, which was described as minor.

## Still some ice in Gulf

HALIFAX, April 18.—(CP)— The Department of Transport said today there is a large patch of ice south of the south point of Anticosti Island, Que., and said it extends to 48 30 N.

Open strings and patches are found across the steamer track to Cape Ray, Nfld., 30 miles east of Bird Rock, north of the Magdalen Islands. From 15 miles east of St. Paul, the eastern edge of the ice extends southeastward to 90 miles east of Scatarie, N.S., southward to the vicinity of Banquereau and from there to 10 miles off White Head.

TORONTO, April 18—(CP)—Minimum and maximum temperatures:

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| Dawson | 32 | 40 |
| Victoria | 42 | 63 |
| Edmonton | 20 | 59 |
| Regina | 22 | 38 |
| Winnipeg | 32 | 42 |
| Toronto | 43 | 56 |
| Ottawa | 37 | 63 |
| Montreal | 43 | 64 |
| Quebec | 39 | 64 |
| Saint John | 39 | 47 |
| Halifax | 39 | 54 |
| Charlottetown | 40 | 45 |

### FORECAST

**Maritime East: Fresh winds; partly cloudy and comparatively cool; probably light scattered showers.**

Synopsis: Showers have occurred in some sections of Ontario and Manitoba, while in Saskatchewan and Alberta the weather has been fair and milder.

High tide this morning at 5.06 and this afternoon at 4.30.

Sun sets this evening at 6.50 and rises tomorrow morning at 5.08.

New moon April 26, 9.23 a.m.

Summerside tide 18 minutes later than Charlottetown.

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