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BOATLOADS OF NAZIS ARE BLASTED OFF CRETE

Told To Cease Policy Of Giving Aid To Hitler

Royal navy seizes tanker bound to French port.

(By Harold Fair, Canadian Press Staff Writer)
LONDON, May 22—(CP Cable)—The Vichy Government of aged Marshal Petain was warned bluntly today by Britain that, unless it calls an instant halt to its policy of helping Hitler, Britain will seek out and attack the Germans on the soil of so-called unoccupied France.

The warning was delivered in the Commons by Foreign Secretary Eden.

Almost simultaneously, it was announced officially that the navy had seized the heavily-laden oil tanker Sheherazade, one of the world's biggest tankers, while the 13,467-ton ship was in the Atlantic en route from Houston, Tex., to Casablanca, French North Africa.

London informants said they understood the seizure was carried out with the full consent of the United States.

There was other information bearing out Mr. Eden's intimation that Britain no longer trusts the Vichy Government. Clement Attlee, Lord Privy Seal, told the House that French military equipment apparently is finding its way from Syria to the pro-Nazi Iraqis.

It was stated here that Vichy has been allowing Germany a quantity of all cargoes arriving at Marseille, some reports indicating that 80 per cent of such cargoes leak in this way through the British blockade.

Other sources charged that Vichy, in the last six weeks, has given Germany 10,000 tons of aluminum, 8,000 tons of manganese, 38,000 tons of bauxite, 30,000 tons of wool and 30,000 tons of fruit.

And the House of Commons was well aware that Vichy was permitting German aircraft the use of Syrian landing fields.

Vichy is said here to have permitted German torpedo boats to pass from the lower Rhone to the Mediterranean and French industry is said to have been working for Germany at a scale which, in many respects, exceeds its pre-armistice rate. Now, reports from Vichy say the West Indian French island of Martinique is being prepared to defend itself against "an

ARROGATE, England—(CP)—Charles E. O. Carter, a London astrophysicist, says May 26 is a menacing day for the Axis and predicts revolutionary movements throughout Germany.

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French ordered To defend Martinique

Report Originates In German-occupied Paris.

By Taylor Henry
Associated Press Staff Writer
VICHY, May 22—(AP)—French forces on Martinique have been ordered to prepare to defend that Caribbean island against an attack by the United States, reports from German-occupied Paris said today.

Looming large in any defence of the island are the cruiser Emile Bertin and the aircraft carrier Bearn, which have been stationed at Martinique's capital and chief port, Fort De France, since the German defeat of France last June.

Word was said to have reached Paris from Fort De France that the French naval command in the Caribbean had ordered these ships to remain in the Antilles on "practice manoeuvres." Both warships recently have engaged in manoeuvres for the announced purpose of maintaining crew morale.

The Nazi-controlled Paris newspaper said Martinique's defences were being strengthened and that any conflict would centre around the island's fortress, which holds the gold reserves of the Bank of France.

That fortress will be blown to (Continued on page 12, Col 4)

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Royal Stooze Gets Croat Throne



Croat leaders are planning the coronation of the Duke of Spoleto as ruler of their new kingdom, comprising two-fifths of conquered Yugoslavia. It was believed the date for Spoleto's coronation as King Aimeone I would be set within the next few days. He is a second cousin of King Victor Emmanuel, the husband of the former Princess Irene of Greece and the brother of the Duke of Aosta, vicerey of Ethiopia, who has surrendered to the British in Ethiopia. The Croats had asked Victor Emmanuel to name them a king. The new King and Queen of Nazi-created Croatia are shown above.

Pays tribute To Canada

By Foster Barclay
Canadian Press Staff Writer
LONDON, May 22—(CP Cable)—Sir Kingsley Wood, Chancellor of the Exchequer, paid a special tribute to Canada in the House of Commons today, and the House cheered his reference to the Isley budget with its tariff concessions to United Kingdom goods and the pledge to finance the bulk of British purchases in Canada.

Sir Kingsley told the House "we are obtaining from Canada war supplies of many kinds—food and raw materials. We couldn't obtain these vital necessary supplies without the splendid help Canada is ready to give us on the financial side."

He said the British government had told the Canadian government that Britain appreciated the measures of help.

At Kingsley finished, F. W. Pethick-Lawrence, Labor, said: "We know the people of Canada have warm hearts and we acknowledge the great obligations under which they are putting us in this respect."

Hugh Molson, Conservative, who said the chancellor's reference to Canada's assistance pleased him specially because of his Canadian origin, said: "Now that Canada is making this special effort to help us, parents might be allowed to make more than very small contributions towards maintenance of evacuees in Canada."

The 58th annual meeting of the Prince Edward Island Hospital, held last night in St. Paul's Parish Hall, reflected the progressive spirit and the successful efforts of the Trustees backed by a sympathetic public. Mr. S. A. MacLeod, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, presided and presented an encouraging report, pointing out that the Hospital had operated at a small surplus. Reports from the other committees were read and adopted.

Dr. J. A. Clark for the Property Committee, Mr. A. Pickett for the Cundall Nurses Home Committee, Mr. Walter S. Grant for Finance, Mrs. R. R. Hurst for the Ladies Aid, and Mr. W. E. Cotton for the Purchasing Committee.

The retiring trustees, Mr. W. S. Grant, Mr. H. H. Horne, and Mr. J. C. MacPeden, were re-appointed for this year, and great appreciation was expressed by these present for the excellent work being carried on.

In analyzing the Financial Report, Mr. W. S. Grant pointed out that there was a \$3,000 increase in Patients' Fees over 1940. But he warned that owing to the large amount of free service given patients, (\$13,517.52), the great number of unpaid fees, the improvements needed in the near future, and a bond issue maturing in 1943, increased support in some form would be needed.

Miss Ada E. Harris was the secretary of the meeting which was closed with the benediction pronounced by the Rev. H. Crawford Scott.

The reports follow.

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Grim Battle Roars Into Fourth Day

British-Greek defenders deprived of fighter planes; Navy does heroic work; Nazi parachutists pour in.

(By W. T. Yarbrough, Associated Press Staff Writer)

LONDON, May 23—(Friday)—(AP)—British naval guns roaring in the darkness of Crete were reported early today to have blasted whole boatloads of Nazi reinforcements, while added thousands of German parachutists plumped down on the island through a blinding shower of anti-aircraft shrapnel.

In the pre-dawn it appeared that the Germans, who already hold two key island points and have gained mastery of the air were able to land troops in numbers from above—however precariously; but that the fleet had stood off and destroyed all sea-borne units.

Britain's powerful fleet also lifted its muzzles into the night skies against the stream of big Nazi transport planes which kept up a constant ferry service from the Greek mainland 100 miles away.

At 4 a.m. (11 p.m. A.D.T.) there still was no decisive turn reported in the epic air-versus-sea battle.

The steady German air shuttle service bringing men and supplies threatened to overcome the initial British-Greek ground advantage of numerical superiority and artillery.

Confusion At Sea

As the grim duel in the dark went into its fourth day these reports gave this fantastic picture of the Nazi invasion and bitter Greek-British defence, bereft now of the aid of fighting planes—

At sea there is a confusing mass of drowning troops and sinking ships as one-ton British shells crash into the Nazi armada. Great geysers of water lift over the area while Nazi dive-bombers roar in to attack Britain's navy.

Ashore, German sky troops hold the city of Candia, midway along the northern shore of ancient Crete. British forces hold a nearby airdrome.

To the west the British and Greek forces hold Canea, site of King George's exiled Greek Government, but 10 miles to the southwest Germany's aerial troops have dug in at Malemi airdrome.

Skies Aflame

The skies are aflame with searchlight beams, anti-aircraft tracer shells, and flares. Now and then the searchlights catch swirling clouds of parachutes where German machine-guns are drifting down. Many of these "chutists" are dead by the time they strike the earth.

But the Nazis keep coming on recklessly, by parachute, glider planes and aerial transport. Reports say many transports have cracked up on the bomb-pitted surface of Malemi airdrome—already savagely struck by Nazi bombs before the invasion started before dawn Tuesday.

Withdrawal of British fighting planes is a distinct disadvantage to the fierce resistance of British and Greek ground forces. Now, however, the defenders are being aided by Cretan guerrillas and often by Cretan women armed with long knives and pistols.

The Germans have undisputed possession of the air over the battle-ripped island itself, and unofficial estimates are that at least 7,000 Nazi aerial troops already have landed, with another division winging in behind them.

Several thousand of these have been wiped out or captured in the first two days of savage fighting.

Every Man For Himself

It is a case of every man for himself, according to British military orders, a vast and furious guerrilla fight where foe and friend often are indistinguishable.

Prime Minister Churchill, in a guarded recital to the House of Commons Thursday, pictured the fight as "a desperate grim battle... where neither side has any means of retreat."

London observers obviously are concerned about the withdrawal of British planes from untenable positions on the island, but appear heartened by official implications that strong British naval units are in action.

Royal Air Force fighter planes had been withdrawn because, it was explained here, of "the pronounced disadvantage" under which they were operating and the battle thus was left as a running duel between sea and air power. Airdrome facilities on Crete are few and ill-equipped.

In Germany's desperate challenge to the fleet, Prime Minister Churchill told the House of Commons, the Germans thrust 30 vessels into the zone of battle—this aside from an earlier attempt to break through

Island Members Of Maritime Anglican Synod

HALIFAX, May 22—(CP)—The Diocesan Synod of the Church of England decided today to recommend that provision be made for religious instruction in the public schools of the province. The Superintendent of Education was asked to establish at the Provincial Normal School a course for the training of teachers in this work. Results of the elections as the synod ended its annual session included:

Executive Committee: Rev. J. Crewe, Glace Bay; Rev. Canon I. E. Fraser, New Glasgow; Rev. A. LeDrew, Charlottetown; Rev. J. W. Godfrey, Truro; Rev. F. R. Holborow, Sydney; Rev. Canon E. M. Malone, Charlottetown; Rev. J. Stead, North Sydney; Rev. C. K. Whalley, Sydney; Judge H. L. Palmer, Charlottetown.

Council for Social Service: Rev. Canon E. B. Spurr, Dorchester, N. B.; Rev. J. Stead, North Sydney; Rev. A. LeDrew, Charlottetown.

Diocesan Mission Board: Rev. J. Crewe, Rev. Canon I. E. Fraser, Rev. F. R. Holborow, Rev. Canon E. M. Malone, Judge H. L. Palmer, Charlottetown.

Germans not Told yet of Crete battle

BERLIN, May 22—(CP)—The German people have not yet been told that the battle for Crete is in progress and that thousands of Nazi soldiers have been dropped on the island by parachutes or landed from planes and gliders.

But a special communique of the high command claimed tonight that the Nazis had sunk four British cruisers and "several" destroyers in bitter fighting in the Eastern Mediterranean.

(There was no comment on the German claims in London.)

The name of Crete has not been mentioned in accounts of the fighting in the Eastern Mediterranean.

This follows the practice of the German high command in not making details of fighting public. Action continues, but never before has such complete secrecy been maintained.

THE ONLY BAD FEATURE 'BOUT THIS WEATHER IS IT CAN'T LAST FOR EVER

TORONTO, May 22—(CP)—Minimum and maximum temperatures:

Dawson	21	52
Victoria	21	78
Edmonton	28	68
Regina	34	62
Winnipeg	62	75
Toronto	56	83
Ottawa	64	79
Montreal	62	75
Quebec	61	77
Saint John	48	68
Halifax	58	56
Charlottetown	46	62

FORECAST

Gulf, Bay Chaleur and North Shore: Fresh winds; mostly cloudy with scattered showers and probably some fog.

Maritime West and East: Moderate to fresh winds; mostly cloudy and probably some fog.

Synopsis: Thundershowers have occurred in some sections of Ontario, while in the Western Provinces the weather has been fair and cool.

High tide this morning at 8:40 and tonight at 9:35

Sun sets this evening at 7:30 and rises tomorrow morning at 4:23.

New moon April 26, 1:18 a.m.

Summerside tide 18 minutes later than Charlottetown.

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