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## PREMIER JOHN METAXAS, STRONG MAN OF GREECE, DEAD BUT WAR GOES ON

Fighting Head of Hellenese Government Succumbs Following Operation—Was Given Credit for Success of Campaign

ATHENS, January 29.—Premier General John Metaxas, soldier, military genius and strong man of Greece, is dead at the age of sixty-nine years. He underwent a throat operation last Saturday from which, in spite of blood transfusions, he failed to rally satisfactorily. Supreme commander of the Greek army, navy and air force,

Metaxas was given credit for the success of the Greek campaign against Italy in the war which is now centred in Albania. It was he who saw the possibility of an Italian invasion of Greece following the Fascist rape of Albania and made preparations to resist it. King George II. has called upon the former President of the Greek National Bank, Alexander Koritsis, to form a new administration to carry on the war uninterrupted. Koritsis, in accepting office, expressed determination to carry on the policies of Metaxas.

A chesty little man with the physical attributes of Napoleon Bonaparte and, his opponents said, with similar ambitions, John Metaxas took dictatorial control of Greece on August 4, 1936. He had mixed army-political brew in the ancient nation for more than 40 His intimates called him "Jannaki," or "Little John,"

Trained as a soldier and an acknowledged military genius, he was a confirmed royalist, the chief hope of the House of Glucksburg through 20 years of abdications and restorations. Later he modified his views sufficiently to make himself persona grata to the constitutionalist monarchists and rode to power with them when George II. resumed the Greek throne in October, 1935.

Then death in quick succession took Eleutherios Venizelos, his arch political foe and two of his colleagues in the new government, leaving him without a rival for the position of "strong man."

Social unrest was threatening to break out in widespread strikes when the plump little prime minister stalked into King George's pal-(Continued on Page Six)

# HITLER TO

Tomorrow by Nazi Chieftain

BERLIN, January 29- Marking velt as his opponent and now l the eighth anniversary of his rise Wilkie is Roosevelt's special ento supreme power in Germany, voy to London. Chancellor Adolf Hitler is expected to make an address tomorrow.

## NAPLES IS ATTACKED

Important Italian City is Again LITTLE IS
Bombed and Fired by Royal Air Force

CAIRO, Jan. 29: (CP)-Royal Air Force headquarters today announced that large fires followed British bombing of Naples airdrome, central railway junction and its marshalling yard Monday night.

The Naples attack was only one phase of widespread offensive acforces in Africa.

Yesterday's Circulation of the Daily News

Your Inspection is Invited

## Bulletins

ESTUARY BOMBED

LONDON-At least five persons were killed when three bombs were dropped in a daylight raid along the Thames Estuary today after a comparatively quiet night when German operations were restricted to minor flights over the west coast and Royal Air Force planes were grounded.

"LEASE-LEND" BILL

WASHINGTON, D. C .- Presiident Roosevelt stated today that he was willing to accept any modification of the "lease-lend" bill for aid to Great Britain providing the program is not disrupted and that it still falls short of war. Republican leaders are getting together to plan proposals providing for revisions.

AUSTRALIAN CASUALTIES

CANBERRA- The minister of defence announced today that Australian casualties in the siege of Tobruk amounted to not more than 300 killed and injured whereas the Italians lost 25,000 in casualties and prisoners. Australian casualties at Bardia amounted to 320 including seventeen kill-

NEGOTIATIONS BEGIN

Armistice negotiations between Thailand and French Indo-China opened this afternoon on the Japanese cruiser Natori. Japan is acting as mediator.

"JUST A STOOGE" ROME-Premier Benito Mussolini's newspaper says the recent United States presidential IMPRESS Speech is Expected to be Delivered election was a farce. It charges that Wendell Wilkie was picked by President Franklin D. Roose-

> LONDON NOT CO-OPERATING LONDON-British officials anerate with the German proposal to move political refugees to the United States.

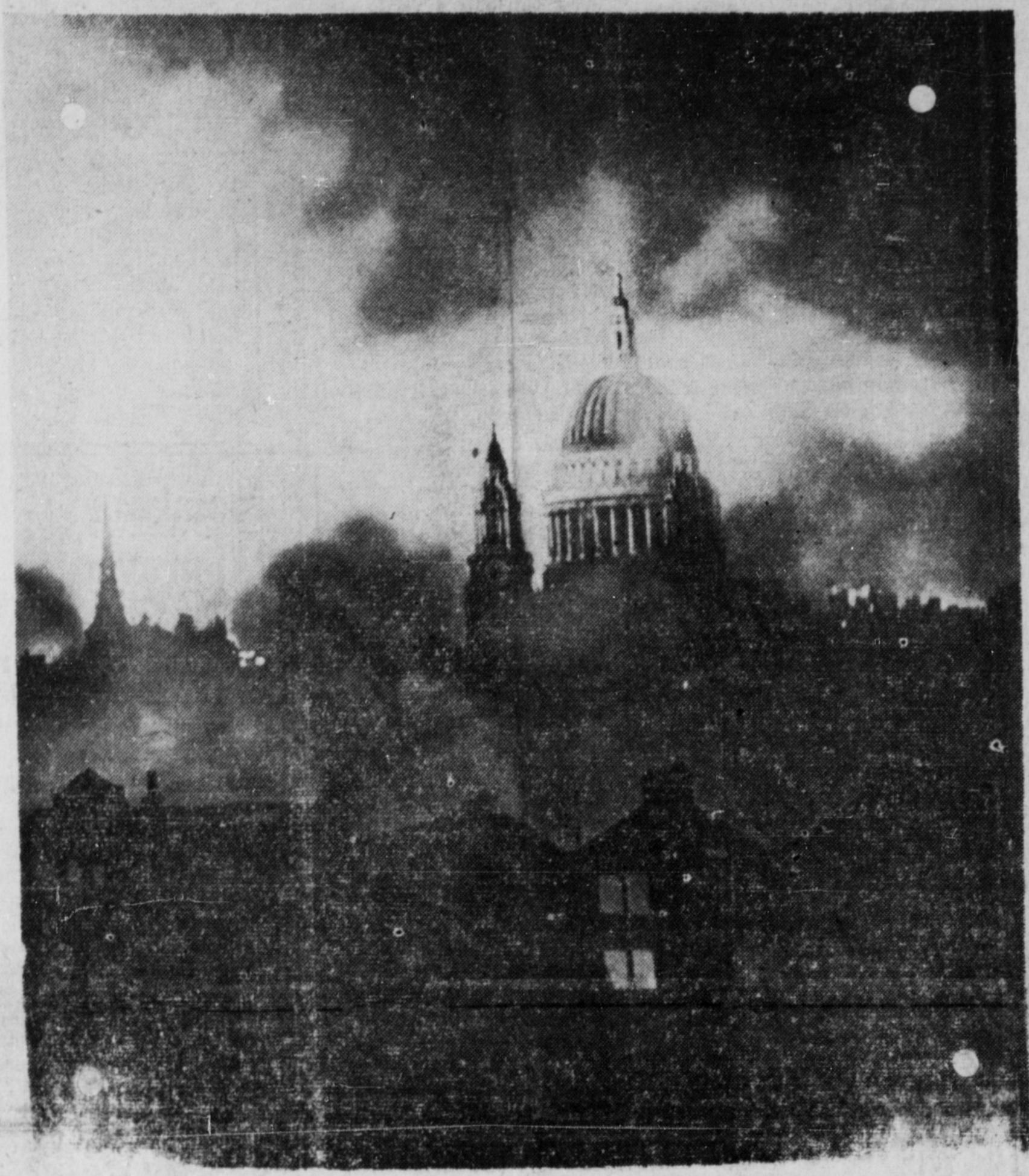
# PRESIDENT

Of St. John's Ambulance Association

tion mostly in support of land Hall, the local branch of the St. tance to Great Britain. He had war services secretary for the Young John Ambulance Association elect- formed impressions here which he Men's Christian Association and ed officers as follows:

President, J. J. Little. Vice-President, Charles Graham.

Fulton and Angus Macdonald. tivities, particularly in connection from the effects of which he is the local troops which is rapidly ex- cloudy and mild with occasional less prominent of Hitler's Nazi is part of a heavy gun program with war preparations. now recovering nicely.



Battered by ceaseless Nazi air raids, but unbowed, the city of London, heart of the British Empire, presented this scene during the night fire raid of December 29. Rearing up out of the flames and smoke of surrounding blazing buildings is St. Paul's Cathedral.

## Will Count People Here

P. H. Linzey has received the \* • appointment as commissioner • + of the decennial census for + \* Skeena riding, it is announced \* + today. An official of the Dom-+ inion Bureau of Statistics from + SAIGON, French Indo-China .- it Ottawa will be here shortly to t assist Mr. Linzey in getting or-

# WILLKIE Royal Air Force last night.

American Sees How London Can Take It—There During Raid

LONDON, Jan. 29.—In addition to nounce that they will not co-op- the Prime Minister, Wendell Willkie Squadron Leader Lee of Ottawa has met Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden and Minister of Labor Ernest Bevin. He dined with Lord Josiah Stamp.

Now I know it more."

of the city and its people, he re- his return south. marked "Fine."

'at present.

# ARE LIGHT British

Lenden Has Ninth Quiet Night -Brief Alarm Today-Slight Activity In West

AN ALARM TONIGHT LONDON, Jan. 29: (CP)-London had its first air raid alarm in eleven nights tonight.

LONDON, January 29 - London raid alarm of the ganized for the count. The had its 453rd air raid alarm of the • work will occupy the better • war today. The all clear signal + part of six months, it is expect- + came shortly afterwards. A single . & German reconnaissance plane ap- . . . . . . . . . . proached but turned away before reaching the city. There was light enemy air activity on the West MORE MEN Coast last night. For the ninth straight night London had no alarm. Bad weather grounded the

## For Air Force

is Visitor to Prince Rupert-New Y.M.C.A. Man Arrives

Said Willkie of Churchill: "He is tawa, chief officer, auxiliary servi- for military service. This would a great man. I knew that before, ces, air, for Department of National bring six more classes and 1,500,000 Defence, is paying a visit to Prince Britons under arms. Willkie has been touring London Rupert in the course of a tour of to view bomb damage. While at St. various air bases in Canada. He to register February 22. It may be Paul's Cathedral yesterday Willkie arrived by plane at noon yesterday many months before the eighteen saw the city under air raid alarm from Victoria by way of Ucluelet year-olds are called. No date is yet

Wilkie reiterated that, when he was A. M. Hurst, until recently prin- vide a steady flow of men into returns to the United States, he cipal of the Revelstoke High School, the armed forces as required. Meeting last night in the City will stick up for financial assis- who has taken up war work as a felt it unwise to discuss publicly who will be stationed here for the General Synopsis- Pressure renext couple of weeks relieving Nor- mains low over southern Alaska and man McEwen who is being transfer- is relatively high over eastern One of Hitler's Lesser Henchmen plant at Burnaby in Van uver as Secretary-Treasurer, H. J. Gra- Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Baker and red from here to Winnipeg and ex- Washington. The weather contindaughter returned to the city on pects to leave Friday night. Later ues mild throughout British Colum-Executive-Arnold Flaten, W. O. the Prince Rupert this morning two Y.M.C.A. representatives are to bia with showers on the coast. from Vancouver where Mr. Baker be stationed here to take charge of West Coast of Vancouver Island-Gurtner, German minister of jus-production of component parts of Plans were made for future ac- recently underwent an operation the auxiliary services work among Fresh to strong southeast wind, tice, died today. He was one of the naval guns such as mountings. It

## Invasion Averted?

+ LONDON, Jan. 29: (CP)- A 4 British military authority said 4 + today that German infiltration + + into Rumania and Bulgaria + and air raid aid to Italy had \* & become so extensive that "the & + very real danger" of an invas-4. ion of Britain may be averted.

# CHILLIEU UL

Sir More Classes-18 and 19 Year Olds and Those 37 to 40-Rendered Liable for Mili-

tary Service

LONDON, January 29 - King George, following a meeting of the privy council at Buckingham Palace, issued a proclamation today calling youths of 18 and 19 years Squadron Leader H. T. I. Lee, Ot- and men from 37 to 40 to register

The nineteen-year olds are called Executive Named by Local Branch and bombing. As for the conduct and Aliford Bay and will leave on set for registration of the 37 to 40-Coming north on the same plane needed, it was explained, to pro-

### Weather Forecast

rain.

## December Biggest Month Yet; January Larger; Not Peak

Bombing Fails To Disrupt Production-Many More Factories Are Starting Work-Women Replacing Men

LONDON, January 29.—British munitions and war supply factories reached a new high mark for volume of production during December in spite of air raids and it will be higher still in January, Rt. Hon. Ernest Bevin, minister of labor, announces. Notwithstanding that, the peak has not yet been reached. A whole army division can now be equipped within two weeks, something that it used to take months to do. Many more new factories are coming into produc-

tion. Others will not be ready until The drive to speed up production more and more is continuing. Women in increasing numbers are being taken into the war industries, to replace men who will engage in

# THREE HAVE

more active military pursuits.

Tragedy Attends Wreck of United States Army Transport Down Coast

boat Charleston, enroute late yes- ony is in jeopary, genere headterday afternoon to Ketchikan quarters today announced ncreaswith 23 nassengers and 24 mem- ing pressure on Derna. bere of the crew of the United States Army transport steamer west of Derna while main forces Kvichak, which wrecked Monday mass for an assault on the coastal night on Sister Rocks in Finlay- , town. son Channel, sent a radio message to the effect that three persons were believed lost in the grounding of the Kvichak. Confirmation of the drownings is awaited by the authorities. The Charleston is due in Ketchikan today with the survivors who had reached the rocky shore safely from the Kvichak.

The coastguard cutter Nemaha sent a radio message to Ketchikan vesterday afternoon stating that the Kvichak was still hard decks and bulwarks. Thirteen members of the crew were remaining aboard the Kvichak. The cutter arrived at the scene of the |Press)-British bombers wreck Tuesday morning and considerable damage to U.S.S. Charleston arrived later. buildings and stores at teen seamen remaining on the Force announced. battered ship.

the Armour Salvage Co., flew Valona with artillery fire and north from Vancouver to the bayonets. scene of the wreck late yesterday and today ordered derrick and ing in the Tepelini Klesura area. other salvage equipment to be sent from here. The outfit is leaving this afternoon in tow of the power tug Daly with Capt. Oscar Sather in charge.

The Powell River tug St. Faith was heading for the wreck last

### German Minister Of Justice Dies

Passes Away in Berlin Today

henchmen.

SURPRISED Free French Forces Take I portant Oasis in Southwest Lil /a--

Was Sudden Stab CAIRO, Jan. 28: (CP)— The Italian garrison has been driven from the important Fezzan o sis in southwestern Libya by Free French forces from the Chad re on in equatorial Africa, General George Catroux announced last nicht. He said that a French camel corps detachment made a sudden s ab deep into the Libyan interior catching

the Italians unaware. With British motorized mits so deep in Libya that Italy's hold on The United States Navy gun- | the whole eastern part of the colunits are operating soun and

Operations in East Africa-Eritrea, Ethiopia and Italian Somaliland—are reported developing satisfactorily.

British fighting planes have machine-gunned the retreating enemy between Derna and Barce in Libya.

aground with water over the main Royal Air Force Co-operates With Greeks Against Italians

CAIRO, January 28 The captain was mong the thir- Albania, yesterday, the Royal Air

The Greek campaign against the The Charleston took the pass- Italians on various sector continengers from the beach where they 'ues satisfactorily, it was ficially had been landed to deliver them stated today. Further Italian to Ketchikan. The Nemaha will Counter-attacks have been uccessremain at the scene until salvage fully repulsed and the Gre ks have resumed the offensive along the Capt. W. P. Armour, manager of | south coast of Albania towards

There is continued heavy fight-

Announcement Made Officially by Minister of Supply Regarding Burnaby Plant

OTTAWA, Jan. 29: (CP)- Hon Clarence D. Howe, minister of munitions, officially announced yesterday that a \$5,000,000 exterion will be built to Dominion Br re Co.'s part of Canada's naval gun production program. The plant, when BERLIN. January 29-Dr. Franz completed, will concentrate on the