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EDITORIAL

Debt To Greece - - -

"If no Greek ever fired another shot in this war the debt of the free world to the people of that gallant little nation would be well nigh incalculable," declares Elmore Philpott in one of his syndicated articles. "Why is it that we are all so inclined just now (as President Roosevelt SOHO STILL showed) to be over-pessimistic? It is because, just prior SOHO STILL to the Nazi advances in the Balkans, we ourselves were winning such sweeping victories over the Italians. If well compare our entire position in Africa and the Middle East' with that of last autumn what do we see? That we have Blitz already won back from the grasp of the lesser gangster as an empire. Entire Italian armies have been destroyed.

In my opinion we would never have dared to attempt] the large-scale offensive against Italy, both in Ethiopia and the rest of Africa, as soon as we did had we not had convincing evidence that the Italians were unwilling to! fight. It was the Greeks who taught us that. Regardless! of the future history of this war, no one will ever be able threatening its to take from the Greeks the honor of having been the first status as the to call the bluff of the sawdust Caesar of modern Rome. | gourmet's par-

"If all the world now knows that Italy has become just adise where another German-occupied country, it was Greece which es from English not only struck the first amazing blow, but which follow-tooking. ed up that first blow by a succession of attacks with re- Food rationsults which helped to shatter the morale of Italian armies ing and shorteverywhere.

"There is no greater folly than to imagine that in a to continental life-and-death struggle like this we can always fight just and foreign where, when and how we please. It is not just a question dishes that LOUIS V. HUNTER a couple of eggs, and fried banof fighting or letting our enemy walk into any part of the made Soho the world he might wish to go. If our ultimate intention is to place to eat have played havor which vanished a month or two strack the Command in strongth attack the Command in strongth attack to be said for attack the Germans in strength strong enough to beat few of the Chinese and Indian fav- the Spanish "arroz." them, then we will have to do two obvious things. We will orites have disappeared altogether. The Chinese and Indians are have to raise armies far more numerous and far better In an Indian restaurant—suffer- perhaps facing their most serious armed than any we now have, and we will have to test out ing from the reduced number of criss. In a famous Chinese place the German strength from time to time by actual combat.

"Had there been no such test last fall in Albania, no one would have known that the morale of the Italian army was so low as to make it a fit subject for immediate knockout. Had there been no such test as in the Balkans "It's terrible." in the past few weeks we would not have had another dem- its worries. Some Soho restaurant onstration that the task of holding and beating Germany are "open for lunch only," and is going to be more and not less difficult than was previ-others remain open a little later. ously estimated."

Losses And Gains - - -

While the losses and gains in connection with the cam- security of their shelters. paign in Greece are still rather vague, it is becoming abundantly clear that the Germans have had a great many more casualties than the British and Greeks. The German! generals evidently drove their men against the defences of the British and Greek armies careless of what the loss- nor a "havarin d'agneau," and French ches have always been es might be. They had plenty of men and losses did not matter as long as they were able to drive through.

MORE CANADIANS ARRIVE IN ENGLAND



Safe arrival of another large contingent of Canadian soldiers and airmen in England has been officially announced. The above scenes show the fighting men as they left an East Coast seaport on their perilous voyage across the Atlantic. In the upper photo Canucks wave a farewell to Canada as they mount the gang plank. A group of Ser eant Pilots, graduates of the Commonwealth Air Training Plan, are shown below as they eat their first meal aboard ship. Inset, Private R. G. Golden, of Victoria Island and Private H. T. Douglas of Vancouver do a little last-minute advertising for their home province by displaying a British Columbia apple through the ship's port-hole.

Fancy Dishes Out-

OPERATING

and Blackout Threatens Status of London's Famous Eating Centre

By LOUIS V. HUNTER Canadian Press Staff Writer

LONDON, May 1: (CP)-Scho

age of ingred-

chutney with the curry.

The blackout too, has brought Only a couple serve dinner after blackout. There is the danger of air attack and on top of that Londoners aren't as anxious to escape from their English cooking as they are to escape death in the greater

Sprouts Plentiful

However, in good old Soho "filet de sole" is not a rarity yet. noted for their ingenuity in making potatoes interesting. And even

if the rarer French vegetables gredients. He has had to remove are lacking, potatoes and carrots from his menu all chop sueys with and sprouts (particularly sprouts) are always plentiful, and cooked in the French way.

estaurant which continues specialize in oysters, including the small plebian French "portugaises" which the proprietor claim, to get from somewhere in Suffolk.

The food problem confronting the more exotic restaurants -Spanish, Hungarian and, above all, Chinese and Indian-are acute. A bravely fulfilling its mission in the shortage of pimento must greatly face of a crisis that has been baffle a Spanish cook as a shortage of paprika must puzzle an Hungarian. However, there are sevleral Spanish restaurants in and round Soho, and even without pimento they continue to be among the best patronized.

Rice Helps Some

Perhaps the secret of their succe s is-rice. There is something satisfyingly filling about an "arroz"-those generous Spanish rice dishes containing minced meat, or anas. Even without the banana.

both "Anglo-Indians" and Indian in Gerard Street the proprietor students in London- the waiter explained he had been getting said he was unable to serve mango next to nothing from China for months and that Chinese ingredi-"Just can't get it, sir," he said ents would become very scarce indeed in two months.

> How could he, he asked, cook Chinese food without Chinese in-

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onions as an ingredient—onions are unobtainable. Lee Chee, one of There is at least one French world, has digappeared. For a while tinned lee chee was available, but

that's all gone, too.

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