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THE BALKAN SITUATION

ATHENS—After crashing through the Nazi mechanized forces crossed the Yugoslavian border and collided with the British and Greek forces at P. 4, 60 miles south, a fierce battle ensuing. British planes were reported swarming into Greece today, bombing and machine-gunning bridges, roads and tunnels along Germany's line of march toward the British-Greek defence line. The Royal Air Force was also active against transports and tank columns, inflicting heavy losses on the enemy. Two British planes were missing. Meanwhile Yugoslav forces to the north were endeavouring to stay the advance of the Nazis across their country and there was uncertainty as to whether or not they had been successful in preventing the Germans from joining with the Italians in Albania. Following the occupation of Zagreb, the Germans were reported to have crossed the Sava River and taken the towns of Subatika and Sambar. Berlin claimed that Yugoslavia was about "hors de combat" and that the royal family had fled to Turkey. At one point, however, the Yugoslavs were reported to be effectively driving against the Italians in Albania, one report being that they had even taken the important seaport of Durazzo. German bombers have been repeatedly and heavily attacking Athens.

TURKEY IN STATE OF SIEGE

ANKARA—A state of siege has been declared in Turkey. Evacuation of civilian population from Istanbul and European Turkey continues although this does not imply, it is said, that Turkey will necessarily be drawn into the war.

ENGLAND HEAVILY BOMBED

LONDON—Bristol was subjected to another heavy and damaging bomb attack last night while Coventry and Birmingham were digging themselves out after new attacks Thursday night. Ten German raiders were brought down last night, making thirty in all for the past four nights.

RACE FOR SUEZ

BUDAPEST—The race for Suez is now on, observers here state. Much will depend on how long Greece can hold out, if the Germans can continue their drive through Libya into Egypt and on the attitude of Turkey.

HITTING INVASION COAST

LONDON—The Royal Air Force struck again last night with a heavy bombing attack on Brest. A German airfield at Bordeaux was also attacked. Buildings on the Frisian Islands were struck and a direct hit scored on a 1500-ton Nazi supply ship off the coast of Norway.

BRITISH GENERAL CAPTURED

LONDON—The War Office announces that Major General Brian Carton Dewar has fallen into enemy hands while on his way to the Middle East.

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At the same time the average net income for English-speaking families amounted to \$1,433 of which 92 per cent was earned by the head of the family—in French-speaking families the net average was \$1,315

OIL FOR GERMANY

BERLIN—Russia and Germany have signed a new agreement, it is reported, whereby Germany will obtain a million tons of mineral oil from the Soviet.

CHURCHILL IS SPEAKER IN BRISTOL

Tells of Battle Going on in Greece—Sons of Britain Playing Important Part

BRISTOL, April 12: (CP)—Prime Minister Winston Churchill said today that "Australia and New Zealand troops may be in contact with the enemy today in classic land of Greece fighting with sons of Britain and playing an important part in a universal drama."

Mr. Churchill spoke in bomb-scarred Bristol University where United States Ambassador John G. Winant and Australian Premier R. G. Menzies received honorary degrees.

Prior to the ceremony, the Prime Minister toured the bombed areas. Waves of German raiders had battered their way through intense ground fire last night to subject the port to a very heavy raid, adopting the "hit-twice" technique of following up earlier bombings with fierce final attack.

Rupert Loses Pair Of Games

OCEAN FALLS, April 12: (Special to Daily News)—Booth Memorial High School boys and girls basketball teams both lost out last night in the opening games of the series with Ocean Falls High School. The score of the boys' game was 35 to 27 and that of the girls 50 to 25. Both paper town teams comprise snappy basketballers. High scorers for Prince Rupert were Alex Bill, ten, and Oliver Santerbane, six.

BUILDING OF CHURCH

New Edifice For St. Paul's Lutheran Congregation To Be Erected On McBride Street

St. Paul's Lutheran Church has decided to proceed with the erection of a new church on the northwest corner of Fifth Avenue and McBride Street and the contract for the excavation, consisting entirely of removal of dirt, has been awarded to A. W. Allaire and Nels Carlson who are starting the work. Immediately the excavation has been completed, tenders will be called for the erection of the church building.

The structure will consist of two floors, the upper having the main church auditorium and the lower social parlors. The building will measure 30 by 75 feet.

New York Bank's Deposits Highest

Bank Of Montreal, Royal Bank And Bank Of Commerce Leaders In Canada

An interesting booklet has been compiled by the California State Bank of Los Angeles showing the deposits of one hundred and fifty of the largest American, British, colonial and Dominion banks.

The bank with the greatest total of deposits is the Chase National Bank of New York. Its total is \$3,543,337,564. Second comes National City Bank of New York with \$2,908,437, 735.

Twentieth on the list and leading Canadian banks is the Bank of Montreal with \$749,531,467. Royal Bank of Canada is twenty-second with \$725,878,969 and Canadian Bank of Commerce is twenty-seventh with \$542,256,203.

For British banks Midland Bank Ltd. has the largest deposits—\$2,336,254,354, this bank being fourth on the list.

Hurled Back Germans Today On New Greek Defence Line

ATHENS, April 12.—German Panzer forces were hurled back from the Phlorina region in an initial clash with the Greeks on their new defence line, a Greek spokesman declared here today.

FINAL BULLETINS

"DAN" MACDONALD DIES
VANCOUVER — Daniel Hugh MacDonald, 73 years of age, former fire chief at Prince Rupert, died today. He was born at Arisaig, Nova Scotia. He was a member of the Rossland fire department fifteen years before going to Prince Rupert in 1910. He leaves a widow and son Angus.

SUSPEND NEUTRALITY ACT
WASHINGTON—President Roosevelt has lifted the ban on American shipping through the Red Sea, thus enabling supplies being sent directly from United States to Egypt which is technically a neutral country. Now there is talk of the President moving to suspend the neutrality act so as to permit United States carrying munitions into war zones. This would be in defiance of a German threat to sink American ships on sight and without warning.

TENSION IN FAR EAST
TOKIO—With tension increasing again in the Far East, the Japanese government has ordered evacuation of its nationals from the Netherlands East Indies.

FIGHT IN LIBYA ON

Royal Air Force Doing Heavy Damage to Ground Concentrations of Axis—Seventeen German Planes Destroyed

CAIRO, April 12: (CP)—British and Australian fighters destroyed or damaged nearly one hundred vehicles in a column of German-Italian transport on the Tobruk-El Gazala road in Libya, the Royal Air Force announced. Many casualties were caused. Sixteen German fighters were definitely destroyed on the ground as well as a fighter as it attempted to take off. The total toll of Axis aircraft was put at twenty-one. British ground forces were reported engaged west of Tobruk with Axis divisions, the expectation being that a decisive battle will be made in that area.

War Service Subscriptions

- Associated Fish Packers Local No. 1. \$20.00
- Booth Fisheries of Canada Ltd. 75.00
- H. J. Brown 6.00
- Joe Brown 48.00
- Rev. Bishop E. M. Bunoz. 25.00
- R. G. Cunningham 30.00
- F. M. Davies 10.00
- Gordon & Anderson 15.00
- Hill 60 Chapter I.O.D.E. (proceeds of dance) 73.00
- Hjalmer Kossilla 15.00
- Miss Ruby Law 10.00
- Jarvis H. McLeod 10.00
- A. K. Nelson 6.00
- Hon. T. D. Pattullo (additional) 75.00
- Chris Parkvold 10.00
- Fred Scadden 5.00
- Fred Scadden (labor and materials donated) 6.00
- Swift Canadian Co. Ltd. 50.00

John Plastnik of Ketchikan arrived in the city from the north on the Prince George Thursday evening and proceeded by last night's train on a trip to Detroit.

COPENHAGEN PROTESTS
WASHINGTON—The German-controlled government of Denmark at Copenhagen has protested at the agreement between the United States and the Danish minister to the United States whereby United States obtains war bases on Greenland. The protest will be ignored.

FORD STRIKE SETTLED
DETROIT—The big strike in the River Rouge plant of the Ford Motor Co. has been settled and the men have returned to work.

ALASKA HIGHWAY PLANS
OTTAWA—Despite the war, plans for the Alaska Highway are being still seriously considered, announces Hon. Charles Stewart on his return from Washington.

ARMS SCHOOL MOVES
VICTORIA—The small arms training school has been moved from Lethbridge to Nanaimo, General R. O. Alexander announces.

GREENLAND SITUATION

Further Disclosures In Connection With United States Taking Bases

WASHINGTON, D.C., April 12.—In connection with the announcement of the agreement between United States and Denmark whereby United States obtains air base sites in Greenland, it is revealed that German bombers have recently flown over Greenland and Nazi warships have also been in that vicinity. Greenland may play a part as a convoy base for goods from United States to Britain. It would greatly reduce the crossing distance of the Atlantic.

CANADIAN SHIP LOST

No Confirmation By Canadian Postal Department Of Report

OTTAWA, April 13:—Canadian postal authorities do not confirm or deny a report that a Canadian steamer bringing a large quantity of mail from England to Canada was lost between March 14 and 23.

Shipments To Ore Sampler

Four shipments were made during the past week from the Portland Canal district to the Prince Rupert ore sampling plant. Ernest Love shipped one and a half tons of high grade ore from the United Empire property, Rochfort, Bugnello and associates sent six tons of concentrates from Dunwell. J. J. Haathi and associates shipped three tons of concentrates from the Stewart Canal. Gold Mines property and J. Rennie and associates sent 201 sacks of ore from their lease on the Red Cliff.

PAY VISIT TO CANADA

Prime Minister Of Australia Coming To This Dominion

OTTAWA, April 12.—Sir William Glasgow, Australian high commissioner to Canada, announces that Premier R. G. Menzies, who has been in England, will arrive in Canada late this month and will also visit Washington.

BOY KING



A hitherto unpublished picture of King Peter II, young uncrowned ruler of Yugoslavia, who seized control of his government following the coup d'etat by the army which ousted all pro-Nazi elements. In this photograph Peter is shown in his Sokol uniform.

Halibut Sales

Summary
American—134,900 pounds, 8c and 7c to 8.6c and 7c.
Canadian—139,700 pounds, 8c and 6c to 8.4c and 6c.

American
Atlas, 33,000, Royal, 8.80c and 7c.
Balder, 14,500, Storage, 8.60c and 7c.
J. B., 17,000, Storage, 8.60c and 7c.
Augusta, 19,500, Pacific, 8.60c and 7c.
Midway, 14,000, Booth, 8.40c and 7c.
Visitor, 6,000, Booth, 8.30c and 7c.
Glacier, 11,900, Pacific, 8.60c and 7c.
Visit, 7,500, Atlin, 8c and 7c.
Marion, 11,500, Storage, 8c and 7c.

Canadian
Sea Ranger, 19,500, Storage, 8.20c and 6c.
Point May, 3,500, Storage, 8c and 6c.
May L., 4,000, Storage, 8c and 6c.
Midway, 5,000, Booth, 8c and 6c.
Sempo, 11,000, Pacific, 8.20c and 6c.
P. Dorreen, 14,000, Storage, 8.30c and 6c.
Selma H., 12,000, Atlin, 8c and 6c.
Bug, 1,200, Storage, 8c and 6c.
Relief, 7,500, Atlin, 8.10c and 6c.
Tramp, 17,000, Storage, 8.40c and 6c.
Viking I, 14,000, Storage, 8.20c and 6c.
Neptune II, 11,000, Pacific, 8c and 6c.
San Jose, 20,000, offered, 8.20c and 6c, cleared for Vancouver.

President Neal Carter announced at the Rotary Club luncheon Thursday that the Boy Scouts would be out soon collecting the more valuable scrap metals. He explained that at present there was not sufficient demand for scrap iron to make its transportation desirable.

BRITAIN IN ACTION NOW WITH NAZIS

Lull Over Good Friday as Germans Consolidate—Croats Yield Zagreb

CLIMACTIC STRUGGLE
ATHENS, April 12: (CP)—Nazi Panzer units appeared today to be forcing a climactic struggle in the battle for Greece as the Greek high command announced that German forces were smashing through from Bitolj, Yugoslavia, and had reached the Greek lines in Phlorina, a sector of the west flank, while, on the east flank, the Nazis were said to have penetrated further but without reaching the main defences. London reports said that a British armored car patrol yesterday successfully shot up a German infantry unit unloading from buses in the Bitolj area. Reuters reported from Athens to London a statement by a semi-official Athens news agency that reports of eighty thousand Greek troops being cut off and captured east of the Vardar River were "most exaggerated." The report said that Greek forces in that area were much smaller than that and thousands had been able to withdraw in time.

ATHENS, April 12.—The British expeditionary force in Greece announces it has established contact since Thursday with the German forces in the vicinity of Florina in northern Greece. There are no immediate indications as to the outcome at least as far as Allied official reports are concerned although in other quarters it appeared that the Nazis were still advancing with their heavily mechanized forces. Both Greeks and Yugoslavs were still fighting valiantly on, however, despite reverses. It was acknowledged today that the German forces had reached Florina. There have been heavy snowstorms and ice rains in the mountainous regions where fighting has been going on. Lieut. General Sir Maitland-Wilson is in command of the British forces in Greece and they include, besides Imperials, Australians and New Zealanders.

A lull developed late Thursday in the main battle in Greece as the Germans, apparently, endeavoured to consolidate the gains of their first advance before meeting the main Greek army and the British Expeditionary Force in what may be a titanic battle for the control of the Greek peninsula. There are indications that this great battle may take place in a mountainous country where the highly mechanized forces of the Nazis may not prove as effectual as they were in the comparatively flat country it had so far traversed. Great Britain is said to have 300,000 fully equipped forces with provision for strong aerial support in Greece ready to support the Greeks in battle.

In northeastern Greece courageous Greek forces, although apparently hopelessly entrapped, are still resisting bravely in the face of what would appear to be almost certain death.

In central Yugoslavia the Serbs are reported to be holding the Nazis from further advance.

The Italians, in the meantime at least, are being hard pressed in Albania from several directions by both Greeks and Yugoslavs. It was reported that the important port of Durazzo had been taken by the Yugoslavs.

Croats, stirred it is believed by fifth column activities, have revolted against the Yugoslav government and Zagreb, capital of Croatia and second most important city of Yugoslavia, has been surrendered to the Nazis.

Hungarian troops are reported entering northern Yugoslavia under the guise of protecting the Hungarian minority.

Weather Forecast

Prince Rupert and Queen Charlotte Islands—Light to moderate northeast to west winds, part cloudy and mild with a few light scattered showers.

Tonight's train, due from the East at 11 o'clock, was reported this morning to be on time.