

# Axis Flays US Greenland Act

### Berlin, Rome React Unfavorably on FDR Air Move

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course, act in respect of its territory in the western hemisphere, but we propose to make sure that when the German invasion of Denmark has ended, Greenland will remain a Danish colony.

"Meanwhile," he said, "we earnestly hope for the quick liberation of Denmark from her present invaders."

Almost simultaneously, the president sent a message to congress asking authority to take full possession of any foreign vessels idle in American ports, including the 39 Danish ships already in "protective custody."

Previously, the president had said that the Danish minister here acquiesced in this action.

As a forerunner of the violent reaction expected to come from both the Danish capital and Berlin on the Greenland agreement, the foreign office in Copenhagen said earlier Thursday it had instructed the minister here to advise the American government that it would neither sell nor lease the Danish ships.

The Danish minister declined to say what he would do about these instructions, but Danish sources said that, if he did anything at all, he would merely pass them along to the state department as a formality.

With the United States acquiring full authority over the defense areas which it leases, it was considered possible that Greenland might become an important base for delivery of airplanes and other war supplies to Great Britain.

In addition, it was believed that the agreement might serve to relieve to some extent Britain's pressing convoy problem. It was pointed out in some quarters that since the United States presumably will have naval forces operating between this country and Greenland, these might unofficially watch over British merchant ships that far out into the Atlantic, letting British convoys take over the task at that point.

WASHINGTON, April 10-(AP)—Lest a "growing shortage of shipping facilities" defeat the armament program, President Roosevelt Thursday asked congress for authority to commandeer any foreign-owned vessel lying idle in American waters.

"We should have statutory authority," he said, in a special message, "to take over any such vessels as our needs may require, subject, of course, to the payment of just compensation."

That congress would comply with the president's request, none doubted. The message and a proposed draft of the legislation which accompanied it, were referred in the senate to the commerce committee. The house is in recess until after Easter.

## Italian Captain Angry at Consul

PHILADELPHIA, April 10-(AP)—Captain Romano Tomicich, 50-year-old master of the sabotaged Italian freighter Belvedere, asserted that his embassy and consul are "abandoning me and my men."

Puzzled when no attorneys appeared in the office of the US marshal, where Tomicich and 13 other seamen were brought in answer to federal indictments, the captain shouted: "You tell the consul and the embassy I did what they told me to do, now they are abandoning me and my men. I'll make them remember me for this."

## Same Old Story And Same Result

A squint with a lighted match to see if there was oil in the fuel tank of an oil heater proved painfully to Mrs. Emily Maw, 2186 North Fourth street, Thursday night that there was. Mrs. Maw and her six-year-old granddaughter, Theresa McFee of 154 Columbia street, received painful first and second degree burns of the hands and face when the heater exploded. First aid men gave treatment for the burns, which did not require hospitalization.

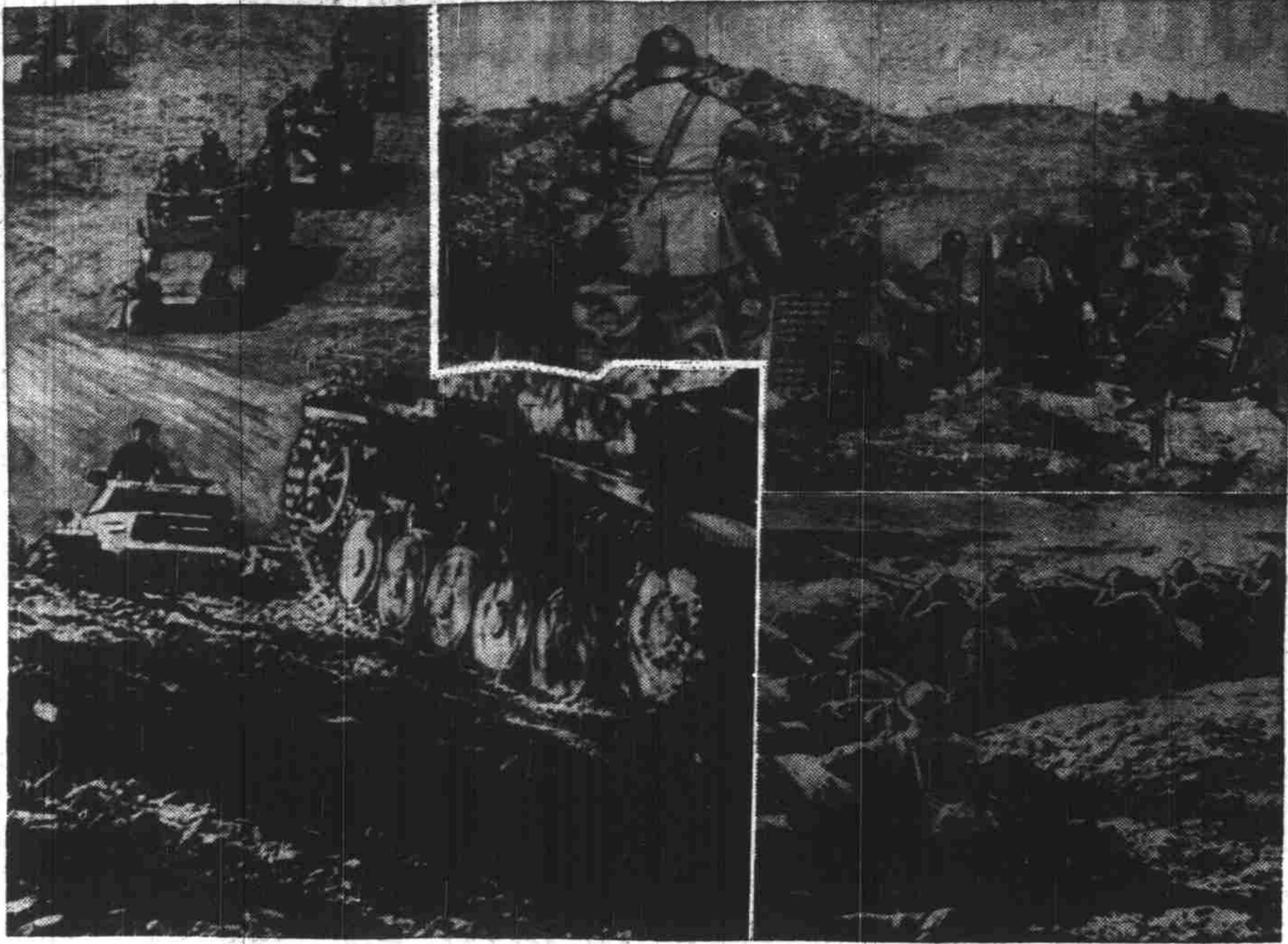


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# As Greeks, British and Yugo A ttempt to Stem German Might



As the newly-established eastern front of the European war flames into action, Germany's immense mechanized army is pitted in a desperate struggle with Yugoslavia's army and a war-seasoned Anglo-Greek force. Pictured at left is a unit of Germany's famed mechanized force. Upper right is a detachment of Yugoslav troops. Lower right are entrenched Greek soldiers. Rocky terrain and poor roads in the mountain regions are expected to aid the allies in slowing and perhaps stopping the axis thrust. Latest reports indicate the British-Greek combination east of Salonika are set with flame-throwers and tanks to meet the Germans in fairly equal combat.

## New Aviation Sheet Metal Classes Set

New classes in aviation sheet metal, under the national defense training program, will begin next week at the Salem high school shops, D. L. McBain, Salem manager of the state employment service, said Thursday.

Men from 18 to 25 years of age, American citizens, with a high school education or its equivalent are eligible for the training, supervised by C. A. Guderian.

The course, which may be completed in from three to four months, includes layout work, riveting and sub-assembly, augmented by drafting and blue print instruction.

The training does not guarantee a job in aircraft manufacturing, McBain stated, but numerous men trained here have been called to work.

## Salem Girl on Archery Team

MONMOUTH, April 10—Clare Millhouser, son of Mr. and Mrs. Zeb Millhouser of Independence, is a member of the men's archery team of OCE.

Bernice Wilder, daughter of Mrs. Mae Wilder of Salem, Oregon, is a member of the woman's OCE archery team.

Archery on the campus is an active sport and several members of the club have received national recognition. This year a member of the men's team has received the national individual title.

## Army Engineer Is Promoted

PORTLAND, Ore., April 10-(AP)—Col. Richard Park, division army engineer, announced Thursday that Major Theodore M. Osborne, his executive assistant since last June, had been ordered to Duluth, Minn., as district engineer.

## Sees Victory



Climon P. Diamantopoulos

In a radio address in Washington, Greece's minister to the United States, Climon P. Diamantopoulos, above, promises eventual victory over the Nazis, now attacking the Greek nation in the newest Balkan blitzkrieg, should the U. S. provide adequate supplies.

## War News Briefs

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TOKYO, April 11-(Friday)-(AP)—Japan is taking a "very watchful" attitude toward discussions among Sir Robert Brooke-Popham, British commander-in-chief in the Far East, and United States and Dutch officials in Manila, the spokesman for the cabinet board of information, Koh E-hil, said today.

LONDON, April 11-(Friday)-(AP)—A Reuters, British news agency, dispatch dated "somewhere in Yugoslavia," declared today that German airmen captured by the Yugoslavs stated they already were in the air with orders to bomb the Belgrade palace when Germany declared war on Yugoslavia. They heard Hitler's war proclamation by radio, they said.

SHANGHAI, April 11-(Friday)-(AP)—Chinese gunmen killed a Japanese newspaperman and a Chinese employee of a Japanese newspaper today and wounded another Japanese on the street in the French concession. The killers escaped.

BERLIN, April 10-(AP)—The official German news agency DNB quoted a German army report from the Aegean coast Thursday night as saying that the Greek general Sacco Panos, whose troops have surrendered, had charged that British troops blew up a Vardar river bridge at his rear and prevented him from withdrawing to reform his defense.

RIO DE JANEIRO, Brazil, April 10-(AP)—The foreign ministry announced Thursday night that it had been informed Germany was investigating an aerial attack on the Brazilian freighter Taubate in the Mediterranean March 22.

MOSCOW, April 10-(AP)—Soviet Russia Thursday night signed an agreement with German-occupied Norway for an exchange of goods. The ceremony followed more than a month of negotiation with the Norwegian delegation which came here from Berlin.

## Troops Warned Against Shaving Stick Bombs

ATHENS, April 10-(AP)—British soldiers in Greece have been warned against "shaving stick" bombs, the Athens radio said Thursday night. "Small bombs resembling shaving sticks have been found lying about," a special army order said. "These explode on being lifted."

## State Officer Promoted

COQUILLE, April 10-(AP)—State Police Lieutenant M. Eric Tucker, who has been transferred to Medford, announced promotion Thursday of Irving Larson from private to sergeant. Larson will command the southwestern Oregon district of Coos, Curry and part of Douglas counties.

## Three Valley Girls on OCE Formal Group

OREGON COLLEGE OF EDUCATION, Monmouth, April 10—Margaret Stewart, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Stewart of Salem, Nadine Thomas of Dallas, and Evelyn Zahradnik, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Zahradnik of Salem, have been named as members of committees for the annual spring formal. This formal is to be held at Jessica Todd hall on April 19, and is sponsored by Todd hall and West house, the women's and men's living halls on the OCE campus.

Miss Stewart is a member of the reception committee, Miss Thomas of the program committee, and Miss Zahradnik of the decoration committee.

## Livestock Men Hold Session At Gold Beach

GOLD BEACH, April 10-(AP)—Livestock and wool production in relation to national defense were discussed Thursday by 150 western Oregon livestock men at their annual association meeting here. Committees reported to the general membership today on legislation, taxation, predatory animal control, administration of public grazing lands, feeding methods and present future market trends. Agriculture and extension departments of Oregon State college, state and national forest service men, wool and stock marketing agencies were represented.

## Colonel of 7th Now General

FORT LEWIS, April 10-(AP)—Col. George Marshall Parker, Jr., commanding officer of the 7th infantry, received word Thursday night from the war department of his promotion to brigadier general. He has commanded the 7th infantry since October 1, 1939, and came to Fort Lewis with the regiment last February, when it was called to rejoin the 3rd division. Parker said he did not know what his next command would be, but admitted he probably wouldn't go south with the 7th for war maneuvers in May.

## Dutch Queen Speaks In Memory of Dead

LONDON, April 10-(AP)—Queen Wilhelmina of the Netherlands, who fled to England after the Germans invaded her country, made a world-wide radio address Thursday night in memory of the soldiers killed in defense of their homeland.

"Our independence will be reconquered with blood and tears, but over these sorrows and graves the light of the Easter morning will rise," she said.

# Hungary Moves On Yugoslavia

### Second Phase, Balkan Battle in Mountains; Nazi Troops Mop up

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There was sporadic bombing of Piraeus, the sea outlet of Athens through which British men and material have been rushed to the new defense line, and Kozane, in north central Greece, west of the Vardar river.

Meanwhile, along with their consolidation in the south, the Germans likewise moved swiftly to make fast their gains in northern Yugoslavia.

A Croatian proclamation of independence was issued by the Croat leader Dr. Ante Pavelic in Zagreb Thursday just before German motorized troops moved triumphantly into that provincial capital. The German radio repeatedly broadcast this professed Croat aspiration to form an independent state in northern Yugoslavia and Gen. Sradko Kvaternik was said to be head of the new state.

Completely in the discard apparently was Vladimir Macek, for many years head of the Croat peasant party and vice-premier in Gen. Dusan Simovic's Yugoslav government.

The German attitude toward the Croat situation remained unclear for the present.

The German news agency DNB reported from Bratislava that there was a report in Croat circles that Croat crews overpowered their Serb officers on two ships and assumed control. New Grecian-British Front Lethal With War Weapons

This new defense front, lethal with flame throwers and all the other weapons of modern war, was manned by some of the oldest troops in the allied commands—the same cheerfully bellicose Australians and New Zealanders who had chased the Italians across the sands of north Africa and the old Grecian campaigners who already have put new legends into the books of war.

It formed, with the Greek Albanian troops as the existing western wing, a sort of broad-based inverted "V" ranging from Chimara on the Adriatic to Mount Olympus, the storied and lofty home of the ancient gods. The sector wholly in Greece extended from Florina, at Lake Prespa and the 8500-foot Mount Perister, southeast to the 9500-foot peak of Olympus.

How many men were there to hold this vital line was not known, but accepted estimates of the British forces in Greece have them alone at around 300,000. Moreover the Greeks, although

have come over the face of Balboa when he discovered the Pacific spread over the peddler's features. He stuck out his hand in glad greeting. "Mister, shake hands," he said. "I'm just out from New York state and this is the first time I ever met a real Indian."

acknowledging the disaster that already had befallen them in the German drive which took Salonika, isolated the Greek forces in the east and split the country apart, insisted that their main army remained in the west and was intact.

It is poised, the Greeks said, "To deal a decisive blow at the German invader, with allied support."

British Troop Movement Continues From Africa

The British troop movement to the north to fill the line went forward from Piraeus, the port of Athens, while still more imperial soldiers were said to be debarking in southern Greek ports from Africa. They brought with them the modern and powerful equipment which had been so effective against the fascists in Libya.

It was a front which had been long in planning, for the Greeks had thought when it was first projected that the Yugoslavs might not enter the war to the north.

The Yugoslavs themselves fought on bitterly during the day—attacking, said the Germans themselves, in "strong columns" in an effort to break the German thrust westward clear across the country to the Albania frontier, there to join with the Italians.

This offensive movement appeared to have almost reached its objective, although the Germans had not yet officially claimed the junction.

The Italians, who had not been overactive in this Balkan war, announced Thursday night that their forces were pushing into Yugoslavia in two columns—one from captured Kranj, in northwestern Yugoslavia and the other from the central Albania frontier—to join the advancing nazis.

One hundred thousand allied prisoners—80,000 Greeks (these among the trapped Grecian forces of the east) and 20,000 Yugoslavs—were declared in Berlin to be already in German hands, with the count incomplete.

The Germans, who will be ready to thrust southward with nearly the whole of their strong force at the completion of the westward movement across Yugoslavia, indicated that their immediate aim was to put the last ounce of available aerial strength into the struggle immediately in an effort to break up the British concentrations as the prelude to the trial in the field.

London was bombed intermittently throughout the night but a west midlands town apparently suffered more heavily. The police station, police court and post office were damaged and some persons were believed trapped by hits on two public shelters in the latter place.

## Sabotage Hearing Is Postponed

PORTLAND, Ore., April 10-(AP)—Preliminary hearing of sabotage charges against 52 officers and men of the Italian motorship Leme, originally set for Thursday, have been postponed until next week.

US Commissioner Kenneth Fraser said the delay was requested by E. D. Hicks, attorney representing the Italians.

# Approve Plan In Ford Peace

### Over 16,000 Strikers Tell Union Leaders To Work out Deal

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union, told the meeting that the company requests were "not counter proposals but additional proposals." He said that he and other union negotiators would reach a decision on the modified peace plan soon.

WASHINGTON, April 10-(AP)—The national defense mediation board, whitening away at strikes spread from New York to the state of Washington, Thursday night made no report of progress in any of them.

Four mediation panels met simultaneously here with representatives of strikers and employers in disputes involving more than 3500 workers.

The AFL lumber and sawmill workers union, it was learned, rejected a mediation board proposal for settlement of a five-months old strike at the Snoqualmie Falls Lumber company, Snoqualmie Falls, Wash., a subsidiary of the Weyerhaeuser Timber company.

Harry Lindberg, secretary-head of the AFL Sailors Union of the Pacific, whose lumber schooner recently was giving support to the 1060 lumber strikers, described the rejected proposal as "phony," but did not divulge its terms. The issues include wages, hours and a union shop.

The night session ended at 9:45 p. m., and the conferees agreed to meet again at 10 a. m. Friday. They gave no indication as to what progress had been made.

## DeMolay Holds Albany Parley

Chemeketa chapter, Order of DeMolay, will exemplify the DeMolay degree at the state convocation in Albany tonight, Master Councilor Mark Hatfield said Thursday night.

Those on the degree team are Zeral Brown, Leonard Steinbock, Mark Hatfield, Warren Doolittle, Bob Lemon, Tom Fisher, Bob Johnson, Val Sloper, Keith Hoppes, Don Page, Richard Meyers, Marvin Johnson, Dick Casteel, Bob Mundi, Bill Habernicht.

Jack Mennis, Clyde Christman and Norman Sholseth are Salem candidates for initiation at the convocation.

Saturday's program will include a formal banquet and dance and the installation of officers.

## Eliminations Planned

CORVALLIS, April 10-(AP)—So many senior and graduate students in science at Oregon State college have applied for permission to present research papers at the annual state science conference at Linfield college April 26 that an elimination conference will be held here next Saturday.

## In One Ear . . .

—Paul Hauser's Column

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The chief paused and admitted that he had not yet met Jehovah, although he had heard much of him.

"Then you should read this book," the peddler asserted, waving his booklet through the air. "In this book you will meet Jehovah."

Not particularly interested in hastening his personal meeting with the Divine and wanting to continue moving his lawn, Chief Bent essayed a time-honored stall. "I can't read," he said.

The peddler knew the answer to that one. "You must know the invaluable wisdom in this little pamphlet, which I can let you have for only ten cents. The people in your house can read it to you," he said.

A mournful look came over Chief Bent's face. Slowly, sadly he said, "They can't read, either." He paused a moment and then, as if explaining it all, said, "You see,—We're Indians."

"Disbelief glimmered in the peddler's eyes. "Indians?" he questioned. "Yes." "Real Indians? You mean to say you're a real Indian?" "That's right. Real Indian."

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