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# ALLIES CHECK DRIVES ON PARIS AND CHANNEL; BRITISH PUT ALL RESOURCES UNDER CHURCHILL

Blamed For Disaster



General Andrea Corap (above) as commander of the "Corap my," blamed by French Pre-ier Paul Reynaud for collapse of for "political statements."

French defenses along the Meuse. That army, Reynaud said, was mearest defense positions, yet less divisions reached chan half its divisions reached chan half its divisions reached change took place after Landon, republican presidential change to the latter's hem. Furthermore, bridges over he river were not destroyed, al-wing the Nazis to speed deep to France. These "unbelievable nistakes," the premier declared, will be punished."

## RULING ON BREACH

### Vending Machines Also Handed Down By Court

RALEIGH, May 22-(AP)-A womn who has syphilis cannot main-

In an opinion by Associate Juse W. A. Devin, the court pointed ner. ut that under a 1939 law, license we bridegroom and bride pro- ly prepared. uced certificates showing them to

e free of syphilis. The tribunal said that "if e marriage relation, this would er national importance." institute a valid defense to any tion for damages for breach of

The ruling was made in an acion brought by May Winders ounty. The plaintiff alleged that owers did not keep his promise marry her. Superior Court udge Henry L. Stevens, Jr., al-

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### WEATHER

e contract."

FORECAST
North Carolina: Considerable cloudiss, scattered showers in west portion unreday; Friday partly cloudy; little

Meteorological data for the 24 hours ding 7:30 p. m. yesterday).

Temperature

1:30 a. m. 67; 7:30 a. m. 65; 1:30 p.

70; 7:30 p. m. 77; maximum 80;

minimum 63; mean 72; normal 72.

Humidity m. 93; 7:30 a. m. 88; 1:30 p :30 p. m. 56.

Total for 24 hours ending 7:30 p. m.
108: total since first of the month, Tides For Today

tion High 11:07a 11:37p 0ro Inlet 9:01a 3:03p

9:32p 3:03p 9:21p; moonset 7:04 WASHINGTON, May 22—(A)—Weath dirent records of temperature and fall for the 24 hours ending 8 p. m., lor-Colquitt Creosoting company rehe principal cotton-growing areas ported that water from the creek elsewhere.

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e Rock, rain 80
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Calls Calls For 'No Third Term' Pledge

President Replies That He Has No Time For 'Political Statements'

STATEMENTS RELEASED

Congress Works To Provide Millions Required For Arms Expansion

WASHINGTON, May 22-(P)-Alf M. Landon demanded a "no third pledge from President Roosevelt today as the terms of republican participation in any coalition defense directorate, and "Corap the president asserted, in a coldly polite reply, that he had no time

for "political statements."

The exchange took place after the chief executive at the latter's invitation. There had been speculation that the luncheon might lead to a "coalition cabinet" or some other form of joint democratic-republican direction of the huge rearmament program.

#### Issues Statement

After the luncheon, Landon issued a typewritten statement to a great cluster of reporters surrounding him in a nearby hotel third-term movement — a move-Decision On Tax Rate For lobby, saying that republican leaders could not at present enter into any coalition arrangement without making themselves a party to the ment which he held to be incomprinciples."

that his statement was not the result for breach of promise, sult of the luncheon conference as may "deal quickly" with spies and the story behind the reinforcestate supreme court held to- his proposal had not been made saboteurs. to Mr. Roosevelt directly, and the third term had been discussed in (D-Tex) of the house committee on only a casual and "off-hand" man- unAmerican activities introduced a

The Landon expression was and Communists from the country marry could not be issued in shown to the president, and the and to deport any now here, along orth Carolina until both prospec- White House statement was quick- with aliens whom police certify to

'The president regrets," it said, "that he has no time, just now, to had presented the last reorganizagive to the preparation of political tion plan to congress, he had not Bombing Craft Going From plaintiff's condition was such statements. He is too busily en- planned to submit another reorganto prevent her lawful entry into gaged with problems of far great-

> The statement also said that Mr. Continued on Page Five, Col. 1)

## on brought by May Winders DRAINAGE PROJECT

#### Will Reclaim About 40 der existing conditions the immi-Acres Between Greenfield Lake And River

A \$16,440 WPA project, providing for draining and reclaiming more than 40 acres of city and county property, is now under way at Greenfield in the vicinity of the small creek running from the lake of their civil liberties or otherwise test, she has abandoned her an-

to the Cape Fear river. City officials have estimated the work will increase the value and usability of the 40 acres of land approximately 100 per cent.

In addition to making the land usable and available, it will also act as a mosquito and malaria control

project, The expense is being borne by the city, the county and the WPA and the work is scheduled for com pletion in about four months.

was backing onto its land and damaging the logs and timbers stored

The project provides for the removal of bends and shallow spots from the stream and for the in-0.05 stallation of flood gates at its mouth. The gates will automatically close 0.57 the mouth of the creek when the 0.00 river rises and will open when the tide falls, preventing the backwaters from flooding over the creek

J. E. L. Wade, city commissione of public works, has estimated the work will increase the value of the city and county's property in that area many times the amount of 0.00 money spent in the drainage work. King's Brother Wounded



The Duke of Gloucester (above). brother of King George VI of England, has suffered injuries to both hands in a bomb explosion. The duke has been in France, acting as a liaison officer between the British and French troops Cause or location of the blast were not disclosed.

## **ANTI-ESPIONAGE**

#### F. R. Wants To Shift Im- Germany. migration Service To The Justice Department

'urgent," President Roosevelt sent

At the same time Chairman Dies bill to bar all alien Nazis, Fascists

be revolutionary agitators. The president said that when he ization plan at this session but that 'the startling sequence of international events which has occurred since then has necessitated a review of the measures required for the nation's safety" and that "this has revealed a pressing need" for

the transfer. "Much can be said for the retention of these functions in the department of labor during normal times," the message continued. "I am convinced, however, that ungration and naturalization activities can best contribute to the national well-being only if they are closely integrated with the activ-

ities of the department of justice.' The step is aimed at "those aliens who conduct themselves in a manner that conflicts with the public interest," the message said, but "does not reflect any intention to deprive them (aliens generally)

to impair their legal status." Barkley of Kentucky said a resolu | man rule. tion would be offered to make the shift effective immediately and Francis Drake and the British sea- ment control. climinate the usual 60-day delay. dogs of that day drummed Spain's ed that the transfer was proposed to establish Brittania's rule of the bulldog has set himself for a fight because of the way Secretary Per- wave has England stood in such to the death, unshaken by succesdeportation proceedings peril. To meet the crisis and hurl sive military disasters in Norway, against Harry Bridges, West Coast defiance in the teeth of her victory-

300,000 More Men To Army

Move Reflects Fears Russians May Advance On Bessarabia Province

BROAD MOBILIZATION

King Carol Cancels Anniversary Celebration Scheduled For June 8

BUCHAREST, RUMANIA, May 2-(A)-Rumania today called up 300,000 reservists and sent most of them to the Soviet frontier, in a virtual general mobilization which reflected fears that the Russian army might move soon on the Rumanian province of Bessarabia. what the general staff called "The highest state of preparedness."

in it an indication of deterioration of Russia's 9-month-old friendship PLAN PRESENTED with Germany. They insisted the Rumanian strengthening of the Rumanian strengthening of the approval, if not the counsel, of

Russian Before 1918

to the colors with a proclamation WASHINGTON, May 22-49-In demanding that the nation "work reorganization message marked strenuously and hold steadfastly to its patriotic duty."

He cancelled celebrations scheto congress today a plan to shift duled for June 8, commemorating patible with democracy's "basic the immigration and naturalization the tenth anniversary of his enservice from the labor to the jus- thronement, declaring the money At the same time, he explained that his statement was not the re-

ment of the Bessarabian frontier, (Continued on Page Five; Col. 5)

## **ALLIES ARE FLYING**

U. S. Factories To Battlefields Of Continent

WASHINGTON, May 22-(A)today, are flying under their own fields of Europe.

The flights can not be made di-

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Associated Press Writer

### Rumania Calls FRANCE SAYS MEN HOLDING NAZI PUSH AT ALL POINTS; REICH STRENGTHENS FORCES

BROAD ACT APPROVED Germany Pours Men And ABBEVILLE RETAKEN

Britain Transformed From Democracy To Dictatorship In Three Hours

BRITISH ARE CHEERED

### BRITAIN

LONDON, May 22.—(AP) Great Britain, achieving through the methods of democracy the result of virtual dictatorship, tonight It was an action which brought placed all her men and everythis oil-rich kingdom's defenses to thing they own at the command of Prime Minister Some observers said they saw Winston Churchill in the war with Adolf Hitler's legions.

Proud of the democratic machinery which could elefrontier was carried out with the vate the prime minister to a pinnacle of power as high as Hitler's and yet retain the Bessarabia was Russian before right to take it back, parliament rushed into law a far-Sting Carol followed up his call reaching act enabling the REPLIES TO SPEECH Dutch Minister Says government to conscript all labor and property.

King Signs Bill Commons pushed the bill through within two hours without a vote. The king

Within two hours and 45

dictatorship was done. en beginning last Aug. 24 may fly the Atlantic ocean." when the king was empow- He added that "fifth columns

the effect of law. liamentary process was underway, gave immediate ef-

#### Guns Into Battle Zone from the armies now under General Maxime Weygand.

BY PRESTON GROVER

BERLIN, May 22-(49)-Groping for the narrow straits of Dover, short-cut to England, the German armies of Flanders tonight poured me and guns into the battle zone they have cut into France, wary of counter-attack and arming for "the kill." ...

evidence that Germany, in hardening its hold on Belgium and Northern France and the "sack" in which it is trying to hold up to 1,000,000 Allied troops, is also being bolstered

The German command looks for heavy counter-attack from

the south, and it appeared to be starting tonight when a French tank thrust was made in the vicinity of Laon. The Germans said it was beaten off, that ten French tanks were set afire and that 24 surren-

trapped put up stiff battle. "It may be that our present movements will come to a temorary halt," said General Walther von Reichenau, high com-

mander in the field. "Weygand

Nazis Fired On Queen

WASHINGTON, May 22— (/P)

Netherlands minister, asserted

tonight that nazi snipers in sur-

rounding houses had fired upon

Queen withelmina and ner

family in their palace gardens

and that nazi authorities had is-

sued orders to "extinguish the

Commenting on reports that

Hollanders had expressed re-

sentment over the queen's flight

to England, the minister said

that "fifth column" agents had

spotted every move of the royal

tamily and that it became impos-

sible to protect them in their

own country. The move to Lon-

don was understaken at the

hands of the enemy do for her

country?" Dr. Loudon remarked.

former Austrian chancellor."

"Ask Mr. Schuschnigg (the

"What can a queen in the

urging of authorities, he said.

House of Orange at any cost."

Dr. Alexader Loudon, the

### Byrnes Raps Lindbergh's Views On Foreign Policy

Senator Recalls American Airman Accepted Decoration From Hitler

WASHINGTON, May 22.-(AP)minutes the whole job of Lindbergh for his criticism of completing the transition Roosevelt administration foreign from democracy to virtual policy, Senator Byrnes (D-SC) as-The first steps in this momentous transition were tak- rigan or any other aviator who

ered to issue decrees with are already active in America" and that "those who consciously or unconsciously retard the efforts of Today orders in council, this government to provide for the prepared even before the par- defense of the American people are the fifth column's most effective fellow travellers."

Official Reply

fect to laws setting up con- Byrnes' address, prepared for de Bombing planes, it was disclosed trols under ministers cover-livery over the radio was considing labor, banking, agricul- ered the administration forces' of American factories to the battle ture, transport, mining, war ficial reply to the speech in which industries and export trade. an end to "hysterical chatter of War material and export indus- calamity and invasion," decried rectly from the United States, be- tries will be given absolute priority what he considered meddling in cause of the neutrality law. In and labor will be drafted as re- Europe and urged a "definite policv" of defense.

> Byrnes said President Roosevelt had a "definite policy of defense already formulated" and had stated it "time and again."

The senator said that "Mr. Lind moved grimly to clothe her own bergh" (nowhere in the manuscript man-of-the-hour and Hitler's arch of the speech did the title "Colo-In her hour of direct peril, Brit- foe, Prime Minister Winston nel" appear) had accepted a decoinquire:

That is the effect of the act concient and treasured trappings of scripting all Britain's man-power, one wishes to attack us,' is he au- French soldiers on the Italian In the senate, Majority Leader constitutional democracy for one- her vast wealth and her war-mak- thorized to speak for Hitler or frontier while the Nazi war maitig resources of every kind and Goering? Can the American people, chine smashed through the low Never in British history since placing them under direct govern- in the light of recent history, ac- countries into France highlighted gentleman that if we do not ask anniversary of the Axis military any change along the front in 48 Its unchallenged acceptance by Senator Reynolds (D-NC) suggest 'great armada' down the Channel Parliament means that the British for war it will not come to us?" Takes Issue

naval appropriations subcommittee,

### **GERMANY**

From several sources came

dered. At several points further north, too, the Allied forces which the Germans consider

has ordered every one to stand (Continuedo n Page Four; Col. 4)

serted tonight that Lindbergh was "no more qualified" to speak on

## ITALY CELEBRATES

Notes Military Pact Birthday Amid Indications Country Will Enter War

BY RICHARD G. MASSOCK ROME, May 22-(A)-Press deain has invoked fire to fight fire. Churchill, with powers as great as ration from Hitler. He went on to clarations that Italy's 'pact of steel' with Germany had held British "When Mr. Lindbergh says, 'no warships in the Mediterranean and cept the assurance of this soung today the celebration of the first alliance.

> It was a celebration held amid Byrnes, chairman of the senate mounting indications that Italy chief, was "really satisfied." might soon enter the war.

King Vittorio Emanuele gave to Marshal Hermann Goering the knokn, during the day between Valright to call him cousin-by conferring the highest Italian decoration, the collar annunziata on Adolf Hitler's air chief-and the newspapers unanimously felicitated the

the Mediterranean island of Malta, rounded up and there was no mass

and declared: ". . . Every bayonet in the back infamies suffered by humanity." By speaking of certain known and saying that "others will be channe and to Paris would be haltknown at a more opportune time" the newspaper Il Piccolo obliquely Churchill, the British prime minissuggested that secret activity be- ter, conferred here during the day tween the axis powers already was

Paris Reports Main Contact Remains Along Somme, Aisne Rivers

WEYGAND 'SATISFIED'

### FRANCE

By HENRY C. CASSIDY PARIS, May 22.—(AP)— A new 200-mile Allied front along the Somme and Aisne rivers checked at least for the time being tonight the twin German drive on the English channel and Paris.

The night communique of he French high command eported no fresh developnents, except that the battle ontinued in northern France and Belgium, but the war ministry spokesman declared: "Our troops are holding

he German push at all Abbeville Retaken

Against the masses of Alied infantry spread west across the river valleys and north along the coastal plain, the Germans were reported to have sent ahead only light scouting forces during the day. Allied counter-attacks against the German advance guards accounted for retaking of control in Arras and

Abbeville. Although some German scouts were acknowledged to have driven deep into the French lines, the war ministry's spokesman said the main contact remained along the Somme and Aisne rivers and the Escaut (Scheldt). running north into Belgium.

Battle Ground Soggy Much of the great battle ground was soggy from yesterday's rain and mechanized troops were meeting, difficulties.

French spirits rose with new Allied successes and a military spokesman declared: "Even the rumors are better to-

He referred particularly to rumors -not immediately confirmed - that Amiens and Sedan had been retaken. Already the recapture of strategic Arras and of Abbeville, the

western-most point reached by the

Germans, had been foficially an-

nounced. The nightly war communique summed up the developments generally by saying merely: "Fighting continued in the north and in Belgium. Nothing of importance to report on the remainder of the front. The spokesman remarked informally that there had been "hardly hours, but said that General Maxime

Heavy Fighting He added that there had been heavy fighting, with results unencinnes and Cambrai (an area at some points as near as 75 miles to

Weygand, the Allied commander-in-

the English channel). Germans continued to send out exploring parties in motorcycles and One extremist organ, Il Resto whippet tanks, some of them crossdel Carlino at Bologna, exulted ing the Somme in their movement over German successes, forecast toward the sea, the spokesman said. that Italy would take from Britain But, he remarked, they were quickly passage over the river.

Some German scouting parties of a fugitive Englishman avenges also were said to have progressed west of Arras toward the channel. While new hope stirred the French developments under the alliance public that the German drive to the

ed ahead of disaster, Winston

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### CIO leader, were "whitewashed." fiushed Nazi foe, England has (Continued on Page Five; Col. 4) The project was obtained shortly after the management of the Taylor-Colquitt Creosoting company re-FROM BRITISH TO TAKE HIM TO

WAR INTERPRETIVE

With scarcely a murmur of pro- those of his enemy.

By LYNN HEINZERLING RHENEN, The Netherlands,

May 22-(A)- Kaiser Wilhelm, German authorities said today, turned down an offer of the British government to take him and his family to Britain "in protection" when the Nazi army came this way in its march toward Amsterdam. Ten miles to the west of this

little town, where one of the

flercest battles of the occupa-

tion of the Netherlands too place,

the former German Monarch sat

in his home at Doorn, and heard

again-for the first time since 1918-the roar of battle.

He could not have missed the scarlet glow in the evening sky. Some houses here still were burning today.

When resistance was stilled, the German army units rumbled through the main street of Doorn, pausing to leave a guard at the former Kaiser's gate.

TOWN SHOWS FAILURE

May 23— (Thursday) — (AP) —

Dutch soldiers chose to fight it

RHENEN, The Netherlands,

out from house to house against a swift-moving German army in this little town of southern Holland, and the charred walls and still-smoking ruins show how they failed.

Perhaps the hardest fought battle on the German march from the frontier to Amsterdam unrolled here and along the Grebbe line, with its water derenses, a few miles to the east. We walked through this un-

happy little community between

Arnheim and Utrecht and one

building which seemed untouch-

ed was the town church, its tower rising high above the smoking, crumbled remains. The business district of the city of perhaps 8,000 population was only a heap of brick. Prac-

> leading to Grebbe hill outside the city was a skeleton, with tulips and flowers of spring adding a grotesquely gay touch. A little street car stood on the main street ready to set forth wherever possible, but there

> tically every house on the road

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