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NEWS FROM UNOCCUPIED FRANCE.... REPORTED BY A FREE FRENCHMAN.

Part of my country is under the Nazi heel, while the other part is under the domination of the men who betrayed her. These include the eighty five year old Marshal Petain, aged and weak; Admiral Darlan, proved anti-British Premier of what is left of my country, and General Huntzinger. These men have led France blindly on the road to ruin. Great cities, including Marseilles, ports which throbbed with the activity of ships bringing to my country men and goods from all over the world, have, by the weakness of the men of Vichy, been transformed into vast places of silence and depression. Marseilles (second city only in importance to Paris) is now as the grave. A terrible tragedy to all Frenchmen, be they under Nazi rule in the North, Vichy rule in the South, or free under our inspired leader, General de Gaulle. Gone are the days of petrol stations working overtime. Cars are of no more use, and lie idle against the time France is once again free. Coal merchants have long since gone out of business, their stores are shut. Every sort of tradesman has ceased to trade. A padlocked gate is less a liability than an open shop with nothing to sell. "No eggs, no rabbits, no poultry". Don't waste your time. How sad it all is; but may I say to my compatriots "Hold on, all will come right" and to you, our British friends - Don't let this happen to you!