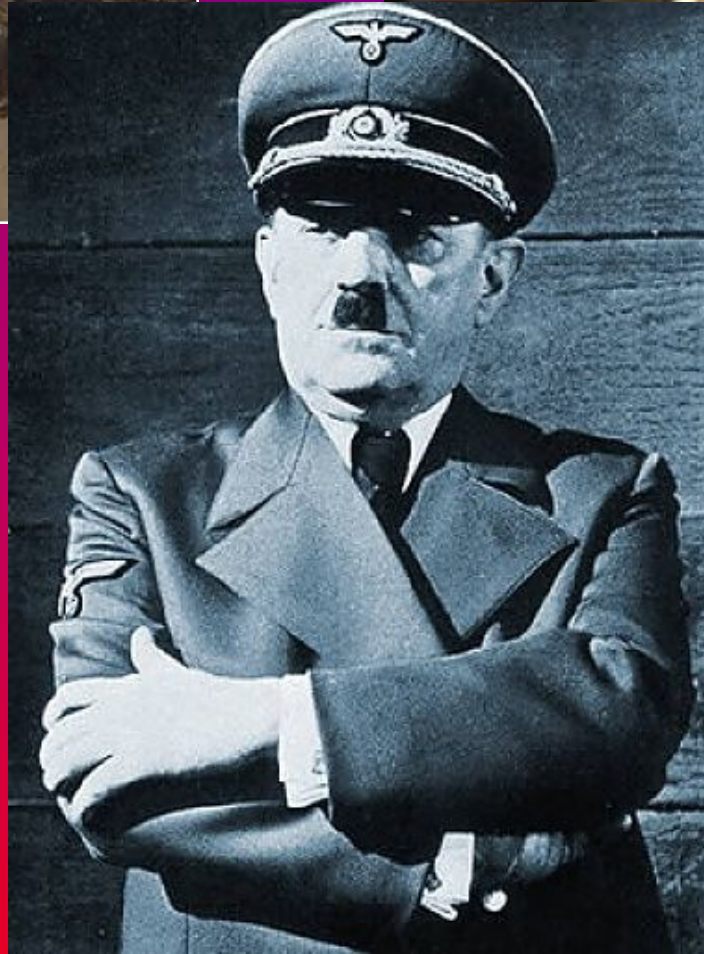


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## Fuehrer Fell at CP, German Radio Says; Doenitz at Helm, Vows War Will Continue

German radio announced last night that Adolf Hitler had died. Adm. Karl Doenitz, former commander-in-chief of the German Navy, has succeeded him as ruler of the Reich, the radio announced news said.

Doenitz made a radio speech immediately after the announcement, Hitler said, and declared that Germany would continue to wage war. His statements opened peace rumors which had been prevalent for more than a week in all world capitals.

### Churchill Hints Peace Is at Hand

WASHINGTON, May 2.—(AP)—Prime Minister Winston Churchill today hinted that peace was at hand, but said he would not say whether the war would end before the end of the month. He said that the British government was in a position to make a peace proposal, but that it would wait until the Allies had agreed on the terms of a peace treaty. He said that the British government was in a position to make a peace proposal, but that it would wait until the Allies had agreed on the terms of a peace treaty.



The announcement did not give any details of how the Reich leader died. The news was broadcast after solemn Weissenhof music, including "Flight of the Goshawk," was played.

"Ich bin, achting," a voice said. "In a few minutes you will hear a solemn and important message to the German people. We are now going to play a movement of Beethoven's Seventh symphony." Finally, the report of Hitler's death was given.

Hitler's death came three days after his last radio broadcast, Berlin broadcast of Italy, was killed by Italian paratroops near the village of Orsiera on Lake Como.

Doenitz, in his speech, said that Hitler "had fallen at his command post," while standing orders said that he died in the Reich Chancellery in Berlin yesterday afternoon. His body was buried in Berlin (Continued on Page 4)





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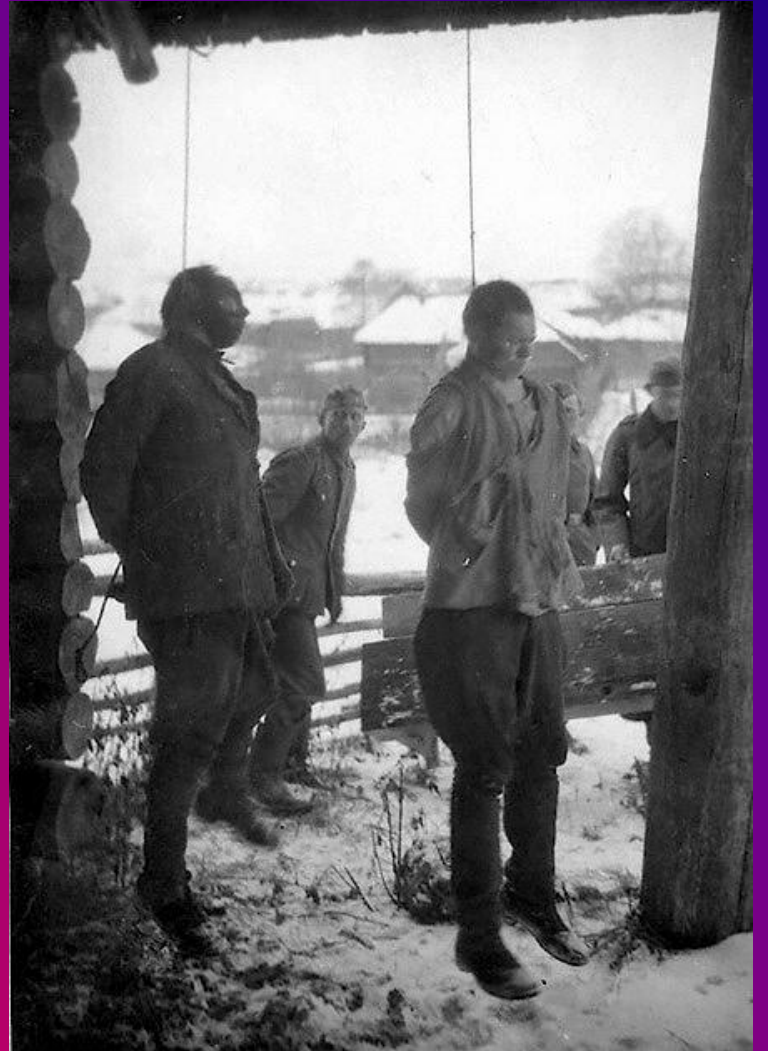






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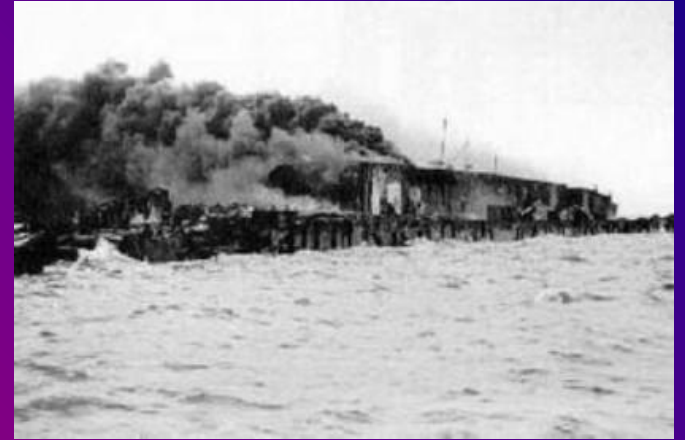
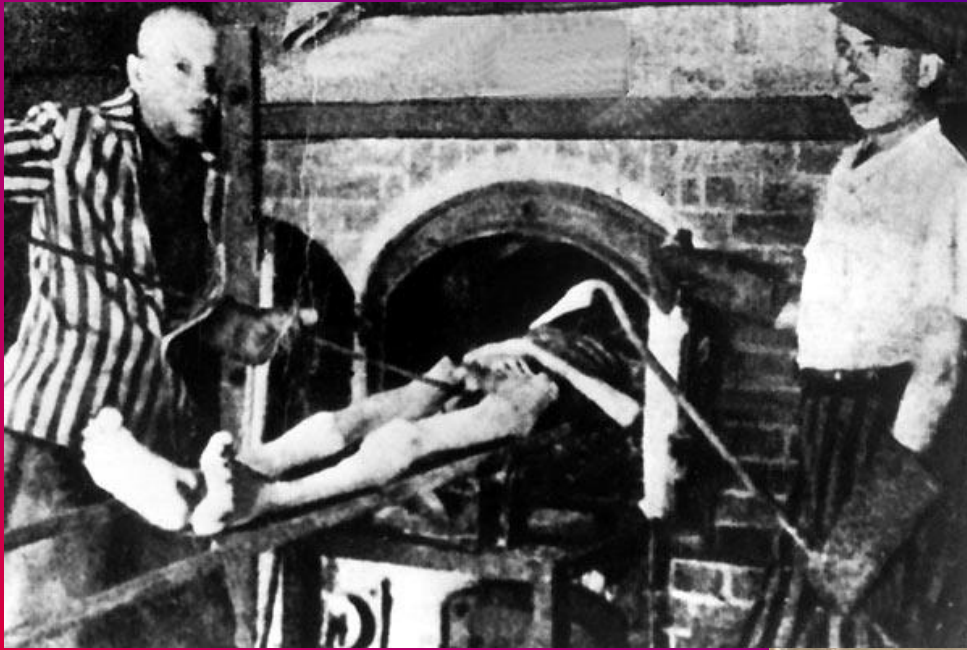




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