

**"Die, you German rats! Die!"**

"When Greece was attacked by the Spartans outside Thebes, the Greeks were getting the worst of it..."



ALL IS LOST! THE WALL IS BREACHED!

"Soon only a few Greek officers and men were left. The senior officer raised his standard on the steps of a temple."



RALLY TO MY STANDARD. SWEAR A SACRED OATH THAT WE WILL FIGHT ON UNTIL WE ARE VICTORIOUS, OR UNTIL WE ARE DEAD. I WILL LEAD SUCH A SACRED SQUADRON IF YOU WILL FOLLOW ME.



THAT WAS THE BIRTH OF THE GREEK SACRED SQUADRON, WHICH BECAME A LEGEND. THEY WERE ALL WIPED OUT. IT WAS RAISED AGAIN IN 1821 WHEN GREECE FOUGHT TURKEY. THIS YEAR, AFTER GREECE FELL TO THE GERMANS, IT WAS RAISED FOR THE THIRD TIME.



THERE THEY GO! THEY'LL DIE IF THEY MUST, BUT NEVER SURRENDER! AND KILL THE ENEMY WHEREVER THEY CAN FIND HIM. IT'S A PRETTY TOUGH OUTFIT I CAN TELL YOU.



AAARGH! AIEEEEE!



DIE, YOU GERMAN RATS! DIE!

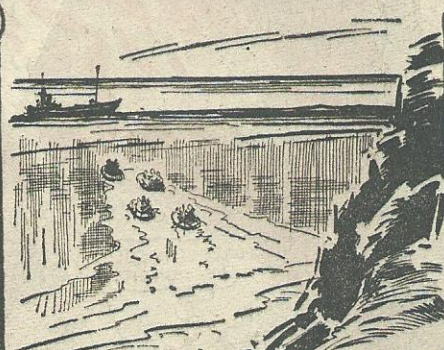


THAT'S JUST ABOUT IT, ISN'T IT, MAKAREZOS? NOW WE CAN GET CRACKING, I HOPE.

YES, MY FRIEND, WE HAVE ELIMINATED THEM ALL. BUT JUST ONE MOMENT, PLEASE.



WHEN THE OTHER GERMAN RATS SEE THIS BADGE, THEY WILL KNOW THAT THE GREEK SACRED SQUADRON HAS STRUCK AGAIN. GREECE IS STILL NOT DEFEATED.



And so the ancient Greek legend of the Sacred Squadron became real again in 1941. It was disbanded in 1945, after Germany's surrender. But, who knows when it will have to be raised again?

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