

Darlan, Francois

(1881--1942), Prime minister of unoccupied (Vichy) France from 1940 to April 1942 and chief of state in North Africa after the Allied invasion in November 1942. Darlan upheld Vichy law in North Africa, including its anti-Jewish Legislation. On December 24, 1942, Darlan was killed by an anti-Vichy assassin.