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# F RUPERT'S EIGHTH VICTORY QUOTA IS SET AT \$750,000

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25,000 More Than Seventh Loan While Increase in Northern Division Is 10 Per Cent

ce Rupert citizens must subscribe \$750,000 to eir Eighth Victory Loan quota. The quota was ced this morning by G. E. Wootten, northern al organizer who points out that in spite of arent nearness of victory over Germany, the war needs of the country will be geater than

October.

The Eighth Victory Loan

whole division has been in-

creased by 10 per cent over the

last loan and is \$1,650,000 but

this city's increase is less than

"The quota for Prince Rupert

Division Seven of the Victory

Wootten is organizer, embraces

the territory from Prince Ru-

pert to the Alberta boundary,

including the Portland canal

area, and extends as far south

to Williams Lake in the Cari-

boo. Of its \$1,650,000 quota, Unit

132, which extends from Prince

subscribe \$1,085,000. Prince Ru-

LONDON, April 12 () - Prime

Russians have punched a big

hole in the German defences

Bavarian stronghold near the

Vienna, and the Austrian cap-

ital may be entirely freed to-

Austrian border.

Rupert to Vanderhoof, mus

April 12 (P) - The has not been increased by 10 tates Ninth Army cross- per cent in view of the decrease liver today and began in population, but in order that along the last 57 clear the division quota may be realizwards Berlin. The last ed, it is virtually important that ore the German capi- Prince Rupert does as well as forced by the Second it did the last time," Mr. Woot Division which blazed ten says. n fifty miles to Madge- | With a quota of \$725,000 in twelve-hour dash Wed- the last loan drive, Prince Rurecise site of the cross- pert people subscribed \$991,700. not announced. A The public and armed forces however was es- in British Columbia and the at one undisclosed Yukon during the three weeks e 115 miles from the campaign will be given the task of investing \$60,000,000, which

south, the American is \$5,200,000 more than the my tank division broke \$54,800,000 assigned to them in and thundered for- the Seventh Loan. o 46 miles on the ap- The total B.C.-Yukon quota to Leipzig. Czecho- from all sources has been set at and the Red Army lines. \$135,000,000 with the \$75,000,000 important cities have balance to be made up of inding Essen. Co- vestments by local corporations hausen, Schweinfurt, and orders placed in the east Bochum, Eppen in by concerns with branches in and Neustadt. Weimar, the province. piace of the German of 1919, surrendered to- Loan campaign, of which Mr. bicycle courier to the States Third Army.

Second Armored Divcan be at Brandeburg Berlin by Friday night orday morning" if so to attack and occupy pital unless the Gerhift their forces from ussian front, Robert pert is being asked for \$750, Associated Press corent reported from near urg. The German dewere crumbled. The onqueror for the first ace Napoleon. All the German ports were

unched a drive across can be raised," he said. el River into western Germans. The United ALLIED POLICY inth and First armies STILL DEMANDS hittled down the Ruhr NAZI SURRENDER and its garrisons of up 00 German troops.

Munro, Canadian Press Minister Churchill said today enpondent, reported that the Allfed policy of unconond Canadian division, ditional surrender for Germany flat out through north- still stood even though General land toward the North Eisenhower has asserted that the st, has advanced 22 miles war in Europe may not end with st fifteen hours and to- a clean cut surrender of all Gert Beilin, 25 miles south of man forces. gen which is fifteen "The policy of unconditional with of the coast. About surrender does not exclude un-

only to wholesale surrender," Mr. russels radio said today Churchill explained. ded troops had reached on the east bank of er River, ten miles north-Soviets 115 Miles From Berchtesgaden

### Delays C.P.R. as At Golden

de twenty miles west of will delay the arrival of nd trains into Vancouver ndefinite period Canacific officials said Wed- completed the occupation of The trains will now be retour over the Canadian lines via Edmonton.

### Ontario Election Date Set June 11

TORONTO, April 12 () -Premier George Drew announced today that an Ontario election will be held on Monday, June 11.

The Premier issued a brief statement today after a cabinet meeting lasting an nour and a-

The election was brought on by the defeat of Drew's Conservative government 51-36 in the legislation March 22 by combined opposition groups.

### HOBBLE SKIRTS BACK IN LONDON

LONDON, April 12 ()—Hobble skirts, bustles and gingham bonnets have appeared in London.

The skirts, slashed at the front, were for evening wear and bustle effects on day dresses were shown at a display of spring models. Pleats, sashes and flowers formed the bustle on dresses, and pleats and loose panels on

Bonnets were shown to match dresses and blouses in pinafore

# quota of \$750,000 represents an increase of \$25,000 over the quota for the Seventh loan last

Mosquitos Hit Berlin Three Times

LONDON-While Allied engineers labored to speed Ninth Army troops across the Elbe to Berlin, R.A.F. Mosquito bombers roared overhead last night to blast the German capital. The Germans declare that three separate attacks were carried out.

### Hitler Stories Still Unconfirmed

LONDON-British newspapers have printed unconfirmed stories to the effect that Hitler is broken in health and may be dying, and that he has turned over his powers to Henrich Himmler, but these are not taken too seriously. The report may be premature, but there can be no doubt that Germany is collapsing under the combined pressure of the Allies.

### Japs Killed Spaniards On Manila

MADRID-Spain's break in diplomatic relations with Japan apparently is the aftermath of the killing of Spanish Nationals by Japanese soldiers at Manila. Spain is reported to be holding Japanese Minister Yakichiro Suma and other Japanese diplomats until Tokyo arranges the safe departure of Spanish diplomats-now-in the Japanese capital.

### Heavy Going On Okinawa

GUAM-American troops on Okinawa still are being held without gain along the so-called little Siegfried Line guarding the city of Naha in the southern part of the islands. Enemy resistance in the north also has developed, and is slowing the American advance.

### Only One Battleship Left

LONDON-The air ministry in London has announced that R.A.F. bombers have sunk one of the two most formidable warships left in the German Navy. It's the 10,000-ton pocket battleship Admiral Scheer, which was bombed and sunk by British airmen at the Kiel naval base in Germany. The only big battleship remaining to the Nazis is the Luetzow. Sinking of the Scheer is described as the most serious blow to the German Navy since the big battleship Tirpitz was sent to the bottom last November.

# During the Seventh Victory

Loan in British Columbia and TORONTO, April 12-Premier the Yukon there were 287,325 George Drew, Conservative goviver had been crossed individuals purchasers of Victory ernment head of Ontario was bands, who averaged \$237 each. sandwiched between two Lib-Mr. Wootten thinks that both eral senators, W. A. Buchanan, of these figures can be imporved. Lethbridge and Rupert Davies, of 'We are aiming at 300,000 pur- Kingston, when he attended Trst Canadian Army chasers and every dollar that luncheon of the annual meeting of the Canadian Press at the Royal York hotel Wednesday.

The gathering of prominent newspapermen responded with amusement when Drew, racing RUSS WATCHING an election campaign, said that the support indicated by his companions at the luncheon might forecast what he may be accorded at the election.

Netherlands towns and conditional surrender piecemeal ing in favor of an unhampered were like applied. conference went on record as be- Oder River. were liberated in this and is not necessarily applied interchange of news throughout the world.

HONOR SYSTEM SUCCEEDS When the Queensland govern- main strength of the German ment established a prison farm army is concentrated. The zero LONDON. April 12 ( ) - The some years ago, it initiated an hour appears to be approaching. honor system—no cells, no locks, chains or bars. Since then 1400 DAWSON CREEK west of Vienna and Berlin re-ported today that Soviet armor four tried to escape, and less FLIER CASUALTY OUVER, April 12 (P)— A has reached a point 115 miles than 20 have been reconvicted. A northern B. C. flier, previ-

> plies, the war office has cut the Royal Canadian Air Force casupotato ration for troops in Brit- alty list released today. He is ain from 20 ounces a head to 12 Flight Sergeant Leslie Howard ounces. The flour ration has been Stevenson, son of H. B. Stevendoubled.

### Sees Need For 14,000-Man Navy

VANCOUVER, April 12 (P) force, he explains would be di-something real at last. vided between ships and dockyard bases, and would be backed ted as follows: by professional and volunteer re-

MOSCOW, April 12 (P) - The probability of an early meeting Commanding the Prince Rupert of the Province. This was given Principal speaker was Robert between the Red army and the Area, and the Officers Com- the hearty support of the mem-McLean, president of the Asso- western Allies in the heart of canding the Navy, Army and Air bers present. ciated Press, and publisher of the Germany held the attention of Philadelphia Bulletin. The Prince the Russian public today as it Rupert Daily News was repre- learned that American troops sented by Managing Editor G. A. had reached positions only 57 miles from Berlin and 115 miles Wednesday's session of the from the Soviet lines along the

The impression prevailed here that the war will end when the Red army launches its impending offensive across the Oder and Nelisse Rivers, where, according to BRISBANE, Austlralia (P) - Soviet front line despatches, the

from Berchtesgaden, Hitler's The system is to be extended ously a prisoner of war, is now reported to have died while a LONDON (P-To conserve sup- prisoner of war, according to a son, of Dawson Creek.



Outstanding Exponent of World Unity passes away on eve of triumph of universal peace.

## LEGION FAVORS FRANCHISE FOR EAST INDIANS

The regular monthly meeting of the Canadian Legion B.E.S.I. No. 27 was held on Wednesday evening, W. J. Rance being in the chair. Seven new members being admitted.

worth of Victory bonds at the the news spotlight before the forthcoming Victory Loan Drive. present war started when he was

A letter was read in connection flying with the Loyalist forces in with the application of the East Spain. Indians for the franchise. The Legion went on record as being in favor of these gallant members of the British Empire being given the right to vote in Provincial and Dominion affairs.

known that they still are of the in afternoon. Friday, moderate same opinion regarding the de- winds, overcast and cool with portation of the Japanese. They light rain. are all for it.

Messrs. Hendry & Larsen spoke briefly in connection with land settlement scheme they Area. From former chief of staff of the have for Re-habilitation Com-Royal Canadian Navy, Admiral mittee to deal with. Those of the Ben Percy Nelles, comes the opin- members who have had a chance ion that Canada's post-war navy to study the general set-up are ald. should have something over very much in favor of it, and fourteen thousand men. This were of the opinion that it was

> The election of officers resul-Hon. Pres., Col. Cy. W. Peck, V

C., D.S.O. Hon. Vice-Pres., Col. J. Mc-

Gregor, V.C., D.S.O. Hon. Vice-Pres., Col. S. D. Johnston, M.C., V.D. Hon. Vice-Pres., Lt. Col. S. P. McMordie, D.S.O.

### AIR OFFICER IS DISMISSED FROM SERVICE

OTTAWA, April 12 ()-A wellknown American flier has been sentenced to dismissal from the day. R.C.A.F. It has been announced in Otlaws that an air force court martial has found squadron leader Harold E. "Whitey" Dahl guilty of four charges in connection with the improper disposal of \$680 worth of aircraft equip-The Legion will take \$4,000.00 ment and other articles. Dahl hit

### Weather Forecast

Weather Forecast: Today, light to moderate winds, cloudy and The Legion also wished it to be | cool with scattered rain showers

a Force within the Prince Rupert

Pres., H. Killin. First Vice-Pres., V. Houston. Second Vice-pres., A. McDon-

Executives: J. Nichol, R. C. Bamford, W. Denning, W. Robertson, S. Cheeseman, F. Hardy.

A. M. Davies, Secretary, was recommended for Zone Represen- Next to Forests tative, and will be a delegate to-Rance to the convention to be held at Revelstoke May 27.

A resolution was presented dealing with the early retirement Together with the Officer of veterans in the Civil Service



BRITISH ENGINEERS of the 14th Army devised this ingenious method of getting a Bren gun carrier across the Mu river during the drive on Mandalay. Large oil and gasoline drums were strapped to the vehicle to keep it afloat. Motive power was supplied by the carrier's caterpillar tracks acting as paddles.

WASHINGTON (Bulletin) April 12 (CP)—President Roosevelt, sixty-three, died suddenly in Washington this afternoon of a cerebral hemorage. He succumbed to overstrain brought on by the exertion of recent weeks. Thirty-second President of the United States, and in his fourth term of office, his sudden death came as a shock to the whole civilized world. He was born at Hyde Park, New York, January 30, 1882.

# Ninth Army Crosses Elbe 115 Miles From Russians

Over Night Gains By Simpson's Men Put Them 57 Miles From Berlin As U.S. First Drives Toward Leipzig

PARIS, April 12 (CP) - Allied forces on the western front have driven to within fifty-seven miles of Berlin. General Simpson's pace-setting Ninth' Army spearheads reached the Elbe River yesterday at the city of Magdeburg, just fifty-seven miles from the German capital. It is not yet certain whether the

# Bulletins

RELAXING CONSCRIPTION LONDON — Conscription of

men over the age of 31 will be discontinued in Britain after May 1, Labor Minister Ernest Bevin announced to-

SOVIET DRIVE MAY HAVE

BEGUN LONDON-A frontal assault on Berlin may be under way by Soviet troops facing the German capital. there has been no Russian statement on a new drive, strong forces of Cossack cavalry and other reinforcements have been moving toward the front for several days.

TROOPSHIP BLOWS UP ROME-An Allied ammunition ship blew up in the harbor at Bari, Italy, today killing at least 263 Italians and causing 1,900 casualties among workmen. An unknown number of Allied soldiers were injured and killed.

### PARATROOPERS IN BRANDENBURG

PARIS - Allied parachute troops may have landed in Brandenburg, 20 miles from Berlin, in advance of Ninth Army ground troops which have crossed the Elbe river in their drive toward the capi-

# B.C. Agriculture

gether with H. Killin and W. J. riculture Minister K. C. MacDon- Quackenbruck. ald said over the CBC provincial In Holland, units of the First network Wednesday night that Canadian Army are holding po-British Columbia's agricultural sitions on the west bank of the productions now stands second Ijssel River. Canadian troops only to that of her forests.

tural producers position.

Americans have actually entered

Magdeburg, but field despatches indicate the river was crossed last night and a five-mile bridgehead gained. Engineers already are working to span the river, and corres-

pondents at the front say it should not take long to get the heavy bridges in place. At the Elbe, the Ninth Army is only 115 miles from the Russian lines east of Berlin, and it now seems possible that the eastern and western Allies may join forces

within the next few days. South of Magdeburg, United States First Army columns have been observed by Allied pilots driving towards the city of Halle, fifteen miles northwest of Leip-The latest official word places First Army units 48 miles from Leipzig after a dash of 22

Far behind the racing spearheads, the Ninth Army is continuing its systematic elimination of the Ruhr pocket. Essen and Gelenkirchen have been captured, and Bochum entered. Third Army troops driving towards the CzechoSlovak border have reached Coburg, while the Seventh Army in a parallel advance just to the south has

smashed into Schweinfurt. Schweinfurt is the Nazi city which has been bombed so often in an effort to knock out the vital ball-bearing works located

Field Marshal Montgomery's headquarters today comes a report of British Second Army gains. General Dempsey's forces southeast of Bremen have put two bridgeheads across the Aller River. On the centre of its front, the Second Army VANCOUVER, April 12 ()-Ag- advanced twelve miles, taking

made a swift unexpected assault Right of collective bargaining across the water barrier yesterfor producers of soil on the same day and caught the enemy by basis as is accorded labor had surprise. The Germans had been established under the mar- been using the river line to Reting legislation and this had check Canadian advances tomaterially improved me agricui- wards Amsterdam and Rotter-

## FOREIGN SLAVE WORKERS, RUINS GREET ALLIES IN FRANKFORT

FRANKFORT-ON-THE-MAIN, Germany, April 12-In Frankfort, whose smoking targets tell the story of the full weight of Anglo-American air power, the first day of Allied occupation produced many odd scenes.

Across from the automobile factory of the Adler-

plant, with 1,000 sides of beef and Said one G.I.: "They oughtta let 2,000 hogs. Slave laborers broke us give them the whole thing." in after the Germans fled and put up a guard, but there never mass of flames.

were more reluctant soldiers.

tossed whole sides out the win- Driving into the big square bedow, while their friends dragged fore the main railroad yards, 1 them through the streets for noticed smoke pouring from the their first decent meal in years. top of the station. Then I could Soon American military police see that the whole inside was a

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