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District for today read:  
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Tomorrow's Tides

(Pacific Standard Time)

Saturday, April 21, 1945

High	9:28	16.9 feet
	22:25	17.6 feet
Low	3:26	10.0 feet
	15:50	6.2 feet

## Evolution, Bestiality Scale Unbelievable" German Torture Camps

### Prisoners Burned Alive in Barn; U.S. Makes Huns Bury Horror Victims

April 20 (CP)—German citizens in the Gardelegen will learn from first hand the of their countrymen. A few nights ago laborers and political prisoners were death in a barn near Gardelegen. United officers have decreed that today the people of the town must dig individual graves for each of the victims. Each grave is to be six feet long, six feet deep, and three feet wide—and the people of Gardelegen will be forced at bayonet's point, if necessary to dig them and then place each charred body to rest.

An American Army officer describing another German concentration Camp at Buchenwald says the death, starvation, brutality, filth, and bestiality of the whole place was on such a scale that it was almost impossible to believe his own eyes.

The American said he had heard in England that the skin of victims who died at Buchenwald had been made into lampshades, book bindings and wall ornaments, but that he didn't believe the story then. "Today," he went on, "I saw them with my own eyes."

The Americans found some of the hideous souvenirs. They were sort of a fad which was started by the wife of the prison commandant. One of them consisted of a piece of skin from a man's chest mounted on a board and covered with cellophane. It contained the tattooed figure of a woman, and apparently was designed for use as a wall decoration.

## Hitler, 56, Has Woeful Birthday

LONDON, April 20 (CP)—Today is Hitler's fifty-sixth birthday. The Nazi leader has used the occasion to call on his remaining followers to fight the same sort of battle they fought when the Nazis were striving to gain power in Germany.

The Nazi propaganda minister, Paul Joseph Goebbels, told the Germans in his weekly article that they can now fight fair or foul as the war approaches its end.

In a broadcast speech, Goebbels said the Allies are ready to administer the coup de grace, and he asked Germany never to forget Hitler whom he eulogized as if he were already a martyr.

## LES OF H COUNTRY- FLOODED

THE 1ST CANADIAN HOLLAND (By Ross Correspondent) April flood disaster has struck upon stricken Holland. Germans who now up the 300 yard dike northwestern end of Zee immediately the causeway which peninsula running Amsterdam. Twenty miles of the countryside flooded.

## News Highlights

### Takes Porto Maggiore

ME—British Eighth Army troops in Italy have captured Porto Maggiore, 12 miles southeast of the Po Valley of Ferrara. Capture of the town came after a three-day battle. Allied Fifth Army units are pushing ahead along the highway between Florence and Bologna.

### Drive Assumes Great Force

AM—United States naval and land power are being force in an effort to smash the strong Japanese defense across the southern end of Okinawa Island. Three divisions are pounding entrenched Japanese positions fronting the capital city of Naha.

### Land Near Borneo

WILA—A new threat to the Japanese-held Dutch East has been posed by General MacArthur. Sea-borne forces have landed unopposed on Balabac Island, 100 miles north of Borneo.

### Will Serve Notice

NDON—Prime Minister Churchill has served notice that Germans will be held accountable for the foul work they have done or may do in the future. Mr. Churchill said solemn warning on German atrocities has been drafted self. President Truman, and Premier Stalin. The Prime told Commons that not only Nazi higher-ups, but who actually did the dirty work will be punished.



PRISONERS FREED BY RED ARMY, ON WAY HOME—Lining the deck of a ship in the port of Odessa, these Allied prisoners of war are returning to their homelands after being liberated by the Red Army. This is a radiophoto from Moscow.

## PUBLICITY GROUP WILL SOLICIT CO-OPERATION OF INTERIOR TOWNS

### Symington Heads World Air Body

HAVANA, April 20 (CP)—The president of TransCanada Airlines, H. J. Symington, has been elected president of the International Air Transport Association. Mr. Symington said he will dedicate his efforts to bring benefits of the air age to peoples the world over.

### PORT ALICE PULP PLANT DAMAGED

VANCOUVER, April 20 (CP)—Fire of unknown origin Wednesday caused \$150,000 damage to the chip making and storage buildings of the B.C. Pulp and Paper company at Port Alice. Production at the plant will be seriously curtailed for the next two weeks, the president, Lawrence Killam, announced.

## SMALL POWERS PRESSING FOR BOUNDARY PACTS

WASHINGTON, April 20 (CP)—The drive among smaller powers to write boundary guarantees into any peace-keeping organization appeared to be taking form today. Such recommendations likely will be made at San Francisco either by one of the Latin American countries, which secured similar assurances at the recent Mexico conference, or by a British dominion, probably New Zealand.

The demand for territorial guarantees would include the definition of aggression and would go hand-in-hand with the expected United States proposal to empower the assembly of projected peace agency to review treaties.

### Three Bombless Weeks in Britain

LONDON, April 20 (CP)—Britain on Friday completed her third week of freedom from enemy air or V-weapon attack. German V-bomb barrages ended after allied air attacks cut the rail-ways into Holland, and Canadians since have overrun one launching site after another.

Home Security Minister Herbert Morrison announced that Britain's civilian casualties for war are 60,585 dead or missing and 86,175 injured so severely as to require hospitalization.

Chief Petty Officer J. R. McKenzie and bride who were married in Vancouver at the end of the week have arrived in Prince Rupert and while here will be the guests of Mr. and Mrs. James Simpson, Sixth Ave. East.

A resolution aimed at inspiring organizations in interior towns to co-operate with the Prince Rupert Public Relations committee in publicizing northern and central British Columbia will be presented to the conference of the Associated Boards of Trade at Vanderhoof on May 3.

The resolution was approved by a meeting of the Public Relations Committee held in the City Council Chamber last night, and will be carried to the conference by William F. Stone. It invites the boards of trade and other publicity-minded organizations between Prince Rupert and Prince George to communicate with the Prince Rupert committee with the view of "co-operating and promoting more and better publicity for northern and central British Columbia."

"Let's all get together to build up the home morale that will attract future tourists from all parts of the North American continent and beyond that. Let's get associated," the appeal urges. Deeply conscious of the importance of the future duties of the newly organized publicity body last night's meeting appointed a finance committee, but declined to take immediate action in the creation of the two other working committees, the internal and external publicity committees.

Named to the finance committee were Arnold Flaten, chairman; L. M. Felsenthal and Mrs. Cecil Brind.

The meeting appointed the executive to act as a nominating committee to bring in names of citizens who might act as suitable chairmen and members for the external and internal publicity committees.

"Both these committees will have highly important jobs, and we should make a careful canvass of the city to make sure we get the best material," Colin McCarthy, president of the Junior Chamber of Commerce, declared.

The membership will vote on the names of those brought in by the executive nominating committee at the next meeting. Considerable discussion was held on the importance of cleaning up the city before a really comprehensive outside publicity drive could be put into effect.

The idea of initiating a slogan competition among city school children was also scouted.

The meeting was attended by 15 members of organized groups in the city. Lloyd Morris, the president, was chairman of the meeting.

# Reds Seven Miles From Nazi Capital

## 12,000 POUNDS HEADING WEST

WINNIPEG, April 20—What is believed to be the largest single shipment of its kind, 12,000 pounds of penicillin is speeding westward today over Canadian National lines bound for a Pacific port it is revealed by C. N. Express officials. The penicillin is carried in a pre-cooled express car attached to the C.N.R. "Continental Limited."

Penicillin has been responsible for the saving of thousands of lives in the present war and special care is being taken in the handling of the shipment aboard the train.

## Canadian Delegates Depart For 'Frisco

OTTAWA, April 20 (CP)—The Canadian delegation has left Ottawa for the San Francisco Security Conference. While Prime Minister King is at the meeting, Finance Minister Ilsley will be acting Prime Minister.

## COL. CECIL MERRITT, V.C., IS FREED

BELLEVILLE, Ont., April 20 (CP)—Lieutenant-Colonel Cecil Merritt, Canada's first Victoria Cross winner of this war, has arrived at Prestwick, Scotland, after being released from a German prisoner-of-war camp, his wife said here today. A cable from the International Red Cross gave no other details. Merritt, who comes from Vancouver, was taken prisoner in the Dieppe raid in 1942, and was awarded the Victoria Cross for leadership and courage.

## Bulletins

### PRISONER LIST SEIZED

PARIS—Germany's complete roster of prisoners of war including an itemization of all captives from every Allied country taken by the Germans since the outbreak of the war has been seized by American Third Army troops.

### BRITISH TAKE BURMA TOWNS

CALCUTTA — The British spearhead in Burma, pushing south into the Chauk-Yenang-yang oilfields area on the east bank of the Irrawaddy has captured Singu and Chauk and enveloped Sale, a communique announced today.

### RAIL TARGETS ATTACKED

LONDON—Railway targets in southern Germany and in Czechoslovakia were attacked today for the fourth successive day by 600 American bombers and 550 fighters.

### LUETZOW SUNK

LONDON—R.A.F. bombers have sunk the German pocket battleship Luetzow, moored at the port of Schweinemunde.

### JAPS CLAIM YANK LINE BROKEN

SAN FRANCISCO—The Tokyo radio claimed today that the American attack line at Naha, capital of Okinawa, had been broken by a Japanese counter-attack. The Japs said that 10,000 Americans were taking part in the assault on the capital.

## Weather Forecast

Cloudy and cool with intermittent light rain and moderate winds. Saturday: cloudy and cool with rain showers, moderate winds.

## VILLAGE NO MORE

IFIELD, Kent, Eng. (CP)—Rev. C. H. Coe of Ifield, is leaving this village where, for six years, he and his wife have been the only residents. It was once a fairly large village but part was merged into Gravesend and part into other parishes. Ecclesiastically it is still a parish and has a history going back to the days of St. Thomas a Becket.

## Mosquitos Follow Up Daylight Raids

LONDON, April 20 (CP)—R. A. F. mosquito bombers raided Berlin during the night following a day in which 2,500 Allied aircraft ripped into German positions in southern Germany and Czechoslovakia.

It has been disclosed that a Canadian Spitfire wing is operating from the most advanced airfield inside Germany. The move from the old base in Holland took two days. The squadrons operating from the new field are the Wolf, the City of Oshawa, the Red Indian and Hornet squadrons.

## FORMER MEMBER IS CANDIDATE

NEW WESTMINSTER, April 20 (CP)—Byron I. Johnson, Liberal M.L.A. for Victoria from 1933 to 1937 was last night nominated coalition candidate for New Westminster in the provincial by-election on May 10. He had a 61-39 majority over Mayor William Mott, of New Westminster, the only other nominee.

## REDUCED SHIP SERVICE HITS ISLANDERS

Returning to the city from a three-week tour of the Queen Charlotte Islands yesterday, Bruce Mickleburgh, candidate of the Labor-Progressive Party for Skeena Federal Riding, reported that the residents there are greatly perturbed over the reported decision of the Union Steamship Company to take the Camosun off the Queen Charlottes run, leaving the Cassiar to handle the job alone.

"The people there realize that the Camosun may be unfit for further service, but see themselves faced with serious problems if the already war-strained service is further diminished. They do not feel that the proposed re-routing of the Cassiar will meet the situation, which can only be satisfactorily solved by putting new boats on the run. Merchants, loggers, fishermen, housewives and others are signing a petition on this question which will be sent to the Union Steamship Co. and various government bodies."

"Here we have a situation where we in Prince Rupert are looking for contracts for our shipyard while at the same time the people of the Queen Charlotte Islands are in desperate need of ships," Mr. Mickleburgh commented. "It is impossible to believe that the small amount of tonnage now under construction in Prince Rupert is a maximum amount."

During the course of his tour Mr. Mickleburgh visited all the logging camps on the Queen Charlottes and reported that they faced with an intense manpower shortage, which may force a shut-down in some camps. "Many returned men from this war are already in the woods, and the International Woodworkers of America (CIO) has an agreement with the operators which secures full seniority privileges for these men."

"The loggers are very anxious to have ballot boxes in camp this election. I can confidently predict a Labor-Progressive landslide vote there."

## THREE FACTORS

Vision is a combination of light, eye and brain.

# Tank Battle is Raging On Brandenburg Plain

## Nazi Central Reserves Thrown Into "Murderous Battle at Gates of Berlin"

LONDON, April 20 (CP)—The German high command admitted today that the Russians have smashed 12 miles to within seven miles of the gates of Berlin. In the 12-mile gain from captured Wriezen, the German communique said, the Russians passed through the area of Proetz and Streybeck to Hanglesberg, in a forest close to the city on the east. A Berlin spokesman said that the Germans' central reserves have now been thrown into the "murderous battle at the gates of Berlin."

## ATHLONE AND PRINCESS TO VISIT IN WEST

OTTAWA, April 20 (CP)—The Earl of Athlone and Princess Alice will leave Ottawa on Sunday for a month-long tour of Western Canada. Government House announced Friday. The Vice-Regal party will visit Winnipeg, Edmonton, Jasper, Victoria, Vancouver and Kamloops. They will return to Ottawa at the end of May. It was considered possible this might be the Governor-General's last visit to Western Canada before he and Princess Alice leave the Dominion late this summer at the end of the Earl's five-year term as Governor-General.

## FOUND WITH IRON

Tungsten is not found alone in its natural state, but associated with iron and manganese.

## EIGHTH VICTORY LOAN CANVASSERS WILL BEGIN DRIVE ON MONDAY

When the Eighth Victory Loan drive opens on Monday, more than a dozen canvassers will set forth to accept subscriptions for Victory Bonds in clearly specified districts. W. D. Lambie, organizer for Unit 32, which embraces the territory west from Vanderhoof, says that the campaign workers are poised to put over the most successful drive in the history of the district.

"By buying Victory Bands we are only assuring ourselves of our own security for the future and keeping faith with the men and women who are fighting and dying for us," he added. "It is the least we can do."

Mr. Lambie hopes that when the canvassers come round, they will be received courteously.

Following are the canvassers and teams which will cover the city:

Stan Saville will contact all doctors, lawyers and dentists and also canvass all the waterfront from Canadian National steamship dock to Prince Rupert Drydock. Included in this area are the two wholesale houses, Malkins and Kelly-Douglas.

He will also canvass the area between McBride Street and Cow Bay on the north side of Third Avenue. Mr. Saville will contact all fishermen in this area and will establish group payroll wherever possible in this area.

Mrs. E. Saville, Mrs. McKwen, Mrs. Parker will canvass the business area between McBride Street to Third St., including Second and First avenues, and north on Third Avenue on the east side between McBride Street to Cow Bay.

The residential area for this team will be from McBride Street south to Fulton Street; all avenues and streets in this area and this includes Comox Avenue.

Mrs. E. Hay, Mrs. Shenton, Mrs. Slater will canvass the business area between Sixth Street on the east side of Third Avenue to the junction of First, Second and Third Avenues, including Fraser Street.

On the west side of Third Avenue the district starts at Fifth Street. The residential area for this team starts as from Fulton Street on the south side to as far as you can go but not beyond the junction of First, Second and Third avenues. This includes all avenues and streets in this area.

Mrs. D. C. Stuart will canvass all avenues and streets south of the junction of First, Second and Third avenues and starting at Lindsay's garage. This includes Beach Place.

The Chinese Patriotic Association will canvass all Chinese businesses and residences under the chairmanship of Ling Bo Shang.

Divisional Committee  
Chairman: F. M. Dockerill, Telkwa, B.C.

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## FIRE DESTROYS OIL LOADING PLANT

EL SEGUNDO, Cal.—Fire of undetermined origin has destroyed 700 feet of tank car loading rack at the Standard Oil Co.'s refinery plant here. Firemen said the damage would run into many thousands of dollars. There were no casualties.