

**Weather**  
Moderate to fresh winds, overcast and mild, with light to moderate rains during morning, becoming cloudy with scattered showers by noon and becoming cloudy in evening.

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**Tides**

(Pacific Standard Time)  
Wednesday, March 28, 1945  
High ..... 1:16 20.1 feet  
                  13:30 20.1 feet  
Low ..... 7:34 5.0 feet  
                  19:45 4.1 feet

# MAIN NAZI DEFENCES BROKEN

## Lord George, Britain's First Minister of First World War, Passes Away

### Was Fighter All His Life From Youth to Old Age—Personification of British "Will to Win"

LONDON, March 27 (CP)—Earl Lloyd George, Britain's Prime Minister from 1916 to 1922, died at his home in Crickieth, Wales, yesterday. He had been seriously ill since January, having developed following an attack of influenza. He was 82 years of age and had held the Parliamentary seat of

for fifty-four years. A solicitor, he was first elected at the age of 27 years. He was elevated to the House of Commons two years ago.

Death of Lloyd George recalled but one of the "Big Four" at Versailles. The others were Woodrow Wilson of the United States, Georges Clemenceau of France and Vittorio Emanuele of Italy. The last-named is the only one still

Lloyd George, a fighter all his life, was at the peak of his power as Prime Minister of Britain during the critical years of the Great War. "The Welsh Wizard" was the nickname of the will of the British resolve to win the war halfway measures.

Foch said 1917 was a year of both sides. July 1918 the Allies were the black flag of the war; Ludendorff then launched his last offensive. Lloyd George advised a party of Canadian

in London and the "The victory; we do with it?"

1918, he declared that short of victory would compromise the future of

history was won, and in 1918 Lloyd George in his memoirs revealed something of the struggles behind the scenes of the military leaders, behind the scenes, behind the scenes.

His memoirs are a storm of controversy, assayed to pierce the veil of admirals, generals and politicians alike with a pen as only Lloyd George's

Instead, had this been still 1915, the policy of the Allies was concentrated on the immediate problems of attack and defence on the western front. Lloyd George himself was tremendously occupied with the great national effort to supply the British armies and the Allies with adequate munitions. But he was never indifferent to the larger problem. In the autumn of 1915 Lloyd George, a hitherto convinced believer in voluntary service, announced his conversion to conscription. The Germans were sweeping through eastern Russia and the Allied armies in the west were still heavily outnumbered by the altogether unexpected size of the manpower of Central Europe. He came out for conscription, and swung the government to his point of view.

In June, 1916, Lord Kitchener the living inspiration of the whole British military effort, met his death when H.M.C.S. Hampshire struck a mine. Lloyd George was called to take his place as war minister. Shortly afterwards the Rumanian disaster brought him to the parting of the ways with Premier Herbert Asquith. Rumania had declared war on Austria and had prematurely marched into Transylvania to be smashed by the gathered German armies from the rear in Bulgaria. Lloyd George had been on the brink of resigning in protest over one policy or another several times since the conflict began, and the new crisis brought things to a head.

On December 1, 1916, he laid his views before Asquith in no uncertain terms. A cabinet crisis developed. Lloyd George was sincerely attached to Asquith, but he remained adamant on the

necessity for reform in the administration machinery. He considered a smaller, stronger authority absolutely necessary for successful conduct of the war. He was willing to give the prime minister final control but demanded that day to day conduct of hostilities be placed under a tight little committee.

Asquith received authority from the King to form a new government but his first conviction was that he himself as prime minister must be chairman of the new war committee that Lloyd George had convinced everybody must be established. Lloyd George resigned. Andrew Bonar Law was the logical choice for the premiership, but the Canadian had no parliamentary majority.

**Becomes Prime Minister in 1916**  
The King sent for Lloyd George and he accepted. Most of the powerful figures of the Conservative party followed the lead of Bonar Law in submerging political considerations to the

### BOUND OVER ON BOND OF \$1,500

Mrs. Signa Hanburg was bound over on bail of \$1,500 by Magistrate W. D. Vance at the conclusion of her preliminary hearing on a charge of manslaughter in city police court Monday afternoon. The charge arose out of the deaths of her two small children by suffocation in their Fraser St. home on February 10. Bail bond consisted of two sureties of \$750 each supplied by Gunnar Selvig and Alfred Waldemar Simonsen.

### SENSATIONAL EVENTS DUE IN GERMANY

LONDON, March 27 (CP)—The Stockholm correspondent for the London Daily Sketch reports sensational events are expected in Germany. He says Adolf Hitler has summoned a special meeting of Nazi gaudier at Berchtesgaden, as a preliminary to the meeting. Hitler conferred with his closest associates last Sunday at a secret session at which army leaders were present.

### TAX RATE IS FIFTY MILLS

City Council emerged from a committee-of-the-whole meeting last night after the annual struggle with estimates with the decision that the tax rate of 50 mills will remain unchanged from last year.

### Former Local Bank Boy Is Casualty

Lieut. Robert Spencer, former teller of the local branch of the Bank of Montreal, is listed as wounded in a recent Canadian Army casualty list. He enlisted in Prince Rupert with the Canadian Scottish Regiment with which he was serving when wounded. His home is in Vancouver.

## War News Highlights

### Berlin's 35th Night

LONDON—Berlin has been kept awake for the thirty-fifth consecutive night. Mosquito bombers poured their block-busters on the German capital following a day in which planes from Italy and Britain pounded eastern front targets.

### Tokyo Raided Again

WASHINGTON—Japan has been attacked by more than 200 superfortresses. The B-29's left Marianas bases Tuesday morning, Tokyo Time, and lashed the west coast of Kyushu for about an hour.

### Ruykyus Operation

SAN FRANCISCO—Tokyo has put out another statement on operations in the Ruykyus. A Japanese Imperial communiqué says that a contingent of American troops landed Sunday on the Kerama Islands. This group is about fifteen miles west of Okinawa, which has been the target for powerful blows by Allied naval guns and carrier planes. There is no word from Allied quarters of any landings in the Ruykyus.

### Reds Head For Austria

MOSCOW—Three Soviet armies are striking towards Austria in a powerful new offensive aimed at Germany's backdoor. Red Army elements now are within thirty-one miles of the Austrian border and sixty-nine miles southeast of Vienna's city limits. Other Russian forces are storming the east Prussian beaches in an all-out drive to clean up the Baltic coast. At last word, Russian troops were less than one-half mile northwest of the former free city of Danzig.

## Argentina Is at War

BUENOS AIRES, March 27 (CP)—Argentina came to the grave decision today to declare a state of war with the Axis in compliance with Anglo-American requirements to be classed with the United Nations in the peace.

## JUST PLAIN ELIZABETH

Heir to Throne is Styled Elizabeth Windsor in Official A. T. S. Records

LONDON, March 27 (CP)—Second Subaltern Elizabeth Windsor of the Auxiliary Territorial Services will be plain "Ma'am" to her subordinates and sleep in a camp bed like any other girl in the forces—but she's the heir to the throne of England.

Outside the A. T. S. she is Princess Elizabeth and she will take her training at a big camp somewhere in Southern England.

Headquarters said the princess will live in the same conditions as any other officer of her rank in the camp to which she is posted. She will share the ordinary life of the mess and will be dependent on her senior officers for any privileges she may seek.

But these privileges will be few, a Buckingham Palace spokesman said, because "the princess wishes to throw herself heart and soul into this job."

"In this she is not only fulfilling her own desire but also that of the King and Queen." Princess Elizabeth's reasons for joining the A.T.S. were termed "purely personal." For many years she has shown partiality for this branch of the services. On the official entry form she is shown simply as "Elizabeth Windsor." She will take any parades which may be arranged in the usual routine and participate in all the ordinary work of her unit.

## Enemy Lines Are Smashed in Massive Defeat--Eisenhower

### American Tanks Less Than 224 Miles From Berlin

PARIS, March 27 (CP)—General Dwight D. Eisenhower declared today that main German defence line in the west has been broken and that the enemy has suffered a defeat which he cannot afford. He said that he believes there would be no negotiated surrender when the Allies from the west link up with the Russian armies. American tanks burst into the open plains of middle Germany less than 221 miles from Berlin today through enemy lines which Eisenhower declared have been broken in a massive defeat. The massed Allied armies are in sight of ultimate victory, Eisenhower declared.

PARIS, March 27 (CP)—Seven Allied armies are crashing forward in Germany today on a front 200 miles long—from Wesel to Karlsruhe. Exact progress of the drive is veiled in a security silence. Every army undoubtedly is far beyond its last announced positions but, in order to keep the Germans baffled,



ONE-MAN SEWING BEE—L/Cpl. M. B. Keith's sewing room is the Hochwald and his sewing machine is one that has just been liberated from the task of sewing up Nazi clothing. L/Cpl. Keith is an American serving with the First Canadian Army as a member of a famous Canadian regiment.

## NEW MANAGER FOR CAPITOL

Harry Black Has Been Active in Community Affairs at Pentiction Whence He Comes

J. Harry Black, who comes to Prince Rupert next week from Pentiction to succeed D. G. Borland as manager of the Capitol Theatre, has been in the service of Famous Players Canadian Corporation since 1930. He started with the company in Calgary and later became manager of the Capitol Theatre there. He was transferred to the Empress

## Local Man's Mother Passes Away in East

J. E. Jack has received the sad news of the passing of his mother, Mrs. Rebecca Jack, in Drayton, Ont. She was 83 years of age. Mr. and Mrs. Jack visited her last summer. She accompanied them on a motor trip to Hamilton, Niagara Falls, and Guelph. She was a Life Member of the Presbyterian Church, Eastern Star Lodge, and Red Cross, and knitted over a hundred pairs of socks for the war. Her husband predeceased her in 1929. She and her husband visited Prince Rupert in 1925. Her passing will be deeply felt by all those who knew her. She leaves to mourn her loss four sons—Merle of Rochester, N.Y.; Charles of Alberta; Joe of Prince Rupert; Cyril at home. Five grandchildren and one great-grandchild, Douglas Thompson of Prince Rupert. The funeral is to be held today at Drayton.

## Bulletins

**SCOTTISH ACROSS RHINE**  
OTTAWA—The Canadian Scottish Regiment of Victoria is one of the Canadian units which has crossed the Rhine with the Third Canadian Division. (The Canadian Scottish was stationed at Prince Rupert early in the war).

**GERMANY AND PEACE**  
LONDON—Prime Minister Winston Churchill, in the House of Commons today, sidestepped a direct answer to a question whether Germany had sought peace during recent months and rejected a demand for assurance that Parliament would be notified when and if such a moment arrives.

**TWENTY-YEAR WAR**  
LONDON—Tokyo radio said today that there is a growing feeling in Japan that the present war will last 20 years and may even carry over into the next century.

**WEATHERS DIVISIONS**  
VICTORIA—Premier Hart's government yesterday weathered three divisions in the Legislature. In each division Former Premier Pattullo supported the government. Among sixteen bills which passed third reading was one of \$5,000,000 for the University of British Columbia extensions including the new Department of Medicine. The Legislature may prorogue tonight.

**TRIBUTE TO LLOYD GEORGE**  
LONDON—Both Houses of Parliament adjourned today in tribute to the memory of Former Prime Minister Lloyd George. The funeral will take place Friday.

**OLD ENGLISH ORIGIN**  
Seattle—to cut a hole through a ship's bottom—is derived from an old English word which meant "dish."

LONDON, (CP)—The King intends to farm four properties added to the Royal estates by the Crown's purchase of Sunninghill Park at Ascot, it is understood.



J. HARRY BLACK—New manager of Capitol Theatre here.

Theatre in 1935 and the following year took charge of the newly built Capitol Theatre in Pentiction.

Taking a keen interest in community work, Mr. Black is a past president of the Pentiction Board of Trade and also of the Pentiction Rotary Club. He has been chairman of the local ration board since its inception at Pentiction. He is interested in sports, particularly fishing and hunting.

Mrs. Black is a past president of the Pentiction Parent-Teachers' Association. Mr. and Mrs. Black have three children—Miss Betty Black, nurse in training at Royal Jubilee Hospital, Victoria; Larry Black, an apprentice on the staff of the Canadian General Electric Co. at Peterborough, Ont., and Wanda Black at home.

General Eisenhower is not broadcasting the latest gains.

The American Seventh Army has crossed the Rhine but the point of the new crossing has not been disclosed. The enemy says the Seventh went over the river barrier just north of the French border and that the Americans now are fighting on the approaches to Karlsruhe.

To the north of the Seventh Army front, the American Third Army is placed unofficially at a point seventy miles beyond the Rhine.

London morning newspapers carry unconfirmed accounts that Third Army units are seventy miles beyond the Rhine in the Wuerzburg area. A London broadcast quotes an enemy dispatch as saying that other Allied spearheads are driving towards Fulda, 54 miles north-east of Frankfurt-on-the-Main.

Frankfurt itself is said to be imperilled by Third Army tanks. Elements of the Third Army are reported to have nosed their way into Frankfurt's rubble-strewn streets. Miles of the city are in ruins in the wake of Allied bombings.

Further up the line, the American First Army has reached Hachenburg, 35 miles due east of the Rhine. The First Army now is 247 miles from Berlin.

A partial news blackout hides the story of Field Marshal Montgomery's operations. According to latest word, the American Ninth Army is in the outskirts of Sterkrade, northwest of Essen. Other columns are fighting inside the river bank city of Duisburg.

The British Second Army has encountered resistance from Nazi Panzer units in the Wesel area.

Canadian First Army regiments fighting in their usual left-flank East Rhine bridgehead positions are meeting strong Nazi opposition. Elements of the Nazi Eighth Parachute Division, the Fifteenth Panzer Grenadiers, and the German Sixth Division are opposing the Canadians with fanatical fury. Despite this, the Canadians have taken Bienen and have pushed on.

**KIRK ATTENDANCE "THIN"**  
GLASGOW, (CP)—Rt. Rev. E. J. Hagan, moderator of the general assembly of the Church of Scotland, has urged elders to work to increase church attendance because attendances in Scotland are "so thin that the hearts of the ministers and people are depressed and the services spiritually ineffective."

Constable Ernest Bradley of the B.C. Police, Massett, is in the city on official business from the Islands. He expects to return home today.

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