

**TOMORROW'S  
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March 15, 1953  
Standard Time  
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the Communist  
and dictator of  
lovakia, died to-  
day at the age of 56,  
Radio announced.  
returned to Prague  
his funeral in Moscow  
yesterday. Prague Radio  
taken ill with pneu-  
monia Thursday  
and developed rapid  
Friday.

Prague Radio indi-  
cated had taken cold  
and icy winds, west-  
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many Czechoslo-  
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death with skepticism  
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after the other.

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in Czechoslovakia in  
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threat who may succeed  
the country's No. 1

not only was presi-  
dent also headed the Com-  
munist party and was com-  
mander in chief both of the  
army and police.

was the son of human-  
itarian parents. He was  
born in Vienna and  
joined the Communist  
movement of Gottwald's  
identical with that  
announced of the  
Soviet Union, and after praise-  
worthy Prague Radio said:  
Attempting to destroy  
Czechoslovakia will be  
the Czech people  
guard against all  
domestic enemies."

**Survivor  
RAF Plane  
ash Dies**

SEN (CP)—The last  
member of the  
group shot down by  
jet planes Thursday  
British officials here  
named by Soviet au-  
thority.

and the death toll of  
attack to seven—all  
men.  
British officials has  
the Soviet zone with  
military escorts to get



**SWIM** in the sulphur hot springs—with the air tem-  
perature zero—are three members of the RCAF stationed  
here, Y.T. The 90-degree water lures Airwomen L. E.  
Dale, Sask., and D. E. Egan, Indian Head, Sask., and  
Piper, Vancouver. Watching, and wearing clothing  
to winter weather, are Cpl. F. McDonald, Glace Bay,  
N.S., and N. A. Nash, Moose Jaw, Sask.

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## Postal Station Closing In Hays Cove District

### Lease on Building Expires June 30

Postal Station "B" on Sixth Avenue East will be closed with inauguration of door-to-door mail delivery in Prince Rupert, it was reliably learned today.

The station, in charge of Mrs. L. Holland, serves more than 300 persons in the area east of Hays Cove bridge. It was opened during the war to accommodate the hundreds of shipyard workers and additional thousands of servicemen in the city.

At one time, there were five employees at the station, but after the cessation of hostilities they were transferred to the downtown office. Mrs. Holland was appointed clerk in charge in August, 1951.

**CLOSING IN JUNE**  
While no date has been set for start of mail delivery by postmen, it is believed the service will begin by June 30—date when the federal government is surrendering its lease on Postal Station "B."

All types of business are conducted at the station and many citizens in the area have boxes.

Jack Burgess, postmaster here, said it is possible a sub post office will be opened in the area now served by Station "B," but all postmen will be dispatched from the downtown office.

He said the sub post office at Seal Cove, which serves about 75 citizens, will remain.

Meanwhile the Civil Service Commission is seeking postmen. Closing date for applications is Monday.

Seven postmen will be required to deliver to the estimated 2,500 persons on the list drawn up by the post office department.

Mr. Burgess said a survey indicates most people have installed letter boxes or slots, as required, "and those who haven't will get them done as soon as the minister announces starting date for delivery."

## Mill Operator Severely Hurt In Explosion

Special to The Daily News

**SMITHERS**—Max Buddruss, a mill operator about 45 years of age, was severely injured in an accident late Friday while clearing land on his farm at Evelyn, B.C., a small settlement nine miles west of here.

He was apparently blowing up stumps with dynamite, according to some nearby neighbors of Mr. Buddruss, when one of the charges that he set failed to go off at a set time. He went to investigate and the charge blew up in his face.

He was rushed to Bulkley Valley District Hospital here and attended by Dr. Wear.

His condition, however, was considered so serious that he was flown to Vancouver by an RCAF plane early this morning.

On February 21 last year Mr. Buddruss was injured when his truck collided with a westbound CNR passenger train at a level crossing at Evelyn.

## —WEATHER—

### Synopsis

A storm centre in the Gulf of Alaska is moving very slowly toward the B.C. coast. A series of weak disturbances moving out of this centre will bring cloud and some rain to most coastal districts today and tomorrow.

### Forecast

North Coast Region: Gale warning in effect. Cloudy and mild with intermittent rain today and Sunday. Southeast gales, 35, in exposed areas; elsewhere southeast 20.

Low tonight and high Sunday—  
At Fort Hardy and Sandspit, 38 and 46; Prince Rupert, 36 and 44.

## Russ Veto Pearson Selection

**UNITED NATIONS, N.Y. (CP)**—The Russia of the new Malenkov era has vetoed L. B. Pearson of Canada for the job of secretary-general of the United Nations, well-qualified sources reported Friday night.

It was the 56th veto the Soviet Union had cast in the UN Security Council and the first since Georgi Malenkov succeeded Stalin as boss of the Kremlin a week ago.

An official communique, after the closed door meeting ended late Friday, merely said agreement had not been reached on a successor to Trygve Lie because one of the permanent council members had cast a negative vote.

Sources said there was no doubt that Russia did it, although the voting was secret and ballots were burned before the door was opened.

The council also voted on United States-backed Carlos P. Romulo of the Philippines, but he obtained only five votes and thus Russia was spared the necessity of vetoing him.

On a third ballot, the council voted on Russia's choices, Polish foreign minister, Stanislaw Skrzyszewski, but he received only the lone Soviet vote.

Council then decided to meet again March 19 after the big five have consulted among themselves in an effort to reach agreement.

## BULLETIN

**LONDON (CP)**—The Air Ministry tonight issued "get tough" instructions to British fighter planes in Germany and ordered all training planes to be armed to the teeth.

A communique issued here said training craft will be fully armed and will, when necessary, be offered fighter cover.

## Tornado Kills 14 in Texas

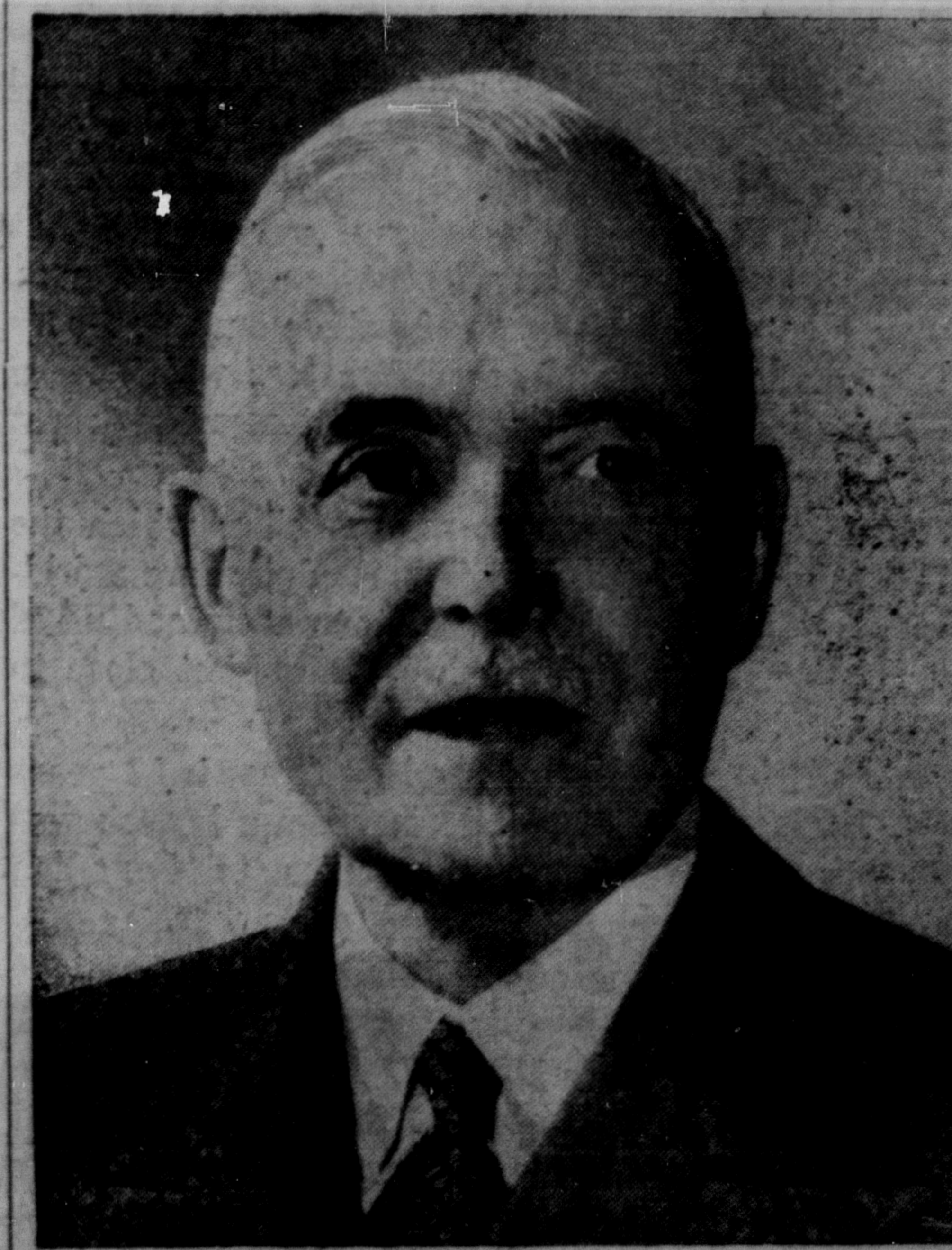
**HASKELL, Texas (CP)**—Rampaging tornadoes killed at least 17 persons in west central Texas and Oklahoma Friday, smashed several towns and caused damage expected to run into the millions of dollars. Fourteen of the dead were in Texas.

## Crucial Basketball Game Set For Civic Centre Gym Tonight

Third—and it could be the last—game of the senior city basketball playoffs is scheduled tonight at the Civic Centre gym.

With two straight wins by Gordon & Anderson in the best-of-five series, tonight is Manson Omegas' final chance for a comeback. If Omegas lose, G-As take the playoff trophy, along with the league championship they have already won.

But the game is not expected to be a walk-away. In fact, it is likely going to be the toughest-



**PRIME MINISTER ST. LAURENT** is planning an official visit to Washington May 7-9 to discuss "matters of mutual interest," it was learned today. A formal announcement is due from the White House and at Ottawa shortly.

## Waste Charges Denied By Finance Minister

**OTTAWA (CP)**—Finance Minister Abbott says Canada is getting as good or better value out of the defence dollar and other public expenditures "as any other country."

Stepping into the budget debate in the Commons to reply to criticisms of his 1953-54 proposals, Mr. Abbott said supporters of opposition groups had not substantiated charges of widespread waste and extravagance in the government.

He dealt first with the speech of J. M. MacDonnell, chief financial critic for the Progressive Conservative opposition.

Mr. MacDonnell had made "sweeping general charges of waste and extravagance in the government without particularizing any of the charges." The fact that he made the assertions did not mean the charges were true.

Mr. Abbott said he would not claim that every cent in a \$4,500,000,000 budget "is wisely spent," but I do say there has not been widespread waste, widespread inefficiency and widespread extravagance.

Mr. Abbott then referred to charges to Maj.-Gen. G. R. Pearkes, VC (PC-Nanaimo) that there had been waste and extravagance in the construction of radar stations.

Mr. Abbott recalled that production minister Howe had said recently charges had proved an investigation to be without foundation.

Gen. Pearkes, Mr. Abbott said, had brought the matter out in the Commons without first consulting any of the departments. He had made the charges without mentioning names or places.

He suggested that in similar situations in the future, Gen.

Pearkes make use of stenographers, paper, messengers and cabinet ministers—all paid by the taxpayer—to inform departments of complaints about defence spending.

Staffs of the departments then could investigate complaints and make a reply. If not satisfied, Gen. Pearkes then could bring the matter before Commons.

## UFAWU to Elect Officers by Secret Ballot

**VANCOUVER (CP)**—Card-holding members of the United Fishermen and Allied Workers' Union (UFAWU) will elect their top officers for 1953 by secret ballot.

Previously, all officers of union have been elected by convention delegates.

George North, union press relations officer, said positions of president, business manager and secretary-treasurer would be filled by election. Convention delegates will continue to elect two vice-presidents and 16 executive members.

North said the mechanics of the ballot have not been worked out but the system will likely be similar to that of the International Woodworkers of America in which ballots are mailed to locals following nominations at the annual convention. All ballots are counted and returned within 60 days.

said the team would not play here before departure.

"I can't risk having any of the boys suffer an injury before we go," said Mr. Evans. Tonight's scheduled Inter A playoffs also have been cancelled for that reason.

Another basketball highlight takes place next week, Wednesday and Thursday, when Ocean Falls All Stars meet OGCs here for the annual northern B. C. pulp mill championship tournament.

## Fire Ruins Machine Shop

**DAMAGES WERE ESTIMATED AT \$1,000,000** when fire destroyed the huge machine shop at Halifax shipyards earlier this week. Machine shops across the harbor at Dartmouth will go on double shift to make up for the loss of output. More than 200 workers employed in the demolished plant will be temporarily placed in other jobs, officials said.

## Interference in Romance Caused Boxer to Commit Crime, He Says

**VANCOUVER (CP)**—A young interference in his romance with the girl he loves "even more than my mother and boxing," the statement, which police

said 20-year-old Charles Mathews gave after his arrest March 4, was read at a coroner's inquest into the death of Mrs. Ann Smith, 44, his manager's sister.

The jury returned a verdict of "homicide," saying Mrs. Smith "came to an unnatural death as a result of severe head injuries inflicted with a hammer."

Jurors added the hammer "apparently was wielded by Charles Mathews, alias Sonny Jones."

Mrs. Smith was found dead in her home in an upstairs room and 23-year-old Mrs. Allan Wallberg was found tied to her bed, victim of a brutal beating. Police said the younger woman had been criminally attacked.

Some hours later Mathews was arrested while he was en route to church in a taxi. He was charged with murder.

All principals in the case, with the exception of Mrs. Wallberg, are negroes.

Testimony that she was lured to a hotel room by Mathews' scant hours' after the slaying was given at the inquest by the girl Mathews said he loved, Vernie Lovetta (Peggy) Bowen.

She said she went to dinner with Mathews and consented to go to the hotel room with him to meet a friend of his. But when they arrived the room was vacant.

"Sonny grabbed me and shoved me through the door," she said. "I screamed and bit his fingers when he shoved them in my mouth. A man came along and I got away from him."

Mathews, in his statement, blamed Mrs. Smith for interfering with his romance and boxing opportunities and said he went to the Smith house on the day of the slaying with no special purpose in mind.

## Old Country FOOTBALL

**ENGLISH LEAGUE**  
DIVISION I  
Burnley 2, Manchester United 1.  
Cardiff City 2, Derby County 0.  
Liverpool 2, Sunderland 0.  
Manchester City 4, Aston Villa 1.  
Middlesbrough 1, Wolverhampton 1.

Newcastle United 2, Arsenal 2.  
Preston North End 4, Portsmouth 0.  
Sheffield Wednesday 2, Blackpool 0.  
Stoke City 1, Bolton Wanderers 2.  
Tottenham Hotspurs 2, Chelsea 3.  
West Bromwich 3, Charlton Athletic 1.

**DIVISION II**  
Birmingham City 1, Sheffield United 2.  
Bury 1, Huddersfield Town 1.  
Fulham 0, Nottingham Forest 1.  
Leeds United 2, Lincoln County 1.  
Leicester City 2, Brentford 3.  
Luton Town 6, Barnsley 0.  
Nottingham 4, Doncaster Rovers 3.

Plymouth Argyle 1, Hull City 2.  
Rotherham United 0, Blackburn Rovers 0.  
Southampton 1, Swansea Town 4.  
West Ham United 3, Everton 1.

**SCOTTISH CUP**  
FOURTH ROUND  
Clyde 1, Third Lanark 2.  
Hearts 2, Queen of South 1.  
Hibernian 1, Aberdeen 1.  
Rangers 2, Celtic 0.

**SCOTTISH LEAGUE**  
DIVISION A  
Dundee 2, Falkirk 1.  
Raith Rovers 3, Airdrieonians 0.  
F.A. Amateur Cup (Semi-finals)  
Harwich 3, Walton 1.  
Pegasus 1, Southall 1.  
**Other Match**  
St. Mirren 2, Partick Thistle 3.

## CALLS GENERAL ELECTION

**TOKYO (CP)**—Japan's rebellious Diet threw out the government of Prime Minister Shigeru Yoshida tonight and he immediately dissolved parliament and called a general election.