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## INSURGENTS OCCUPY CITY OF GUERNICA

### Planes Sent To Aid Of Basques Spanish Air Minister Accompanies Craft From Valencia—Bilbao Defended By 30,000 Troops.

**BY ROBERT PARKER**  
Associated Press Foreign Staff  
BILBAO, Spain, April 29—(AP)—The Spanish government sent 32 planes to the aid of beleaguered Bilbao today, and 30,000 Basque troops set up a last line of defence in trenches encircling the city.  
Spanish air minister Indalecio Prieto personally brought the planes from Valencia to the cheers of the 350,000 to 400,000 population.  
Ten thousand troops remained in advance lines from Durango, 16 miles eastward, to slow and harry the insurgent advance, while the stronger force prepared to withstand bitter siege.  
The 30,000 who dug into the triple ring of trenches, just six miles from the centre of Bilbao, included the Basque's last reserves.

### KING YETA, 3RD ARRIVES IN LONDON

### Ruler Of Barotseland Travelled 10,000 Miles To Fulfill Life-time Dream.

**(By Edwin S. Johnson)**  
**(Canadian Press Staff Writer)**  
LONDON, April 29—King Yeta, prince, sultans and tribal chiefs will attend a coronation festival, but few will offer a more interesting and romantic flavor than King Yeta III, ruler of Barotseland in Africa.  
Yeta, who rules over a domain of about 61,000 square miles, bounded by the Zambezi river of 300 miles in his royal barge manned by 40 picked paddlers in tribal dress.  
Tall, dignified, Yeta is one of the most kindly and cultured rulers in Africa and is popular with his people, the Maroz.  
Fifty years ago he was forced to stand with his father, King Lewanika, in his Kraal (native village) and see his family and followers massacred. Lewanika had been ruling only a few years when a section of the people revolted under a rival chief, Tatela, and stormed the Kraal at night. Taken by surprise,

### COMING EVENTS

- "New Sunshine Laundry opened today at 180 Great George Street. L-1960-4-27-61.
- "Canadian Crown. Clover. Seed now ready for delivery. Come early and make sure of yours. Prices right. Signed T. A. Rodd and Roland Beaton. L-2024-4-28-61.
- "Your opportunity to get some smart chicks or "day olds". We have the goods and poultry reports are very favorable. P. E. I. Co-operative Hatchery. L-2000.
- "South Granville players will present the comedy drama "The Noble Outcast" in Hartsville Hall on Thursday night at 8 o'clock. If not fine Friday. L-2083-4-30-11.
- "Hear Charlottetown "Male Eight" at the Pageant in Hunter River United Church, Sunday, May 1st at 7:30 o'clock. Silver collection. L-2083-4-30-11.
- "Cream Route beginning Tuesday, May 4th. Oyster Bed Bridge, Cambria, Wheatley River to Central Creameries Ltd., Charlottetown one trip each week. Edward Gallant, hauler. L-2058-4-30-41.
- "Buying live eggs, Alden Moore, Kensington, Everetts Haslam, Emerald, Monday, May 3. Lemuel Craswell, Hunter River, Tuesday, May 4. Truck will meet farmers at Rustico. A. E. Wedlock, Hunter River. L-2053-4-29-21.
- "Cream Route—Beginning Monday May 3rd, Murray River, Greek River, Peter's Road, Murray Harbor North, Gasperaux, Sturgeon, St. Mary's Road, Lower Montague, Sparrow's Road to Charlottetown, one trip each week. Gordon Haynes and hauler for Central Creameries, Ltd. L-2010-4-28-41.

### BUS STRIKE THREATENS LONDON

**(O.P. Cable, By Guardian's Special Wire)**  
LONDON, April 29—A giant strike tying London's street transportation into a snarl drew closer and closer tonight when negotiations to avert stoppage of busses tomorrow at midnight broke down.  
For hours the conciliation department of the Labor Ministry sought to achieve a compromise between the London Passenger Transport Board, representing the bus operators, and the Transport General Workers' Union, spokesmen for the drivers and conductors.  
Labor Minister Ernest Brown attended the final talks that ended with no settlement in view.  
A major transportation problem will develop Saturday should final efforts tomorrow fail. More than 45,000 men will turn in their busses. The difficulty will be aggravated by arrival of an estimated 100,000 soccer enthusiasts for the cup final at Wembley Stadium on Saturday afternoon.  
Not only London will be affected. A strike threat hangs over the eastern counties where 100,000 busmen working for 10 large companies plan to quit at midnight tomorrow also.  
These men in the provinces have been unsuccessful in seeking to have the Transport Union recognize their dispute as official. Nevertheless they are adhering to their strike decision.

### Sees Massacre Of Defenceless Civilians

**(By Fernando Fontecha)**  
**(Copyright, 1937, by The Havas News Agency)**  
GALDACAÑO, Spain, April 29— I witnessed late this afternoon in this little suburb of Bilbao another such massacre of defenceless civilians by German-made insurgent planes and bombs as wiped the Basque "Holy City" of Guernica off the map last Monday.  
The horrible slaughter began at 4:30 p. m.—the exact hour at which Gen. Francisco Franco's angels of death opened their merciless attack on Guernica four days ago.  
By the time the raiders had flown off over the horizon, the terrified population was convinced Franco's emissaries were determined to annihilate the entire Basque country, down to the last and tiniest hamlet.  
At 4:30 p. m. 24 bombers and six pursuit planes in the insurgent service appeared over Galdacaño, four miles southeast of Bilbao, and dropped more than 300 bombs.  
The smaller craft dove to within less than 150 feet of the ground and methodically sprayed machine gun fire into fleeing clusters of terror-stricken men, women and children, racing against death toward the open fields.  
Twenty-five homes were swept by flames. Forest fires crackled and raged in numerous nearby pine groves.  
In the horror and confusion which followed it was impossible to obtain anything like an accurate count on casualties, which must have been high. I myself saw numerous unexploded incendiary bombs bearing the stamp of German manufacture—Reinsdorf, 1936.  
PARIS, April 29—(C. P. Havas)—Confirmation of the "Guernica massacre" was offered tonight by Rev. Alberto Vallada, Basque-born canon of Valladolid Cathedral who arrived here from the razed Basque "Holy City" after having narrowly escaped death from a Spanish insurgent flier's machine gun.  
(Maria Gollia, a woman who lived through the Guernica attack, estimated at Bilbao that 4,000 persons were killed or wounded).  
"As a Catholic priest," the canon declared, "it is my duty to say that the greatest possible outrage against religion will be realized if some day there is celebrated in Guernica's Santa Maria Church, saved from flames by the heroism of Bilbao's firemen, a Te Deum to the military glory of (General Francisco) Franco and (General Emilio) Mola, who represent the uttermost barbarism."

### Special Services To Commemorate Work

NEW GLASGOW, N.S., April 29 (CP)—Special services commemorating the work and life of Rev. John Geddie will be held in all Pictou County Presbyterian churches next Sunday. Clerk of the Presbytery Norman D. Kennedy announced tonight.  
Rev. Mr. Geddie, who was licensed to preach May 2, 1837, died in Erromanga, a lonely Polynesian island, after a lifetime of missionary work in many parts of the world.  
At one time he was pastor at Cavendish, P. E. I.

### Annual Meeting Of C. D. N. A.

**(C.P. By Guardian's Special Wire)**  
TORONTO, April 29—Col. R. F. Parkinson of the Ottawa Journal was today elected president of the Canadian Daily Newspapers' Association at its annual general meeting. He succeeds T. F. Drummie, General Manager of the Saint John Telegraph-Journal.  
Victor Sifton of the Winnipeg Free Press was elected vice president and William Wallace of the Toronto Daily Star was re-elected treasurer. Special committees appointed are:  
Advertising policy, Victor Sifton; advertising development, H. B. Muir, Kingston Whig-Standard; circulation, Emile Jean, Le Nouvelliste; Three Rivers; costs and records, A. D. McKenney, Canadian Observer; London Free Press; paper, F. I. Ker, Hamilton Spectator; Postal and Parliamentary, Col. Parkinson; joint commission on agency operations, O. L. Spencer, Calgary Herald, and W. J. J. Butler, Globe and Mail, Toronto.  
Research and statistical work launched in the past year by a large group of daily newspaper publishers will be continued for another year under John R. MacMillan of Montreal and a committee of publishers headed by Mr. Muir of Kingston, W. B. Watson and H. G. Brew, Montreal, E. G. Smith of the Chronicle-Telegraph and

### SECRET MOBILIZATION

**(A.P. By Guardian's Special Wire)**  
LA ROCHELLE, France, April 29—An experimental naval and military mobilization was staged secretly at this seaport today

### Britain Offers Refuge To Children

**(C.P. By Guardian's Special Wire)**  
LONDON, April 29—Britain agreed tonight to provide haven for children of Spanish Bilbao during the siege by civil war Insurgents.  
Home Secretary Sir John Simon announced that the children might be brought to England by the National Joint Committee for Spanish Relief, but without the aid of public funds.  
He specified a "limited number" of the children but did not say how many.  
There were authoritative indications that British and French warships might aid evacuation of the more than 300,000 non-combatants within the Basque capital.  
France wanted first to obtain a pledge of non-interference from Insurgent General Francisco Franco. Britain hoped for a temporary truce between Basques and Insurgent troops during the period of evacuation.  
The Bilbao situation became acute tonight with Insurgent capture of Guernica, 20 miles northeast of the main objective. The Insurgents yesterday captured Durango, 16 miles southeast of Bilbao.  
Thus, two columns were in position to march against the city, steel centre of Spain.  
President Juan Antonio Aquirre of the Basque autonomous republic acknowledged danger to his capital today in an appeal to world powers for refuge for women and children.  
"The men, he said, would fight with 'unbreakable will'.  
The Home Secretary set forth his stand in a note to Wilfrid Roberts, Liberal member of parliament who has urged aid in caring for Spanish children. Sir John made clear that any children accepted in England must undergo health examination and that their eventual return to Bilbao always must be kept in mind.  
British feeling against Insurgent bombardment of Basque towns with death to many civilians was exhibited today by Viscount Cecil in the House of Lords.  
"There is nothing of this kind in the history of civilized nations", he declared. If German pilots were responsible, he said, Berlin

### Tragedy In Halifax Home

**(C.P. By Guardian's Special Wire)**  
HALIFAX, April 29—Mrs. Margaret Channell was found dead, and her husband, Albert W. Channell, dying on the kitchen floor of their home in the north end of Halifax tonight, both shot. They were found by a 16-year-old son, Donald Channell.  
He did not like the production, said he was not convinced the people were in danger from the raid. "This war," he said, "is expected by a beautiful blue moonlight, the most peaceful scene."  
He complained Charles L. Jenkins, the director, in the character of the patriot was unemotional and the revolutionary young man who would not fight "too nice."  
He did not stint his praise of the Vancouver group whose production held third spot on the program. Their play, "The Last War," by Neil Gray, was not an easy one, he said.  
"In its own way I think we can congratulate this cast," he said. There was "good team work" and "it is not easy to make animals speak or handle masks". This play deals with the earth after man has liquidated himself in warfare. "If it were badly done," he declared, "it would be terrible."

### Three Convicts Are Killed In Prison Break

**(A.P. By Guardian's Special Wire)**  
MOUNDSVILLE, W. Va., April 29—(AP)—Machine gun and rifle bullets ended an attempted prison break today, killing three convicts and critically wounding another.  
Guards on the fortress like walls of West Virginia penitentiary within the six-acre enclosure turned their weapons on a truck seized by the four in their attempt to rush the prison gates.  
More than 1,500 other prisoners watched the wild dash of the truck and the fusillade of shots from the yard in which they had been sent for the afternoon recreational period.  
Harry Streeby, superintendent of the building of a new hall was cut on both hands and beaten over the head with a blackjack while clinging to the truck as it careened through the narrow driveways of the yard.  
He was knocked from the truck before it overturned and guards closed in on it. They found prisoners Ralph Richards, 24, on the ground dead, and Clifford Stewart, 20, dead in the truck. Both were under sentence for robbery.  
Harry Battle, 38-year-old negro, died two hours later of his wounds, and Roy Altizer lay critically wounded in the prison hospital.

### German Hausfraus To Save Garbage

BERLIN, April 29—Nazis ordered German Hausfraus today to save their garbage so "we can build a ring of hog fattening establishments around every town."  
Erich Hilgenfeldt, leader of the Nazi public welfare organization, said the plan was to fatten 1,000,000 pigs from the garbage and overcome the Reich's shortage of fat products.

### Coronation Timetable

**(C.P. By Guardian's Special Wire)**  
(Times British Summer Time—subtract five hours for Atlantic Standard)  
Dawn—Guns announce Coronation Day from the Tower of London and from Hyde Park.  
6 a. m.—Guests begin to arrive at Westminster Abbey.  
9:30 a. m.—First of three processions leaves Buckingham Palace.  
10:30 a. m.—The King and Queen leave Buckingham Palace.  
10:45 a. m.—Procession forms with an Abbey, awaiting arrival of Their Majesties.  
11 a. m.—The King and Queen reach Westminster Abbey, and join the procession, which moves up to the Nave toward the chancel.  
11:15 a. m.—The ceremony of recognition begins, the King and Queen being seated in chair of state.  
11:20 a. m.—The King goes to the altar to take the oath.  
11:45 a. m.—The anointing ceremony begins.  
Noon—The King is crowned.  
12:15 p. m.—The King ascends the throne to receive homage.  
12:35 p. m.—The Queen is crowned.  
12:45 p. m.—The Queen ascends her throne.  
1:30 p. m.—The ceremony ends. The procession from the Abbey begins.  
3:40 p. m.—The procession reaches Buckingham Palace.  
8 p. m.—The King broadcasts to the Empire.

### Shifting Wind Saves N. B. Village

ELGIN, N. B., April 29—(CP)—A shifting wind today saved this Albert County village from destruction by the Ottawa Journal which destroyed the Elgin Baptist Church and the home of Thomas Alexander were brought under control by firemen who came from Moncton, 25 miles away, from Sussex and Petticoat.  
Damage was placed at \$10,000, of which \$3,000 was covered by insurance. An Elgin resident, W.H. Geldart, running to help fight the fire suffered a heart attack and was placed under medical care.  
The village of 280 inhabitants was threatened when a strong wind blew sparks toward a group of houses. Volunteer firemen and others called from neighboring centres fought the flames with difficulty until the wind changed.  
The fire then spread to nearby fields, but was soon controlled.  
The blaze was believed to have started in the Baptist Church where the furnace had been kindled in preparation for a funeral service.

### Defence Loan Fully Subscribed

LONDON, April 29—(AP)—The full offering of £100,000,000 (\$400,000,000) of new 2-1-2 per cent defence bonds was subscribed in the city today.  
The offering was absorbed despite a fall in stock exchange prices to their lowest levels since 1931. Subsequently the exchange rallied strongly toward the close, encouraged by better Wall Street advice.  
Some sources reported applications for the bond issue were received at a steady rate, mostly from banks, insurance companies and financial houses, until the lists were closed in the afternoon.  
In some financial quarters, however, it was predicted that the opening of dealings in the bonds on Monday would see them offered at a small discount from their face value.  
One financial source said governments took large blocks of the bonds but did not disclose whether such action was an effort to bolster the market or buying prompted by a desire to make a good investment.  
The Daily Herald (Labor) charged that the loan proved to be almost a complete failure.  
It said that "not more than £20,000,000 (nearly \$100,000,000) was thought to have been subscribed by anyone other than government departments themselves".  
"City interests virtually boycotted the loan," it said, adding "they still are nursing bitter resentment" against Chancellor of the Exchequer Neville Chamberlain's 1937-38 budget proposals.  
"Brokers reported almost a complete absence of applications from private investors," the Daily Herald continued.  
This contrasted with other reports there had been a rush to buy the bonds throughout the day.

### Harsh Criticism From Festival Adjudicator

**(BY GUY E. RHOADES)**  
**(Canadian Press Staff Writer)**  
OTTAWA, April 29—The Vancouver Little Theatre tonight gained lavish praise from Adjudicator Michael St. Denis for its presentation of a fantasy in masks on a Dominion drama festival program that saw four groups parade across the stage of the little theatre.  
Two other teams, the Winnipeg Little Theatre and the Brantford Drama League, enjoyed some praise, with qualifications, but the adjudicator did not like the Little Theatre Guild of Charlottetown in "Nocturne" by Harry Foster, a schoolmaster of the Prince Edward Island capital.  
Of the single original Canadian play on the program he said: "I cannot say that I felt happy. I had great difficulty to see any theatre or how that is acting."  
The set, the door of a church, he said, was "quite good" but "after that nothing for me was real". He said the actors were of "all the same rhythm, and it was a very slow one."  
The priest who sought to comfort the other characters, all affected by an air raid, he said, was "too noble". The girl who had lost her mind as a result of a previous raid was "too motionless, all the time in the same rhythm".  
He gave Mr. Foster who acted the part of the sacristan credit for a good entrance but noted his second entrance was exactly the same.  
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### Loss Is Blow To Govt. Supporters Holy City Of Basques Offered Little Resistance—Mola's Army Converging On Bilbao.

**HENDAYE, Franco-Spanish Border, April 29—(AP)—**The Northern Insurgent Army occupied Guernica this morning in another stride toward the Basque city of Bilbao.  
The ancient holy city of the Basques fell with little resistance while Bilbao officials made hurried plans to evacuate 300,000 women, children and the aged.  
An Insurgent communique related:  
General Emilio Mola's troops swarmed down the mountain sides into the fertile valley at dawn. They swept to the city's edge with little resistance. At the city's gates, shattered Basques forces rallied for a short stand, then fell back. Insurgents entered the city at 11.15 a. m.  
Much of the town was in ashes and fires smouldered here and there. Loss of the town was both a military and moral blow to the Basque government supporters.  
The victory brought one column of Mola's army 20 miles northeast of Bilbao. A second column still held Durango, 16 miles east, and a third column moved from the southeast to provide a three-pronged drive.  
The danger to Bilbao was so great that Basque President Juan Antonio Aguirre appealed to world powers to accept women and children refugees during the period siege.  
Fort men, "we ask nothing", Aguirre declared. "Our unbending will to defend the liberty of our people will give us strength to face the greatest sacrifices with calm."  
"I ask the world if it will permit extermination of a people whose first thoughts have always been for the defence of liberty and democracy. I believe the nations will come to the rescue of 300,000 women and children in Bilbao who seek refuge today."  
LONDON, April 29—(CP Havas)—The port of Bilbao was attacked late today by 15 insurgent war planes. Reuters news agency reported tonight. Four British freighters in the harbor escaped damage, the dispatch said.  
The despatch added the attacking planes, described as "German craft," attempted to set hits on the four British steamships, but failed. The attack lasted 15 minutes.  
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The little man's resistance to the 40-hour week is growing. More

### FINANCIAL UNEASINESS IN FRANCE

**(By George Hambleton, Canadian Press Staff Writer)**  
PARIS, April 29—Paris the gay is troubled with foreboding. Uneasiness runs through commerce and industry alike.  
Declarations by Vincent Auriol, Minister of Finance, that alarmist rumors over the financial position of France, were totally without foundation started, but did not remove a feeling of disquiet.  
Relations between capital and labor are hardening the extreme Left Wing supporters of the Blum Government show increasing restlessness. They are restless under the "pause" in realization of the Government's social program.  
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### Workers' Wages To Be Increased

**(A.P. By Guardian's Special Wire)**  
ROME, April 29—The Central Italian corporate committee, representing 22 corporations embracing every phase of Italian economic life, tomorrow will increase wages of several million workers from five to 14 per cent.  
Simultaneously, new orders will be given to hold down prices, although business men say they do not know how long they can be kept down in view of the increased salaries.

### Author Takes Part In Play

**(By Margaret Bruce, Canadian Press Staff Writer)**  
OTTAWA, April 29—A 31-year-old Charlottetown schoolmaster tonight acted a part in his own play at the finals of the Dominion Drama Festival, but whether he would write another, he said, depended on the success of this, his first effort.  
Harry E. Foster took the part of an old sacristan in "Nocturne," presented by the Little Theatre Guild of Charlottetown. A play depicting reactions of six people to a night air raid.  
"I'd like to get away from old men's parts," he said. In his previous and first part on the stage he played Squire Hillcrest, a man of 70-odd years in John Galsworthy's "The Skin Game."  
"He has, he said, always been interested in plays, but it is only in the last few years he has taken part in the Little Theatre Guild's dramatic work in Charlottetown.  
George De Warfaz, the regional adjudicator, commented favorably on his dictation, Mr. Foster said, but he disclaimed any ambitions to be an actor.  
He was educated at King's College, Halifax, and the University of Toronto. He has written some verse, but had none published.  
Mr. Foster arrived here only this morning, coming despite the fact his father died last week. He refused to discuss his play, preferring to wait and hear what the adjudicator would say about it.



**(C. P. by Guardian's Special Wire)**  
TORONTO, April 29—Minimum and maximum temperatures:—

Dawson	24	34
Victoria	42	54
Edmonton	40	61
Regina	34	54
Winnipeg	40	44
Toronto	41	64
Ottawa	46	66
Montreal	44	61
Quebec	40	54
Saint John	42	51
Halifax	42	51
Charlottetown	34	41

**FORECAST**  
Maritime Provinces: Moderate to fresh northeast and north winds; fair and rather cool.  
High tide this afternoon at 12.41 and tomorrow morning at 7.30.  
Sun sets this evening at 2.03 and rises tomorrow morning at 4.50.  
Last quarter moon Monday, April 3, 1.36 p. m.  
Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.  
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