

Commemorative Books Coverage List

World War II Edition

DATE OF EVENT	PAGES	EVENT COVERED (TIMES UNLESS STATED OTHERWISE)
16 th Oct 1933	Page 12	Germany withdraws from the League of Nations
18 th March 1935	Page 12	Germany repudiates the military clauses of the Treaty of Versailles
30 th Sept 1938	Page 12	The Munich agreement is signed for the transfer of the Sudeten Territory
8 th April 1939	Page 12	Italian forces invade Albania
2 nd Sept 1939	Page 10	Germany invades Poland
3 rd Sept 1939	Page 9	Germany does not reply to an ultimatum given by British & French
4 th Sept 1939	Page 8	Great Britain declares war on Germany as does France
5 th Sept 1939	Page 8	The passenger liner, The Athenia is torpedoed and sunk off Donegal
7 th Sept 1939	Page 6	With heavy fighting in Poland, Germany claims Cracow
19 th Sept 1939	Page 6	German & Russian troops meet. HMS Courageous is sunk
25 th Sept 1939	Page 8	Warsaw's worst day. Over 1,000 are killed during the bombardment
9 th Nov 1939	Page 8	A failed bomb attempt is made on Hitler's life
28 th Nov 1939	Page 6	The merchant cruiser Rawalpindi is sunk by the Deutschland
15 th Dec 1939	Page 8	Battle of the River Plate. German battleship Graf Spee is badly damaged
15 th April 1940	Page 6	German pocket battleship, Admiral Scheer is torpedoed
11 th May 1940	Page 6	Winston Churchill becomes Prime Minister as Hitler strikes low countries
17 th May 1940	Page 6	Germans strike through the Meuse whilst the RAF raid Western Germany
4 th June 1940	Page 6	Paris is raided for the first time. The King speaks about Dunkirk
5 th June 1940	Pages 6 & 8	Allied troops are rescued from Dunkirk. Churchill admits military disaster
7 th June 1940	Page 6	Battle of the Somme – Germany use more than 2,000 tanks against French
11 th June 1940	Page 6	Mussolini enters the war as Italy declares war on Great Britain & France
12 th June 1940	Page 6	French withdraw South of Marne & Italian airbases in Africa are bombed
24 th June 1940	Page 6	France capitulates as Hitler's terms for an armistice are accepted
12 th August 1940	Page 4	60 German aircraft destroyed & 26 British fighters missing in the Channel
30 th August 1940	Page 4	Berlin is heavily bombed by the RAF
9 th Sept 1940	Page 4	In heaviest German air raid so far, heavy damage is inflicted on London
14 th Sept 1940	Page 4	Buckingham Palace is bombed again – their Majesties escape unharmed
24 th Sept 1940	Page 4	General De Gaulle & a Free French force move in Africa
28 th Sept 1940	Page 4	Axis powers sign pact with Japan. Violent air fighting seen in London
12 th Nov 1940	Page 4	Rout of Italian raiders near London. RAF bombers attack Danzig
23 rd Nov 1940	Page 4	The fall of Koritza. Greeks capture Italian prisoners and materials
17 th Dec 1940	Page 4	Allied troops advance across Libyan border – enemy holds out at Sollum
6 th Jan 1941	Page 4	Surrender of Bardia. Australians lead the attack – 25,000 prisoners taken
17 th Jan 1941	Page 4	Cruiser Southampton is sunk and two Italian supply ships are torpedoed
12 th Feb 1941	Page 4	Naval bombardment of Ostend. RAF raid Hanover for six hours
3 rd March 1941	Page 4	Germans march into Bulgaria. Cologne is bombed again
14 th March 1941	Page 4	RAF inflict the heaviest raid of the War on Germany
26 th March 1941	Page 4	Yugoslavia signs the Tripartite Pact
1 st April 1941	Page 4	Allied naval victory in the Mediterranean against the Italians
8 th April 1941	Page 6	Germans bombed in Sofia with strong RAF action over the Rupel Pass
10 th April 1941	Page 4	Double German thrust in the Balkans with the occupation of Salonika
28 th April 1941	Page 4	German troops enter Athens. Corinth is taken by parachutists
1 st May 1941	Page 4	45,000 troops are removed from Greece with 3,000 British casualties
10 th May 1941	Page 4	British troops push north in Iraq. Day of victory in Abyssinia
12 th May 1941	Page 4	Westminster Abbey & Houses of Parliament damaged in intense bombing
20 th May 1941	Page 4	Aerodromes in Syria bombed again by RAF. Surrender at Amba Alagi
26 th May 1941	Page 4	HMS Hood blown up in naval battle in North Atlantic
28 th May 1941	Page 4	German battleship, Bismarck is sunk after 1,750 mile chase
3 rd June 1941	Page 4	Allied troops continue in their evacuation of Crete

17 th June 1941	Page 4	Severe fighting in Syria continues with Allied forces making progress
21 st June 1941	Page 4	President Roosevelt indicts Germany for the sinking of the Robin Moor
23 rd June 1941	Page 4	The German army attacks Russia.
30 th June 1941	Page 4	Grim battle for Minsk. 4,000 tanks engaged in Poland
1 st July 1941	Page 4	Battle for White Russia. Enemy claims Minsk and Lwow
3 rd July 1941	Page 4	German tank thrusts engaged. 100,000 prisoners taken
14 th July 1941	Page 4	Armistice in Syria. British & Soviet Governments sign assistance agreement
16 th July 1941	Page 4	Syria & Lebanon occupied by Allied Forces. Night battles on Eastern Front
29 th July 1941	Page 4	Japanese on Thailand frontier. Battle of Smolensk still raging on
4 th August 1941	Page 4	Pincer thrusts aimed at Kiev. Big bombers over Berlin
13 th August 1941	Page 4	German offensive in Ukraine. Heaviest day raid by RAF on Cologne
16 th August 1941	Page 4	Britain and America pledge aid for Russia with a long term policy
26 th August 1941	Page 4	Allied forces enter Iran. The battle of Leningrad
1 st Sept 1941	Page 4	Terms of settlement in Iran – Teheran receives allies’ proposals
15 th Sept 1941	Page 4	Leningrad resists hard pressure. German forces drive south of Kiev
20 th Sept 1941	Page 4	Germans claim capture of Kiev. Russia estimates enemy losses at 70,000
14 th Oct 1941	Page 4	RAF’s major day & night offensive on Germany.
4 th Nov 1941	Page 4	Russian troops withdraw in the Crimea. Armies reported split in two groups
24 th Nov 1941	Page 4	Day and night battle in the desert. Bardia & Fort Capuzzo taken
29 th Nov 1941	Page 4	Rommel’s new thrust. Surrender of Gondar with 10,000 prisoners taken
2 nd Dec 1941	Page 6	The sinking of HMS Ark Royal
8 th Dec 1941	Page 4	Japanese bomb Pearl harbor and Manila
9 th Dec 1941	Page 4	Britain and US declare war on Japan. Thailand grants passage to the enemy
11 th Dec 1941	Page 4	HM battleship Prince of Wales and HM battle-cruiser Repulse are sunk
12 th Dec 1941	Page 4	America declares war on the Axis.
23 rd Dec 1941	Page 4	Big Japanese invasion of Philippines. 80,000 men attacking coast of Luzon
27 th Dec 1941	Page 4	Surrender of Hong Kong. Mr Churchill addresses congress
16 th Feb 1942	Page 4	Singapore forced to capitulate. Cease fire sounded.
10 th March 1942	Page 4	Allied troops withdraw from Rangoon. 98,000 Allied prisoners are claimed
1 st June 1942	Page 4	Over 1,000 bombers raid Cologne in biggest air attack of the War
6 th July 1942	Page 4	General Auchinleck’s forces fight back against Rommel’s troops in El Alamein
20 th August 1942	Page 4	Dieppe re-embarkation completed. RAF loses 95 planes.
24 th Oct 1942	Page 4	Russian counter-attacks at Stalingrad result in recapture of German strongholds
7 th Nov 1942	Page 4	Battle of El Alamein – the Pursuit of Rommel continues by the Eighth Army
27 th Nov 1942	Page 4	The retreat from Stalingrad. Another 12,000 prisoners taken
15 th Dec 1942	Page 4	Allied forces near Bizerta. 75,000 Axis casualties in the Western desert
18 th Dec 1942	Page 4	Advanced forces of the Eighth Army cuts Rommel’s forces in two
3 rd Feb 1943	Page 4	German forces capitulate in Stalingrad
21 st April 1943	Page 4	More air successes in North Africa – mounting Axis losses
18 th May 1943	Page 4	Ruhr dams breached by the RAF – daring low level attacks by Lancasters
31 st May 1943	Page 4	New Ruhr target for RAF night bombers. 1,500 tons dropped on Wuppertal
23 rd June 1943	Page 4	Double air assault on Germany. 700 night bombers smash Krefeld
5 th July 1943	Page 4	Bombing offensive in the Pacific. Munda and Rabaul raided
12 th July 1943	Page 4	Three Sicily airfields captured. Troops advance from every landing beach
13 th July 1943	Page 4	Ten Sicilian towns captured. Syracuse in Allied hands
26 th July 1943	Page 4	Mussolini resigns. King of Italy in command of the Armed Forces
18 th August 1943	Page 4	All of Sicily conquered. Messina captured by the Seventh Army
9 th Sept 1943	Page 4	Italy surrenders with complete submission to the Allies
2 nd Oct 1943	Page 4	Fifth Army captures Naples. Russian troops advance towards Mogilev
24 th Nov 1943	Page 4	Gomel threatened with encirclement. Russians break through Northern defences
20 th Dec 1943	Page 4	New Zealanders on the Eighth Army front penetrate north of Orsogna
28 th Dec 1943	Page 4	The Scharnhorst is sunk in an Arctic battle
13 th Jan 1944	Page 4	Russians take Sarny Junction. Strong German defence line broken
21 st Jan 1944	Page 4	Novgorod captured by the Red Army. Germans lose Monturno
24 th Jan 1944	Page 4	Sea borne landings in Rome by troops from the Fifth Army are successful
31 st Jan 1944	Page 4	Red Army nears Baltic Frontiers. RAF opened 48 hours night & day bombing
7 th Feb 1944	Page 4	Russians break through in the south. Capture of Apostolovo and Marganets

25 th Feb 1944	Page 4	Soviet victories on two fronts. Dno and Rogachev fall to the Red Army
25 th March 1944	Page 4	Dniester reached from the North by Russian forces. Berlin bombed.
9 th May 1944	Page 4	Main defence line of Sevastopol broken. Inkerman captured
31 st May 1944	Page 4	Battle for Rome begins. Major operation by 2,000 US aircraft begins in Germany
6 th June 1944	Page 4	The Fifth Army troops through Rome.
7 th June 1944	Page 4	D Day Landings – Assault in Normandy progresses with Allies several miles inland
22 nd June 1944	Page 4	Assault on Cherbourg. British withstand further attacks
10 th July 1944	Page 4	Caen is captured by British and Canadian forces of the Second Army
19 th July 1944	Page 4	German defences smashed before Lvov. Second Army breaks through Orne
16 th August 1944	Page 4	New landings in France going well. Airborne operations also successful
26 th August 1944	Page 4	General De Gaulle enters Paris. 2 nd Armoured French Division forces its way in.
28 th August 1944	Page 4	Bulgaria announces its withdraw from the War at Germany's side
30 th August 1944	Page 4	Soissons captured by the Americans. General Patton's dramatic advance to Aisne
2 nd Sept 1944	Page 4	Allies driving towards Belgium. Dieppe, Arras and Verdun captured
5 th Sept 1944	Page 4	Antwerp captured. Allied forces advance into Holland. Cease fire in Finland
13 th Sept 1944	Page 4	American armour drives into Germany. Capture of Eupen
21 st Sept 1944	Page 4	British forces reach the Rhine. Most of Boulogne occupied
2 nd Oct 1944	Page 4	Calais is completely occupied by Canadian troops.
14 th Oct 1944	Page 4	German efforts to save Aachen. Russians capture Riga
16 th Oct 1944	Page 4	The RAF hits another Ruhr dam. The British enter Athens.
23 rd Oct 1944	Page 4	Fall of Breskens and Esschen. General Patton strikes beyond Nancy
14 th Nov 1944	Page 4	RAF Lancasters sink the Tirpitz. New threats to Germans north of Metz
20 th Dec 1944	Page 4	Rundstedt's offensive swings into the Ardennes.
29 th Dec 1944	Page 4	Allied counter blows in the Ardennes.
30 th Dec 1944	Page 4	Rundstedt withdraws his troops from the Ardennes to regroup
13 th Jan 1945	Page 4	Enemy tide in the Ardennes is ebbing fast
17 th Feb 1945	Page 4	Tokyo under attack. Destruction by over 1,500 aircraft
20 th Feb 1945	Page 4	US Marines land on Iwo Jima. Scottish troops enter Goch
21 st March 1945	Page 4	Resistance crumbling west of the Rhine. Americans in Mainz and Worms
9 th April 1945	Page 4	Allied parachute troops land east of Zuider Zee.
14 th April 1945	Page 4	President Roosevelt dies
16 th April 1945	Page 3	US third Army liberates the Buchenwald Concentration Camp
20 th April 1945	Page 4	Battle for Hamburg begins. Lüneburg virtually taken
24 th April 1945	Page 4	The Red Army 'breaks' into Berlin to cover three sides of the city
30 th April 1945	Page 4	Great Britain, US & Russia wait for Himmler's reply to unconditional surrender
2 nd May 1945	Page 4	Adolf Hitler dies and Grand Admiral Dönitz is appointed as his successor
3 rd May 1945	Page 4	Germany surrenders in Italy as nearly 1,000,000 men lay down their arms
5 th May 1945	Page 4	German troops surrender to the 21 st Army in Holland, Germany & Denmark
8 th May 1945	Page 4	Victory in Europe to be declared. Germany announces unconditional surrender
9 th May 1945	Page 4	End of the German war is proclaimed. Terms ratified in Berlin
7 th August 1945	Page 4	The first atomic bomb hits Japan in Hiroshima
9 th August 1945	Page 4	Russia declares war on Japan
10 th August 1945	Page 4	A second atomic bomb is dropped in Nagasaki in Japan
15 th August 1945	Page 4	Japan surrenders. Emperor accepts Potsdam declaration. Pétain sentenced to death
29 th August 1945	Page 4	Occupation of Japan begins
3 rd Sept 1945	Page 4	13,000 troops land for march on Tokyo. Luzon capitulates
13 th Sept 1945	Page 4	Surrender of Japan is signed in Singapore
21 st Nov 1945	Page 4	Great Nuremberg War Trial opens.

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