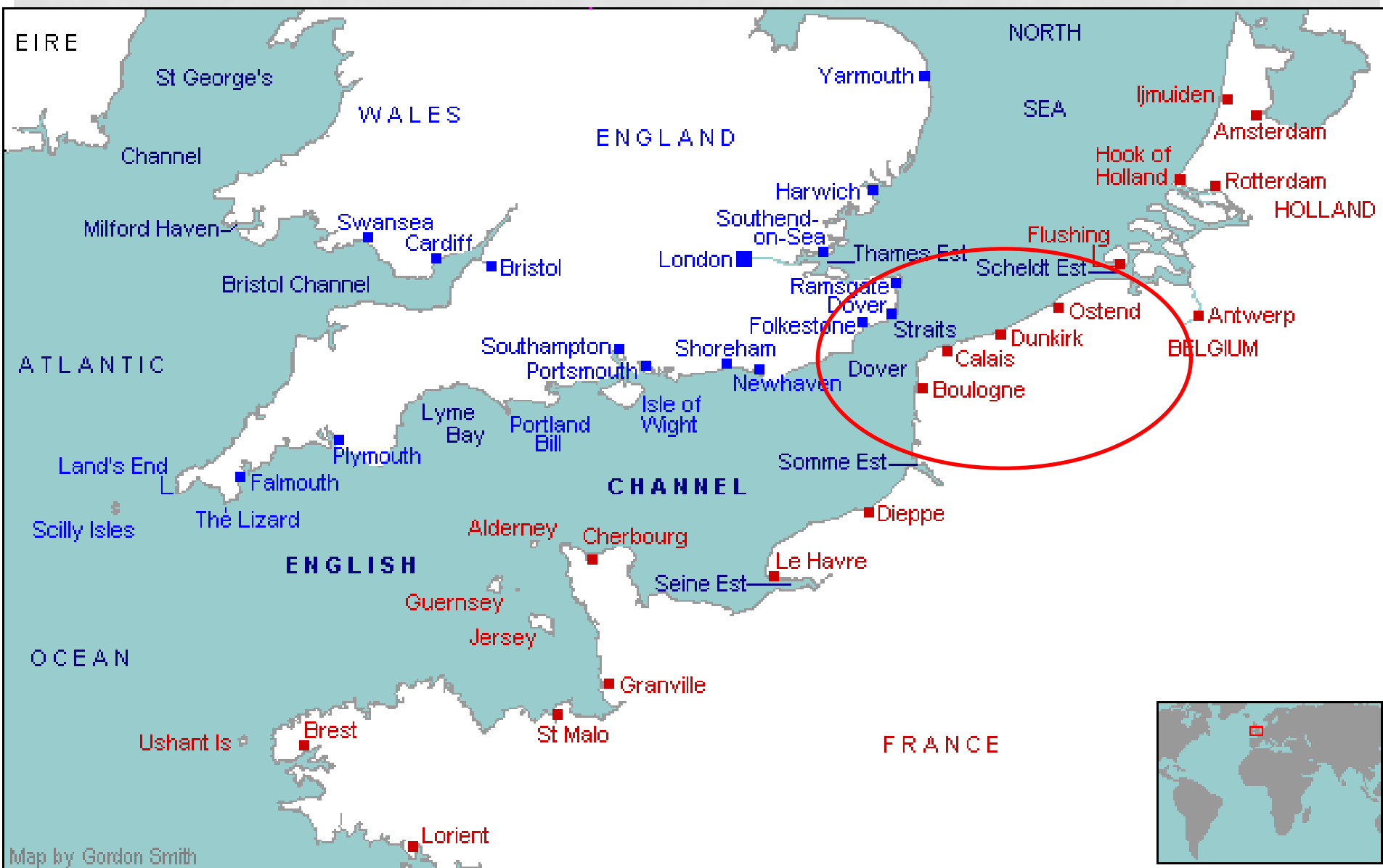
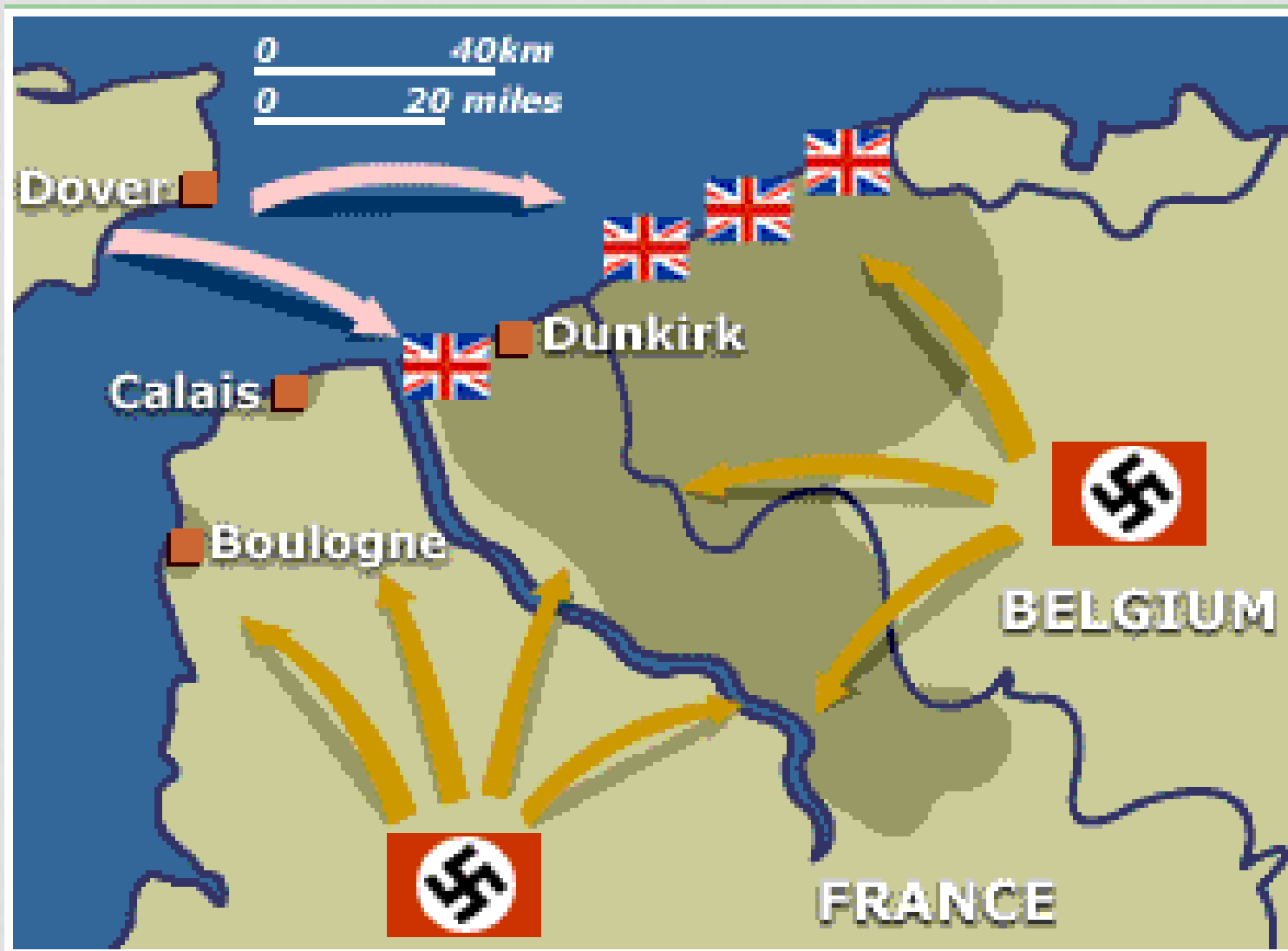


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- The German forces had trapped the **British** Expeditionary Force (BEF), the remains of the **Belgian** forces, and three **French** armies near Dunkirk, France during the Battle of France
- Winston Churchill, Britain's Prime Minister, called the events in France "**a colossal military disaster**", as the British Army had been stranded at Dunkirk and seemed **about to perish or be captured**
- A British General, John Vereker determined that the evacuation of troops across the English Channel was the best course of action

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- The “Miracle at Dunkirk” was the **evacuation of Allied soldiers** across the English channel from the beaches and harbours of Dunkirk, France between May 27 – June 4, 1940
- Winston Churchill hailed their rescue as a “**miracle of deliverance**”
- By the 9th day of evacuation, a total of 338,226 soldiers had been rescued by a hastily assembled fleet of over 800 boats
- After Dunkirk, England was the main country that stood alone against the Nazis



British troops under fire on the beach at Dunkirk, France.

Churchill's
"We shall fight on the beaches"
Speech: June 4, 1940



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