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W/C Fraser's Squadron Highly Praised H.M. THE KING

CONVERTED RAPIDLY TO COASTAL DUTIES

Ground and Air Crews are Commended By Bomber and Coastal Command Chiefs

SET A STANDARD OF SERVICEABILITY

Both flying and ground personnel of the Canadian bomber squadron led by W/C Len Fraser, D.F.C., of Vancouver and Winnipeg, have been praised highly by important officers of the R.A.F. The speed with which the unit changed over to temporary duties with Coastal Command, and the serviceability in which their four-engine bombers have been maintained, has earned the warmest commendation from the Commander-in-Chief of Bomber and Coastal Commands.

"The A.O.C. has expressed greatest admiration for the excellent fashion in which the squadron on short notice turned out so many serviceable aircraft for this show," wrote their group captain to W/C Fraser. "Serviceability of aircraft now available here is also greatly to your credit and sets a new standard for the whole of Bomber Command . . . I think this puts your squadron on the top of the roof. Will you please convey this information to all your lads and add my congratulations."

Bomber Command recently loaned the squadron to Coastal Command to help in the antisub work which is carried out far over the Atlantic and elsewhere.

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GIFT OF TANKARDS

Twelve silver tankards have been presented to the officers of W/C Fraser's squadron by Sir Norman Birkett. K.C., Judge of the English High Court. The gift is one of many the squadron has received from the eminent English judge, who, with his wife, has "adopted" the squadron.

His home has always been open, and many officers of the squadron have spent their leave there. In turn Sir Norman and his wife have visited the bomber station on two occasions, once accompanied by their son and daughter, Michael and Limmea.

F/O F. G'FROERER IS OPS OFFICER

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It takes a lot of work to keep these big four-engined Halifax bombers alrevorthy. But the work that ground crewmen like J. W. "Bill " Greenfield, of Gibbs, Sask., and ACl Pete Koch, of Hazenmore, Sask., are doing gives the flying personnel of their R.C.A.F. squadron complete confidence when alreborne.

(R.C.A.F. Official Photograph.)

HANK HANTON HITS ME.109F

A.O.C.-IN-C. ARRIVES AIRMEN MAKE IN THE MID-EAST

Air Marshal Harold Edwards, A.O.C.-In-C. of the R.C.A.F. Overseam, has arrived in the Middle East, it has been announced at Middle East Headquarters. His arrival marked the first leg of an inspection tour of R.C.A.F. personnel serving in the Middle and Far Eastern theatres of war, the announcement sald.

He was joined there by G/C F. C. Walt, Director of Personnel at R.C.A.F. Headquarters-Overseas, G/C J. E. Hunter, Director of Overseas Medical Services, and S/L R. C. MacInnes, Director of Public Relations Overseas.

MEETS CANUCK BOMBER BOYS

Three "Lanc" Squadrons Honoured for Part in Great Raids

A THOROUGH TOUR

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His Majesty the King has personally thanked members of the R.C.A.F. for outstandingly successful raids on Le Creusot. Genoa, Milan, Hamburg and other Axis cities.

Visiting three R.A.F. Lancaster squadrons last Thursday, His Majesty met a number of Canadians at each station and stopped for a short chat at almost every "Canada" badge. He showed considerable interest in the facts concerning operations against the Nazis and Italians.

The schedule of the tour was carried out to the last item. In the course of a hospital inspection Sgt. R. D. Mix, of Toronto, who was abed with a bad cold, had his picture taken with the King and LAW Mary McGrother, nursing orderly. Sgt. Mix is an air-bomber.

Beside bomber crews, the King reviewed kitchens, gardens, headquarters, and M.T. sections. Almost every unit on the three stations contained at least one Canadian.

When the King asked Sgt. Lloyd Bernick, of Hawarden, Sask., about his air-gunner's badge, the sergeant explained he was a wireless operator and has done many operational trips since his arrival in Britain about a year ago.

A skipper, F/S S. Danahay, of Riverside, N.B.

JUNGLE TREK

Plane Down in Wilds of Dark Continent

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Four R.C.A.F. members of an R.A.F. Coastal Command Squadron based in West Africa, recently made a long trek through mosquito-infested jungle as a result of being forced down by a storm. Now they are safe in Britain after being rushed here by air, ill with malaria.

The boys were forced down in a peanut field in the wilds when they were blown off their course while on an operational flight. Eventually they staggered into a settlement, where they received medical attention and air transportation to this country.

Members of the safari were F/O Richard John Weatherhead, of Mission, B.C., the pilot, F/O Bill Zapfe of Saskatoon, the navigator, and Sgts. C. L. "Bud" Copping of 'Valcourt, Que., and Frank Spiro of Hamilton, the wireless operator-air-gunners.

"Weatherhead made a wizard landing in that peanut-field or in the officers' mess. On his departure he was cheered by the entire personnel of the station.

In 1929 he N.W. GERMANY SPRAYED

Tropical Storm Forces

Plane Down in Wilds

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F.W. 190 Downed

P/O Warren "Sugar" Hale, of Westmount, Que., tells how his young R.A.F. gunner shot down a F.W. 190 over-Abbeville last April, and how, on a sweep over Cherbourg, a 105 mm. shell passed through their outer tanks and exploded right over their heads.

Canadians on the squadron at present are, in addition to those mentioned, F/S George Murray, Ingersoll, Ont; Sgt. Ken. Bourne, Summerberry, Sask.; F/S W. J. "Frosty" Snow, Milk River, Alta; F/S Ken. Stilborn, Yorktown, Sask; Sgt. Ed. Southall, Edmonton; Sgt. Neil Phillips, Martin-ton, St. Neil Phillips, Martin-ton, Ont; F/S. J. Beck, Brook-line, Mass.; F/S Eric Edwards, Chicago; Sgt. Glen Stewart, Vancouver; Sgt. Steve Noble, Valparaiso, Ind.; Sgt. Jim Borden, Stratford, Ont; P/O Howard "Pete" Pederson, Pincher Creek, Alta; F/S H. E. Wilson, Toronto; and Sgt. Murray, Querns, Kamloops, B.C. Pincher Creek, Alta; F/S H. E. Wilson, Toronto; and Sgt. Murray, Querns, Kamloops, B.C. Pincher Creek, Alta; F/S H. E. Wilson, Toronto; and Sgt. Murray, Querns, Kamloops, B.C. Pincher Creek, Alta; F/S H. E. Wilson, Toronto; and Sgt. Murray, Querns, Kamloops, B.C. Pincher Creek, Alta; F/S H. E. Wilson, Toronto; and Sgt. Murray, Querns, Kamloops, B.C. Pincher Creek, Alta; F/S H. E. Wilson, Toronto; and Sgt. Murray, Querns, Kamloops, B.C. Pincher Creek, Alta; F/S H. E. Wilson, Toronto; and Sgt. Murray, Querns, Kamloops, B.C. Pincher Creek, Alta; F/S H. E. Wilson, Toronto; Alta; J. P. Myrick, P/O. Springered Onto, B.D. D. Bean, Sgt., Venevoer, P/O. Pincher Creek, Alta; F/S H. E. Pincher Creek, Alta; P/S Pincher Cr

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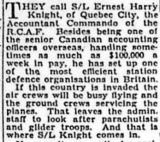
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S/L Knight Completed Course This Summer to Enable Him to Set up Station Defence





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Starting FRIDAY

OCCUMENTS

In the form of a Persian cat;

"Eightball" was the name, but we couldn't decide whether to christen him ACW2 or AC2, Quite a ticklish problem! No one has seen hide or hair of the animal for a week now, so guess there a laways will be a doubt. Cpl. Rutherford shall miss him, and there, as "Eightball" could always be found curled up in his "in" basket sound asleep, which makes two of them. Don't get mad now, Willy.

The lighlight in entertainment came" Tuesday night, when prof. Rutherford and Palmer, C. St., White, St., Landon, Don't get mad now, Willy.

The highlight in entertainment came" Tuesday night, when prof. Rutherford and McAloney and ACIs McDonald and Moore were invited by the staff of the affair was a great success, everyone mucked in nat really have mere down. We'd like to go to more "do's" like that.

The boys have added new TWO D.F.M.s WON BY

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By F.J. ROBERT COOK

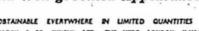
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LAC Percy Vogt (a "shadow corporal"), from points west at home, leaves us soon to take a course preparatory to becoming an officer. The boys are holding a "do" for him to wish him good luck in his deserved promotion. Percy is one of the veterans on this station.

F/L "Padre" Sergeant paid us a visit last week and handed out the ever-welcome "smokes."

The Padre said we were about will honeymoon in Scotland.

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