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Montreal Navigator is Awarded D.S.

F/O MICHAEL LAYTON IN U-BOAT ATTACK

He Was Navigator of One of Aircraft Which Accompanied Prime Minister On Flight to Moscow

SECOND MEMBER R.C.A.F. TO GAIN D.S.O.

RELEASE of the citation accompanying the recent award of the D.S.O to F/O Michael S. Layton, of Montreal, reveals that he won it for the part he played in a spectacular attack on German submarines in the North

Layton is one of the few observers to be so honoured. He is the second member of the R.C.A.F. to hold the D.S.O. The first was won by F/L Ralph Christie, of North Bay. alph Christie, of North Bay.

Layton, who is considered one of the finest navigators in Coastal Command, was navigator of one of the aircraft which accompanied Prime Minister Churchill to Moscow. Passengers in his aircraft were General Wavell and Air Chief Marshal Tedder.

Submarines are no novelty to F/O Layton. During ten weeks he saw a total of 17, many of which were attacked.

Pack of Subs.

FLYING FORT. R.C.A.F. CREW **BOMB U-BOAT**

Exchanged Fire With Nazis



Standing beside a speedy Mosquito fighter bomber are five of the Canadians who fly them: P/O Jack Brown, of Learnington, Ont.; Sgt. Ken "Fritz" Chrysler, of Kerrobert, Sask.; F/O Bill Embrey, P/O Geoffrey Rennie, both of Kelowna, B.C.; and Sgt. Joe Cloutler,

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

IMPOSING AWARDS LIST SHOWS MANY CANADIANS GRIMLY HELD

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Any of the boys who have gone through the Wireless School at Guelph, and who used to engage in their favourite pastime of "biltzing the Ritz," are invited to get in touch with F/L Noble "Happy" Hatton, station chaplain, R.C.A.F., through Base Post Office. He hopes to organise a "get-together."

When writing him, he would like suggestions of the time and place for the reunion and help in arranging a suitable programme.

himself.a very lucky fellow. He has been shot down three times, and has walked away from his aircraft three times, always without a scratch.

Moody, who is 23, has two probables and one damaged to his credit. Last September he was attacked by an Me, 109 while going into action against two

HAMPDEN HIT BY A-A FIRE OVER CONVOY

Foot and Knee Pressure Used to Fly It Home By Sgt. Ellergodt

FLEW 300 MILES

Sgt. Grant Oliver Ellergodt, of Vancouver, pilot of an R.C.A.F. Hampden torpedo - carrying squadron, making his first operational fight a few nights ago used his foot and his knee to bring the aircraft back to base after it had been severely damaged.

Sgt. Ellergodt was taking part in an attack on a German convoy off the Dutch coast. Heavy anti-aircraft fire severely damaged the aircraft. Three shells burst inside it. One of them smashed all the flying instruments except the allumeter and the compass, and another carried away the elevator trim. The Hampden climbed steeply for 800 feet and was going on climbing until the bilot threw all his weight against the control column and regalized his shalance. But by using his hands alone he could not exert sufficient pressure to keep the Hampden on an even keel. So he leaned back in his seat, braced one knee hard against the column, raised his other leg and jammed his foot in the seering wheel on the column as though it were a stirrup.

Pushing as hard as he could with his foot and knee, the pilot brought his aircraft oack to base, a distance of 300 miles, and landed tafely.

Other members of the crew were: F/S Samuel Crossman, of Glendon, Alta; and Sgt. Albert Glenson, Alta; and

would like suggestions of the time and place for the reunion and help in arranging a suitable programme. CRASHES AND WALKS: AWAY Moody's Luck Held Good While Flying Spits In Malta Recently arrived in England R.C.A.F. Splitfire pilot, considers himself, a very lucky fellow. He has been shot down three times, and has walked away from his aircraft three times, and has walked away from his aircraft three times, and has walked away inword and help in arranging on Sunder, months operating on Sunder, some stafely. Sundard Sunder, seven in sunder, seven in months operating on Sunder, shark infested. The condition additional hazard for the crew. After drifting for slightly more than 72 hours the dinghy was picked up, but by that time of the captain's back was broken. "In spite of that the crew was able to get him out into a didinghy, but they had to lay him out flat in it," Bradley said in the experience. "There was room for only one of the present big African push." While we were down there was posted to his new squadron. He is captain of a Sunderland for the research of the crew took hold of the ropes on the dinghy and hung on by fliping boat in this Canadian squadron, and was one of the part of the African convoy which set sail from England.

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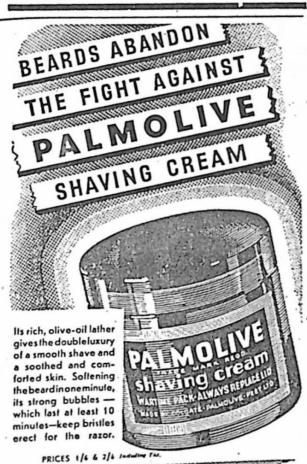
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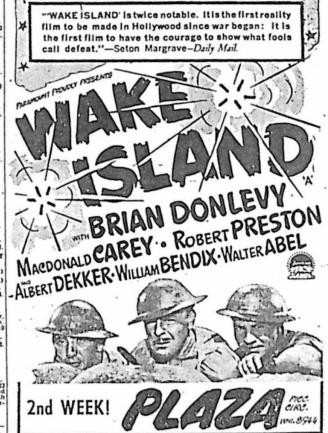
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