



HOT SQUADRON HAS BIG WEEK

THREE SPITFIRE LEADERS TOP LATEST HONOR ROLE

W/Cs McNair, Godefroy Earn DSOs for Work With All-Canadian Fighter Wings; Keefer Gets Bar to DFC

ELEVEN RCAF FLIERS WIN AWARDS

Two of Canada's topflight fighter aces, W/Cs Hugh Godefroy, DFC with Bar, Toronto, and R. W. "Buck" McNair, DFC with two Bars, North Battleford, Sask., have both been awarded the DSO. Their names head this week's list of 11 decorations for RCAF fliers, announced in the *London Gazette*. The remainder comprises a Bar to the DFC for S/L George Keefer, Charlottetown, PEI, the DFM to F/S George Eric Hexter, London, Ont., and seven DFCs.

Spit Leaders

McNair and Godefroy are both cited for exceptional skill at the head of all-Canadian Spitfire wings. Godefroy, since receiving his bar, has led his Spitfires into many further sorties, and, despite adverse weather, the wing has destroyed at least 28 enemy aircraft during that period. "At all times," reads the citation, "W/C Godefroy has displayed outstanding leadership and a fine fighting spirit, setting an example of the highest order."

W/C McNair, himself credited with at least 16 kills, "has set a magnificent example by his fine fighting spirit, courage and devotion to duty. Both in the air and on the ground," says the *Gazette*, "he has inspired his pilots with confidence and enthusiasm." The citation also mentions his supervision of intensive tactical training within the wing.

Escort Jobs

Of S/L Keefer the citation says: "On many occasions he has escorted large formations of bomber aircraft over enemy territory, achieving much success."

Sole non-commissioned airman in the list, F/S Hexter was bomb-aimer in an RAF kite during an attack on Stuttgart last month. The bomber in which he was flying was attacked by a fighter about 150 miles from the target and heavily damaged, Hexter being wounded in the hand and foot. The English pilot pressed on to Stuttgart, however, and carried out his mission, "ably guided by F/S Hexter who, though in considerable pain, had insisted on remaining at his post." Later the oxygen supply failed, but by cutting down his altitude the skipper was able to reach Britain and land at an airfield near the coast.

Immediate

Immediate DSOs have been conferred on F/O C. F. Bull, Moose Jaw, Sask., and Galt, Ont., and F/L F. G. Lord, Winnipeg. Lord, a Ghost Squadron pilot, is cited for his part in an attack on a target in Northern France when, on the outward flight, one engine packed up. He swept on, got his bombs away and returned to base.

Bull, a veteran of many anti-

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WOLVES FIRST PACK TO BOMB IN EUROPE

Wolf Squadron Spitfires led by F/L J. D. "Danny" Browne, Florham Park, N.J., plastered a military target in Northern France recently in an accurate diving attack, the first of its type in the European theater. Pilots reported that all but one of their bombs landed inside the target area.

The technique of using fast fighters for dive bombing, developed in the Western Desert, proved a spectacular success judging from the pilots' reports. The Canadians saw no enemy fighters and little flak.

"It was all over in three minutes," said F/O James Preston, St. Catharines, Ont. "We peeled down one after the other in a 5,000-foot dive and each one let his bombs go as he

RCAF GROUP MAIN FORCE OVER GHENT

Belgian Railway Yards Smashed; Canucks In Strength

AIR COMMODORE ON TRIP

Canadian Bomber Group provided almost the entire force which successfully bombed marshalling yards at Ghent a week ago Monday night. Not one Canadian airman was lost, though there was some fighter opposition.

Air Commodore A. D. Ross, of Winnipeg and Toronto, flew in an Alouette Halifax piloted by F/L W. L. Vanexan, DFC, Smith Falls, Ont. Other units taking part included the Bluenose Squadron, led by W/C Chris Bartlett, DFC, Fort Qu'Appelle, Sask.; the Lion Squadron, led by W/C Bob Turnbull, AFC, DFM, Govan, Sask.; and the Iroquois, Moose, Ghost, Blaon, Porcupine, Tiger, Snowy Owl and Lenseside Squadrons.

Hit Target

Sgt. Dick Qualle, DFM, Beverley, Sask., Lion gunner, reported seeing many bomb bursts in the target area. Main worry of Sgt. Wesley Wallace, Bass River, NS, Snowy Owl gunner, was possibility of collision with other aircraft.

"When one kite ahead unloaded its bombs we were so close we could count each one as it fell," he said.

The Canadians' precision bombing was very accurate, according to Master Sgt. Ted Day, South Orange, N.J., a member of USAAF who flies with the Lion Squadron. "Bombs were bursting right across target indicators," said he.

reached the bottom. As I banked away to the right I could see mine going down and one after the other they exploded right in the target area."

After it was over the Wolfmen circled their target a couple of times and came home in formation, leaving a column of black smoke rising up to 1,000 feet.

Other RCAF pilots who took part were: F/O A. J. A. Bryan, Mexico; F/O H. R. Finley, Montreal; F/L T. M. J. Gordon, Edmonton; F/L W. J. Hill, Port Nelson, Ont.; F/L John Hodgson, Calgary; F/L J. P. Lecco, Montreal; F/L J. D. Lindsay, Arran, Ont.; P/O W. J. Meyers, Windsor, Ont.; F/O J. D. Orr, Vancouver; F/O R. H. Smith, Olney, Ill.; and F/O W. D. Whitaker, Montreal.

ACES GET DSOs



Buck McNair

Hugh Godefroy

Lib and Sunderland Scupper Nazi Sub

Flying Boat Gunners Rake U-Boat Deck; Sea Swarming With Jerries

Two successful U-boat attacks, one by a Sunderland flying boat, the other by a Liberator, have just been announced at Coastal Command.

ZIP THE HIP

Effective immediately, only the sender's regimental number, rank and name, followed by RCAF, may appear on the cover of any correspondence. It has been announced by S/L D. C. Kerr, head of RCAF postal services overseas.

In some cases previously names of units have been included in addresses. For postal security these will be omitted in future. Impressions of unit or station orderly room stamps will not appear on any portion of the envelopes of private or official mail forwarded by post.

WIMPY FERRETS OUT NAZI MTBs

In face of ack-ack fire from a nearby harbor, F/O James Sutherland, Vancouver, took his Wellington down to 2,000 feet to bomb Nazi MTBs in northern Adriatic waters. Results of the attack could not be seen because of darkness, but the Wellington returned to base untouched.

Sutherland saw three phosphorescent trails on the sea and knew at once that German craft were on the search for Yugoslav Partisan shipping. Closer observation showed they were MTBs, and Sutherland lost no time in dropping six 250 pounders among them. As he made his attack guns from a harbor close by went into action.

FLYING CLAN

F/O James O'Brien, Toronto, is a member of one of Canada's most noted flying families. The City of Windsor Spitfire squadron pilot is the son of G/C Geoffrey O'Brien, RCAF, and his older brother is W/C Peter O'Brien, DFC and Bar, with the Royal Air Force.

EDMONTON MOSQUITOS SHOOT DOWN 10 NAZIS

Many More Damaged in Offensive Sweeps Over Enemy Territory From Sunday to Sunday

SEVERAL CREWS SHARE LARGE SCORE

Completing a sensational Sunday to Sunday offensive against the Luftwaffe, four Mosquitos of the City of Edmonton squadron destroyed three enemy aircraft in the air, left seven burning on the ground and badly damaged another during a daylight trip Sunday afternoon.

This action raised the squadron's score since the previous Sunday, to 10 destroyed and several others damaged in the air and at least 11 damaged on the ground.

WILDCATS IN LOCAL DEBUT

Aleutian Veterans Rock Targets Near St. Omer

Canada's Wildcat squadron, battle-tested in the Aleutian campaign, made its successful European debut last week, attacking a target near St. Omer, in France.

The Wildcats, led by S/L Frank G. Grant, Montreal, were opposed by flak of enemy fighters and planted their bombs close together.

Said Grant: "I looked over my shoulder and the whole cluster of buildings seemed to be lifted up and turned over in the air."

High praise came also from their veteran wing leader, W/C R. T. P. Davidson, DFC, Vancouver, who told the seven Wildcat pilots taking part in the show: "I thought, 'well, there are mine right where I hoped they'd go, and there are somebody else's and somebody else's—maybe I had better go back to school!'"

Practice

S/L Grant recalled that when the Wildcats were stationed in Alaska the pilots had painted a stripe, 30 yards square, on a rock projecting from the ocean off Annette Island and laid in some bombing practice, using 500-pounders he had borrowed from the Yanks.

Other pilots who took part in the St. Omer bombing were F/L Peter Wilson, North Vancouver; F/L K. J. Fleet, Outremont, Que.; F/O R. E. Coffey, Greenview, Ill.; F/O J. H. Hilton, Toronto; F/O Harry Upham, Minneapolis, Minn.; and F/O Roy Burden, North Vancouver.

NEW LEADERS ON THREESQUADRONS

Important switches in command of three hard-hitting squadrons in the RCAF Bomber Group, were announced this week.

W/C E. C. Hamber, Hamilton, Ont., succeeds W/C W. H. Swetman, DSO, DFC, in command of the Thunderbird Squadron; W/C R. A. McLernon, Montreal, succeeds W/C Baxter Richer, DFC, Ottawa, as Alouette chief; and W/C G. A. McKenna, Ottawa, takes over the Snowy Owl squadron from W/C Dan McIntosh, DFC, Regina.

McLernon returned to operations a few months ago after being reported missing following an attack on a German target last summer.

THE HARD WAY

F/O Ralph Ollett, 59 Elm Street, Ottawa, a bomb-aimer with an RAF Halifax squadron, is getting his tour in the hard way. He has done eight trips. Four were to Berlin. The other targets were Frankfurt, Stuttgart and Schweinfurt.

Two Trains

The intruders split their forces, S/L Howard Cleveland, Vancouver, and F/L J. D. Kerr, Trenton, Ont., striking in the vicinity of Toul and Thionville, while F/O C. M. Jasper, Long Beach, Calif., and F/L J. Harper, Rossland, B.C., operated at Luxeuil.

Harper got in the first blow, setting fire to a Ju.34 with two quick bursts, and then shot down another "34 as it was coming in to land. "It hit a tree," said his navigator, an RAF flying officer, "and the port wing came off. The aircraft turned over on its back and crashed to the ground in fragments."

Jasper and his observer, F/L A. Martin, Ottawa, caught two Caudrons on the ground and set both blazing, the second as it was taking off. They also damaged another Caudron parked close by.

S/L Cleveland attacked two FW 190s on the ground and left both burning, as well as a trainer believed to be a Bucker 131, while Kerr shot up an unidentified biplane and damaged another. The two then teamed up to fire a Ju.57, also on the ground.

Bumper crop of the six-day harvest came last Friday when two Mosquitos, piloted by S/L Bob Kipp, Kamloops, B.C., and F/O Johnny Caine, DFC, Edmonton, cut down four lumbering Ju.52s over the Kattegat, near Copenhagen, left an He.111 and two Dornier 217s flaming on the ground and damaged another Do. and Ju.

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240 HOLES BUT KITE GETS BACK

When a Mitchell aircraft of the 2nd TAF was holed more than 240 times by flak over a target in Northern France, W/O George Wilkinson, Moose Jaw, navigator, and W/O John Hunt, Edmonton, air-gunner, were part of her crew.

"I should imagine its some kind of a record," said Wilkinson. "Surprisingly enough, no one was hurt. As we went in on our bombing run in formation, the Jerry gunners really let go on us. A couple of bursts came right underneath our tail. After we bombed, they had another crack at us."

"I really think I ought to have been wounded," Hunt said with a grin. "But I was lucky. In 25 trips we have had plenty of flak before but never enough to make as many holes as that."

BACK TO WORK

Back in Britain for U-boat hunting in W/O "Bus" Brazier, Bracebridge, Ont., after a period of instructing in Canada. He is a rear-gunner with a RCAF Sunderland crew skippered by F/L "Gus" Gauss, Central Butte, Sask.

Others in the crew are F/O Harry "Hard Rock" Neabitt, Toronto, second pilot; P/O Keith Orchard, Toronto, navigator; F/S A. E. "Mucker" Stubbings, Kirkland Lake; F/S "Wallie" Smythe, Kitchener, WAGs; and Sgt. "Red" Hrecek, Ottawa.

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EDITORIAL

This is the second of a series of editorials written by public relations officers in the field. This week's guest writer is P/O Fred Jackson.

How are your living conditions? Mess untidy? Everything sort of shabby—windows dirty—dust, dirt and mud tracks all over? Things sort of rundown and dismal?

Ever think of doing anything about it, or do you just sort of gripe and beef and moan about "the lucky guys in the posh stations"?

If you come under that category we'd like to tell you a little story about what has happened at one of our bomber group stations, a spot that regrettably we cannot name.

It's somewhere out in the sticks, however, and it's home for two heavy bomber squadrons. We'll call it Station "X," because "X" is always supposed to mark the spot—and it was some SPOT. Well dispersed, Nilsson hits and all that sort of thing. When it turned to rain the fellows knew what the mud of Flanders in the last war must have been like.

There was plenty of griping out at Station "X"—beefs about living conditions were dime-a-dozen, but you don't hear them now—there has been a big change. It all started out in a small way. One day the station commander and his two squadron commanders figured they'd ask for volunteers for a clean-up campaign. The move mushroomed almost overnight in a wave of enthusiasm with committees appointed—air crew, ground crew, all offered to pitch in and make their station a better place to live in.

You wouldn't know Station "X" now. Paint was provided out of mess funds, and plastered all over the place. Windows and doorways have been washed, floors scrubbed, and the last time we were there a two-man gang, composed of the station engineering officer and one of the bomb almers, was finishing up a bang-on fireplace and chimney they built for the mess writing room. The engineer officer was laying the bricks and the bomb almer was on the ground mixing mortar.

Outside, a navigator with an hour to spare was digging up some hard ground for flower beds. Other members of the gardening committee were busy planting shrubs and leveling off sods they had hauled from a nearby field.

Over in the squadron offices it was the same story. Everybody pitching in and cleaning up. The same at all the other spots at the station, wherever the chaps congregated, whether they were officers, NCOs, or other ranks. Rank was something else again as far as the committees were concerned—the group captain and the wing commanders rolled up their sleeves and went to work with the rest of the gang.

Too many of us sort of expect to have things handed us on a platter—if they are not we gripe and beef. You know how it is.

Next time things are just not the way they should be remember the fellows at Station "X"—roll up your sleeves and do something about it!

Rehabilitation

Can You Get Your Old Job Back?

This is the third of a series of official articles on the Canadian rehabilitation program for Service Personnel. The fourth will appear next week.

Q. If ex-service personnel wish to return to the positions which they held prior to the war, is there any provision insuring their reinstatement?

A. The Reinstatement in Civil Employment Act was one of the first measures passed. Under this Act it is laid down that it is an employer's duty, if application is made, to reinstate ex-service personnel who were bona-fide employees for at least three months immediately prior to enlistment.

Q. Is this a blanket ruling or are there any exceptions?

A. Reasonable safeguards, both

for the employer and the employees, were made. For instance, if the ex-service personnel was hired in civil employment to replace a man who was already in the services and the original employee in that position had applied for reinstatement, then the original employee has the preference.

Q. Are there any other regulations?

A. Yes. Steps of necessity had to be taken with regard to the possibility of changing economic conditions. For instance, an employer's business might be seriously jeopardised by the war and he might not be able to offer employment which was as good as, or better than, the situation the ex-service man left. In this case proceedings will not be taken against the employer under the Act if he offers em-

ployment under the best possible conditions and if he is not retaining someone else in the position ex-service personnel left to enlist.

Q. Is seniority protected under the Reinstatement in Civil Employment Act?

A. Yes. Ex-service personnel employed in an industry where there are seniority rights must be reinstated with seniority for the period spent in the services. If there are no seniority rights the employee must be re-engaged with preference according to the first date of employment and on terms no less favourable than would have prevailed had the period of employment not been interrupted by war service.

Q. What about disabled personnel under this Act?

A. If the employer can show that ex-service personnel are physically or mentally incapable of doing work which he has to offer, the Act does not apply.

Q. Is reinstatement in civil employment a permanent right or is there a time limit?

A. The onus is on the ex-service man to apply for reinstatement within three months after discharge from the Forces or from hospital in Canada, or within four months of similar discharge overseas.

Q. Who administers this Act?

A. It is administered by the Department of Labour, and cases of infractions may be reported to the nearest Employment and Selective Service Office.

FAVORITE DOMINION SPORTS FLOURISH IN MIDDLE EAST

CASUALTIES

KILLED IN ACTION. C. J. Down, F/O, Toronto; T. W. A. Farrer, W/O, Somerville, Mass.; E. L. Wilhelm, F/O, Kitchener.

PREVIOUSLY REPORTED MISSING, NOW PRESUMED KILLED IN ACTION. J. H. Love, Sgt., Dauphin, Man.; L. E. Mortality, F/S, Lake Vancouver Island; C. N. Acton, P/O, Detroit, Sask.; F. C. Aiken, P/O, St. Catharines, Ont.; F. C. Culvert, F/O, Winnipeg; J. D. B. Hunter, P/O, Ottawa; J. F. Male, F/S, Hamilton; R. H. Mitchell, P/O, Orillia, Ont.

WOUNDED OR INJURED IN ACTION. R. C. Drinkwater, Sgt., Brampton, Ont.

DIED OF WOUNDS OR INJURIES RECEIVED IN ACTION. R. H. J. Daunt, F/S, St. Lambert, Que.; B. Davis, W/O, Fort Francis, Ont.

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MISSING, BELIEVED KILLED IN ACTION. W. H. Andrews, F/S, Toronto; J. D. Barrie, W/O, Toronto; J. C. Broadfoot, P/O, Seaford, Ont.; C. J. Chequer, F/L, Ottawa; J. T. R. Carriveau, W/O, Barrs, Que.; S. R. W. Laine, F/L, Port Arthur, Ont.; R. A. McKay, Frs., N.S.; J. P. Heywood, Sgt., Hull, Que.

MISSING. C. S. Baker, W/O, Toronto; J. J. Baker, F/O, Toronto; J. R. Booth, F/O, Winnipeg; R. J. Bradley, W/O, Ottawa; J. A. R. Caron, F/O, Ottawa; J. C. Doucet, W/O, St. Catharines, N.B.; J. C. M. Earle, W/O, Cornwall, Ont.; W. H. Ferris, W/O, Holland, Man.; L. N. Freque, F/S, Ottawa; J. A. Geyer, W/O, Berneburg, Sask.; F. E. Halliday, W/O, Toronto; R. E. Johnston, F/S, Yellow Grass, Sask.; E. L. Keller, F/O, Vancouver; J. W. Kester, W/O, B.C.; H. D. Patton, P/O, Montreal; C. M. Price, F/S; J. L. Piche, F/S, Ottawa; R. W. Robertson, F/S, Toronto; K. E. Schiedel, F/S, Cushing, C. H. Scott, F/O, Montreal; W. T. Tranmer, F/O, Stouffville, Ont.; H. Webb, F/O, Hamilton; C. I. Williams, W/O, Elk Horn, Man.; L. A. Wright, F/O, Edmonton; C. Bachand, W/O, Three Rivers, Que.; R. L. Beattie, F/O, London, Ont.; W. E. Bender, F/O, Kitchener, Ont.; W. O. Prince, F/O, B.C.; R. E. Durnford, F/O, Toronto; L. D. Conroy, P/O, Allandale, Ont.; J. J. Hughes, F/S, Toronto; E. H. Hutchesson, F/O, Huntsville, Ont.; J. H. Irwin, F/O, Calgary; A. M. Johnston, F/S, Victoria; T. L. Jordan, F/S, Leithbridge; R. W. Kemp, F/O, Hamilton; D. D. Laidlaw, F/O, Montreal; J. E. J. B. C. Lunster, W/O, Lunenburg, Que.; J. A. MacDonald, F/O, Vancouver; J. L. A. Madden, W/O, Winnipeg; A. S. Miller, F/S, Sisseton, Sask.; R. W. Pratt, Sgt., Mount Forest, Ont.; A. E. Reid, F/O, Windsor, Ont.; W. E. Rempel, F/O, Vancouver; E. G. Richards, W/O, Toronto; L. Strickland, W/O, Toronto; J. A. Taylor, F/S, Hamilton; R. C. Woods Sgt., Lanark, Ont.

MISSING, BELIEVED KILLED ON ACTIVE SERVICE. H. K. McAvity, F/L, St. John, N.B.

KILLED ON ACTIVE SERVICE. W. B. Blakely, Sgt., North Bay, Ont.; D. M. Carney, Sgt., Kenmore, Ont.; J. R. Edgar, F/L, Vancouver; W. D. Harrison, F/O, Flin Flon, Man.

PREVIOUSLY REPORTED MISSING, BELIEVED KILLED ON ACTIVE SERVICE, NOW PRESUMED KILLED ON ACTIVE SERVICE. W. V. Hall, F/O, Fredericton, N.B.

DIED ON ACTIVE SERVICE. J. A. Fraser, W/O, Toronto.

PREVIOUSLY REPORTED MISSING, NOW REPORTED PRISONER OF WAR. W. Robertson, F/S, Ottawa.

Cairo.—Canadians with the RCAF in the Middle East have successfully transplanted all their favorite sports except hockey. There is a local version of that but it is done on roller skates, and there doesn't seem to be much chance of it catching on with the Canucks.

On every RAF station in the Middle East where there are Canadians, and that means nearly all RAF stations, there is some game played that has a Canadian flavor. Softball and volleyball are favorites not only with the Canucks but with the other Empire airmen.

Former Pro Tommy Rathwell, Winnipeg, who used to play pro hockey for Kansas City, is kept busy these days handing out athletic equipment to Canadians visiting RCAF Middle East HQ. All are anxious to take back some balls and bats. This is the season for games here for in another few months it will be too hot, so there is a big demand for equipment. Tommy finds it hard to keep rugby balls, softballs and bats, and basketballs in stock.

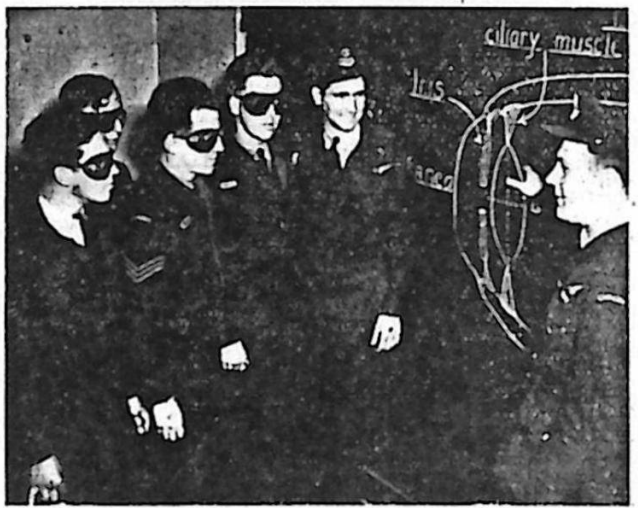
On some stations the boys have laid out basketball courts, and they are starting small leagues on the squadrons. HQ has a quintet that has played with USAAF teams and has entered a league which will operate this winter.

Softball is popular and in some sections leagues have been formed that include teams from United States units. In Cairo recently a USAAF team played a game of football with an RAF team under American rules. It was a surprise to no one that the Americans won 7-0, but the game won some enthusiasts among RAF players. Some Canadians played with the RAF and there is a possibility of an all-Canadian rugby team to play exhibition games with the Yanks.

Hot Games A softball league which operated last year and which included a team from HQ, will run again this year. Last season the boys got so interested and the rivalry between the Americans and the Canadians was so keen that the league ran during the hot months and produced some games that were as torrid as the climate. Airmen and officers can get tennis and golf when they are in the Cairo area on leave. Balls are a problem but RCAF auxiliary services often can help out.

This extensive sport program gives the Canadians out here plenty of opportunity for exercise and relaxation, but there isn't one of them that wouldn't give a lot to be able to play or see a game of hockey—the old-fashioned kind they play on ice.

PIN-POINT POPEYE



Now a night vision instructor at a heavy conversion unit in the Canadian Bomber Group, P/O Don Bird, Toronto, has flown on so many different kinds of mission that he isn't often stumped by operational questions from his air crew students. As a "pin-point Popeye" in an RAF Halifax manned largely by Canadians, Bird has seen most of the Reich's hottest targets through his bomb sight, but it was a miscalculation that ruffled him most.

Visibility was poor and the Halifax was skimming low to search out its precise target when the dark contour of an island rose out of the sea. Searchlight beams reached up and clutched the big bomber and a hall of light flak followed. Flat on his stomach, peering down at the rounds of light and gun flashes below, Bird felt like a duck in a shooting gallery. The ship shuddered with the

impact of striking flak. Something shrieked by his ear. When he looked up there was a large hole in the roof of his compartment, right over the bomb-aimer's head. A scrap of hot steel had crashed through the belly of the kite, barely missed him, landed in the navigator's "office," smashed the instruments and a glycol tank and scratched the pilot's head.

Skilfully the RAF navigator took his course by the island, directed the skipper to the chosen spot, and Don laid his mines to order. Then the navigator, by dead reckoning alone, since all his aids were useless, figured out another course home and they reached base safely.

Oddly enough, Bird arrived in the UK a wireless air-gunner. But when the call went out for more bomb-aimers to fly in the 1,000-bomber raids which were then being prepared, he re-mustered.

BALTIMORE PILOT PRAISES AIR SEA RESCUE SQUADRONS

Alexandria — P/O Herb Butcher, wireless air gunner from Sudbury and Napanee, was telling the boys in Canada House in Alexandria what he thought of the chaps in the Air Sea Rescue squadrons. Butch thought—well, what would you think of a bunch of guys who came out to get you out of your dinghy after you had been bobbing up and down in it for 50 hours.

W/O Bob Mills, Toronto, wireless air gunner, overheard Butch and asked him for details. It turned out Bob had been in one of the ASR aircraft that circled the tiny dinghy carrying Butch and the rest of the Baltimore crew. Bob's crew had helped to drop the extra dinghies and supplies of food and water that had given the men in the water enough stuff to open a store. Eventually a high speed launch came out and picked up the drifting fliers.

Tour Over

Butcher, with four other RCAF wireless air gunners, has been flying with a South African Air Force squadron. They have finished their tour and now are off for the Union where they will probably do instructional duties. "Now I've got to get myself some more Canadians," said the commanding officer of the squadron. "That last lot was great. I worked hard to get them sent down home when they finished their tour."

It was a two-way proposition as far as getting along with each other was concerned. The RCAF boys fitted in like a well-fed gunner in a rear turret. "We've got stacks of addresses of people we have to look up when we get to South Africa," said Butcher. "My pilot is down there, Major Bob Brinton of Kimberley."

The Canadians were part of a draft that came to the Middle East two years ago and some of the wireless air gunners were loaned to the USAAF. A group of these went from Alamein to Tunis with a Mitchell squadron. One of them, Sgt. and now P/O Bill Galliver, is back home in Edmonton.

One of the Canadians, P/O Norman Bonner, Victoria, flew as WAG for the commanding officer.

Raked Ship

"Normie was really hot but he won't talk about himself so I had better tell you about one show he did," said Butcher. They went after an enemy ship of small tonnage and in their run in they missed with their bombs. The CO swung around and Normie plastered it with his point five machine guns and set it on fire. The CO was tickled to death.

Butcher, whose greying hair makes you think he's older than his 27 years, but whose grin puts you right again with the second look, was a miner before joining the air force.

The Canadians flew up the desert in support of the Eighth Army going after transport, shipping and trains. The squadron made a now-historic attack on Tobruk when they sank enemy oil tankers as a prelude to the big push as Montgomery's drive is known now in the desert. There were three DFMs given to the squadron for that one show. It is known now that Field Marshal Rommel stood on a hill and watched his precious petrol burn after the attack of the SAAF bombers. Only two of the five aircraft got back from that operation. The Canadian gunners were not on the operation.

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Women's Division

BEFORE we forget, congratulations to the first squadron officer to serve in the UK, Sq/O Anne Henderson from Toronto, who was recently promoted to that rank. She is one of the "original" 150 Canadian girls who went to Old Havergal in October, 1941, and graduated as the first officers and NCOs of the Women's Division.

Now that spring has come, and everybody is suffering from spring fever (or something), the softball urge has the better of Canadians. The Wids have gathered together four teams, with the first game scheduled for Wednesday, May 3rd, in Hyde Park. The winning team of the House League games will later meet the CWAC, WRCNS and WAAC in the Inter-Service-women's League. Let's give the girls all the support they deserve on Wednesday nights, and that includes the men as well.

And to-morrow night in Room 402, Land Registry, at 18.30 hrs., all air force girls interested in any sort of craft work will hear about and see the variety of articles they are going to make. These classes should prove very profitable, as well as being a lot of fun.

Saturday afternoon sees the second game of "mud-football" between the Norwegian air force girls and our "Wids." The time is 14.30 hours and the place, Hyde Park, as before. How about coming out to cheer for the Canadians? This time we want them to win, and the best morale boost you can provide is your presence at the game. See you there.

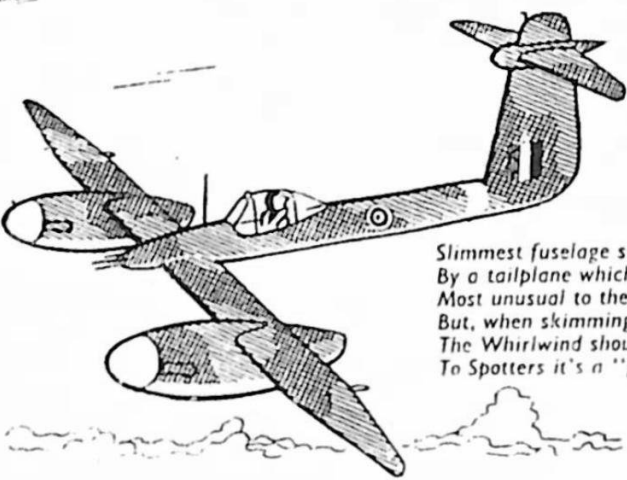
ORGANIZER

S/L Kenneth B. Andras, Toronto, has been appointed officer in charge of organization at RCAF Bomber Group HQ. He joined the RCAF in August, 1941, and served at Hagersville, Ont., before coming overseas 29 months ago.

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SOUTH WALES M.U.

By Cpl. Goldsmith

THERE was a mass exodus of Canucks from camp to a nearby pub one recent evening. The liquid refreshment and Cpl. Sherley's new guitar had the joint rocking in no time. F/L "Danny Boy" Ward introduced F/O Russell, Winnipeg, a new arrival to our group of Welsh veterans. It was a wizard time.

Later in the night the suggestion that Cpl. Goldsmith be tossed under the showers caught the public fancy. Eventually, after a struggle against superior forces, Goldsmith arrived under the nozzles. Many individuals are nursing bruises.

Cpl. Earl Guy is back in the fold after a short absence. It was all a mistake. Cpl. "Deacon" Goffin is brushing up on his German though he does not expect to be part of the army of occupation.

WILTSHIRE M.U.

By LAC Louis Ziff

JOE MAY, our senior shadow sergeant, did a good job on the Sixth Victory Loan sales drive here. His persuasive tongue won him many customers and they'll know it after the war.

Jim Mulvihill recently got word from home that Johnny Strain is training in Edmonton, where his girl friend lives. Lucky erik!

Don Wilson and brother Jack spent a week-end in London. Al Logrie is back after a thorough check-up in the local hospital. The M.O.s regret to report that Al may live to be 100.

"Vic" Vickery hopes to meet his former Yorkshire pals in London soon. Sgt. Les McLean, Sherbourne, a one time radio basher is in Canada training for flying.

The RCAF educational and postal officers paid us a short visit. We were mighty glad to see them. "Scotty" Campbell and "Junior" Hudson are neighbors now, for a short time anyway. Delivery date of the radio set Don Wilson is working on, has been altered from December, 1943, to the same month in 1944.

VISITING FIREMEN

TWO two electron bashers, the New York Central in Detroit and the Royal Bank in Amherst look pretty good. LAC George Hook, Amherst, N.S., peered out of the wicket of some of the best

counting houses in Nova Scotia, while his chum LAC Charlie King, Windsor, Ont., didn't do so badly at the New York Central station in Detroit.

They'll be going back to these respective jobs after the war. The boys were doing their best with fourteen days' leave. George was scheduled to accompany chum Charlie to Edinburgh, but George couldn't seem to get past the big City.

If the above-mentioned Joes have their eyes on a railway station and a bank respectively, then it's okay if Cpl. Earl Steinman, Sarnia, has his eyes on the University of Western Ontario.

"I took a radio course there," said Earl, "and it sure looks good to me. I would like to go back there to study after the war," he drawled.

Earl and three other radio bashers have lately been fitting equipment to bombers. The other bashers are LAC Ev Kellier, Point Clare, Quebec, Sgt. Benny Hickling, Vancouver, and Sgt. George Long, Georgetown, Ont.

Pay Table Crumbs

CONGRATS on all the recent hooks around B.A.U. Lots more Joes for markers and Orderly Sgt. Of course the usual local do's were in order and everyone had a high time.

May we pause here to introduce our new baseball manager for the civilians—none other than LAC Joseph.

We hear that one of the new F/Sgt's of Airmen's Pay received a parcel containing an array of cosmetics.

Last week's H.Q. dance at the Porchester was another howling success. We noticed: LAC Hunter staying on his feet all night—Max Liebowitch sporting all the hep-kittens—that popular foursome Jimmy 'n Jean 'n Bob 'n Marge—Georgie Nachshen with a neat brunette job—Jack Wright and Val (again)—Sparky and Allie holting a few between waitzies—all in all it was a super affair, and well represented by Knightsbridge.

F/S "Moustachless" Webster has it bad. Addressed a letter to himself instead of the wee wife the other day.

Better things to come by way of the H.Q. roller skating party this Sunday, same time and place as the last, also B.A.U.'s annual dance the 19th May, and the official opening of the baseball and tennis.

Padre S/L Lloyd and LAC Sisson were both showing signs of wear and tear last week. We believe the padre repaired his pants with a pin, but "Sausage" Sisson has gone modern, using a Westlicher.

—By Gee Gee.

C'EST LA GUERRE



The girls aren't really mad at each other. AW Elsa Merikallo is just showing LAW Shella Strouger how Uncle Gus Kallio used to act when he was pro middleweight champ of the world. LAW Maureen Twarnesvik, Toronto, watched the Montreal girls demonstrate.

PILOTS SHUN AFTERNOON OFF GET FOUR BUCKSHEE JERRIES

W/O Bill Downer Destroys Two FW190s in Follow-the-Leader Chase

Advanced Allied Fighter Base in Italy.—W/O Bill Downer, Midland, Ont., went out on a Spitfire sweep with his RAF squadron the other day. But there was no opposition in the skies. The Germans wouldn't come up and fight.

Day Off

The squadron returned to base. In the dispersal hut they were told there would be no further operations that day; everybody could have the afternoon off.

But instead of whistling off to town the pilots stood around in their dispersal and talked. They wanted permission to fly a free lance sweep, to defy the Nazis over their own airfields. The CO phoned headquarters and HQ said: "Go ahead, you're on your own."

So the Spits took off and flew deep into enemy territory beyond Rome, darting over Luftwaffe bases. But Jerry wasn't waving any.

"We headed for home," said Downer, "as we figured there was nothing doing. It wasn't until we were almost back at our own drome that we saw twenty 190s above."

Even with their superiority in numbers the Germans didn't feel



much like fighting. They ran, but the Spitfires chased them 20 miles north-east of Lake Bracciano, where they turned and fought.

Caught

"I got on the tail of one 190," said Downer, who one month earlier had started his combat score by destroying three enemy fighters in a week over the Anzio beach-head. "He led me about 30 miles. He seemed to know the country pretty well. He led me down through a little gully—it was only about twice as wide as a Spitfire's wings—but very deep."

The tall, 21-year-old pilot couldn't get a good shot away as the Nazi led him down, apparently in the hope that Downer would prang. Just then the Focke Wulf came out and Downer edged close. One of his bursts knocked a piece out of the FW and that slowed it down.

Downer closed to about 100 yards and let him have the works. One burst knocked the cowling off the engine and the cockpit cover. The German pilot rolled over the side and tried to bale out at 150 feet, his

JACKPOT

Cairo.—If there's a trophy for this sort of thing, it should go to F/O George Mann, Toronto, without an argument. In one day he received 250 letters.

The jackpot was made possible by the fact that a posting for George, a navigator with a Middle East coastal outfit, did not come through but his mail was sent on to await his arrival. By the time it caught up there was enough to keep him writing for weeks.

BOOGIE WOOGIE CURE FOR ITALY DOLDRUMS

"If I couldn't pound my troubles out on the piano I certainly would be cheesed off over here," says Cpl. Al Sarkissian, Regina. His pals in his billet at RCAF DHQ, Italy, find that Sarkie's pounding helps them with their troubles too. As one of them says, "It gets a guy."

Wherever the slight, dark-haired boogie-woogie boy has been stationed, he has cheered his mates with his music. In London he played the keys for Cpl. Barney Bernard's Canadian Army swing unit and appeared with that quintet at the American Red Cross and the Canadian Beaver clubs.

parachute streaming out in the slipstream. But it didn't fill and he fell out, his kite rolling over to follow him into the ground.

One More

Just as the FW went in another 190 came across in front of Downer. He let fly and the German fighter caught fire at once. For about 10 miles the Canadian followed his prey, firing repeatedly. Smoke and flame were pouring from the German, who was limping at 160 miles an hour and Downer had to throttle back.

"I used up all my ammunition on him," he said later. "The side of his engine was all burned away. He had just flown into a valley at low level and I realised he could never get the altitude to climb out. Then I looked at my petrol gauge and it read 14 gallons. I looked up and there were sixteen 190s overhead. I was scared then. I got down on the deck and headed for our emergency landing field in the beach-head."

The squadron's total score for that "afternoon off" was four destroyed and three damaged. Downer getting credit for two of the kills. Three of the Spits made forced landings and one pilot received a machine-gun bullet in the thigh. But none were lost.

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THE DEMONS Daid Rabbit Pranged. The lads in these parts have taken to big game hunting. F/O Larry Fleming, Windsor, Ont., came on a ferocious rabbit and, after emptying his rifle at same, discovered that the critter had been trapped some time before and was really quite dead.

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GREAT BRITAIN—

It was the "milk run" to Tobruk; the "mail run" to the Ruhr; but, how many of you guys have heard of the "egg run"?

Doug Grinhan, Saskatoon, and Bill Lightfoot, Ogema, Sask., are just two of a gang of guys who are all dressed up in new sergeant stripes and flight engineers' badges.

All the dope that could be lifted out of an RAF Stirling squadron was the fact that F/L Bill Gardner, a Canadian pilot in the outfit, grows an extremely good brand of facial fur.

"They're pretty good backs," and when W/O Jim Clarke, Vancouver, said that he was talking about Albemarle, a fairly new kite just off the shush-shush list.

BURMA—

F/O Wilf Danby, Toronto and F/L Johnny Lowen, St. James, Man., now operating with an RAF Hurricane squadron on the Arakan front, have been flying Hurrys from 'way back.

TEN TALK

Easter Hop Highlight

The "Easter Bunny Hop" and the fancy dress riot which was part of the program, highlighted the Easter activities here.

Bosses There

G/C D. M. Edwards, AFC, station commander, and S/L R. N. Chandler, S/A/O, attended. LACW Jean Osborne, Eilena Middleton, NAAFI, and LACW Audrey Derbyshire won the prizes for the best ladies' costumes.

found the Spa as much enjoyed as ever. AC Don Snell, Saskatchewan, and AC Roderick Scoley, Windsor, volunteered to wait on tables in the dining-room.

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GUNNER SAVED AS WIMPY STAYS UP

"One lousy little piece of flak" in a fuel line was almost enough to dump F/O George Lidstrom, Matsqui, BC, and all his crew into a damp Aegean: almost enough, but not quite.

The oil line was hit as Lidstrom's Wimpny attacked an enemy merchantman and the pressure fell away rapidly. Faced with a long over-water trip on the one good engine, he and his crew chopped off the oil tanks for the hydraulics and kept it ticking over for a while until they had to give it up and come home on the one motor.

"It held up beautifully," Lidstrom recalled. "There was lots of power and we came in without any trouble. Our first thought was to get as much of that sea behind us as we could. Of course, we threw everything we could lay our hands on overboard and were looking speculatively at a pretty heavy gunner, but everything worked fine."

The attack proper went smoothly enough. Their stick of bombs straddled the enemy vessel neatly. Said Lidstrom: "We couldn't help but do some damage. She lay there in the moonpath and when we attacked our bombs fell right across her."

Hodson Hooley

OFFICERS here threw a big party for the erks one night and did it up in style for the lads. "Smiling" Walpole and his orchestra wallahs attended and beat out some hot notes.

LAC Barber, our nursing orderly, placed a ring on LACW Hills' finger in the local church recently. His wife is Toronto-born but has lived in Ireland since she was two years old.

"Meat Cleaver" Polosky claims he has a championship softball team picked. Thursday, his hopefuls defeated a Canuck army team 12-3. Bill was so pleased he went to Smoke for the week-end.

LAC Champaux, a musician from Montreal, is back from an SP course. The boys missed him in the band and will be pleased to have him back.

The one and only gunner, "Cholp" O'Neill is off to Manchester on seven days' leave. We are going to miss F/S "Tubby" Thomas and we wish him good luck on his new station.

Here's a poser for you. What well known pianist is starting a hamburger on the Brighton highway as soon as the war is over? To help you, the initials are W. W.

RADIO TYPES

Two radio types at a mixed RAF, RCAF and RAAF station in England are P/O Jim Parker, Aylesford, N.S., and P/O Arnold Cole, Toronto.

BEAVER BASE

More Beaver Groupies

This week our welcome mat is out for G/Cs C. L. Annis, OBE, and H. H. C. Rutledge, who have arrived to assume command of two of our base stations.

Bird Boss

Also joining our happy family is W/C E. C. Hamber. A native of Victoria, BC, W/C Hamber is the new chief of the Thunderbirds, replacing W/C Bill Swetman, DSO, DFC.

Another recent arrival is S/L Earl Lautenslager, new Protestant padre at one of the base stations. A renowned orator and Hart House debater during his varsity days, he was pastor at a Sudbury church at the time of his enlistment.

Three lucky people this week were S/Ls N. E. Foster and H. G. Lowry and F/O-S. R. Smith. They have completed their tour of banishment and are now on their way to the land of hamburgers, ice cream and Yellow Cap. S/L Lowry will soon be exploring the Coca Cola situation in Ottawa and F/O Smith anticipates an early thirst quencher at the Savarin in Toronto.

Heading East

Educational note: Rumor has it that P/O Don Berry, skipper of the (infamous) Wildcats, expects to do his second tour in some eastern theatre of war—which might explain his recently acquired interest in snake charming.

New president of the sergeants' mess on the Base station is Sgt. Jack Weibe, who comes from Winnipeg. Guardian of the cash box (and cash book) is F/S Chuck Addison, London, Ont., admiral of "Jane."

LAW Danny Bushell has acquired a bicycle and can be seen on fine evenings out picking primroses and genning up on pay accounts procedure under the tutelage of a certain corporal. Also biking nightly on mystery sorties are LAWs Marnie Birch, the Winnipeg Whiz, and Helen Dahl, the Kapuskasing cutie.

Transferred to another station in the Base is S/O Val Day. Chatham's gift to the WD. She is taking a special interest in gardening at her new location.

Double Act

New Damon and Pythias of the Base are F/S Jim Relly, staunch Toronto Orangeman, and W/O Louis Frechette, ardent supporter of French Canadian policies.

Congratulations are in order to S/L George Caldbick, Halleybury, Ont., who has added a narrow ring to his sleeve and taken over the head pill wrapper assignment in these parts. Just over from Canada, F/L G. R. Penney, from Toronto's Danforth Avenue, has arrived to assist him in his arduous duties.

PORCUPPOINTS

P/O STEVE BYRNE is pinching hitting a signals leader here, a job which he takes on from time to time. He is from Eire, and according to himself he is the smallest man in RCAF Bomber Group. However true that may be, Steve can give out with many a tall yarn.

A certain local landlady isn't complaining about the rent after accommodating P/O Duncan Brown and P/O Jimmy James on one of their recent soirees. The item in question was unforeseen at the time of the contract, but cropped up after their departure and concerned a little laundry bill.

The visit to London of S/L Patterson, F/L Patterson, and F/L Cruikshanks most likely has a serious purpose. In addition to visiting cultural monuments, such as ancient pubs, from a purely historical point of view of course, they also are gaining valuable experience in evolving new techniques in weaving and dodging tactics along Piccadilly.

Radio fixer John Dickson is trying to find an MT Waaf who will be willing to go to Northern Ireland on an exchange posting. The reason given is purely a sentimental one. It is noticed that F/S "Chick" Young, bomb aimer, invariably winds up a leave with a jitterbug session at the Salisbury.

It must be love, or something, for F/O Ellis, another bomb aimer, judging from the number of calls he gets at all meal hours.

TWO TANGLES WITH NAZI NIGHTFIGHTERS

In a tour of operations that took him to many German targets, P/O John B. Mannix, Meota, Sask., air gunner, has exchanged fire with enemy night-fighters twice.

His craft was on its way to Nuremberg when it was coned in searchlights and an Me109 attacked from behind. Cannon shells burst along the underside of the Halifax, stripping the bomb doors off and holling the giant fin and rudder not far from his rear turret. Mannix started firing and saw his shots go home. When the Hun was within 100 yards he peeled off, apparently satisfied.

Over Dusseldorf another night, a fighter attacked from the starboard quarter. The westerner directed his captain in evasive action while he exchanged fire with the Nazi. John had his wing at 18 and now as his 21st birthday rolls along he is instructing at a heavy bomber conversion unit.

POTINS et NOUVELLES

UN pilote de chasse de Quebec devient commandant de section dans une escadrille canadienne, après avoir été promu au grade de lieutenant de section; il s'agit de Guy Plamondon, qui a fait ses preuves dans les escadrilles de combat avec plusieurs victoires.

Le lieutenant d'aviation Charles Miville-Deschênes revenait cette semaine d'une tournée des escadrilles canadiennes dans le nord des Iles Britanniques, qui l'a conduit jusqu'à des régions éloignées de l'Ecosse. Il garde le souvenir de nombreuses rencontres avec les aviateurs de France Libre et les Canadiens français; parmi ceux-là, le lieutenant d'aviation Fernan Rancourt, un pilote de Beaufighter de la défense côtière qui vient d'abattre un Messerschmidt 110.

Le chef d'escadrille Joe Leconte, de Montreal, était à Londres cette semaine avec tout son équipage; le chef d'escadrille, qui est commandant de section à l'escadrille "Alouette," profitait d'une courte permission.

Le sergent de section Robert Maranda, de Verdun, pilote de chasse de l'escadrille "City of Oshawa", s'est dit très heureux d'avoir pu rencontrer en Angleterre sa jeune soeur Raymonde Maranda, caporal chez les CWAC canadiennes, et qui fait partie, comme chanteuse de genre, de la troupe "Army Show". Robert Maranda, qui en est à ses premières armes à l'escadrille de chasse, a eu l'occasion déjà de poursuivre un Focke-Wulf, au cours d'une opération au Nord-Ouest de Paris.

Furent rencontrés dernièrement: le caporal Gérard Lafontaine, dans Westminster, revenu d'Afrique avec l'ancienne escadrille du commandant d'escadre Georges Roy; le caporal Louis Raby, à Windsor, qui a profité de sa fin de semaine de l'après-midi pour longer la Tamise à bicyclette.

Nos félicitations au sergent Damien Hache, de Petit Rocher, Nouveau Brunswick (pilote) et au sous-officier breveté René Leclerc, de Montréal (radio-télégraphiste mitrailleur) qui viennent d'être promus au grade d'officier-pilote.

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"Even if there is only a spattering of it around," he says, "we seemed fated to receive our share."

Wilkins' most harrowing trip was in a Ventura, before the New Zealand squadron with which he flies, converted to Mosquitos. It was a job over the French coast, and the medium bomber went into a dive over the target when direct hits shot away the controls, wrecked the hydraulics and chewed a large chunk out of the tail.

"Flak whizzed through my legs and flew past my face and a piece bounced by our gunner's helmet," he recalled. "The pilot called out for us to put on our parachutes for he thought we'd had it. But, using the trimming tabs, he managed to pull out at 4,000 feet and so we made for home."

It was an up-and-down, undulating flight all the way as the skipper wrestled with his controls to gain height. Eventually he had enough altitude to suggest that the crew bale out if they wished. All hands, however, voted to try a belly landing, and the pilot brought the Ventura down with just a little jolt.

"O, I forgot to mention an enemy convoy, complete with flak ships, which put a few more holes in us for luck as we were stooging back to base," Wilkins added. "The amazing thing is that although our crew has been shot up so much none of us has ever been hurt."

HQ Hackman

VERY proud indeed are we of our new A/S/O Marie Jarvis, formerly a member of our section. Marie came to London in August to be an M.Ter. In due time she became LAW and then A/S/O, and was an honor student at that. We doff our caps to you, Marie. Who said it couldn't be done?

The slogan here now is "Dig, Dig, Dig." Our 6th Victory Loan quota was set at \$3,000 and already we have surprised ourselves by topping the \$4,200 mark. This special effort may have an effect on our hound lovers. Will the dogs eat again, or do the dogs do so well by the boys that can afford to go heavy on the Victory Loan?

BROWN JOBS IN BATHTUB POSER

Cairo.—One of the most unusual requests in its history as an aerial Saint Bernard was received by an ASR Walrus squadron in the Middle East that has several Canadians on strength.

The message said two soldiers had been swept out to sea in a bathtub and could ASR do something about it. The boys had dealt with ditched aircraft, dinghies, but never a runaway bathtub. But they were game. But before their ingenuity was put to the test, a couple of sea-going soldiers in a row boat went to the rescue.

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Ceylon or Ontario, pigs mean ham on the breakfast table. This herd of swine was raised by a RAF sergeant from a pair of sows in farrow. Last Christmas he made his first kill, when 11 hogs went on to the dinner table. Watching the pigs put on the feed bag are LACs Stan Thomlinson, Rideau Ferry, Ont., and Wilf Rose, Toronto, with the native keeper.

R DEPOT

Adj Beats Easter Rap

Our adj., F/L Tom Jory, managed to get away on leave after all, in spite of pressure of work. He is headed southward, and we certainly hand it to him. He was the only person on the camp who got away over Easter. Rest of the personnel slaved right through the week-end.

Growing
"Squad, Halt," rang out on the parade square in a high-pitched falsetto. Passers by looked around expecting to see a squad of WDs on the hoof. But it was only Cpl. "Robbie" Robinson, latest addition to the disciplinarian's office.

Gene Breton, new F/S in MU, hasn't been long deciding what he is going to do with that extra 20 cents a day. He will marry shortly, so that will solve the problem. Now the gang is wondering when Sgt. "Chis" Chislett is going to take the fatal step.

Sgt. "Ben" Renaud, telephone exchange, and Cpl. Paul Seguin, our tonsorial artist, arrived back from leave across the waters with tall tales of luxury, including steak dinners and bacon and eggs for breakfast. Sgt. Bing Wylie rushed back from his leave in the heather just in time to get out of his kilt and on parade. He really brought a kilt back with him, but don't ask who used to own it.

Brothers
The brotherly love and esprit de corps displayed daily in the sergeants' mess is touching. Since Sgt. "Stocky" Stockham broke his right wrist playing ball he has become a proficient south-paw, but he still has to rely on F/S Jullian to carve up those large steaks served in the mess. That is what we call real cooperation.

F/O Jack Robertson and Sgt. Art Hassell arrived at work Monday morning bow-legged and saddle weary. Though neither one had ridden a horse for nigh on 20 years, they covered a lot of territory locally on their bikes over the week-end. Art probably was taking a last look at the country here before going on a drill course. Seems a quiet way to celebrate, easier on the elbow but harder on the knee.

At a recent Ensa show Cpl. "Cherry" Cherrington once again stole the show with his magician role. "Cherry" went up just to examine a couple of rings, but the chap doing the black magic had to tie him down to protect the feminine part of his cast. We will wager that it's the first time that he has been hog-tied by a couple of lovely girls.

Fast Boy
LAC "Swiftly" Strange struggled into work with that Monday morning feeling and told his orderly room pals a strange story of having been vamped in a nearby city. "They don't call me 'Swiftly' for nothing," he said.

Formation of a station band is under way and we hope to have our own swingsters by and by. All those who would like to help beat it out should communicate their desires to F/L Lewis, entertainment officer.

Reception wing has had to get on without its right hand, Cpl. Lou Lepine. He is on the PT and DI course, LAC (come Cpl.) Pinault is on the same do, and from the glum looks of that blonde in town he is taking it too seriously—even has home-work.

—Sgt. A. G. Hotson and LAC A. G. Wallington

COLD DUCK

F/O Moe Sawyer, Rossland, B.C., elaborated on the old proverb about killing two birds with the one stone recently on an intruder trip over France. While he carried out his attack he did a little duck-hunting on the side although he didn't know it at the time.

Back at base, Sawyer's ground crew discovered a mallard had flown into the nose of the Mosquito, penetrated and came to rest on top of the machine guns. "Too bad they didn't have the opportunity to fire their guns," said F/L W. Weir, Flin Flon, Man. "If they had, they could have brought the bird back ready for the table."

GERMAN, CANUCK BOTH GOOD SHOTS

Italy.—W/O Thomas McCloy, rangy Spitfire pilot from Prince Albert, Sask., doffs his flying helmet to an unidentified German marksman in Italy, but hopes his deflection shooting or his luck doesn't get better.

McCloy brought his kite down to 50 feet to shoot up a Nazi truck in enemy territory when the German pointed a rifle up and fired. The Spitfire was moving around 250 m.p.h., but the bullet hit the cockpit a little more than a foot from McCloy. The latter's eye was pretty good, too. A reconnaissance the next day showed the truck burned out. McCloy flies with an RAF Spit squadron led by S/L J. F. "Stocky" Edwards, DFC, DFM, North Battleford, Sask.

Bar Review

THE party here the other night was one of the biggest and best. It was strictly an erks' affair, and the No. 1 RCAF dance band provided the music. The PSI fund played Santa Claus for the event to the tune of something like 1170. G/C Bryans, S/L Campbell and F/L Elder and his boys did a swell job on the lighting effects. Cam Gorrie did the overseeing and LAC "Rosie" Rosenthal did more running and worrying in connection with the dance than all the rest of us put together.

Pardon the reference to the signals section once again, but it so happens that one of our most likeable NCOs comes from that direction and he is hitting the road to dreamland. Yes, Cpl. "Budd" Burnett has been dreaming of home since he came here in September, 1940, and now his dream has come true. All here wish him good luck and happy instructing.

F/O Jack Stirn, our sports officer, really has the ball rolling the right way. He has organized a cycling club and everyone is invited to join for the bi-weekly trips around the countryside.

The softball league is ready to go into action. This station has 17 teams in the inter-section league already, and we have hopes for a big inter-station league.—Cpl. "Doc" Doherty.

MEDIUMS HIT FREIGHT YARD

Canadians Among Last to Reach Bases After Assault

Mitchells and Bostons of an RAF medium bomber group carried out one of their most successful attacks in months last Wednesday, hitting a large rail center near Charleroi without loss.

Many Canadians took part and reached their bases at dusk, among the last Allied aircraft to return from the Continent. "It was one of the best trips I have made," said F/O Lincoln Montgomery, Churchbridge, Sask., navigator. "By the time we had finished a dense pall of smoke hung over the target, and some of the crews saw vivid flashes of blue light."

For P/O Max Harris, 27-year-old pilot from Pelee Island, Ont., it was operational trip number one. Said he: "The trip went as well as I expected."

Other Canadians flying with one of the Mitchell squadrons were: F/S Ralph Duke, Toronto; W/O Stewart McNeil, Calgary; F/L Kenneth Cullen, Vernon, BC; Sgt. G. R. Dunn, Calgary; Sgt. J. Dawson, North Coaticook, Que.; and W/O Peter Melanosh, Sydney, NS.

Mail Bag

Bleary-eyed postal clucks welcomed our extra help this week and even sober Morris was seen to smile. In addition to this good news, new groupings are out, and "Pop" Caron, "Abe" Abelson and "Speed" Moulton are among those hunting props. Peggy Markham and "Tiny" Budd already have spent the extra dough coming their way.

After watching Mary Heale and Blanche Thibault in action, our ball team moguls signed them on for the season.

Now and then the folks here pay tribute to the forgotten men, those who slave while the rest sleep. Among the night shifters under Bill Tappen are "Rosy" Rosenberg, "Woody" Wood, Byrnes and "Red" Fisher.

Bert Nathanson is a lucky fellow working alone among so many WDs. Still, the thought of "Sue Foo" Foss, Millie Leitch and all, must make him crave for a male voice now and then.

Figures (not girls) are causing the latest huddles for Al Gamey, "Wolf" Ferguson, and Vic Keep, just back from Northern Ireland.

Eva Hornseth is either going Verorica Lake or has washed her hair. Cigar smoking Cohen bumped into a tree while weaving back from work, and reports have it he knocked the tree over. Happy to be back after a long stay in hospital are Hal Engley and Smerchansky.

PROMOTED

Promotion to the rank of wing commander of Ralph MacDonald, Trites, MBE, Moncton, NB, is announced at RCAF Bomber Group HQ.

W/C Trites is group armament officer and was given membership in the Order of the British Empire in the New Year's Honors List for his outstanding services in this connection.

He is a member of the permanent force and prior to coming to Britain had served at Lethbridge, Alta., Paulson, Man., and Moncton.

NILE NEWS

Cairo Men Sad Types

Since "Orchestra Wives" has been seen here in the Middle East you are a social outcast unless you are a sad man. So when we say hello to all you sad people just understand that we are dealing you in on our social circle.

Souvenir

Just back from temporary duty in North Africa and Italy, Cpl. Walt Syrnnyk, MT section, met us the other night and over a bottle of Stella he gave us the griff on fellow Canadians on these fronts. He was very much impressed with the way Canadians are carrying on the fight there, but of course we can't quote any details. He brought back many souvenirs, including some lava from Veauvius.

Congratulations are going to F/L Hopper on his promotion to that rank, just announced. The postal department has music while it works now, since drummer boy "Hutch" Hutchinson beats out a finger tattoo on each parcel.

Rick Bignell, orderly room, has completed three cartoons in an "Armen's Don't Care" series. Cpl. Ray Morgan, same room, recently returned from a week's leave spent in Luxor and Asswan in the Valley of the Kings. It is a great place for sightseeing, for it is rich in history. Ray says he was so enthused over one of the mummies he hated to leave.

LAC "Chuck" Gorrie, records, has revealed himself as a keen type. He came back off leave three days early. He says he had a fine time touring the Holy Land and recommends the trip if you happen to fall heir to a fortune.

Models

Records continues to maintain a high standard of efficiency, and we understand the reason they always are so wide-eyed is that the three members of the gentle sex employed in their department are setting the new spring fashions. They come to work in clothes that are "out of this world," as LAC Sammy Kusenko so politely puts it.

S/L "Des" O'Brien is back from a flying visit to our associates further east. Other home-comers are LACs Brickman, Harris and Kernaghan, from nine days in Palestine.

The most recent party was to help Cpl. Bill Jenkins start off his 29th year. Nobody minded the party, but when you get Canadians playing hockey with a tin can in the halls at two in the morning, you can depend on hearing from the neighbours about it.

Everybody is happy at the arrival of baseballs and bats in auxiliary services. The executives have been elected and a four team league arranged.

Veterans

Oldtimers, fellows like W/C Patterson, S/L "Doc" McCallum, F/L Pettis, F/L McMonagle, F/L Hopper and Mr. Pitt, Auxiliary Services, are romping about like schoolboys. With the young blood down this way, this year's softball league will be more lively and interesting.

As a preliminary warm-up to the league opening our own grapefruit league has commenced. The mythical Middle East pennant will go to the winning team, plus a bang-up party sponsored by the three losers.

Hiltz's Hotshots

As we leave the trials of Prang Valley behind, a new game has come upon us. It usually starts at 10 o'clock or thereabouts and goes something like this: "Which one is ours?" or "Who hid our shack?" Somebody usually comes along and points the way, believe it or not.

We are waiting to welcome more members to the GI club, crew style. It seems that Brother Storey is the instigator of it all. And now we are waiting to see Chuck Owens, Drumheller, own one. Will he or won't he?

LAC and Mrs. Statler are receiving congratulations on the arrival of a bouncing young 'un. Who is the new pile-it in B flight? Would Jack George know anything about him? We are glad to see Mr. Fullerton and Mr. Gallager get away on their well-earned leave. On the same sort of trip are F/S Fitchett and Sgt. Hardy.

WEDDINGS

Inquette-Wiles

At St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Retford, P/O C. A. Paquette, London, Ont., and Miss Brenda Margaret Wiles, Grimby, Lines, were married recently. Miss Wiles is in the WRNS.

F/O Johnny Wilson, Oshawa, Ont., was best man. Among those attending were P/O Marty Shykta, Edmonton, P/O Tony Franciscone, DFM, Regina, and W/O Ed Wertzier, DFM, Alberta.

McDonald-Richards

P/O Hugh R. McDonald, Edmonton, Alta., and Miss Joy Richards, younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George H. Richards, West Dulwich, Surrey, were married recently in Chatsworth Way Church.

LAC Gerald Card, Grande Prairie, Alta., was best man, and the bride was attended by her sister Susan. S/L Rev. H. Crawford Scott, RCAF padre, officiated. P/O McDonald is a former editor of WINGS ABROAD.

Cunneyworth-Stovell

LAC J. W. R. Cunneyworth, Ottawa, Ont., and Miss Iris Stovell, Wrestlingworth, Beds, were married in Biggleswade recently. LAC Cunneyworth is with the squadron commanded by W/C R. J. Lane DSO, DFC, Vancouver.

Our own Kenesaw Landis, czar of our baseball world, F/S Gordon Bone and the members of the executive committee, report that the rules and regulations are in order and fines have been drawn up for breaches of same. That's all for now from this sandlot.

—LACs Ken Ritchie and Nick Perdue.

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FAVOR VETS FOR POST-WAR POSTS

New jobs in which preference for appointment will be given to men with overseas service in the Canadian armed forces have been announced by the Civil Service Commission in Ottawa.

The vacancies are in the diplomatic, commercial intelligence and veterans' rehabilitation services of the Dominion Government, and are to be filled by competition.

Service overseas, either in the last or the present war, will qualify men for preference in selection. Members of forces overseas in this war will be entitled to preference only if they were residents of Canada at the time of enlistment. They must be natural born or naturalized British subjects and, for appointment to the veterans' rehabilitation service, must have resided in Canada for not less than five years; for the diplomatic and commercial intelligence services, except in special circumstances, they must have resided in Canada for not less than ten years.

Complete information on salaries, duties and necessary qualifications can be obtained from Canada House, London, or the Canadian Trade Commissioners in Cairo or Bombay.

SPIT MEN GONGED

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Sub patrols and muntlaying tooges, explained one of a formation of aircraft which attacked an enemy vessel in Aegean waters. Although his title was hit by ack-ack fire, F/O Bull went in at mast height and scored two hits.

Non-immediate DFCs have gone to: F/L J. A. H. De La Paille, Washington, DC; F/L Karl Linton, Plaster Rock, NB; F/O V. L. Gorrill, Creaton, BC; F/O R. H. Watt, Winnipeg; and F/O J. E. Williams, Grand Rapids, Mich.

Book Review

Introductory Magnetism and Electricity, by T. M. Yarwood (MacMillan, viii-160 pp. 2s. 6d.).

Any airman in the electrical and radio trades who wants to brush up on bed-rock principles will find this book useful. Clearly written and well illustrated, the limp-covered, pocket-sized volume starts with Ohm's law, carries through to the simple characteristics of radio tubes and oscillatory circuits.

Radio men will find that much of their preliminary course will be recalled by reference to the book.

SPRING FEVER



Spring's here so the aircrew bull session moves out into the open. Wonder what young men chat about in the spring? The Bison boys, left to right are: WO1 Dave Banning, Timmins; Sgt. Tommy Woolf, Trail, B.C.; F/S H. "Scotty" Guild, Cowdenbeath, Scot.; F/S R. G. "Bud" Williams, Prince Albert, Sask.; F/S P. C. "Paddy" Cudigan, Glace Bay, N.S.

FILM LOG

"THE BEAUTIFUL CHEAT" (Tivoli)
Smooth, sophisticated comedy with Ros Russell and Brian Aherne. The Russell is again cast as a go-get-it business woman who thinks marriage is too, too feminine. Lots of funny things happen to make the pic worth while.

"SONG OF RUSSIA" (Empire)
Robert Taylor is more impressive as a "great lover" than as the conductor of a symphony, but the orchestra does very well with Tehalkovsky's popular Piano Concerto and Pathetique symphony. The odd snatch of Shostakovich is tossed in to give things up to date. In case you think this pic is highbrow, there's a good scene of a balalaika orchestra doing "The Music Goes Round and Round."

LUFTWAFFE PILOT MISSES CLOSE IN

What makes a man a fatalist? P/O Bob Devitt, of Toronto, has a clue to that one. With one wing on fire, and their kite holed by cannon shells, Devitt and his crewmates survived six different close-range attacks by a JU88 over Germany and then flew on to bomb the target.

"I guess it just wasn't our time to go," he concludes.

Devitt is a mid-upper gunner and the only Canadian in the crew of an RAF Halifax. The Junker attacked during their bombing run and put a shell through the fuselage which set the starboard wing on fire. Devitt and the tail gunner both fired and the German pilot broke off to attack again from dead astern.

After that he just kept coming in, firing as he closed, while the skipper did evasive action all over the sky. On his sixth attack, at about 50 yards, the Nazi's ammunition appeared to give out because he suddenly stopped firing, had a long look at the heavy bomber and then checked out.

"The guy must have been a spreg," said the Toronto gunner, "or he would have got us for sure."

On their return the crew found their rear landing wheel punctured, the starboard wing large enough to crawl through, and the emergency exit ripped by cannon. Fortunately, their evasive act had snuffed out the flames in the wings.

CANUCK ELIMINATED IN TENNIS TOURNAY

Cairo.—After winning his way to the quarter-finals of the Cairo open singles, Cpl. Don McDiarmid, Ottawa, former Canadian tennis champion and now a member of the RCAF in the Middle East, was eliminated in straight sets by M. Talaat recently. The scores were 6-2, 7-5.

McDiarmid defeated the Palestine champ, J. Finkelkraut, in straight sets in the third round of the tourney. His appearance in the Cairo open brought out a sizeable cheering section of RCAF mates each afternoon. So conspicuous was the all-Canadian section at the Tewfikieh Tennis Club that one Cairo newspaper reported that "half of Canada" was there to see their 1940 singles king till with the Middle East's best.

JOE AND MOE

LAC Joe Kaylor, Montreal, left his instruments at a Canadian Torpedo Bomber squadron to meet brother Moe in London. Joe and Moe spent seven days in the Capital. Moe is in a Recon unit of the Canadian Army.

Edmonton Squad Hot

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The Canadians were on offensive patrol when they sighted three of the slow German transports skimming the water and Kipp opened attack on them while Caine went after a fourth 'Ju,' some distance ahead and sent it spinning into the sea.

An Caine returned to assist Kipp he saw one of the 52s floating on the surface, with seven German airmen on the wing. He sank it. One of the Nazis didn't wait for Kipp to finish him off but crash-landed on the water where it disappeared. Kipp and Caine shared honours with two Jerries apiece.

Edmonton, sweeping in after him. When they broke away both 190s were aflame and five of the other kites damaged.

Miller and Ford rounded off their score at St. Dizier, where they sighted two more Nazi planes, each standing in the mouth of a hangar. They went in low, fired into the hangar doors and saw strikes on both aircraft.

F/O G. D. Miller, of Vancouver, was Miller's navigator, while F/O J. Clark flew with Ford.

CREDIT SPLIT BY PILOT, DESTROYER

S/L Hugh N. Norsworthy, Westmount, Que., now commanding an RCAF fighter-bomber squadron, has the singular distinction of sharing destruction of an enemy kite with a British destroyer.

The incident occurred about three years ago, when Norsworthy, who was then flying with an RAF nightfighter squadron, came to the protection of a British convoy being attacked by Nazi planes off Harwich.

"A Dornier 217," he recalled, "was flying along right in front of me, taking shots at the Harwich balloons. He shot two of them down, then I shot him down."

As the Nazi machine fell flaming through the clouds H.M.S. Walpole fired a salvo and it dropped into the sea. After due consultation between Fighter Command and the Admiralty, Norsworthy and H.M.S. Walpole got a half-share each.

SPITFIRE BOSS LEADS UNIT ON ESCORT JOB

Newly appointed to command an RCAF Spitfire squadron of the 2nd TAF, 22-year-old S/L Norman Fowlow, DFC, Fort William, N.S., led his unit as part of the escort for United States medium bombers which attacked military targets in France recently. The squadron led by S/L George C. Keefer, DFC, Charlottetown, P.E.I., also formed enemy fighters.

S/L Fowlow succeeds S/L J. D. Farlane, Portland, Me., who is transferring to the USAAF. S/L Fowlow has served as wing gunnery officer for the past six months while on operational rest. He served in Malta where he was shot down and rescued from the Med once. On his return to Britain, he joined the RCAF Wolf squadron and later the Red Indian unit as a flight commander.

INSEPARABLE

Almost a Damon and Pythias relationship is the phrase to fit the travels of F/L Len Matthews, Big River, Sask., and Pentleton, EC, and his pilot pal, F/O Russ Patterson, Mossbank, Sask. They joined up together three years ago and have been together in Canada, England, Ireland, Egypt, Libya and Palestine ever since. They are now with the Middle East Forces and would like to hear from anyone of Course 50, Yorkton.

REUNION

LAC P. C. Freddie Green, Toronto, had a big bust up in London with his brother W/O Len Green, before he left for a distant station. Fred is an armorer. Brother Len is a wireless operator air gunner on Warwick.

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