

A WARTIME LOG

WAR PRISONERS AID
AIDE AUX PRISONNIERS DE GUERRE
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Dear Friend,

After the Canadian and American editions of the War-time Log, here is a special issue for British prisoners of war. Though its format is somewhat different, its purpose is just the same as the others: to bring you greetings from friends and to facilitate your recording some of your experiences during these eventful years.

Not everyone will want to use this book as a diary. If you are a writer, here is space for a short story. If you are an artist, you may want to cover these pages with sketches of your own caricatures of its important personalities. If you are a poet, major or minor, confide your lyrics to these pages. If you feel that circumstances cramp your style in correspondence, you may write here letters to be carried with you on your return. This book may serve to list the most striking concoctions of the camp kitchen, the records of camp sports or a selection of the best jokes cracked in camp. One man has suggested using the autograph of one of his companions (plus his fingerprints ?) to head each page, followed by free and frank remarks about the man himself. You may write a commentary on such photographs as you may have to mount on the special pages for that purpose with the mounting-corners in the pocket of the back cover. This pocket may be used for clippings you want to preserve, or, together with the small envelopes on the last page, for authentic souvenirs of life in camp.

Your own ingenuity may suggest to you many other ways of using this book, which comes to you with our greetings and good wishes.

Yours very sincerely,

WAR PRISONERS' AID OF THE YMCA.


FOR PRISONERS & CAPTIVES
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P.W. 6575
CAMP ADDRESS
Westertimke
Post Tarmstedt (Bez. Bremen)
Deutsches Reich
DEUTSCHES REICH

THIS BOOK BELONGS TO

George Ashman.
P. O. W. 90024.
Marlag und Milag.
Germany. 1940 - 1945

Y.M.C.A.

RECEIVED XMAS 1942

Best Wishes
and
Christmas Greetings
from
The British Red Cross Packing Centres

Reading on other page had to be carefully written as any thing detrimental to Germany was punishable by Concetration Camp.

SOME OF THE NOTES IN THIS BOOK HAVE BEEN INKED OVER FOR PRESERVATION PURPOSES.
J. Ashman 11/9/69.

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M V Rost Hobart

Sailed from Liverpool Nov 3rd 1940 for voyage to New Zealand. After three days steaming, returning back to Loch Sunney, owing to being in the vicinity of the Convoy, of the "SERVIS BAY" when sank Nov 6th/40. Arrived Loch Sunney Nov 8/40. Sailed again Nov 10th our second attempt to reach N.Z. The weather very bad and heavy seas, we more or less lost sight of escort, and other merchant ships, in our convoy. about Nov 22 weather improved. The Sunday Nov 24/40 about 10-45 am an object being sighted on Starboard bow course altered then steaming full ahead object chasing us. and nearing very fast 11-45 am shot fired at our ship. we could then see it was a cruiser of some discription, many saying it may be an American, or English, possibly German but within the next 15 minuts (we well knew it was German) as we could see the German Flag also many guns trained on us including 5.9 inch (what a pleasent surprise)
Germans boarded our ship Pretty looking mob I must say with beards, yellow life jackets and all kinds of fire arms. There officer told us to get in our lifeboats and go to there ship as they were taking us prisoner (Our Ship sinking fast)

Boarded their ship about 2p m then learning it was named VON Admiral Scheer Our ship being sunk the "Scheer" once started on her raiding. plus 65 persons including one man passenger, and 6 women, We were housed in the forward end of the raider three decks down (boy oh boy was it Hot!) At 7.pm we were given something to eat not eating since Breakfast 8-0pm We received a cup of cocoa tin of sardines for 2. and 3 loaves of black bread between. 10 men, it was impossible to eat (about, month old, hard as iron, and green with mould).

We then were given the rules to abide by, under heavy punishment:

Evenings 8.0pm scrub out, clean up, inspection at 9.0 pm by commandant then to bed 1 hammock and 1 blanket per person. Mornings 7.0 AM whistle sounded rise. rise. 10 men allowed at a time to go for a wash. being aloud 5 minutes 8.0 AM. breakfast 2 slices of bread jam and a cup of coffee (heigats) 9.0 AM 20 men to peel potatoes about 5 hundred weight 12.0 midday two men to fetch it potatoes, meat and vegetables and now and again a sweet. allowed on deck for fresh air (when nothing in view(s) 4-5pm. one hour a day. 5.0pm tea 2 slices of black

bread per man, 1 tin of sardines for two men or jam, and coffee. allowed to smoke from 9.0 AM to 7.p m and allowed to visit W.C. 4 times a day. On Sunday following our capture in the evening we were told not to turn in but to stand by at 10.p m all hatches closed and raider went into action firing 21 shots us not knowing what she was firing at. thinking it may be one of our navy ships. had the raider been sunk no doubt we would have kept her company.

We were transferred to another German raider on DEC 15 the accommodation much worse. bottom of ship in torpedo deck. another crew aboard from English ship named "Mopan". As we were being transfered we noticed she had the American flag painted on both sides, and on the stern her name DIXEE SAN PEDRO CALI also flying the stars and stripes at the mast head. after the other ship had left we were allowed on deck then were given the rules once again. meals as before. allowed on deck from 7 AM to 5 p m not being allowed to go below to our appointed deck and to be worked when required. We were also given weekly 20 cigarettes and a small quantity of sugar sweet.

Spending Christmas 1940 on the DIXEE we had a fairly good feed and given 4lb of Tobacco.

packet of papers and bottle of beer. Early in January 1941 we heard the Scheer had captured the "Duquesa" soon after we met her (we were pleased as food was running short) The Germans told us we had to work and load cargo or we would get no food. The "MOPAN" crew left for Germany in a Italian ship "URETEH" about January 10th. Soon after a Norwegian captured tanker came along the SANDIFORD we once more had to work preparing her for crude oil hatch to take us to Germany. at that time we were in very much need of soap and cigarettes thanks to Norwegians they gave us some of each

Transferred once again from DIXEE to SANDI (and sailed for home as we hoped but no luck) on January 15th. The SANDIFORD was disabled one engine the speed being 6 knots. once we sighted an American ship scarred the Germans who were in charge of the ship. after being 6 weeks aboard this ship (no cigarettes and no soap) we heard rumours we were going into BOARDEAX few days later when we were on deck we noticed a plane coming from astern flew in front of ship and dropped a flare ship stopped, the circled round then machine gunned us. Sorry

to say it was German (our hopes again broken) next day Escort German ships met us and took us to BOARDEAX. POLLIAS. following morning [Feb 28 boarded train. arrived at small station named ST MEDARD EN JALLES from there we walked about three kilometers to a prison camp. at midnight (along the road did we sing) on arrival at camp we were searched; after received a bowl of soup (previous day we had nothing to eat or drink) The food here was terrible. French white bread 1 loaf=5 men a little cheese or jam and twice weekly handful of dates and biscuits from Red Cross (starvation days began) at this Camp 3½ week. thence we were put on a train 1200 men to travel to Germany left at 2.0 pm April 3 1941 just 36 hours nothing to eat or drink. at CHARTIS. 3 men to German loaf (1 kilo) Black Bread, half tin of horse flesh and bowl of soup, our next 36 hours. later CHALONS, a bowl of soup next 24 hours later at AACHEN. bread and meat, and next at Hamm a bowl of soup. journey 4½ days only means of drink (water) French children filled our tins ((no washing)) and little sleep

arrive at BREMENVORDE walked to camp 12 KL April 6 8.0 a.m. (no eats) ARRIVED (SANDBOSTEL STALAG X B) at 1-0 pm searched and entered

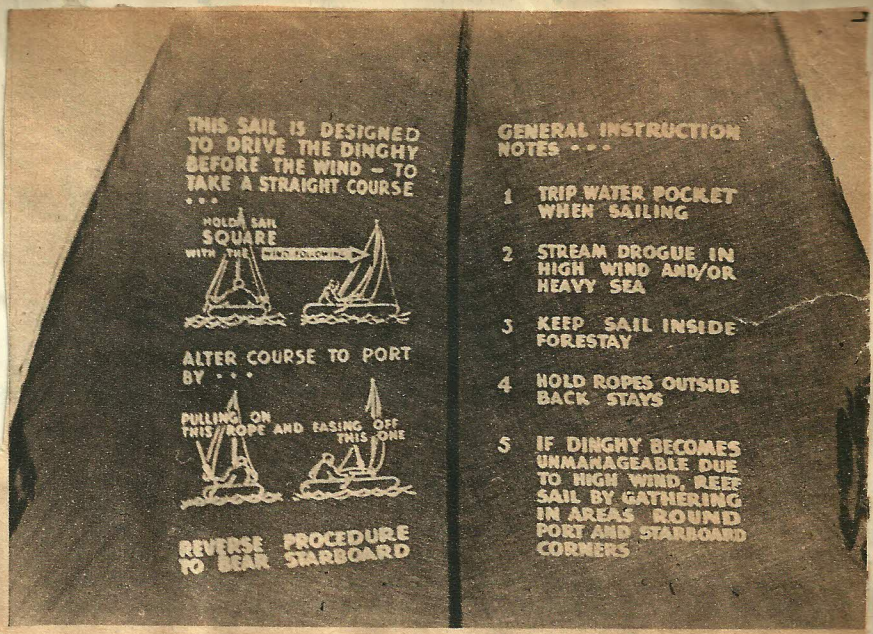
The Camp. next day deloused and entered Thng. German rations Page 69. In this lager 5 months transferred to WESTERTINKE to build lager now Milag Marlag Nord on August 27 1941

[I forgot to mention recieved first food parcel in Ilag early in June what a reliefe after staving for 4 months and to have a smoke.]

Strength of Milag in January 1942 about 3500 Merchant Seamen. since many repatriated, and new arrivals. Febuary. 1945 strength of Milag 3600 owing to arrival of 400 civilians, and 400 of Royal Navy Marlag 1,000 RN OFFICERS and 2000 R.A.F. OFFICERS from East Prussia evacuate area. In this lager many a good instants for laughs, from arbeit; air raids on Bremen, Hamburg bombs dropping in vinicity, planes machine gun ning motors on the roads sorry to say many planes crashed around here. Our greatest enjoyment after being without parcels for long periods seeing the arrival of waggon loads, then one could see the happy faces and hear such sayings as (again we eat and smoke) (the Good old Red Cross). (Wont be long now) the last quoted by many for years, and arent we looking forward to that day.

Being a guest of Germany aint no fun. G. Ashman





. . . con una vela de emergencia plegable (derecha). Las instrucciones para el uso se encuentran dibujadas en la vela. En este caso no ha podido ser aprovechada por la tripulación

PRISONER OF WAR POST

KRIEGSGEFANGENENPOST

SERVICE DES PRISONNIERS DE GUERRE

AIR MAIL

PAR AVION

SWAFFHAM 5 PM 2 OCT 1944 SUFFOLK

POSTAGE

RANK & NAME: GEORGE ASHMAN (W.M.)

(SURNAME IN BLOCK LETTERS)

British Prisoner of War

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PRISONER OF WAR No.: 9[illegible]34

(SEE NOTE ON FLAP)

PASSED P.W. 3319

CAMP NAME & No. STARLAG UND MILAG NORD (MILAG)

(INCLUDING SUBSIDIARY NUMBERING OR LETTERING IF ANY—E.G. WORKING CAMP)

COUNTRY: GERMANY

LETTERS FROM HOME WHILE P.O.W.

FROM (SENDER'S FULL NAME & ADDRESS)

MR. MRS. GN. ASHMAN?

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NEW CHEVELEY ROAD.

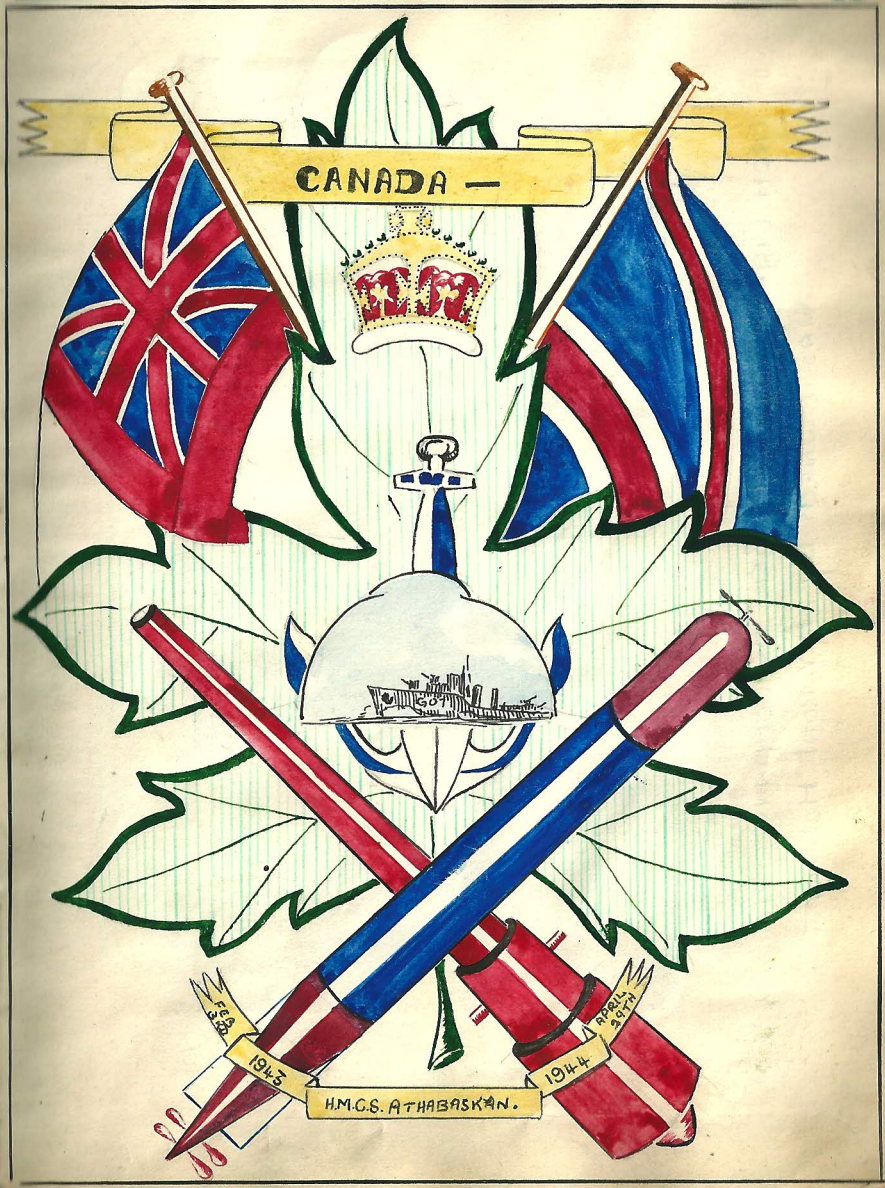
NEWMARKET.

SUFFOLK.

IMPORTANT: FOR A PRISONER IN GERMAN HANDS THE PRISONER OF WAR No. MUST BE CLEARLY SHOWN. IT MUST NOT BE CONFUSED WITH HIS BRITISH SERVICE No.

Letters From Home While P.o.W

ORIGINAL BY R. WESTAWAY
ROYAL CANADIAN NAVY.





EYES DOWN AND LOOKIN

THE CIGARETTE SITUATION 1943

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MARLAG UND MILAG NORD.
MILAG SECTN. GERMANY

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From PORT LINE.

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B.M. CIGARETTES N.M.I.D.

FROM Cigarettes (Parcels) SENT by Company Ship
WAS OWNED By M.V. Port Hobart



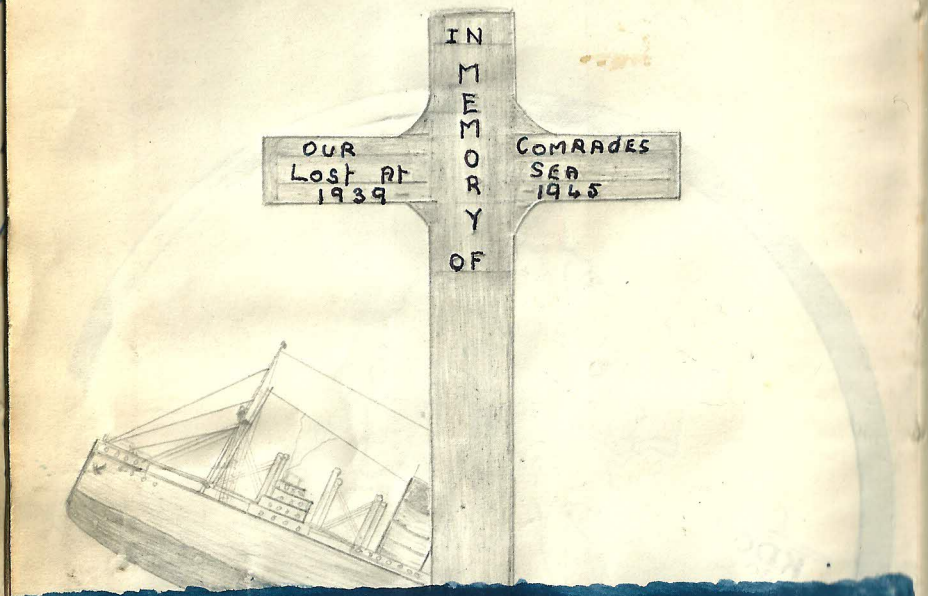
Izquierda: Algunos granaderos que observaron la caída, al buscar partes integrantes del aparato enemigo encontraron los restos de un bote neumático

GERMAN SOLDIER
FOUND FROM ENGLISH PLANE

"1999"



KRIEG FERTIG BAH!



THIS IS IN MEMORY OF THE MEN OF THE M.N.
WHO LOST THIER LIVES FOR THE WORLD'S FREEDOM.



To. day
Barbed wires
Keep us together.
The memories of our
Spiritual friendship
In Our Lord and Our Mother
Will keep us united
To. Morrow and for ever

30th Nov 1944

—

S. Gérard Paquet O.M.I.
Missionary of Basutoland
R.C. Camp Chaplain, Milag Nord
Westertimke, Germany. —

Best wishes to George

19/11/44



"Star of the sea" (St Bernard)

"O thou who findest thyself tossed by the tempests in the midst of the shoals of this world turn not away thine eyes from the star of the sea, if thou wouldst avoid shipwreck. If the winds of temptation blow, if tribulations rise up like rocks before thee, a look at the star, a sigh to Mary will be thy aid. If waves of pride, ambition, calumny, jealousy threaten to swallow up thy soul look towards the star, pray to Mary. If anger, avarice, love of pleasure shake thy frail vessel, look to the eyes of Mary. If fearful of thy sins, terrified at conscience, dread of the judgments of God commence to plunge thee into the gulf of sadness and the abyss of despair, attach thy heart to Mary. In thy perils, thy anguish, thy doubts, think of Mary, call on Mary. Let the name of Mary be on thy lips, in thy heart: and in taking refuge with her in petition, lose not sight of the example of her virtues. Following her thou canst not wander. Whilst thou prayest to her, thou canst not be without hope. As long as thou thinkest of her, thou wilt be in the right path. Thou canst not fall, while she sustains thee, thou hast nothing to fear, while she protects thee. If she favor thy voyage thou shalt reach the Port of safety without trouble."

Father H. Charbonneau O.M.I. 11/12/44

Missionaries

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Bro. Joseph Laflamme
Bro. Antoine Lavallée
Bro. André Fidette
Bro. Aimé Lavallée
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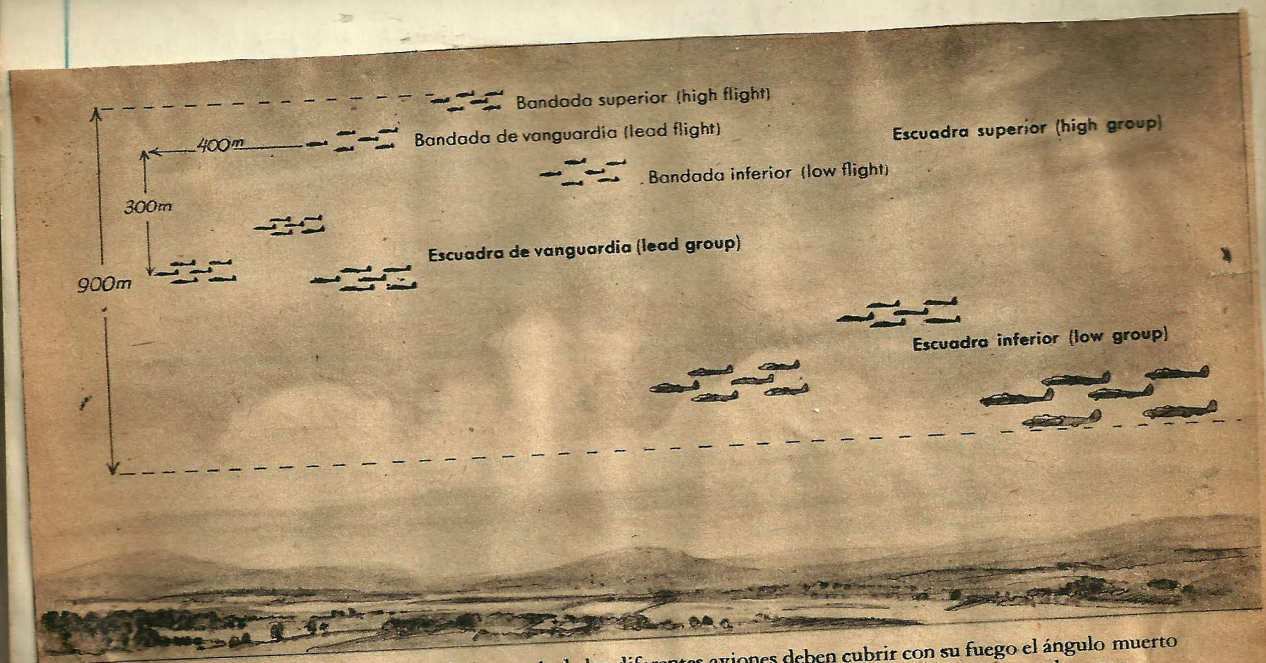
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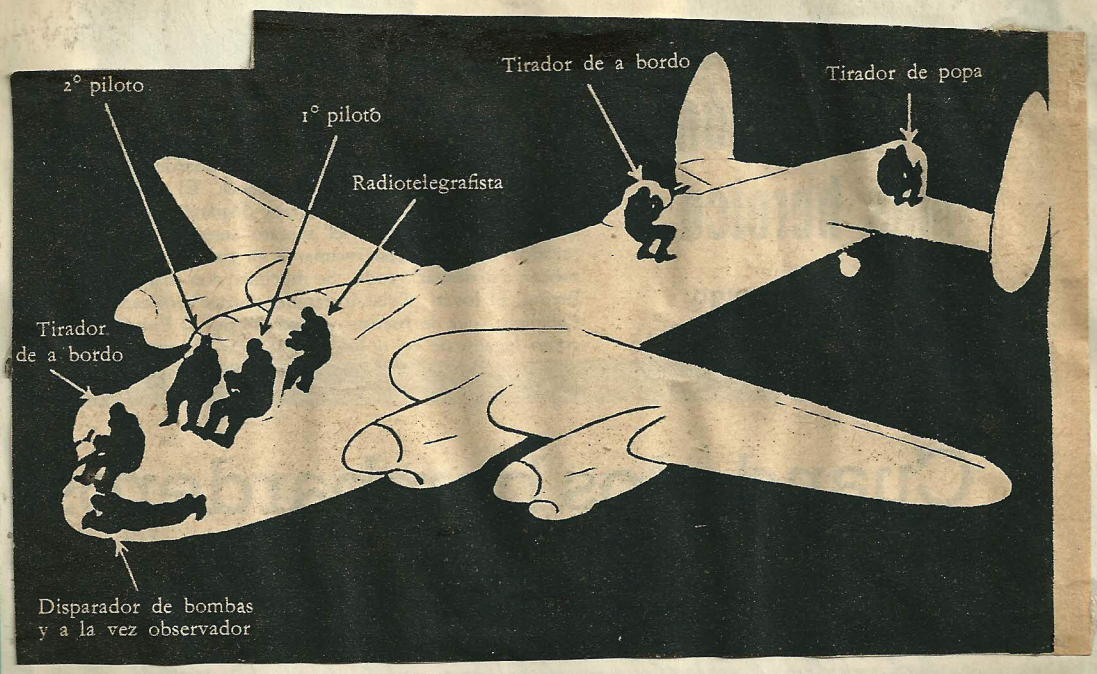


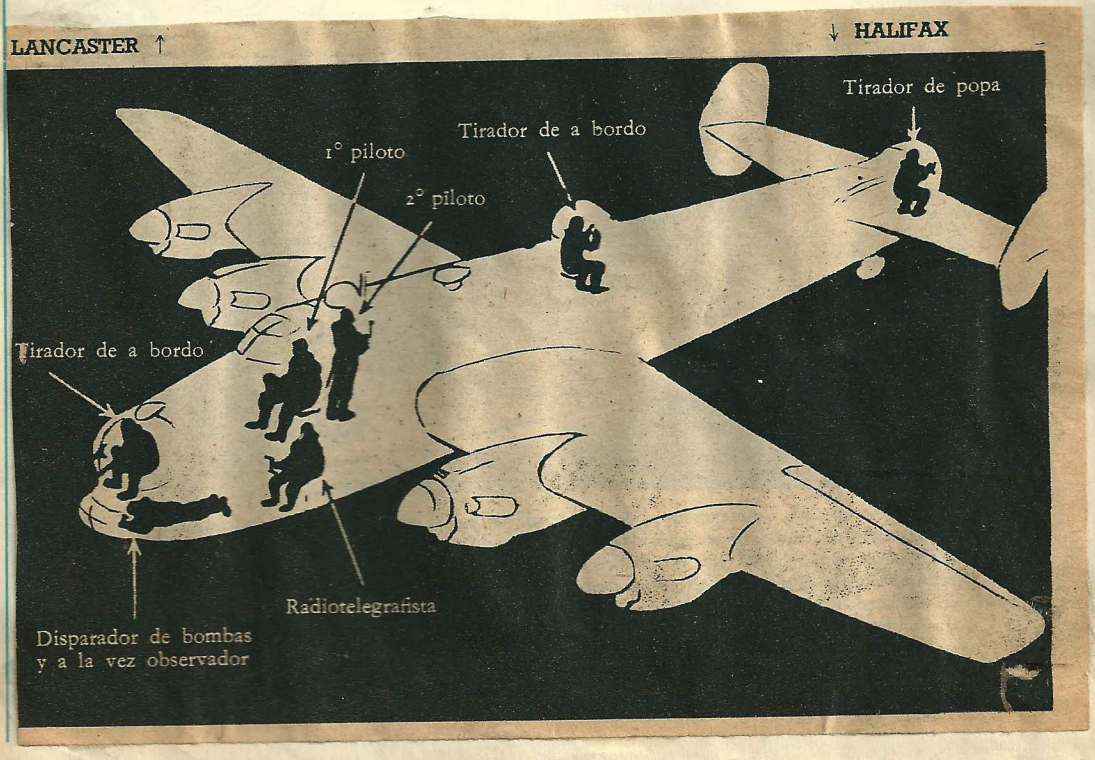


En este formación erizo, en cuyo sistema cerrado las armás de los diferentes aviones deben cubrir con su fuego el ángulo muerto de los aparatos vecinos, los bombarderos terroristas creyeron estar a salvo de los ataques de los cazas alemanes

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TAKEN FROM GERMAN book (NOW READ ON)





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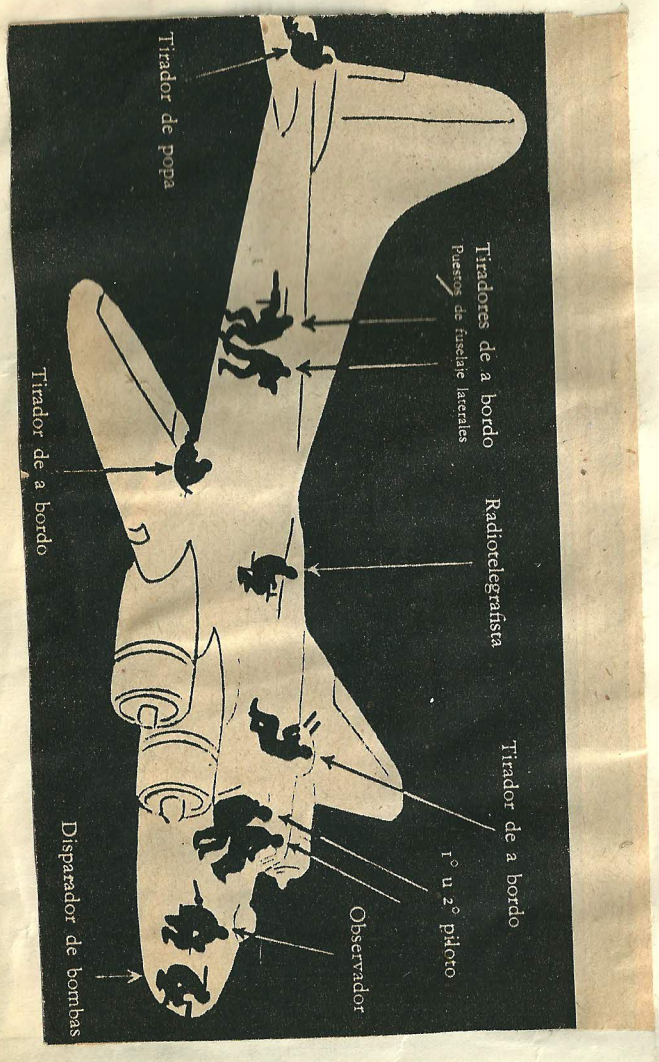
WRITE VERY CLEARLY ON THE LINES TO AVOID DELAY IN CENSORSHIP

DATE August 1943.

GRATITUDE - A 1941 Coward! ..... what viper ever stung more deeply? Hard? Flint! unworthy of the gentle name of woman! your men of 1943 must indeed be heroes if those who braved Berlin alone; who bled in France; who manned the Malta Convoys, who flew night after night and day after day, to save such a woman are cowards.....! What Heroine is this who not only deserts but also slanders, with poisoned tongue this man who gladly risked his life for hers? A man who by Capricious fate, denied a heroes death, must endure a captives chains - a prisoner! - an Outcast, a pariah, scorned by the he loves: hated by his enemies! a man who, because of a vile strumpets mind, wishes the thin silken thread which spared his life might then have broken, If by death a man then becomes a hero, what is there left in life for us? Before they wave their banners, and blow their bugles, let those following in the wake of our Victorious Armies consider for a moment the price which some have paid to make such victory possible. Yet Stay! we who are so easily scorned, as easily scorn. There is good reason for our pride, we know full well the price exacted of us, as do those we love, but we, and we alone, know the Cost of Victory, we alone know what Freedom really is. Only we can return to women whose faith and Devotion, whose love and understanding survived everything. Aye! let them laugh let them bang their Drums, let the poor misguided fools shout of their victory. It is theirs - as are the clutches of the woman who would have a hero for a Husband. (A Copy).

An extract from a letter Received by an R.A.F. officer, now a P.O.W. The whole letter was in a similar strain -: "I am sorry our engagement is ended. I would rather marry a 1943 Hero than a 1941 Coward

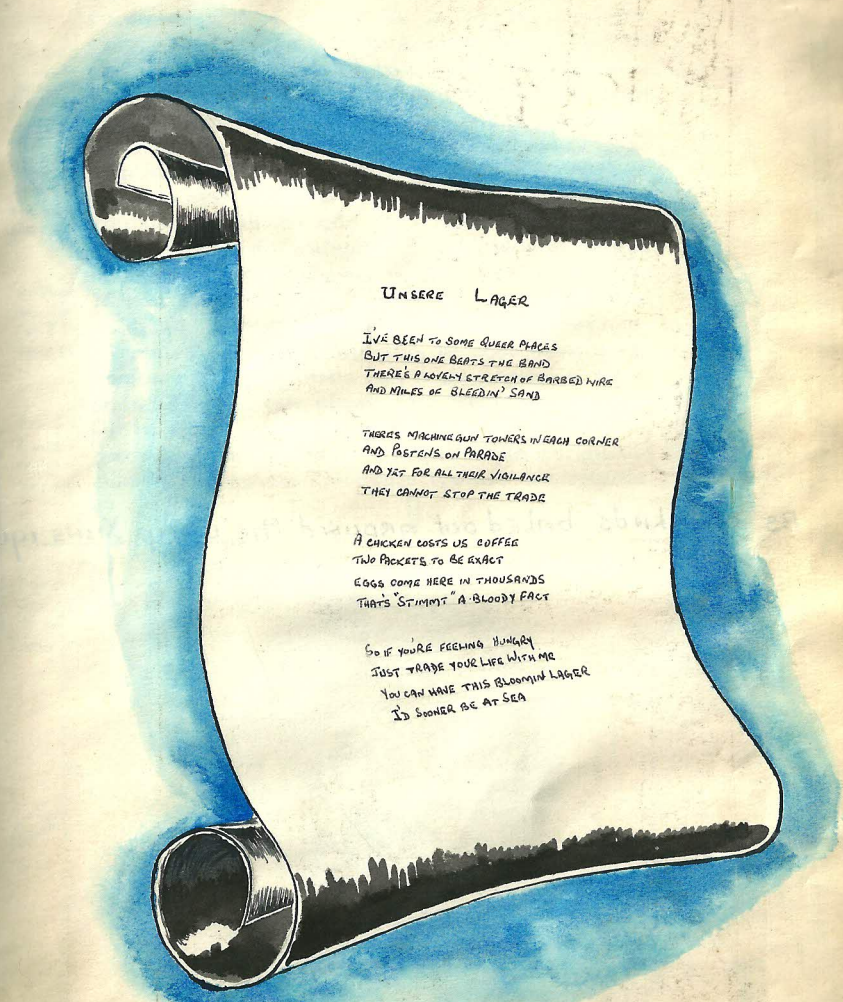
Above is the Officers Reply entitled "GRATITUDE"





HALF PARCELS —. EVEN THE FIRE'S STOPPED SMOKING





Mining again in the Hindkines



As our lads baled out around the Camp Xmas 1944



El acto en la cuerda tirante

El acto en la cuerda tirante "¡Maldito seas, cuantas veces te he dicho que no debes descender tan rápidamente; apenas me puedo mantener en pie!" Dibujos Werner Braehne

A CHILDS SOLILOQUY

You won't be coming back I guess
To see this pretty yellow dress
You know I sort of thought you would
'Cause I have been so very good

Nobody ought to be away
I think on Jesu's Christmas day
I wonder why they have a war
What are little children for

My poor dear mummy cries and cries
But I'm a big girl for my size
And I remember what you said
'Bout crying so I won't instead

Gee I hope you didnt pain
I hope they kept you from the rain
Of all the men on land and sea
They had to take the one from me

If I could wish upon a star
I bet Id fly to where you are
But I'm so awful little Gee
No one pays no heed to me

That's why I kind of miss you Dad
You was the Bestes' friend I had
You was the Goodes' looking man
In all the world from land to land

Mummy said that you would bring
Me back a doll and everything
But I know better than what they say
'Cause I know why you went away

And I would rather have you back
And throw away my train and track
My soldiers are upon the floor
I dont play soldiers any more

So please tell them to hurry on
Then the days won't seem so long
To see you now is all I ask
After they've finished this never ending task.





GUESS WHERE THIS PICTURE IS??

JUNGLE — JUICE

TAKE SOME RED CROSS RAISINS, ANYONES WILL DO
ALSO PRUNES AND SUGAR, WELL MAKE A "DINKUM BREW"
KNOCK A "KLEINER" BARREL, AND IN IT WE WILL CRAM
ALL THIS JUNK TOGETHER ALONG WITH JERRY JAM

NOW TOP IT UP WITH WITH WATER, A COUPLE OF QUARTS AT LEAST
AND FINALLY WORK THE DOINGS, WITH AN OUNCE OR TWO OF YEAST
STICK IT IN THE CORNER, CLOSE BEHIND THE STOVE,
AND VERY SOON THE LITTLE PRUNES WILL ALL BEGIN TO MOVE

UP AND DOWN TOGETHER, LIKE CORKS UPON A TIDE
AND BY TOMORROW MORNING, ALL HELL'S LET LOOSE INSIDE
THEN LEAVE HER QUIETLY STANDING FOR ABOUT A WEEK
AND WHILE THE DEVIL'S BREWING A JACK AND JILL WELL SEEK.

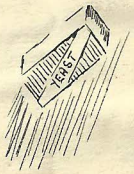
FIND A NICE NEW JAM TIN, WITH A CLOSELY FITTING TOP
AND LOTS OF PIPES AND LITTLE TINS TO COOK THIS MADDENING POP
JUST SOLDER THESE TOGETHER WITH TRUE GEEFANGENER SKILL
AND BY THE TIME YOU'VE FINISHED YOU'LL HAVE A DAM GOOD STILL.

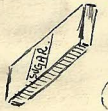
AND NOW THE WORK IS FINISHED, WELL STAND IT ON THE STOVE
AND START BREWING THE DOINGS, THE KIND WE GAFFIES LOVE
IT WILL TAKE ABOUT TEN MINUTES TO WARM THIS HOOCH PAT UP
SO STAND BY WITH YOUR SOUP SPOONS TO TRY A WITTLE SUP

HEAR THE GREAT REJOICINGS, SAINTS AND SINNERS SHOUT
STICK AROUND YOU BOOZE BUMS, THE "ALMI'S" COMING OUT

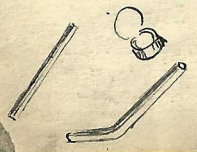
















JERKY JAM.

WAS SHE FIREWATER

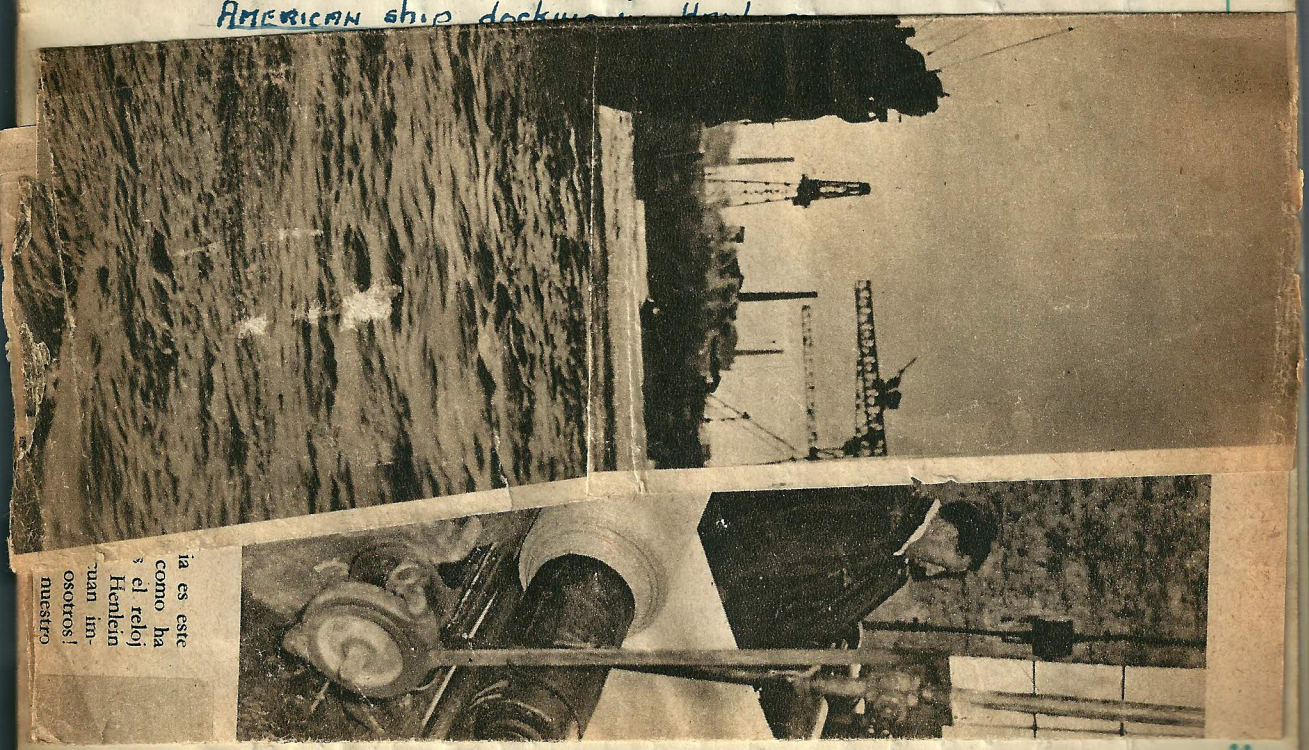
Across the trackless seas We go,
No matter when or where,
And few my future will know,
And fewer still will care.



M.V. Port Hobart, London
By Von Admiral Scheer

Sunk North Atlantic November 24. 1940
24° N. 48° E.

American ship docking in Hon[illegible]



ia es este
como ha
s el reloj
Henlein
uan im-
osotros!
nuestro

yes! before the Alteration



trabajo y acompaña todas nuestras accio-
nes con su incesante tic-tac. Sin el reloj
apenas es imaginable una cita, y ningú[n]
joven que quiera encontrarse con su ama[da]
puede prescindir del reloj. Incluso en l[...]

To We Gefangeners Marlag-u Milag Nord

For four and half years off told
We've worked in midst Germany's sand and stone,
And all those months together we've spent,
Just 3000 Merchant Lads sharing the rent,
But alas and alack, it comes to an close
To another Lager the whole of us Lads must go,
The Marine Pick did his best,
To retain our services and prolong our rest
But good old Joe said they must go,
To an unknown Lager without more ado.
So Helkan will miss you I guess,
Still four and half years is four and half less,
And we're all hoping as Gefs do
To give Deutchland that long wish for adieu
Then to the folks at home we will go,
Never to forget Deutchlands arbeit.
And the goodness of Joe.



I'll now give you a story not like the one you read
in books
So that it wont be boring it will ~~be~~ about ship's
cooks,
Who sail about the ocean done up in tiddle
caps,
And help the shipping company by starving honest
chaps.

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First of all I'll tell you and I'd like you to bear in
mind,
That all cooks are not alike, a good one you may
find,
If you travel long enough as this is what I've
seen,
What a seaman calls a cook they're few and far
between

3

I'll tell you about a certain chap without the
least of dread,
You may take as a joke that he made
tastie bread,
You could twist or you could pull it till it almost
broke your heart,
You could try but I'll be darned if it would
ever come apart.

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There's one thing I can't understand and that's why
blokes like these
Are allowed to menace seamen who sail the
seven seas.
As I have said about the one who made
elastic bread,
It would be much better to dish out sponge
instead.

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To get on with the story quite dutifully I'll state
Many a spud I tried to cut that jumped around the plate.
You cannot blame the spud for this indeed it is no surprise
that they should jump around if they still have their eyes.

Now getting to the line of stock old boy I have my share.
The way that this cook treated them I would'nt call it fair,
You could judge by how they smelt or even how they looked
But one thing you were certain of 'twas seldom they were cooked.

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Quite soon I'll end this story as you may have enough.
The one thing I would like to touch on is the story of the duff.
How this particular duff God knows what it contained.
The boy gave me the story that is true and still maintained.

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He said a good duff takes lots of different things,
Raisins, milk and some suet and bits of apron strings
He mixed it all together and said oh this will do.
This is not for the officers it is for the crew.

I am telling you this story and you know I told no lies,
About the cook who really is stud-barber in disguise,
To see the way they go about would almost take your breath,
Done up in apron and cap and call themselves a chef.

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Now you may get around a cook and try the best you can,
The first thing he will tell you that he's a company's man,
And if you do not like the grub you can strike on the trip,
He'll be coming back again you can get another ship.

The two worst things that I have found while knocking around in life
Is a trip on which you always starve and then go home to the wife
Who says I am glad to see you, hand me over your pay dear,
You know the rent is almost due. How long will you be here.

12

I wouldn't like the cooks to know this story I supplied,
For if they did I feel quite sure, I would be crucified.
So now I'll end this story the pleasures all yours,
I've got to lend the cook a hand to go and flogg the stores

6 Bodden P.O.W. Milag.

TO AID CAPTIVES OF 50

Mr. Hall, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, states, in a written reply, that re-examination of proposals for an exchange of prisoners over 50, who have been four years in captivity has been actively pursued, and is now approaching conclusion.

With 764 more British, Dominion, and Allied repatriated prisoners on board, the British liner Arundel Castle on Monday night glided to her berth at Liverpool landing-stage. They were welcomed by the sirens of ferry boats and other craft in the river. More than half of the men had to stay on board all night before being allowed to travel to hospital. The others were got away last night.

Hundreds of men lined the decks of the ship waving and cheering and calling for more music from the band of the King's Regiment, which played songs of this war and the last.

For the first time since the war the landing-stage was floodlit. One repatriate said afterwards that seeing military officers on the upper deck of the landing-stage in the glare of arc lamps he wondered for a moment whether they were prison camp guards.

REMOVAL OF CAMPS FROM THE EAST

We are informed that the occupants of the British prisoner of war camps at Sagan, Bankou, Gross Tychow, Thorn, Marienburg, Stargard and Schlesien have been removed to other parts of the Reich away from the danger area. On account of transport difficulties British war prisoners had to cover part of the distance on foot. We trust this news may serve to reassure prisoners of war in other camps.

It is easy to be nice when every thing is O.K
It is easy to be cheerful when you're having things
your way,
But can you hold your head up and take it on
the chin?
When your heart is nearly breaking and you
feel like giving in.

2
It is easy back in England among the friends
and folks.
But now you miss the friendly land, the joys,
the songs, the jokes,
The road ahead is stormy and unless you're
strong in mind,
You'll find it isn't long before you're lagging
far behind.

3 You have got to climb the hill boys, its no
use turning back
There's only one way home and that is off the
beaten track.
Remember you are British and that when
you reach the creek,
You'll see a valley cool and green dear England
at it's best.

4 You know there is a saying that sunshine
follows rain,
And sure enough you'll realise that joy will
follow pain
So. Let courage be your password, make
fortitude your guide,
And then instead of grousing just remember
those who died.

5 They died to earn your freedom It was not
too great a price.
If only you are worthy of so great a
sacrifice.
They bore their cross in silence, they sought
not wealth nor fame,
And you must try to emulate and Glorify
their name.

MILAG. CALENDER

Thirty days hath September
April June and November
All the rest are thirsty too
Except for him who hath the brew

AFTER A FEW

A glass is good and a lass is good
And a pipe to smoke in good weather
The world is good and the people are good
And we're all good fellows together

1 I am a kriegsgefangener my age is thirty one,
I am about to tell you of the things I've seen and done,
I am from the Merchant Navy, in it is my pride
For its the service that keep the folks and war machine
supplied

2 I joined an old tramp steamer and from Britain sailed
away,
Not thinking for a moment I would so long a stay,
While rolling on the ocean and seemed going right,
But on the grey horizon a raider Hove in sight.

3 I suddenly decided that now was too late
For a while I spent my time as a guest of the German
state,
I cannot say it was our fault and there's no one
we can blame
We were put on board another ship and to Germany
we came.

4 I have been in other camps but now
I have never been in such a camp as M M Wood
No one knows what is going on and it seems that no
one will
But I guess you'll all agree with me that its full
of racketeers

5 I got in on the rackets for I started very soon
When I got things organised they called me
Al Capone,
He may be a bright at his job, with a gun and
cash to burn.
But if he came into this camp, there's plenty
he could learn.

6 One of these I'll mention as I think I was bold
Lifting bread from the kitchen with a rail and
a ten foot pole.
I must agree it wasn't right, but then it can't be
said,
That grub lay stored up in the place and the
Tummy wasn't fed

I then worked in the kitchen for I only thought it fair,
With all the good things going on, that I should have
my share,
But as soon as I got settled and was getting nice and
stout
Someone took the liberty and politely chucked me
out
Well, here I was without a job like a dog without
a bone,
I thought there was one thing to do, start a racket
of my own,
So I started in on the housie, an easy game to
play,
Just collect the money and let the suckers
pay.
I stayed at this a little while, the committee soon
took charge,
For they suddenly decided that my takings were
too large.

When I collected fifty marks a thing quite easily
done.
I kept forty for myself and ten for those who
won.
With all my pals working I thought I'd done my
share,
If they caught me they could have me but I wouldn't
volunteer.
Dodging all this albeit had kept me pretty
sore.
Ducking out the windows and backing through
the door.
Alas my name and number the porter got
one day,
I thought my luck had left me for work had
come my way,
I didn't hesitate at all for I had an easy
job.
Doing as little as I could and having what
I rolled.

The Camp April in 1942

By W Pasher R.O.W.

Every time the sun comes out
My thoughts return to you
For there's a world of happiness
In every thing you do.
Your courage makes my task easy.
You brighten all my ways
Because your loving heart has found
The beauty in each day.

Here's to the bachelor so lonely and gay,
It is not his fault he was built that way
Here's to the spinster so lonely and good.
It is not her fault she hath all she could

Thou mortal man that exists by bread
That made thy face to look so red,
Thou silly fop that looks so pale
'Tis red with the BRITISH TOMMY ALE.



VIEW of VILLAGE 3 MILE FROM PRISON CAMP

Tarmstedt



View From Front of House



View From Front door step

Tarmstedt



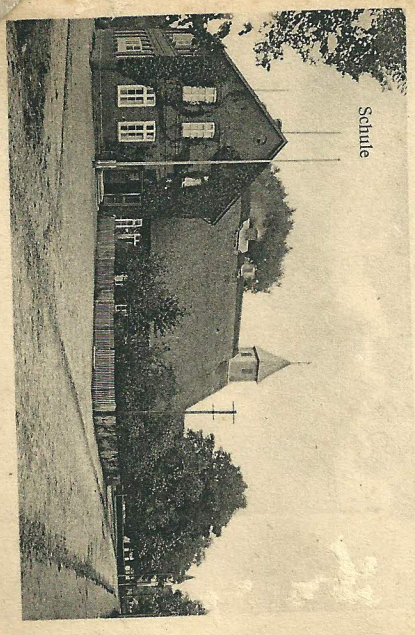
Farm I worked on for 8 months



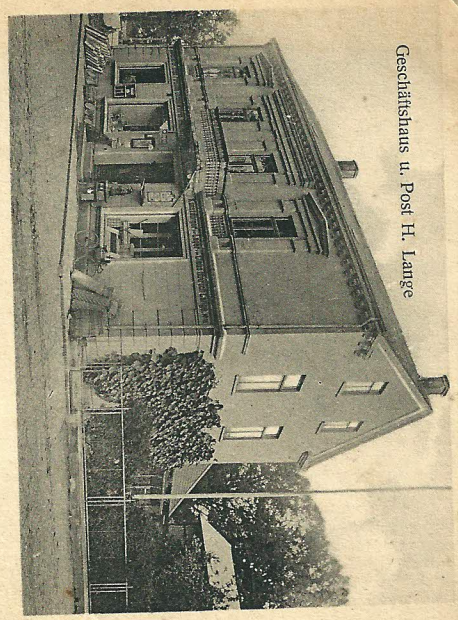


Meeting Place for Returning to Camp
6 o'clock EVENING (WHITEY BEER)

TARMSTEDT
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Mother, Sister and Children

MARLAG THEATRE

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GRAND XMAS PANTOMIME

J.P.S.

Dick Whittington

CAST.

Dick Whittington	E. Truman
Dame Whittington	W. Steer
Sylvia Whittington	J. Gleeson
Dick's Cat	A. Wade
Baron Roten Kreuz of Hogswash	V. Sales
Brenda (his Daughter)	A. Hussey
Brenda's Cat	J. Frost
Cuthbert (a Lawyer)	G. Lofthouse
Twaddle	K. Humphreys
Twerp	T. Bookless
Buttons	J. Beverley
Fairy Queen	G. Pain
King Rat	W. Fairclough
Count Rubinsky (an Adventurer)	H. Johnson
Lord Chamberlain	G. Geary
Jolly Jack The Sailor	N. Woods
The Court Rat-Catcher	B. Blackman
1st Town Crier	H. Moore
2nd " "	W. Fairclough
Detective Inspector Grouse	J. Castle
Norman the Doorman	H. Moore
Landlord	T. Rimmer
Pegasus (the Horse)	W. Morrelec-J. Raistrick
Policeman	N. Woods
Herald	D. Hatcher

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G. Veal · J. Cochrane · J. Skillicorn · G. Rothwell · J. Fisher

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CHORUS OF RATS

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T. Rimmer · J. Doughty · T. Butland · A. Hopkins

Written and produced

by

HAROLD·F·SHIPP

SCENES

ACT 1

Scene 1. The Village Green of Hogswash
Scene 2. Hogswash High Street

ACT 2

Scene 1. The Road to London
Scene 2. Outside the Palace

ACT 3

Scene 1. The Rat's Domain
Scene 2. The Lord Mayor's Banquet

FINALE

The PRODUCER wishes to tender his sincere thanks to the members of the concert party, and to all those others who so generously co-operated in this production and whose names it is impossible to enumerate.

To George with best wishes, Harold.

BOUQUETS

PRODUCER
H. F. Shipp

STAGE MANAGER
A. Shergold

SCENIC ARTISTS
A. Shergold · A. Green · G. Lofthouse

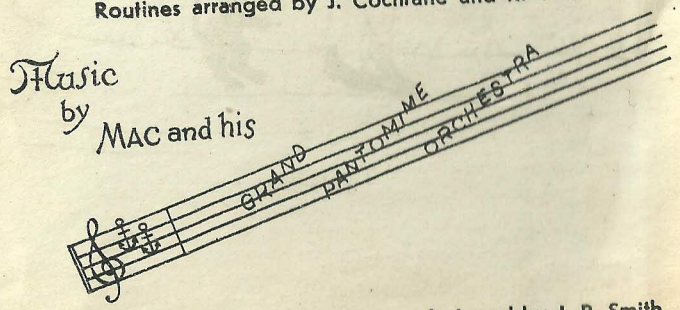
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COSTUMES & PROPS
H. Meyer · W. Kidd · R. Hubbard · L. Runicles

ELECTRICIANS
H. Johnson · E. Burrows

WIGS
K. G. Humphreys

Routines arranged by J. Cochrane and R. Veal.



Programme designed by J. P. Smith.



PREVIOUS ENTERTAINMENTS

	DATE		SHOW	PRODUCER
1941	July	14	Marlag Coons	R. A. Newman
	Aug	20	Dover Road	Lieut: Barrett
	Sept	4	Maytime	K. G. Humphreys
	Oct	27	Marlag Coons	R. A. Newman
	Nov	10	Loyalties	Lieut: Barrett
	Dec	8	Two smart Girls	K. G. Humphreys
	Dec	23	Aliaddin	Lieut: Stewart
1942	Jan	26	French without Tears	Lieut: Barrett
	Feb	14	Broadway	K. G. Humphreys
	Mar	3	Hangman's Hour	H. F. Shipp
	Mar	17	Monkey Business	Lieut: Hamel
	Apr	1	Importance of being Earnest	Lieut: Barrett
	Apr	19	The Title	H. F. Shipp
	May	25	Love among the Spirits	K. G. Humphreys
	June	10	Mixed Pickle	Lieut: Hamel
	Aug	22	Irela	W. Steer
	Sept	29	Hay Fever	Lieut: Hamel
	Oct	27	Midnight Love	H. F. Shipp
	Nov	18	Someone at the Door	Lieut: Barrett
	Dec	9	Full House	Lieut: Hamel
	Dec	26	Cinderella	K. G. Humphreys
1943	Jan	20	Hobsons Choice	H. F. Shipp
	Feb	16	Goon Crazy	R. Hubbard
	Mar	2	On the Spot	H. F. Shipp
	Mar	16	Sign here Sally	T. Hardman
	Mar	30	Flying Squad	K. G. Humphreys
	Apr	4	Band Waggon	K. R. Macdonald
	Apr	20	H. M. S. Pinafore	E. Truman
	May	14	Coconut Grove	Hatcher-Leaney
	May	26	Maytime	K. G. Humphreys
	May	30	Band Waggon	K. R. Macdonald
	June	9	It Pays to Advertise	A. Dean
	June	23	1001 Marvels	R. Hubbard
	July	2	Band Waggon	K. R. Macdonald
	July	7	The Likes of 'er	A. Walker
	July	27	The Gondoliers	E. Truman
	Sept	7	Porcelain Venus	W. Steer
	Sept	26	As You Are	K. G. Humphreys
	Oct	11	Band Waggon	K. R. Macdonald
	Oct	27	Pirates of Penzance	E. Truman
	Nov	5	Tons of Money	A. Dean
	Nov	16	Return of Fu Manchu	W. Steer
	Nov	29	Band Waggon	K. R. Macdonald
	Dec	7	Juno and the Paycock	F. Lee

Milag. 1942.

GROUP TAKEN IN MARCH 1942: (THE HARD TIMES.)
AND NOW FOR MY "COMPLIMENTS," 'TIS MARCH 1945.
HOPING TO BE "SOMEWHERE IN ENGLAND" BY MARCH 1946.





Dockside Hobart TASMANIA
Noted for export of Apples, PEARS, etc: JAMS, and ZINC.



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"PERIM" ISLAND IN (RED SEA)

M.G.R.A.

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This is to certify that:

George Ashman.

is a MEMBER of the above Association.

R. G. Hamilton
CHAIRMAN.

Dick Kennedy
SECRETARY.

Owning a Dog EVERY MEETING (NO RICHER YET)

"Blower" brought to Milag by R.N. Feburry 16 1945
When stoppage of Fuel. came no means of Tea Water
A Wonderful Invention. (VERY ECONOMIC)



Our only means of Tea water (The Blower)



How we recieved our clothe washing water
9 AM to Noon when Fuel (Part Week)

S. GUNNER



ON BOARD [illegible] STAR
MARCH 1940

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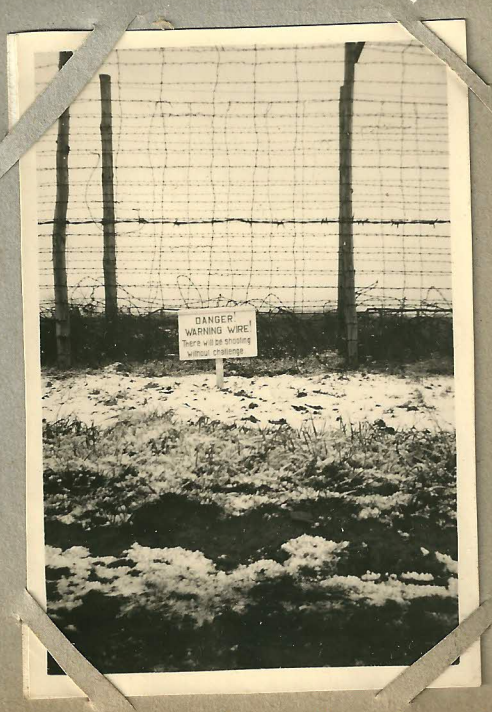


M.V. PORT WYNDHAM
IN "RED SEA"

WESTERFINKE



VIEW OF APPEL FROM
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5 METERS FROM THE Good old
BARBED WIRE FENCE

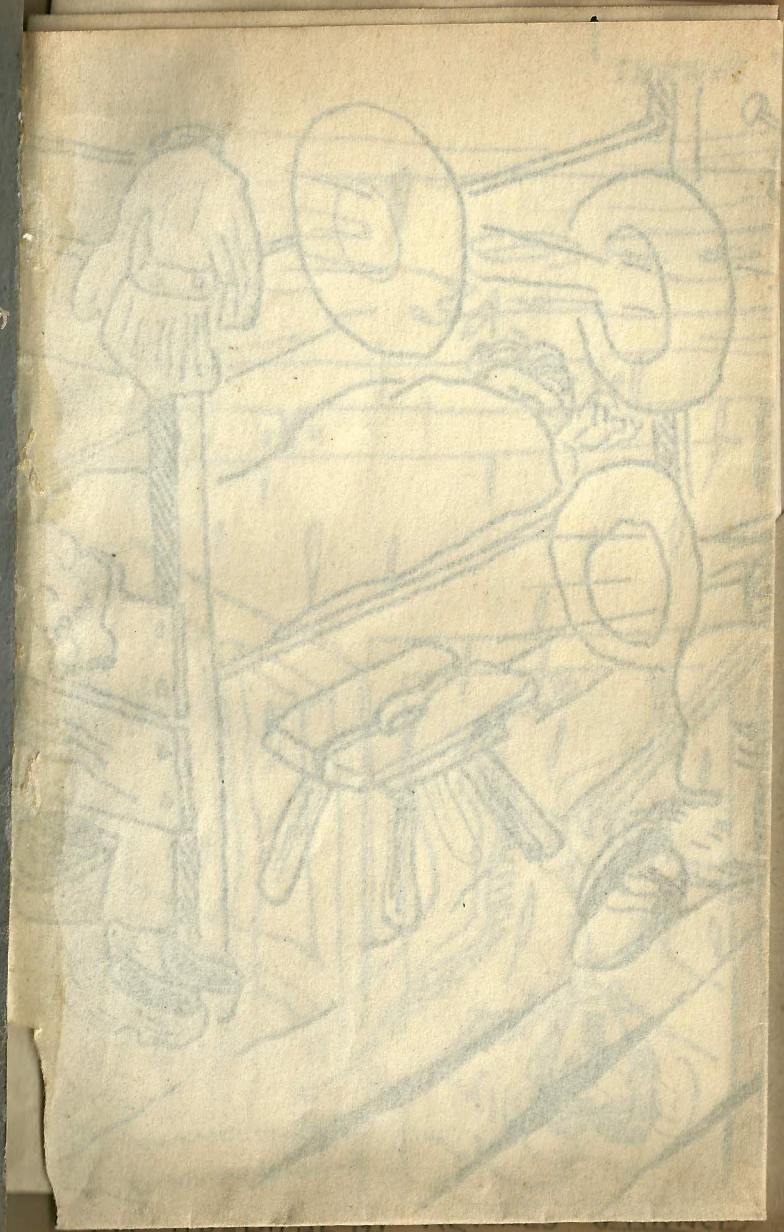
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Sandbostel

RMAN guard of honour
Last Resting place of R.A.F. Officer
Sandbostel Stalag X.B.



Again "Stalag" lovely lager
What!!





E Webb
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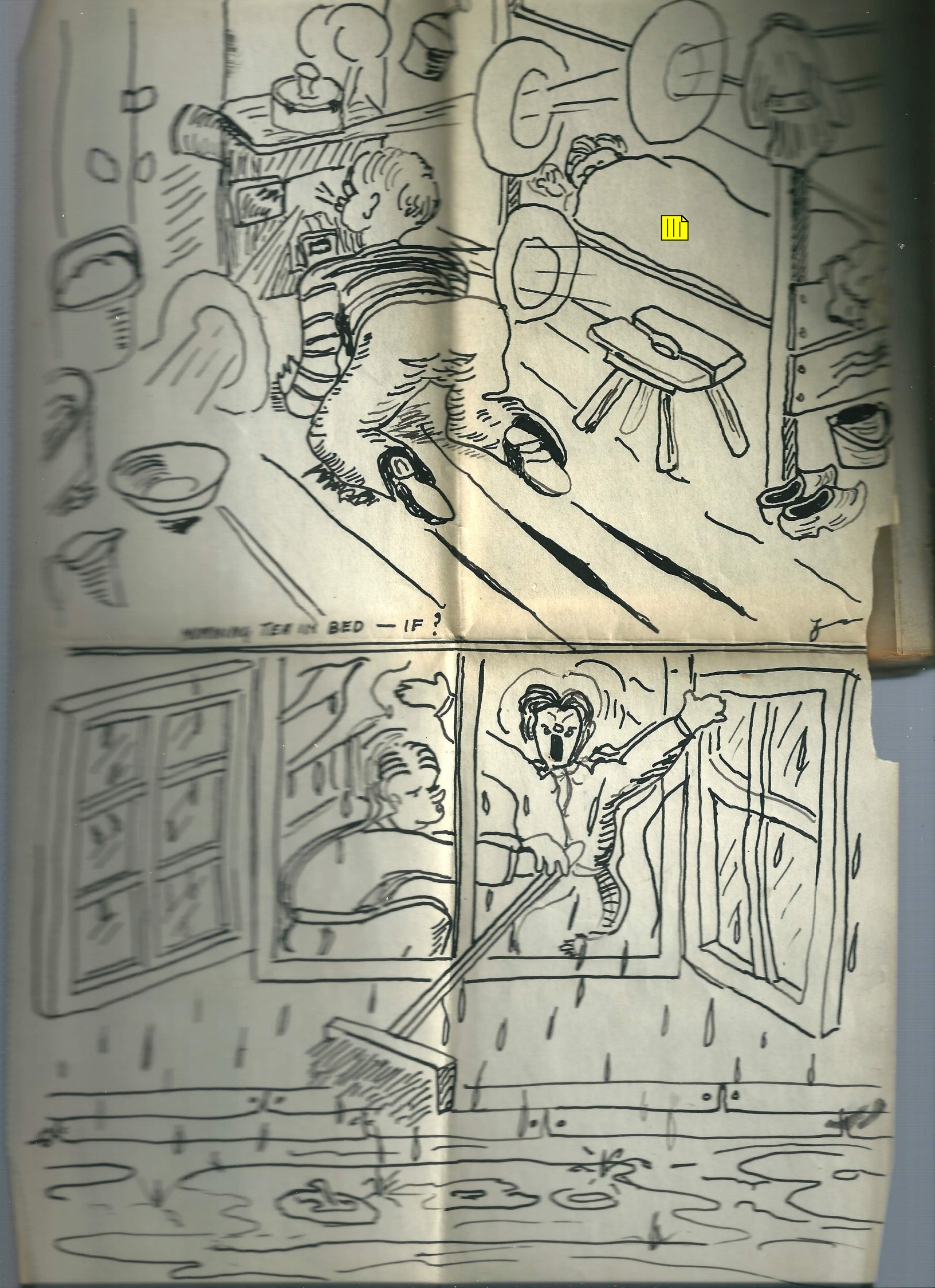




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Orderlies

A Wounded Military Merchant Gunner
In hospital at Rennes (France)

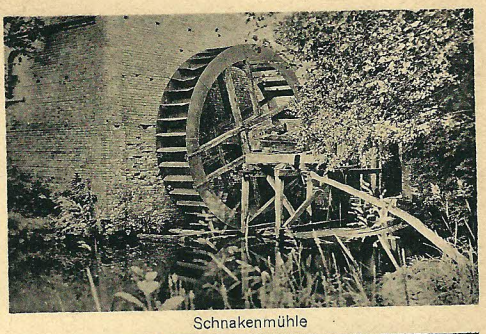
CHILDREN'S BOOKS


TEA IN BED — IF ?

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Kaufhaus H. Kroning


Schnakenmühle


Dorfstraße


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Gruß aus Westerlimke

To the Lager

Sandbostel

5 months spent here

Arrived April 7 /41
Left August 29 /41



Sandbostel Lager 1941

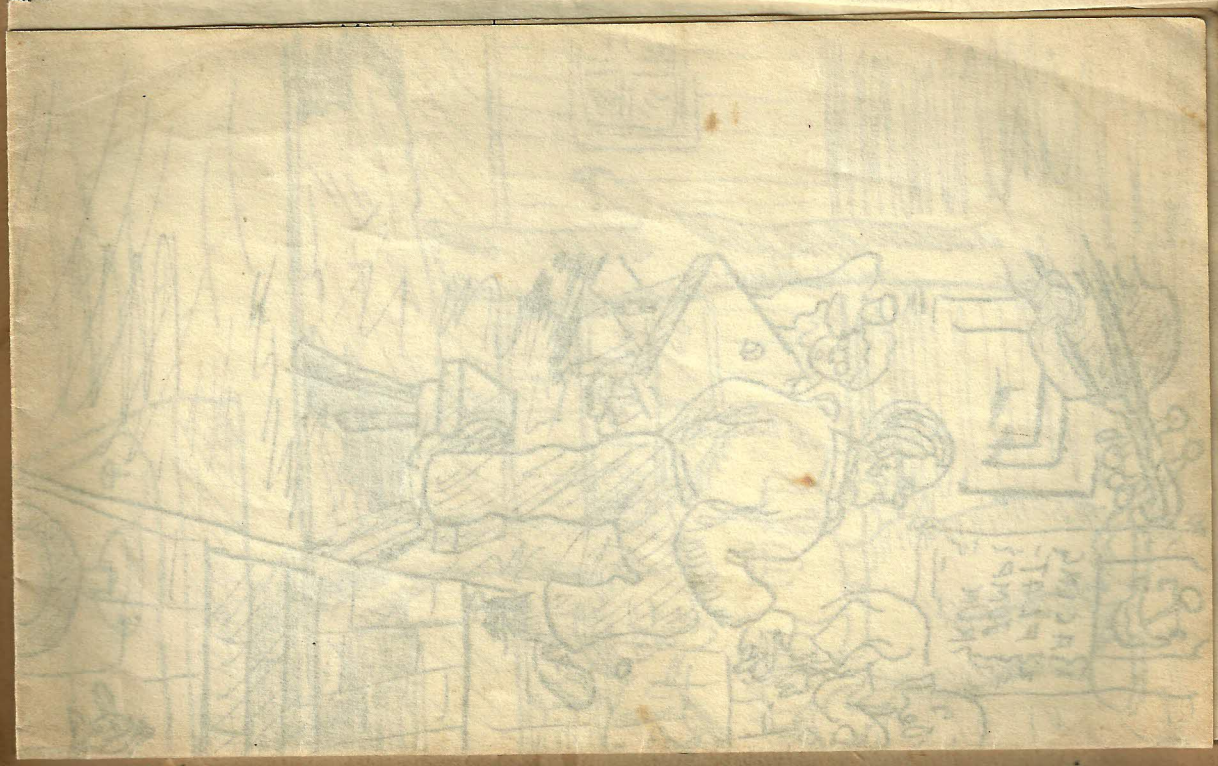
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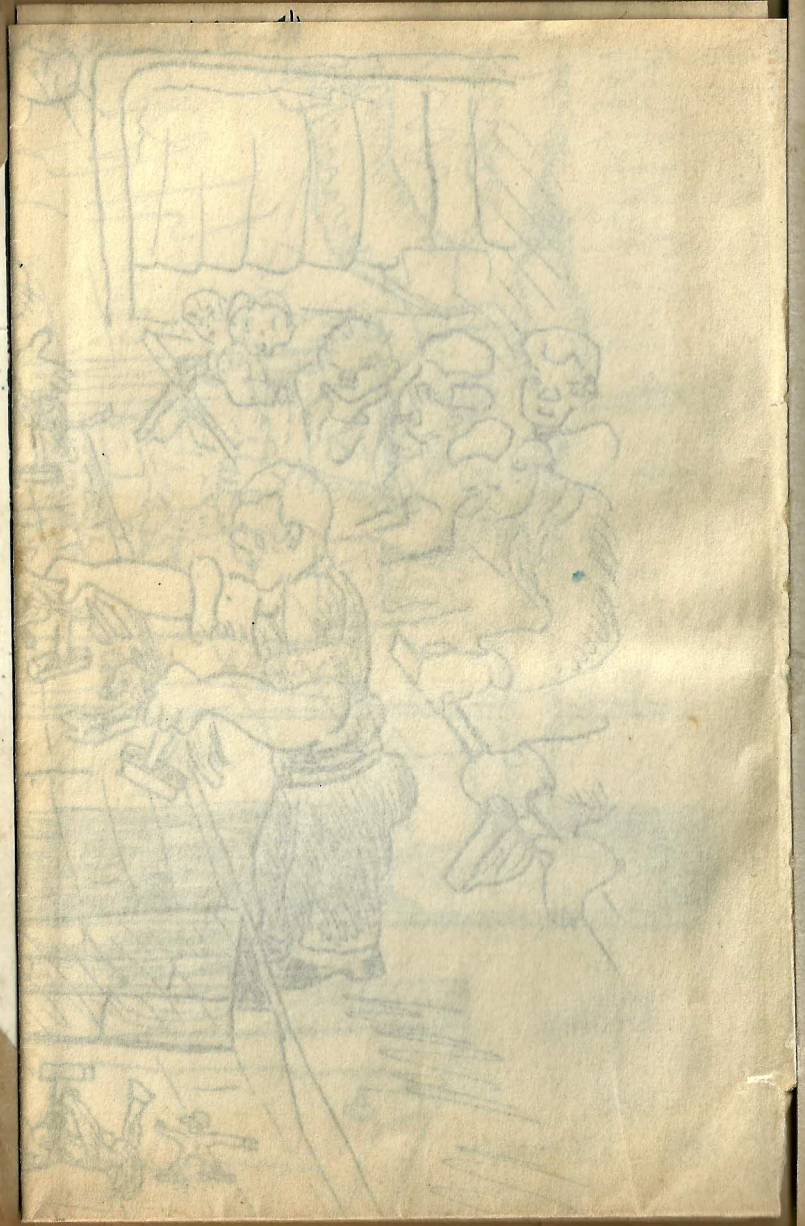
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Holiday at Hitlers Exspence

The hungry Faces



Western Ink



Hull. England

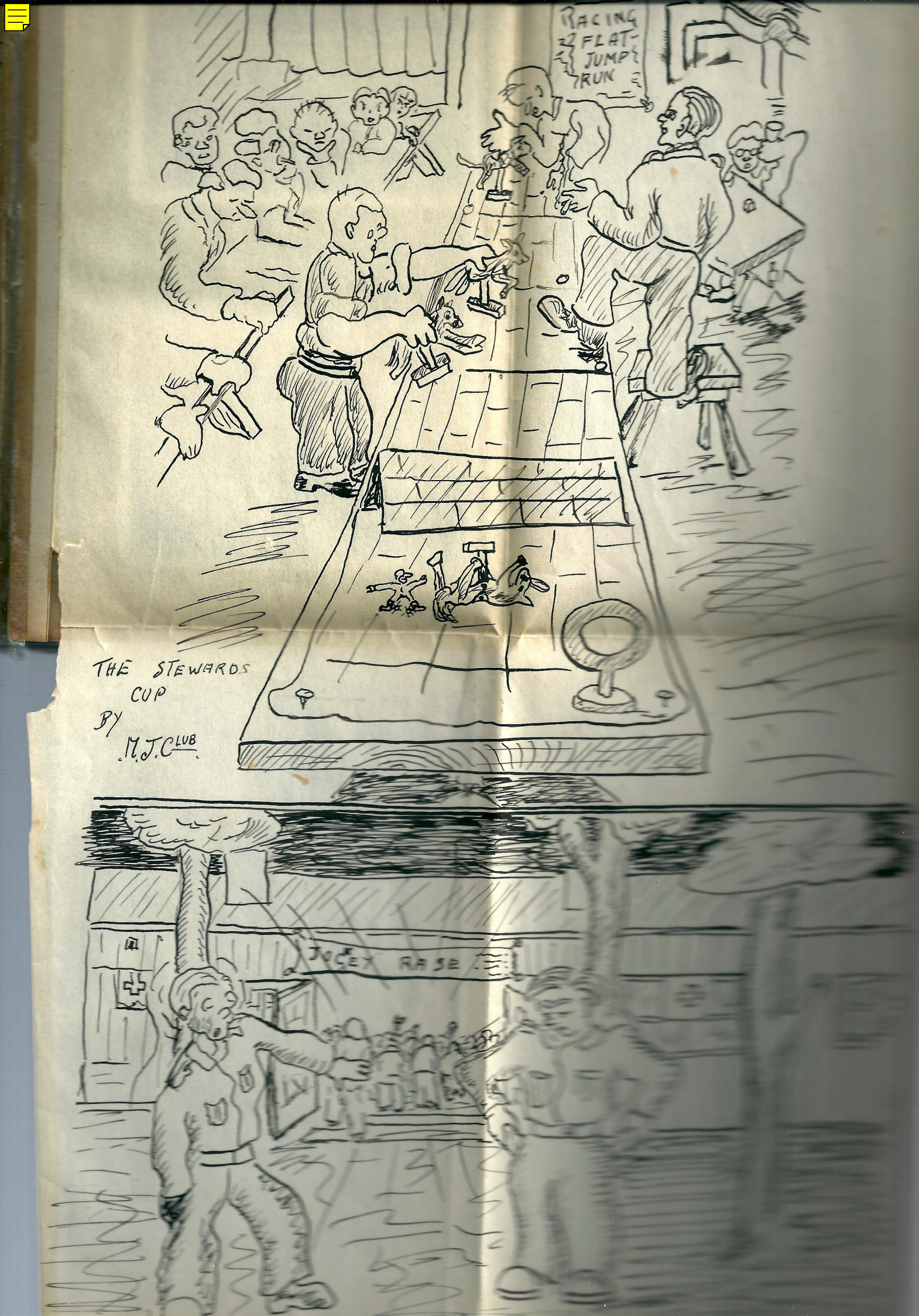


Fishing Vessel "Artic Queen" (laid up)

"T.S.S. Port Auckland"



Shipping Seas N. Atlantic


RACING
FLAT-
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THE STEWARDS
CUP
BY
M.J.C CLUB
JOCKEY RACE

KIRCHTIMKE
GERMANY



FARM WORKERS
RUSSIAN GIRLS

NEWMARKET
ENGLAND



RECEIVED APRIL 1943
SISTER ELISE

KIRCHTIMKE



FARMING

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Working Farming
Returning to Lager

Kirchhinke



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Our Camp Money while G.C.s:

Kriegsgefangenen-Lagergeld Nr. 7449477

Gutschein über 10 Reichsmark

Dieser Gutschein gilt nur als Zahlungsmittel für Kriegsgefangene und darf von ihnen nur innerhalb der Kriegsgefangenenlager oder bei Arbeitskommandos in den ausdrücklich hierfür bezeichneten Verkaufsstellen verausgabt und entgegengenommen werden. Der Umtausch dieses Gutscheines in gesetzliche Zahlungsmittel darf nur bei der zuständigen Kasse der Lagerverwaltung erfolgen. Zuwiderhandlungen, Nachahmungen und Fälschungen werden bestraft.

Der Chef des Oberkommandos der Wehrmacht

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Der Chef des Oberkommandos der Wehrmacht

Im Auftrage:

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Kirchhinke

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Kriegsgefangenen-Lagergeld 4 · 1620821

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Im Auftrage:

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The contents of this parcel are a gift from the Sick and Wounded Fund of the Joint Council of the Order of St. John and the New Zealand Red Cross Society.

Marlag und Milag Nord
January 12 1942
Germany
1½ months Captured



WITH THE BEST CHRISTMAS WISHES
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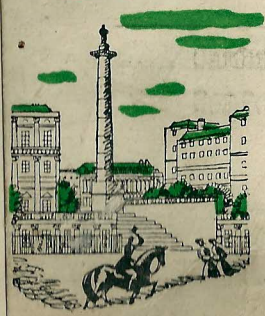
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...Ward.
...CIGARETTES
...3d Feb. 1942

PRISONERS PARCELS
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WAR ORGANISATION
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PURE CHOCOLATE

FIRST PRIVATE PARCELS RECEIVED AFTER 15 MONTH



Form 1631-K
May 1941

American Red Cross

Standard Package No. 6
for
Prisoner of War
FOOD

CONTENTS:

Evaporated Milk, irradiated	1 14½ oz. can
Lunch Biscuit (hard-tack)	1 8 oz. package
Cheese	1 8 oz. package
Instant Cocoa	1 8 oz. tin
Sardines	1 15 oz. can
Pork Meat	1 12 oz. tin
Corned Beef	1 12 oz. tin
Sweet Chocolate	2 6 oz. bars
Sugar, Granulated	1 4 oz. package
Powdered orange concentrate (Vitamin C)	1 7 oz. package
Prunes	1 16 oz. package
Instant Coffee	1 4 oz. can
Cigarettes	2 20's
Smoking Tobacco	1 2¼ oz. package



A cuckoo is a bird that lays others birds eggs in its own nest and viva voce.

Here's a rattling good luck
And roaring good cheer.
With lashings of food,
And hogs heads of beer

An old lady sat in a railway carriage and opposite her was an American soldier, chewing gum. The old lady watched his revolving jaws very intently for some time. At last she bent over and said: "Excuse me, young man, you must think me very rude for not answering, but I am very deaf."

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"If he's bothering you, just let me know!"

This is to my very good friends of mine prison camp in Germany by name of Mr G. Ashman. Hope is to write you the best and speediest way home to your people nearest & your heart and may you never want for any thing the same as you did in your first months of imprisonment in Germany from Mr W A Burdett.

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	8/10/44.									12
31	Eßkarte									13
30	Komp. ..... Kart.-Nr.									14
29	Ausweis für Monat: Barracks 5 / 18									15
28	Name: G. Ashman 90023									16
	Für richtige Lieferung									
27	....., Wirtsch.-Unteroffizier									17
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These cards supplied FOR Midday MEALS. ONLY MEAL.



WHEN WE get that way

Camp Greyhound Racing

Owners and Dogs

Heat. 5.

1	Mr Ashman's	Highbury.
2	Mr Grant's	Racketeer.
3	Mr Charles'	Old Burt.
4	Mr Smith's	Thunderer.
5	Mr Coker's	Double. Duty.
6	Mr Le Blancs'	Invasion.

Played such as: 6 Heats, each having 6 runners. 7th race being Finnh winner of each heat taking part.

Entrance Fee 15 R.M. each.
Winners received 30 R.M. each.
Winner of Finnh received 200 R.M.
Meetings Tuesdays 6-15 pm West Hill
Played with two dice.
One represent dog. other number of squares to move. Betting Totterlisator
Racket as every thing in Milag

I've been in some queer places
But this one beats the band
There's a lovely stretch of barred wire
And miles of bloomin' sand

There's lookout towers in every corner
And postens on parade
And yet for all their vigilance
They cannot stop the trade

A chicken cost us a coffee
Two packets to be exact
Eggs come here by the hundreds
That's shure a Blooming Fact

Now if you're feeling hungry
Just trade your life with me
You can have the bloomin' hager
I'd sooner be at sea



Contents of Canadian POW Parcels

1 Lb Biscuits	1 Lb Butter
1 Lb Milk (Dried)	1 Lb Jam, or Marmalade,
1 Lb Corned beef	1 Lb Ham Roll
½ Lb Salmon	7 ozs Raisins
¼ Lb Tea or Coffee	¼ Lb Sugar
¼ Lb Prunes	2 ozs Sardines
2 ozs Cheese	2 ozs Soap (Toilet)
½ Lb Chocolate	

Contents of English POW Parcels

1 Lb Meat Roll	1 Lb Cottage pie
½ Lb Bacon	½ Lb Salmon
½ Lb Margarine	½ Lb Oatmeal
½ Lb Carrots	14 ozs Milk (Condensed)
¼ Lb Sugar	2 ozs or ¼ Lb Tea, or Coffee,
¼ Lb Cocoa	1 Lb Jam
½ Lb Biscuits	½ Lb dried Fruit
2 ozs Cheese	1 ozs Salt

English Parcels vary quite a lot
Some are good (Northern Parcels preferred

1945

To start the year, and a month before: Coal issue Stopped: 1 box of green wood weekly. wood issue Stopped: Each week from every room 1 man allowed to carry dead wood from forest on his

1 Pair Wooden shoes. 1 Pair Foot Rags (socks)
1 Belgium Army Coat. 1 Wood Wool Undervest
1 French Navvy Shirt. 1 Wood Wool Underpants
1 Norwegian Riding Breeches (Green and big)
1 Dutch uniform Jacket (old) or French.
1 French Army forage hat.
1 Mattress Filled with Woodwool (hard)
1 Pillow " " "
2 Blankets made of wool (wood)

German Rations

½ or 250 grams of Black Bread (last 2 K.G.
½ pt of Soup (Turnips and potatoes stewed)
½ Lb to ¼ Lb of Potatoes
Log of Margarine
1 Tablespoonfull of Jam, honey, or cheese.
1 Tablespoonfull of Sugar

Fuel

1941. 2 boxes of Coal, or briquettes, Weekly for each room 22 men
1943 one box of Coal, for each room Weekly 18 men reduced
1943 1 box of Coal, briquettes, slack, or Coke, not to regular
1944 1 box of Coal, slack, or Coke, not to regular

Continued

DDEAR JACK. You were missing a month so I got married
2 The first lot of rafts arrived home terribly maimed hope you are with the next one.
3 Your mother just showed me your bank balances Boy oh boy was it good.
4 A P.O.W received a pullover (via Red Cross) wrote a card thanking sender (woman) he received a reply Dear Sir I am sorry you received the pullover as I meant it for a man who is with the Active FORCES
5 If your skates have arrived only go where the water is shallow in case you fall in.
6 Keep your chin up, you will soon be home back to sanity.
7 I am so glad you met some nice boys, hope the Germans keep you there.
8 You will wake up one morning to find the 8th army at your gates.
9 You needn't worry about nice girl friends as decent girls are few and far between.
10 Sandals are very hard to obtain here so I am sending you the coupons to buy them yourself.
11 A Sunday school teacher asked Mary "who made her" she replied originally or recently?
12 I am on my honeymoon so like you I am in captivity.
13 I hope you are having a good time but I expect it's a little boring on the inside looking outside.
14 The Black Georgette is still waiting for you when you come home "
15 Last week I took MA to the flicks and a Canadian soldier tried to get off with her was I disappointed

16 And now from the sublime to the ridiculous! your mother came to see me last week
17 Darling don't say you feel so sad till I get home. I will make you feel youthful.
18 I am so glad you were shot down before flying became too dangerous.
19 My dear I am enclosing a postal order so you can buy some chocolate.
20 In your letter you asked for slippers what colour do you really care for.
21 Very lucky today I obtained a tin of salmon
22 The insects after I have you describing your camp were obliterated.
23 (letter to P.o.W shot down 1918) Sorry you were shot down so early in the war.
24 Darling I hope you are staying true to me
25 I hope you are behaving yourself at the dances and not drinking too much !!!
26 From P.o.W. to Wife Darling I have just had a baby, but don't worry the U.S.A officer is sending you some cigarettes weekly (P.o.W. 2 years)
27 letter from Mother. I wasn't at home when news came you were missing, which you will agree is a blessing.
28 From Ex girl friend. My sympathy is with all you lads that is why I am writing.
29 I warned all my original friends. To beware when you step off the train.
30 I hope you haven't transferred you affections
31 Can you buy beer over there or do you all wine.
32 Joe is still in Stalag VIII can you pop round and see him.

33 ebie all German girls good dancers
34 I sent your P.P. on Friday. I put it in mince pies, and cakes, but the Red Cross returned it.
35 (letter from Wife) how are you Mr. and P.N. keeping.
36 (Wife to P.o.W.) I am going to Kent in 2 weeks for a holiday do you mind? let me know
37 From girl in U.S.A. I have a grandmother in Germany have you met her yet.
39 Hope you are going easy on your pocket money
40 (letter from lost gut friend) I have just married your father! love Mother.
41 Miss ..... has just had a baby. I dont know what the place is coming to.
42 Darling please write more often as I adore the way in which you print.
43 to P.o.W. shot down 2 yrs ago have you seen the latest film. (CANTEEN STAGE DOOR)

CHRISTMAS CARDS

"The Camp" hoped this year as well to be able to print Christmas cards for prisoners-of-war. A number of our best artists had been kind enough to send in designs. Unfortunately, however, one of the last air-raids on Berlin destroyed the paper we had ear marked for the purpose, so that the idea has had to be given up. We thank all artists for their co-operation. We have used some of the designs to decorate our Christmas number.

"This England never did, nor never shall,
Lie at the proud foot of a conqueror.....
Come the three corners of the World in arms,
And we shall shock them! Nought shall make us rue,
If England to itself do rest but true."

from "King John" (Act V) ~
William Shakespeare.

Best Wishes for a Speedy and Happy Return to your own. Edward H. Millen
Sgt. R.A.S.C.
25. 2. 45.
Milan.

Lads in Mihag From Boitsfort. Belgium

A. Bunker Groenendael Hoeylaert Jockey

John Henry Grun Brabant Belgum

Chas. De Groenendael Hoeylaert Belgium Jockey

J Follett - Groenendael - Hoeylaert



From Sept 1944 we were recieving 1 parcel every second week up to (Febuary) or rather March 5th 45 New Years day heavy raid in vincity we noticed 4 bombers come down mostly all men baled out nearest landing 20 yds from camp.

German rations reduced to 296 grams of black bread per day (5 and 6 men to a loaf roughly (2 K.G.)

Fuel issue very bad, coal, and Brickettes, stopped long ago. issue being less than ½ cwt of green wood weekly to each room (16 men). January 12 now fuel stopped. Only means of obtaining it was arrangments made by us, and Germans, to allow one man from each room weekly to go out in the forests and pick up the dead wood. but no means of transport given (meaning we had to carry it best we could).

January 15 Repatriates left for home, also American Merchant Seaman. about 200 all told. (But dogs boys again left behind)

Rations again reduced 282 grams of bread per day also all other rations

February 13 All men (Gefs) working outside camps duties stopped. owing to the evacuees coming from fighting fronts (and plenty of them)

filling Stalag arrival of 4000 civilians, and 900 Naval Ratings, (which made a change, new faces in our 4 years of Stalag).

February 12 arrival at Lafft Lager of 2,000 R.A.F. Officers from East Prussia (battle area).

Camp strength now Stalag 3,500: Stalag 4,000: Lafft 2,000: Arbeit Lager 600: Dulag 40:

February 22 3 bombs dropped just off Camp SE

February 26. An plane machinegunned Camp Dead outside few yards from Camp.

Water to be off every other day from 11 AM. also lights, to be off every other day. didn't really matter as very little did we see of the lights always off during air raids. roughly 2 or more a day.

March 1st (Best day in the Camp plenty of happy faces) Arrival of 53,000 American parcels. food. usual greetings one could hear every corner of Camp "Again we smoke; again we eat," "soon be over now." "just about be in time to go to Japan;"

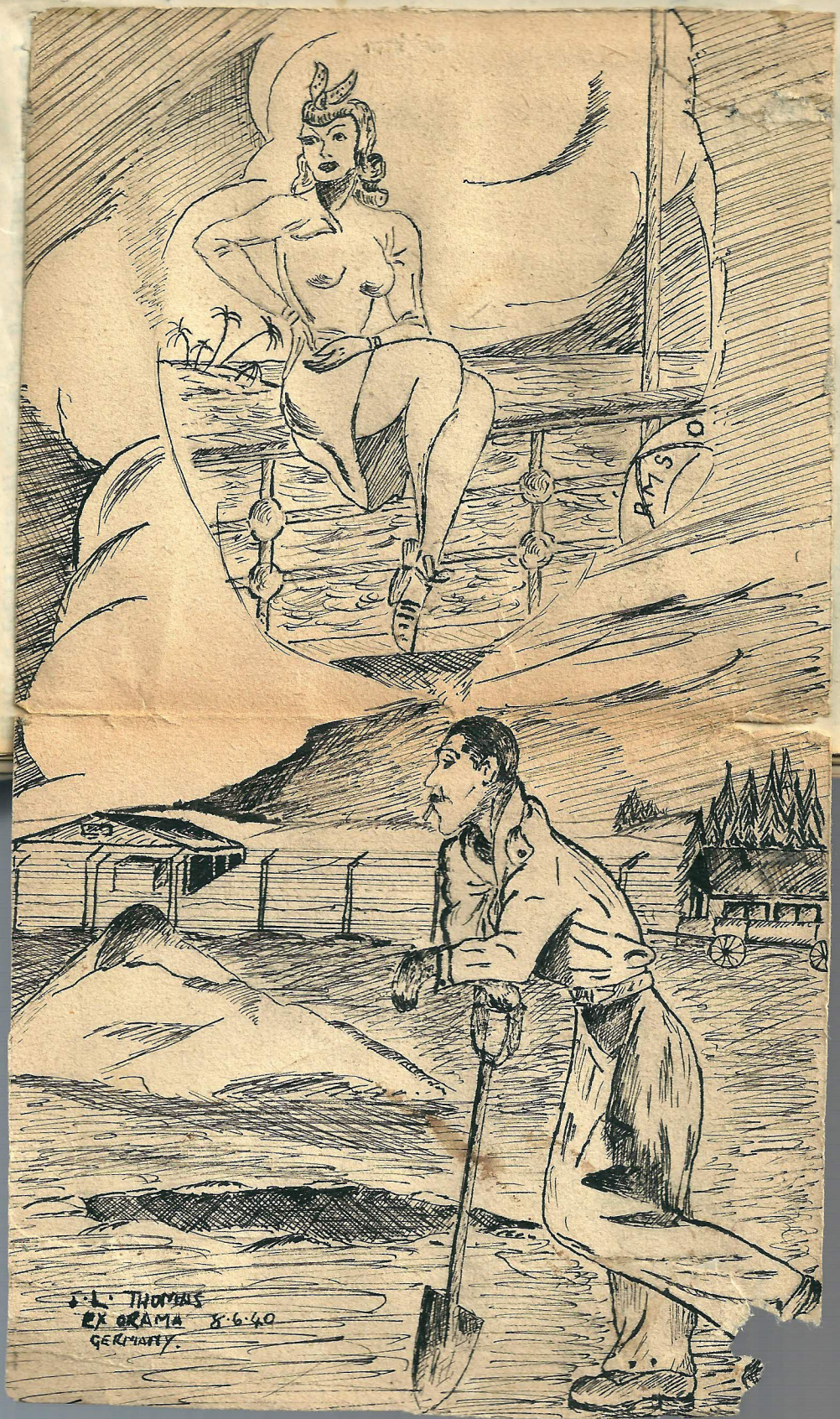
March 5. issue of parcels weekly. every body sincerely hoping for arrival of more, as now only enough until week beginning March 27th.

March 16.

Cut in German rations 225 grams of bread daily also everything other comodity: not enough rations to allow us soap (water) every day (only every 2 days) Potatoes 6 ozs PER MAN PER day

April 7 Heavy gun fire all round. plane attacks
April 8 Heavy gun fire in vicinity. Guards left for good
all German surplus stores carted away to Cuxhaven
3.0 appel announcement Navy to leave on march
to Lubeck Merchant Navy to be handed over to
British troops an continuing Camp. lads at pulling
down barred wire and walking around villages
Heavy german transport on roads by Camp
Heavy raid on Hamburg. Hannover and Bremen.
April 9. our force on march: Navy officers and Navy ratings
as they could catch them: 700 ratings in camp only
212 went on march other in hiding.
Mustangs planes machine gunned German transport
on road 100 yds from Camp
April 10 11. 12. 13. 14. 15 etc. Machine gunning roads around the
Camp Tarmstedt: explosion also m.g.d. N.W. Corner
of Milag plenty cannon shells left in camp:
April 19 Again Germans evacuated Camp. report our
troops at Sittensen. 22 Km from Camp. R.N.'s hope
over Camp. plenty activity during night.
April 20 2.30 p.m. bomb fell in the Camp. cut barrack
in half 4 men killed 21 injured.
April 21 - 24 Shells all around the Camp bursting quite
close. German tanks alongside the Camp firing at
the boys (Milag. front line) every body dug in. upper part of Camp
evacuated. Milag under fire started at 4 p.m. good as any
front line. act tank seen advancing on Milag arrived
Camp at Midnight
April 25. Tanks division came in Camp early. put up flags
at 11.11.11. Last day of our lives.
Now all quite Milag front line hope




J. L. THOMAS
EX ORAMA 8.6.40
GERMANY.

Train Journey To Germany From Boardeax

Lager "St Medard en Jalles" Staleg Frontier

3rd April 1941 boarded train at 11 am, left at 1·30pm 2·5pm 2·55 Stopped at Boardeax marshalling yard: 3·40 3·55pm at Boardeax Station Lormont: 4·30pm Hibourne: 5·0 Leourtras 5·20pm Chalais: 6·40 Angouteme: 7·50pm Chateauneuf 8·40pm Cognac: 9·30pm Saintes: ------

4 April 1941

6·30am Cheno: 7·0am Chateaudu-loir 12·0 Minced Charbis (First food since start of journey soup small ladle) left 2·15pm Jooy: Maintenon: 2·55pm Epermon: 3·15 Rambouillet: 3·50pm Arr Krappe marshalling yard left 4·0pm: 4·35pm Plair Gignon: 7·50pm Beynes: Mauhe: 8·30pm Elizabethville: 8·45 Les Mureaux 9·0pm Bissy:

5 April 1941

1 am Beauchamp Compeign: 3·0 am Lergnier: 4·0 am Bra Busigny Dept 4·40am: 7·45 Hornechy: 8·30 Haleteau: 8·50 Handreceis: 9·15am Aulnoye: Hautmonte: Haman: Bois-le-Bois: 11·40 Mauberge: 11·55 Jeumonte: 12·20pm (Crossed Franco. Belge. frontier) 12·25 Erquelines

Fontaine: Vilmoreti: 1·0pm Lobbles: 1·10 Landelines: St. Martin: la Sambre: H/S arr Charleroi dep: 4·20pm (Received soup one loaf per man) Tamines: Auvelais: Hamsur: Sambre: Floreffe: (Bridge being repaired) 6·10pm Namur: Andenne: Seilles: 7·0pm Huy 7·45pm Vak-St. Lamberti Dep: 8·30pm

6 April 1941 Holland (Germany)

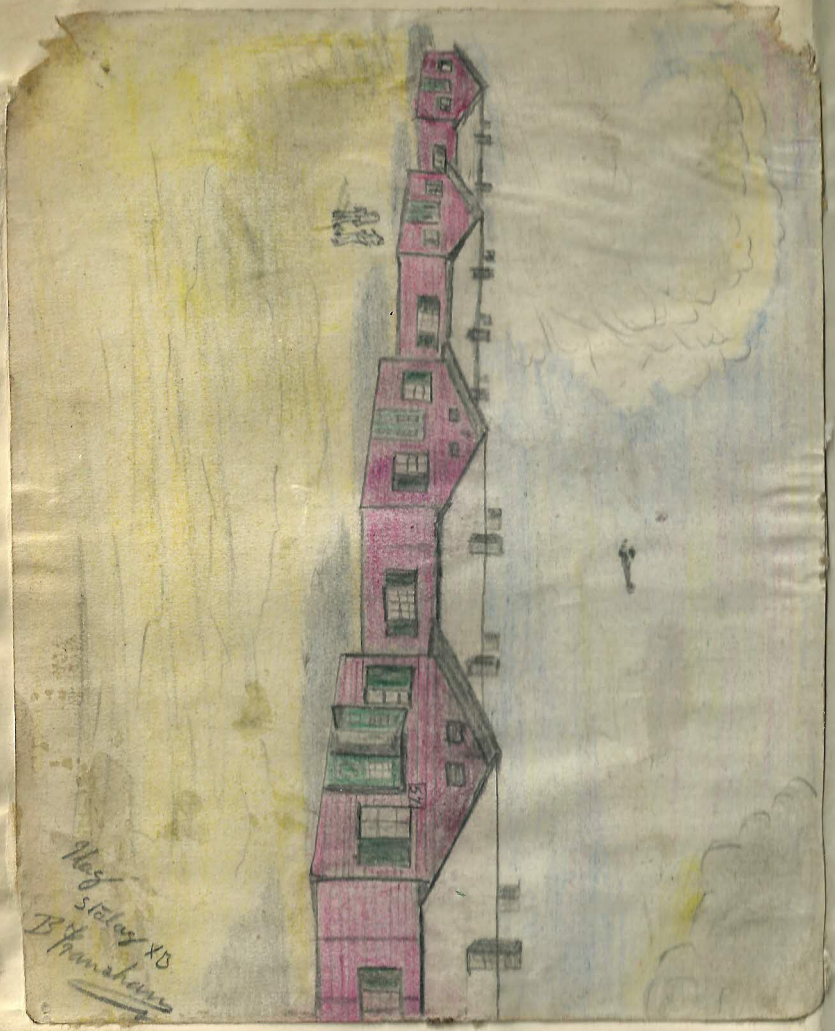
2·20 to 2·45 am Maastricht 4·0am to 11 am Aachen (Received Bread 3 men to loaf and ¼ lb of meat)

Kolscheide: Herzogenath: Palenberg: Gelienkirchen: Lindern: Brachen: Baal: Erkelenly: Herrath: Wickrath: Rheydt: 12·40pm. Dusseldorf: Neanderthal Mettman: Dornap Hahenfurth: 2·55pm Bephattellevert 5·5pm Hohenyaberg: Hennbruck: Wicklenhausen: Schwelm: Sevelsberg: West hoppen: Steinhausen: Schwerte: Ruhr: Liedbrack: 5·50pm Unna: Bonen: 6·20pm W. Hamm: 8·0pm Munster: Brech: Ausbeuer Lengerech: 9·30pm Arr Osnabruck.

7 April 1941

6·0 am Arr Bremenvorde. Walked to Lager 14 k.m. Sandbostel (Stalag X.B) 11AG Section

At this Lager 5 months



Argentinier		Malayen	
Chilenen		Philippiner	
Am.W.=Ind.			
Br.W.=Ind.			
Fr.W.=Ind.			
Br. Ostind.			
Frz. Indien			

Komp. Führer


RACING
FLAT
JUMP
RUNIN



C Form 1629
Rev. Oct. 1943

AMERICAN RED CROSS

RECEIPT FOR PRISONER OF WAR PACKAGE, NO. 10

(Last Name) (First and Middle Names) (Rank)

(Number) (Prison Camp) (Country)

I have received today one food package through THE AMERICAN NATIONAL RED CROSS and the International Red Cross Committee.

(Signed).....

Nationality..... Date.....





Piloto



Radiotelegrafista de a bordo



Observador



Mecánico y tirador (Sin rayo)



Distintivo de combate de la artillería antiaérea para acciones destacadas y repetida intervención eficaz en acciones victoriosas



Distintivo conmemorativo para aviadores



Distintivo de lucha terrestre
Este es concedido únicamente a soldados que, luchando en primera línea, intervinieron valientemente en por lo menos tres acciones realizadas en días diferentes



Distintivo de paracaidista

Ships of Royal Navy represent at Narvig Nord

H.M.S	Glorious	Air Craft Carrier
H.M.S	Eagle	" " "
H.M.S	Ghouster	Cruiser
H.M.S	Rawalpindi	Auxiliary Cruiser
H.M.S	Voltaire	" "
H.M.S	Vandycke	" "
H.M.S	Malverniau	" "
H.M.S	Glowworm	Destroyer
H.M.S	Ivanhoe	"
H.M.S	Hunter	"
H.M.S	Venetia	"
H.M.S	Valentine	"
H.M.S	Greyhound	"
H.M.S	Express	"
H.M.S	Esk	"
H.M.S	Saracen	"
H.M.S	Hereward	"
H.M.S	Sikh	"
H.M.S	Phoebe	"
H.M.S	Foresight	"
H.M.S	Seal	
H.M.S	Shark	Submerine
H.M.S	Star Fish	"
H.M.S	Spear Fish	"
H.M.S	Undine	"
H.M.S	H L 9	"
H.M.S	Sabib	"
H.M.S	Splendid	"
H.M.S	Oswald	"
H.M.S	Triton	Submerine Greece
H.M.S	3 submermine	chasers
U.S.N.	3 M T B	Boats America
H.M.S	1 M T B	Boat
H.M.S	1 Juniper	Escort Vessel

Merchant Ships at Milag Nord 9.6.1944 (Survivors)

Caldew	27.9.39	Boston Deep Sea Fishing Company		8
Frieda Horn	28.9.39	German Owner		1
Brott	6.10.39	Norwegian Owners		1
Schie	2.11.39	Dutch Owners		1
Thistlebrae	9.4.40	Alwyn Black and Co. Ltd		24
Romanby	9.4.40	Ropner Bros Hartlepool		11
Riverton	9.4.40	Chapman Bros Newcastle		9
Blythmoor	9.4.40	Runcian Lines	"	3
Mersington Court	9.4.40	Court Lines (Haldin & Co)		4
Salmon pool	3.5.40	Ropner Bros		24
Scientist	3.5.40	T & J Harrison Liverpool		21
Saherno	3.5.40	Ellerman Wilson Line Hull		15
Ovatella	4.5.40	Anglo Saxon Pet Co		1
Eitesjeld	23.5.40	Norwegian Owners		1
Ulster Queen	24.5.40	Amalgamated Coast Lines Ltd		2
Oil Pioneer	2.6.40	J. Rapp & Sons London		6
Orama	8.6.40	Orient S.N.Co London		240

King Oscar	9.6.40	Finnish Owners		1
Lady of Man	12.6.40	Manx S.S Co Ltd (Doughas Bros)		1
British Petrol	15.6.40	British Tanker Co		34
Anchor Line	23.6.40	Anchor Line Ltd Glasgow		1
Scawfell	1.4.40	Isle of Mann Steampacket Co		1
Harnattan	1.4.40	Harrison Ltd London		1
Delambre	4.4.40	Lamport Holt Ltd Liverpool		38
Davisian	10.4.40	T & J Harrison Ltd Liverpool		5
Mallard	10.4.40	Genark Stern Nav: Co London		2
City of Bagdad	11.4.40	Ellerman City Line	Glasgow	39
Hammendine	13.4.40	P. Henderson	"	45
King John	13.4.40	Dodds Thompson	London	5
Gracefield	14.4.40	R. E. Sutton	Newcastle	33
Wendover	16.4.40	Watts Watts Co	London	32
Eugenie Livanos	24.4.40	Livanos & Co	Greece	2
Pandia	29.4.40	Finnish Owners		1
Doningo de Larrinaga	31.4.40	Larrinaga Bros	Liverpool	24
British Fame	12.8.40	B. T. C. Co		1

Kastlehohm	18 · 8 · 40	Swedish Owners		2
Turakina	20 · 8 · 40	New Zealand Shipping Co		18
British Commander	24 · 8 · 40	B. T. C. Co		34
Cymbeline	2 · 9 · 40	Bowring Bros	Liverpool	14
Luminach	4 · 9 · 40	Limerick S S Co	"	2
Benavon	12 · 9 · 40	Thompsons Ltd	Leith	4
Silvan	26 · 9 · 40	Swedish Owners		2
Matia	8 · 10 · 40	Royal Mail Lines Ltd	London	60
Hopan	5 · 11 · 40	Elders & Fyffes Ltd	Liverpool	40
Teddy	8 · 11 · 40	Norwegian Owners		4
Autonedon	11 · 11 · 40	Blue Funnel Line	"	35
Nowshera	18 · 11 · 40	British India S.N. Co	London	103
Malmor	20 · 11 · 40	Shaw Savill Albion Line	"	51
Port Brisbane	21 · 11 · 40	Port Line Ltd	"	50
Port Hobart	24 · 11 · 40	Port Line Ltd	"	41
Rangitane	26 · 11 · 40	New Zealand S. Co.	"	42
Port Wellington	30 · 11 · 40	Port Line Ltd	"	59
Tribesman	1 · 12 · 40	T. J. Harrison Ltd	Liverpool	63
Triona	6 · 12 · 40	British Phosphate Com:	Australia	8
Triaster	8 · 12 · 40	" "	"	13
Triadic	8 · 12 · 40	" "	"	11
Annastasia	18 · 12 · 40	Greek Owners		6
Duquesa	18 · 12 · 40	Furness Holder Line		45
Antonios	6 · 1 · 41	Greek Owners		1
British Union	18 · 1 · 41	B. T. C. Co Ltd		24
Sandyford	18 · 1 · 41	Norwegian Owners		5
Barneveld	20 · 1 · 41	Dutch Owners		8
Stanpark	20 · 1 · 41	Bilmeir & Co	London	21
Mandasor	24 · 1 · 41	T & J Brocklebank	Liverpool	64
Arric Star	29 · 1 · 41	Blue Star Line	London	56
Eurylochus	29 · 1 · 41	Blue Funnel Line	Liverpool	4
Spey bank	31 · 1 · 41	Andrew Weir Co	Glasgow	51
Anguhority	5 · 2 · 41	Everards Bros	London	2
Iceland	11 · 2 · 41	Currie Line Ltd	Leith	14
British Advocate	20 · 2 · 41	B. T. C. Co	London	34
Canadian Cruiser	22 · 2 · 41	Bethymnis & Kulundie	London	19

Bantau Pandjang	22 · 2 · 41	K. P. M. Line	Holland	2
A. D. Huff	22 · 2 · 41	International paper Co	Montreal	32
Harlesden	22 · 2 · 41	Harrison Bros	London	30
Kantara	22 · 2 · 41	Moss Hutchinson Line	Liverpool	33
Trekfontein	22 · 2 · 41	Hains S. S. Co. (St Ives)		35
Lustrous	22 · 2 · 41	Moss Tankers Ltd	Newcastle	36
Nailsea Moss	24 · 2 · 41	Evans & Reid	Cardiff	1
Corduff	4 · 3 · 41	W Cory Ltd	London	2
Norman Queen	4 · 3 · 41	British Channel Islands S.S.Co.		1
Athelfoam	15 · 3 · 41	United Molasses Co	London	31
British Strength	15 · 3 · 41	B. T. C. Co	"	43
Simmia	15 · 3 · 41	Anglo Saxon Pet Co	"	18
Polykarp	15 · 3 · 41	Norwegian Owners		2
San Casimiro	15 · 3 · 41	Eagle Oil Transport Co	"	8
Chikaan Reefer	16 · 3 · 41	Blue Funnel Line		2
Granli	16 · 3 · 41	Norwegian Owners		1
Royal Crown	16 · 3 · 41	Hall Bros	London	34
Empire Industry	16 · 3 · 41	Alexander Co	Glasgow	25
Demeterton	16 · 3 · 41	Chapman Bros	Newcastle	28
Silver Fir	16 · 3 · 41	J. S. Tompson (Silver Line)	London	34
Sardinian Prince	16 · 3 · 41	Furness Prince Line	"	34
Agnita	22 · 3 · 41	Anglo Saxon Oil Pet Co	"	11
Britannia	25 · 3 · 41	Anchor Line Ltd		1
Canadolite	25 · 3 · 41	Imperial Oil Co of Canada		38
Aba	29 · 3 · 41	Elder Dempster Co	Liverpool	1
Danube lighter	6 · 4 · 41	Yugo Slavian Owners		2
Craftsman	9 · 4 · 41	T J Harrison	Liverpool	36
Retriever	11 · 4 · 41	Eastern Telegraph Co	London	6
Nicholas D.L.	12 · 4 · 41	Greek Owners		6
Sir E Cassell	16 · 4 · 41	Swedish Owners		2
Zam Zam	14 · 4 · 41	His S S Co Egypt	Alexandria	112
Mangkai	14 · 4 · 41	K M R Line	Holland	1
Marie Mearsk	24 · 4 · 41	Bowring Tankers Co	Liverpool	2
Ulster Prince	25 · 4 · 41	Amalgamated Coast Lines		3
Clan Cunning	28 · 4 · 41	Clan Line Ltd	Glasgow	39

City of Karachi	28	4	41	Ellerman City Line	Glasgow	65
Gorkpara	28	4	41	B. I. S. N. Co	London	5
Rabaul	14	4	41	W. Carpenter Co	Australia	1
Donana	4	5	41	B. I. S. N. Co	London	1
Eleanora Maersk	19	5	41	Bowring Tanker Co	Liverpool	1
Clan Fraser	1	6	41	Clan Line Ltd	Glasgow	3
Hahenia	1	6	41	Yugo Slavian Owners	Y. S.	1
Dalesman	1	6	41	T. & J. Harrison Ltd	Liverpool	26
Logician	1	6	41	" " " "		15
Tottenham	14	6	41	Watts Watts S. S. Co	London	19
Balzac	22	6	41	Lamport Holt Ltd	Liverpool	38
Mareeba	26	6	41	Australiasian U.S.N.Co	Sydney	18
Velebit	26	6	41	Yugo Slavian Owners	Y. S.	2
Chaucer	29	7	41	S. American Saint Line.	London	41
Australind	14	8	41	Trinder Anderson & Co	London	32
Devon	19	8	41	B. I. S. N. Co	London	124
Stanatos Enbiricos	23	9	41	Greek Owners	Greece	19
Rosier	28	10	41	Comber Longstaffe	London	8
Empire Defender	14	12	41	Bilmeir & Co	London	1
Steel Age	6	3	42	United Steel Corp:	New York	1
Empire Ranger	28	3	42	Hains S S Co	St Ives	52
Bateau	28	3	42	United States Line	New York	4
Rockland	28	3	42	U. S. A. Owners		3
Skyttenren	1	4	42	Norwegian Owners		12
Storsten	1	4	42	" "		1
Charente	1	4	42	" "		1
Buccaneer	1	4	42	" "		2
Gemstone	24	5	42	London Russian Owners		1
Stan Vac	6	6	42	Standard oil Co	New Jersey	1
Pontypridd	11	6	42	Merrekh Ltd	Cardiff	1
Etrib	13	6	42	Moss Hutchinson Ltd	Liverpool	2
Willimantic	24	6	42	Lamport Holt Ltd	Liverpool	1
Z 1	1	6	42	Indian Goverment	India	3
Z 29	31	6	42	" "	"	1

Madrona	4	7	42	Norwegian Owners		5
Earlston	5	7	42	Chapman Bros	Newcastle	17
Carlton	5	7	42	Lykes Bros U.S.A.	New Orleans	31
Honolu	5	7	42	Matson Line	San Francisco	6
Santa Rita	9	7	42	Grace Line	New York	1
Shaftsbury	12	7	42	Capper Alexandre	Newcastle	1
Leonides M	19	7	42	Greek Owners	Greece	2
Aronese	19	7	42	Norwegian Owners	Norway	4
Indus	20	7	42	James Nourse & Co	London	46
Olivia	20	7	42	Dutch Owners	Holland	1
Stella Lykes	24	7	42	Lykes Bros	New Orleans	2
Treninnard	2	8	42	Hains S.S. Co	St Ives	1
Haverten	3	8	42	Norwegian Owners	Norway	1
Empire Arnold	4	8	42	Ropner Bros	Hartlepool	1
Rosewie	6	8	42	Polish Owners	Poland	1
Dalhousie	9	8	42	Sutton M.V.'s Co	London	1
Hendenby	9	8	42	Norwegian	Norway	1
Vimeira	12	8	42	Gow Harrison	London	1
Clan Ferguson	12	8	42	Clan Line Ltd	Glasgow	11
Glenorchy	13	8	42	Glen) A. Holt Co	Liverpool	6
Beechwood	26	8	42	Jacobs Tankers Ltd	London	1
Tuscan Star	4	9	42	Blue Star Line	London	1
Laconia	12	9	42	Cunard White Star	Liverpool	2
Trevithey	12	9	42	Hains S.S. Co	St Ives	2
Stone Street	13	9	42	U S A	America	1
Peterton	17	9	42	Chapman Bros	Newcastle	1
Reedpool	20	9	42	Ropner Bros	Hartlepool	1
Roumanie	24	9	42	Belgian Owners	Antwerp	1
Empire Avocet	29	9	42	New Zealand S. Co	London	2
" Zeal	2	11	42	Morrison Ltd	Newcastle	2
" Gilbert	2	11	42	Turner Brightman Co	London	1
Andreas	4	11	42	Greek Owners	Greece	1
City of Cairo	6	11	42	Ellerman City Line	Glasgow	1
Glenlea	7	11	42	Morrison Bros	Newcastle	1

Start Point	10 11 42	W Cory & Co	Cardiff	2	
Caddo	23 11 42	U S A Owners	America	1	
Empire Starling	23 12 42	Holder Bros	London	1	
Washsend	2 12 42	Burnett S.S Co Ltd	Newcastle	1	
Henry Stanley	6 12 42	Elder Dempster Line	Liverpool	1	
Onbikin	12 12 42	K R M Line	Rotterdam	2	
Teesbank	15 12 42	A. Weir Co Ltd	Glasgow	1	
Dona Aurora	25 12 42	Phillipino Owners	Phillipines Is	1	
City of Flint	25 1 43	U S A Owners	America	1	
Cordelia	3 2 43	Bowring Tanker Co	Liverpool	1	
Rhexenor	3 2 43	Blue Funnel Line	Liverpool	1	
Polykton	6 2 43	Greek Owners	Greece	2	
Atlantic Sun	15 2 43	Sun Oil Co	New York	1	
Eukleia	23 2 43	Anglo Sax Co	London	2	
Jon: Sturgess	23 2 43	U S A Owners	America	4	
Madoera	24 2 43	Dutch Owners	Holland	4	
St Margaret	27 2 43	S. American Saint Line	London	1	
California Star	4 3 43	Blue Star Line	London	1	
Marisa	20 3 43	Dutch Owners	Holland	2	
Hohnbury	5 5 43	Clipper Alexander	London	1	
Fort Concord	11 5 43	Barringa Bros	Liverpool	2	
M. Logothetis	15 5 43	Greek Owners	Greece	1	
Keana	7 7 43	Wilhiamson Co	Hong-Kong	1	
Farnhill	7 8 43	Norwegian Owners	Norway	1	
Arezzo	9 9 43	Italian Owners	Italia	3	
Adriana	9 9 43	" "	"	5	
Ascianghi	9 9 43	" "	"	4	
Atlanta	10 9 43	" "	"	3	
Balena	12 9 43	" "	"	1	
Citta Savona	9 9 43	" "	"	3	
Cyclops	9 9 43	" "	"	4	
Celeno	9 9 43	" "	"	3	

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CAPA PINO	12	9	43	ITALIAN	OWNERS	ITALIA	6
CAROLA	11	9	43	"	"	"	3
CORSO FEUGER	10	9	43	"	"	"	2
CHIZIA	10	9	43	"	"	"	1
EDVIGE	10	9	43	"	"	"	3
FUSIYAMA	10	9	43	"	"	"	1
FRISCO	10	9	43	"	"	"	1
GALLINO	9	9	43	"	"	"	2
HIMALAYA	10	9	43	"	"	"	2
IDA	10	9	43	"	"	"	2
LORIS	9	9	43	"	"	"	1
MADDALENA	9	9	43	"	"	"	6
POLCEVERA	12	9	43	"	"	"	1
PIARLUIGI	9	9	43	"	"	"	4
P. ORSEOLO	10	9	43	"	"	"	1
RE ALESSANDRO	10	9	43	"	"	"	

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SALVATORE	9	9	43	"	"	"	3
S. ANTONIA	9	9	43	"	"	"	2
TITAN	9	9	43	"	"	"	1
TARQUINIA	9	9	43	"	"	"	1
TODARO	10	9	43	"	"	"	2
VULCAN	9	9	43	"	"	"	8
VESTA	9	9	43	"	"	"	2
NUOVA IMPERO	9	9	43	"	"	"	1
MARGHERITA	9	9	43	"	"	"	1
PEPPINO	11	9	43	"	"	"	1
PRINIPE UMBERTO	13	9	43	"	"	"	1
MEGELLANO	13	9	43	"	"	"	
DUE FRATELLI	13	9	43	"	"	"	
SIRANGER	24	10	43	CARLSON BROS		NORWAY	1
MASTER STANDFAST	2	11	43	METAL INDUSTRIES LTD			16

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PHEMIUS	19 · 12 · 43	Blue Funnel Line	Liverpool	1
PUNGUE	12 · 3 · 44	Portuguese Owners	Portugal	1

Ships Passed through (Mining) not Represented

AURANIA	Cunard White Star Ltd	Liverpool	1
BRENES	Norwegian Owners	Norway	3
BARON Ogilvey	Baron Line Ltd	Glasgow	1
Costa Rica	U S A Owners	America	4
Glen Roy	Glen Line A. Holt Co	London	1
Harriet	Norwegian Owners	Norway	6
Herborg	Norwegian Owners	Norway	6
Kohinor	Eastern Asiatic Lines	Glasgow	1
Kota Nopan	Finnish Barque	Finland	1
Kosmos	Norwegian Whaler	Norway	250
Krontine	Yugo Slavian Owners	Y. Slavia	1

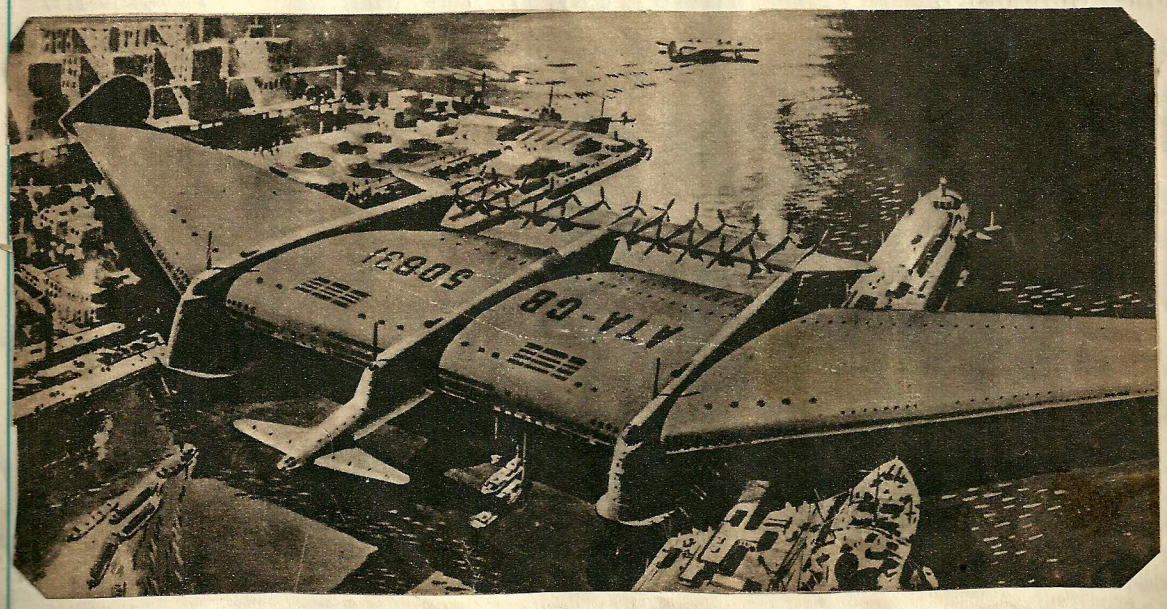
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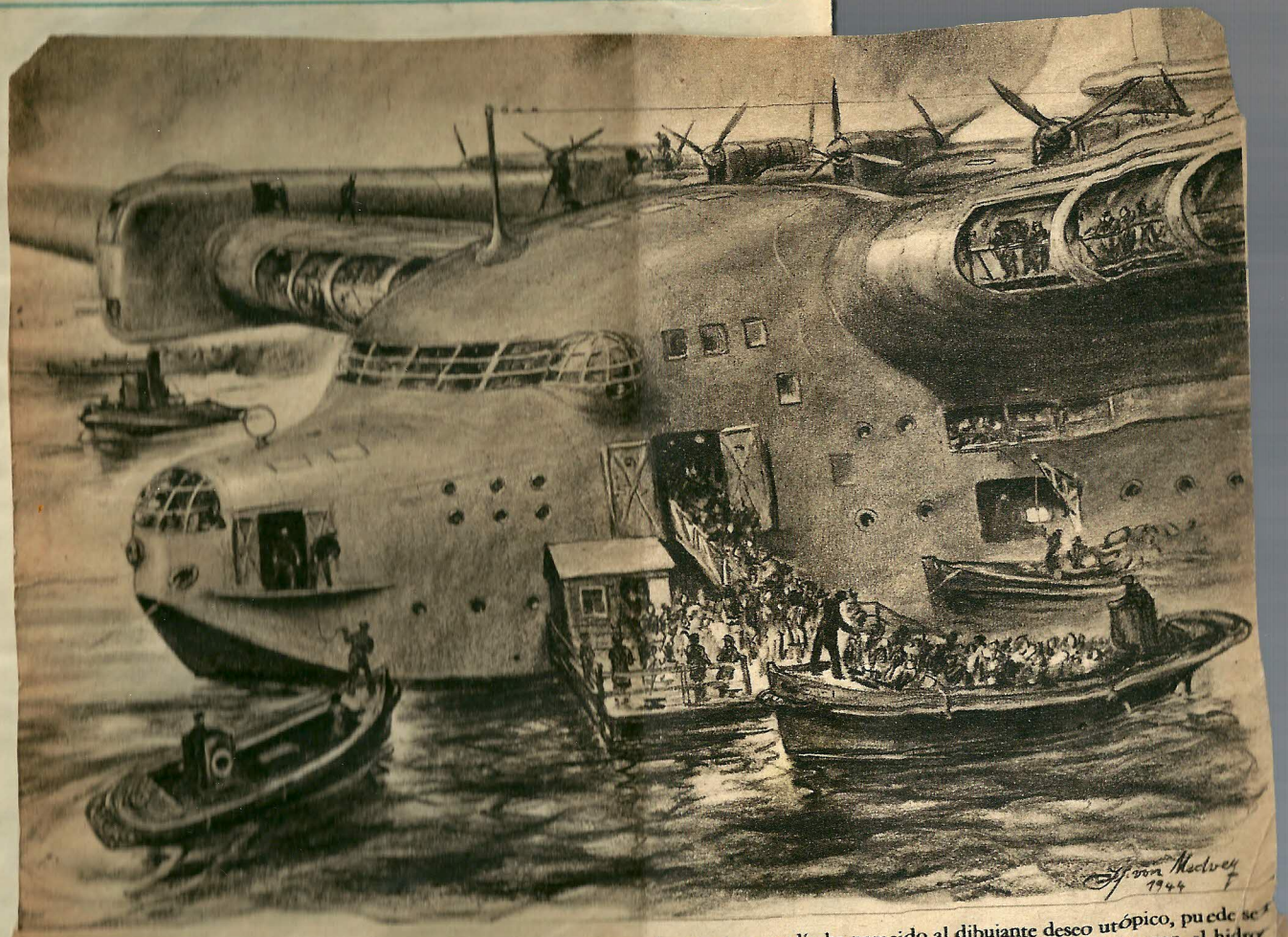
Redhall			1
Silver plein	Norwegian Owners	Norway	5
Santa Margarita	Yugo Slavian Owners	Y Slavia	1
Trollhokan	Swedish Owners	Sweden	10
President Francqui	Belgium Owners	Belgium	5
Kattegat	Swedish Owners	Sweden	7
Malmagar	Norwegian Owners	Norway	6
El Lago	Panama · American Line	America	1
Tortughs	Norwegian Owners	Norway	4
Athel King	United Molass Co Ltd	Liverpool	1
Rock	Sweden Owners	Sweden	1
Jon	Panama Spanish Lines	Spain	2
Malabar	Norwegian Owner	Norway	1

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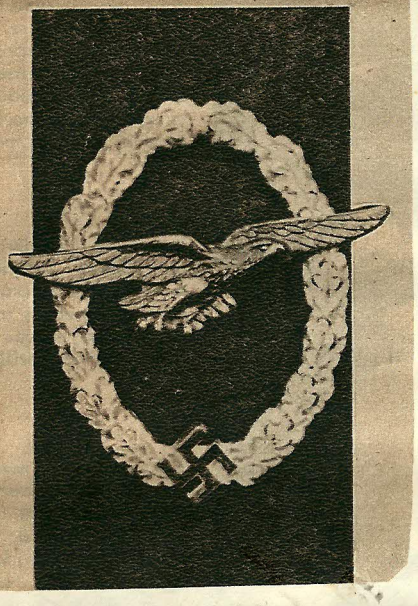
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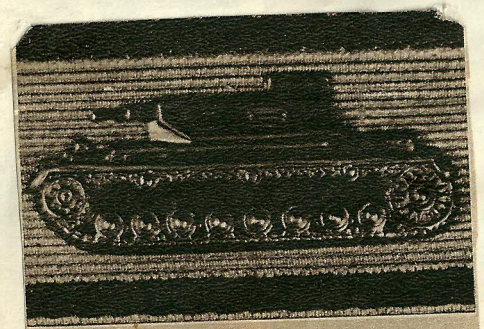




Un hidroavión, capaz de transportar aproximadamente 200 pasajeros. Lo que hoy en día ha parecido al dibujante deseo utópico, puede ser mañana, es decir después de la guerra, realidad visible. Se sobreentiende que la técnica de aeronavegación alemana, que con el hidroavión BV 222 "Wiking" ya ha realizado ahora una obra precursora, jugará un papel importante en la aeronavegación de la época de postguerra, especialmente sobre los mares del mundo

Distintivo de piloto para aviadores de planeador



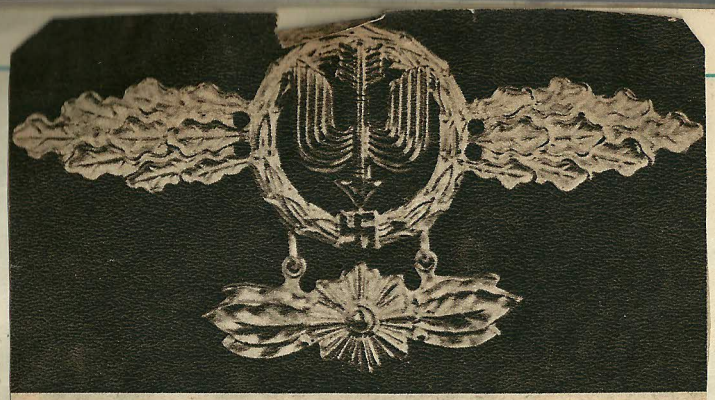


Para la derrota de carros blindados
Esta condecoración es concedida solamente a soldados, que como luchadores aislados aniquilaron o pusieron fuera de combate a un tanque enemigo, con armas de lucha de cerca

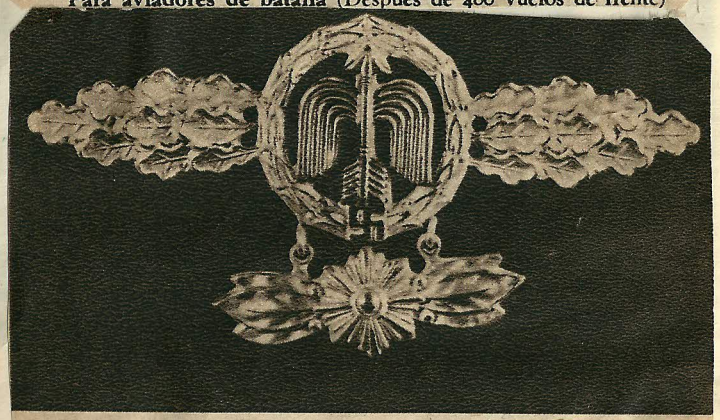


Los campesinos en Baviera, igual que los del centro y del norte de Alemania comienzan con la labor de primavera. Tranquilamente y con circunspección aran su tierra, símbolo vivo de la nueva fuerza de trabajo despertada por l





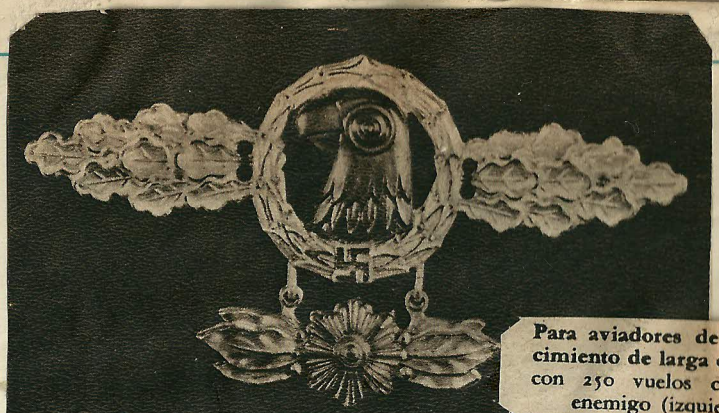
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Para aviadores de caza (Después de 500 vuelos de frente)



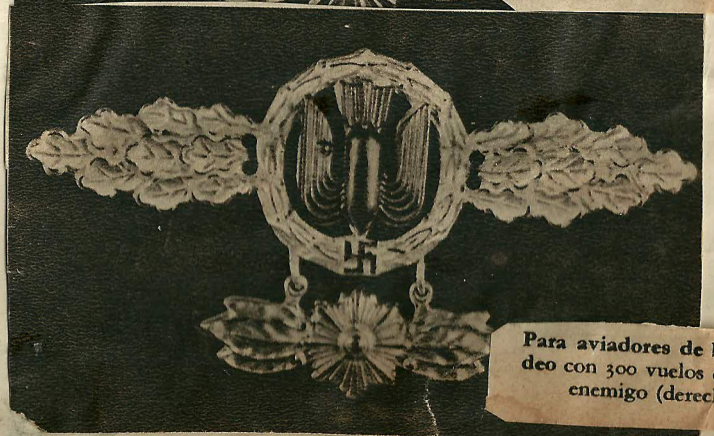
Para cazas nocturnos después de por lo menos 250 vuelos de frente (derecha)



Para aviadores de reconocimiento de larga distancia con 250 vuelos contra el enemigo (izquierda)



Para aviadores de transporte con por lo menos 500 vuelos contra el enemigo (izquierda)



Para aviadores de bombardeo con 300 vuelos contra el enemigo (derecha)

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A EUROPEAN CONFERENCE AND A REPATRIATION

THE GERMAN POINT OF VIEW

The Editor of this paper has been absent from Berlin since the beginning of January. He had been asked to preside at a scientific congress and from thence he travelled to participate in the formalities attending the repatriation of prisoners of war which took place via Switzerland at the end of January. He thinks that some of the impressions he formed may be of interest to British prisoners of war.

The European Congress in Weimar brought together scientists and politicians from all the European countries. The problems confronting Europe were dealt with in a series of lectures and addresses. The principal results of the conference may be summarized in the following resolutions:

1. Bolshevism is the main threat to European culture. It destroys not only the bonds holding together the nations but also the very bases of European culture, the ideas of liberty and individuality.

2. In consequence of their engagements in the Far East the United States possess no understanding of the problems of Europe. They assert that they are fighting for democracy and liberty but at the same time, as has been demonstrated by events in Greece and Italy, they support the Soviets in virtually every respect. They hope by this means to gain Soviet support for the war against Japan.

3. The British have not been able to provide a single constructive proposal for a real solution of Europe's problems. Great Britain believes that stable conditions can be established in central Europe by the destruction of German power. She does not realise that any such destruction must entail a political vacuum into which the strongest surviving political [illegible] flow. Such political [illegible] of the Soviet [illegible] will indeed come to realize that there is indeed a European problem.

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Churchill, Roosevelt and Stalin have just held another conference — this time in the Russian Crimean town of Yalta. The Communiqué issued at the conclusion of the talks is a good deal longer than those published on similar occasions in the past, and stresses at some considerable length the harmony existing between the three parties. It also emphasizes the democratic nature of all future measures to be taken, or rather what would pass in Soviet Russia as "democratic nature". Few people in Britain will have any illusions regarding what Stalin considers „democracy".

The communiqué did not contain much in the way of fresh information. It emphasized the demand for unconditional surrender and announced that Germany was to be divided into several administrative zones after the war, that war criminals were to be punished and all nazis removed from public life. These demands embody the desires that Moscow has always expressed and their official recognition by Washington and London may be calculated to simplify the Bolshevik campaign of murder in Eastern Germany. In regard to the matter of Poland the communiqué suggests the admission of some democrats to the Lublin Committee, Moscow's administrative organ in Poland. The Soviets have also carried their point in the matter of the Curzon line, Poland to be compensated at the peace conference with German territory. The statements regarding Jugoslavia make it clear that the Communist central organisations there are also to admit some democratic elements. There can be no doubt that, here as well, the exclu[illegible] of Moscow has been assured [illegible] by us [illegible] this document is

As a result of repeated applications from British subjects from all parts of the world wishing to take part in the common European struggle against Bolshevism authorisation has recently been given for the creation of a British volunteer unit.

The British Free Corps publishes herewith the following short statement of the aims and principles of the unit.

1) The British Free Corps is a thoroughly British volunteer unit, conceived and created by British subjects from all parts of the Empire who have taken up arms and pledged their lives in the common European struggle against Soviet Russia.

2) The British Free Corps condemns the war with Germany and the sacrifice of British blood in the interests o[illegible]

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