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Your Weekly Letter

A thought of love a word of cheer
Your weekly message to someone dear
A line of words from your heart comes stealing
To let her know just how you are feeling

You write about weather and say that you're well
But there are so many things that you cannot tell
You talk about old times and how much you miss her
And hope to come back once more to kiss her

She doesn't know what you're going through
It would be mighty hard if she only knew
The long days just sitting here
Alone with your thoughts and your heart full of fear
That you may never return to your home again
All hope is gone -- you live in vain

Yet as each week comes you rewrite once more
The same old lines as the week before
And pray when she reads them she'll never know better
What you couldn't write in your weekly letter

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Christmas

Someone somewhere is wishing us today
A Merry Christmas from across the sea
And I can almost hear a mother say
"God Bless my son wherever he may be"
No way of life environment or creed
Should interfere with our attitude
This day was meant for kindness not for greed
The things we do should be for some one's good
And let us be considerate of all
Use not the name of our Lord in vain
But pay respect to both the great and the small
Our motives should be love and not undue gain
No jealousy or malice should prevail
Let hatred and envy disappear
To all this day should be of some avail
A day of loyalty, good will and cheer



(I could not quite decipher the signature)

A Gunner's Day

A gunner's day is never done
Up at dawn before the sun.
With the roar of engines in our head
Wishing he could of stayed in bed.

Chow at four, fried eggs and such
Won't have time to eat much.
Briefing at five, the crew is all there.
And ever anxious to be up in the air.

Take off at six or maybe six thirty
Hoping no one has a gun that's dirty.
Form with the group at 12000 feet
See that formation they really look neat.

Put on your mask the air is getting thin
Off to a battle, Some with a grin.
We're over the water, Now test your guns.
Enemy coast here comes the fun

Flak at six and flak at twelve
Look out boys! They're giving us hell
Here come the fighters, Coming in low.
Maybe they're ours, Don't shoot till you know.

P-51's and P-38's.
Our escort is here, They're never late.
They're fighting fools, each man and his ship.
There's never a Jerry that they couldn't whip.

The air is cold, just 50 below.
Turn up the heat so you don't freeze a toe
A sharp look out boys the target is near
We don't care to meet the enemy here.

There is the target, plenty of flak.
Bombs away boys, now we turn back.
Coming out of the sun they are enemy ships
Aim true boys We've got more trips

There goes one down another one too
Our fighters are busy to see none get through
There's one in flames, as another goes down.
The pilot bails out and makes it safely to the ground.

My Buddy

They say he died in glory
Whatever that may be
If dying in a burst of flame is glory
Then that is not for me

In the briefing room that morning
He sat with clear eyes and strong heart
Just one of the determined gunners
Determined to do his part

My buddy had the guts alright
He sought not glory or fame
He knew he had a job to do
And his crew knew the same

But death had the final word
And in its log he wrote his name
And my buddy died that morning
In glory and a burst of flame

By a POW

Remember

If when you're fighting overseas
You should feel lonely and blue
Just think of the fun we use to have and
Remember I'm waiting for you
If on some lonely moonlit night
You wonder if I'm still true
Stop wondering for I'll be out with the girls
Remember I care for just you
M. you yourself should meet a girl
A certain somebody new
Please think twice before brushing me off for
Remember I'm faithful to you
M. your across a long long time
Even a decade or ten
I'll still feel the same until you return
Remember I'll always love you

POW



POW Blanket

Kriegsgefangenenpost

POSTKARTE
An 23

Mit Luftpost
Par Avion

7.14.10

Miss Arlene Sooy

Gebührenfrei!

Absender :

Vor- und Zuname :

Sgt MAURICELAUF

Gefangenenummer : 693805

Lager-Bezeichnung : DULAG-LUFT

10879
U.S. CENSOR
Deutschland (Germany)

Empfangsort : Wellington

Straße : Ohio

Land : U.S.A.

(Landesteil, Provinz usw.)

Kriegsgefangenenlager

Datum : July 9, 44

Dearest Arlene

I am OK. Keep your chin up. I will be back at the end of this.

I will send a letter later.

All my love

Maurice

Post Card From Dulag Luft

Arlene Looy
m. B. Johnson Hall
Elginia,
Ohio

LYRIA, OH
JUL 3
330 PM
1944



VIA AIR MAIL

S/Sgt. Maurice Lampe 693805-5

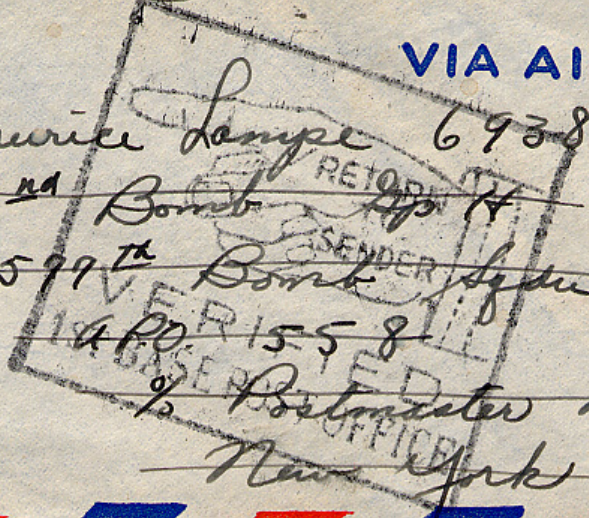
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~~599th Bomb Sq~~

~~14PO-1558~~

~~Postmaster N.Y.C.
New York~~

MISSING
J. L. Francine
major. ac.
C.O. 577 B. Sp. Co.





Maurice Lampe's Christmas Dinner at Stalag Luft IV, Lager A

**POW
Mattress
Filler**





POW. Mattress Cover

POW Cigarettes



Bomben auf das Straßburger Münster

Verbrecherischer Anschlag der Luftgangster auf eines der herrlichsten Baudenkmäler der Welt

Straßburg, 12. August.

Am Freitagnachmittag führten anglo-amerikanische Terrorbomber einen Luftangriff auf Straßburg durch, der schwere Zerstörungen und Brände in der gesamten historischen Altstadt, rings um das Münster zur Folge hatte. Auch das in der ganzen Welt berühmte und als unersetzliches Kulturgut der gesamten Menschheit bekannte herrliche Straßburger Münster wurde durch Bomben getroffen. Mitten im Kirchenschiff, das von Trümmern übersät ist, klaffen riesige Sprengtrichter.

CINEMA

Selection from some of the latest German film-hits

We present our readers with a selection of stills from some of the latest German films. Most of these stills are from the film "Träumerei" depicting the life of Clara and Robert Schumann. Lovers of music will at once remember the delightful melody by this composer, after which the film has been named. This film was a great success in Germany. Hilde Krahl has always been a great favourite with the picture-going German public. In the film "Sommermelodie" the youthful Sonja Ziemann makes her debut. Other stills are from "Gefährlicher Frühling" with the popular Winnie Markus, "Peter Voss, der Millionenlieb" dealing with an adventurous chase around the world for a great inheritance. The main charm of this last film is its setting in the romantic Pacific.



Clara Schumann with Liszt in Paris



Clara Schumann and Robert at the Düsseldorf carnival



Hilde Krahl as Clara Schumann



Concert at Schumann's house. Brahms at the piano



Schumann playing the keyboard compositions



Gefährlicher Frühling



Clara Schumann and Brahms advanced in years



"Peter Voss, der Millionenlieb"



Sonja Ziemann



Sonja Ziemann and Irene Meyendorf as Luftwaffe assistants in "Eine kleine Sommermelodie"



"Eine kleine Sommermelodie". Irene von Meyendorf and Hans Lausch

The Camp

No. 205

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JULY 16, 1944



Weekly Military Survey

From Official German Communiqués

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The German official Communiqués of the past week report that London was bombarded by flying bombs throughout the whole of the week almost without a break.

ITALY

In Italy the enemy, with strong panzer support attacked along virtually the whole front. The focal point of the fighting lay for the most part in the area north-west of Siena, at Volterra, in the Arezzo area, on both sides of Umbertide and on the coast of the Adriatic. In spite of his strong infantry and Panzer forces thrown into the battle the enemy did not gain any noteworthy success. South-west of Arezzo at Mentona, and Gubbio and on the Adriatic coast the enemy launched heavy attacks with strong panzer support. Except for a few local infiltrations the enemy gained nothing by these attacks.

EASTERN FRONT

To the south of the Eastern Front the enemy made a number of unsuccessful attacks between the Upper Dnieper and Kovel. All attempts to break through our front were frustrated. In the central sector fierce fighting is continuing at Baranovitsa and Molodetsko sparshebs. The units of Baranovitsa were surrendered to the enemy without a struggle. Strong enemy infantry and panzer forces advancing west of Baranovitsa were halted in bitter fighting on the Sotzara at each side of Stolin. Enemy pressure on Vilna is continuing. The defenders of Vilna have beaten off many enemy attacks supported by panzers and have inflicted heavy casualties on the Soviets. To the north-west of Vilna the Soviets were thrown back by counter-attacks. Severe fighting is taking place along the Kauen-Dünaburg road at Ottava. German counter-attacks were successful.

German operations on the eastern front were effectively supported by the Luftwaffe which heavily bombed enemy supply lines.

THE WAR IN THE AIR

U. S. bomber squadrons attacked Kiel, Vienna, Belgrade, several towns in Rumania and also Kroatia. The R.A.F. carried out nuisance raids over Rhenish-Westfalia, Vienna and Berlin. In all 242 enemy aircraft were shot down.

THE WAR AT SEA

In a number of engagements against the naval and air forces of the enemy patrol craft of the German navy sank 3 British E-boats off the Dutch and French coasts. They also set fire to a destroyer and damaged three other E-boats by artillery fire. The German navy also sank a further cruiser, three destroyers and six fully laden transport vessels with 32,000 tons in the waters off the invasion coast. Another cruiser was badly damaged.

An engagement took place off Brest on July 5th between four German patrol boats and four enemy destroyers. Two destroyers were set on fire. One of our vessels was lost.

How our readers would tackle the Flying Bomb

Nothing that I can remember has excited the imagination of inventive minds so much as the flying bomb. Every day suggestions for countermeasures—some wild, some wonderful, and some practical—pour in to the commanding officers of Air Defence of Great Britain and Anti-Aircraft Command.

Forwarded by letter, telegram, and telephone, scores of them have reached this office addressed either to the Editor or to myself.

TURN ROUND

Many suggestions are based on the idea that best way of dealing with the flying bombs is to turn them back on their course against the people who fired them.

Apart from technical difficulties, the trouble with this idea is that the present type of flying bomb has not the range to take it back over Germany. Supposing it could be turned round over the English Channel, it would come to earth on the French, the Belgians, or possibly the Dutch.

However, S. A. C., a fire-watcher of Eastcote, suggests that a mast should be installed on fighters so that they could edge up beside the flying bombs and gently push them round in a full circle, like river tugs taking control of an ocean liner.

"E.R.A.F." of Comer-gardens, Worcester, would fit Typhoons with steel hoops in the hope that they could slide the hoops over the noses of the flying bombs and then guide them back towards the enemy.

REPRISAL

Some correspondents, but not a large proportion, urge that small towns in Germany should be singled out for complete annihilation by bombing as a reprisal. The vast majority

WORLD AND WAR NEWS

Mr. Cummings, writing in the "News Chronicle", suggest that it is not too late to reintroduce the ban on the diplomats. Far too much information concerning the flying bomb was leaking out of the country, said Mr. Cummings.

Speaking on the White House regarding Labour policy, Sir William Beveridge stated that the Government's proposals lagged far behind what was necessary for a full exploitation of labour. The problem, he said, should be approached from quite a different angle.



Croatian volunteers who are operating against partisans.

Reuter reports that 5,000 London children had left for the provinces up to midday July 6th. Further large school transports were arranged for the week-end.

More and more theatres and places of amusement in London are closing down in consequence of the German secret weapon, written the "Daily Express". Fewer than half London's West-End theatres are still carrying on.

Mr. Morrison stated in the House of Commons in reply to a question that he was carefully considering the question of easing up the

black-out regulations. A member had suggested that these regulations should be done away with altogether.

An official statement by the Ministry of Labour published in the "Daily Mail" states that there were 155 strikes in England during May, affecting about 28,000 workers. Conservative estimates give 45,000 working days as the time thus lost to the war effort.

It is reported that Field-Marshal von Kluge has taken over Command West as successor

"How many unreadable copies are we supposed to type before we can change the ribbon?"

It is reported from Helsinki that a group of fugitives from Karelia were endeavouring to reach the Finnish lines when they were discovered and machine-gunned by the Bolsheviks. Only a few succeeded in reaching safety.

It is reported from Moscow that M. Polyanski has been appointed President of the Soviet Committee for Religious Affairs.

M. Polyanski is a Jew and was formerly a leading member in the Bolshevik Godless League.

Carl Holm, a tobacco dealer in Copenhagen, has patented a form of tobacco in tablet form which, he asserts, completely satisfies the cravings of smokers.

Forty-nine earthquakes were recorded at Granada Observatory last month. The most violent had a duration of 5 hours and radiated from a point 9000 kilometres away. Vibrations were still recorded at the Observatory after the tremors had twice travelled over the globe.

During the last Anglo-American air raid on Budapest the bunker of the British International camp there received a direct hit. More than 100 internees were killed.

The Ankara broadcasting station announced that quintuplets have been born in a village in Asia Minor. The Turkish President is taking a personal interest in the new arrivals. All boys, and has sent nurses and doctors to attend to them. It is believed that the Turkish Parliament may adopt the quintuplets for the nation.

A unique case of a cow giving birth to 25 calves all at once is reported from the Gallician village of Fanyo Abodian. Twenty-five of them died immediately after birth, but the twenty-sixth, a miniature calf, is still alive. This case is especially interesting since it has been established that all 25 calves were organically normal.

According to the "Times" correspondent in New Delhi, Gandhi's address to members of the Congress Party in Poona on June 25th could be summarized as follows. Firstly, Gandhi continued to reject any cooperation with the British; secondly, he demanded that all members of the Congress Party should offer passive resistance to British administration.

From information published by Imperial Japanese Headquarters regarding the situation on the Island of Saipan it appears that the Americans have launched a major attack there. Bitter fighting has developed and the numerically inferior Japanese forces are offering stubborn resistance.

De Gaulle has arrived in Washington and has been received by President Roosevelt.

Herbert Lehmann, the Jewish President of UNRRA, wished to hold the next conference of this organization at the elegant Seignior Club at Montebello, Canada, reports "Newsweek". This proved impossible since the club is not open to Jews. The conference had to be held in Montreal.

Mr. Norman M. Davis, President of the U.S. Red Cross, died on July 9th at the age of 56.

A message from the US says that 155 people, most of them children, lost their lives when fire swept through a big circus-tent at Hartford, Connecticut. About 200 were injured.

Plans to build a string of air ports across North Africa from the Atlantic coast to the Suez Canal are reported from Cairo. A correspondent says construction of some of the fields is already well on the way. On the Atlantic coast South-African engineers have completed a 2,000 yards all-weather runways. 400 miles to the east work is well advanced on a similar air-field.

It was announced from Ottawa and Washington that Canadians no longer require a passport or a visa to enable them to enter the United States. In future all they need produce is their national registration card to enable them to spend 29 days in the United States.

HOME NEWS IN BRIEF

The "Daily Telegraph's" motoring correspondent says that when the motor-car industry starts up again, there will be no new models for quite a bit, just the old 1939 ones; but not the 1939 price! He says they'll be dearer. — The "Daily Mail" says a syndicate of businessmen from the North of England are all set to open a million-pound sports-palace in Leicester Square after the war — something on the lines of New York Madison Square Gardens.

The London correspondent of the "Manchester Guardian" gives a good story about the use of the term "southern England". He says, a Canadian here got a letter from his wife in Canada, who said, I am sorry for those poor people who are living in southern England how glad I am that you are living in London.

One of the strongest things of the Normandy battlefield occurred on Sunday when a brief truce was called. Eight German nurses, captured in Cherbourg, were returned to the Germans while the guns remained silent for 30 minutes. This story of the meeting of the opposing opposing officers was called the "New York Herald Tribune" by John Reilly. He said: "Fighting ceased in the vicinity during the transfer which took place near Komar. It was the first time since the battle of France began that even a brief truce had been called for any purpose. Fighting was resumed as soon as the eight women were safely behind the lines of their own people."

Lieut-General Miles C. Dempsey, who commands the Second British Army, has been appointed a K.C.B.

of those who write are more interested in meeting the secret weapon offensive quickly, so that the Allies can proceed with military measures aimed wholly at finishing the war.

TRY WATER

"Suppose a wall of water from a number of hoses were thrown up in the missiles' path, they would strike the water almost as if it were solid," writes H. C. P., of Bletchley, Buckinghamshire.

A few would wish upon our airborne troops the hazardous task of raiding the heavily de-

field-Marshal von Rundstedt, who has been in indifferent health for some time past. The retiring Field Marshal, who has received a cordial letter of gratitude for past service from the Führer, is to be entrusted with special duties.

M. Laval, the French Premier, has offered a reward of 50 million francs for information that will lead to the arrest of the murderers of M. Henriot.

It is reported that Ex-King Peter of Yugoslavia has formed a fresh cabinet consisting of six ministers. Of these two are Tito nominees.

HOME NEWS IN BRIEF

The award is "in recognition of distinguished services in Normandy." — Major-General (acting) F. W. de Guingand, West Yorkshire Regiment, who was General Montgomery's Chief of Staff in the Eighth Army, becomes a K.B.E. Only four months ago he received three decorations from the King—C.B., C.B.E., and the D.S.O.

Britain's plum crop this summer is expected to total 45,000 tons.

Further considerable cuts in the quantity of beer available for home consumption are being made because of increasing supplies sent to troops fighting on the Second Front and elsewhere.

Reductions will vary in different places and licensed houses. A few of the largest brewers have announced to publishers a cut up to 99 per cent. in bottled beers, and somewhat less in bottled beers.

A start has been made in bringing home troops with between four and a half and five year's service abroad, said Mr. Eden in the House of Commons.

Suffolk executive committee of the National Farmers' Union decided to ask the authorities to grant "beet permits" to enable farmers to lay in supplies for harvesters.

An amendment to the Education Bill to re-name the young people's colleges "county colleges" was passed without a division in the House of Lords yesterday.

fended platforms. Unfortunately, their job could not be made easier by suggestions such as this one from Trestilian-road, London, S.E. 4:

"Drop one or two Paratroops armed with hand grenades on to each site. These Paratroops then hurl their grenades down the mouth of the launching site. Meanwhile a bomber squadron encircles the target, while a lighter plane descends to a low altitude, lowering a rope or such by which the Paratroops make their escape!"

Colin Bednall
Daily Mail, June 29th.





June 23, 1944
Lyon France
Approx 8:00 P.M.