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Does Anyone Still Remember?

The War Of A Thousand Bombers

Most Who Served Are Now Gone

The deceased members of the 398th, many of whom were part of 1,000 bomber missions of World War II are recorded in FLAK NEWS' annual Taps listing, to be found on pages 6-7-8-9-10.

Most Americans who were not adults during World War II have little understanding of the magnitude of that great war.

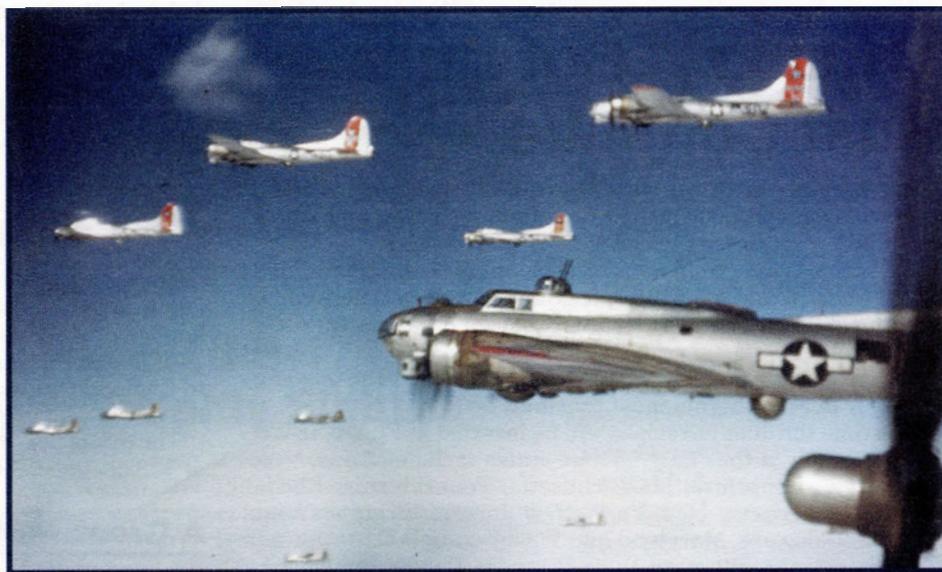
Within living memory, men left on the earth who fought in major battles five miles high, part of a 1,000-plane formation, leave a legacy that remains timeless.

FLIGHT JOURNAL editors have compiled statistics on World War II, and the numbers are staggering, even to those who personally remember the battle losses.

The Journal numbers, in this case, focus on the high cost of the war in manpower and machines on the home front. And the losses incurred in non-combat situation.

It focuses primarily on the American side of things, but the British, Germans and Japanese expended similar costs. For instance, there were 276,000 aircraft manufactured in the U.S.; 43,000 were lost overseas, including 23,000 lost in combat and 14,000 within the continental U.S.

The United States civilian population



"Part of a Thousand"

— Photo by Bob Welty

maintained a dedicated effort for four years, many working long hours, seven days a week, and often also volunteering for other work.

World War II was the largest human effort in history.

Here are some of the costs of "doing business" in those days —

THE PRICE OF VICTORY (cost of an aircraft in WW II dollars) —

B-17	\$204,370	P-40	\$44,892
B-24	\$215,516	P-47	\$85,578
B-25	\$142,194	P-51	\$51,572
B-26	\$192,426	C-47	\$88,574
B-29	\$605,360	PT-17	\$15,052
P-38	\$97,147	AT-6	\$22,952

PLANES A DAY Worldwide —

From Germany's invasion of Poland, September 1, 1939, and ending with Japan's surrender, September 2, 1945 — 2,433 days — from 1942 onward, America averaged 170 planes lost each day.

HOW MANY is a 1,000 planes? B-17 production (12,731) wing tip to wing tip would extend 250 miles. A 1,000 B-17's carried 2.5 million gallons of high-octane fuel and required 10,000 airmen to fly and fight them.

THE NUMBERS GAME —

9.7 billion gallons of gasoline consumed, 1942-45; 107.8 million hours flown,

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“Thanks,” But Dues Must Continue

The last issue of FLAK NEWS produced “smashing” results, what with some \$17,000 being raised from the group’s members who didn’t want to see the newsletter “go under.”

The monies came from a broad segment of “subscribers,” led by Joe Mansell and his \$10K gift. Many dozens of others came in with contributions ranging from thousands to many “\$10’s and \$20’s.”

The treasurer said, “Thank you,” but added that the ongoing quarterly dues gathering must continue.

This time the dues envelopes will be inserted in FLAK NEWS to those living in the “East.” These states include Maine, Vermont, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, Virginia, West Virginia, Delaware, Maryland and Washington D.C.

The envelopes will go to Dues Manager Dawne Dougherty, Harrisburg, OR 97446-9585, who also said, “Thank you.”

And Still The Funds Roll In

The October FLAK NEWS printed an entire column of names that have sent in \$50 or more to keep the newsletter in business. The ensuing weeks saw additional members coming in with additional contributions —

Alton Andrews	\$100	Richard Fox	\$100
Connie Novek	\$100	Eleanor Trevison	\$100
Robert Schuh	\$100	James Hurt	\$80
Donna Bortles	\$50		

And a dozen more with contributions of \$10, \$20, \$25 and \$30. The treasurer says, “Thanks,” one more time.

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Nuthampstead Airfield Museum:

Original “Friends” Remembered

The “old guard” Friends of the 398th will be represented at the Nuthampstead Airfield Museum.

The proposed museum near the Woodman Inn has already been funded through the year-long campaign that has netted the required \$30,000 starting money.

This through the many \$200 Founder contributions given “in memory of” or “in honor of” veterans or other loved ones.

Elaine Tyler, the Friends’ original “honourable secretary” and writer of last October’s “Memories From the UK,” was added to the Founders list with her fee paid in honor of the “Original Friends.” These would be the Tylers, Wells, Clarks and Barkers. All served in various capacities, with the late David Wells being the first president.

A late donor correction should list the Edward Kerekian donation in memory of Floyd Cantrell and Don Hosutt (not Honsut.)

Museum funds are still being accepted by Treasurer Mellisa Ledlow, Houston, TX 77044-1112.

Philadelphia Reunion City

It is many months away, but now is the time to mark calendars for the next 398th reunion.

It will be No. 29, and will be held in the city of Philadelphia on September 5-6-7-8, 2012.

Registration forms and programming will be published in the April issue of FLAK NEWS.

Any Customers For Tour?

Tour leader Ken Howard is still looking for “customers” to join him on the June tour to England ... and France. This will happen on June 14 through June 23.

Although this is a 10-day tour, Ken says that a shortened tour to England Only can be arranged ... if you call him soon.

The cost of the “big” tour is \$2975 per person double occupancy, or \$3822 single. Ask Ken for costs on the England Only.

A Great Air War Book:

“SPLENDOR IN THE SKIES”

It’s a 248-page, Atlas sized book written by the men who were there, and made the history, with the 8th Air Force in World War II.

Splendor In The Skies is the title of a long-running 8th AF newsletter edited for the past 25 years by a former engineer gunner with the 97th Bomb Group, Don R. Hayes. Now, he has turned the title into a massive book that chronicles the epic battles of not only the 8th, but also the 12th and 15th. A fabulous collection of air war stories told by the men who lived to tell about it.

The book also includes the story of the 398th “nose-blown” DeLancey-Stahlman flight with the 398th called, “It Was A Fortress Coming Home,” by the FLAK NEWS editor.

It is an epic production by Hayes, who contributes to the pages in both the written word and photos.

Splendor In The Skies is available at \$40.00, post paid, from Hayes at PO Box 3398, Walla Walla, WA 99362-0368.

*I was thinking today
of pals faraway
In the days
that we flew long ago.
I was longing to see
the crew faces with me.
Memories fading so.
In the midst of it all
Did this vision befall,
(The reason for
bringing me there)
'Twas a silver clad maid,
That ten flyers invade.
Her virtue not
tarnished at all.*



“An American Maiden at Nuthampstead”

BY WESLEY EATCHEL

Since first I saw her
on the tarmac.
Some camouflaged, some
silver clad,
A generation change,
Improved upon.
A ladies cosmetic fad.

She was that picture perfect.
Viewed as some phantom
of delight.
Her graces all became her.
She was envy in my sight.

Regal as she sat
waiting missions,
Frustrated awaiting
engine change,
She pouted as her
engines billowed,
Her nose aloof 'til out
of range.
She was proud
yet quite forgiving,
Foster children she loved
them all,
Like the goddess that she was
Resolute and valiant to her
mission call.

Restored B-17 Due At “Mighty Eighth”

With the help of volunteers who have contributed over 12,000 hours, the B-17 “restoration” project at the Mighty Eighth Museum is progressing toward completion and will one day be known as “City of Savannah.”

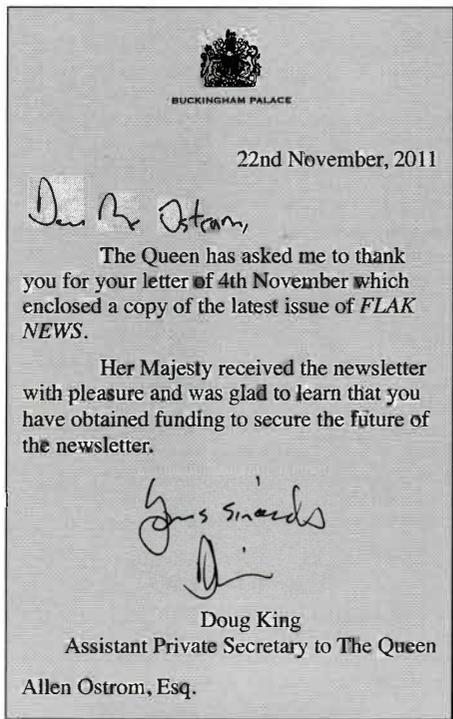
The restoration can be watched on www.mightyeighth.org “Combat Gallery.”

The Mighty Eighth Air Force Museum, PO Box 1992, Savannah, GA 31402.

Yes, I still see that
shapely form
Her memory cast upon
my mind
As she taxies out for takeoff
Tips her wings to those
left behind.

That triangulated “W”
An emblem she
proudly wore
I still see on wing and
stabilizer
Of each B-17 on tour.

Wesley Eatchel of Murray, Utah, tail gunner on the 603 Alfred Warren crew, was a “late comer” to Nuthampstead, arriving near the end of the war. He took his brief B-17 experience, however, and penned many Fortress poems in his collection of some 2,000 writings, including “American Maiden.”



*“When your work on earth is done,
and you’ve travelled where you’ve
trod, you’ll leave the land we left you,
One Nation under God.”*
— Judge Ray Moore

Quotable Quotes

*“Let us take note that it is the old apple
trees that are decked with the loveliest
apples.”*

*“It is when the day is old and far spent
that it displays the beautiful colors of the
sunset.”*

*“Old friends are the dearest and that it is
the old people who have been loved by God
for a long, long time.”*

*“It is when the year is old and has run its
course that Mother Nature transforms the
world into a fairyland of snow.”*

Does Anyone Remember?

The Cost Of World War II

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1943-45; 459.7 billion rounds of aircraft ammo fired overseas, 1942-45; 7.9 million bombs dripped overseas, 1943-45; 2.3 million combat sorties, 1941-45 (one sortie equals one takeoff); 299,230 aircraft accepted, 1940-45; 808,471 aircraft engines accepted, 1940-45; 799,972 propellers accepted, 1940-45.

According to the *AAF Statistical Digest*, in less than four years, December 1941 - August 1945, the U.S. Army Air Forces lost 14,903 air crew and assorted personnel plus 13,873 airplanes — inside the continental United States. They were the result of 52,651 aircraft accidents (6,039 involving fatalities) in 45 months.

Thinking about those numbers: They average 1,170 aircraft accidents per month — nearly 40 a day. Less than one accident in four resulted in totalled aircraft, however.

Almost 1,000 Army planes disappeared en route from the U.S. to foreign climes. But an eye-watering 43,581 aircraft were lost overseas, including 22,948 on combat missions (18,418 against the Western

military aircraft. That number was enough not only for U.S. Army, Navy and Marine Corps, but for allies as diverse as Britain, Australia, China and Russia. In fact, from 1943 onward, America produced more planes than Britain and Russia combined. And more than Germany and Japan together 1941-45.

However, our enemies took massive losses. Through much of 1944, the *Luftwaffe* sustained uncontrolled hemorrhaging, reaching 25% of air crews and 40 planes a month. And in late 1944 into 1945, nearly half the pilots in Japanese squadrons had flown fewer than 200 hours. The disparity of two years before had been completely reversed.

EXPERIENCE LEVEL —

The 357th Fighter Group went to England in late 1943 having trained on P-39's. The group never saw a Mustang until shortly before its first combat mission. A high-time P-51 pilot had 30 hours in type. Many had fewer than five hours. Some had one hour.

With arrival of new aircraft, many

combat units transitioned in combat. The attitude was, "They all have a stick and a throttle. Go fly 'em." When the famed 4th Fighter Group converted from P-47's to P-51's in February 1944, there was no time to stand down for an orderly transition. The Group commander, Col. Donald Blakeslee, said, "You can learn to fly 51's on the way to the target."

A future P-47 ace said, "I was sent to England to die." He was not alone. Some fighter pilots tucked their wheels in the well on their first combat mission with one previous flight in the aircraft. Meanwhile, many bomber crews were still learning their trade: of Jimmy Doolittle's 15 pilots on the April 1942 Tokyo raid, only five had won their wings before 1941. All but one of the 16 co-pilots were less than a year out of flight school.

In WW II flying, safety took a backseat to combat. The AAF's worst accident rate was recorded by the A-36 Invader version of the P-51: a staggering 274 accidents per 100,000 flying hours. Next worst were the P-39 at 245, the P40 at 188, and the P-38 at 139. All were Allison powered.

Bomber wrecks were fewer but more expensive. The B-17 and B-24 averaged 30 and 35 accidents per 100,000 flight hours, respectively — a horrific figure considering that from 1980-2000 the Air Force's major mishap rate was less than two.

The B-29 was even worse at 40; the

Most Planes Built In World War II

Yakovlev Yak	31,000
<i>Russian fighter</i>	
ME 109	30,480
<i>German fighter</i>	
Foche Wulf 190	29,001
<i>German fighter</i>	
Spitfire	20,350
<i>English fighter</i>	
B-24/PB4Y	18,482
<i>U.S. bomber/patrol plane</i>	
P-51	15,875
<i>U.S. fighter</i>	
P-47	15,686
<i>U.S. fighter</i>	
JU 88	15,000
<i>German fighter</i>	
Hurricane	14,533
<i>English fighter</i>	
P-40	13,738
<i>U.S. fighter</i>	
B-17	12,731
<i>U.S. bomber</i>	
Corsair	12,571
<i>U.S. Navy fighter</i>	
6F Hellcat	12,215
<i>U.S. Navy fighter</i>	
Petyakov PE 2	11,400
<i>Russian fighter</i>	
Zero	10,449
<i>Japanese fighter</i>	
P-38	10,037
<i>U.S. fighter</i>	
B-25	9,984
<i>U.S. bomber</i>	
Lavochkin LA GG	9,920
<i>Russian fighter</i>	
TBM	9,837
<i>U.S. Navy torpedo bomber</i>	
P-39	9,584
<i>U.S. fighter</i>	
Oscar	5,919
<i>Japanese fighter</i>	
Mosquito	7,780
<i>English photo/bomber</i>	
Lancaster	7,377
<i>English bomber</i>	
HE-111	6,508
<i>German bomber</i>	
Halifax	6,176
<i>English bomber</i>	
ME 110	6,150
<i>German fighter</i>	
Lavochkin LA GG7	5,753
<i>Russian bomber</i>	
B-29	3,870
<i>U.S. bomber</i>	
Sterling	2,383
<i>English bomber</i>	

Bomber Losses Left 600 Empty Bunks

Axis) and 20,633 attributed to *non-combat causes overseas*.

In a single 376-plane raid in August 1943, 60 B-17's were shot down. That was a 16% loss rate and meant 600 empty bunks in England.

In 1942-43 it was statistically impossible for bomber crews to complete a 25-mission tour in Europe.

Pacific theater losses were far less, 4,530 in combat, owing to smaller forces committed. The worst B-29 mission, against Tokyo on May 25, 1945, cost 26 Superfortresses, 5.6% of the 464 dispatched from the Marianas.

ON AVERAGE, 6,600 American servicemen died per month during WW II, about 220 a day. By the end of the war, over 40,000 airmen were killed in combat theaters and another 18,000 wounded. Some 12,000 missing men were declared dead, including a number "liberated" by the Soviets but never returned. More than 41,000 were captured, 50% of the 5,400 held by the Japanese died in captivity, compared with 10% in German hands. Total combat casualties were pegged at 121,867.

U.S. manpower made up the deficit. The AAF's peak strength was reached in 1944 with 2,372,000 personnel, nearly twice the previous year's figure.

The losses were huge — but so were production totals. From 1941-45, American industry delivered more than 276,000

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COL. FRANK P. HUNTER, JR.
His story died with him.

B-17 Rocket Assist Figure Passes At 98

Carl A. (Bud) Krafft, the Boeing engineer who was sent to England during World War II as a B-17 "Tech Rep" passed away in Seattle in October.

Krafft will be remembered as one of the men who devised an "under the wing" rocket system for the sole purpose of flying out a 398th Fortress that had landed on "Gypsy Farm," short of the main runway.

With the aid of six rockets under each wing, the Fortress took off in less than 400 feet, using steel pierced matting. The pilot was Richard Holub, from the 2nd Strategic Air Depot, along with the "rocketeer" co-pilot, Master Sergeant Raymond Kirkpatrick. Both have passed on.

Krafft died at the age of 98.

A Day In The Life of The CO:

Duties Were Vast And Many

In a book written many years ago (1945) there is a condensed description of what it meant to be a commanding officer of a heavy bombardment group during World War II. It touches briefly on the fact that the CO (usually a colonel or general officer) is in the same aircraft and participates at the same altitude and in the same combat environment with his fellow lower ranking officers and ... enlisted gunners, radio operators, photographers and toggliers.

So it was in the case of Col. Frank P. Hunter, Jr., who commanded the 398th

Bomb Group from the training days of 1943 to his ultimate demise in the skies over Neuss, Germany, on January 23, 1945. It was the group's 193rd mission.

Col. Hunter could readily identify with the man who wrote the book called, "I've Had It" — Col. Bernie Lay, Jr., CO of the 487th, a B-24 bomber group in the 2nd Division.

Excerpts from this book appear here, written by a fellow heavy bomber commanding officer. They tell a "little something" of what it was like to be an 8th AF CO.

CO Was Burned Into The Brain

"Every moment of every hour of the 10 days and nights since I had assumed command of this group, manned by a priceless concentration of skill and brains and hearts, I had felt the most penetrating sense of responsibility.

"On a table at the head of the bed were two telephones. One connected direct to the operations room and wing headquarters, and the other a station phone. Neither was silent for long, even at night. Those neat white letters — CO — burn into your brain after a time.

"You familiarize yourself with every activity on the base: ordnance, armament, communications, personal equipment, sheet-metal shops, airplane and engine maintenance, the combat mess kitchens, the consolidated mess, the officers' mess, the bomb dumps, the flying control tower, airdrome defense plans, the flight surgeons and the hospital, the gunnery trainers, the photo lab, the four squadron commanders' headquarters, the 250-man interrogation and briefing blocks, the different staff offices and your own office. There were 47 distinct activities and nearly 2700 people on my station and it was my job to be responsible for all of them, because each department played its part in a successful bombing mission.

"... soaking up all I could about PFF (bombing through the overcast) technique, methods of assembly, information on the German Air Force ...

"Back in my quarters at dawn, I hurried into my G.I. winter underwear and electric flying suit and picked up chest chute and harness, Mae West life vest, oxygen mask, escape kit, red deer-hunting cap, electrically heated gloves and shoes, map and mission data board.

"I spent the second night in a row without taking off my clothes, functioning again on coffee and cigarettes, while we laid on the new mission. Just before breakfast time, the mission was postponed until late afternoon. I caught an hour's sleep during the morning, attended briefing and climbed into the lead airplane at 4:00 PM for a strike at one more German target.

"The landing pattern a thousand feet above us became heavy with tons of metal and the sky groaned aloud as the four-engined brutes peeled off and coasted down to the runway at 20-second intervals."

Just one more day in the life of a commanding officer of a heavy bombardment group in the 8th Air Force.

There were 40 such groups in England, and each CO would have his own story to tell. Col. Hunter didn't live to tell his.



Taps Listings On Pages 6-7-8-9-10

The names on the following pages represent the men from the 398th who have passed on since arriving home from England in 1945. The names of those Killed in

Action during the group's 195 missions may be found in the PX section on Page 11. See "Anstey Stained Glass Window" booklet under "photographs and prints."

When You Come To

Abernathy, John R.
Adam, Walter H.
Adamak, Edward
Adams, Eugene R.
Adelman, Paul
Adkins, Max E.
Adleman, Milo
Agnew, Harry
Agnew, Robert
Akins, Kenneth L.
Albert, Dwyer D.
Albro, Albert M.
Alderson, Richard
Alessio, Louis F.
Alessio, Louis F.
Alexander, Claude
Alfano, John
Allare, John
Allen, George E.
Allen, Stanley W.
Alpert, Stanley
Altman, Frank
Alves, Alfred
Alwood, Joe
Amer, Jerry
Anaya, Alredo
Anderson, Allen C.
Anderson, Charles J.
(Charlie)
Anderson, Emil
Anderson, Frank
Anderson, Norman R.
Anderson, Ralph
Anderson, Roy L.
Anderson, Russell M.
Anderson, William G.
Andreko, Andrew
Andrews, Kenneth E.
Anglim, Harold R.
Arbogast, F.E. (Phil)
Ariotta, Joseph
Arlin, Allen A.
Armstrong, Arthur
Armstrong, Sidney A.
Armstrong, Walter G.
Arndell, James
Arnold, Robert W.
Ashour, Martin D.
Ashton Jr., Leonard C.
Ashworth, Dean H.
Atkins, James R.
Atkinson, Herman
Atkinson, Vernon C.
Atwood, Doyle
Audet, Paul E.
Augustine, Joseph J.
Aukerman, John V.
Aune, Arnt M.
Ausstad, Kermit
Auten, William E.
Aver, Donald L.
Axson, Jason M.
Bacon, Adrian
Bacon, James C.
Baer, Howard F.
Baffaro, Louis
Bagan, Wesley
Bagley, Bernard

Bahling, John W.
Bailey, Adrian (Bud)
Bailey, Ray E.
Baird, Harold
Baker, Albert A.
Baker, Cova
Baker, Hermus C.
Baldiga, Edward M.
Baldwin, Mondo L.
Ballard, Charles W.
Bancroft, Joseph (Dave)
Bangson, Barry D.
Bankert, James
Baptist, Claude A.
Barkovich, Fred
Barnes, Lynn W.
Barnes, Mike K.
Barnhard, Joseph E.
Barnshaw, Thomas J.
Barnum, George
Bartimus, Neil R.
Bartusiak, Leonard J.
Bartusis, Anthony J.
Basco, John J.
Bash, Claire C.
Basham, James
Bassman, Fred G.
Batayias, Peter K.
Battaglia, Frank A.
Baughman, John
Bawduniak, John
Baxter, Richard
Bearden, Hugh
Beattie, Edgar Don
Beatty, Oscar L.
Beavers, Cecil
Beck, Charles M.
Beck, John W.
Becker, Eugene J.
Becker, John J.
Becker, Max
Beckley, Robert J.
Beecher, Edward B.
Beighle, Forest
Belcher, Jess
Bell, Marvin
Bell, Robert
Bendixon, Donald L.
Benefiel, Phillip L.
Bennett, John L.
Bennett, Norville
Benningfield, Harley O.
Benoe, William I.
Berggren, Cecil E.
Bergsma, Norman E.
Bernard, John R.
Bernier, Loyola A.
Berquist, Carl G.
Berry, Kearie L.
Berryhill, Col. Earl
Berthoud, Charles
Berz, Marvin S.
Bestervelt, Harold J.
Bewley, James A.
Biancardi, Andrew
Bickford, Cleo M.
Biette, Paul W.
Bigda, Joseph

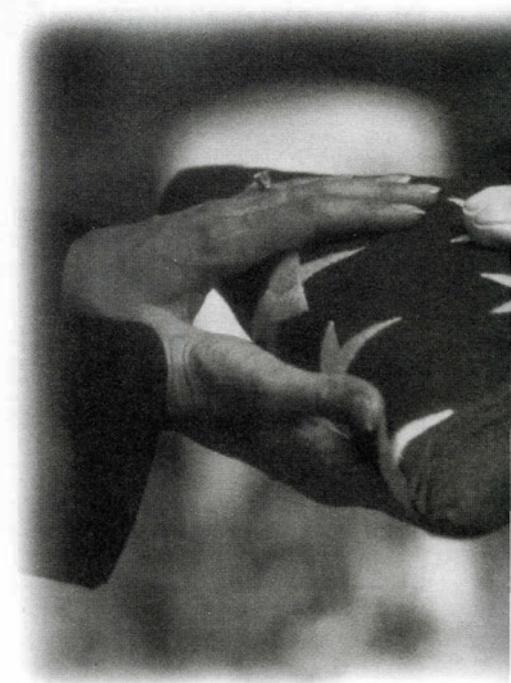
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Bird, John C.
Bischoff, Albert J.
Bisson, Albert
Bittner, Walter
Blackwell Jr., Wallace H.
(Wally)
Blancett, Marvin
Blanda, Guido
Blankenship, G.W.
Blehm, Frederick W.
Bley, Winston
Blum, Lowell
Bobbitt, James M.S.
Boeger, Orv. W.
Boehme, Alfred H. (Herb)
Boersma, Ted
Bogard, Willard B.
Bogdanski, Edward J.
Bohn, Jack L.
Bolthouse, Charles
Bolton, Vencil
Boltz, Phillip T.
Bonanno, Salvatore
Bonjani, Bruno
Bonner, Don C.
Borchers, Doyle
Bordonaro, Vincent L.
Bornstedt, John W.
Borts, Donald E.
Borys, Raymond
Borys, Raymond J.
Bosshart, Herbert
Boswell, Marion L.
Bottoms, Millard S.
Bourke, Joseph E.
Bourlon, Billy L.
Bowcock Jr., H. Guy
Bowman, Leonard L.
Boyes, Haskell
Braddock, Heyward M.
Bradford, Oliver W.
Bradley, Frederick C.
Bradley, John A.
Brady, Jack
Braica, Benny
Brandstatter, John D.
(Jack)
Brass, Ernest H.
Bream, Burt D.
Breault, Al
Breimeyer, Royal
Brewer, Darrell F.
Bridges, Clarence W.
Brindley, Earl M.
Briody, James J.
Briskie, Edward F.
Britt, Thomas F.
Britton, John H.
Brockman, James W.
Brokaw, Rev. Raymond
Brooks, Harrison F.
Brooks, Henry A.
Brown, Arnold W.
Brown, Clyde R.
Brown, E. Logan
Brown, Hilyer (Pete)
Brown, James C.

Brown, Joe E.
Brown, Lawrence
Brown, Orland D.
Brown, Paul
Brown, Robert E.
Brown, Samuel M.
Brown, Sidney
Brozena, John M.
Brubaker, Franklin P.
Brubaker, Wayne
Brunke, Earl H.
Brunsborg, Arnold
Bryant, Edward M.
Buchsbau, Louis
Buck, Chester S.
Buck, Herman J.
Buckingham, James S.
Buckley, Francis X.
Buckley, Thomas D.
Bur, Nicholas J.
Burke, Al
Burriss Jr., Thomas E.
Burroughs, Kirby
Burton, John
Busbee, Charles R.
Buscani, John P.
Buschbaum, Louis
Bushie, Louis
Bussard, James L.
Butler, John
Butts, Donald L.
Buvinger, David
Buzza, Kenneth
Callahan, Noel
Cameron, Carl C.
Campbell, Edward A.
Campbell, Roger W.
Campbell, Tom
Campbell, Van B.
Campbell, Wallis L.
Campdon, Alfred
Canter, Charles H.
Cantrell, Floyd
Cantwell, Robert H.
Capen, George H.
Carlson, Kenneth G.
Carlton, Donald P.
Carter, Nigel
Carter, Richard J.
Carter, Robert C.
(Saferite crew)
Carter, Robert C.
(Watson crew)
Carver, Robert W.
Carwile, Allan P.
Cason, Alfred
Cassel, Arnold
Caster, William
Castro, Edward
Catterson, Kenneth L.
Cavalier, Vincent J.
Charbonneau, Francis
Chase, Lewis D.
Chaudet, Louis P.
Chavez, Martin C.
Chesshir, Kenneth
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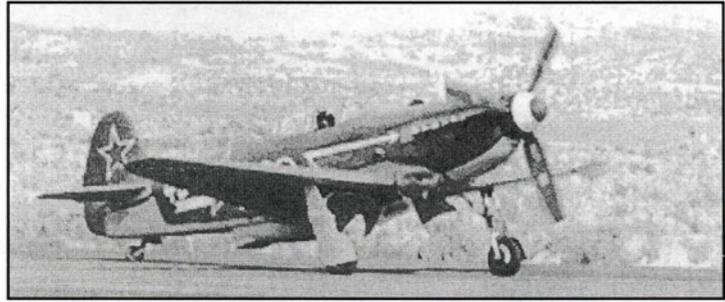
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Young, Donald R.
Zackman, William W.
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Zajic, Raymond J.
Zampetti, Dr. Herman
Zawatsky, Walter F.
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Zimmerman, Leland
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Does Anyone Remember?



RUSSIA'S YAKOLEV YAK FIGHTER

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world's most sophisticated, most capable and most expensive bomber was too urgently needed to stand down for mere safety reasons. The AAF set a reasonably high standard for B-29 pilots, but the desired figures were seldom attained. The original cadre of the 58th Bomb Wing was to have 400 hours of multi-engine time, but there were not enough experienced pilots to meet the criterion. Only 10% had overseas experience. Conversely, when a \$2.1 billion B-2 crashed in 2008, the Air Force initiated a two-month "safety pause" rather than declare a "stand down," let alone grounding.

The B-29 was no better for maintenance. Though the R3350 was known as a complicated, troublesome power-plant, no more than half the mechanics had previous experience with the Duplex Cyclone. But they made it work.

NAVIGATORS —

Perhaps the greatest unsung success

story of AAF training were the Navigators. The Army graduated some 50,000 during the war. And many had never flown out of sight of land before leaving "Uncle Sugar" for a war zone. Yet the huge majority found their way across oceans and continents without getting lost or running out of fuel — a stirring tribute to the AAF's educational establishments.

FACT —

At its height in mid-1944, the Army Air Forces had 2.6 million people and nearly 80,000 aircraft of all types. Today the U.S. Air Force employs 327,000 active personnel (plus 170,000 civilians) with 5,500+ manned and perhaps 200 unmanned aircraft. The 2009 figures represent about 12% of the manpower and 7% of the airplanes of the WW II peak.

IN SUMMATION —

Whether there will ever be another war like that experienced in 1940-45 is doubtful.

Letters, Letters

"My Dad, James Dollar, told me very little about his experiences during the war. A few years before he passed away, the tenant that lived in my grandparents' house for the past 40 years delivered a green wooden box to Dad, that had been under a bed in one of the back rooms. A couple of years later, he showed it to me and explained that it was his foot locker he brought home from the war. Inside were several of his flight school books including a couple of B-17 manuals. The most important thing I found were all of the letters that my grandparents wrote to him while he was away. I still can't imagine what it must have been like for those brave men and their families back at home."

Keith Dollar, Northport, Alabama

"Last FLAK NEWS telling of the great fund-raising was outstanding. Good luck with the pacemaker. My older sister had three of them, the last one finally stopping when she was almost 104."

Phyllis McCormick, Sycamore, Illinois

"I am enclosing \$100 as my contribution toward publishing FLAK NEWS. I am a long-time friend of Helen Beam, whose brother was navigator Bill Beatovich. It is a far distance between British Columbia and where Bill came from (Minnesota) but still close because of Helen's kindness."

Eleanor Trevison, Trail, British Columbia

"I attended the 398th reunion in Branson, Missouri, with my 93-year-old dad, Bob, a pilot/co-pilot in the 600th. Four of my Dad's grandchildren and two of his great-grandchildren were there to honor him and 16 other vets. I don't think I have been in the same room with so many true American heroes."

Roger Gatton, Paducah, Kentucky

"Even though my husband, Carl, has passed on, I thoroughly enjoy FLAK NEWS, and am so glad it will continue, thanks to the overflowing of cash last time.

"We did take a trip to Nuthampstead in the late 1970's. What a treat! The museum is a wonderful idea. Thank you."

Beth Vogt, Marblehead, Ohio

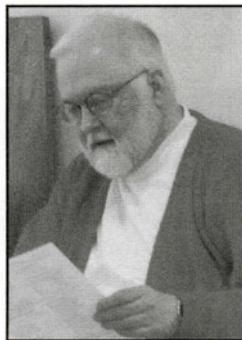
BRIEF-things

A great number of members and friends from far and near applauded the "FLAK NEWS FUND" campaign last year, including *Queen Elizabeth II* of England, who was glad to learn of the successful campaign ... the Editor's heart "Pacemaker" was old news to *Newt Moy*, who has had his for 21 years (and there probably are many others) ... fewer and fewer B-17 vets will ever see the "City of Savannah" Fortress now being restored at the Mighty Eighth Museum, but it will be there for the "seconds and thirds" and beyond ... today's vets can still "get a piece of it" with their contributions ... "FLAK NEWS" was coined by the editor in 1986 after *George Hilliard* relinquished the newsletter job to concentrate on locating former 398th members ... *John Menig*, who wrote the "splendid" story in the last issue, received his special delivery copies two days before his passing; family said he was so "pleased and proud" ... the Nuthampstead Airfield



CAROLYN WIDMANN

Museum is off and running, but it might have to borrow some 398th documents and photos from nearby HALS (Hertfordshire Archives and Local Studies); they have been collecting 398th items for years, all documented in a 54-page booklet by *Susan Flood*, the director ... *Wilfrid Dimsdale*, who farms many English acres, says the country is experiencing a severe drought these days; no rain at this time is not good news for wheat, remembering that *Tony Clark's* land around Station 131 was world famous for wheat per bushel (as long as the early and late rains came on schedule) ... if you wonder why our PX is so high quality it is because manager *Carolyn Widmann* is a marketing professional ... and the reason the PX ad in the next column looks so inviting is because *David Ruberg* is a type-setting professional; he has been doing FLAK NEWS since 1990 and is also a church music director/organist, which is another form of "keyboarding" ... the "thousand bomber" story makes reference to the staggering number of planes and personnel lost during the war inside the continental U.S./ it still happens, witness the two Army Kiowa gunship helicopters that collided at Fort Lewis, killing four crewmen ... two familiar names are missing among the 398th officers on Page 2 — *Lew Burke* and UK's *Wilfrid Dimsdale*; both Directors resigned when they felt their advice and counsel was being ignored ... *Russ Abbey* almost resigned as UK Friends chairman because of health ... tour leader *Ann Collins* dropped out because of a "misunderstanding" ... for the statistical minded, there were 44 names added to the Taps list this year, 10 of whom were pilots ... thanks to *Bernard Kuse* for coming up with the material that the Editor turned in "Does Anyone Remember?" ... neurosurgeon Dr. Ken Peirce, appointed and then "un-appointed" as Memorial chair, provided his fellow 398th Board members with a scalpel-like e-mail letter on "governance;" it cut deep into the bone and marrow ... the 2012 Museum calendars are available in the PX, plus the 2011 issue; all have great photos from our England stay 68 years ago ...



DAVID RUBERG

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