

Russia Lacks Planes Able To Tote Atom Bomb To N. Y. City Or Washington, Expert Says

LONDON, Feb. 10.—(P)—A British expert says the Soviet air force is as strong tactically today as any in the world, but it would still be unable to carry the atom bomb to Washington or New York without advanced bases far from home.

Asher Lee, who was a wing commander in air intelligence during the war, made the statement in a book entitled "The Soviet Air Force," published Thursday.

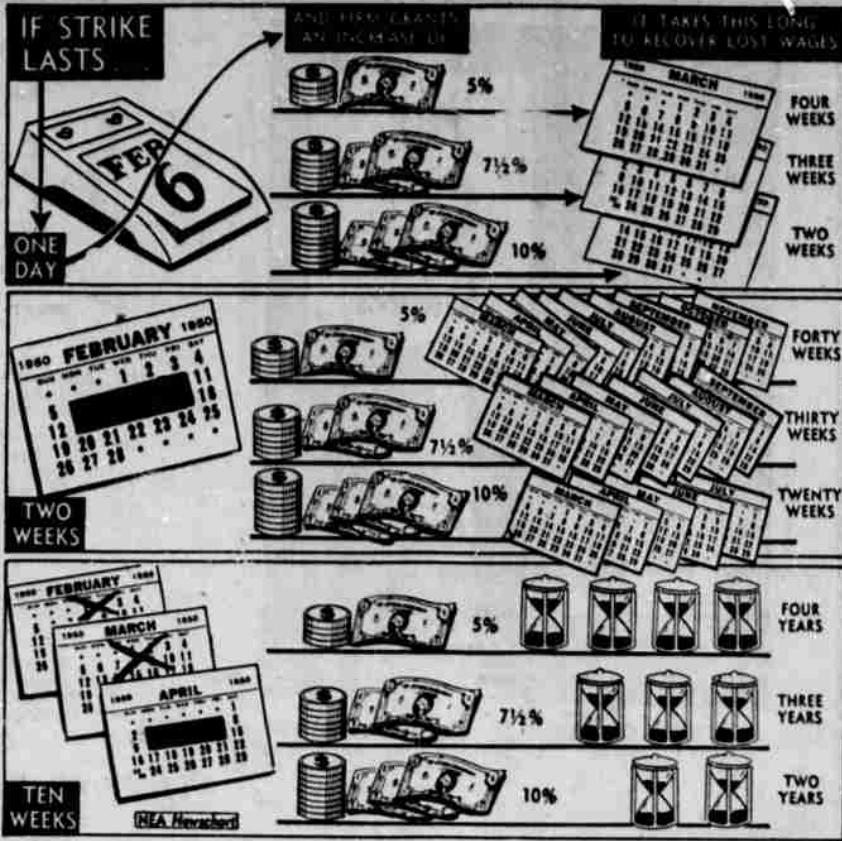
Russia, he said, has about 12,000 operational military planes—two air armies of about 1,000 such planes each attached to each of six Soviet army headquarters.

The Soviet Union, the Soviet zone of Germany and other countries

under Russian domination together are manufacturing 40,000 to 50,000 planes a year, said Lee, which "would enable the Soviet air force to maintain about 15 air armies, each with a strength of 1,000 to 1,500 aircraft."

"In the realm of tactical air warfare she (the Soviet Union) probably is at least as strong as any other air force or group of air forces in the world," wrote Lee, an acknowledged authority in the RAF on the German air force during the war.

Lee in 1946 wrote a book called "The German Air Force." A foreword to this by U. S. Air Force Gen. Carl Spaatz said Lee knew



NOBODY WINS A STRIKE—Newschart above shows graphically how long a worker has to labor to make up the wages he lost through being on strike. In the recent steel strike, each worker lost about \$400. In addition to strikers themselves, thousands of workers in other industries lose wages through being laid off because of material shortages caused by the strike.

more about the German air force than most men.

On delivery of the atom bomb, Lee had this to say:

"The Soviet air force has no long range bombers which will carry the atom bomb more than 1,000 miles from base."

He added that Russia's longest range bomber, the TU-70, copied from the U. S. B-29, could go that far and Russia had a copy of the B-36 in the prototype stage.

Jane's "All The World's Aircraft," a recognized authority on military and civil aviation, gives no details on Russian numerical air strength in the 1949-50 edition.

Sac and Ida counties in Iowa sometimes produce more popcorn than any state except Iowa itself.

Cook Your Squash With Maple Syrup

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Better ways to cook vegetables is always big-time news in the kitchen. That's why I again call attention to Marian Tracy's new acre-cook book—"Cooking Under Pressure." Here are a few reasons for my enthusiasm:

Acorn Squash with Maple Syrup and Butter
(Serves 4)

Two acorn squashes, 1/2 cup water, maple syrup, butter, salt, pepper.

Cut the squash in two. Scrape out the seeds. Place on the rack in the pressure pan cupside down. Add 1/2 cup water. Cook under 15 pounds pressure 6 minutes. Reduce the pressure quickly. Put the squash on an oven-proof platter.

Put at least a teaspoon of butter and one of maple syrup in each cup. Add salt and pepper. If you have time, bake the squash in a medium oven about 20 minutes, though this is not necessary.

Menu: Broiled Canadian bacon, acorn squash with maple syrup and butter, salad (lettuce torn in to small pieces, bunch of parsley, chopped and French dressing—

1/2 olive oil, 1/2 lemon juice, salt and pepper), garlic bread, coffee.

Leeks in Chicken Broth
(Serves 4)

One large bunch leeks, 1-4 cup chicken broth, 2 tablespoons butter, 1 teaspoon chopped tarragon leaves preserved in vinegar, salt, pepper.

Cut off the green tops of the leeks leaving about 1 1/2 inches of green on the white part. Wash well to remove any lurking grains of sand. Quarter the leeks and cook under 15 pounds pressure for 3 minutes in the chicken broth. Reduce pressure instantly. Add butter, tarragon leaves, salt and pepper to the broth in which the leeks were cooked.

Menu: Broiled veal chops, leeks, baked potato, salad (watercress, sour cream), Melba toast, creme brulee, coffee.

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Ex-Prisoners Of Germans And Japs Will Receive Pay

WASHINGTON, Feb. 10.—(P)—Americans captured by the Japanese and Germans during World War II are to receive \$1 for each day they spent in captivity.

This decision was reached by the War Claims commission which said that American prisoners of war in German and Japanese camps didn't get equal to the quality and quantity agreed on the Geneva convention of 1929. Legislation passed by Congress soon after the war allows a dollar-a-day payment only for days on which American prisoners did not get rations equal to standards set up by the convention. The commission decided that Germany and Japan never observed these standards.

Payments will probably begin around the first of March. The commission has received 75,000 out of an expected 120,000 claims. The average claim so far amounts to \$800. Chairman Daniel F. Cleary said.

He estimated the total payable

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to all POW claimants at between \$104,000,000 and \$108,000,000.

The money must come from enemy assets, vested by the office of Alien property (OAP).

In addition to American POW claims, the commission expects an estimated 100,000 claims from Philippine island military forces and some 40,000 from survivors of deceased American and Philippine POWs.

Besides the above claims affecting military service personnel, the commission is also processing claims from U. S. Civilian internees who were caught by the war and interned in the Philippines, Wake, Guam, Midway, and the Aleutians islands.

Approximately 10,000 internees are expected to be eligible for "detention benefits," amounting to \$50 a month for each month of internment (if more than 18 years old when interned) and \$25 (if not yet 18 at the time of internment.) Average adult payment will be near \$2,000.

Testimony given the House committee which wrote the war claims act showed that just before liberation the average daily food ration for internees contained 600-900 cal-

ories. Doctors say 2,000 is the normal minimum to sustain good health.

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This week it's Valentine gifts galore. For Mother, Aunt Susie, or dear old Grandma, LESTER'S GIFT SHOP has beautiful imported English bone china cups and saucers. There is a tiny cocoa cup and saucer that has a gold-speckled scalloped edge and a dainty moss rose hand-painted in the center. Your career-girl Sister will adore this three-piece tea set which includes sandwich plate, cup and saucer. There is a delicately painted woodland scene in the center of each piece, surrounded by a silver-gilt border with gold. The gracious hostess will appreciate the Empire sterling at Lester's, too. A relish dish that is a double shell design has a matching single-shell ash tray. Then there is a sterling sugar bowl, cream pitcher, and mint dish in matching design, to make her table service complete and lovely.

There's still time to order sofa pillows for her Valentine, at JOSSE'S Decorating Department. They will be made to order in satins, damasks, or quilted chintz of glosheen, with rayon or cotton trims. Josse's clever decorators can make them in any style or shape, and either buttoned, tufted, or plain. Piles of pillows all over the sofa are a smart decorating trick for up-to-the-minute homemakers. These pillows made by Josse's will have kapok filling, sturdy tickings, and removable slip-covers for easy laundering or dry cleaning. Order yours now, for a luxurious Valentine gift the whole family will enjoy, and give their spirits a pre-spring lift.



Tell her you love her with a personal gift—a frilly new blouse from LUVERNE'S. They're white cotton with wide lace ruffles around the bib yoke. Made by Melody Modes, they have elbow-length sleeves and button in the back. Navy and red are the smart colors this spring, and Luvérne's has them in rayon blouses by Melody Modes. These have plain round necklines that are a perfect foil for your giddy spring jewelry. Sleeves are short, about midway from shoulder to elbow. Is your sweetie in love with nylon blouses? You'll like them, too, in this sheer fabric, white or light green, with narrow cuffs on the short sleeves. The bib yokes have complicated tucking, topped with a tiny collar.

Know what's a smart trick for after Valentine's? CLARK'S STUDIO knows. It's those NeWay cloth hinges for mounting your snapshots in the family album. You can mount so many more pictures with these overlapping hinged mountings, and they are very inexpensive. Want to tint your own enlargements? Clark's have just the equipment you'll need, in a small student set with eight tubes of all colors, or the larger Academy set with sixteen colors, drying oil, and large supply of transparent medium for blending the oils. Instruction books to help you get started right, too. Have fun!

Here's another Valentine gift for Mom that will make her work easier and delight her with its beauty, too. It's the new Sunbeam Electric Coffeemaker, at ASHCRAFT JEWELERS. It will make as little as one cup or as many as eight cups, and keep it piping hot as long as you like. No more guesswork—the coffee comes out the same strength every time. And the beauty of the lustrous chrome plate will endure for a lifetime. A matching hostess set includes tray, sugar bowl and cream pitcher in the same chrome finish with black composition handles. Order them together or separately, as you like.



February is George Washington month, and the ice cream of the month is White House, a bright cherry red cream made with crushed pineapple and whole cherries. Buy yours by the quart at the ICE CREAMERY, where they high-pack it for generous measure. It goes with your Valentine cakes like ham with eggs. Lunch at the Ice Creamery every day from eleven to three. And vary your lunches with one of their good creamed dishes or a plate of beans and wienies for a meal that will stick to your ribs in cold, wet weather. Lady Luck has favored another of our city's favorite sons for a FREE quart of ice cream. The name is Clarence A. Gilmer, 525 S. Stephens. Drop in at the Ice Creamery any day this week, and pick up a quart of your favorite flavor. Mr. Gilmer. Maybe your wife will want you to bring home a quart of White House for Lincoln's Birthday. Billy will enjoy it, too.

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