

Fortress Pilot Completes Job After 66 Days of Hell

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April 18 (Delayed) (AP)—The Flying Fortress co-pilot saluted his commanding officer, Maj. Richard Stepp, of New York City, on Guadalcanal and reported: "Major, we have completed our mission after 66 days."

Sixty-six days of hell were compressed into that sentence by the modest airman, Lieut. Ernest C. Ruiz, of Santa Barbara, Calif. These segments of an amazing adventure were thus condensed:

A running, bloody battle on February 9 with eight Japanese Zeros . . . Every one of the nine-member crew wounded . . . The bomber badly shot up . . . A forced landing at sea . . . 15 days adrift in rubber rafts . . . Provisions exhausted . . . An emergency catch of a bass, a bird and a shark (the shark tasted terrible) . . . Weeks on weeks marooned on small Coral Island in the heart of Japanese-controlled waters . . . Befriended by half-starved Melanesian natives who insisted the fliers shave

daily (so they did it with broken glass) . . . A native doctor's removal of a bullet, with a piece of glass as the surgical instrument . . . A daring attempt of some of the men to reach friendly land in an outrigger canoe, which capsized . . . Two more weeks of waiting to repair and replenish supplies. A new start . . . Terrible moments of suspense while a Japanese plane flew low over the canoe (but the feared spray of machinegun bullets didn't materialize) . . . Arrival at a new island where a marooned Jap was discovered and killed attempting to flee . . . At long last, a navy flying boat from Guadalcanal which picked up the men in the canoe . . . Then the rushing of food, dropped by army

Downs Thousandth Plane, Gets Sweepstakes Prize

VALLETTA, Malta, April 29 (AP)—For downing the one thousandth axis plane destroyed by Malta-based RAF planes in the war, Squadron Leader John Lynch of Alhambra, Calif., today won a sweepstakes prize of \$516.

Lynch, who joined the RAF in Canada in 1941, is 25, and a former Oklahoma flying instructor. His wife, and a child born since he left the United States, live in Oklahoma. Virtually all RAF members here contributed to the sweepstakes.

Car Strike Forces Workers to Thumb Rides—Successfully

CLEVELAND, April 29 (AP)—An AFL strike today tied up Cleveland's mass transportation system, forcing uncounted thousands of war workers to thumb rides from friendly motorists or to walk to their jobs.

Not a street car or city bus could be seen on busy public square during the morning rush hour as the City Transit System's riders—averaging 1,315,000 fares daily—pulled their frequently-idle automobiles from said on November 3 that a total of 1004 had been shot down.)

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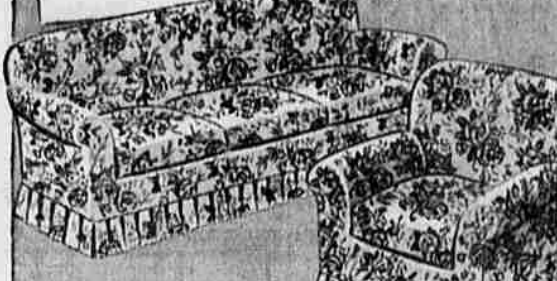
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Sale! Men's Tough 3.49 Work Shoes 3.39

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Durastan Broadloom

9 and 12 ft. widths **3⁹⁸ sq. yd.**

You can't miss on these smart, colorful patterns. Have rugs that fit your rooms or cover wall to wall. All wool pile is easy to clean. Won't "mat down." Another grand Ward buy!

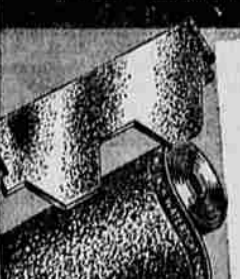
Water Repellent Pullover 1.99

Sale price! Water and wind resistant Poplin. Roomy cut to slip easily over clothing!

Price Cut Bengaline Ball Cap 25^c

Gleaming Bengaline . . . strongly tailored. Outfit your softball team at this sale price!

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Tempered asphalt resists cracking and peeling . . . gives extra weather protection. Fadeproof . . . fire-resistant! Nails and cement included!

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New Sheer Spring Laces

Sale price 4 days only! **1.14 each**

Hurry! You'd expect to pay \$1.49 for patterns, features like these! Sheer, shadow effects . . . yet durable! All with real side hems! Eyelet tops! 44" wide, 2 1/2 yds. long.

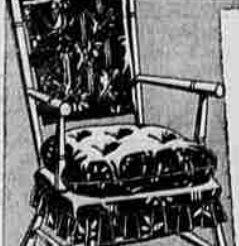
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