

### B'ham Youth Saves Superfort At Iwo

In an interesting dispatch from the South Pacific area war correspondent last week, the Chicago Tribune published a brief story about the activities of our superfortresses, one of which carried a Birmingham youth, 2nd Lieut. Thomas H. Wells, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Wells, 800 Arlington road.

The Tribune's story is as follows: IWO ISLAND—In this ugly black patch of volcanic sand and rock worth the 4,500 brave young men we lost in taking it!

A responding yes came from the throats of some of the thousands of lads who believe they are alive only because Iwo is in our hands. They call this island Iwo because of the 38 faltering Superfortresses that made emergency landings here June 22 after participating in multiple raids on the Jap main islands.

(An associated press report said that Iwo B-29s landed on Iwo Tuesday after the most recent raids on the Jap homeland.)

Two emergency landings on Iwo in a week were made by the crew of Capt. Philip N. Igo's B-29. Igo, a Birmingham native, is now in the U. S. Navy. Igo's B-29 was damaged, but he and his crew managed to land on Iwo and repair the B-29. Iwo is now a base for B-29s.

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### Richard C. Phillips Awarded Bronze Star For Duty In Germany

WITH THE 76TH INFANTRY DIVISION IN GERMANY. Warrent Officer Junior Grade Richard C. Phillips, Service Company, 417th Infantry Regiment, 76th Infantry Division, has been awarded the Bronze Star Medal for meritorious service during the German campaign by Major General William E. Schmidt, 76th Infantry Division Commander.

The citation accompanying the award reads: "As Assistant Mental Munitions Officer, Warrent Officer Phillips was charged with the responsibility of supplying the Regiment with ammunition. Because of the swift movement and ever changing situation, ammunition supply points were frequently at great distances, but despite the unfamiliar terrain, often under enemy sniper fire and blackout conditions, his unwavering loyalty and industrious application to duty with complete disregard for his personal comfort and wear of the present war is protected insofar as a job is concerned, of course; our program also includes numerous social service and welfare aids, especially where children of veterans are concerned. For many years, we have operated a children's camp at Otter Lake, in northern Oakland County, and at present more than 100 kiddies are there."

Vice-commander is Joseph Nichols, Keego Harbor, Frank G. Russell, Detroit was named district finance officer; George MacDonald, Ferndale, sergeant-at-arms, making the fifth time he has been elected to that office. L. T. Matt, Detroit, is district chairman, and William H. Hoell, Milford, historian.

**SITE FOR VETERANS' HOSPITAL IN COUNTY NOT DECIDED**  
Secretary Charles F. Wagg of the Michigan State Hospital Commission announced on Monday that no site has been decided upon for the new state veterans' hospital to be erected in Oakland County. He states that the three sites: New Hudson, Holly and Lake Ridge, are still under consideration, but no decision will be made for several weeks yet.

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### OFFICER Combat Navigator O.P.A. Rule Given For Sale Of Homes During War Time

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Beverly N. J., spotted the barges under the palm trees back from the beach. Lt. Coolidge relates. "We moved into 400 yards range, and the Nips opened fire."  
Then Army fighter planes operated in the straits, strafing, and before they left they had silenced the Jap pillboxes. "We were withdrawing from sinking the eighth barge. PT 850 was grounded on a reef. At once the Japs began their sniper fire. From seaward Lt. Coolidge's PT made two unsuccessful efforts to pull the stranded boat off the reef. Enemy bullets injured one man.

"What we saw that it was 20 feet below the surface. Lt. Coolidge says. "We entered inside the reef ourselves. The slipping now became a steady climb. From seaward with sharp creek up."  
Another man was hit in the foot. He lay down in the cockpit, took off his shoe, and removed the bullet with his fingers. Lt. Coolidge's boat now inbound, returned the fire.

**Enemy Knives Confidence**  
"The noise from our guns gave us confidence because we couldn't see the noise," confessed the lieutenant.  
Sounding as they cautiously approached the beached PT, they got the lead line entangled, and had to cut it. The leadman quickly unspooled another weight from a 40-mm shell. Lines were passed to the grounded vessel, but still it would not move from the reef. As a last resort it was decided to whip it off. Two machine guns from the beached PT, they heard opening up. Coolly, Lt. Coolidge brought his PT alongside the other, and once more the lines were passed, and at this time secured to the stranded vessel's bow. They backed toward the beach at full throttle. The desperate move was successful and the grounded craft swung free.

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Both crews once more returned to the larger guns to train. Gaining the entrance to the lagoon, they turned and headed out to sea and safety. Firing ceased when they were about a mile out. The enemy beach had been swept clean. All eight barges were destroyed.  
Lt. Coolidge had been in the Southwest Pacific for 10 months, and has taken part in more than 40 combat patrols.  
Before joining the Naval Reserve, he was supervisor for K. A. Woodward Co., at Ferndale, Mich. He was graduated from Michigan State College at East Lansing in 1938. His parents are Rev. and Mrs. John K. Coolidge, 116 Southern Blvd., Fort Lauderdale, Fla.  
His wife, Mrs. Magrieta Coolidge, lives at 444 Cliffside, East Lansing.

**Seaholm Is General Chairman War Fund**  
Appointment of Ernest W. Seaholm, 856 Kewasaw, as general chairman of the Oakland County United War Fund for the October 8 to 31 campaign was announced this week by Alfred G. Wilson, executive chairman of the committee. Mr. Seaholm will name the personnel of the various sub-committees in each district.

**Players Paired For Tennis Tourney**  
The draw for the Birmingham Tennis Tournament, sponsored by the Birmingham Recreation Commission, has been completed. Those people who have drawn first round matches must have them played off by Sunday, July 15. Second and third round matches must be played off by Sunday, July 16. Scores will be phoned in immediately after all matches to Jane McKee, Birmingham 118. Any further information concerning the tournament may be obtained by calling this same number.

The first round matches in the Men's tournament are as follows: Paul Penfield, bye; Jack Brozman vs. Charles Blunt; Bob Clark vs. Bernie Livingston; Herb Devins vs. Sidney Oldberg; Bud Green, bye; Hugh McLeese vs. Tom Hubbard; Tom Cookery vs. Don Gore; Wayne Smith, bye; Genaro Flores, bye; Willist McCartney vs. Dick Beys; Dick Adams, bye; Eped Prince, bye; John Spencer vs. Elmer Beers; Don Moore vs. Ray Peck; Wright Collier vs. R. W. Spicer; and Paul Meadows, bye.

In the Women's tournament the first round matches are listed as: Amy Roosevelt, bye; Elsie Partlan, bye; Carol Crane, bye; Punch Skuse vs. Mary Henderson; Mrs. R. W. Spicer vs. Nancy Neumann; Mrs. Elmer Beers, bye; Mrs. Lelana Morse, bye; Paul Latour, bye; Jane McKee, bye; Virginia Johnston, bye; Pat Williams, bye; Phyllis Allan vs. John Johnson; Mary Giles vs. Jerry Uppinger; Diana Roosevelt, bye; Beverly Johnston, bye; and Patty Price, bye.

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### THE SEVENTH WAR LOAN Total Comes Close to Quota

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According to police, Jimmie's endy machine at the Trunk railroad station and made away with its cash content, perhaps a few dollars. And then, perhaps the worst of all the break-ins and entanglements was the one last Saturday night when one of more valuable heists took the Girl Scout cabin at Springdale Park. The Eccentric in this week from the Pontiac Regional branch of the area rent office of the O. P. A.

No regulations exist except where there is a landlord-tenant relationship per cent minimum is required to prevent a home owner from resorting to obvious subterfuges in getting a tenant out of the premises, for without the minimum down payment, a seller could practically make a sale of a property on something near a rental basis. In the case of new houses, the only regulation is that the area is his construction material allowances, under authority of the W. P. A. which has allowed buildings of certain low-cost homes for war workers.

**Is Awarded Silver Star Posthumously**  
S/Sgt. Jack E. Trew, son of Mrs. and Mrs. A. S. Trew, 321 Fairfax road, has been awarded the Silver Star, posthumously, by the War Department for his gallantry in action February 20, 1945, near Mt. Belvedere. When cleverly concealed enemy machine guns intermingled with intense artillery fire, succeeded in halting his company's advance. S/Sgt. Trew, on his own initiative, maneuvered for one hundred yards into the concentrated fire to seek the enemy locations and direct counter fire. By skillful movement over rugged terrain he reached the crest of the ridge, and finding himself completely open to observation, gallantly opened fire with his automatic rifle. The enemy, quick to locate him in his exposed position, reported devastating fire. Though mortally wounded by this new burst, he selected the targets for his company and indicated new locations from which they were able to destroy the hostile positions. His initiative, determination, and great courage were the key factors in the seizure of an important terrain feature by his company. His heroic actions furnished inspiration to all who know of them.

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*Steve Ornel*

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The Seventh War Loan drive ended officially on June 30, with Birmingham short of its quota by \$553,841, and at that time the committee announced that July 7 would be the final closing date and the ends would be brought up to date at that time.

Figures on July 7 revealed that an additional amount of \$204,988 has been added to the total sales of all type bonds and tax notes. H. R. Gardner, Birmingham National Bank president and chairman of the drive, announced last week that he expected the Seventh to reach the \$1,000,000 figure, and that the drive will close with a total of \$1,447,928.

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