Middlewich Urban District Council

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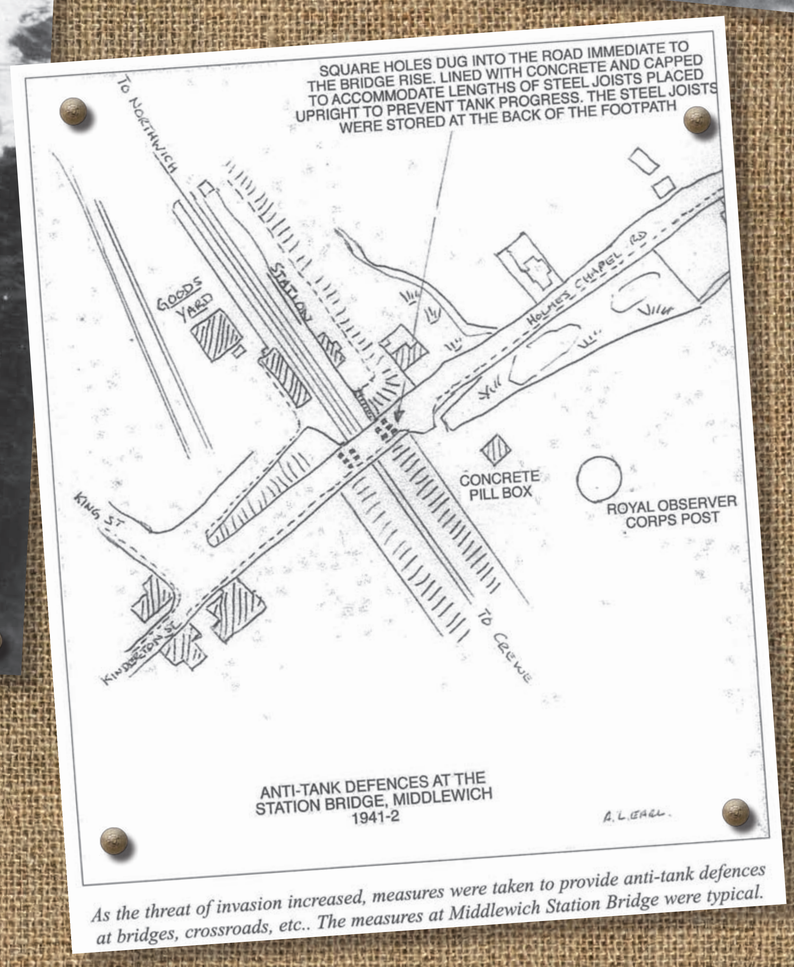

As the threat of invasion increased, measures were taken to provide anti-tank defences at bridges, crossroads, etc.. The measures at Middlewich Station Bridge were typical.

Middlewich Urban District Council.

ARTHUR GOULDEN,
CLERK OF THE COUNCIL.
TEL. No. 27
Ref. AG/MT.

Victoria Building,
Middlewich.

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Aug.16th.1940.

Dear Sir,

Production of extra Smoke from Industrial Works.

I enclose herewith copy of Home Security Circular No. 139/1940, relating to the above, for your consideration.

Yours faithfully,

Clerk of the Council.

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Copy of Home Security Circular No.139/1940.

I am directed by the Minister of Home Security to say that it is desired that, as a matter of urgency, arrangements should be made for all industrial works in your area to produce as much extra smoke as is feasible as a normal procedure, without incurring too much waste. It is realised that, in the light of the efforts which have been made towards smoke abatement in recent years, this will be to some extent a retrograde step, but it is regarded as imperative in the national interests that any measures which may render industrial targets less readily definable from the air should be taken forthwith. The Minister will accordingly be glad if you will arrange for your Sanitary Inspectors or Smoke Abatements Officers to visit as soon as possible all firms, both large and small who can arrange to emit smoke from their coal-consuming furnaces and to secure that they will emit as much dark smoke as is feasible without, as far as practicable, emitting noxious gases. It is not desired that firms should use pitch or oil in their furnaces for the purpose of producing extra smoke.

Arrangements are being made to supply you at an early date with the names of Combustion Engineers who will be prepared to give technical advice to your officers or to any firm desiring it.

If it should prove necessary appropriate steps will be taken to protect the factories concerned from legal proceedings which might be taken against them by any persons objecting to the smoke arising.

ENEMY UNIFORMS AT A GLANCE

THE object of this leaflet is to acquaint the Services and Civil Defence workers with the appearance of the standard types of German uniform, so that they can be recognised at a glance. The danger of invasion has by no means receded, and in the event of an emergency, every man and woman in authority must be able to detect a German soldier, sailor, or airman, even at a distance.

Study this leaflet carefully. If you are in the Services, the Police or any of the Civil Defence Services, pin this leaflet up on your notice board inside your post.

"Spot at Sight" Chart

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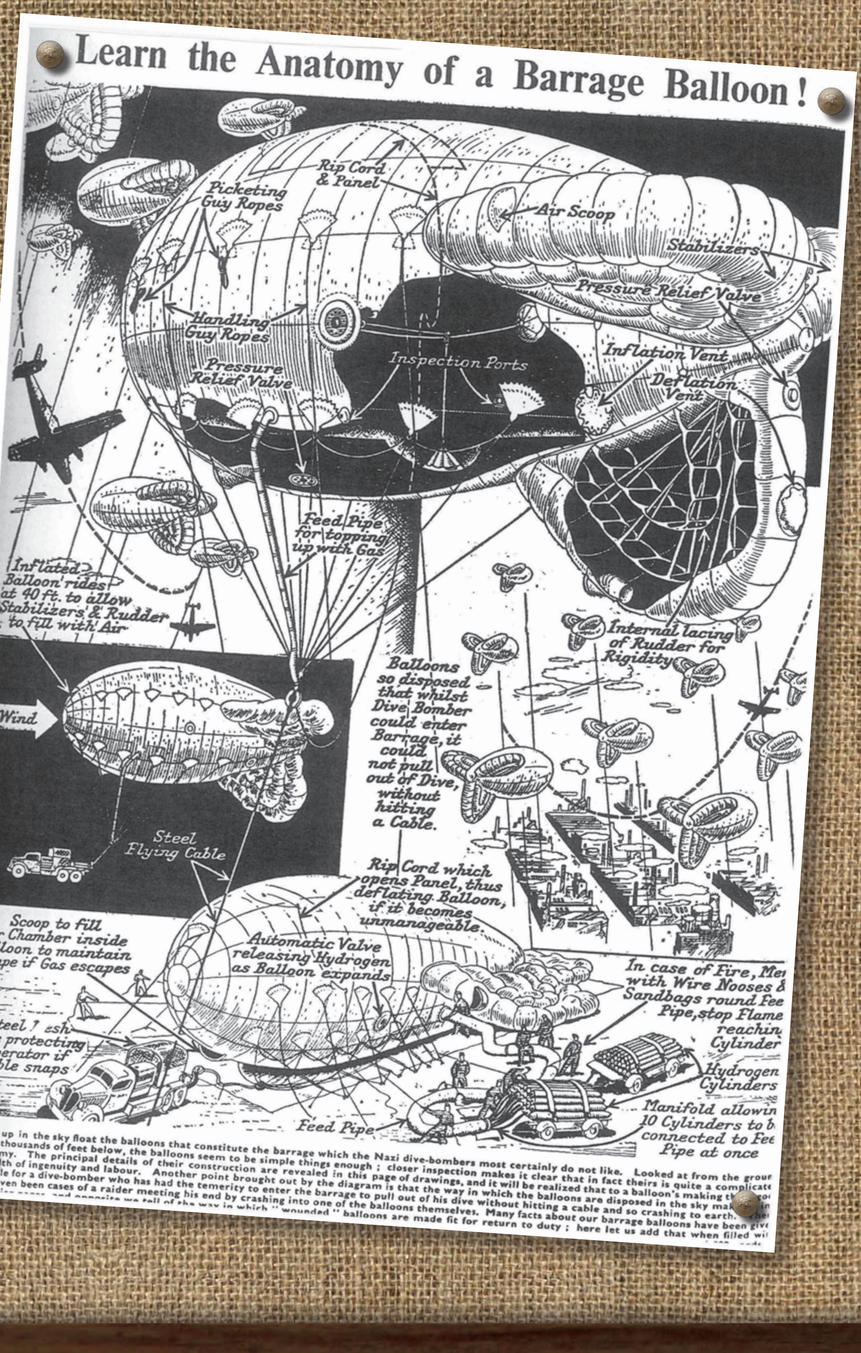
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