

Middlewich Urban District Council

NOTICEBOARD

Pray for a new world.

MIDDLEWICH HERMAGEON VICTORY 1945
THANKSGIVING ORDER OF SERVICE
 19-5

§ The Clergy and choir having taken their places, the congregation shall stand and sing the first verse of

THE NATIONAL ANTHEM
 God save our gracious King,
 Long live our noble King,
 God save the King!
 Send him victorious,
 Happy and glorious,
 Long to reign over us,
 God save the King!

§ The congregation still standing, the Minister shall say

THE BIDDING
 BRETHREN, we are met together on this day to pour out our hearts in fervent thanksgiving to the God and Father of us all, and to dedicate ourselves afresh to the service of his Kingdom. We desire to thank him for deliverance from the hand of our enemies; for the devotion, even to death, of those who for the five years past have stood between us and slavery; and for the hopes of a better world for all his people. I bid you, therefore, till up your hearts that you may tell the praise of our God, and pray that his wisdom may lead us, and his Spirit strengthen us, in the days that are to come.

Minister Not unto us, O Lord, not unto us,
 People but unto thy Name give the praise:
 Minister The Lord hath done great things for us already:
 People whereof we rejoice.
 Minister Praise the Lord, O my soul:
 People and forget not all his benefits.

HYMN "Praise my Soul"
 Father-like, he tends and guards us;
 With our feeble frame he knows us;
 In his hands he gently bears us,
 Rescues us from all our foes.
 Praise him! Praise him!
 Wondrous yet his mercy shows.
 Angels help us to adore him;
 Praise him for his grace and favour
 To our fathers in distress;
 Sun and moon, bow down before him;
 Dwellers all in time and space.
 Praise him! Praise him!
 Praise with us the God of grace.

§ Then shall the Minister say,
 Now bless the Lord your God.

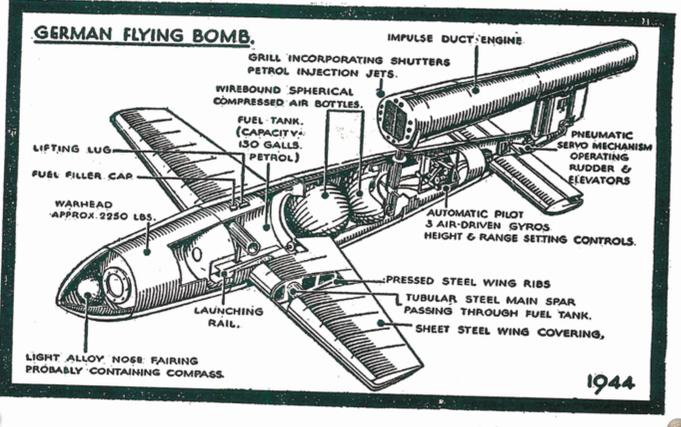
§ Then, the congregation having knelt down, shall be said

THE THANKSGIVINGS
 Minister We give thanks to thee, O Lord our Father:
 For the call to do battle for the right,
 For the unity of nation and empire,
 For the maintenance of faith and hope in the darkest days.
 People We thank thee, O Lord.

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Flying Bomb: Official Picture



EXTRA PRECAUTIONS AGAINST EXPLOSIVE BOMBS

TRENCHES. Instead of having a refuge-room in your house, you can, if you have a garden, build a dug-out or a trench. A trench provides excellent protection against the effects of a bursting bomb, and is simple to construct. Full instructions will be given in another book which you will be able to buy. Your air raid wardens will also be able to advise.

SANDBAGS. Sandbags outside are the best protection if your walls are not thick enough to resist splinters. Do not rely on a wall keeping out splinters unless it is more than a foot thick. Sandbags are also the best protection for window openings. If you can completely close the window opening with a wall of sandbags you will prevent the glass being broken by the blast of an explosion, as well as keeping out splinters. But the window must still be sealed inside against gas.

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If the INVADER comes

WHAT TO DO - AND HOW TO DO IT

I
 When Holland and Belgium were invaded, the civilian population fled from their homes. They crowded on the roads in cars, on bicycles and on foot, and so helped the enemy by preventing their own routes from advancing against the invaders. You must not allow that to happen here. Your first rule, therefore, is—
 (1) IF THE GERMANS COME, BY PARACHUTE, AEROPLANE OR SHIP, YOU MUST REMAIN WHERE YOU ARE. THE ORDER IS "STAY PUT".
 If the Commander in Chief decides that the place where you live must be evacuated, he will tell you when and how to leave. Until you receive such orders you must remain where you are. If you run away, you will be exposed to the greater danger because you will be unaccompanied from the air as were civilians in Holland and Belgium, and you will also block the roads by which our own armies will advance to turn the Germans out.

II
 There is another method which the Germans adopt in order to create confusion and panic. They spread false rumours and issue false instructions. In order to prevent this, you should obey the second rule, which is as follows—
 (2) DO NOT BELIEVE RUMOURS AND DO NOT SPREAD THEM. WHEN YOU RECEIVE AN ORDER, MAKE QUITE SURE THAT IT IS A TRUE ORDER AND NOT A FAREED BY THE ENEMY. MOST OF YOU KNOW YOUR POLICEMEN AND YOUR A.P. WARDENS BY SIGHT, YOU CAN TRUST THEM. IF YOU KEEP YOUR HEADS, YOU CAN ALSO TELL WHETHER A MILITARY OFFICER IS REALLY BRITISH OR ONLY PRETENDING TO BE SO. IF IN DOUBT ASK THE POLICEMAN OR THE A.P. WARDEN. USE YOUR COMMON SENSE.

ON HIS MAJESTY'S SERVICE.

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 (FILL IN ADDRESS OF YOUR LOCAL OFFICE. See p. 3 of Cover.)



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