



WAR BRIDES ARRIVES IN U.S. FROM BRITAIN—A group of more than 60 English girls who married American soldiers arrived from Europe aboard the USS Barry. Photo shows some of the war brides who left for all parts of the country to the homes of their American husbands.

Veteran Bonds To Mature June 15

Gatesville. — Robin Hood, cashier of the Bank of Gates, today reminded veterans of the First World War, who hold 3 percent adjusted service bonds of 1945, issued in payment of amounts due on adjusted service certificates, that the bonds which are dated June 15, 1936, will mature on June 15, 1945, when the face amount of the bonds and interest for the full nine-year period will be payable.

The amount due on each bond is \$63.50, which includes \$50 principle and \$13.50 interest. No further interest will accrue after June 15.

"Veterans who have not exchanged their adjusted service certificates for the adjusted service bonds of 1945 must do so before June 15, otherwise they will lose all of the interest which has accrued on the bonds since June 15, 1936, amounting to \$13.50 on each \$50 bond," Hood said.

The bonds must be signed in the presence of a bank officer or postmaster and veterans should act promptly in order to receive the full benefits to which they are entitled.

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was in jail within four hours after landing, he said.

He would not have escaped from the crippled plane had it not exploded, the sergeant added. The blast blew him out of the turret and he retained con-

sciousness long enough to open his parachute.

Without Shoes

He landed without shoes, was given one issue of clothing which he wore for the next several months and subsided on three potatoes a day and half a loaf of bread per week supplemented by occasional Red Cross supplies. Diseases, dysentery and marching during the evacuation when Russia started its drive, took its toll of American prisoners, Harry said.

While they were marched in an effort to keep out of reach of Russian liberators, 500 or more would go to sleep in a barn and leave 50 or 60 who could not go on the next morning. The Germans said the disabled men would be hospitalized. Harry could not say whether they were or not.

Harry weighed only 98 pounds when he again reached Allied military control. He regained his normal weight within 30 days at a French rest camp.

Harry and thousands of others escaped when the collapse of Nazi Germany appeared eminent, but he was in a group recaptured by German troops who were scheduled to surrender the following day. But on the following day, the regiment got orders to continue fighting at the Elbe River.

At one time, the American escapees were within sound of front line gun fire but German machine guns drove them back to cover.

As prisoners, the men were permitted to write a letter a month. He did not receive a letter during the whole time he was imprisoned, and Red Cross supplies did not come through with

regularity, he said.

Harry holds the Purple Heart, the Air Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters, the Good Conduct Ribbon, American theatre of operations Ribbon, and the European theatre of operations ribbon with four campaign stars, representing the Air War, the battles of Norway and Southern France and the battle of Germany.

Cowper Wires Mother, Roses

Gatesville.—A buddy of Major William R. Cowper, Jr., now stationed in the South Pacific theatre of operations where at last reports he had again been decorated for heroism in the air, wired a dozen American Beauty roses to his mother, Mrs. W. R. Cowper, Sr., of Gatesville.

The buddy, Captain John Haggerty, is in Wyandotte, Mich., where he telegraphed the flowers to Mrs. Cowper. She said it was not a delayed Mother's Day remembrance, but Major Cowper had asked the captain to wire his mother the roses on his return to the United States.

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