

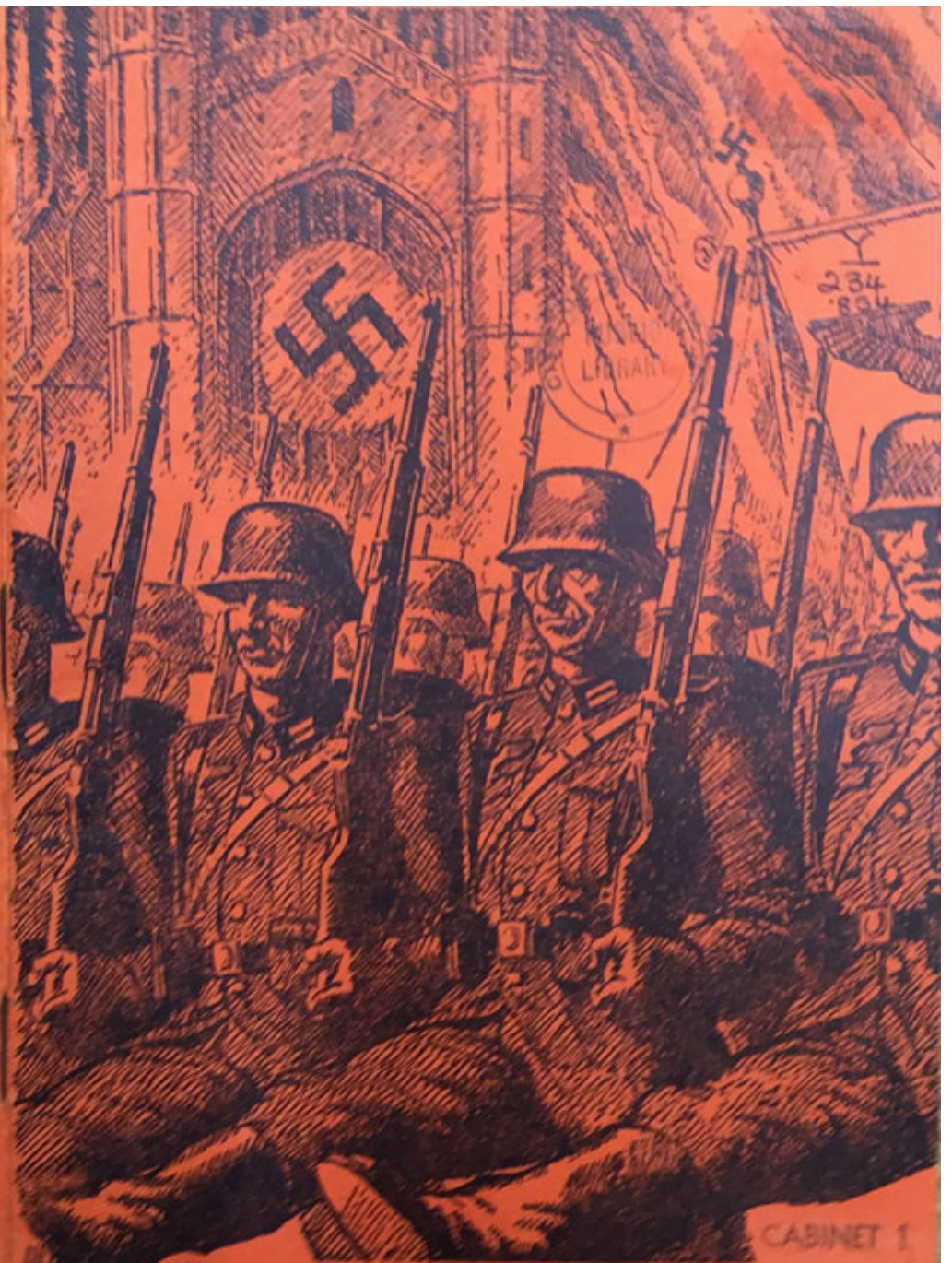
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February 14th to 21st, 1942



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16th January, 1942.

It gives me great pleasure to send a message to the citizens of St. Albans on the launching of Warship Week.

Your town has traditions which go back to the earliest period of our country's history and I am sure that during your Warship Week you will once more provide evidence of your courage and patriotism.

You have set yourselves the task of raising the sum of £210,000 for the purpose of adopting the destroyer H.M.S. "Scimitar". In order to press forward to victory, the country needs every pound, every shilling, every penny you can save. I call upon you, therefore, not only to reach your objective but to leave it far behind, and I wish you God Speed in your effort.

President.

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You who read this and I who write it, have this in common—we have an intense love for our country and all that it means to us. It is not our nature to speak of these things—such feelings lie hidden—but we show them in deeds.

Freedom of thought—liberty of action—security—comfort—all these have been handed on to us, won through centuries of toil, sacrifice and devotion by those who have gone before us. Do we wish to hold on to this heritage? Are we—as a nation—strong enough to do so? The answer rests with you and me. For the measure of democracy's strength is this—how far its people,

in time of danger, are ready to place their powers and liberties back into the hands of the State till the danger is past and freedom and security are once more supreme.

Nothing must be held back—you and I will do our part in placing our meed of power unreservedly at the State's disposal, in the mighty conflict we are faced with. Here is one small way in which we can help: we can lend—and lend we will, to the utmost of our ability.

FOREWORD

by

HIS WORSHIP THE MAYOR
(Councillor J. TACCHI, C.C.)

The Campaign deserves the support of all who desire to see a still closer link forged between our City and the Royal Navy which unceasingly guards the Highways of the Seas. I appeal to each citizen to make every effort to ensure that in Warship Week we will raise in National Savings a sum of £210,000, sufficient for the cost of the destroyer, H.M.S. Scimitar. Great results have already been achieved, but the Savings Campaign, no less than the struggle at sea, on land and in the air, must continue unabated until victory is won. The Royal Navy has always been close to the hearts of the British people and to-day we are only too conscious of what we owe to our sea communications and to those who man them. This has brought home to us how much we depend on the Navy for the safeguarding of our shores against invasion, and for the protection of those cargoes from overseas which bring us food, raw materials and tools of victory.

THEY HAVE DONE THEIR JOB. WE WILL DO OURS.

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I REMEMBER — I REMEMBER

"Well — if it isn't old Thomas — what brings you to these outlandish parts?"

"The slowest train in the universe. What are you doing here yourself?"

"Putting salt on the tail of the unsavoury Herrenvolk—or more strictly, depth charges. Remember the last time we met?"

"Do I not! Outside the Tavern at Lords, the summer before the war. You stood me a slap-up dinner that night."

"I did. And you stood me a show afterwards. Then we went to a night club."

ROSE'S—the Wise Man's Nightcap

"Then on to another."

"And strolled down Piccadilly in the cool light of dawn, mingling cigar smoke with the pure morning air."

"And not a trace of a headache either. We'd mixed our drinks but finished with Rose's Lime Juice, being well acquainted with the ropes."

"Not much Rose's about these days, unfortunately."

"Haven't seen a bottle for weeks. Still, there's bound to be plenty after the war. Where shall we meet?"

"Why not outside the Tavern at Lords?"

A Short History of the St. Albans Savings Movement

The St. Albans War Savings Association was formed early in 1917, the first Secretary being Mrs. Edith Garrett, M.B.E. During the Great War of 1914 to 1918 the Savings amounted to £1,054,000. Afterwards, Savings Groups dissolved until there were few left. The remaining Groups, then almost confined to Schools, met once every year with the Mayor as Chairman.

In 1935 Mrs. Garrett resigned and Mr. W. Bird became Secretary. He continued as Secretary until 1939, during which time the Harpenden Committee met with the St. Albans Committee and held their meetings jointly. In 1939 when Mr. Bird resigned, Mr. D. V. MacVean became Secretary and continued until after the outbreak of War. Early in 1940 a City Meeting was called under the Chairmanship of the Mayor (then Mr. T. F. Elm) with a view to forming a War Savings Committee. The Committee was duly formed, still combined with Harpenden, with the Mayor as Chairman; Miss B. V. Entwistle consented to be temporary Secretary and shortly afterwards Mr. A. G. Jenkins became permanent Secretary. At that time there were 67 Savings Groups in St. Albans and the movement grew until at the moment there are over 300 groups.

At a special Meeting convened at a later date, it was decided that St. Albans City and the Rural Districts should continue as a separate Committee from Harpenden, as it was felt necessary to intensify the Savings Movement in the successful prosecution of the War.

During War Weapons Week (1st-8th December, 1940) when a great effort was made, the amount saved was just over £311,000 and St. Albans itself has saved £2,250,000 since the beginning of the War Savings Movement.

In 1940, the Mayor then in Office, Mr. D. Knights-Whittome, was elected Chairman and later President. Councillor W. Bird is now the permanent Chairman and Councillor J. Tacchi, on being elected Mayor, became the President.

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PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

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SATURDAY, 14th FEBRUARY. Warship Week begins.

- 10.0 a.m. All Selling Centres open—close at black-out.
- 12.0 noon. Official opening at the Town Hall of Warship Week and the Exhibition.
- Note.—The Town Hall will be closed to the public between 12.30 and 2.30 p.m.
- 3.0 p.m. Exhibition re-opens to public—closes 6.0 p.m.

SUNDAY, 15th FEBRUARY.

- 2.30 p.m. Procession assembles at Market Place, St. Peter's Street and War Memorial. Units of the Navy, Army, Air Force, Fire Service, A.R.P., Special Police Constabulary and other Defence Services will march together with Units of other Services to the Abbey via the north-west side of St. Peter's Street to Market Place, turn left and across the front of the Town Hall where the Salute will be taken. The Mayor and Corporation will join the procession at the Town Hall and Parade will turn right and proceed down Chequer Street, High Street, George Street, to the West Entrance of the Abbey. The Royal Artillery, Royal Air Force and St. Albans City and British Legion Bands will be in the Parade.
- 3.0 p.m. Service in the Abbey.
- 4.0 p.m. (approx.). Parade will re-form in Sumpter Yard and proceed to Market Place via Holywell Hill, London Road, Marlborough Road, Upper Marlborough Road, Hatfield Road, St. Peter's Street. The Mayor and Corporation will leave the Abbey via North Transept, Cloisters, Market Place to the Town Hall. During the re-assembly in the Market Square, the Massed Bands of the Royal Artillery, Royal Air Force and St. Albans City and British Legion will play and the Mayor will address the assembly.

GOD SAVE THE KING

The visiting members of the Forces will take tea, after the Parade, at Ashwell House, Verulam Road.

MONDAY, 16th FEBRUARY.

- 9.0 a.m. All Selling Centres open—close at black-out.
- 10.0 a.m. Exhibition at Town Hall opens—closes at 6 p.m.

TUESDAY, 17th FEBRUARY.

- 9.0 a.m. All Selling Centres open—close at black-out.
- 10.0 a.m. Exhibition at Town Hall opens—closes 6.0 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, 18th FEBRUARY.

- 9.0 a.m. All Selling Centres open—close at black-out.
- 10.0 a.m. Exhibition at Town Hall opens—closes 6.0 p.m.
- 10.0 p.m. to 1.0 a.m. Grand Civil Defence Dance at the Town Hall. R.A.F. Band will play during the evening. Tickets 7s. 6d. each, including refreshments, can be obtained from the Civil Defence Headquarters, 40 Victoria Street, Messrs. W. J. Elliott Ltd., 16 Chequer Street, or from any Head Warden.

THURSDAY, 19th FEBRUARY.

- 10.0 a.m. All Selling Centres open—close at black-out.
- 10.0 a.m. Exhibition at Town Hall opens—closes 6.0 p.m.
- 4.45 p.m. Bridge Drive at the Town Hall arranged by Miss Silvester. Tickets 3s. each or 10s. per table can be obtained from Miss Silvester, 11 London Road, or from the following members of the Committee:—Mrs. Beale, Mrs. Etchells, Mrs. Ingram, Mrs. Douglas McCulloch, Miss Wix.
- 10.0 p.m. Celebrity Concert at the Town Hall. Artists:—Miss Margaret Bisset, Miss Kathleen Moorhouse, Mr. Maurice Cole, and Dr. Albert Tysoe. Tickets 5s. and 3s. each can be obtained from Messrs. W. J. Elliott Ltd., 16 Chequer Street, and from Messrs. H. A. Richardson Ltd., 5 High Street.

FRIDAY, 20th FEBRUARY.

- 10.0 a.m. All Selling Centres open—close at black-out.
- 10.0 a.m. Exhibition at Town Hall opens—closes 6.0 p.m.
- 10.0 a.m. Central Hall, Victoria Street. Programme of Films supplied by the Ministry of Information will be shown at 11.0 a.m., 3.0 p.m. and 7.0 p.m. Admission free

SATURDAY, 21st FEBRUARY.

- 10.0 a.m. All Selling Centres open—close at black-out.
- 10.0 a.m. Exhibition at Town Hall opens—closes 6.0 p.m.
- 10.0 p.m. to 12.0 midnight. Dance at the Town Hall arranged by the Youth Organisation of St. Albans. Tickets 2s. 6d. each can be obtained from the Bureau at Messrs. Marks & Spencer Ltd., St. Peter's Street.
- Note.—The Grand Total will be recorded on the Indicator at 12.0 noon in day by the Mayor.

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Warship Week School Poster and Models Competition



1. In various Schools internal competitions will be held and prizes awarded for the best

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Exhibitions are being organised.

2. All Schools are invited to send entries in the

MODEL BATTLESHIP OR DESTROYER COMPETITION

(Size between 1 ft. and 4 ft.) Five One Pound prizes.

3. Each School has been invited to

DESIGN AND MAKE ITS OWN INDICATOR

to register progress towards the " Target " amount fixed by the School.

4. **A FANCY DRESS PARADE**

will be judged at 2.30 p.m. on Saturday, 14th February at the School of Art, Victoria Street.

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What to See in The Exhibition at the Town Hall

Many items of Naval and Air Force interest will be on view including a Gipsy Engine; Air Screw, Hotchkiss, Lewis and Vickers guns, etc., together with models of various types of ships.

In the Assembly Room on the First Floor, there will be a photographic exhibition kindly loaned by Ilford Ltd., makers of Selo Films. The Exhibition illustrates all phases of the War at Sea and includes types of naval craft from battleships such as the Renown, Rodney, and Repulse, to destroyers of the Tribal class as well as the famous submarines Salmon and Pandora.

It depicts the activities of the Fleet Air Arm torpedo-carrying 'planes and shows various types of naval armament from the 16 inch triple-turret guns of the Rodney to the multiple guns and Lewis guns of the Minesweepers

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AT THE CAPITOL CINEMA

Sunday, February 8th at 3 p.m.

Artists:

Walter Widdop.
May Blythe.
Will Gardner.
Freda Townson
Josephine Wray.
Henry Cummings.
Tom Best.

Tickets: 5/-, 3/- and 2/- each from:
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Civil Defence Headquarters,
40 Victoria Street.
Hancocks, 1 Market Cross.

Celebrity Concert

AT THE TOWN HALL

Thursday, February 19th at 8 p.m.

Artists:

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Miss Kathleen Moorhouse
Mr. Maurice Cole.
Dr. Albert Tysoe.

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