

ALLIED AIR ASSAULTS ON EUROPE.

The famous but strange-looking Lightning long-range fighter has begun escort duties for bomber attacks from Britain. This Siamese-twin pursuit plane has already scored big successes in the Far East and from North Africa --- and it is now being used to guard Fortresses and Marauders and other ^{Bombers} over Western Europe. The air war intensifies --- and these American hammerings by day dovetail with R.A.F. onslaught by night; making Hitler's madmen squeal all round the clock.

Now Mitchell's take over; a big unit of these fast bombers going to Cherbourg, piloted by Dutch airmen operating with the R.A.F. The camera goes on board to record this action over France.

Over the target flak was very heavy; but all these bombers returned safely to base except one; the fate of that one with its heroic crew is shown in grim detail.

You hear that one of our aircraft is missing so often in air reports, the words mean less than they should. That picture reminds us of the price that is being paid every day --- ~~for our security.~~

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