

THE HALIFAX GOT HOME

With the port inner engine put out of action, the bomb bays on fire and some of the controls shot away as the result of an attack by two Hun fighters, a Halifax bomber that had raided Hamburg made the 300 miles back to its base. The mid-upper gunner had been killed and two other members of the crew had been injured.

Over southern England the captain told the uninjured men to bale out because the undercarriage was jammed, and he thought that he might crash. But he made a good landing, the injured were taken to hospital, and the parachutists came down safely.

The captain had been commissioned only that day.

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