

# Kingsville Man in Fortress Crash

These Eighth Air Force bomber crew members have just returned to their home base in England after their Flying Fortress, "Destiny's Tot," crashed into the North Sea on its way home from a raid over Hanover, Germany. They are dressed in civilian trousers and RAF collarless shirts furnished by British air-sea rescue workers.

Left to right, kneeling, they are: 2nd Lt. Carl N. Smith, Bristow, Calif.; 2nd Lt. Jack A. Hargis, pilot, Lodi, Calif.; 2nd Lt. Capen R. Simons, Kingsville, Texas; and 2nd Lt. William H. Turcotte, Jackson, Miss.

Standing: S. Sgt. Rudolph A. Thigpen, Hosston, La.; T. Sgt. Victor Siganeck, Jersey City, N. J.; S. Sgt. Gerold H. Tucker, Lolo, Mont.; S. Sgt. James A. Bowcock, Bronx, N. Y.; T. Sgt. Jarvis Allen, Pyramid, Ky.; and S. Sgt. Di Minno, Canton, Ohio.

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