

The Blitz

Albert: 14 Oct 40 The loud whistle last night was a time bomb in grounds of Wick House said to weigh over 1000 lbs, 6 yards from main road opposite Wix the bakery.



Garden of Wick House, Sparrows Herne. Members of an army Bomb Disposal team pumping water from a bomb hole in order to reach the bomb and defuse it.



Eila went to see the bomb which was on display

A:1 Nov 40 Saw 12 Jerry planes very high trying to get into London. Passed overhead but were turned east by our planes. All night in shelter. P at Wardens Post all night.

A: 3 Nov 40 Went to bed about midnight in our own bed - first time since 20th Sept.

A: 15 Nov 40 3 bombs fell at 8.10pm and one hit Rosary Priory, one in Heathbourne Road and one in Pipers Field, Elstree Road.



A: 23 Dec 40 Just before midnight saw red glow beyond Rosary Priory. We went out and saw flames apparently coming from the Priory.

The V-1 flying bombs (popularly known as doodlebugs) and V-2 rockets were dropped in the final months of the war.

They were Hitler's secret weapons of "vengeance" that he boasted would bring Germany victory.

At 1:30pm on 28th July 1944 a V1 flying bomb fell on The Moatfield. Over 600 houses in Bushey suffered blast damage but miraculously only six people and a goat were hurt. At exactly the time the bomb exploded a Purple Heart medal ceremony was being conducted on the terrace at Bushey Hall, but the WAAC's did not move. The plume of smoke from the explosion rises above the trees.



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