50 Years Ago World War II Ended

Strategic Bombing in Europe played a big part in winning a war that had to be won.

If the Nazi menace of world domination was not checked, the future of the free world was in doubt. There are some today who may question the methods (The Hiroshima controversy) used in gaining final victory, but there is no doubt who won it: the free world's Soldiers, Sailors, and the Airmen of the RAF and the Army Air Forces.



Ploesti Concordia Vega Refinery, the largest natural oil center in Europe with nine refineries, was responsible for a third of all Germany's war requirements. This complex was attacked 20 times by the 15th Air Force between April and August 1944. Production was reduced 70 % by the time it was captured by the Russians.