

GARY COOPER AT DARWIN

Pilot Flew Low Over Open Air Show

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DARWIN, Tuesday.—A Mitchell bomber stole the show from Gary Cooper when he was entertaining troops in the Darwin area last night.

With Una Merkel, Phyllis Brooks and Andy Arcary, Cooper was on the stage at an open-air show when the bomber made its appearance. Deciding it was worth a closer look the pilot came in a low dive past the stage and about 50 feet above the heads of 3000 troops who had come to see Cooper, but who took no notice of him when the plane commenced its antics. Four times the plane flashed past not 50 feet from the stage before the pilot decided he had seen enough. Gary Cooper and his party kept the audience amused for nearly two hours, although many of their quips meant nothing to the Australians, who outnumbered the Americans.

Later Gary Cooper said the New Guinea tour had been a great success. "Many of our boys who have been here close on two years feel they have been forgotten until they see and hear someone whose name they know well."

The Taxation department has received an amount of £50 conscience money remitted by money orders from an unknown taxpayer.





One of the most recent photographs of the King, who was 48 years old on Tuesday. He is seen with the Queen and Princess Elizabeth in the quadrangle at Windsor Castle, taking the salute from 300 members of the Boys' Brigade.