

UNITED STATES ARCTIC AIR BASE

Nine hundred miles from the North Pole and only five hours flying time by jet bomber away from Russia's industrial heart, is the American airfield at Thule. Nearing completion, it is regarded as a vital defence outpost. Nestling near the ten thousand foot ice mountain of the Greenland ice-cap, the field was America's biggest secret military operation since the Normandy invasion.

Four-hundred-and-eighty acres of snug barracks, heated hangars and warehouses make Thule a full-scale, all-the-year-round base for big bombers which find plenty of room for landing on the two-mile air strip. The outpost also boasts the most northern post-office in the world. Even in the ice-bound arctic, America is making certain of her defenses.

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On a treeless, snow-encrusted Arctic wasteland, a giant U. S. airfield is completed. Thule Air Base becomes a vital defense guardian looking over the top of the world into Russia, whose industrial heart is only five hours flying time away by jet bomber.

Nestled near the ten-thousand foot ice mountain of the Greenland Icecap, nine hundred miles from the North Pole, the field was the nation's biggest secret military operation since the Normandy invasion.

Four-hundred and eighty acres of snug barracks, a <sup>two-mile</sup> ~~ten-mile~~ air strip, heated hangars and warehouses, and mammoth fuel tanks make Thule a full-scale, year-around base for big Air Force bombers. The strategic outpost also ~~has~~ boasts the northernmost post office in the world. America adds a ~~prison~~ vital defense arm.