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ALERTS AT MALTA.

Malta still defies the Axis. Over 2000 air raid alerts have been sounded and a staggering weight of bombs has fallen; but day after day the same ~~impassable~~ imperturbable spirit carries the heroic people and the Island's defenders through the same savage ordeal.

The vast underground rock galleries where thousands can shelter and into which no bomb can penetrate, are of great antiquity, while the anti-aircraft barrage is said to be the strongest in the world.

And here's Chummy doing the hat trick in reverse.

To mark Malta's heroic resistance, the King has awarded the George Cross to the Fortress. An honour without precedent in our history, which recognises the bravery of every man and woman in the Island.