

# Rankin File

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## Season's Greetings



From 43-E



December - - - 1942





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*Best Wishes*



*from the C. O.!*

*Captain Craig P. Bade*

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# **We Dedicate---**

We, the Cadets of Rankin Aeronautical Academy dedicate this issue of the Rank'n' File to the Tulare U. S. O., whose staff has given us comforts that we would have expected only from our mothers.

Through their solicitude we have been given opportunities to forget home sickness—troubles and the routine of army-life, in many dinners, auto trips, dances, and in conversing with the angel-like women who are continually hovering over us in our short stays at the hall.



# Ye Cadet Editors



Enmeshed over the typewriter in the above photo in what resembles a mass wrestling tournament, is the Aviation Cadet staff of this issue of "Rank'n' File" and they are undoubtedly wrestling with some super-problem in journalism—this magazine just reeking in super-journalism!

In the right foreground is shown A/C A. J. Lo Celso, who has been eating alphabet soup three times a day to bring his writing ability up to par, is pointing out a pint—we mean point—to Cadet Editor R. W. Gault, himself a man of letters re-

ceiving at least one a day from his gal in Michigan, while A/C's Monrad, R. V. E., Bearden, B. P., Luhr O. R., and Dwight, D. S., in the disorder named look on in the background. A/C Murphy, J. L., also a staff member was not present for the mugging—no doubt being camera-shy!

In spite of the fog which kicked our photo-snapping clear out of gear, the boys did a bang-up job for which commendations are strictly in order.

Happy New Year and Godspeed to 'em!

—W. B.



## Horace E. Tilden

1st, Lieut, Air Corps  
*Commandant of Cadets*



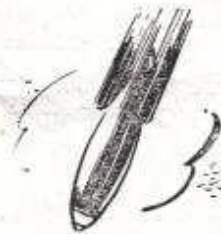
Murder 'em  
 Envelope 'em  
 Rip 'em and  
 Route 'em  
 You'll do it!

Hitler and Mussy  
 And Hirohito—  
 Polish 'em off,  
 Pound 'em till  
 Your guns get hot!

X marks the spot.  
 Maul 'em and  
 Assassinate 'em  
 Slug 'em too!

No rest, no let-up,  
 Everyone out to  
 Win !!

Your opportunity's  
 Envied by all.  
 Advance — always.  
 Retreat — hell no !!!







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## OUR JOB

By Aviation Cadet Editor  
R. W. GAULT

Staring into foggy space day after day, dreaming of the sunny days of late fall back in Michigan and West Virginia, did horrible things to our flying. Now and then the sun would break through the California 'haze' and, charging to our ships we would take off for a frantic few precious minutes of flying time

before the Tulare Lake closed in again. With a sharp eye out for a warning red flag, and another out for planes, we tried to watch several instruments and improve our technique. Too often it was necessary to execute a maximum performance maneuver to avoid mid-air collision with some plane darting out of the haze.

As the last era of dark days dragged into weeks of inactivity we were faced with the big job of reaccustoming ourselves to flying, and then of learning techniques before we graduated. This required intense concentration and energy. We had to be more skillful, not more hurried. A few close calls taught us that our eagerness had to be tempered with caution.

We must realize that this is part of the difficult task we have of learning to deal with reverses as they occur and to perform our duties as efficiently as possible without loss from discouragement, over-anxiety or carelessness.

Let's "Keep 'em Flying!" Mist'ers.



## PICTURES AGAIN!

An Army order prohibiting the publication of photos of Aviation Cadets graduating from Primary, Basic and Advanced Flying Schools has been amended to include only Advanced flying schools, thereby automatically giving "Rank'n' File" the green light to again publish pictures of graduating cadets after one issue sans same.

## Front Cover Picture

If we could only believe in Santa Claus, what a Christmas gift that would make! And you could just depend on the boys being on hand with a windsock, too—that is providing they could find nothing larger!

From left we see A/C's Cassel, D. J., Dame, E. W., R. W. Gault (our kay-det editor) and O. L. Dunphy receiving with eager mitts this dream-gift from Santa Claus Gordon Capps who has just arrived by air from the cold, cold, North barracks!

Santa explains he was forced by necessity to use an airplane in place of his sleigh this year as, due to the shortage of meat, he has cut his all-too-trusting reindeer into deer steaks!



# Dollar Ride

By A. C. Hubeck, N. H.

I arrived in a blaze of glory from that dried up onion patch, Santa Ana Army Air Base. My jubilation was dampened by the warm welcome extended by the upperclassmen, my keepers-to-be, the vaunted 43-D. I double-timed from the gate to the cockpit, figuratively speaking, and found out later that only my legs had stopped—my stomach kept right on going.

So with the thrill of flight racing through my veins, I donned my drape-shape Switlik and clambered aboard. After establishing one-way communication with the master of ceremonies by means of the gossport, I nervously adjusted the safety belt. I heard a voice say "Are you ready," and I nodded after some sincere deliberation. So after grinning at me in the mirror, which is also one-way, he gunned the motor and we started to move. "Try to follow me on the controls," he told me, and I nodded, and tried to ask him whether this wasn't rather rapid advancement for one who, such a short time ago had been breaking clods at S.A.A.A.B. He laughed, and we headed for the

take-off line, where I promptly abandoned all hope.

The next few minutes are still a blur to me, and I only remember a 10-G pressure on my spine, and a vibration that threatened to shake loose my \$245 bridgework. When I opened my eyes and examined my surroundings I was shocked to find that there were no surroundings. The only tangible thing in sight was an ungainly-looking blue and yellow boxkite attached to a mad whirling thing. Just as I was becoming accustomed to seeing cows from the top, the plane underwent a rapid change in direction and attitude. This was a medium bank, as I later learned. Several similar violent motions accompanied by the insane roaring of the motor brought us to an altitude of 3,000 feet—which I'd have sworn was five miles.

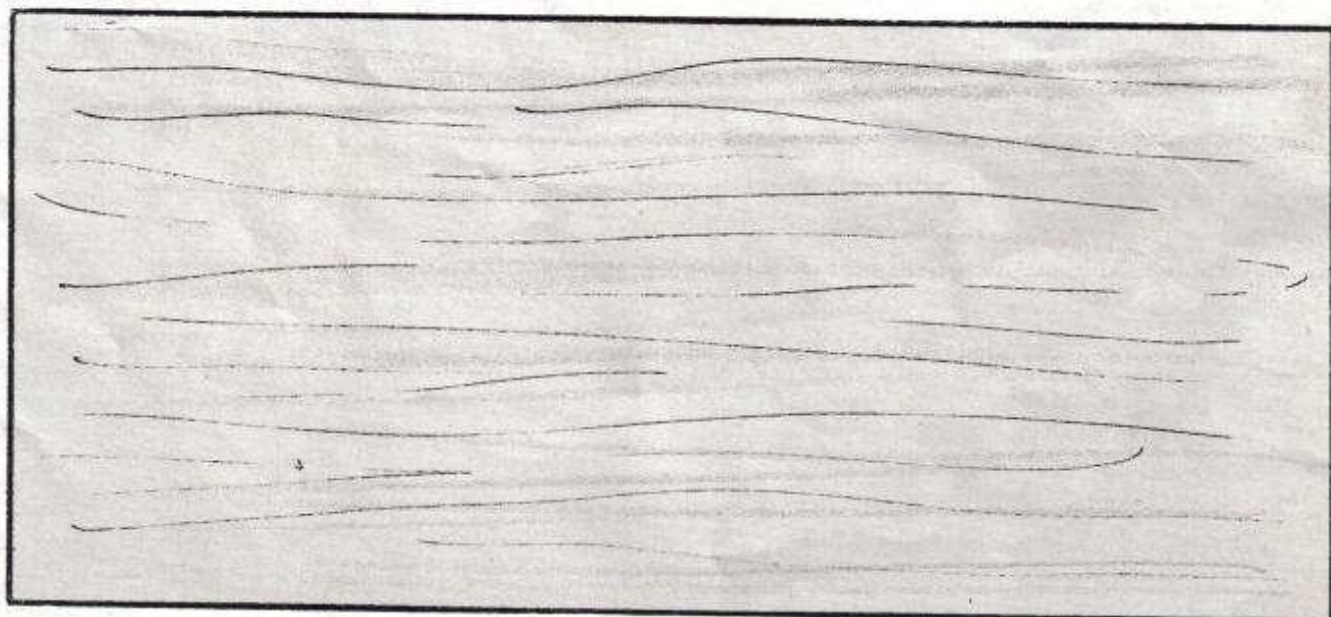
At this point I heard a shout and then I realized that I hadn't heard a word he'd said and that now I was to take over the ship. He apparently had been telling me how to manage some maneuver, because he threw up his hands and said "Alright, now, give me a medium

bank to the left." Suspecting that the stick that came up from the floor and kept rocking back and forth had some relation to directing the ship's movement, I struck at it. So there we were hanging from our safety belts with nothing else between us and the ground but the glass in our goggles. "No, no, coordination is the thing, coordination. Try it again." This time things went better and I was proud to learn that I had gained 300 feet altitude in just one medium bank. He must have been satisfied because we turned back toward the field.

By nature I am a lover of terra firma and you can imagine what was happening within me. It seemed that my innards wanted more room for the contortions they were doing. And so, as we returned to the ground, slowly, treacherously, gliding downwards, I anxiously awaited the outcome of this struggle of mind and matter—the being seven lamb chops. I shut my eyes just before it seemed that we would crash and didn't open them till we had stopped moving.

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## "A" Squadron



This otherwise fine picture of A Squadron shot in the peazoop of Sunday the 13th is a perfect example of what our cameraman was up against in getting the pictures for this issue of "Rank'n'File." Had he not used a sieve for a filter we doubt if he would have even gotten the fog!

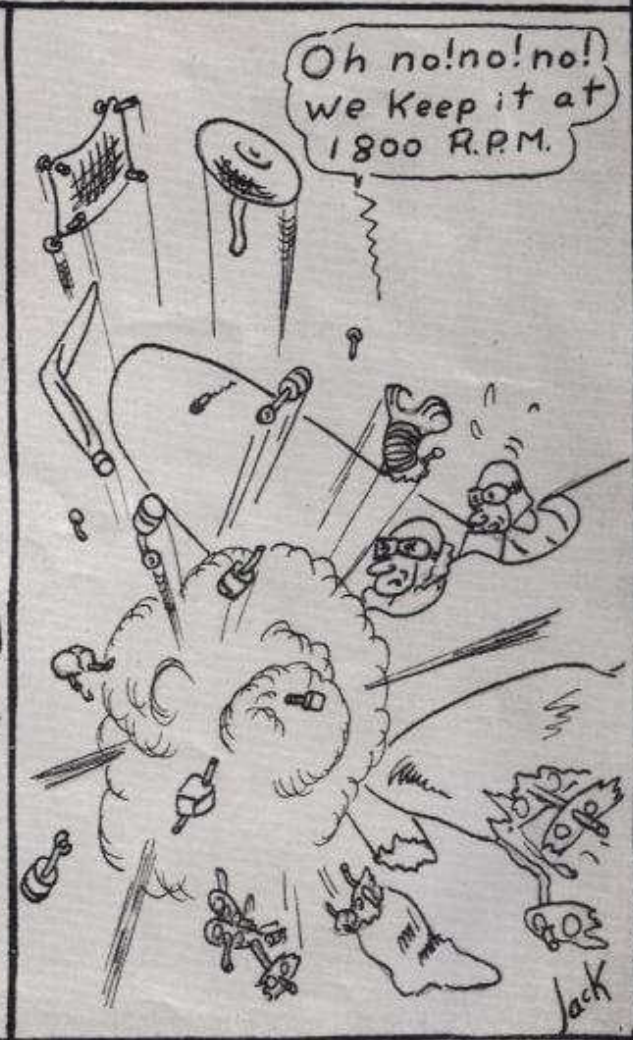


# JUST PLANE NUTS

By Jack

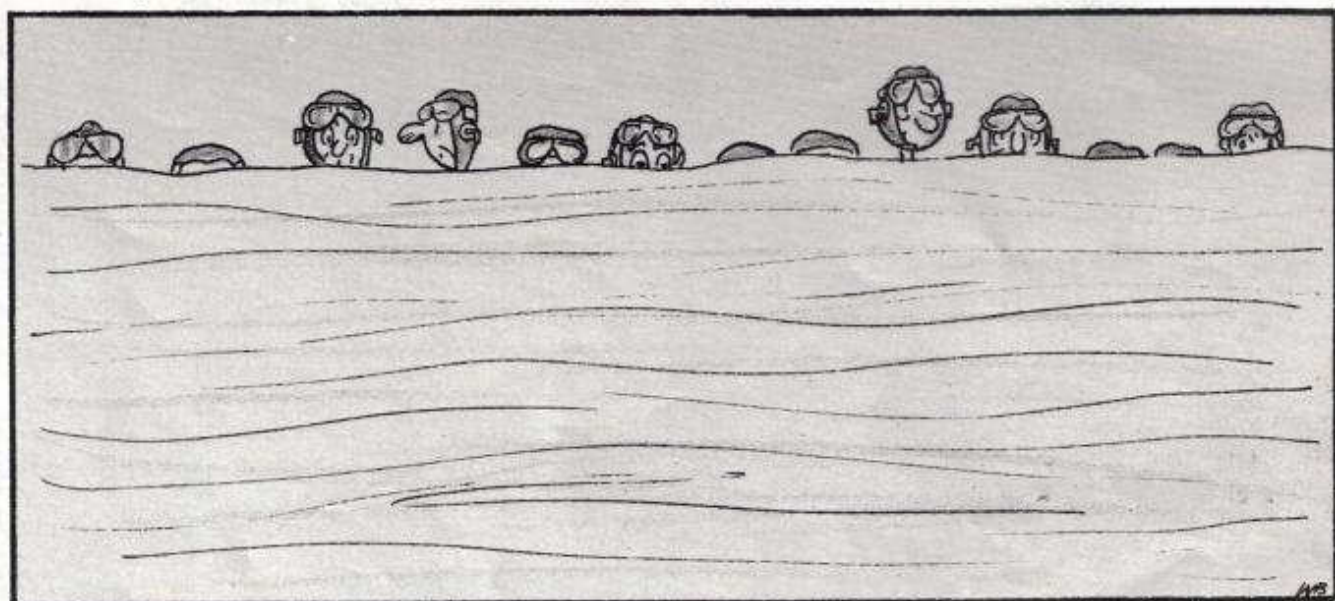


## The Rankin Rat Race Fifth Period





## "B" Squadron



Aha! "B" Squadron gets a break—but not in the fog. It's merely degenerated into a ground fog but low enough to enable us to record the happy faces of the misters comprising this group. This was Monday the 14th.

## Mr. Dodo Meets the Master! By A. C. Donlanson

Mitt me, Mister, I'm a gadget who at one time was a Dodo. To tell the truth, I'm still just a Dodo even though I do wear wings on my cap. You see, in this game a cadet is not much more than a Dodo until he gets those real wings anyway. At least I probably wouldn't even be a gadget if our "boy friends" with the protruding "bucks" hadn't chosen to bang away at our ocean going "Maginot" at Pearl Harbor.

Remember the day we first arrived at Rankin? Why, they've kept us so busy since then that it is only accidental that we ever get to take care of the 4 S's. It's quite a startling change from the old "hurrying to wait" to this new era of "hurry-hurry."

Remember all the varying concepts we all had about flying? To me a pilot was one of a genius of super-supermen. Of course now we know that the act of actually piloting a plane is not exactly a supernatural feat, although faculties must at all times be coordinated. In short, the Dodo must keep his head out of the dark place.

The day we met our instructors was no doubt a day long to be remembered. Each of us as Dodos was faced by the same situation and we all doubtlessly met it with

different attitudes. I recall our being lived up three deep facing an agglomeration of the "then-called" supermen. A disinterested party could review the situation with amusement. To us it wasn't so funny. There were among us the eager "all teeth" type, the nail chewing type and the "too-scared-to-move" type. I'm not quite sure just how I could have been classified but I do know that I felt very curious and apprehensive about the whole thing. What bothered me most was the worry about whether I was to get the one dressed like a "teddy bear" or whether I would be assigned to the little fellow who resembled a pair of overshoes with a head. Again I wondered whether I was to pretend to know something about aviation or just be myself. I chose the latter, it was safer.

Well anyway I got an instructor. To this day I don't know what sort of an impression I made on him then, nor do I know what he thinks of me now. At least he seems to tolerate me.

We all got instructors of varying temperament. Some are vociferous, vitriolic, and violent; others are quiet and unassuming to a measure of disproportionate to

their ability as flyers and instructors. When we think how stupidly we often react to the controls and flying situations, we shudder to remember the stinging epithets which blaze their way to us thru the gossports or the sickening contempt of scornful silence showing us how much we have yet to learn.

Since the day we first made our instructor's acquaintance, we have come to know them as men even as much as pilots and teachers. We know them to be playful as kids whenever they choose to scare h-1 out of us up there, especially when playing tag with the buzzards. We, of course, don't have time to think of how playful they are at the time, but are busy convincing ourselves that we aren't so scared as we think nor are our stomachs so unsteady as they seem. Yet when we get down to earth we realize we enjoyed it and secretly apologize for the nasty things we had been thinking.

We all recognize our instructors' superb flying abilities and their worth as makers of pilots. The easiest way to start an argument anywhere, either off the post or on, is to boast to a group of gadgets thusly—"I don't care what anyone thinks, I've got the best instructor at Rankin."





*Very hot pilots*



*Those breakfast eggs*



*And they raved about it*

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*Them days is gone*



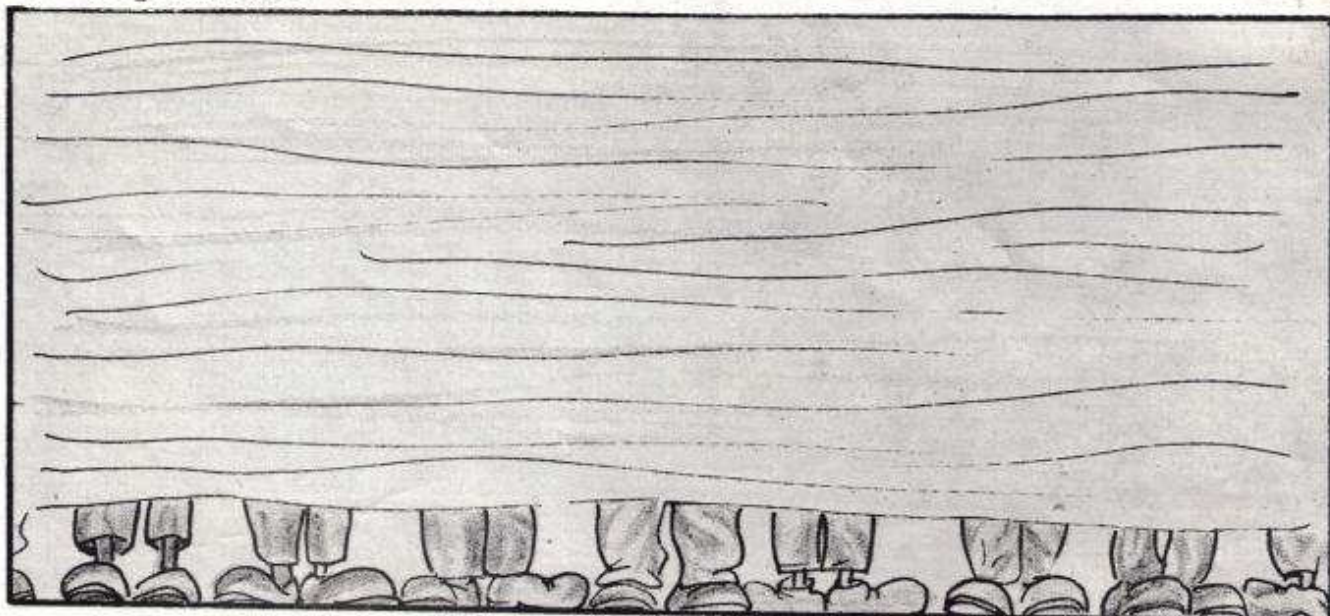
*Look out behind*



*Goldbricking*



## "C" Squadron



Tuesday's 10-inch ceiling enabled us to get this fine view of "C" Squadron, which they will be happy to send to their folks with a few footnotes!

Four distinctions beset the life of A/C J. F. Creasman of Cleveland. He is (1) the only man to march an entire squadron and give every command on the wrong foot. He has (2) read "Gone With the Wind" from beginning to end. He (3) predicted the fall of Ethiopia to the Italians in 1938 and he (4) decided to start working like mad beginning December 31, 1943,

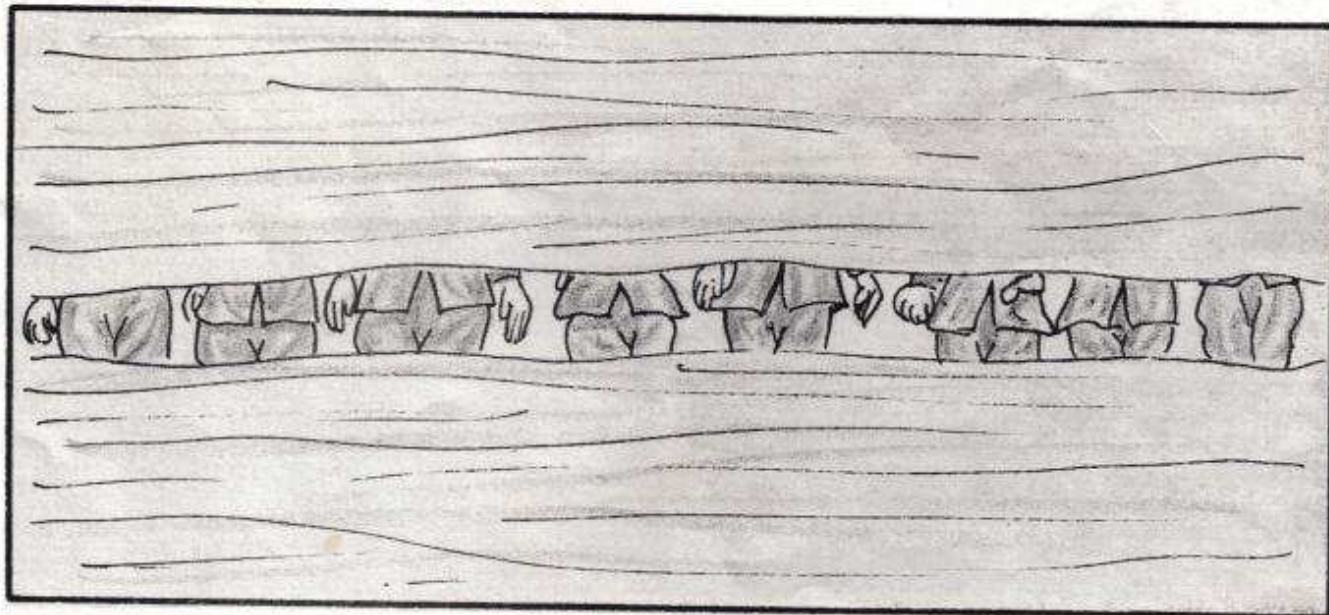
and quit raising hell with discipline!

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December 7, 1941, caught several of the 43-E-ger Beavers with their suspenders unhooked! A/C Anthony Casino of Follansbee, W. Va., while in the Air Force Refueling Service was 800 miles at sea Philippines-bound on an unarmed troop transport when war was declared;

A/C R. K. Arrowsmith of Yakima, Wash., was 6 days aboard an unescorted troop ship near Pearl Harbor on that date and A/C Bill Heidenreich of Milnor, N. D., was only 100 miles from Pearl Harbor, Manila-bound, when the slant-eyes dropped their first bombs! He and the ship's crew spotted a Jap plane that night.

## "D" Squadron



At last we have a break in the fog! This is on Wednesday and the rift is plainly discernable. So many pictures were taken on this day that 80 per cent of the cadets got lumbago from bending over to pose through the rift. We prefer the boys standing at attention.



# On to Basic

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Rimersburg, Pa.  
A/C Lehner, R. D.



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A/C Le Celso, A. J.



MARIE RECTOR  
Minneapolis, Minn.  
A/C Rector, I. R.



MILDRED RUTH,  
Laurel, Miss.  
A/C Sanders, C. B.



# Sweethearts of 43-E



KITTY NALLEY,  
Washington, D. C.  
A/C Kendall, R. D.



CHARLOTTE BAUER,  
A/C Bauer, J. J.



LOLA WEHRHAN  
A/C Wehrhan E.



VIRGINIA PORTER,  
Blossom, Texas.  
A/C Brumley, L. R.



JOYCE NISSEN,  
Los Angeles, Calif.  
A C Jennings, C. E.



# *Sweethearts of 43-E*



JEANNE STOVALL,  
Lubbock, Texas.  
A/C Jennings, C. F.



MARY MORAN,  
Chicago, Ill.  
A/C Sheahan, W. G.



LOUISE GIBBONS,  
Warsaw, Mo.  
A/C Gibbons, J. M.



KAY K. KENNIE,  
Belle Vernon, Pa.  
A/C Jones, G. F.



NANCY HAYES,  
Highland Park, Mich.  
A/C Gault, R. W.



# Sweethearts of 43-E



LUCILLE M. BOUDREAUX  
Crowley, Ala.  
A/C Dunphy, O. L.



HELEN READING  
Maywood, Ill.  
A/C Reading, T. J.



DORIS MERZ,  
Stockton, Calif.  
A/C Capps, G. L.



ELIZABETH RHODES,  
Kittanning, Pa.  
A/C Dame, E. W.



IMELDA  
SCHWARTZMILLER  
Pittsburgh, Pa.  
A/C Shaw, R. M.



# *Sweethearts of 43-E*



HAZEL MAE POW,  
Birmingham, Ala.  
A/C Coyle, A. C.



DORIS HUGHES,  
Cuyahoga Falls, O.  
A/C Kieffer, W. J.



MARY DOYLE,  
North Hollywood, Calif.  
A/C Ewing, H. B.



ARLINE BELLAMY,  
Portland, Ore.  
A/C Neuman, D. J.



JEAN R. MILLER,  
Lancaster, O.  
A/C Miller, J. F.





LEQUIRE, F. S.  
LIGON, V. P., JR.  
MEYER, E. W.

Instructor—O. A. MARRON



DUNPHY, O. L.  
CRUTCHFIELD, W.

Instructor—S. H. MASON



HAKER, W. K.  
FULLERTON, J. V.  
GEYMAN, R. J.

Instructor—L. MARTIN



OATES, R. F.  
MOORE, C. E.

Instructor—G. J. McKEE



OWENS, W. W.

Instructor—M. B. MARTIN



MORROW, E. A.  
SHAW, R. M.

Instructor—J. A. MEEK





**ALLDRITT, R. J.**  
Instructor—O. F. MEFFORD



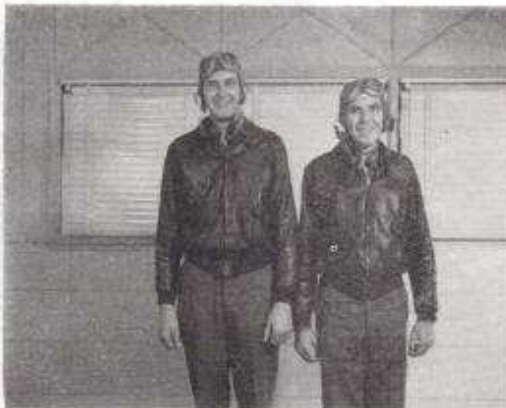
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**PLUMMER, H. G.**  
Instructor—E. MOORE



**ABEL, D.**  
**AUSTIN, W. M.**  
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Instructor—S. L. MONROE



**COE, D. C.**  
**BORREGO, W.**  
Instructor—G. W. MOORE



**HALPIN, H.**  
**HAGAN, R. C.**  
Instructor—J. L. MORRISON



**COYLE, A. C., JR.**  
**COURSON, L. E.**  
**CREASMAN, J. F., JR.**  
Instructor—N. NORSIGIAN





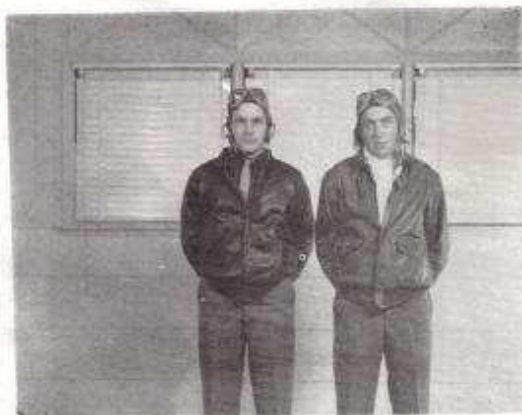
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MELBY, C. J., JR.  
OTTO, R. F.**

**Instructor—P. B. JOHNSON**



**LITTEN, G. W.  
KRAFT, E. R.**

**Instructor—J. LAFFERTY**



**MURPHY, J. L.  
NEESHAM, H. S.**

**Instructor—D. B. JORGENSEN**



**CRABTREE, L. D.  
CROWLEY, R. F.**

**Instructor—P. H. LEECH**



**BURNEY, J. R.  
CLINCH, G. G.**

**Instructor—L. V. LACKEY**



**BERGMAN, V. N.  
BAUER, J. J.**

**Instructor—E. A. LeGAULT**





**FLACK, W. B.  
FOOTE, H. D.  
COOKE, R. D., Jr.**

**Instructor—L. W. OFFIELD**



**LAWSON, A. F.  
KELLY, W. E., JR.  
KIMBERLIN, L. W.**

**Instructor—H. J. PETERSON**



**KIMLER, R. H.  
KIEFFER, W. J.  
KASDORF, H. H.**

**Instructor—H. W. PARKINSON**



**ROBERTS, D. W.  
ROYER, R. R.**

**Instructor—N. W. RALSTON**



**LINDGREN, F. E.  
McKINLEY, J. H.  
LIGHTHART, V. F.**

**Instructor—A. F. PATRICK**



**LEWIS, M. T.  
MIESSE, R. J.  
MAJOR, G. N.**

**Instructor—J. R. RAYMER, JR.**



**BROWN, C. L.  
BOWER, M. L.**

**Instructor—D. C. REED**



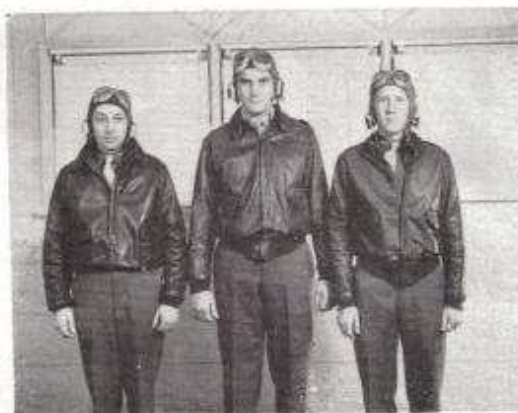
**SHEAHAN, W. G.  
SETTLE, J. R.**

**Instructor—L. M. REGAN**



**AHLBERG, T. R.  
BINFORD, C. W.  
BEST, R. B., JR.**

**Instructor—E. P. REED**



**LEET, C. E.  
McMONEGAL, D. J.  
LEE PARD, G. P., JR.**

**Instructor—W. RICHARDSON**



**PITTS, H. C.  
PETERSON, R. W.**

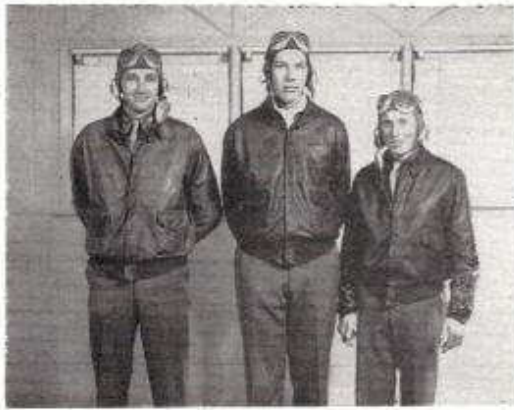
**Instructor—W. L. REEDER**



**SCOGGINS, A. E.  
SCHILLINGS, H. L.**

**Instructor—H. W. ROGERS**





JOSEPHSON, R. W.  
KNIERIM, R. A.  
KASTEN, P. W.

Instructor—J. A. SANDELL



OLSON, R. Q.  
LT. C. H. SANDERS, JR.

Instructor—E. C. STEEN



HOEFER, W. L.  
HAYES, D. O.  
HARTMAN, R. E.

Instructor—J. C. SAWYERS



NEUMAN, D. J.  
MOORE, R. L.

Instructor—J. R. SWAUGER



LoCELSO, A. J.  
MILLER, J. E.  
MEANS, R. A.

Instructor—F. R. SHOOK



HANSEN, T. R.  
HOFF, R. M.

Instructor—R. A. SWENSON



AIKEN, P. L.  
BANFIELD, T. V., JR.  
BECKER, J. J.

Instructor—E. TEPPER



DAME, E. W.  
CROCKETT, W., JR.  
DWIGHT, D. S.

Instructor—F. VAN BRIESEN



KRAUSE, A., JR.  
KNUDSON, T. F.  
JELINEK, R. M.

Instructor—J. G. TOTSIS



BERGLIND, E. H.  
ABDALLAH, E. A.

Instructor—W. C. YOUNG



BAXTER, C. F.  
APPEL, E. W.  
ANKRUM, N. B.

Instructor—H. P. TROH



O'CONNELL, W. T.  
SANDERS, C. B.

Instructor—W. R. ZUNDEL





**CALKINS, H. C.  
CORBETT, J. H.**

Instructor—M. E. HEFLINGER  
Instructor—W. W. HALL



**CHAMBERLIN, L. P.  
COBALL, D. R.  
BRENNER, P. F.**

Instructor—J. VASEY



**GEIGER, T. E., Jr.  
DANIEL, R. D.**

Instructor—K. S. BLAIR

★ Pictures of Aviation Cadets T. W. GILLERAN, G. B. CONLAN, E. B. HUHSEL, J. I. KREJCHIK and R. W. KENNEDY were not available.



Captain Theo Drake Bradley

## "Brad" Comes Back

Returning as a student officer to the place where for so many months he was Commandant of Cadets, Captain Theo Drake Bradley is now one of Class 43-E, and leaves with them in a short time for his next step, Basic.

Everyone who knew him here were glad to see "Brad" back, if only for a short time, and—naturally—also glad to welcome back Mrs. Bradley, the former Jonie Huestis of Tulare, and an ex-employee of the Rankin Academy.

As the Captain leaves here for his Basic and Advanced training we take this opportunity in behalf of the Rankin personnel to wish him "Happy Landings" and a likewise New Year.

Drop in and see us often, "Brad."



# Happy Landings to—

NAME	HOME TOWN
ABDALLAH, EDWARD A.	Connelsville, Pa.
ABEL, DONALD	Dayton, Wash.
ACKERMAN, JOHN C.	Toledo, Ohio
AHLBERG, THEODORE R.	Portland, Ore.
AIKIN, PAUL L.	Indianapolis, Ind.
ALLDRITT, ROY J.	Boseman, Mont.
ALLEN, GEORGE J.	Prairie du Chien, Wis.
ANKRUM, NOBBY B.	Gassaway, W. Va.
APPEL, EDWARD W.	Redfield, S. Dak.
ARCHER, NEAL J., JR.	Fort Benton, Mont.
ARMSTRONG, BERNARD F.	Lapwai, Idaho
ARROWSMITH, RICHARD K.	Yakima, Wash.
AUSTIN, WALLACE M.	Detroit, Mich.

BAILEY, JOE A.	Wichita, Kan.
BAKER, ROBERT O.	Seattle, Wash.
BANFIELD, THOMAS V.	Portland, Ore.
BARNES, ROBERT G.	New Kensington, Pa.
BAUER, JOHN J.	Oak Park, Ill.
BAXTER, CLIFFORD F.	Chicago, Ill.
BEARDEN, BENNIE P.	Decatur, Texas
BECKER, JAY J.	Cleveland, Ohio
BECKLEY, BEVERLY G.	Perris, Cal.
BELL, JAMES L.	Quincy, Ohio
BENCH, MARION F.	Chillicothe, Mo.
BENNETT, ROSCOE E.	Kansas City, Mo.
BERGLIND, ELMO H.	Seattle, Wash.
BERGMAN, VINCENT N.	Seattle, Wash.
BERNER, GERALD R.	Detroit, Mich.
BEST, ROBERT B.	Wilson, North Car.
BICKLEY, J. M.	Merkel, Texas
BINFORD, CHARLES W.	Disputanta, Va.
BLACK, KENNETH M.	Lightstreet, Pa.
BLISS, GENE E.	Burlingame, Calif.
BORREGO, WILLIAM	El Paso, Texas
BOWER, MARVIN L.	Hagerstown, Md.
BREEDEN, DONALD P.	Los Angeles, Calif.
BRATSCHE, ROBERT T.	Redfield, S. D.
BRENNER, PAUL F.	Parkville, Mo.
BRAUM, LOWELL H.	Portland, Ore.
BRITTON, ROBERT B.	Sacramento, Calif.
BROWN, CHARLES L.	Fair Play, Mo.
BRUMLEY, LOWELL R.	Joshua, Texas
BURNEY, JOE R.	Gladewater, Texas

CAHALL, DONALD R.	Indianapolis, Ind.
CALKINS, HAROLD C.	Allegon, Mich.
CAMDEN, DONALD K.	Acme, Texas
CAPPS, GORDON L.	Stockton, Calif.
CARTER, NORMAN S.	Mobile, Ala.
CASERTA, TONY J.	Alliance, Ohio
CASINO, ANTHONY T.	Follansbee, W. Va.
CASSELL, DELBERT J.	Cincinnati, Ohio

NAME	HOME TOWN
CHABLE, ALPHONSO C.	Winter Haven, Fla.
CHAMBERLIN, LEIPER P.	St. Davids, Pa.
CHILLEMI, DOMINIC J.	Cleveland, Ohio
CHRISTENSEN, RUSSELL J.	Winlock, Wash.
CHRISTENSEN, VERNER J.	Bensenville, Ill.
CLINCH, GERALD G.	Peoria, Ill.
COATES, ROBERT W.	Coupeville, Wash.
COE, DONALD C.	Wixom, Mich.
COLGAN, WILLIAM	St. Albans, N. Y.
CONLAN, GUY B.	Detroit, Mich.
COOKE, RICHARD D., JR.	Norfolk, Va.
COOMBE, PERLEY W., JR.	Seattle, Wash.
CORBET, JAMES H.	Dayton, Ohio
COURSON, LEWIS E.	Thornville, Ohio
COYLE, ALLEN C., JR.	Birmingham, Ala.
CRABTREE, LEE D.	Nashville, Ind.
CREASMAN, JOSEPH F., JR.	Cleveland, Ohio
CROCKETT, WILLIAM, JR.	Buna, Texas
CROWLEY, ROBERT F.	Chicago, Ill.
CRUTCHFIELD, WILFRED B.	Madisonville, Ky.
CURRY, RICHARD W.	Monroe, Mich.

DAME, EDWARD W.	Kittanning, Pa.
DANIEL, RAYMOND D.	Millsap, Texas
DUDLEY, WILLIAM C.	Americus, Ga.
DUNLEVIE, MALCOLM W.	Savannah, Ga.
DWIGHT, DONALD S.	Cincinnati, Ohio

FLACK, WILLIE B.	Hattiesburg, Miss.
FOOTE, HERMAN D.	Winter Haven, Fla.
FULLER, JAMES E.	Washington, Pa.
FULLERTON, JOHN V.	Carnegie, Pa.

GAULT, RAYMOND W.	Highland Park, Mich.
GEIGER, TRACY E., JR.	Dayton, Ohio
GEYMAN, RAYMOND J.	Madison, Ind.
GIBBONS, JOHN M.	Warsaw, Mo.
GILLERAN, THOMAS W.	Detroit, Mich.
GRIMSON, WILLIAM V.	Portland, Ore.
GUILLOT, JOSEPH W., JR.	New Orleans, La.

HAGAN, REUBEN C.	Perrine, Fla.
HAHN, VERNON H.	Clinton, Wis.
HAKER, WILLIAM K.	East Cleveland, Ohio
HALL, SAMUEL P.	Philadelphia, Pa.
HALPIN, HOWARD	Mt. Ephraim, N. J.
HANSEN, THEODORE R.	Chicago, Ill.
HARGETT, PAUL M.	Maysville, Ky.
HARTLE, FRANCIS J.	Clarion, Pa.
HARTMAN, ROBERT E.	Detroit, Mich.
HARTZELL, ELMER E.	Beaver Falls, Pa.
HAUGHT, JOSEPH W.	Grantsville, W. Va.



# Happy Landings to—

NAME	HOME TOWN
HAYDEN, L. T.	Holcomb, Miss.
HAYES, DEWEY O.	Blue Island, Ill.
HEADRICK, DONALD E.	Carrollton, Ohio
HEDGLIN, WAYNE D.	Boelus, Neb.
HEEKIN, WALTER J.	Cincinnati, Ohio
HEIDENREICH, WILLIAM L.	Milnor, N. D.
HEUBECK, NATHAN H.	Cantonsville, Md.
HILL, JOHN L.	Dawson, Ga.
HODGES, WAYNE E.	Clay Center, Neb.
HODGSON, HARRY C.	White Hall, Md.
HOEFER, WALTER L.	Dayton, Ohio
HOFF, RICHARD J.	Minneapolis, Minn.
HOUGHTALING, JOHN J.	Norman, Ill.
HOWARD, WILLIAM T.	Frankfort, Ky.
HUGHEL, EDWARD B.	Anderson, Ind.

JACKSON, JOHN S., JR.	Chicago, Ill.
JACKSON, WILLIAM R.	Detroit, Mich.
JELINEK, ROBERT M.	Orofino, Idaho
JENNINGS, CECIL E.	Kansas City, Mo.
JONES, GLENN F.	Beaver, Pa.
JONES, ROBERT M.	Shoshone, Idaho
JOSEPHSON, ROBERT W.	East Stanwood, Wash.

KASDORF, HENRY H.	Staunton, Ill.
KASS, ROBERT H.	Berwyn, Ill.
KASTEN, PAUL W.	Birmingham, Mich.
KEENE, ROBERT L.	Portland, Ore.
KELLY, BYRON D.	New Albany, Ind.
KELLY, WILLIAM E., JR.	Bartow, Fla.
KENDALL, RALPH D.	Washington, D. C.
KENNEDY, ROBERT W.	Indianapolis, Ind.
KIEFFER, WILLIAM J.	Akron, Ohio
KIMBERLIN, LEON W.	Scottsburg, Ind.
KIMLER, ROY H.	Atwood, Colo.
KIRWAN, THOMAS E.	St. Louis, Mo.
KITTREDGE, ABRAHAM J.	Detroit, Mich.
KNIERIM, ROGER A.	Mentor, Ohio
KNUDSON, TOM F.	Baytown, Texas
KRAFT, EDWARD R.	Palatine, Ill.
KRAUSE, ANDREW, JR.	Annapolis, Md.
KREJCHIK, JOHN I.	Portage, Wis.

LANDSTROM, MELVIN E.	Cleveland, Ohio
LARSON, DONALD M.	Seattle, Wash.
LAUTERBACH, THEODORE G.	Sac City, Iowa
LA VASSOR, DONALD J.	Sturgeon Bay, Wis.
LAWSON, ALLAN F.	LaGrange, Ill.
LEDERMAN, JULIUS	Allentown, Pa.
LEE PARD, GEORGE P., JR.	Pensacola, Fla.
LEET, COLMAN E.	Utica, Ky.
LEHNER, ROBERT D.	Rimersburg, Pa.
LEQUIRE, FRELAN S.	Loyall, Ky.

NAME	HOME TOWN
LEWIS, MERLE T.	Ellet, Ohio
LIGHTHART, VICTOR F.	Charleston, S. Car.
LIGON, VERNON P., JR.	Frankfort, Ky.
LINCOLN, JAMES R.	Lapeer, Mich.
LINDGREN, FREDERICK E.	Sioux City, Iowa
LITTEN, GEORGE W.	Ashville, Ohio
LO CELSO, ALDON J.	Chicago, Ill.
LYONS, JOHN M.	Mississippi City, Miss.

MADDEN, LAURENCE F.	East Brady, Pa.
MAJOR, GLENN N.	Seattle, Wash.
MAYNES, ALDEN D.	Sandy, Utah
McABEE, EARL E.	Colfax, Wash.
McCULLOUGH, GEORGE L.	Morehead, Ky.
McKINLEY, JOSEPH H.	Owensboro, Ky.
McMONEGAL, DANIEL J.	Gallitzen, Pa.
McMURRAY, WILLIAM E.	Washington, W. Va.
MEANS, RUSSELL A.	Hornick, Iowa
MELBY, CHARLES J., JR.	Everett, Wash.
MEYER, ESLI W.	Cocolalla, Idaho
MEYER, ROBERT B.	Columbus, Ohio
MIESSE, ROBERT J.	Amanda, Ohio
MILLER, JAMES EARLE	Takoma Park, Md.
MILLER, JAMES FREDERICK	Lancaster, Ohio
MINNIS, JOHN W.	Lansdowne, Pa.
MONRAD, RAYMOND V. E.	Seattle, Wash.
MOORE, CHARLES E., JR.	Ada, Okla.
MOORE, RICHARD I.	Evanston, Ill.
MORROW, EVERETTE A.	Knightstown, Ind.
MOSER, JAMES F.	Orofino, Idaho
MURPHY, JOHN L.	Seattle, Wash.
MURRAY, FRANCIS K.	Geneva, Ill.

NEESHAW, HERBERT	Columbus, Ohio
NELSON, GORDON J.	Chicago, Ill.
NELSON, NORRIS N.	Blackfoot, Idaho
NEUMAN, DANIEL J.	Albany, Ore.

OATES, ROBERT F.	Romey, W. Va.
O'BRIEN, GILBERT M.	Charleston, S. Car.
O'CONNELL, WILLIAM PARMELL	St. James, Minn.
O'CONNELL, WILLIAM THOMAS	Chicago, Ill.
OLSON, ROLLAN Q.	Montevideo, Minn.
OVERSTREET, WILLIAM B., JR.	Clifton Forge, Va.
OWENS, WOODROW W.	Baltimore, Md.

PALMER, ROYAL D.	Chehalis, Wash.
PARKER, WILLIAM H., JR.	Merced, Calif.
PAVELKA, STEVE	Cleveland, Ohio
PETERSON, ROGER W.	Forest City, Iowa
PICKARD, WALTER M.	Crestview, Fla.
PITTS, HIRAM C.	Ft. Pierce, Fla.

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HIGH C's



MEN FROM MARS



GET THAT WING-  
UP!



THE B's ARE BUZZIN'



SUNDAY AYEM!



OF A FRIDAY P.M.



# Happy Landings to—

NAME	HOME TOWN
PLUMMER, HAL G. ....	Marysville, Calif.
PRIES, EDWIN H. ....	Bremer, Iowa
PRIEST, GORDON S. ....	Miami, Fla.
RADLE, THOMAS H. ....	Stillwater, Minn.
RAPP, DONALD H. ....	Akron, Ohio
RAPP, HARRY W. ....	Akron, Ohio
READING, THOMAS J. ....	Forest Park, Ill.
REAMS, PATRICK P. ....	Los Angeles, Calif.
RECTOR, IRWIN R. ....	Minneapolis, Minn.
REESER, JOSEPH W. ....	Huntington, W. Va.
RICHARDSON, STANLEY P. ....	Bradenton, Fla.
ROACH, CLYDE E. ....	Miami, Fla.
ROBERTS, DAVID W. ....	Akron, Ohio
ROBINSON, DONALD H. ....	Youngstown, Ohio

NAME	HOME TOWN
ROYER, RALPH R. ....	Youngstown, Ohio
RUF, ERICH F. ....	Chicago, Ill.
SALZER, CHARLES E. ....	Miami, Fla.
SANDERS, CHESTER B. ....	Laurel, Miss.
SANDERSON, ALDEN K. ....	Newton Centre, Mass.
SCHILLING, HARMON L. ....	Amite, La.
SCHMID, SAMUEL B. ....	New Ulm, Minn.
SCHNEIDER, CONSTINE O. ....	Salem, Ore.
SCOGGINS, ARTHUR E. ....	Miami, Fla.
SCOTT, CHARLES A. ....	Jackson, Miss.
SETTLE, JAMES R. ....	Indianapolis, Ind.
SHAW, ROBERT M. ....	Pittsburgh, Pa.
SHEAHAN, WILLIAM G. ....	Chicago, Ill.
SHEETZ, HUGH H. ....	Bremen, Ind.
SHORT, WILLIAM H. ....	St. Louis, Mo.

## HELD OVER FROM 43-D

HOWARD, HAROLD R.  
WEHRHAN, E. J.  
JENSEN, RUBERT B.  
EWING, HERBERT B.  
LEONARD, WM. R.  
DUNPHY, ORVILLE L.  
OTTO, RUSSEL F.  
LUHR, ORLAND R.

## STUDENT OFFICERS

Captains  
BRADLEY, THEO DRAKE  
First Lieutenants  
KING, JOHN LAFAYETTE  
Second Lieutenants  
CAMPBELL, ROBERT ELSWORTH  
RAWLINS, WILLIS HOWARD  
SANDERS, CLYDE HENRY, JR.

## GOSSPORT GOSSIP

(Class 43-E-ger Beavers)  
By A/C LO CELSO, A. J.

With great pomp and ceremony, A/C John ("How did I do it") Jackson, Jr., was attended by great dignitaries, including several hundred dodos. Mr. Jackson has the dubious honor of being the only 43-E-er to get lost.

★  
The dodo bucket and A/C Bob Lehner are still that way about each other. In fact they are practically inseparable.

★  
Congratulations are in order for A/C and Mrs. Roger Peterson who were married December 12. The best of everything to a swell couple.

To A/C Pinkey MacMurray: If you must read the bulletin board, be sure to see that your pants are on. Tsk Tsk Mac, get your head out.

★  
A/C "Laughing boy" McMonegal has a guffaw that can be heard from the East Mat to Tulare. The local Hog-Callers Association is looking for you, L. B.

★  
A/C Irwin Rector pulled a fast one by passing his 20 hour check and soloing for the first time all in one day.

★ ★ ★  
We have a school principal in our midst! A/C Joseph Haught was principal of the Grantville, West Virginia, Elementary School before joining Uncle Sam's Air Corps!

## DOLLAR RIDE

(A Chandelle from Page 7)

"Feel swell," I said, answering the obvious questions of all who were gathered to watch me emerge, pale and shaking, from the cockpit. Whereupon I proceeded to fall flat on my face. From the buzzing in my head, I could hear "give me your chute," "hurry with the Form I," "don't write on the wing," but I no longer cared about anything. "How did I do, Sir," I asked, as he started away with another dodo. I think he swore. As he taxied off, a cloud of sand whipped out behind the motor, and enveloped me, driving into my eyes and through my clothes. I was very much alone as I stood there with the sand shifting into my shoes.





IT GOES LIKE THIS



NOW HERE'S HOW IT'S  
DONE



CENSORED



SHAPE UP, MISTER!



WHAT! NO FOG?



PALM PSALMS



WE EXPECTED~



I'M FREEZING!



"ORDERP HARMS!"



OUTSIDE LOOKIN' IN.



# The Four Horsemen . . .

Like their counter part of fiction, the "Four Horsemen," representing the team that makes up the fighting arm of the Air Force, are fast becoming the menace to our enemies and the comfort to our allies. No longer is the pilot the main cog in the Air Force, but he is one of a quartet, the other being the navigator, the bombardier and the gunner. The following list of men, although eliminated from flying training, are, for the most part, going into the three other branches of the service and may appear again as part of the crew for a Rankin-trained pilot.

NAME	HOME TOWN
ALLEN, ABE A. ....	Chicago, Illinois
BARTON, FRANCIS B. ....	Clinchco, Virginia
BATT, NORMAN B. ....	Chicago, Illinois
BENS, LEO A., JR. ....	Silver Bow, Montana
BENSON, HENRY F. ....	Berwyn, Maryland
BERLINER, EDWIN F. ....	El Paso, Texas
BOGGESE, STANLEY T. ....	San Bernardino, California
BRANCH, JAMES C. ....	Knox City, Texas
BRINZA, ANTHONY, JR. ....	Detroit, Michigan
BROWN, ROAND E. ....	Detroit, Michigan
CAMPBELL, GERALD A. ....	Union City, Indiana
COUND, ARTHUR L. ....	El Paso, Texas
CURTIS, ROBERT E. ....	St. Louis, Missouri
DAHL, WARNER E. ....	Minneapolis, Minnesota
DECKER, GEORGE M. ....	Chicago, Illinois
FINGER, WILLIAM J. H., JR. ....	Roseville, California
FOSTER, BRUCE ....	Detroit, Michigan
GALUSKY, JOSEPH T. ....	Tunnelton, West Virginia
GARMAN, JENNINGS B. ....	Smith's Grove, Kentucky
GAYDOSCH, MICHAEL W. ....	Berwick, Pennsylvania
GINGERICH, DENNIS H. ....	Queen City, Missouri
GREENBERG, HOWARD ....	Cleveland, Ohio
GREENE, ALBERT K. ....	Cleveland, Ohio
GULLY, GEORGE W. ....	Ironton, Ohio
HALICK, ROBERT S. ....	Chicago, Illinois
HAMMETTE, RAYFORD L. ....	Oak Park, Illinois
HUCKEY, ROBERT I. ....	Henshaw, Kentucky

NAME	HOME TOWN
KELLEY, ALVIN L. ....	Nutter Fort, West Virginia
KRAMER, LAWRENCE J. ....	Stuart, Nebraska
LAKE, NEILL D. ....	New York, New York
LAURENT, FRANCIS K. ....	Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
LEVY, MILTON H. ....	New Britain, Pennsylvania
LONG, ROBERT J. ....	Chicago, Illinois
LUDVIK, FRANK V. ....	Grand Junction, Colorado
MARTINO, PAUL E. ....	Mt. Victory, Ohio
MOLLING, JOSEPH A. ....	Detroit, Michigan
NEFF, LAWRENCE H. ....	Wadsworth, Ohio
NELSON, HARRY R. ....	Detroit, Michigan
NOWAKOWSKI, MARION J. ....	Detroit, Michigan
OLSON, CLARENCE J. ....	Granville, Illinois
OVERBEY, BURGESS ....	Murray, Kentucky
PARKELL, WILLIAM B. ....	Salem, New Jersey
PASZALEK, EUGENE G. ....	Salem, Illinois
PATTISON, WILLIAM J. ....	Tothiemay, Montana
POULTON, EUGENE H. ....	Columbiana, Ohio
RAPTOSH, MICHAEL P. ....	Highland Park, Michigan
REMSCHLER, CHARLES F. ....	Madison, Indiana
RIBSTEIN, HERBERT ....	University City, Missouri
RIDGWAY, JOSEPH W. ....	Laurel, Mississippi
RUTH, JOHN C. ....	Marion, Ohio
SCHMITT, STANLEY J. ....	New Ulm, Minnesota
SCHWARZER, WALTER J., JR. ....	Austin, Texas
SIMON, FREDERICK W. ....	Bluefield, West Virginia
SLABAUGH, HOWARD T. ....	Plymouth, Michigan



# Switch On!

By Walt Bohrer

As the war-bound year of 1942 stalls and spins in and the New Year of 1943 makes ready to zoom into the Victory pattern, Class 43-E emerges from the fog of Primary and takes off for their daze at Basic. And when we say fog we mean the peazoop stuff that gets in your eyes and you can't see anything. Ask any 43-E-ger Beaver if you think that statement is merely an idle roomer heard in a boarding house!

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Now among these young pilots-in-the-larvae are those whose hobbies, occupations and experiences merit mention in this amalgamated conglomeration of columnated whizeroo, and we can't think of no better way to start than to commence:



You may not have known it but A/C F. B. Barton is the tippler of 43-E! Don't raise your eyebrows for before joining the Air Corps he was a coal tippie operator back in Clinchco, Virginia, his home town! And, furthermore, we might add that "Tippler" Barton was pretty well shot one night, but not from "tippling." On the night of July 5, 1942, while enjoying a movie with Mrs. Barton, he was shot through the hand and abdomen by a total stranger who claimed a case of mistaken identity (which was no help at the time to Mr. Barton.) He walked two blocks to a hospital unassisted—which is better than I could do only half shot!

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A/C Vincent Bergman of Seattle probably missed his best chance to become a yodeler when he was lost for 2 days and a night in the Cascade Mountains of Washington. On second thought, however, may-

be he didn't want to become a yodeler!



Excuse us while we blush—and there's no use beating around the blush—but while flying a Piper Cub up in Oregon, A/C Donald Abel, of Dayton, Wash., had a forced landing—in a NUDIST CAMP!

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The line forms on the right—but I'm first! A/C Bill O'Connell's (of Chicago) sister won several beauty contests in the "Windy City" and later went to Hollywood where she worked for awhile at Earl Carroll's!



Small bore target shooting is the hobby of A/C Robert Bratsch of Redfield, S. D. Well in these days when meat is hard to get, a small boar would come in handy now and then!

Incidentally, Mr. Bratsch got into the Air Corps just in time—he was a GAS STATION attendant!

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All members of A/C R. B. Best's family, except his kid sister, were volunteers in the service of Uncle Sam, his mother included. No wonder this family is known as "Best"! Hometown is Wilson, N. C.

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A/C Donald Bredeen from the "Inland Empire"—Spokane, Washington—lists his hobby as fishing and hunting and says he was a

radio op on B-17 patrolling the Pacific for submarines. That's going in for big "game!"

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It also seems as though A/C Colgan—when he wasn't attending maneuvers in Louisiana or Tennessee—sleeps under the Golden Gate Bridge in S. F. At least he spent 2 weeks sleeping under the thing. The local S. F. citizenry claims he makes a wonderful fog horn when he snores!



Class 43-E's Wing Commander, A/C Gordon L. Capps, has traveled 4,000 miles as a cadet only to end up merely 170 miles from his hometown of Stockton, California, for his primary training!

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A/C Rollan Q. Olson of Montivideo, Minn., is related to Dr. Arvid Hegstrom, president of Bethel Institute at St. Paul.



As an electrical mechanic, A/C Thomas J. Reading of Forest Park, Illinois, worked in substations that transmitted very high voltage and has experienced some very high power failures and "blow-ups."

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A/C Herbert Neeshan's dad is an ornamental iron worker now at Curtiss-Wright, St. Louis. Neeshan hails from Columbus, Ohio.



The hobby of A/C Thomas Radle of Stillwater, Minnesota, is raising hunting dogs (German short-hairs.)



A/C Patrick Reams of L. A. caught a 7-foot shark off San Clemente Island five minutes after swimming in the same waters. Then on a trip in the Missouri Ozarks he stepped on a 4-foot rattler and didn't get bit.

So far as we can see, Mr. Reams' luck should see him thru flying in swell shape!

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A/C A. L. Cound of El Paso, Texas, was a fingerprint classifier for the U. S. Department of Justice.



Here's a mister who has flown without benefit of aircraft! He's A/C Alldritt of Bozeman, Montana. Mr. Alldritt was a ski jumper and he probably will bear out our opinion that a steep climbing turn without an airplane is just as bad as with one. And speaking of this skier turned sky-er, he has been in the Air Corps two years in eleven squadrons at eight different fields and was on coast patrol from January to April as flight engineer on B-26's and A-29's (Lockheed Hudsons)!

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Secretary of State Cordell Hull is a distant cousin of A/C Thomas V. Banfield, Jr., of Portland, Oregon.

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The champion collector of everything imaginable is A/C Chester Sanders of Laurel, Mississippi,

piano technician, actor and what have you! His collections include everything from bits of string to full-grown snakes, phonograph records, books, old papers and letters, catalogues, stamps, relics, oddities, curios and what-nots! He's an ace at tap-dancing, playing the piano and trumpet and has done dancing and comedy skits on many programs.

Well if the rest of his collection is half as good as that part of his collection shown in the "Sweet-hearts" section, he has done alright for himself!



Hunting and fishing in the Florida Everglades is the experience A/C Art Scoggins of Miami likes to talk about. On one jaunt he got two turks, one deer, eight snooks averaging ten pounds, blew out a tire while hitting seventy and ran off the road into a swamp. Good goin'—while it lasted!

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A/C Wing Adjutant Orville Dunphy of Crowley, Louisiana, has had 300 hours on a B-17-E as a radio operator.



After graduating from high school, A/C David Roberts went hitchhiking in search of a job. He wound up a thousand miles from his hometown of Akron, broke and without friends. In order to eat he took a job as "barker" for a circus side show. After two weeks "on the road" during which he barked himself hoarse and learned many astonishing things about circus show gals, he received

dough from home and departed from circus life.



If you readers who have seen A/C Richard Curry of Monroe, Michigan, noticed any bumps on his dome, it's no doubt because he claims he's a graduate of the "College of Hard Knocks." He probably graduated with many degrees—a temperature of 104!

Mr. Curry says Lt. Gen. John F. Curry may be some relative of his'n. It's always nice to have a general in the family!

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When A/C Bob Hartman of Detroit was 9 years old he "flew" a Ford tri-motor ("Tin Goose"), on his first airplane ride, from the lap of William B. Stout, designer!



A/C Guy Conlan also of Detroit, wasn't quite as fortunate as Mr. Hartman though he can boast his experiences started 2 years earlier, when at the age of 7, he fell into Niagara River 600 yards above the falls and was fished out by a frantic pappy!

Mr. Conlan's uncle is F. P. Ryan, inventor and Assistant General Manager of the Chrysler Corporation's Plymouth Division.

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Flying should feel extra special safe for A/C H. W. Rapp of Akron, O. He used to load TNT! That's one job he shoulda got a "bang" out of!

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A/C Wilfred Crutchfield of Madisonville, Kentucky, has an uncle who's a Captain in the Navy.

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## Switch On

(Snap Roll from Page 41)

If the Fort Stevens, Oregon football squad ever gets their mitts on A/C Dan Neuman of Albany, same state, they'll put an accordion pleat in his fuselage! While playing on that team he took the ball away from a halfback, ran 55 yards and fell flat on his puss on their 17 yard line!

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A/C Joseph Guillot, Jr., of New Orleans, is another mister who should be glad he's safely tucked away in the Air Corps. He was manager of a TIRE and GAS station back home!

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John Elliot Ward, first U. S. Ambassador to China was A/C Malcolm Dunlevie of Savannah, Georgia's great-grandfather! Richard Malcolm Johnston, noted Southern author and contemporary of Poe, was also his great-grandfather.

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A brave, brave lad is A/C Bill Colgan of St. Albans, N. Y.! Yessir, he pushed a Brigadier General around in a Los Angeles elevator. We'll bet he don't dare push Mr. Curry's Lt. General relative around like that! Owell, in those jerky L. A. elevators, the General probably didn't notice it anyway—but it's still some sorta satisfaction, almost gremlinish, to know you did it!

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A/C Gilbert O'Brien of Charleston, S. C., was a member of testing crew on new U. S. destroyers. It's quite an experience," sez he, "testing these fast little ships at all speeds, including full-throttle, and under all weather conditions (heavy seas.)" And we don't doubt him!

His cousin is Leta Westlake, NBC soprano.

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While sailing on Lake Winnebago (Wisconsin) in a regatta, A/C Theodore Hansen's boat capsized, but as he was out in front of the rest of the regattans everything turned out allright — including Mister Hansen, whose hometown is Chicago!

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A/C W. M. Pickard's grandad, J. C. McLendon is a newspaper publisher, his uncle, J. M. McLendon is

## "SEE WHAT I MEAN...?"



(Photo by C. E. Howell)

"You see that plane up there?" dibs Tex Rankin to A/C J. L. Murphy, who no doubt has just been promoted from tired-sevens to lazy-eights, "Well that's the way to do it!"

And Mr. Murphy looks quite agreeable, for Tex, who is the world's champ acrobatic flier as well as president of the Rankin Aeronautical Academy, had certainly ought to know!

the editor of same, and his father, W. F. Pickard, is manager! Crestview, Fla., is the Pickard home nest!

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A/C Hal Plummer's dad is a Lt. Colonel in the 13th Armored Division. Hometown is Marysville, California—just up the Valley!

Speaking of hobbies, probably the most unusual one in 43-E is that of A/C Donald E. Headrick of Carrollton, Ohio—sculpturing!

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And this is the first class to go thru Rankin with a Dame in it! S'long!



# Rigger's Ramblings . . .

## Jump Sack Jingles by Dean Spencer

The Rankin Lake is rising  
Get the pontoons and the floats  
We are goin to hit the ozone  
In the P-T flyin' boats.

Fer the ducks have taken over  
Cause the waters plenty high  
And the class ain't graduatin'  
Much before they learn to fly.

Put some foghorns in the towers  
Polish up the whistle buoys  
If we can't see where we're goin'  
We'll be guided by the noise.

And we've changed the name of  
Kaydetts  
Which aint fitten to the scene  
From now on they bear the handle  
Of the "Air Force Sardine."

So you're gigged in for the week-  
end  
And your P-T's fag you out  
You're back and kidneys pain you  
And your feet both have the gout.

You've just been vaccinated  
And you're sick from typhus shots  
You are burnin up with fever  
And your eyes are full of dots.

If your head is fairly bustin  
Do not take it quite so hard  
Here's some news to cheer you  
Buddy,  
You are "IT" to stand the guard.

I love to hear the Cadets sing  
The lusty Air Corps song  
Shouting out the many phrases  
As they gayly march along.

I love to hear them sing  
The mellow songs of joy and cheer  
That take me back to childhood  
Old songs of yesteryear.

But best of all the songs they sing  
The one we prize most highly  
Is the precious little church hymn  
Better known as "One Eyed Riley."

"As I was sitting at the bar"—  
A beautiful refrain—  
Come Dunphy, start it rolling  
And we'll sing it once again.

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## PARATROOP VICTORY

The following poem was written  
in the Solomon Islands by Marine  
Paratrooper Corporal Clyde R. Far-  
rel, and sent to his friend Dean  
Spencer for use in "Rank'n'File":

From the seawall of Gaviter  
To the Tamambogo caves  
Lie those fighting parachutists  
In their shallow graves.

We fought and died side by side  
Buddies one and all  
While the enemy on Tulagi  
Watched those stand and fall.

The battle was terrific  
The bullets sure did fly  
But we kept right on fighting  
For our spirits did not die.

We were but three hundred ninety  
strong  
A fighting bunch of men  
Against fourteen hundred Japanese  
We fought them to their end.

So if you pass those Solomon Isles  
You will see our colors wave  
The highest on Gavitu  
And above the Tamambogo.

But think you not, that we are done  
You will hear us again  
We are pushing on to Tokyo  
And we know our force will win.

RANK'N' FILE

## Polly Pass the Propwash . . . !



(By Walt Bohrer)

Lace-fringed wrenches and cylinders with red ribbons on them—that's what you are liable to find in the hangar nowadays what with all these gal wrench-wrestlers on the job! Sultan Traber and his Hanger Harem he was knowned as will no doubt be what his grandchillen will be saying about Otto Traber, Rankin Chief of Maintenance, in 1984, for Otto, as any fool can plainly see, really has a flock of femininity dunking spark plugs and pistons in gasoline. And feeling our readers would like to see these "belles of the balpeen hammer", we herewith present the above photo for their edification.

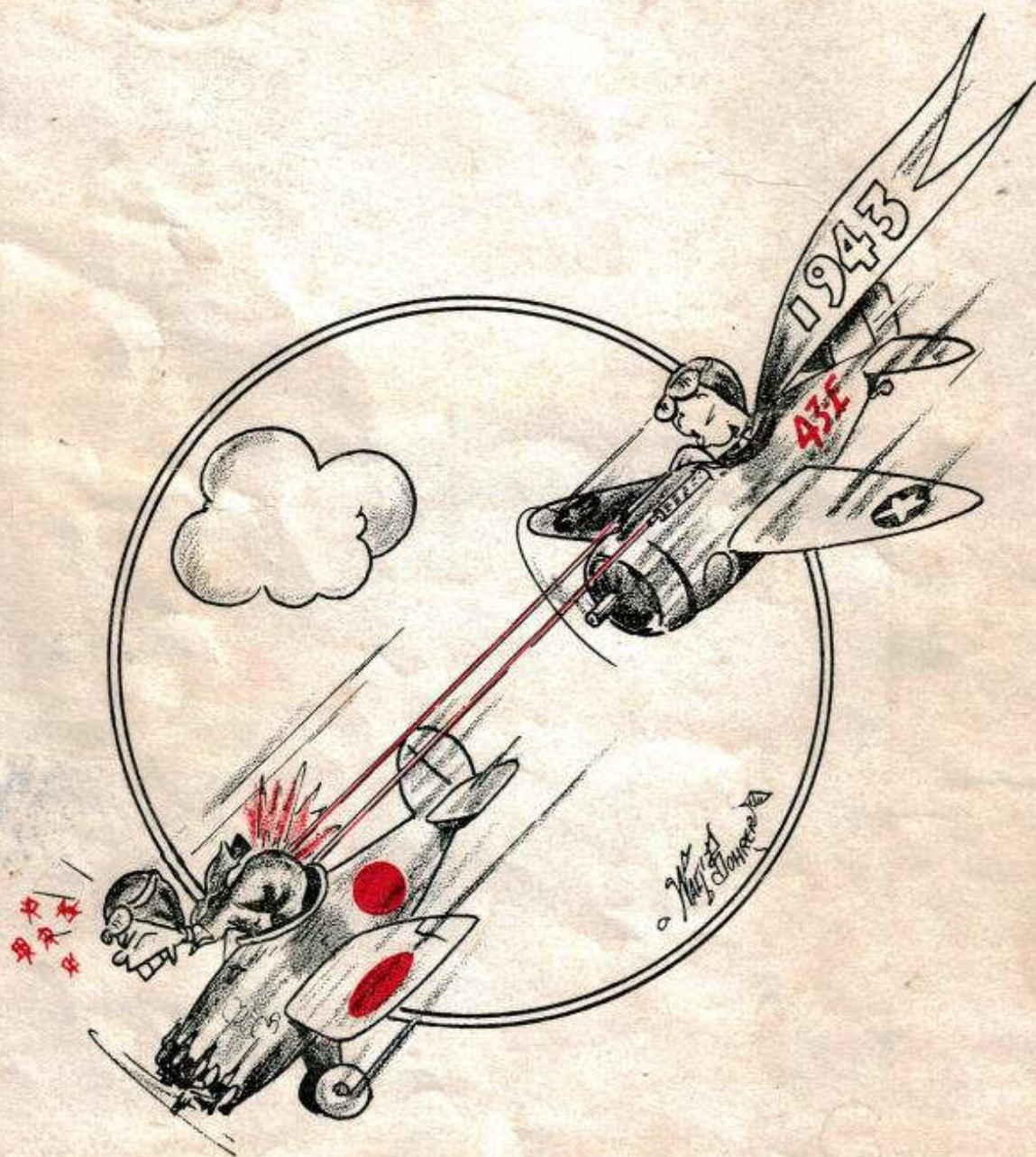
From left to right are shown Ernestine Alarid, Teresa Alarid, Margaret Jacobsen, Eola Epperson, Charlotte Zundel, Alalia Frank, Frances Watson, Christean Gray, Sultan Otto Traber, belle Tex Rankin, Santa Ana Gonzales, Opal Williams, Madaline Grove, Bessie Collum, Mary Redmond, Anita Bustos, Amy Norton and Agnes Luceros.







Happy New Year



Keep 'em fleeing!