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We Dedicate!

We of Class 43-J dedicate our class book to the people of Tulare. In this humble way we wish to express our appreciation for all the unforgettable times and assistance you have given us, the week-end visits in your homes, and the general feeling of friendliness and the co-operation to make our stay here a most pleasant one.

We shall always have a soft spot in our hearts for you and yours who have made the city of Tulare a place we will always remember.

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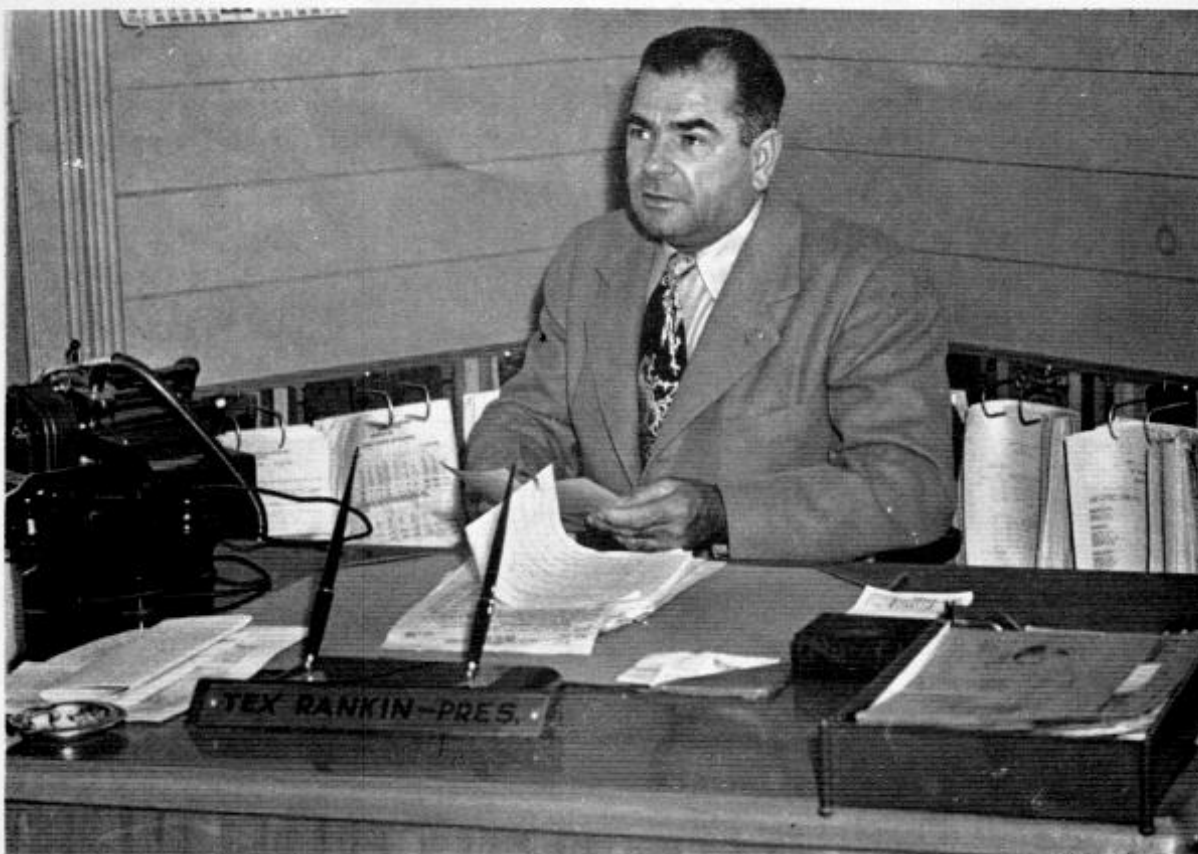
Meet the Staff!



Shown in the above photo are the misters who are responsible for **what** you are about to gaze upon throughout the following pages. They are **the** same misters, with an exception or two, who have been responsible for the past few issues of "The Burble", that lusty young mimeographed contemporary of "Rank'n' File" that makes its appearance on the port each week just burbling over with gab'n' gossip. They've done a swell job on that li'l 5-page sheet, but they've done a whole lot sweller on 50 pages!

From left to right they are (first row): Bloss, R. R., staff writer; Crockett, P. W., staff writer; Jones, L. E., editor; McKee, Wm. C. III, assistant editor, and Biggerstaff, J. L., Jr., staff writer. (Second row): Johnston, A. E., photo editor; Foster, G. J., Jr., art editor; Fall, J. W., cartoons, and Cloud, D. K., staff writer.

Fellows, take a bow for a job well done!



Congratulations to you Masters of 43-J. You have done a splendid job here at Rankin and we are depending upon you to not let us down in Basic or Advanced.

Your accident record has been among the lowest of any summer class that has ever graduated from this Academy. Your conduct on the Flight Line has been an inspiration to your under classmen. Your Flight Instructors, Ground School Instructors and everyone else here at the Academy have been impressed by your excellent attitude of cooperation. We are proud of the fine progress you have made here and we are confident that your progress in Basic and Advanced will be even more outstanding.

Although you have successfully cleared the second, and perhaps most difficult hurdle, you must bear in mind that the course through Basic will be even more stringent than the Primary Course. Many days and nights of hard work lie ahead of you, but in the end you will be rewarded with something that can be obtained, not by riches, but only through your own sincere efforts, the silver wings of the U. S. Army Air Force Pilot.

Good Luck! Good Cheer and Happy Three Point Landings to all of you.

J. G. "TEX" RANKIN



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AVIATION CADET STAFF

The Cadet Editor Speaks!

We of Class 43-J have now completed our first phase of flying training, Primary. From here we go on to Basic, Advanced, Tactical Training, and then finally to the combat areas all over the world.

Now, we look back on our extensive training at Rankin and say to ourselves, graduating is worth every bit we put out and perhaps more too. Sometimes our



personal habits did not coincide with the rules which have been established, but after looking at the demerit list we began to realize what was expected of us. More often than not we would overstep the boundaries of good judgment and suffer the consequences of white gloves and tired feet. We had our gripes, and what class hasn't, but due to these demerits and tours which we received our personal habits were greatly improved. However our improvement cannot be completely attributed to demerits. Our governing Officer Personnel is nothing less than the best. They

kept us on the ball, and what cadet can rightfully say we should not have been.

Our ground school was no less important itself. We should realize by now that it is an essential component of being a good officer as well as an accomplished flyer. To the instructors of Rankin we say thanks, you were swell.

Of course we had calisthenics, good strenuous workouts. Then Saturday would come and there were times when we thought we couldn't run another step. But we always made it. Now one can see how beneficial those workouts were. We cannot deny that our physical condition is near the top, as it must be, for us to complete the job which is laid out for us.

Remember that first dollar hop. We were beginning to think we would never see an airplane. Our next step was to solo, and oh, what a thrill it was to be up there alone. We had the world by the tail and were so full of confidence in ourselves, probably much more than our instructors had in us. We were rather green as we soon found out.

We give our first thanks to our competent instructors who pulled us through when things looked dark. Next we thank the airplane which will almost fly itself. But we must compliment ourselves on sticking to the job till it was finished. It must not be forgotten, however that this is just one stepping stone among many and we can't stop to relax or give up the fight until we are all through. Soon we shall say hello to Basic, so let's keep the good work men. Rankin Aeronautical Academy wishes us good luck and God Speed.

A/C LAMAR E. JONES, Editor.

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Hey Skinny!

Hey! Skinny, ast ya mom can ya come out! We gotta tough game today—you just gotta pitch. We gotta beat those tramps.

Hey! Skinny, how's-a-boy. Arm OK? Good stuff fella. We'll be in there with you today. City championship game fella—we'll take 'em.

Hey! Skinny, you're girl's in the rooting section today. Marge said she was coming—your folks, too. Surprise, huh! Well, just another game boy, then we're inter-college champs.

Hey! Skinny, look at this! From the Cadet Examining Board—I've been accepted and we'll report together. Boy, oh boy, in a few months we'll be in there kickin' hell out of that Axis mob.

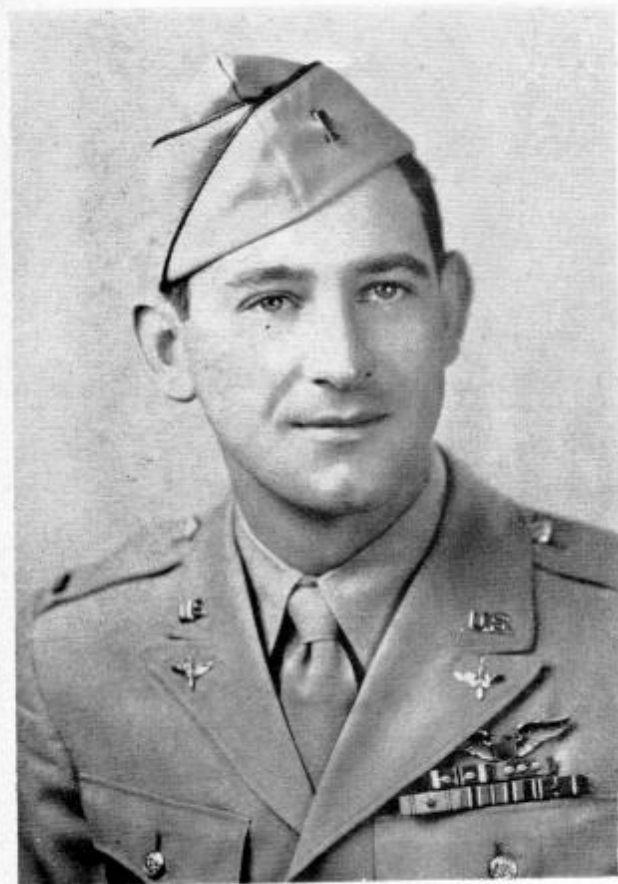
Hey! Skinny, c'mon let's get out of here. Sling that gas mask and grab your orders. Wam!! Off to Basic,

P. S.: Tell those three guys hiding behind that cloud that they're not going to have a damn thing to cheer about, 'cause we'll be in there pitching muy pronto.

CAPTAIN HORACE E. TILDEN,
Commandant of Cadets.



Five in Fifteen Minutes



LIEUTENANT ETHEL

If ever an ex-Rankin graduate has set a mark for you misters to shoot at it has been Lt. Erwin C. Ethel of Rankin Class 41-I!

Since graduating from Advanced Lt. Ethel has been the recipient of such medals as the Distinguished Flying Cross with two oak leaf clusters, the Air Medal with three oak leaf clusters and campaign citations for defense of North America and heroism in Africa.

He has put in 1000 hours of flying of which 600 of those hours were hard fighting combat work in North Africa. His major achievement, no doubt, was the shooting down of five Nazi kraut-eaters in 15 minutes in the Tunisian campaign. However Lt. Ethel has figured in several other instances almost equally as outstanding.

You have all seen him and heard him speak during his recent return to his old Alma Mater—Rankin. We of Rankin are mighty proud of him. He is upholding the traditions of the Air Corps and should be an inspiration to us all!

We salute Lt. Erwin C. Ethel of Class 41-I!



LIEUTENANT ETHEL WITH TEX RANKIN AND HIS
PRIMARY INSTRUCTOR, LARRY ATWOOD



They Make Things Tick In the Army Office!

Meet the crew that mans the Army Office! Here you see them for seeming hours on end wading thru myriads of forms, reports, files and requisitions, keeping who's who and what's what on this post in some semblance of order for Uncle Sam.

From left is shown Corporal L. B. Anderson; Miss June Engelman; Miss Helen Ackard; Miss Martha McCutcheon; Miss Emily Starr; Lt. L. E. Torre, Jr.; Mrs. Alleen Anderson; Mrs. H. W. Smith; Mrs. Kathleen White; Mrs. Aileen Williams and Sgt. Lester Leff.

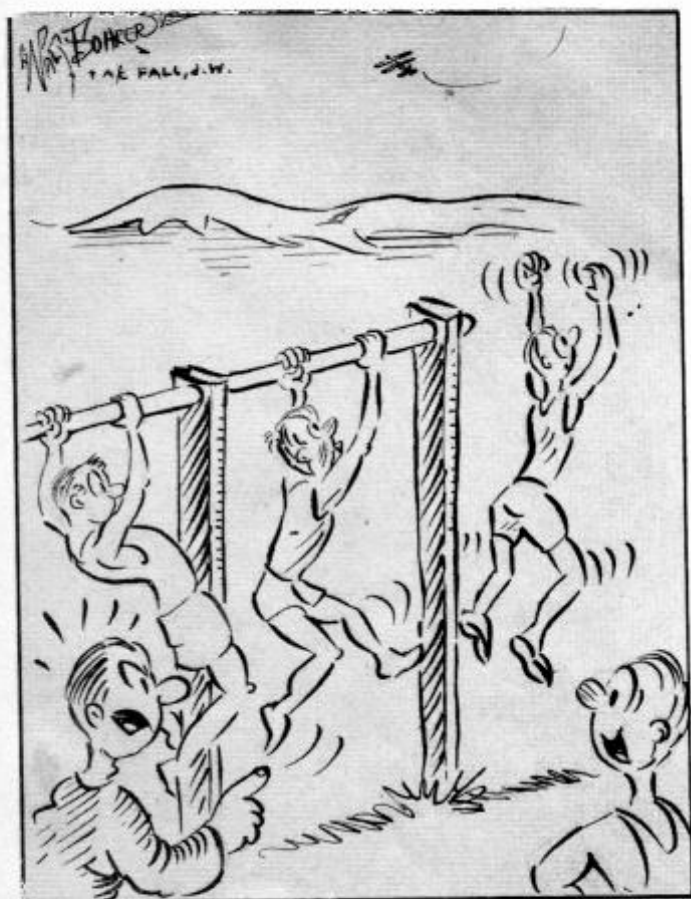
Yessir, they are the folks who are winning the war on paper—and God help us if they ever run out!

Physical Ed!

You new fellows are in for something altogether new as far as athletics are concerned. The Rankin Academy has the reputation of turning out the finest physically conditioned cadets of any field in the West Coast Training Command. Yes, they are plenty tough, all right, but I'll bet that not a week goes by during your stay at Rankin that you won't say to yourself, "I can definitely feel that I am getting more physically fit!"

During the week we spend about 20 minutes of the athletic period taking calisthenics. This is finished off in good style by a short run, followed up by competitive sports. Teams will be picked and awards given to the winning teams. On Saturday morning we take a one mile cross-country run.

For an incentive to really get in and try your best, we give five identification bracelets to those men who end up with the six fastest times on the Saturday morning runs, the members of the top ranking team in athletics, and all



"There goes McKee overdoing things again!"



of those who break any of the standing records.

Following are the averages of the Class of 43-I which just left Rankin: chins 11.1, broad jump 8'2", leg lifts 63.3, push ups 30.8, burpees 14.1, 75-yd. dash 9.0, 150-yd. dash 17.7.

And if that is not enough for you to aim for, here are the records set at this post so far: chins 25, broad jump 10'2", leg lift 379, push up 76, burpee 19, 75-yd. dash 7.8, 150-yd. dash 15.4.

The record of 379 leg lifts as far as we know is an All-American record and was established only last week by A/C G. W. Edmonds.

We certainly commend the "driving power" of Lts. Geo. Mabey and W. L. Langley, Director and Assistant Director of Physical Education, respectively, for whipping us into the tip-top shape it takes to "win a good fight!"

Link!

Not only do we learn to fly the PT here at Rankin but we also have instrument flying. We climb into our sturdy little Link Trainers and log about an hour each week. We should have five hours in our log book before leaving for basic. You know what they are don't you? You can do everything in them that you can in a real airplane, except actually whiz thru the ozone. You pull the cover over you and there you are—all alone with your instruments. Sounds almost sentimental, until you try to keep the ball and needle centered and check the air speed.

Ah, yes!! She flies just like the real McCoy.



Lt. Thurman Gardner (right) in charge of Link training, and Sgt. Movius.



"Check your needle, ball and air speed, Mister"

but what we can't understand it; why our instructor gives us so much h— when we use right rudder and left stick to make a turn in the Stearman. However we members of 43-J should consider ourselves very fortunate to have such outstanding equipment and instruction. We leave Rankin with a knowledge that we are much better equipped to go to Basic than previous classes, as this opportunity was not afforded them.

In closing we give many thanks to Lieutenant Gardner and his efficient staff who have been so patient in giving Class 43-J their instructions.

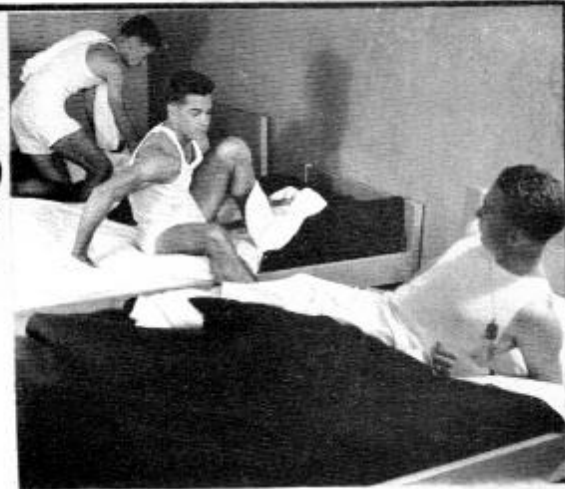


THINGS WE'LL NEVER FORGET!

(BARBED-WIREPHOTO DEPT.)



THE BARBER SHOP TRIMMIN'S
THAT "BOWL" YOU OVER!



5:30 IN THE EARLY YAWNING!



"ATTENTION! ATTENTION! ALL
AVIATION CADETS —"!



A MESS IN THE MESS!



"DEAR LORD, TODAY I AM
HAVING MY ARMY CHECK —"



FOOD COMIN' UP!

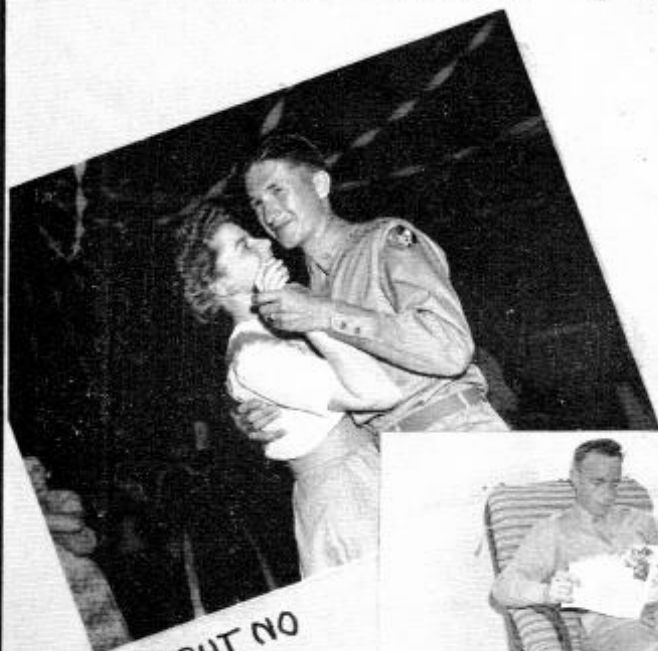


FOOD GOIN' DOWN!



INFORMALITIES AT GRAD-
UATION!

~ AND THEN THERE IS THE U.S.O. ~



AN H.P. BUT NO
P.T.!



MRS. ROUNSAVILLE
SERVES H₂O!



AT EASE, MISTER!

Ceiling Zero!

By A/C P. W. MOEWE

Congratulations to Mr. Danning on his marriage last month. He is that popular Line Chief who keeps those "Infernal Machines" in shape. Speaking of wedded bliss reminds me of the marriage recently of Cadet Atkerson. Lots of luck, boys—keep your guard up.

Have you noticed that the Tee is once more swinging merrily? Seems that a Rankin Tee can take a real knocking around without giving up the ghost. However, please, fellows, treat it gently, won't you?

Who was the gadget holding up traffic on Tulare Airport waiting for the light? There he sat staring hopefully at the vacant tower while all sorts of nasty things were said about him and his. Well, it might have been our Editor—could be.

Then there is the story of a certain Cadet First Sergeant who walked into Lt. McArthur's office half dressed. Sure he was mortified but that didn't help much. My advice, Sarge, is to number those buttons 1-2-3-etc., and check 'em off the list as you dress. Anyway, old man—pu-leaze!

Gee, don't these Dodos bring back memories? Every time I saw a pale-faced Dodo scurry past with the Dodo bucket. I remember my own first ride. Don't worry, fellows, those buckets were here a long time before you arrived.

With so many hard luck stories floating around about the current check rides, it is hard to pick any one for month. However, one in particular seemed to be tops. Put yourself in his shoes—taking off on that very important check on only one magneto. Well, this reporter didn't see it, but I'll bet that Stearman sputtered like a mo-

torcycle in an inverted spin. For information on the check pilot's reaction, better see A/C Campos.

"Hello, Mr. Manro, Please." These were the words coming from the new two-way speaker in Engines class. Obviously somewhat disconcerted at this interruption, our instructor shouted back at the speaker that it was Mr. Manro himself answering. The class waited with bated breath for the next utterance to come. Finally, after much delay during which our instructor mentally feared the worst, the answer came, "Just checking, thank you."

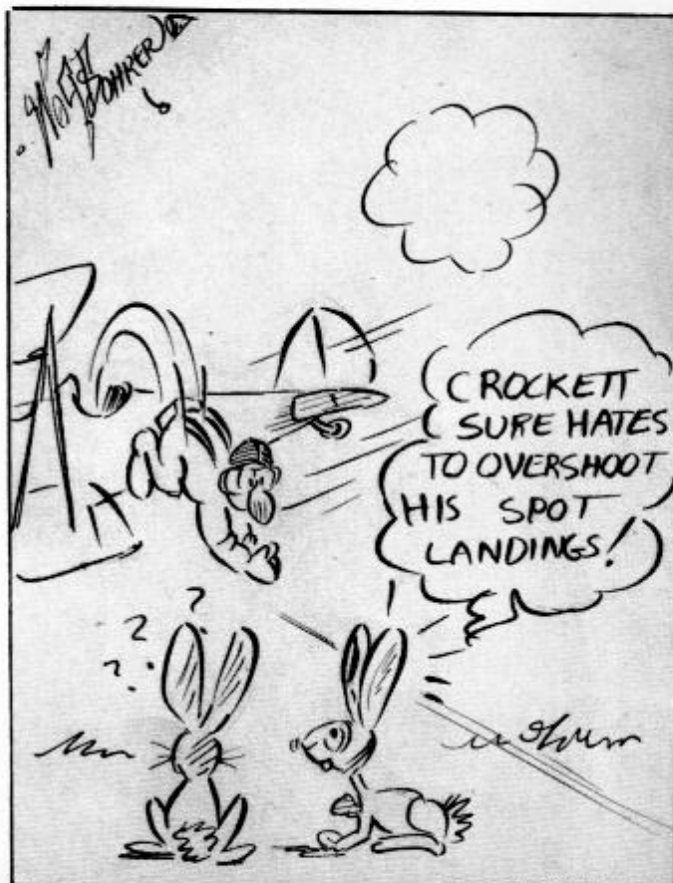
While walking by the telephone booth this reporter witnessed a very puzzling thing. The door slowly slid open to re-

veal a tousled cadet emerging like a moth from it's cocoon. Now the question is—how long can a gadget occupy a phone booth without leaving to eat? We really are curious, aren't you?

Then there is the true story of a local "Shipwreck Kelly" who tried to set his Stearman on a fence rail at Exeter. Failing in this, our intrepid airman gave it up as a bad job and contented himself with more prosaic maneuvers. Need we tell you how relieved everyone was?

"Aw gosh, Carole, can't you get ME a milkshake?" It was a thirsty cadet speaking, oblivious to the clock that showed 2000. Carole good naturedly mixed one

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Um-Yum!
It's That Mooney Grove Barbecue!



Ground School!

A/C PAUL E. CROCKETT



MAJOR HERBERT W. SMITH,
Educational Director

The first quality most desirable in a good pilot is his ability to fly. The second is what he knows. Without knowledge of weather, navigation, and the function of the plane he is flying, an excellent pilot becomes no more than a taxi driver.

All pilots must know how to navigate, whether flying pursuit, bomber, observation, instructor, ferry pilot, or service. Many people believe that a bomber pilot's only job is to sit up front and drive the big plane to and from the destination on the command of the navigator. That is true in many cases, but there is always a time that every pilot must know navigation. It is my belief that navigation is the most important part of the pilot's knowledge. Without it, he is lost, and that is true in more ways than one.

The second part of a good pilot's ability includes knowledge of weather. Weather conditions may make or break a military operation. Frequently the only reports of weather over considerable area will be the reports and interpretations that pilots are able to bring back from scouting and tactical missions. Without knowledge of weather, the weather maps, reports, etc., would be Greek. He would never know the condition, or the meaning of the weather he was flying into. That is important, for a pilot must avoid all unnec-

essary hazards, and evaluate any that are necessary. He will need to take advantage of any winds aloft that will aid his progress, instead of hindering it.

Also included and very necessary is the knowledge of the functions of the plane that you are flying. A good pilot knows every part of his plane. His power plant, electrical system, gas system, hydraulic system, oil system, and all accessories. I do not say that you cannot be a perfect pilot without this, but in case of an emergency, a good pilot would have a clear picture of what is likely to happen in case of failure of any part of his plane.

I, myself, could never express



DR. B. R. ECKLES,
Assistant Educational Director

same feeling, that we have for the deepest desire of our instructors in ground school here at the gratitude and I am sure that every man in 43-J enjoys the



STANLEY H. MANRO,
Head of Engines and Propeller
Departments

Rankin to teach us the necessary things to help us become GOOD pilots. Here we get our foundation, which is added to in Basic and Advanced. Without this foundation, we could never grasp the deeper meaning of the things we have to learn at a future date. Every instructor at Rankin wants every student to understand every detail. Of course that would be impossible, but the standards are high. Every man must make a passing mark in every subject before he is qualified to advance to the next step in training. Therefore, the ground school instruction is a "Must" in the life of every Cadet.

In our group of instructors there are many interesting men. To talk with some of them; to see and hear their experience is most helpful. Words cannot express the quality and quantity





R. W. PURDY, Sr.
Instructor and Co-ordinator of
War Room

of the knowledge of our instructors here. If we could only grasp a portion of what these men have taught us, we will be well on our way to greater fields of knowledge in this aircraft world of tomorrow.

To begin with, the Educational Director here at Rankin is Major H. W. Smith. Major Smith is one of the men that started with aviation when very little was known about it. In the first world war he was in the Artillery, but soon afterward he became interested in the growing industry that is first in the world today. He became connected with Mr. Tex Rankin, and together they started a school in Portland, Oregon. Major Smith was the head of the ground school there, and also was an instructor at the University of Portland. He has many flying hours to his credit also.

Dr. R. P. Eckels, Assistant Educational Director, has a record that many men would like to have, but most of them cannot find the determination to get it. He has many hours in a Link Trainer. That is the best training in the world, but it is hard and discouraging work. Also, Dr. Eckels has written several manuals on our well-known E6-B computer. These manuals have helped in the understand-

ing of this instrument. Dr. Eckels also has a Ph. D. degree in Greek from Princeton University. Can any of you men match that? At one time he was an instructor at the University of Mississippi.

One of the most interesting men that I have come in contact with is Mr. R. W. Purdy. Mr. Purdy was an A/C in the last war. If this is tough, then listen to what that A/C of World War I went through. They had a preflight at colleges, 12 hours a day for eight weeks. A class graduated every week and you had to pass every subject to graduate. The subjects were Theory of Flight, Engines, Drift, Gunnery, Physics, and oh! those drill sessions—the same as the infantry. Upon graduation they were sent to Camp Dix, which was little better than concentration camp. There you stood as long as 30 minutes at a time in a brace, had very rugged inspection, and must WIN an inspec-



ARTHUR V. JOHANSON,
Head of Aircraft and Principals
of Flight Department

tion before being allowed to go to flying school. Hicks Field was where they received their training in flying. Mr. Purdy is Engines instructor, and before coming to Rankin was stationed at Thunderbird primary school.

Mr. Stanley H. Manro has flying experience also. He is a graduate of Carlton College in Minnesota. Before coming to Rankin he was an instructor at



J. D. MORRISON,
Head of Navigation Department

Santa Barbara. He is also an instructor in Engines.

Mr. J. D. Morrison, our Navigation instructor, was formerly instructor at the University of Oklahoma. He has always been interested in the flying game, and has several hours to his credit. His hobby is history of aboriginal Americans (Indians, to you, sir).

Mr. A. F. Silkett, Weather instructor, was connected with the U. S. Weather Bureau in the mid-west before coming to Rankin. He is an expert in all details on the subject of weather with many hours to his credit. He was formerly connected with Nebraska University and with Cotner College in Nebraska. He broke his leg one winter, and spent the next summer teaching SAFETY in Iowa State College (Ames). Whatta contrast!

Mr. A. V. Johanson, also a very capable Weather instructor, was formerly connected with the schools in L. A.

Mr. W. J. Karraker, Engines instructor, was Dean at York College in Nebraska before coming to Rankin Academy. He has a fine background in the field of instruction.

Mr. W. E. Cunningham, Engines instructor, was connected with Highland Park schools near Chicago before coming to Rankin. As a hobby, his archery has

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Squadron A Squibs

Richard Behr—finally found that other 50 cents and bought a ring for engagement purposes only.

Bogard — Horizontal Bogard sustained a severe mental shock the day he went to athletics. Never again.

Bowles stays awake nights worrying about the exams in engines class.

Berger has requested that he be allowed to put up a table next to Lt. McArthur's in the payroll lines. He is owed more money than the F. H. A.

Bartelt spends his week-ends seeing double features.

Bonney spends money as if it were water; fifteen, twenty, twenty-five cents a week-end and thinks nothing of it.

Breckinridge's wants are simple—just to get off this — post.

Benham is so shy and retiring that very few of us really know him. He's really a fine boy, fellows. Benham, shut up so I can concentrate.

Barnes, luckily for the squadron, is eager.

Bell and Barnsley are sweating out link. They say it's all very confusing.

Boyd has really been very little changed by cadet training. Though he now throws bull instead of bricks, he still uses a big trowel.

G. I. Cann, well, you know him. There aren't words to describe the character.

Beebe, "Just to clear it up in my mind—." Maybe it would be more to the point to get a clearer mind, chum.

Bligh can't wait for his Cross Country—the legal one.

Craig Blood has a sweeter side, fellows—his wife.

Andriotti of "Town Hall Tonight" fame is a quieter man since the start of our check rides.

Bennett will be fought over by the women after the war. The Distinguished Latrine Cross will be conferred on him next week.

Brashear has had this flying beat from the start. What am I saying?

"Gorgeous Hunk of Man Atkerson" is still trying to prove that he's in a class entirely above that of the rest of us lowly cadets.

Adams is as hot a pilot as the sunburn on the top of his noggin.

If Braude is a sample of the Yale athletes, it beats us how they ever lost a game.

Arce is another quiet, studious type.

Blanco—the Ichibod Crane of Squad. A, hasn't missed the Study Hall Team since he's been here. They must serve free drinks there judging by his regular attendance.

Beaudry's "uncles" have failed him. He's left to battle the cares of a week-end.

Alvarado, has that wench ever caught up with you?

Pittman is losing the Civil War again.



Boring, E. C., Instructor
Andersen, M. D.
Braude, L. H.
Barnsley, R. L.



Billingsley, K., Instructor
Brotzmann, G. A.
Boyd, H. R.
Bartelt, C. G.
Bligh, R. J.



Burleson, H., Instructor
Arce, R. F.
Atkerson, P. J.
Bruns, D. B.
Benham, J. E.
Beebe, D. D.



Clark, R. Y., Instructor
Cathoun, G. M.
Burtner, R. W.
Brown, G. M.
Adam, M. M.
(not shown)
Burmester, H. C.
(not shown)



Coleman, O. C., Instructor
Berger, A.

Collier, C. E., Instructor
 Brasher, J. S.
 Branch, P. C.
 Alvarado, J. V.
 Bonney, R. H.
 Bell, M. A.



Edwards, Cliff, Instructor
 Buckner, A. G.
 Brooks, J. L.
 Callahan, R. E.
 Carlisle, J. J.
 Burton, D. G.



Gutridge, D. F., Instructor
 Bunker, R. M.
 Briggs, L. B.
 Breckenridge, J. W.
 Bushey, D. F.



Lackey, L. V., Instructor
 Behr, R.
 Agee, J. F.
 Bogard, R. B.
 Carvin, W.
 Biggerstaff, J. L.



LeGault, E. A., Instructor
 Christensen, E. D.
 Burch, G. G.
 Bunnell, L.
 Burkhart, A. J.





Lewis, A. C., Instructor
Campos, W. J.
Cady, C. M.
Pittman, W. A.
Blood, C. N.
Blanco, A.



Mefford, O. F., Instructor
Carson, K. L.
Buckle, H. T.
Burwell, J. D.
Clarke, R. C.
Buckley, R. R.



Nettleton, G. P., Instructor
Bowles, W. D.
Barnes, R. B.
Bennett, D. C.
Beaudry, G. E.



Sayler, C. F., Instructor
Cann, R. I.
Byford, B. W.
Cavalier, F. R.
Cartwright, W. S.



Young, W. C., Instructor
1st Lt. Carsten, E. M.
1st Lt. Karcher, H. J.
1st Lt. Ritchie, D. W.
1st Lt. Teller, W. A.

Ziemer, R. H. Instructor

Andreotti, P. A.

Bukele, J. F.



Seen (or "Scene") in Ground School!



Ex-C. O. Visits!

Lt. Col. Frank Sturdevant, popular young commanding officer of the Rankin Academy in the latter months of '42 was a recent visitor to the "ol' haunts," having flown up from his present post in New Mexico. Shown above are Tex Rankin, Colonel Sturdevant and Captain Craig Bade, present Commanding Officer, hieing themselves to the Officers' Mess for a good chit-chat over a hearty snack!

Hit 'n' Bounce *By Walt Bohrer*

Precariously perched atop a potted palm in the "Palm Room" your Pukish picador of the press



purposely poked his picolonian proboscis into the practical and picturesque pasts of the piloting misters of Class 43-J promoting plenty pertinent palaver for prattling purposes in the pholowing col-yum.



Phirst of all we phind—we mean, first of all we find that the hand-tinted set of false walrus whiskers for the most colorful and action-packed adventures goes unquestionably to A/C Robert Ray Buckley of Utica, New York. Mister B., who enlisted in the Army Air Corps in April, 1939, took part in the Battle of Dutch Harbor, won the Air Medal as bombardier on a B-26, sank one of Tojo's cruisers in Aleutian waters, took part in 14 raids on Nip-held Kiska, crashed in the Yukon and went 15 days without "vittles" before being rescued by Royal Canadian Mounties. It doesn't look like Mister Buckley got his wires crossed anywhere along the line, but that's probably because he was an electrician and an amateur radio op (W8PHK) before joining up!

Two other kaydets have seen service in the land of totem poles and whale blubber. A/C Murray Johnson (Sq. D) of Ottawa, Illinois, spent ten and one-

half months with the Infantry on Kodiak Island, returned to become an A/C December 7, 1942, while A/C W. R. Shrum (Sq. D) of Omaha put in an eight month Alaskan hitch with the Army as a radio operator. Mister Shrum's uncle is Colonel Winfield O. Shrum.

In the prominent parents department we have A/C Donald C. Douglas (Sq. B) of Seattle, Washington. No, he's no relation of the noted airplane manufacturer as one would suspect from his name, but his father, a Colonel, is a United States Army Judge of the Superior Court of the State of Washington, while his mother, Mrs. Malcolm Douglas, is National President of the American Legion Auxiliary!

Colonel Walter Ried, Commanding Officer of Ellington Field, Texas, is an uncle of A/C William Housholder (Sq. D) of Phoenix, Arizona.

Squadron D's A/C Bayard Hyde can really trace his family tree back to the days when the U. S. A., Secretary Ickes, ration stamps—and even Fords—were unheard of. He's a direct descendant of Queen Ann Hyde of England!



Don't be surprised if you find a roll of 2½-inch fire hose in the cockpit of a Stearman one of these days and a ladder hitched to the side, for we have a fireman in our midst. We page A/C James Timmins who was a full-fledged member of the Portland (Oregon) smokeaters before becoming a cloud-buster for his Uncle Samuel.



If there's any "horsing" around to be done A/C Cedric M. Cady (Sq. A) of Spring Valley, Minn., and A/C George Van Meter, Jr. (Sq. D) of Louisville, Ky., will do it, for Mister Cady's hobby is raising and training saddle horses and Mister Van Meter's hobby is raising thoroughbred horses. Just who's horses are better probably depends wholly on the vitamin value of Kentucky blue grass as compared to Minnesota green grass!

The cadet editor of this issue of Rank'n' File—A/C LaMar E. Jones, a D Squadronite from Dubuque, Iowa—has had quite a few close calls in his career of radio script writing and radio production work, where a program had to be rearranged in the last few seconds. A good example of this, sez Mr. Jones, was the Class 43-I's graduation show which also was to be broadcast. Due to a mix-up the "orch" and most of the acts were late and the schedule called for "on the air" at 7:30. Jones had the script written and timed to a "tee." Then it was learned that some of the acts would not appear so a quick re-write was necessitated. The show went on in 10 minutes, but with a prayer on Cadet Jones' lips. In addition to his script and production work Mr. Jones is also a radio announcer and technician and a Red Cross water safety instructor in life-saving and swimming.

Well we don't know just what to say about this mister known

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Sweethearts of 43-J



TERECA KNIPSTRA,
Boise, Idaho
A/C JOHNSTON, A.
Sq. D



JUNE BROCKWAY,
Moberly, Mo.
A/C McLONE, J. E.
Sq. D



NANCY JANE BOGARD,
Glendale, Calif.
A/C BOGARD, R. B.
Sq. A



BERENICE I. HALL,
Sacramento, Calif.
A/C HALL, C. H.
Sq. C



BETTY JANE ANDERSON,
Fremont, Mich.
A/C MOEWE, PARK
Sq. D

Sweethearts of 43-J



HELEN ANDERHOLM,
San Francisco, Calif.
A/C THORALL, C. G.
Sq. D



PHYLLIS STEVENS,
St. Albans, W. Va.
A/C CUNNINGHAM, D.
Sq. B



JUANITA HILLIARD
JENNINGS,
San Angelo, Texas
A/C JENNINGS, R. M.
Sq. D



LEONORA ABBETT
VAN METER,
Louisville, Ky.
A/C VAN METER, G. C.
Sq. D



MARJORIE LUELLE BEEBE,
Seattle, Wash.
A/C BEEBE D.
Sq. A

Sweethearts of 43-J



HELGA ENKEBOLL,
Bremerton, Wash.
A/C BEHR, R.
Sq. A



ADELE WAKELY,
Bucyrus, O.
A/C WAKELY, P. D.
Sq. D



MARGARET JAMISON,
Santa Cruz, Calif.
A/C DANIELS, D. W.
Sq. B



RUTH BERKEY,
Evanston, Ill.
A/C JONES, L. E.
Sq. D



MARION BLOOD,
Sacramento, Calif.
A/C BLOOD, C. N.
Sq. A

Sweethearts of 43-J



MARTHA ROSS
BIGGERSTAFF,
Knoxville, Tenn.
A/C BIGGERSTAFF, J.
Sq. A



MILLIE MAE FOLEY
Corpus Christi, Texas
A/C FOLEY, N.
Sq. B



LOIS MARIE CADY,
Spring Valley, Minn.
A/C CADY, C. M.
Sq. A



MARILYN GRANT,
Ogden, Utah
A/C GRANT, D. J.
Sq. C



BARBARA TITLEY,
Santa Barbara, Calif.
A/C TITLEY, D.
Sq. D



MAY DAVIS,
Grinnell, Iowa
A/C DAVIS, W. A.
Sq. B



Buzzes from Squadron B

By A/C CROCKETT, P. E.

An Aviation Cadet's life is for the most part an open book. And even though we have come a long way since our arrival here at Rankin, it is quite easy to read between the lines. So for a quick checkup, we will thumb through the pages and uncover a few of the idiosyncrasies associated with the remaining members of our squadron. To begin with, it seems that the young ladies of Tulare would finally wise up to those 5-F Aviation Cadets, Coplen, Craig, Corrington, Dailey and Cridenbring. I see they are still wolfing. The love light is burning like a beacon in the eyes of A/C Dieckman, we wish you a happy married life fellow. Also **sad man** A/C Cooper has that strong

crush for a certain young lady from Alabama. Wonder what A/C Elliott, M. E. will practice on now that acrobatics are legal. It seems that our very honorable first sgt. A/C Dunn and also A/C Coddling will get off their knees while they are walking.

Some people never grow up. One "mister" in our midst is certainly very inconsistent. A new pattern every time he approaches the field. Could that be A/C Dixon? Could be! Waiting for A/C McKee to shower and dress is like waiting for pay day—only payday does finally get here.

That strange friendship that has sprung up between A/C El-

liott, W. A. and our very capable, Sqd. Captain, A/C Eubanks has progressed? Finally sleepily A/C Duggan stayed awake long enough to pass his checks. Congratulations. A/C Fowler has exhausted the post supply of T. S. Cards. Ease up there buddy, we may need a few. What will Miss Jessup do for a job after A/C's Donahue and Ferguson are gone? For the past nine weeks she has depended almost solely upon them for their inevitable crop of Form No. 1 errors. However, there will probably be a couple of dodos to maintain the tradition.

The lanky yank A/C Davidson's one ambition is to sink a battleship and for good reason too. Family pride maybe. It seems that A/C Hagin had to pay the army office a visit, wonder why and how he was able to escape with his life. The dodo Lts. A/C's Graves and Crockett should have eased up on their drill sessions for they have very noticeably stunted the lower classmen's growth. Been wondering what year A/C Cohen's mudder came from Ireland? What about it Milt? Must give a toast to our boys who bring up the rear in the mile run on Saturday. A/C's Foster and Everhard work, isn't it fellows? Also hats off to A/C Baun our boy with the Hollywood physique, who is the consistent winner. It seems "Pinky" A/C Clarkson's voice is about to change. It doesn't crack but once in a while. A/C Foley looks like that well known ground hog with a stick in his mouth. Where do you get those big black cigars? A/C Fall should

tie a couple of men on those wing tips to convoy, maybe then he wouldn't get those lectures. Would A/C Dillon tell us by what means he managed that ride in the B. E.? We miss those travel talks that A/C Colburn used to give us. Let's have another session soon. Praises to the silent men A/C's Conn, Classic, Debevec, Demming and Collins—they never say much, but as the saying goes—an intelligent man can be identified by how little he says and how much he listens. The phone company isn't getting rich on the timid phone calls A/C Desmul and A/C Curry make each nite. Did anyone ever tell A/C Devenish that red hair becomes him?

How does A/C Douglas get out of doing P. T. (Physical Torture) in athletics every day? Has A/C Eblen been able to get into the rat race yet? Don't let them keep you out of the pattern fellow. Our Swedish friend A/C Daniels just knows he made good in Mr. Purdy's engine class. Mustn't forget our boy A/C Kaurin, Pappy to you mister, who is the proud father of twins while at Rankin. Getting through Primary is one accomplishment, but having twins is another. Who was the very charming young lady A/C Delaney was escorting around Tulare lately?

Here's a reminder for A/C Fleming to be sure and put the flag up every day at Basic. He shouldn't get many P. T.'s if he does. We have untold admiration for A/C Favorite, who has turned out to be a very model

cadet. A/C Cunningham was enjoying himself at Dick's wedding, wish we could have more of them he says, so do I. Our very capable 1st Lt. A/C Cloud did a fine job of pinch hitting in the absence of our cadet captain in the parade on Saturday. We wonder if A/C Ford will find that blonde of his dreams when he gets to Basic. Anyone in doubt as to what to do during the airplane gas period can get all the information they need from A/C Duggleby who has grown to become quite an authority on the subject. A/C Davis has abandoned the game of bowling and all because of a woman—his wife, who invariably beats him. A/C's Dyer and Eble are charter members of a new organization—namely the "Back to bed after Reveille club," and are looking for new members. Among the countless cadets who wish that L. A. was in bounds is A/C Everhart who has quite an interest there. A/C Farley has actually become fascinated with the good old army game parcheesi—or should we say hypnotized? Two cadets with but a single dream—reveille at 10 a. m. but A/C's Dryer and Dickinson are still in the army—so how long can those guys go on dreaming? Cadet Dudock is anticipating the future but unless they have cadet mail orderlies at Basic it is very unlikely that his experience thus far will aid him in landing a post office job when the war ends. A/C Coleman, who at heart is a real outdoor man—is wistfully hoping for a three day pass so that he can go back to nature but if we know the army a three day pass isn't in the books—which reminds me, this is where we came in.

Blair, K., Instructor
 Day, W. A.
 Duggleby, H. V.
 Duggan, W.
 Dudock, E. P.



Bowman, E. P., Instructor
 Colburn, J. E.
 Cunningham, D. E.
 Dieckmann, E. R.
 Conn, P.



Carter, G. W., Instructor
 Coleman, C. L.
 Curry, B. B.
 Collins, G. W.



Clayton, S. D., Instructor
 Classic, G. F.
 Clarkson, W.
 Crockett, P. E.
 Corrington, C. W.
 Hagin, A. M.



Langdon, John G.
 (Instructor)
 Cloud, D. K.
 Cridebring, R. A.
 Dally, A. W.
 Craig, C. D.
 Dawn, R. L.





Lyndon, P. W., Instructor
McKee, W. C.



Martin, Larry, Instructor
Emery, B. D.
Elliott, M. E.
Dunn, D. A.
Ford, E. P.



McGothlen, G. V.,
Deming, S. P.
Devenish, R. W.



Moore, E., Instructor
Cooper, C. M.
Codling, H. G.



Pease, E. A., Instructor
Dyer, D. M.
Elliott, W. A.
Fall, J. W.
Farley, K. W.
Fowler, E. N.

Robinson, C. C., Instructor
Graves, S. R.
Favorite, W. B.
Ferguson, J. E.
Foster, G. G.



Sawyers, J. C., Instructor
Desmul, L. R.
Dickinson, L. R.
Davidson, W. G.
Kaurin, R. H.



Severson, A., Instructor
Dixon, D. W.
Douglas, D. C.
Eblen, W. L.



Tharp, C. M., Instructor
Cohen, M. S.
Daniels, D. W.
DeBevec, R. M.
Davis, W. A.
Delaney, G. T.



Van Briesen, F., Instructor
Dryer, C. A.
Everhart, V.
Donahue, A. J.
Evelyn, J. E.
Ebie, R. J.





Waters, Steve T.,
Instructor
Eubanks, J. O.



Waters, Steve T.,
Instructor
Fleming, Chas. B.
Foley, N.
Dillon, H. E.



Cracks from Squadron C

L. W. Gassman, Cadet captain, known as "Papa"; two years in army, staff sergeant before being a cadet; home in York, Nebraska.

J. E. Geagan, Field Executive for the Boy Scouts of America as a civilian; known as "genius" say his roommates; home in Bangor, Maine.

J. R. Gibson, from Griffin, Georgia. Noted for his unusual version of English and his intense loyalty to the Confederate States, assert his roommates.

J. Froelking, from Cleveland, Ohio; cadet corporal; ex-stock and bond man.

E. M. Friend; proud papa of twins; from Albany, Indiana. Drove a ten-ton powder truck for DuPont before coming in the army.

L. G. Henry. Sleepiest man in his room; candy eatingest man also; worked for Highway Department in Montana as civilian.

R. D. Hawkins, from Caddo, Texas, known as "Sadie." Quiet, unassuming; formerly garage owner but has been in army for two years coming from Camp Young.

D. B. Heinrich. Dark, wavy hair, from Oxnard, Calif.; attending Ventura J. C. when called by the air corps.

C. Gray. Worked for Great Northern Railroad in Seattle . .

home town White Fish, Montana. Behaves himself, he says.

E. T. Helms. Home is Cincinnati, Ohio; former electrician; known as "Slim"; not the first man up in the morning by any means.

J. D. Heller, ladies' man from Watsonville, California; at Salinas Junior College when the army required his presence in Alaska; two years there, now a swashbuckling cadet.

H. D. Hays, from Berel, Kentucky; known as "Hillbilly"; last in bed and last up in the morning; cadet flight lieutenant.

M. J. Harvey, a Klondike Annie since he spent eighteen months in Alaska before coming down as cadet; was a staff sergeant; wife lives in Santa Ana.

J. D. Harper. Another ex-staff sergeant; married on the fifth of June while at Rankin; crew chief while seeing service in Alaska.

C. W. Hartwig. Has enough "guts" for the entire squadron; has dual time, solo time, check time; known as "Chuck"; wins those Saturday races.

J. M. Harter, known as "Charley Butterworth"; ex-hotel man from Tacoma, Washington. Spends time and money running between Rankin and Visalia.

W. L. Harrell, representing the Florida Chamber of Com-

merce; first man to solo in the Rankin Field station wagon; show producer extraordinary.

K. E. Hattenhauer. Proud papa of two-year old daughter; ex-utility salesman from Red Bluff, California; chief navigator for C Squadron.

R. J. Horrocks, Sage of Salt Lake City; losing hair on head but not on chest; good brass-shiner; does NOT talk in sleep.

R. L. Horn, from Columbus, Ohio; wins Saturday morning races; said to never have enough sleep . . . first man to bed in the room.

R. C. Hopkins, Kentucky mountaineer; rebel through and through say the roommates; on good terms with the Tulare girls.

G. H. Holland, from Bisbee, Arizona; ex-fire fighter; never ridden in a plane and passed all his tests at Rankin without a waver of the little curl in the middle of his forehead.

C. B. Hobbs. Known as Tex since he comes from Maine; pronounces "eager" as "eggah"; quiet and retiring, except sometimes.

J. F. Haddock, from Byesville, Ohio; seven years in the army, some of them on Christmas Island in the Southwest Pacific; ex-master sergeant . . . count those stripes.

G. A. Hobbs, from Fort Smith, Arkansas; noted for his milkshake capacity; doesn't believe in that maxim about "Latins being lousy lovers."

G. M. Hotz. Held Ohio State

speed championship for ice-skating; hails from Cleveland; also an onion eater on the side; on familiar terms with the wind tee.

D. J. Grant hails from Ogden, Utah; known back home as "Whitey"; attending Weber College when called by the Air Corps; married in Tulare on May 29th.

J. W. Fox. "Fox is a wolf" claim his roommates; ex-railroad brakeman from Vernon, Utah . . . quite a basketball star, specializing in one-hand push shots.

E. Ginsberg. Noted for his snappy comebacks . . . also for pipe-smoking; home is Fall River, Massachusetts but was attending Washington State College when called to colors; in on the money in Saturday morning races.

J. E. Gonyer was an oilman down in them thar Kentucky hills back in civilian life; home is Winchester, Ky. His roommates claim the army had to tie him down to give him his first pair of shoes.

H. T. Greenup. Jack of all trades from the Pacific Northwest. Said by his roommates to be an authority on virtually any subject which comes up.

C. H. Hall. Ex-postman from Sacramento, California; suppressed desire is to be a civilian with an unlimited gasoline ration card; very suppressed of course.

H. H. Hamilton hails from Metropolitan Oakland, across the Bay from San Francisco; formerly assistant buyer for Southern Pacific Lines; nicknamed "Ham."

E. W. Haines; home in Waltham, Massachusetts; was attending Northeastern University in Boston when called, working for Coastal Geodetic Survey in the summers.

M. B. Hamilton, from Monmouth, Illinois; student at Western College, Illinois when called—also cattle and hog raiser on the side.

J. H. Hertz. Cadet adjutant here at Rankin, Podiatrist in civilian life; from Madison, Indiana, "near the banks of the beautiful Ohio."

J. E. Hildebrand; Chicago boy with the swagger . . . quite the jive boy; ran the phonograph which played during drill periods.

R. W. Herzog, from Cleveland, Ohio, where he was a sanitary engineer in civilian life; roommates call him "Mister Zog."

R. L. Hershey, President of the Rankin Ground Loop Club; ex-interior and exterior decorator from Mansfield, Ohio.

C. S. Hesson, from Rockport, Indiana; was already in the air corps as ground crew member in Tampa, Florida, when transferred as a cadet.

W. H. Hilgers, known as "Wild or Sunshine" Bill, depending upon his mood; usually sings a fairly good baritone in the shower room; hails from Montana.

M. P. Hill, from Woodland, Washington. Attended University of Washington in the winter, logged in Northwest lumber camps in the summer before becoming an aviation cadet.

Brink, A. W., Instructor
 Gonger, J. E.
 Fox, J. W.
 Friend, E. N.
 Hancock, F. N.



Eckert, W. C., Instructor
 Hamilton, H. H.
 Granger, W. T., Jr.
 Froelking, J. E.
 Gosewisch, W. J.



Glassell, O. G., Instructor
 Hisey, R. W.
 Hash, H. H.
 Hilgers, W. H.
 Hill, M. R.
 Harvey, M. J.



Golden, Wm., Instructor
 Lt. Grieger, C. I., Jr.
 Hildebrandt, J. E.
 Hesson, C. S.
 Hertz, J. H.
 Herzog, R. W.



Parkinson, H. W.,
 (Instructor)
 Shrum, W. R.
 Hattenhauer, K. E.
 Hershey, R. L.
 (not shown)





Howard, R. B., Instructor
Hawkins, R. D.
Hobbs, C. B.
Hobbs, G. A.
Holland, G. H.
Horrocks, R. J.



Lafferty, J. D., Instructor
Grant, D. J.
Gray, C.
Gassman, L. W.



Marron, O. A., Instructor
Geagan, J. E.
Guard, B.
Gibson, J. R.



Mason, W. C., Instructor
Hamilton, M. B.
Hall, C. H.
Haffey, J. D.
Gustafson, D. E.



Peterson, H. J., Instructor
Helms, E. T.
Harrell, W. T.
Henry, L. G.
Harper, J. D.
Heller, J. D.
(not shown)

Rose, Elwin A, Instructor
 Heinrich, D. B.
 Hopkins, R. C.
 Hays, H. D.
 Harter, J. M.



Zundel, W. R., Instructor
 Greenup, H. T.
 Haines, E. W.
 Brown, R. M., Jr.
 Ginsberg, E.



"Remember the 43-I Stag?"



Dabs From Squadron D

Bloss, R. R., Jr. He and Jennings, the only Texans in the bunch.

Weisz, G. V. Really an old hand—Class H.

Jones, G. L. The dodos know him well.

Jones, L. E. See pages 6 and 24.

Johnston, A. E. Fancies himself as a man.

Patterson, L. O. He'll never fit an Airacobra.

King, Lee. Tough fight, but he'll make it.

Steppe, C. O. Have a beer?

Housholder, W. T. As a top sergeant he's a good L/O.

Hurlbert, C. F. Another guy who'll need a B-26 or better.

Hoy, C. F. I'm nuts about her.

Howell, E. M. Permanent study hall attendant.

Howell, G. M. Barracks bags full? Well, yes.

Huckins, W. T. Good thing they fastened his head on.

Thompson, A. R. I'll kick it five.

Thompson, B. C. Nice build.

Thacker, R. K. Yoooooooo!!!!

Sullivan, H. T. Won't touch a drop.

Sydnor, R. B. The great lover.

Thomas, C. L., Jr. Send me to Thunderbird!

Terrano, B. A. The original H. P.

Rankin, D. W. Athletics? Well once in a while.

Newman, J. S. "Our Herky."

McLone, J. E. What's the red light mean?

Moewe, P. W. True loves.

Livingston, C. R. Things are tough all over.

McCrory, J. M. The Deacon's Kid.

Black-thatched cynic, and corporal by virtue of some 73" of merit, Norm Hancock loves arguments, apple pie, snap rolls and his pretty wife, Lois. The

proper impression is that of a practical man of the world and Toledo.

Long, H. K. "Oh! Come on fellas, help me clean up the room."

Sumner, W. H. One gig, five tours.

Now the "Roughcut Kid" belies his button nose. Acquaintances who insist on believing his age simply haven't seen Billy Granger with a big stogie while he talks the gallopin' cubicles through. We caught him shaving a week ago Tuesday. From Hammond, Ind.

Jack Haffey succeeds quietly at whatever he tries; and better still, he sweeps out every morning. Used to work and live at Anaconda, Montana, and played Legion ball before he became a clean-cut Cadet.

Homer Hash possesses an amicable stability of both mind and body, and is from Barbersville, West (by God) Virginia. A real Joe Stydahar on the Playing Fields of Rankin, he looks like Jimmy Doolittle in the cockpit.

Ray Brown used to be fuel engineer for Ethyl Corp., so never has admitted to ex-Sun Oil salesman Hancock the superiority of Ethyl-less Sunoco. Sincere, intelligent and well-bred, this native Californian is a national broadjump champ and was high man in K class.

Gus says the psychologist at S. A. concluded he was a mean

rascal. Dale Gustafson flies like he rides—and he chased fussy Iowa farmers on his pony when young. Saddle the Stearman for carefree Gus from Council Bluffs.

Bill Gosewisch majored in psychology and is accomplished in hypnosis and memory tests. A well-rounded good athlete, etc., there's few can match him. Dinky can—literally. Goose is from near Cleveland, and has his own peculiar twist of humor.

Burhead Guard is an egotistical dilettante and a self-styled conversant on philosophy, sex, religion, printing and his Brazilian honeysuckle, Eliza. Lots of big ambitions for a little guy, and thinks he has most of the answers to LIFE.

Hyde, B. W. Why does he spend so much time in a phone booth?

Irvin, R. J. We would like to know why he wasn't in ready room five last Saturday night.

Ivory, D. J. The only guy in Sq. D that can do chandells through a certain Texan's loops. (and it wasn't Bloss)

Jensen, V. B. Why does Vic keep trying to get Mr. Wyman to fly over Pixley.

Johnson, D. L. He proves spends a lot of time at the Tularé theaters.

Johnson, M. D. We notice his staff functioning quite well in Ready Room 5 the past week-end.

Johnson, D. L. He proves everything you ever heard about Arkansas.

Jennings, R. M. We all feel sorry for his wife on Saturday night—she just can't seem to keep up with him.

Timmins, Jim. The Terrible "Torque."

Toncray, O. D. Dale, the man for any occasion.

Torgerson, J. S., Jr. "I left my Sugar in Salt Lake City."

Timm, R. M. "The 'J' Class Lover."

Titley, D. T. In the air, HE's the "Boss".

THORALL, C. G. The Squadron "Worry Wart".

Martin Roth. "Make me room orderly fellows".

David E. Tribby. "Crime does not pay."

Gordon J. Turner. "How many tours you got?"

George C. Van Meter. Kelley the Kentucky "G" man.

Robert L. von der Hellen. "I recommend hostesses on all bombers."

Gordon K. Wahl. "Let's not get too eager, fellows."

Paul D. Wakeley. "You haven't flown a Stearman until you fly from the front cockpit."

Anderson, C. L. Instructor
 McConnell, R. K.
 Wahl, G. K.
 Torgerson, J. S.
 McLone, J. E.
 von der Hellen, R. L.



Carney, S. M., Instructor
 Irvin, R. J.
 Patterson, L. O.
 Rankin, D. W.
 Johnson, L. G.
 Housholder, W. T.



Haen, A. J., Instructor
 Sumner, W. H.
 Wiesz, G. V.
 Thomas, C. L.



Heflinger, M. E.
 Instructor
 Hodoock, J. F.
 Hotz, G. M.
 Horn, R. L.
 Thomas, W. E.
 Thompson, B. C.



Lowry, W. G., Instructor
 Thorall, C. G.
 Roth, M.
 Bloss, R. R.
 Thrift, C. E.





Olsen, R. C., Instructor
 McCrory, J. M.
 Jones, L. E.
 Jones, G. L.
 Tribby, D. E.
 Livingston, C. R.



McKee, G., Instructor
 Timmins, J.
 Newman, J. S.
 Titley, D. I.
 Long, H. K.



Moore, E., Instructor
 Hyde, B. W.
 Ivory, D. J.



Rogers, H. W., Instructor
 King, L.
 Timm, R. M.
 Steppe, C. O.
 Wakeley, P. D.
 Stewart, F. R.
 (not shown)



Swauger, J. R., Instructor
 Van Meter, G. C.
 Moewe, P. W.
 Johnston, A. E.
 Turner, G. J.

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Ceiling Zero!

(A Spin from Page 14)

more, and his eyes could have melted a heart of New England granite. Just a suggestion, fellas, let's not hold up the girls with last minute orders. Carole and the other girls would appreciate your cooperation.

Remember that AT that fluttered so helplessly over Rankin with only one wheel down? Well it was all a joke—and it was on Mr. McKee. Seems like an old friend was pilot of that ship and he decided to drop in as a surprise—but definitely. Moral is—don't ever be surprised at anything.

Then there is the story of a certain big time Operator who squired an "Oh so lovely" visitor to 43-I's dance. In the wee wee hours, this B.T.O. was seen

parked on a dark road near Rankin with the little Miss. Was he out of gas? Well don't ask your Reporter, and I wouldn't ask the B.T.O. either. After all it wasn't his car.

Before I forget, Miss Massey (Lillian to her friends) has found her Engineer's pin. The successful ferret was A/C Glass of 43I. Too bad though, the new rule is that little ladies, even as charming as Miss Massey, can no longer wear Army insignia.

In conclusion, we'd like to wish Lt. Torres good luck now that he has been transferred to Randolph. At one time, Lt. Torres was an instructor here and recently got his commission. The Army's gain is another headache for the Axis, and there is more coming—am I right Mist-ers?

Ground School

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won him considerable recognition.

So men, you have been working with men that have all the background and ability to give you a good start. Their greatest desire and hope is that every man has taken their instruction to heart and really dug it out. I, for one, wish to take my hat off to this fine group of men. Ground School is just as important a part in your training as flying. Without it, you are just a pilot, as any other amateur. With it, you may become an expert in all-around aviation, and may some day take your place with the experts, or professional aviators.



Squadron D *(Continued)*

(Due to conflicting schedules the following members of Class 43-J were not able to be photographed with their instructors. We regret having to go to press without these pictures.)

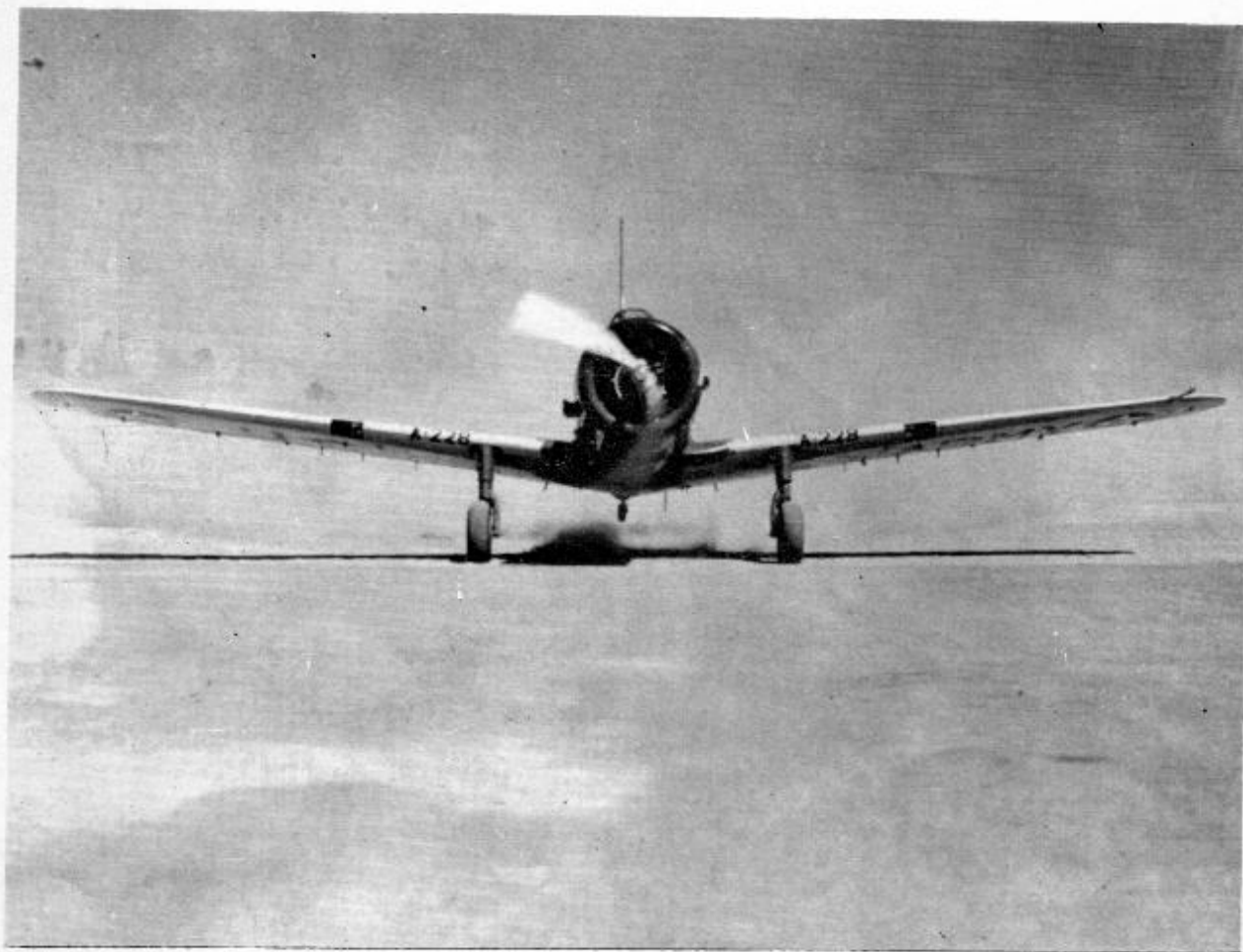
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Toncray, O. D.
Howell, E. M.

Wyman, H. C., Instructor
Jenson, D. B.
Johnson, M. D.
Sullivan, W. H.

Reeder, W. L., Instructor
Howell, G. M.

Robinson, C. C., Instructor
Jennings, R. M.
Johnson, D. L.
Terrano, B. A.
Hulbert, C. L.

Lucie, F. C., Instructor
Huckin, B. P.
Sydnor, R. B.
Thompson, B. C.
Thacker, R. K.



We Can Hardly Wait!

Hit 'n' Bounce

(Ground Looped from Page 24)

as A/C Dale W. Rankin of Squadron D, except possibly that he is the son of the champion acrobatic flier of the world—Tex Rankin, who, incidentally, is also president of the Rankin Aeronautical Academy! Dale says his main claim to distinction is that he is the cadet closest to home!

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A/C Garnet Brotzmann of Sacramento—and Squadron A—also claims descending from a noted personage—Hannah Dustin, the noted pioneer woman of the American Revolutionary period.

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A) of Oakland's hobby is carving—however, we are trying to

A/C Gordon M. Browne (Sq. figure out if he carves wood, soap, cork—or roast duck! He is a descendant of Cotton Mather, New England religious zealot!

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A/C Victor Jensen of Clear Lake, Iowa, has a hobby he can't say is unbeatable—his hobby is DRUMS!

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Squadron A's R. H. Bonney shouldn't have any trouble at all providing apples for the teacher! His father is a grower of those famous tasty apples Wenatchee, Washington, is so noted for! We hope there are no cadets here from either Yakima, Washington, or Hood River, Oregon!

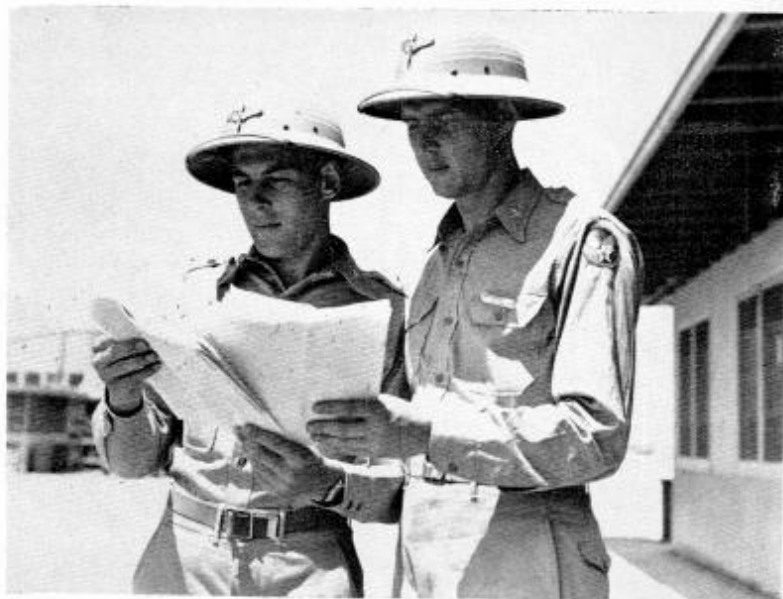
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Aha! We discover two more Misters with Aleutian service under their belts! They are A/Cs Harry Burmester (Sq. A) of San Jose, and William Bowler (Sq. A) of Abilene, Texas! How's the midnite sun tans up there, fellows?

The Show's the Thing!

Tuesday, May the 18th, was a big night for us all what with the staging of that big graduation show for Class 43-I replete with movie stars and other H'wood performers plus plenty of cadet entertainers in which Class 43-J had no small part. Take a gander at the page opposite—how that ballet group could “rev” up—what a smacker Actress Mary Brian planted on A/C J. E. Froking's puss—even movie star Paul Kelly couldn't bear to look!—Miss Brian's and M/C Johnny Hines' gim-cracks—ouch—A/C Ost's ukelelein—the “Gadgets” super vocalizin’ (there’s kaydet talent we’re right proud of!)—the Hammer Field “ork” does anything but HAMMER!—they're tops!—Tex Rankin's jubilant mood—Maxine Conrad's (she's Russ Morgan's songbird!) warbling—movie star and Rankin director Paul Kelly's swell talk—Kathryne and Don Santi's accordion capers and many others.

Yes, sir! The show's the thing—let's have more of it!



When a couple of dyed-in-the-wool professional script writers get together things happen! Meet the misters who put on the 43-I "graduation ganders"—A/C's L. E. Jones (left), and W. E. Harrell (right). They did a swell job and deserve scads of credit!

A trapshooting champ is A Squadron's Ernest M. Carsten of Camino, California. He won the Pacific Coast Trapshooting championship at Portland, Oregon, in 1936, repeated at Stockton, California, in 1937 and won state championship at Sacramento in 1938. He must have used a repeating rifle!

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We are sure that A/C Robert

J. Bligh (Sq. A) of Chicago finds it an impossibility to exercise his hobby while in training as an aviation cadet—we've heard of those chess players taking three days between moves! Mister Bligh is a distant relative of Edwin C. Hill, famed radio commentator and is a descendant, it has been claimed, of the famous Captain Bligh of the H. M. S. Bounty.



Happy Landings to---



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DE WARD RITCHIE	First Lieutenant
Ogden, Utah	
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CLARENCE I. GRIEGER, JR.	Second Lieutenant
Bloomfield, New Jersey	
ROBERT K. McCONNELL	WOJG
Long Beach, California	

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