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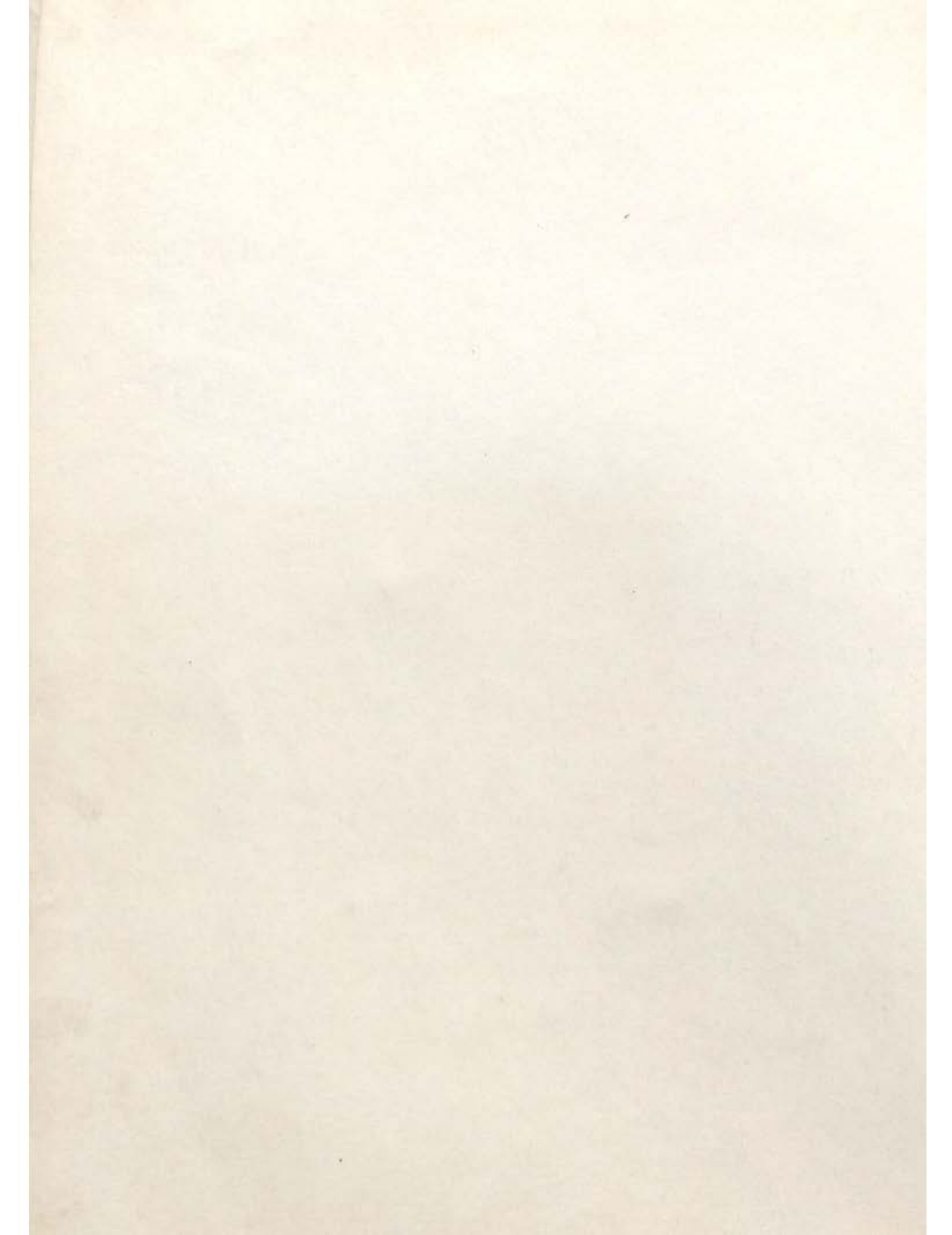
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# *Bombs Away*

43-9 is graduating—A proud day for all of us  
—A happy day for Uncle Sam for another class of  
Bombardiers are on the wing—which spells trouble  
for the Axis.

To Col. White, Col. Dalton, Col. Isbell—The  
Bombardier Instructors, and The Pilots who flew us,  
we respectfully dedicate this book—For to them  
must go the credit—The fledgling came—passed  
thru their hands—and departs—An Eagle—with the  
power of destruction in his talons—and destroy we  
shall—to the end—our sole purpose—

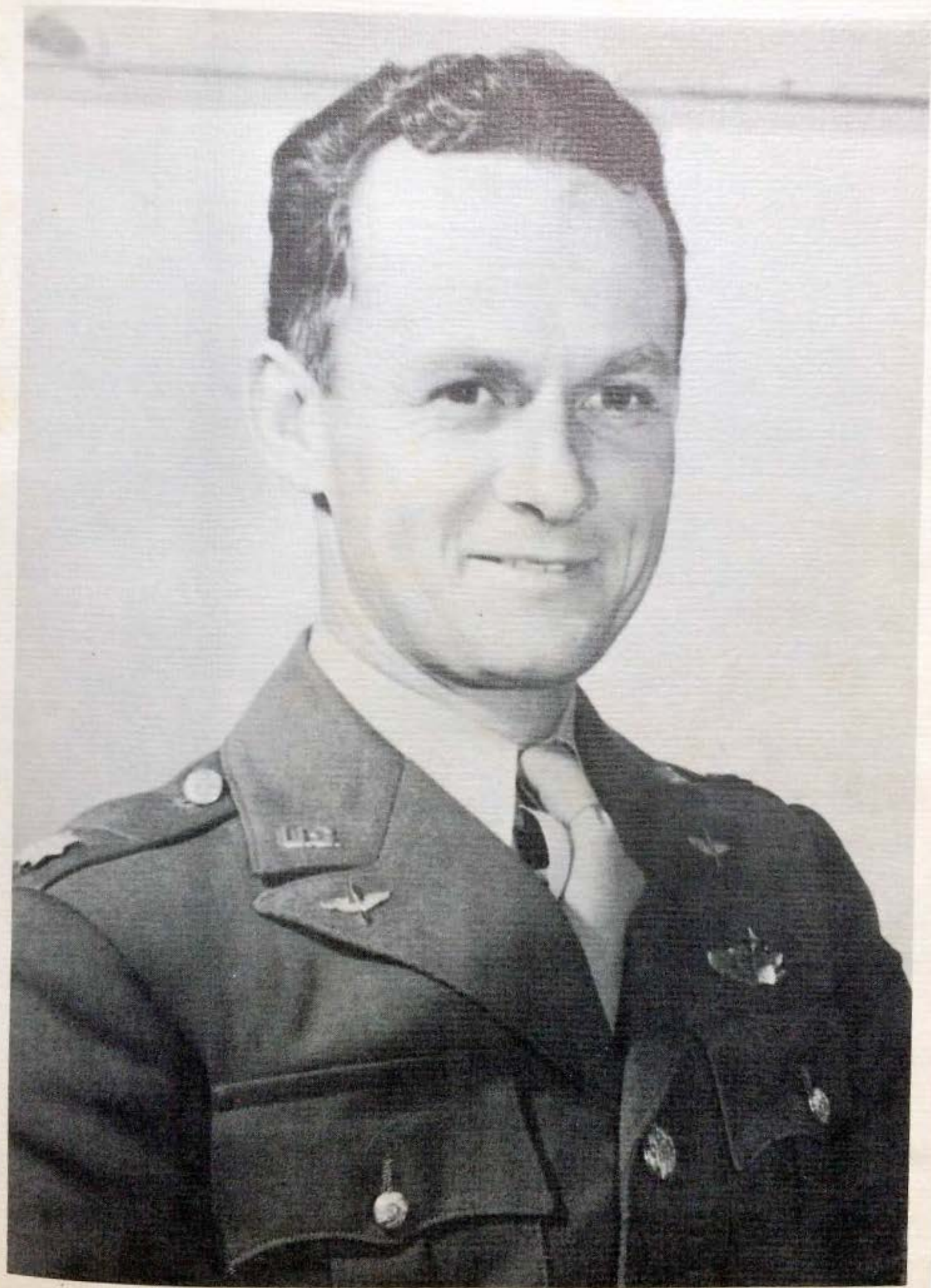
Gentlemen—I give you—Peace.



## *Administration*

Lt. Colonel L. W. White, Commanding Officer, has an important role in the development of precision bombardment. He was formerly Director of Training at Big Spring Bombardier School and assumed command here at Childress, the newest of the famous Texas quadrangle, in November, 1942.

A native Texan and graduate of West Point, Colonel White has served with the 19th Bombardment Group and holds the ratings of Senior Pilot, Aerial Observer, Aerial Gunner, Navigator and Expert Bombardier.





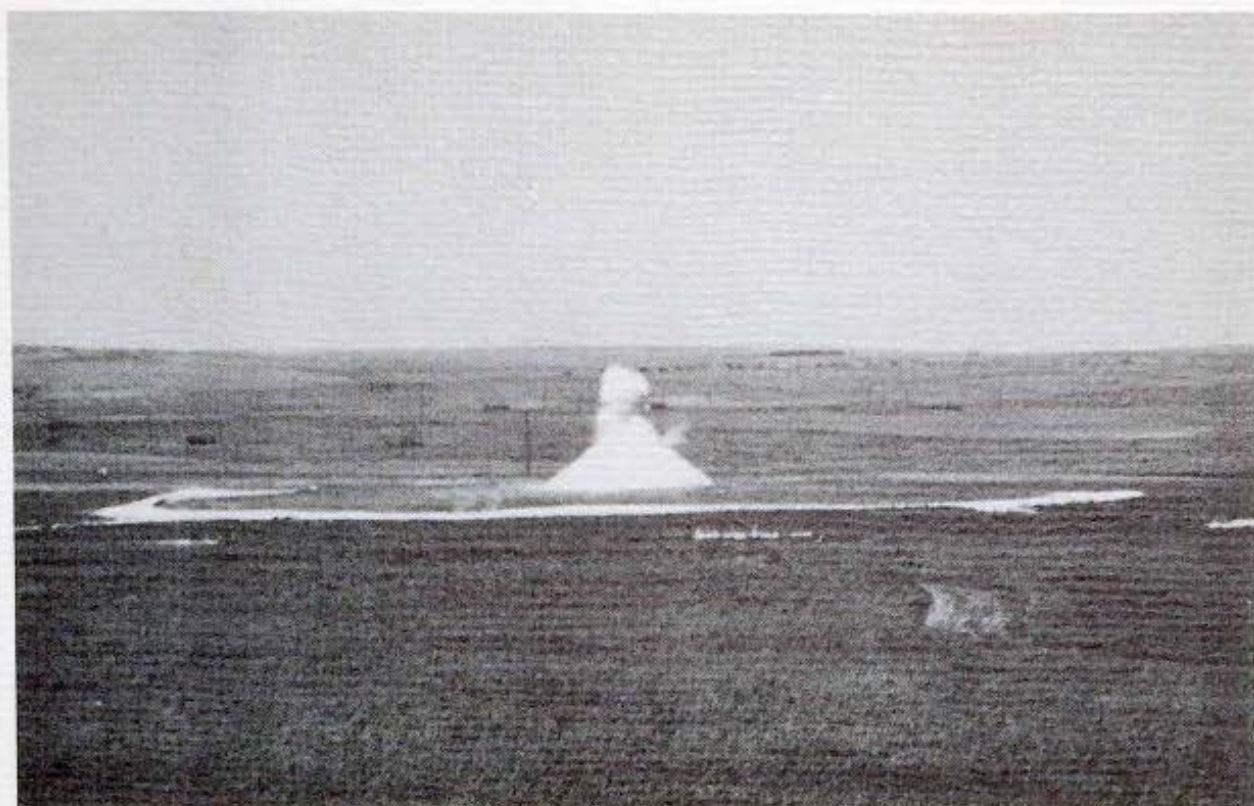


LT. COL. L. H. DALTON  
Director of Training

Lt. Colonel L. H. Dalton, formerly Training Group Commander at the San Angelo Bombing School, became Director of Training here in December, 1942.

Colonel Dalton maintains a close personal supervision of all phases of cadet training, both on the ground and in the air.





*Practice Shack*



*Combat Shack*





S. F. CIPOT  
Squadron Commander



R. GIRNER  
Adjutant



G. H. ADAMS  
Flight A Lieutenant

*Best of George*



F. G. DOERR  
Flight B Lieutenant





*Student Training Squadron 3*





*Flight 3-A  
Lots of Luck*



DAVID L. ADAMS

*David L. Adams*



JOHN E. AIKENHEAD

*John E. Aikenhead  
Lots of Luck,*



GORDON L. ALEXANDER



EMANUEL AMENDOLAGINE



EDWARD G. AMOS, JR.



RICHARD J. ANDREWS



EARL W. ARCHER



JOHN H. ARNOLD



CLARENCE E. BAKER

*Clarence E. Baker  
Lots of Luck,*





*John K Baldt*  
JOHN K. BALDT



ROBERT W. BANNON



*Russell E Barber*  
RUSSELL E. BARBER



DUARD J. BARE



*John P. Battista*  
JOHN P. BATTISTA, JR.



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*Richard C Blaisdell*  
RICHARD C. BLAISDELL



*Oscar J Bloch*  
OSCAR J. BLOCH





*Louis M. Boehm*

LOUIS M. BOEHM



WILLIAM M. BOHON



JOHN J. BONIFACE



*Joseph C. Bonsor*

JOSEPH C. BONSOR



RAYMOND E. BOWKLEY  
First Sergeant



*Arony H. Brandes*  
ARONY H. BRANDES "Doc"



DAVID J. BRICK

*Dave  
Brick*



FRANK BULLIAS



JOHN J. BYRNE



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BERYL L. CALHOUN



LEO F. CASKEY



FRANCIS L. CATE



CHARLES B. CHANDLER



ROBERT K. CHRISTIANSON

*Best of luck Dewey  
Squire Bell*



# Flight 3-B



PAUL J. CHRISTOFF



H. COBLENTZ



JAMES A. COCHRAN



PATRICK J. CONNOLLY, JR.



CLAUDE P. COOK, JR.



DANIEL J. COSGROVE



ROBERT P. CRANE



LORACE CRAPPS



RICHARD C. CREEDEN





LUCIEN G. CROWDER, JR.



BILLY R. CURTIS



JOSEPH J. DALTO



EVERETT H. DAVIS



LLOYD G. DAVIS



J. B. DAVIS



RAYMUNDO DELGADO



HAROLD DICKERSON



ROCCO D. DINARDI





FRANCIS W. DOHERTY



HARLEY W. DUNN, JR.



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BERNARD C. EASON



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MAX J. ETRA



ROBERT G. EVATT, JR.



JAMES I. FITZGERALD



JOHN J. FLAD, JR.



JOSEPH E. FLAHERTY



RAPHEL V. FORD



THOMAS M. FREAD

*D. E. Wright*

NOT PICTURED

DONALD E. WRIGHT  
Squadron 7, Flight C



CLARENCE R. FULLER



VINCENT J. GALASSO



## *On the Line*

LT. P. H. TUCKER  
Operations Officer

CAPT. JOHN H. SHARPE  
Squadron Commander

LT. HOLSEY D. GLOVER  
Flight A—Bombardier

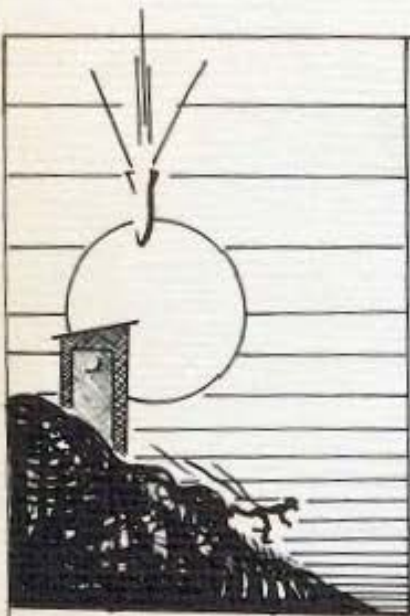
LT. CLARENCE T. KONECNY  
Flight B—Bombardier

### *Pilots*

LT. J. A. ANDERSON  
LT. A. E. AUSTIN  
LT. L. K. BERGER  
LT. M. D. BROWN  
LT. H. L. CASWELL  
LT. J. H. FLETCHER  
LT. R. G. FUNK  
LT. R. C. FOGLE  
LT. O. W. LEWIS  
LT. G. W. LIVELY  
LT. W. LOCKHOOF, JR.  
LT. D. K. LOFTHOUSE  
LT. C. L. McCABE  
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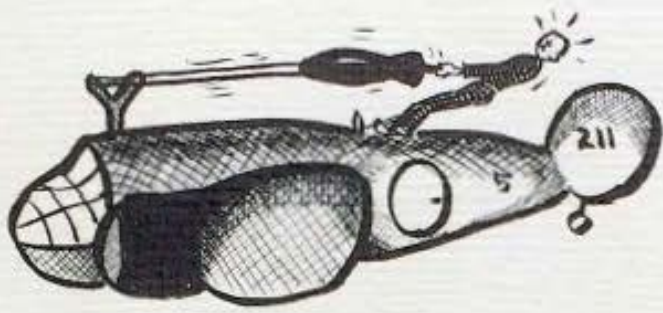
### *Bombardiers*

LT. L. F. BENNETT  
LT. D. J. BOTELLO  
LT. C. R. BRAMLETTE  
LT. E. H. CORNELL  
LT. J. R. DAVIDSON  
LT. J. DONIGAN  
LT. B. F. DRAKE  
LT. G. C. FELLOWS  
LT. M. E. FRIEDMAN  
LT. R. E. FRALEY  
LT. L. G. GALLAGHER  
LT. L. C. GARVIN  
LT. C. T. GILL  
LT. M. G. HERSH  
LT. E. M. RICHARDSON  
LT. E. R. SCHWELDER  
LT. A. J. SIMS  
LT. W. J. SMITH  
F/O P. J. McGINITY  
F/O A. L. MITCHELL

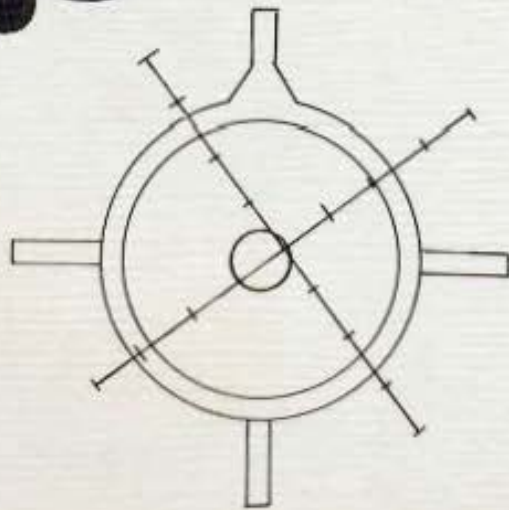


**WALFEN**





**ACTION**







J. M. PECK  
Squadron Commander



G. N. McGUIRE  
Adjutant



R. F. HITZEL  
Flight A Lieutenant



H. L. SAMICK  
Flight B Lieutenant





*Student Training Squadron 7*





# Flight 7-C



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EDGAR E. HAMMOND



ORLAND H. HASSELBACH



ALBERT S. HEIDEN





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RICHARD H. HINTON



GUSTAF W. HOLMGREN



WILLIAM C. HOUSTON



EDWARD L. HOWLAND



BILL K. ISBELL



SIDNEY H. JACOBSON



JASPER H. JENKINS



WILLIAM C. JUERGENS





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JOSEPH L. KEIM, JR.



HOWARD W. KELL



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MURRAY KERCHMAN



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NATHAN J. MALKIN



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HAROLD C. SCHUSTER



ROBERT N. SHOALS



DAVID SHOSS

(Not Pictured)

KEITH W. MCKILLIP

FRANK M. SUTTER



FRANCIS J. SIEBERT  
First Sergeant



## *On the Line*

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Operations Officer

LT. MORTON BADER  
Squadron Commander

LT. HERBERT MASSINGALE  
Squadron Bombardier

LT. ROBERT BRISCOE  
Flight C—Bombardier

LT. EDWIN FULLER  
Flight D—Bombardier

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LT. G. W. BENTLEY

F/O R. E. BOEHM

LT. J. H. BOREN

LT. H. A. BORFITZ

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LT. V. W. ROGERS

LT. R. W. STROGERG

LT. E. TUTWILER

LT. W. O. WALKER

LT. R. E. WINDLOR

LT. G. R. WILHELM

## *Bombardiers*

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LT. L. BISSENSTAFF

LT. F. L. CONLON

LT. V. B. COYNE

LT. W. C. CRAIG

LT. H. B. CRISMAN

LT. R. E. CUNDIFF

LT. W. DAVIS

LT. F. J. FOLKER

LT. F. E. GRAHAM

LT. H. F. HOUK

LT. T. G. HUFFMAN

LT. E. HUTCHINSON

LT. R. A. LAIRD

LT. C. L. O'BRIEN

LT. W. S. PERRY

LT. J. WEISS

## *Those Who Wield the Whip*

Perhaps the average cadet tends to under estimate the importance of the Tactical Officer. He may even regard the above-mentioned Officers as "Those Who Wield The Whip." Maybe this is a natural tendency since the student places a maximum importance on his specific type of training and a minimum emphasis on the military phase of his work. In doing this the cadet overlooks something rather important. When a set of wings are placed upon his chest, a set of bars are also placed on his shoulders, signifying the fact that he is not only a Bombardier, but an Officer and Gentleman as well. How good an Officer a cadet will make depends greatly upon his Tactical Officers, and we hope that we will show how good a job they have done.





CAPT. WILSON. LT. BALDWIN, LT. BARKSDALE, LT. MELITO,  
LT. BURTON, LT. MASON, LT.

## *Ground School*

A Bombardier must not only be an egg dropper. He must also be an efficient Navigator, Meteorologist, and light maintenance man. He must know his duties from administration all the way to the actual fusing and loading of the bombs.

Of course, experience is the father of all teachers, but the thorough instruction of our Ground School will have enabled many to join their experiences with the right outcome. To have a solid general knowledge of his job is the Bombardier's obligation.

The Class 43-9 extends its appreciation for the efficient manner in which it has been taught and the vast field which the Ground School has covered, and the courtesy they have shown us.





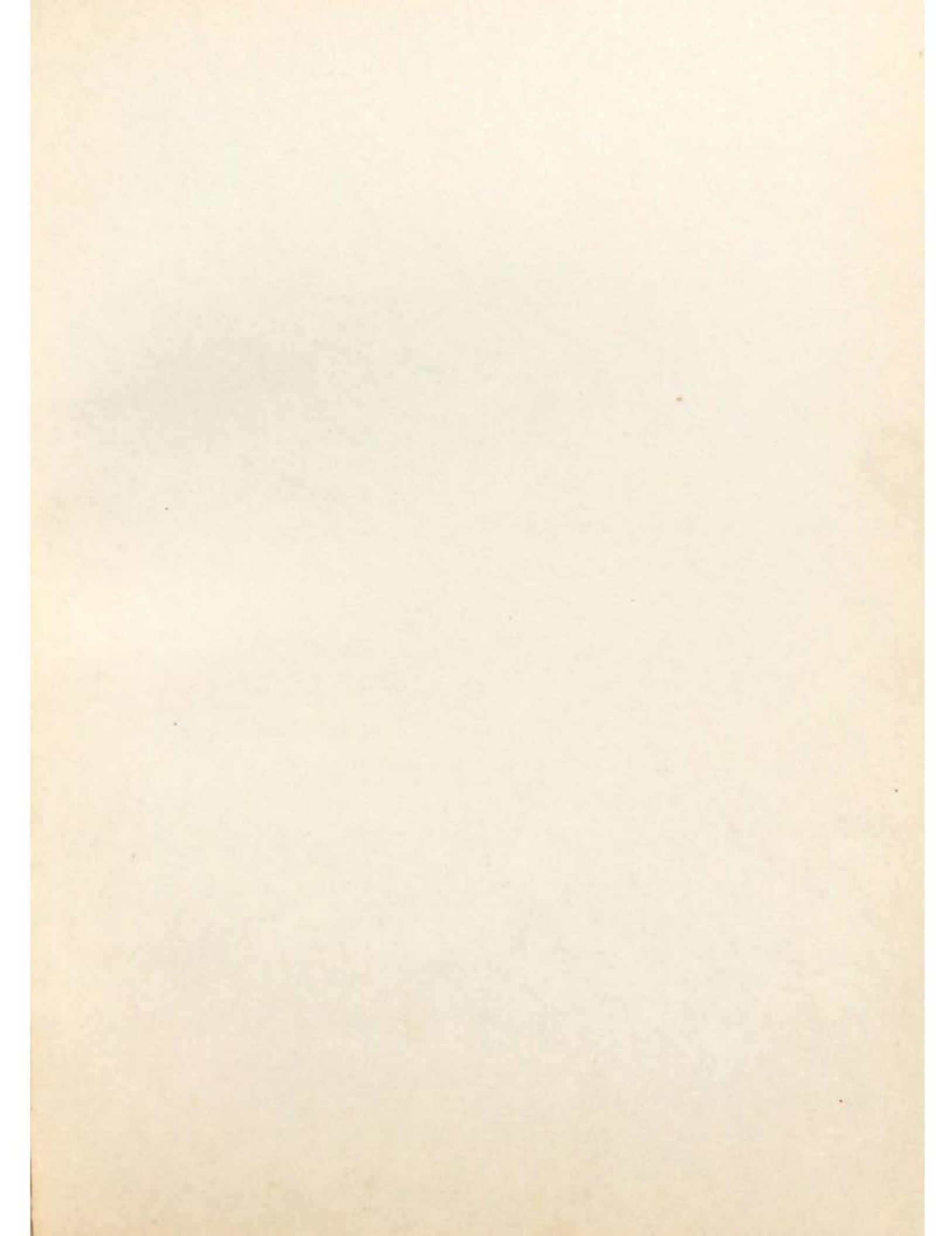
LT. BOTHWELL AND STAFF

# *Bombardiers Away*

We—THE CLASS OF 43-9 have compiled this volume as a reminder of our cadet life at the Advanced Bombing School at Childress. It has been fun and at the same time—hard work—On the line until six a.m. and P.T. at 10—Ah Brother—Those were the Days—& Nights—There were times when we were glad the days held only 24 hours—Then too—We say 43-7 and 43-8 graduates—Sharp weren't they—Only three more weeks—Our uniforms came—Pinks—Greens—Tropical Worsted—Only two more weeks—But what a couple of Daiseys—Combat Bombing—Evasive Action—Maneuvers—and Wow—and Here We Are—

LOOK OUT COMBAT—Here We Come—





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