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ARMY AIR FORCES TRAINING DETACHMENT

BRUCE FIELD

BALLINGER, TEXAS



The Pilot's Primary

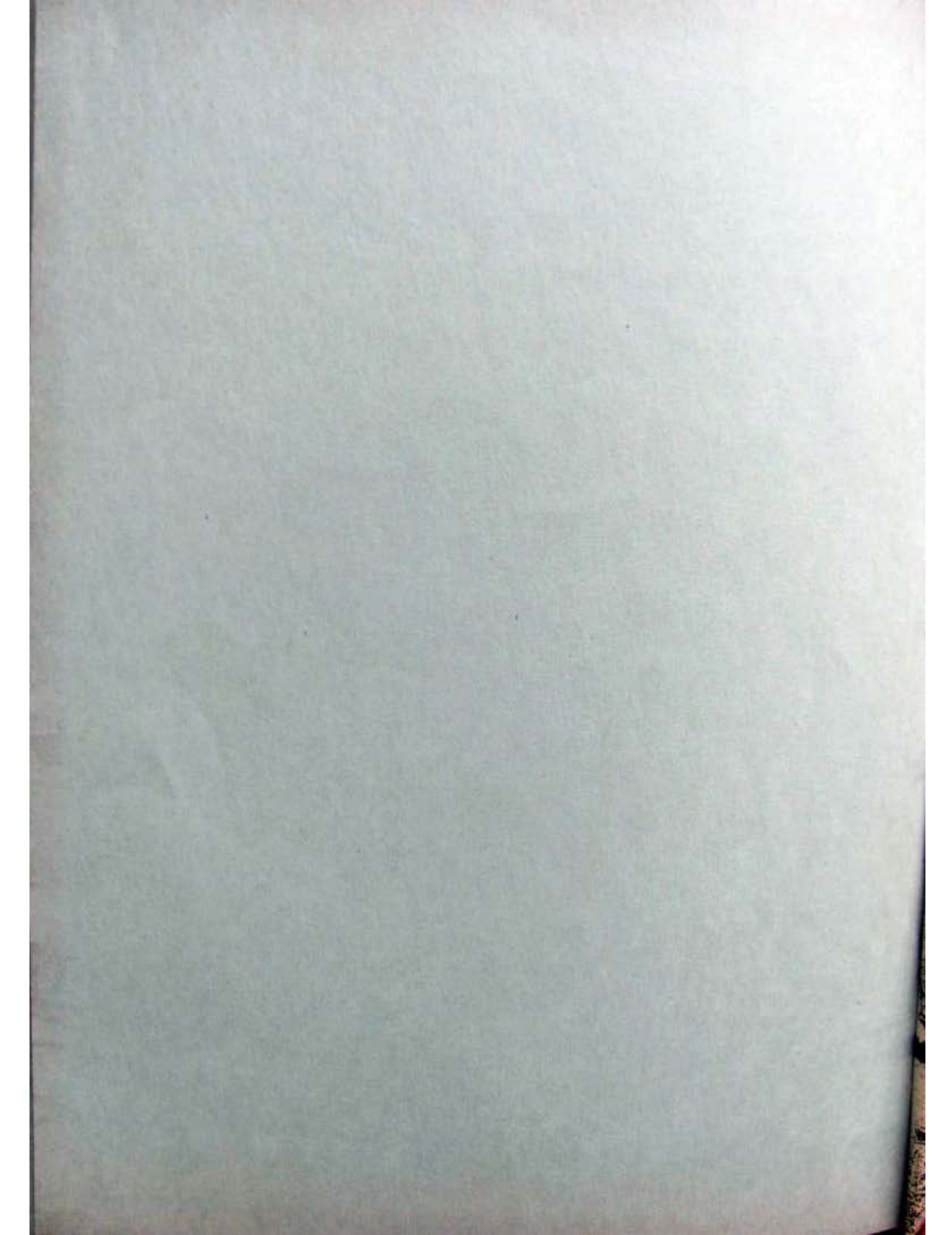
I've lain on soft greensward and watched
The fleecy clouds float by
Far up in the celestial blue
Between me and the sky
And wondered oft what 'twould be like
To soar carefree up there
Alone with birds and clouds and God
Aloft in sunlit air.

It took a war to reach that goal
To mount toward Heaven's throne
Our planes in fine formation fly
No sound save engines drone.
So many lads are training hard
Much must be known to fly
The skill and knowledge we gain here
May mean to live or die.

And so we daily pilot planes
Each day brings a new test
Upon our wisdom and our skill
Each man must do his best.
When we have mastered every phase
Of primary training here
We'll find companionship with God
Has banished every fear.
We'll go to basic with firm faith
In our power to fly:
To end injustice on this earth
We'll do our part or die.

Effie Mae Lauritsen

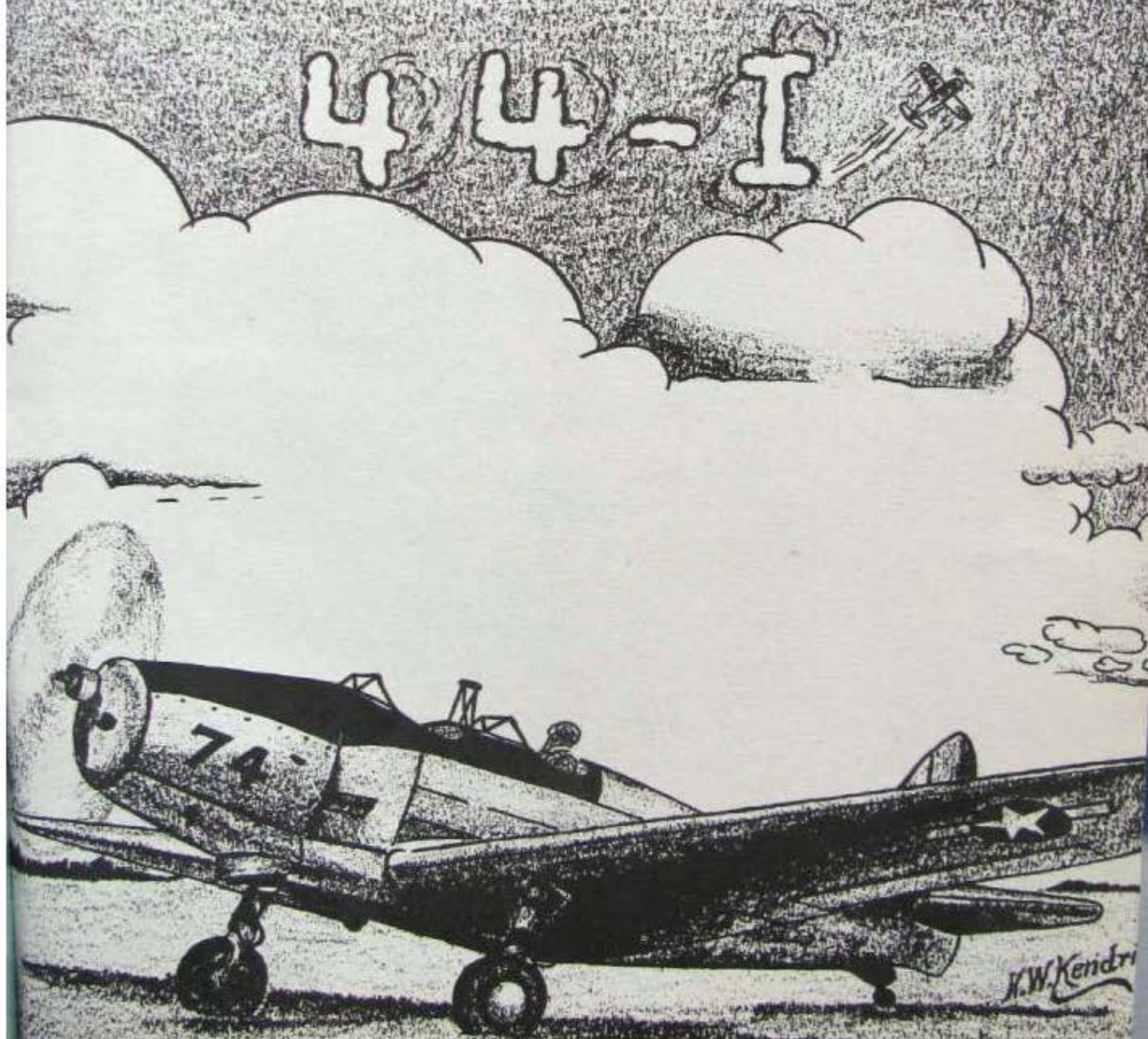




CLASS

of

44-I



We the class of 44-1 dedicate this book to VICTORY, the coming complete Victory of truth and freedom over fear and tyranny, the Victory won by toil and tears.

This book represents one stage in our preparation to fight for our share in the Victory that is to be for the whole earth.

People who are free cannot be robbed of their freedom—even death or subjection cannot do it.

We shall fight for that Victory so we can go home to our loved ones and enjoy the years of lasting peace that are to follow.

We pledge ourselves in this fight for the country and the world which has given us so much—

We make this pledge before the eyes of
man and God.

THE BIG PROPS

The men on the following pages are the military administrators of Bruce Field. Officers and gentlemen, they strive to carry out their duties as befitting their rank. They work hard at their job, yet find time to be friends and advisors of the cadets they lead. Our hats are off to the officers of Bruce Field.



Robert C. Templeton
Major, Air Corps, Commanding

You, the men of 44-1, have just completed the first phase of your training and will soon become rated members of the AAF.

Your value to the Air Corps, as well as to your country, has always been great. We believe that with diligent work and application throughout the remainder of your training you can assist in the expedient accomplishment of the task now at hand.

Only misunderstanding, lack of confidence, and poor judgment can prevent your becoming pilots in the Army Air Forces. We have faith in you.

Good luck, happy landings.

Robert C. Templeton
Major, Air Corps, Commanding

Officers

*Good Luck,
H.W. McAvay*



LT. W. L. MORLEN
Commandant of Cadets



LT. H. W. McAVAY
Ass't. Commandant of Cadets

*Best of Luck
E. L. Black*



LT. E. L. BLACK
Tactical Officer

*Good Luck,
E. J. O'Neill*



LT. E. J. O'NEILL
Tactical Officer



LT. RALPH BERNFELD
Personnel Adjutant



LT. J. W. CAPPS
Ass't Air Corps Supervisor
Army Check Pilot



LT. C. W. CLARK
Link Trainer Officer
Army Check Pilot



CAPT. L. A. HANDRICK
Adjutant



W/O G. HOARD
Engineering Officer



CAPT. T. J. SCANIO
Chief Flight Surgeon



LT. W. T. SIEBERT
Athletics



LT. C. W. STOTLER
Ass't Surgeon



LT. R. W. DAILY
Air Depot Commander



LT. Y. B. GRIFFIS
Intelligence



LT. J. INGRAM
Ass't. Air Corps Supervisor
Army Check Pilot



CAPT. B. B. JOHNSON
Air Inspector
Army Check Pilot



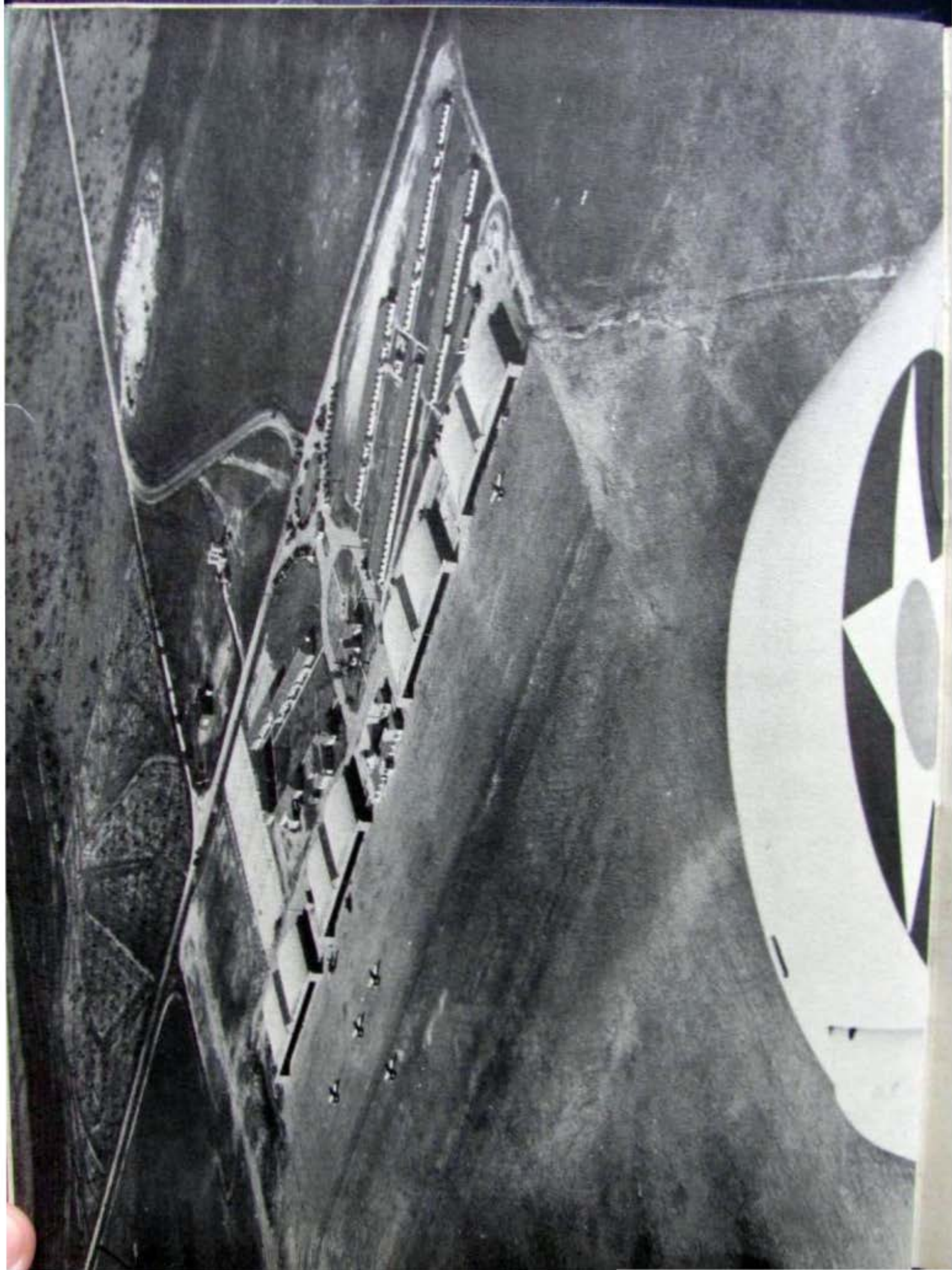
CAPT. R. F. MOORE
Director of Training
Army Check Pilot



LT. D. THOMASON
Army Check Pilot



LT. J. W. WALKER
Ass't Operations
Army Check Pilot





BRIEF HISTORY OF BRUCE FIELD.

Founder: Mr. Fred Harman.

Construction began: July 23, 1941.

Opening Date: October 4, 1941.

First Class of Cadets: 42-D.

Sidelights: The first class of men to start flying here at Bruce wore civilian clothes, were housed in the Central Hotel, and took classes in the Ballinger Courthouse. Bowden, post barber, and Thomas, alias "Blow," have been around since it started. Field named for Mr. Bruce, chairman of the Ballinger Aviation Committee. Progress has been rapid and Bruce Field has become one of the leading Primary Training Schools of the Army Air Forces.



K. K. HOFFMAN
Group Commander



J. R. CHURCH
Director of Flight Training





C. M. BENTSON
Squadron Commander



V. L. BOUNDS
Squadron Commander



J. W. LYNN
Squadron Commander



J. S. RHODES
Squadron Commander



L. B. ALLEN
Stage Commander



E. C. BYBEE
Stage Commander



R. B. THOMAS
Chief Dispatcher



E. M. ABRAMS



L. H. BERGMAN
Stage Commander



D. W. BAIR



R. P. BILLA



B. N. CAMP



D. H. CASHMORE



W. H. CEDERHOLM



W. H. DALY



Wm. ENG



CHARLES GEORGETTE



C. L. GREENE



G. H. HIBLER

(Not Pictured)

R. HODGES



R. N. JACKSON

*Good Luck
to you & family
in the
service of
Malone*



R. S. MALONE



B. C. MATTISON



F. S. MOORE



J. C. OETERS



O. W. PARRIS



T. A. PEAYS



H. J. THOMAS



C. TOBUREN



F. N. VINTHER



E. R. WHITE



B. E. WILCUT



Y. G. WONG

(Not Pictured)

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G. M. CASTNER
R. P. CANADA
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S. E. FREDERICKSON

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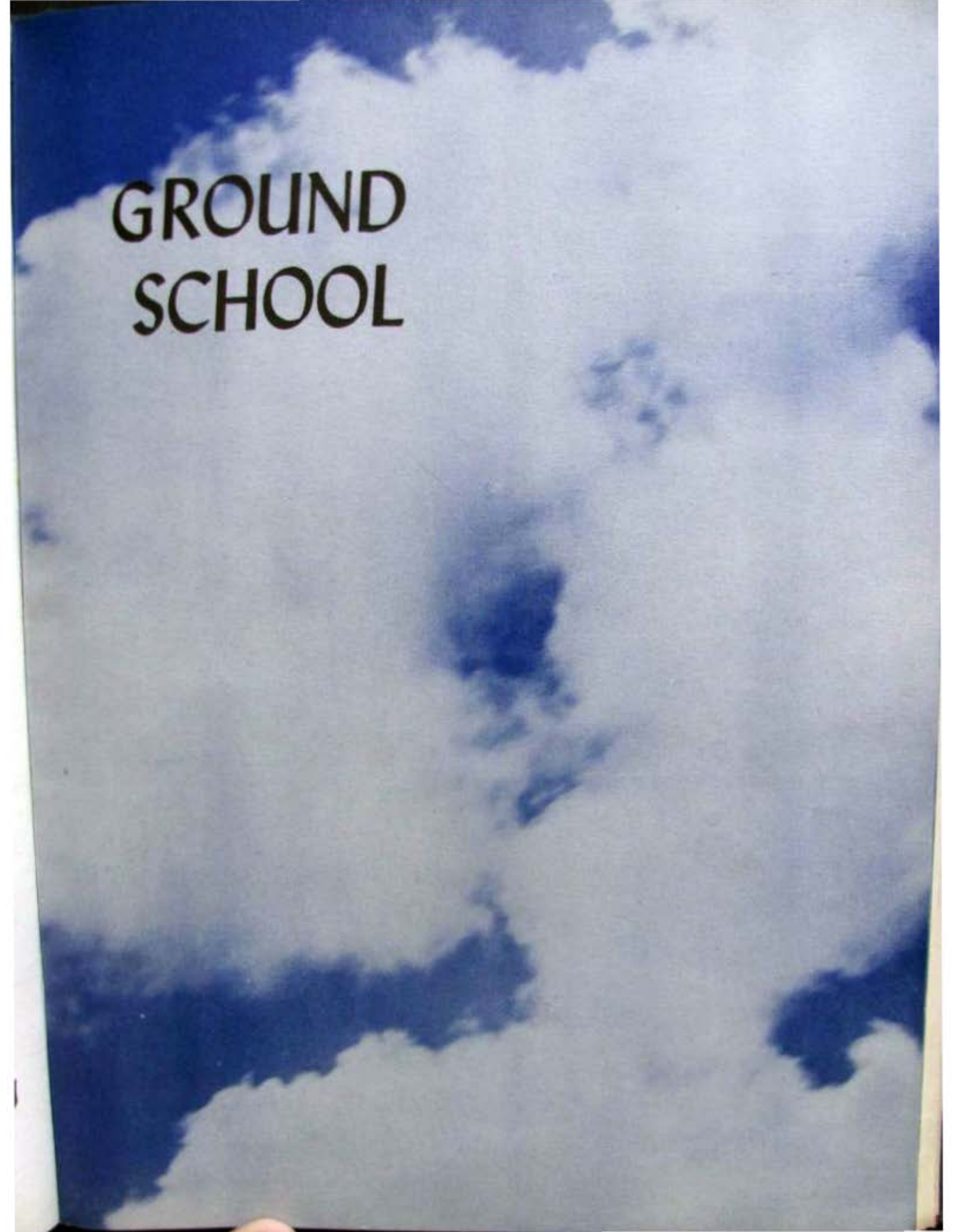
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★ *THE Instructors LAMENT* ★

The dodo is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me forced landings in green pastures and leadeth me thru high tension wires. He destroyeth my confidence: He leadeth me into the paths of oncoming traffic for his names sake. Yea as I ride in the shadow of death, I feel no safety: for he is with me; His rudder and stick they confuse me. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: And I will dwell in the realm of uncertainty forever.....

GROUND SCHOOL

The background of the entire page is a photograph of a bright blue sky filled with soft, white, fluffy clouds. The clouds are scattered across the frame, with some appearing more dense and others more wispy. The overall tone is bright and airy.

Ground School Instructors



W. L. BARBER
Director of Ground School

*Good Luck
W. J. Barber*



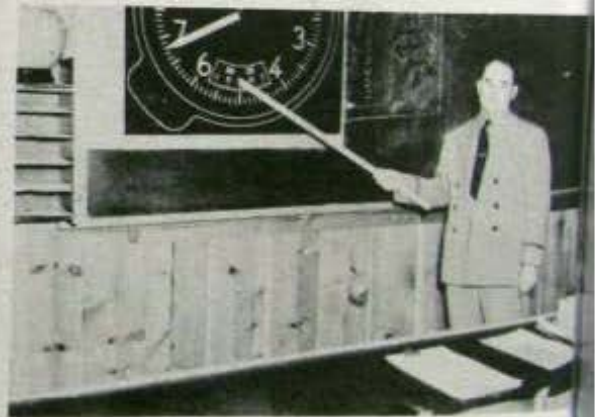
MR. ELKINS
Engines



MR. STARK
Theory of Flight



MR. GREENE, JR
Engines



MR. BISHOP
Navigation



C. S. MARTIN
Weather, Identification



L. E. BURNETT
Navigation



R. WORLEY
Weather, Identification



MR. GRIFFIN, JR.
Theory of Flight

"WE"





"HOME"



John L. Abretske
Gallitzin, Pennsylvania



Johnnie Aimonette
Christopher, Illinois



Kenneth E. Allison
Allience, Ohio



Paul Alpert
New Haven, Connecticut



John J. Arena
Salem Depot, New Hampshire



Robert L. Arendell
Macomb, Illinois



Roy V. Arndt
Milwaukee, Wisconsin



Jack H. Adams
Taylorsville, Mississippi



John Q. Adams, Jr.
Behmont, Massachusetts



John P. Adduchio
Jersey City, New Jersey



James E. Anderson
Becker, Minnesota



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Alma, Michigan



Harry S. Antink
Cicero, Illinois



Francis J. Ash
Hollidays Cove, West Virginia





"THERE HE GOES"



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Lefayette, Indiana



David Baker
Midland, Texas



George V. Baker
Seattle, Washington



Joseph L. Baldes
St. Louis, Missouri



Jack H. Barnes
Burlington, Iowa



John W. Barnes
San Diego, California



Marion L. Barnes
Andrews, Texas



Charles E. Ault
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Denver, Colorado



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Cove, Ohio



James A. Baldwin
Estherville, Iowa



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Philadelphia, Pennsylvania



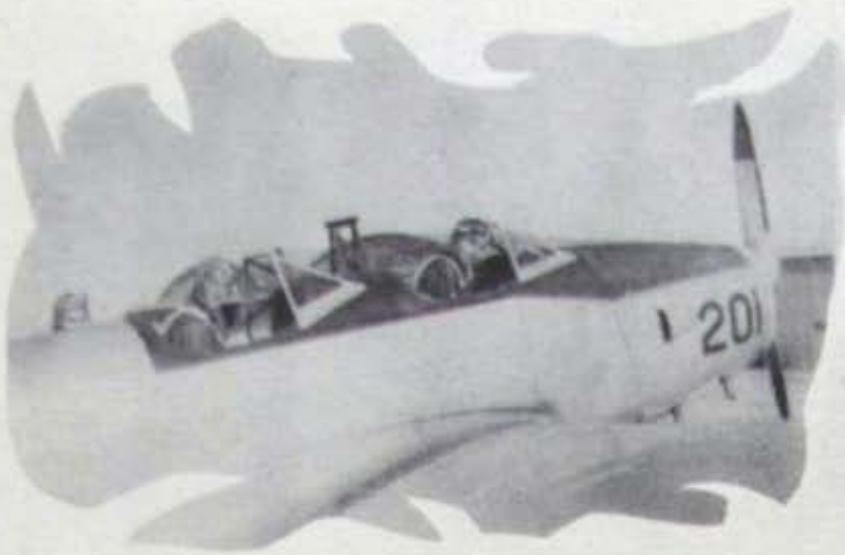
Lt. William C. Adams
New York, New York



Raymond G. Barrett
Minneapolis, Minnesota



*"But why do I have to wash
the plane?"*



Marion W. Bartsch
Chico, California

"WELL, WHAT'RE YOU WAITING FOR?"



William R. Bearse
Chico, California



Donald G. Bellman
Santa Cruz, California



John H. Bellovich
Staunton, Illinois



Robert L. Bergum
Duluth, Minnesota



Edwin D. Berry
Hartford, Connecticut



Arthur Birsit
Baltimore, Maryland



Arnold H. Barsten
Jersey City, New Jersey



Steve A. Barzo
South Bend, Indiana



Dale A. Beam
Aurora, Illinois



David A. Bennison
Davenport, Iowa



Arthur R. Bergman
Janesville, Wisconsin



Clarence O. Bergtraesser
Lincoln, Nebraska



Thomas A. Blake
Conshohocken, Pennsylvania



*"After flying the way you do,
everything back here on the ground
must seem boring"*



"WEDDING AT THE AGNEWS"



George F. Black
Taunton, Massachusetts



Charles F. Boivin
Victory Mills, New York



William A. Boutwell
Monticello, Mississippi



Cyril K. Brasket
Tracy, Minnesota



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Medford, Oregon



Willis W. Brown
Davenport, Iowa



Thomas M. Burgett
Dallas, Iowa



William J. Bloom
Cleveland, Ohio



Leroy V. Boger
Cardington, Ohio



Robert J. Bohm
Toledo, Ohio



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Breckenridge, Minnesota



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Rochester, New York



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Bedford, Indiana



Leon Bush
Traverse City, Michigan





"WORM'S EYE VIEW"



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Amarillo, Texas



Milton Collins
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Dayton, Ohio



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Phoenix, Arizona



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Bell, California



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Arthur E. Clutter
Wichita, Kansas



Robert E. Cocke
Long Beach, California



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Stillwater, Oklahoma



Donald D. Crosby
Minneapolis, Minnesota



Paul J. Croteau
Chicopee Falls, Massachusetts



Durvod W. Davis
Marlow, Oklahoma



*"I don't want your money; I just
want your business"*



Bob Buck



Davis

Jerome P. Davis
Minneapolis, Minnesota

"THAT CENTER SECTION AGAIN"



Robert E. Downing
St. Louis, Missouri

E. A. Doyle



Edward A. Doyle
Rocky River, Ohio



Raymond T. Drea
Mauston, Wisconsin



James J. Dunn
Osceola, Nebraska



Ernest C. Dunning
Chambersburg, Pennsylvania



Richard W. Earle
Verona, New Jersey

*Good luck, now,
and plenty of
happy landings!
Dick Earle*



Michael W. DePalma
Mamaroneck, New York



James G. Dolter
Duluth, Minnesota



Richard J. Donovan
Springfield, Massachusetts



Frank C. Drees
Denver, Colorado



William E. Duncan
St. Louis, Missouri



Anthony L. Dunkhase
Glendale, New York



Milford E. Edmonds
Topeka, Kansas



*Moe
your topped a good flyer
keep the good words up
you'll get those wings
Milford*

"Stretchin' the glide"



"BUDDIES"



Frank W. Elmendorf, Jr.
South Orange, New Jersey

Frank W. Elmendorf



Emil E. Estock
Johnstown, Pennsylvania



Gilbert T. Ewalt
St. Peter, Minnesota

"Best of Luck"
Gilbert T. Ewalt



Jerry A. Faber
Hawthorne, New Jersey



Thomas F. Faust
Santa Paula, California

Best of Luck Faust
Love Faust



Richard A. Fay
Chicago, Illinois

Richard A. Fay
Dr. A. Pick Fay



James Finitis
Somerville, Massachusetts

6 Licington



Joseph V. Elwert
Union, New Jersey



Glenn E. Erbaugh
West Alexander, Ohio



Paul J. Erpenbeck
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Minneapolis, Minnesota



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Louisville, Georgia



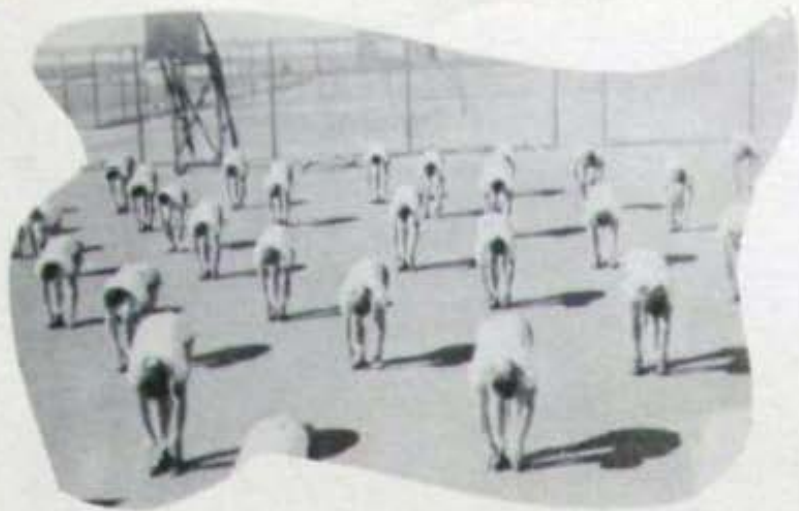
Mott C. Farrell
Treece, Kansas



George W. Fish, Jr.
Chicago, Illinois



"Why instructors are grey"



"UGH"



Charles E. Fontaine
New Bedford, Massachusetts



James J. Flaherty
Oakland, California



Lloyd W. Flaherty
Salt Lake City, Utah



Harold E. Francis
Bloomfield, Iowa



Richard M. Gardner
Scarsdale, New York



Richard A. Gaulin
Oxford, Massachusetts



James L. Gergen
Hastings, Minnesota



Wallace W. Forsythe
Detroit, Michigan



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Madrid, Iowa



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Omaha, Nebraska



Millard A. Fries
St. Louis, Missouri



Don L. Gantt
Centerburg, Ohio



Robert J. Garabedian
E. Bridgewater, Massachusetts



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Marlow, Oklahoma





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Hamden, Connecticut



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Redwood Falls, Minnesota



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Cleveland, Ohio



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Bloomfield, Iowa



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West Trenton, New Jersey



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New London, Connecticut



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Bethany, Oklahoma



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North English, Iowa



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Wever, Iowa



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Chillicothe, Missouri



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North Chattanooga, Tennessee



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Chaffee, Missouri



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Toledo, Ohio



Robert L. Higgins
Shawnee, Oklahoma



Floyd H. Hightman, Jr.
Hagerstown, Maryland



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Cabot, Arkansas



James M. Helmes
San Diego, California



John A. Holzschuh
Racine, Wisconsin



John H. Hubble
Columbia, Missouri



Lt. Howard S. Andrews
Linden, New Jersey



Vane L. Henry, Jr.
Tarentum, Pennsylvania



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Jeffersonville, Indiana



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Stacy L. Holland
Raleigh, North Carolina



Bernard R. Holmes
Britton, Oklahoma



D. R. Huff, Jr.
Sanatorium, North Carolina





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Youngstown, Ohio



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Santa Ana, California



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Wheatland, Iowa



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Chicago, Illinois



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Mobile, Alabama



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Mount Airy, North Carolina



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Hoquiam, Washington



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Louisville, Kentucky



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Greenville, South Carolina



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Marquez, Texas



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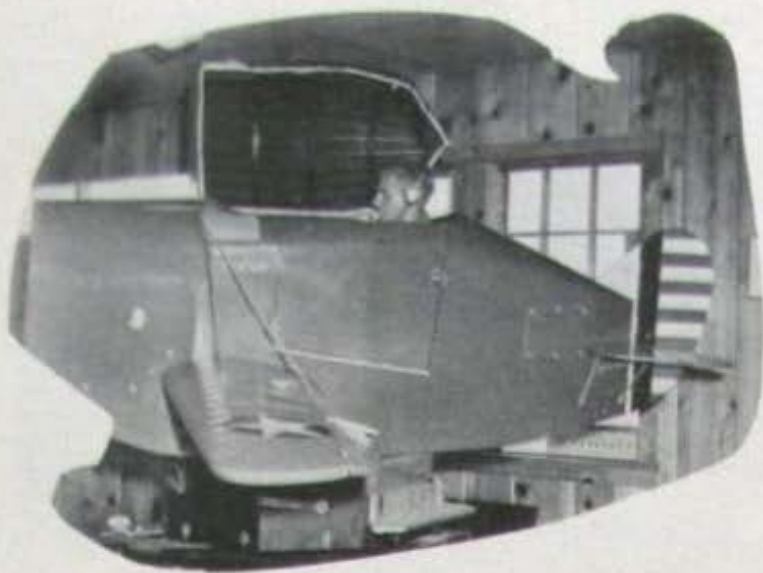


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E. Greenwich, Rhode Island



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Chattanooga, Tennessee





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Louisville, Kentucky



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Lorain, Ohio



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Belleville, Illinois



Edwin H. Knorr
Hunter, North Carolina



Walter A. Kohl
Rochester, New York



Vincent W. Lauritsen
Wilmot, South Dakota

Vincent W. Lauritsen



Richard J. Lee
Kansas City, Missouri

*Richard J. Lee
5-22-44*



E. M. Leonard
Hilton Village, Virginia

Bed



Philip D. McDonald
Peosta, Iowa

*Philip D. McDonald
5-22-44*





James V. McGee
Elgin, Kansas

*James V. McGee
"Happy Landings"*



Dodge G. Melkonian
Pontiac, Michigan



Ervin Milhon
Anderson, Indiana

*Ervin Milhon?
No comment.*



Robert J. Moe
Chicago, Illinois

*Good luck Moe
Mabry C. Palmer*



Mabry C. Palmer
Pauls Valley, Oklahoma

*Good luck Moe - not that you're gonna land it
Dale C. Pancake
Dale C. Pancake*



Dale C. Pancake
Bellevue, Nebraska

*Lots of success
in the future
your best buddy
Jimmy*



James R. Paluch
Chicago, Illinois



"Good Luck Man"
Joe M. Mandese
Tampa, Florida



Best of Luck.
Thomas F. Matson
Cincinnati, Ohio
Thomas F. Matson



Best Sailing
Carl C. Fields, Jr.
Chambersburg, Pennsylvania



Mal, The best
John M. Netterblad
Miami, Arizona
of Luck and Success.
Your buddy, Mal!



Lucas J. Nicholas
Cincinnati, Ohio



Marshall R. Oakes
Sulphur Well, Kentucky
Marshall R. Oakes



Louis Z. Pierce
Honea Path, South Carolina

Best of Luck Man!



"ALL SMILES"



Donald F. Plymton
Portland, Oregon

Plymton '44



George Sabourin
George E. Sabourin
Norton, Massachusetts



Dale J. Saltzgeber
Jackson, Michigan

Zoe Saltzgeber
Dale J. Saltzgeber



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Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Wm. A. Shannon Duff



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Halter



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Ch. Arjan



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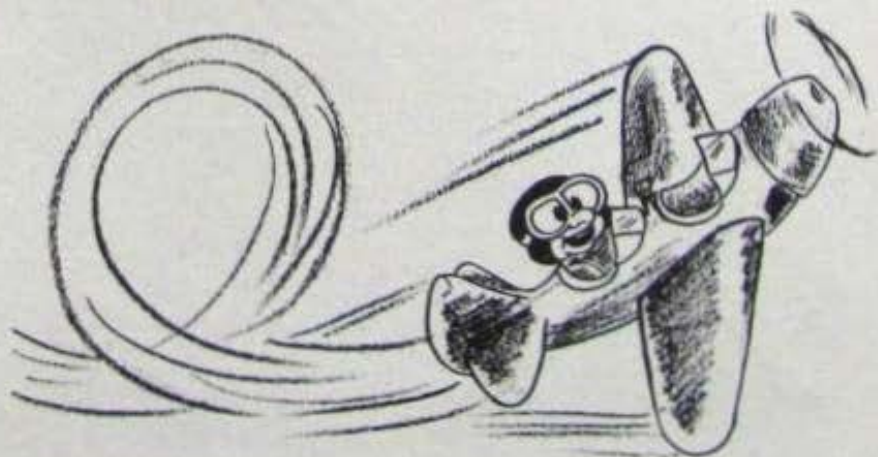
"Dutch" Schulz
George M. Schulz
Racine, Wisconsin



Gray G. Light
George A. Seifert
Pawtucket, Rhode Island



Bob Sleeman
Robert Sleeman
Iron River, Michigan



"The first day in the area"

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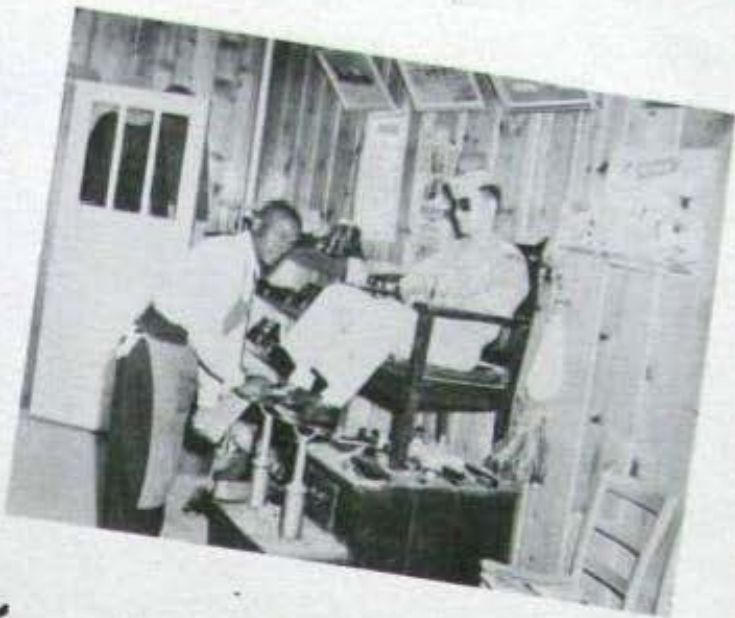
Around



the Field



L. M. Bowden



Post



Mortems





This is to certify that on this,
the ___ day of _____ 19 ___
_____ did, alone
and unassisted, take off from and re-
turn to _____, thereby com-
pleting his first Solo Flight.

(instructor) R. L. Malone



Flight



Line





Our



*Best of luck in Basic
Nursing Practice*

Personnel

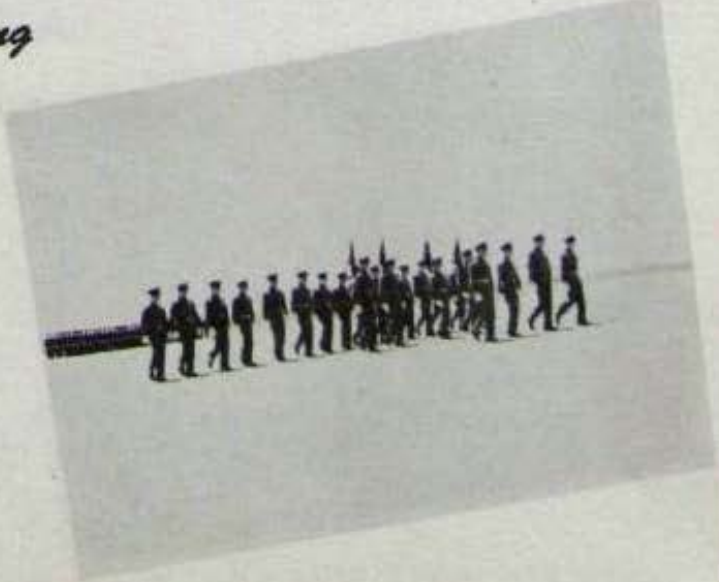




Military



Bearing





Grunts



and Groans





Shots



and Flaps





Here



*Gayle's room
and There*



PARACHUTES



Autographs

Leta of Luck Moes

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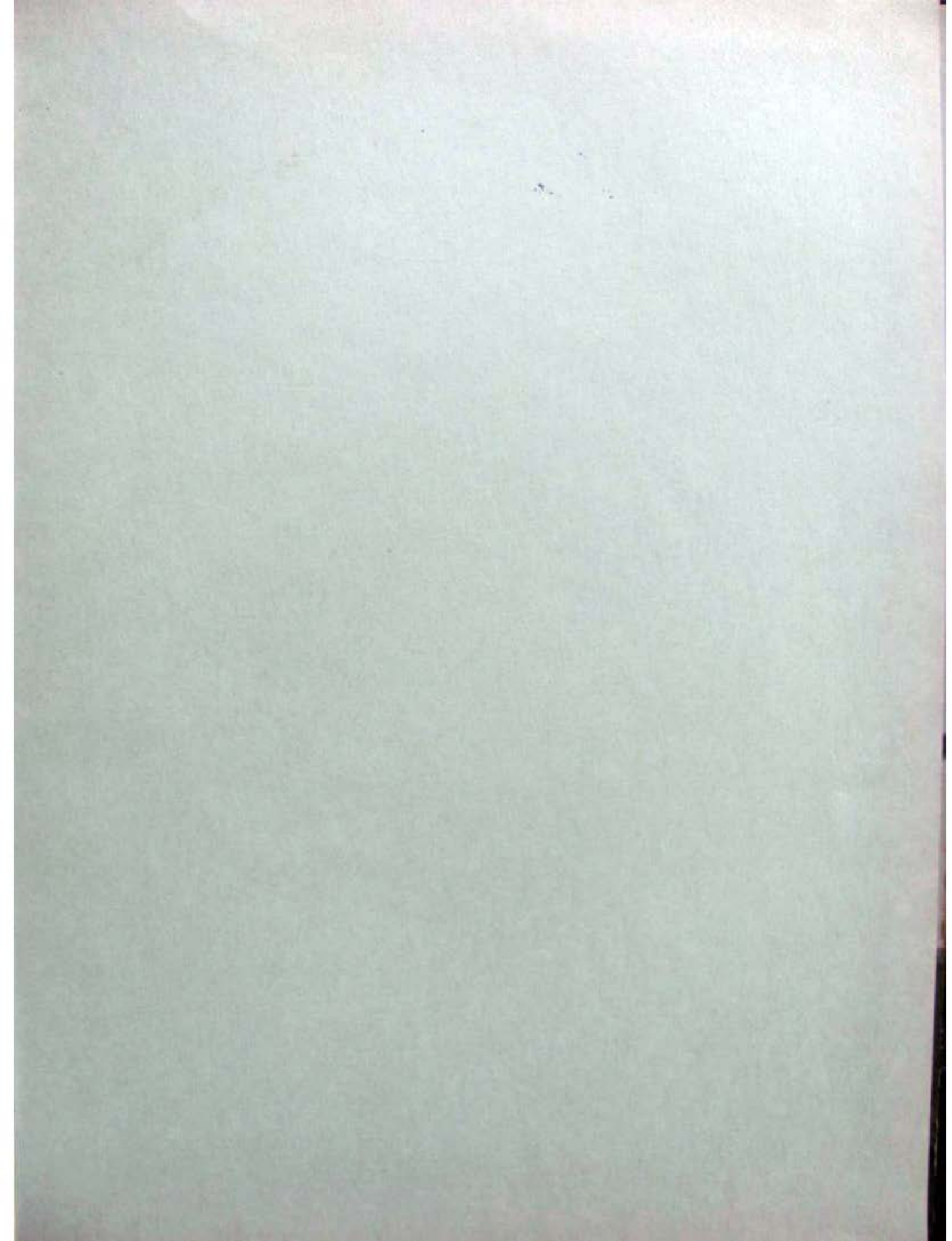
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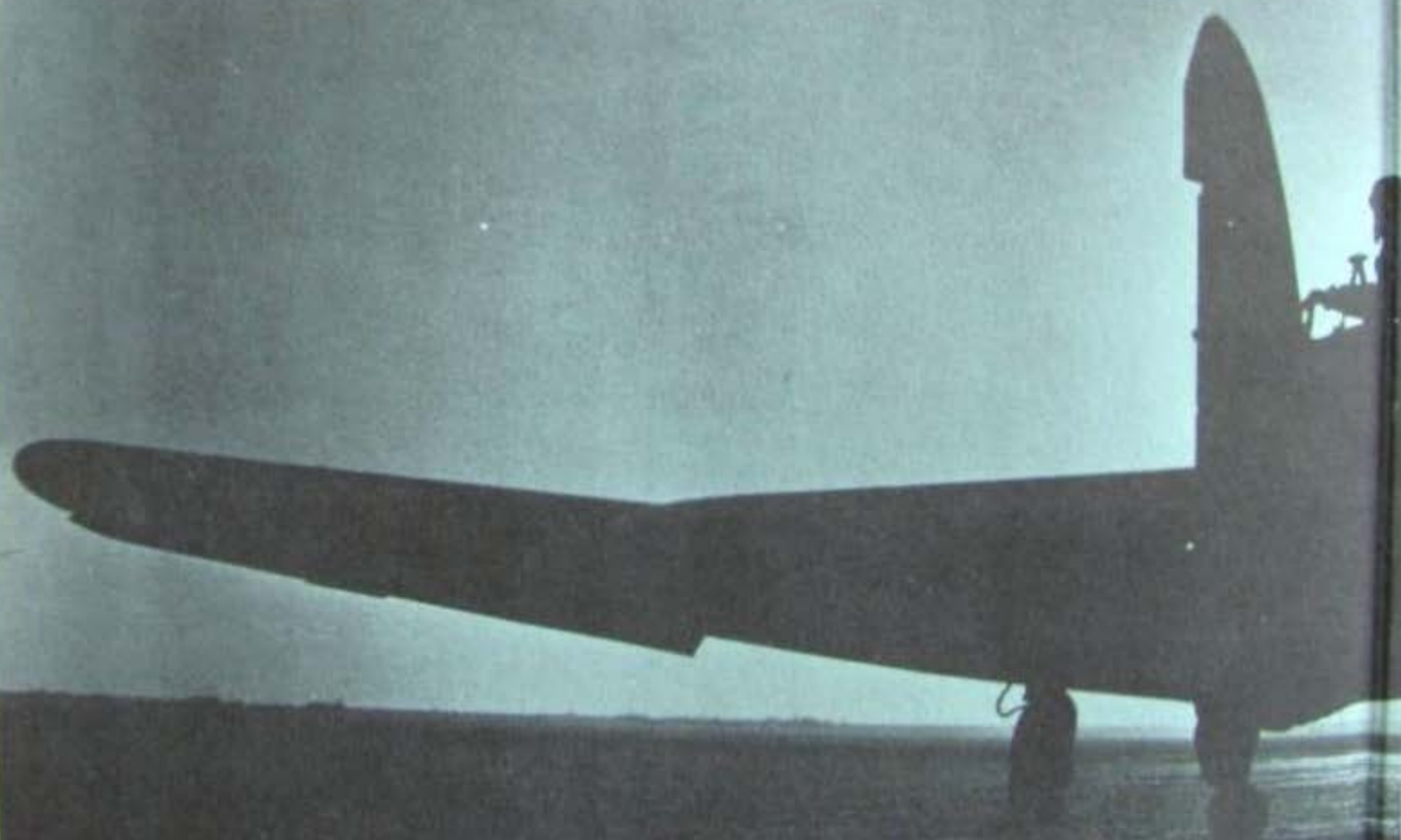
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Willard Gentry



Off to



Basic

