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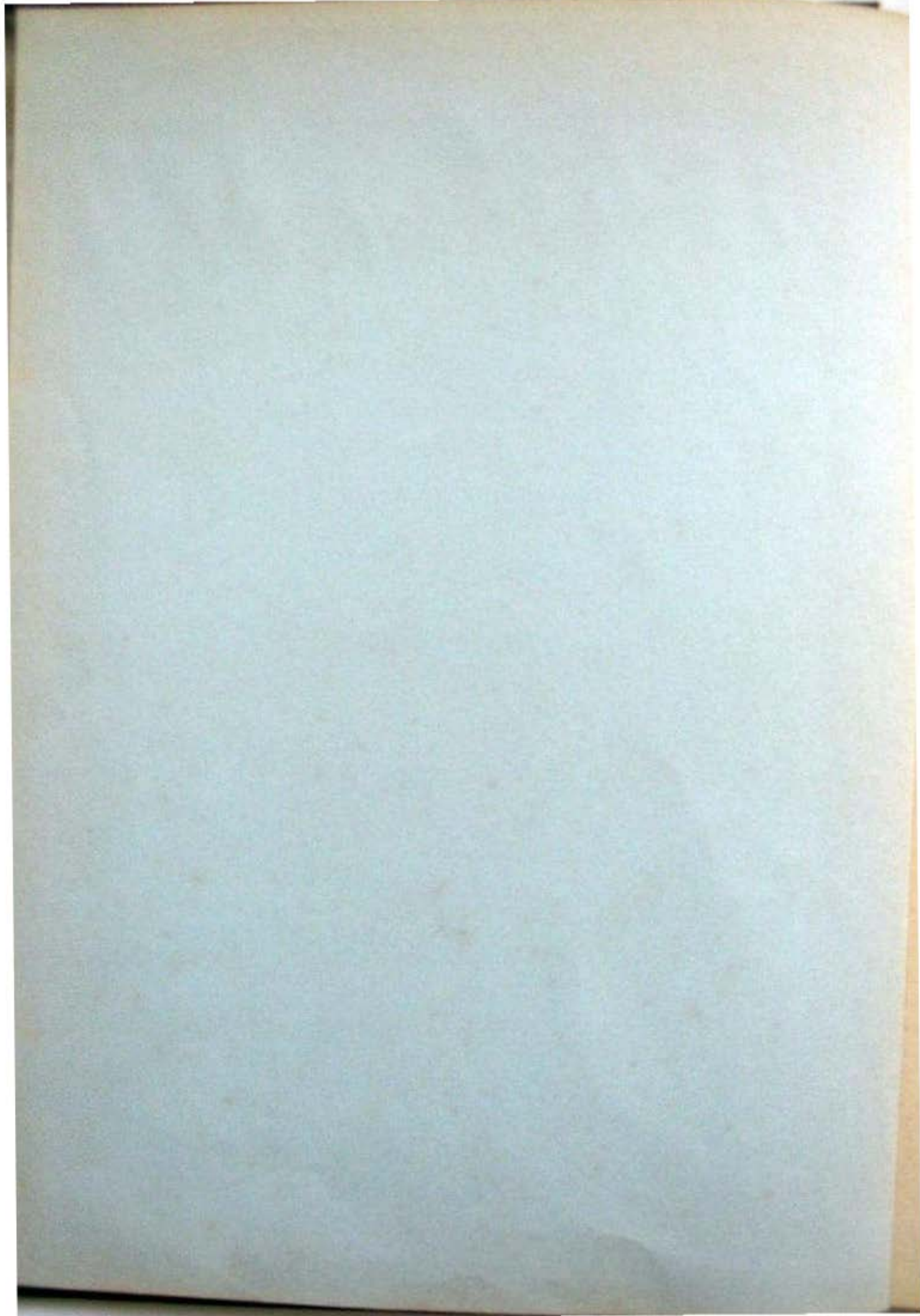
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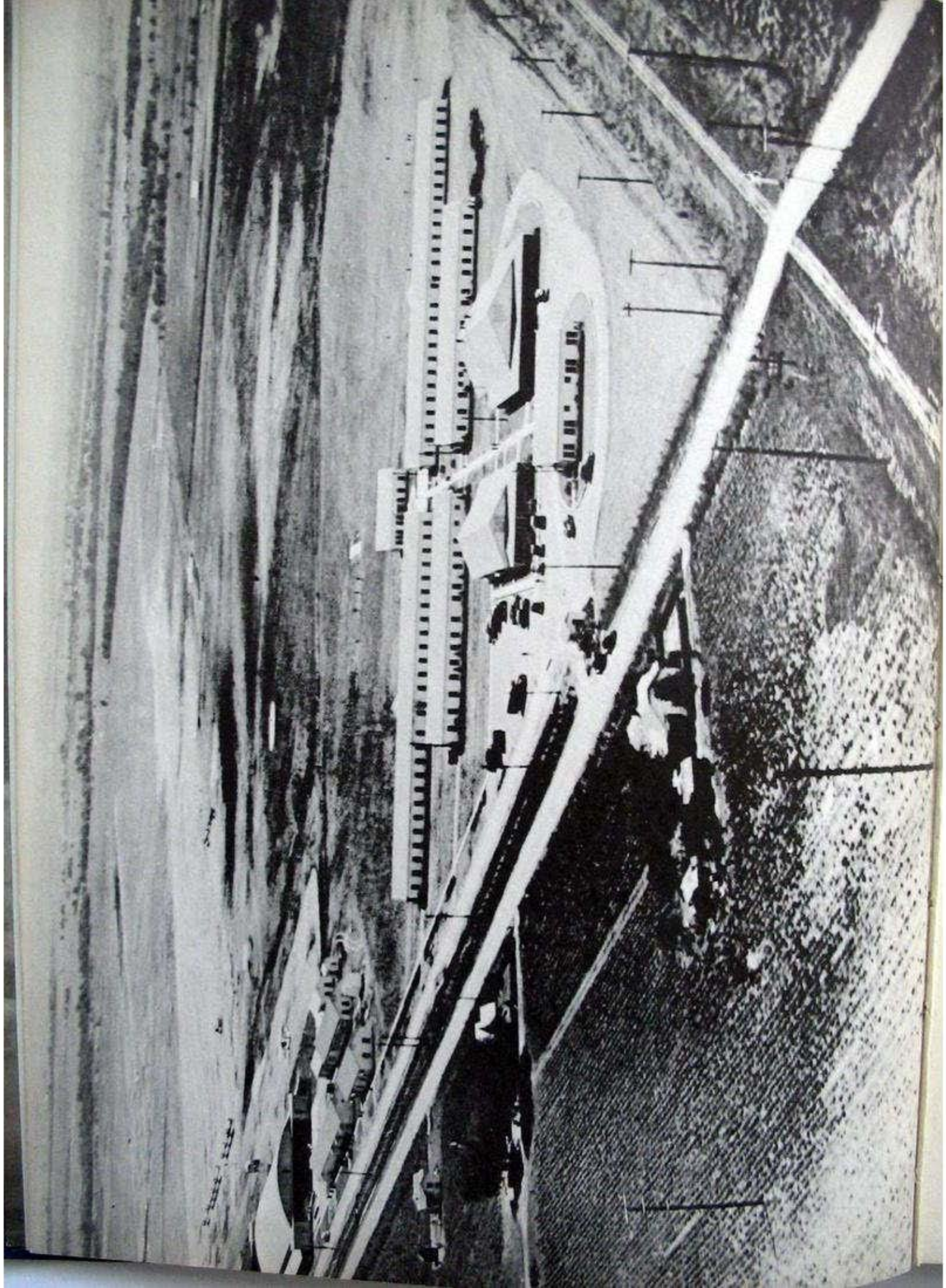




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Volume 2

No. 1 British Flying Training School
Terrell, Texas
U. S. A.



FOREWORD

The offer of the President of the United States of America early in 1941 to allow the training of R.A.F. pilots in the U.S.A. was a major, if little publicised, step towards the full alliance which now exists between the two countries against the Axis nations. In the beginning the scheme was to be the purely civilian training of a batch of young foreigners who wanted to learn to fly, but the march of events has altered this aspect of the training and we are now truly "Detached Flights" of the Royal Air Force training in the country of our great ally.

No. 1 British Flying Training School was the first to commence operations, and flying commenced on the 9th June, 1941, at Love Field, Dallas, and from two auxiliary fields. Accommodation was of a temporary nature and earlier courses have carried home with them memories of hot summer nights in the "tin" barracks. The permanent home of the School at Kaufman County Airport, Terrell, was sufficiently complete for a move to take place on the 25th August, 1941, since when flying training has been carried on from the Airport and several auxiliary fields.

The flying training part of a pilot's career under wartime pressure consists of long days and nights of hard work with little time off. It is the "Per Ardua . . ." of the Royal Air Force motto. However, it is well recognized—and indeed confirmed by former pupils of this School now in operations—that the more men can learn here the more easily can they assimilate and apply the specialized training to make them operational pilots.

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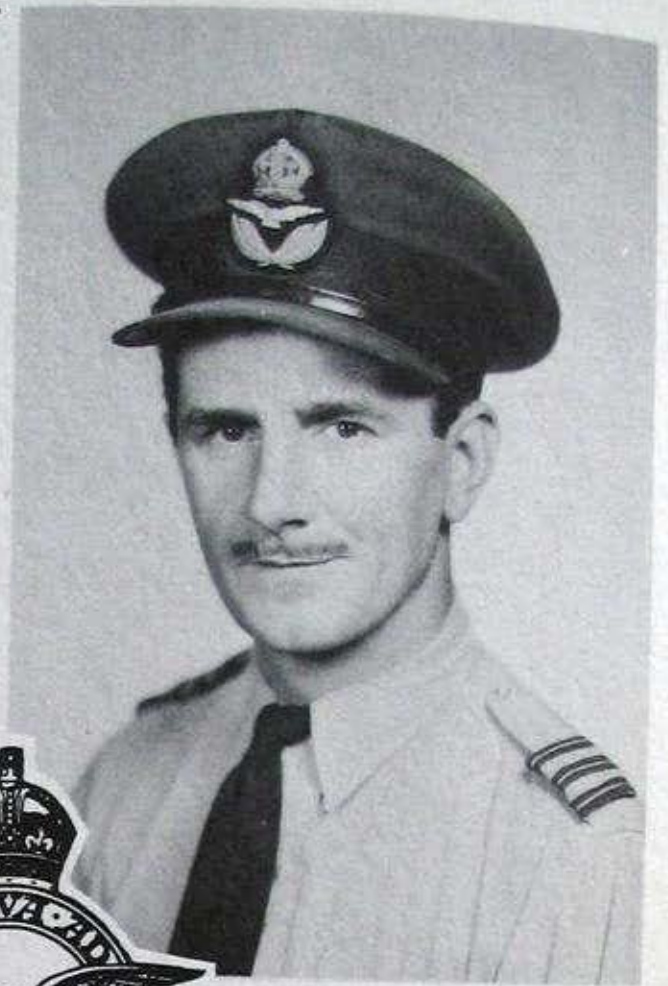
The Royal Air Force staff and the American staff are proud of the pilots this School produces. We know that you will give a good account of yourselves, and hope to pin up many notations of D.F.C.'s, D.F.M.'s and D.S.O.'s on your Course photographs on the walls of the Recreation Hall.

The very best of luck to you all.

F. W. HILTON,
Wing Commander
Officer Commanding
No. 1 British Flying Training School
Royal Air Force

≡≡≡ R. A. F. ≡≡≡

Wing Commander
F. W. HILTON, A. F. C.
Commanding Officer



Squadron Leader
A. BEVERIDGE
R.A.F. Ground Supervisor

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Flight Lieutenant
M. W. PALMER
R.A.F. Administrative Officer



Flying Officer
E. J. L. ROBB
Station Navigation Officer

≡ R. A. F. ≡



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Armament Instructor



SGT. C. E. MOFFAT
Armament Instructor



W/O G. E. WILLIAMS
Station Warrant Officer



CPL. R. W. GAMMON
Pay Accounts



CPL. P. HUTCHINSON
Physical Training Instructor



A Message From The Operator--- Major W. F. Long

Your Country and America are now allies and fighting side by side against the common foe.

You have come a long way to do your flying training and I hope that you are enjoying your stay here and will benefit by it. I know that you will give a good account of yourself in the days to come.

... And From The Director--- Mr. L. H. Luckey

We welcome you students of No. 1 B.F.T.S. as fledglings, and congratulate you on your graduation as competent pilots of the Royal Air Force. All the best to you in your future endeavors.



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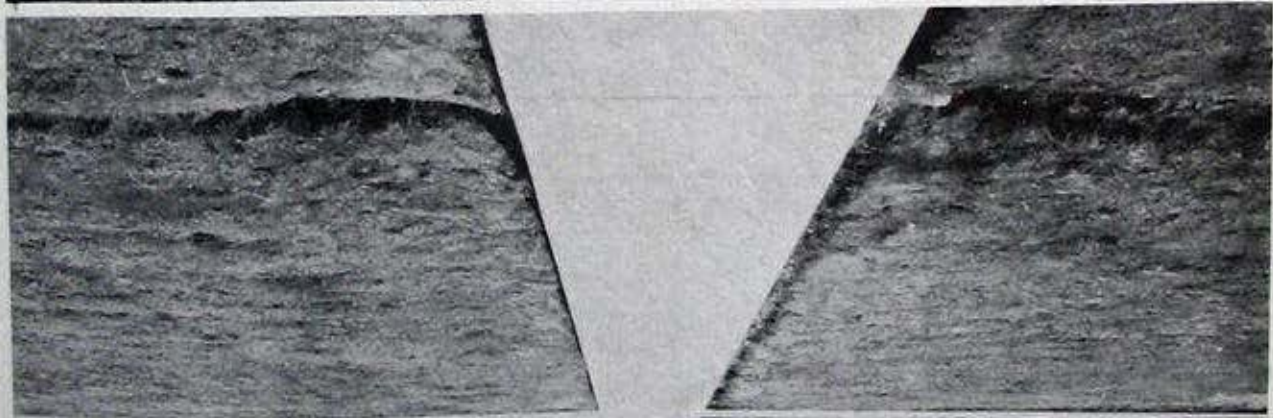
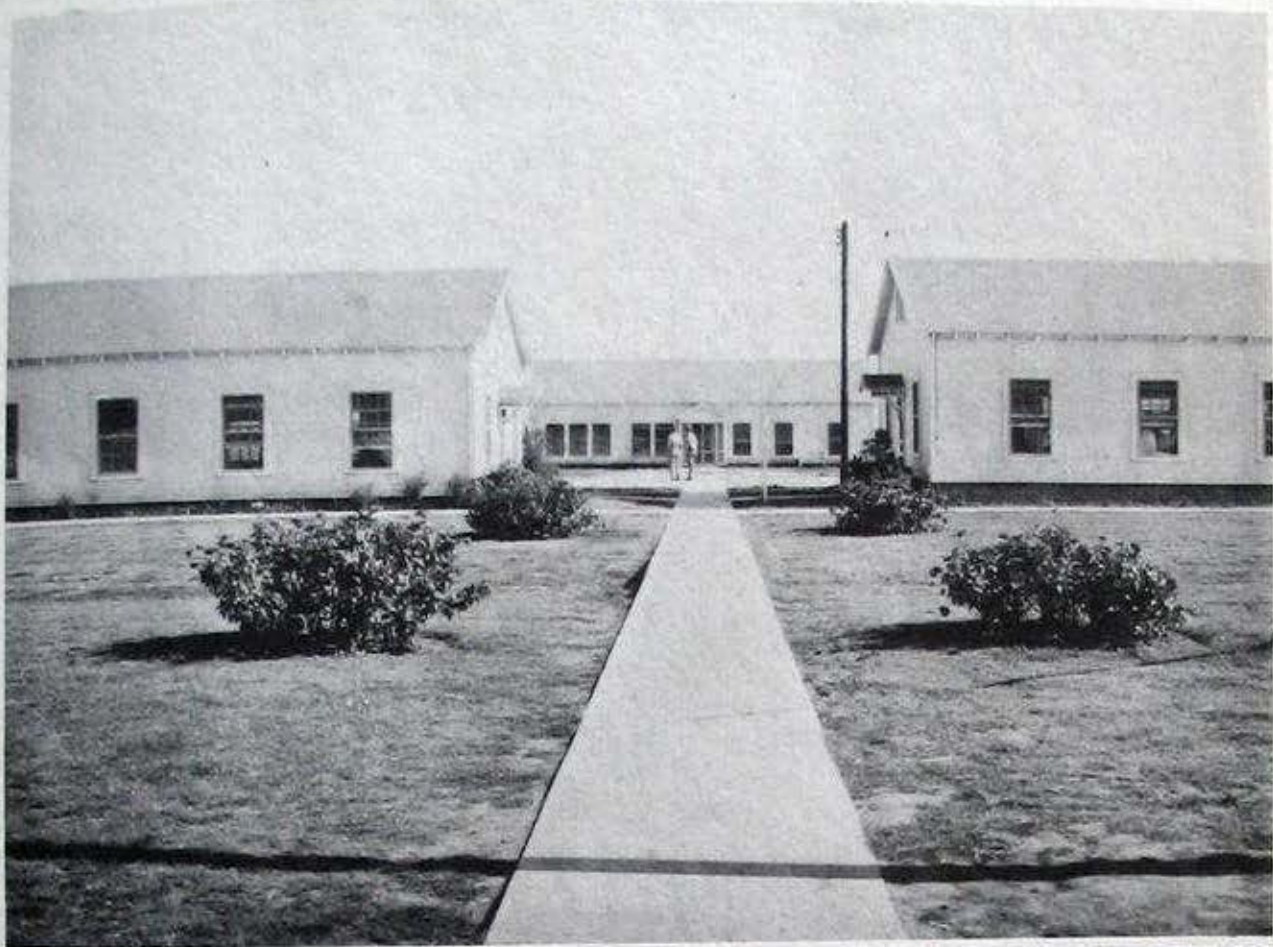


MRS. M. L. BAKER
Secretary to Mr. Luckey



MISS M. CHAMPION
Chief Operations Clerk

Looking Both Ways - From Centre



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Advanced Navigation



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Advanced Navigation



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Meteorology and Airmanship



LLEWELLYN, J. H.
Airmanship



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Signals and Radio



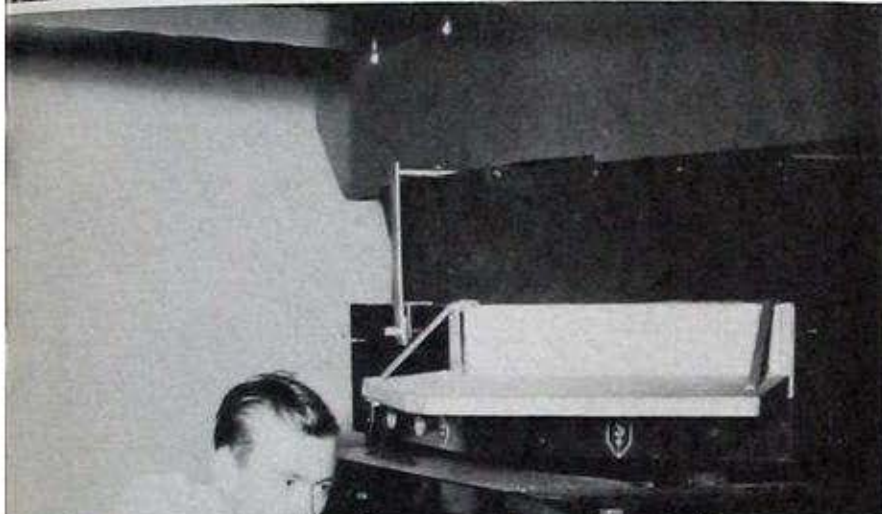
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Engines

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AND STAFF



Basic-Advanced Flight Instructors



E. Van Lloyd
SUPERVISOR



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Basic-Advanced



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"A" Flight Commander



DOERR, V. G.
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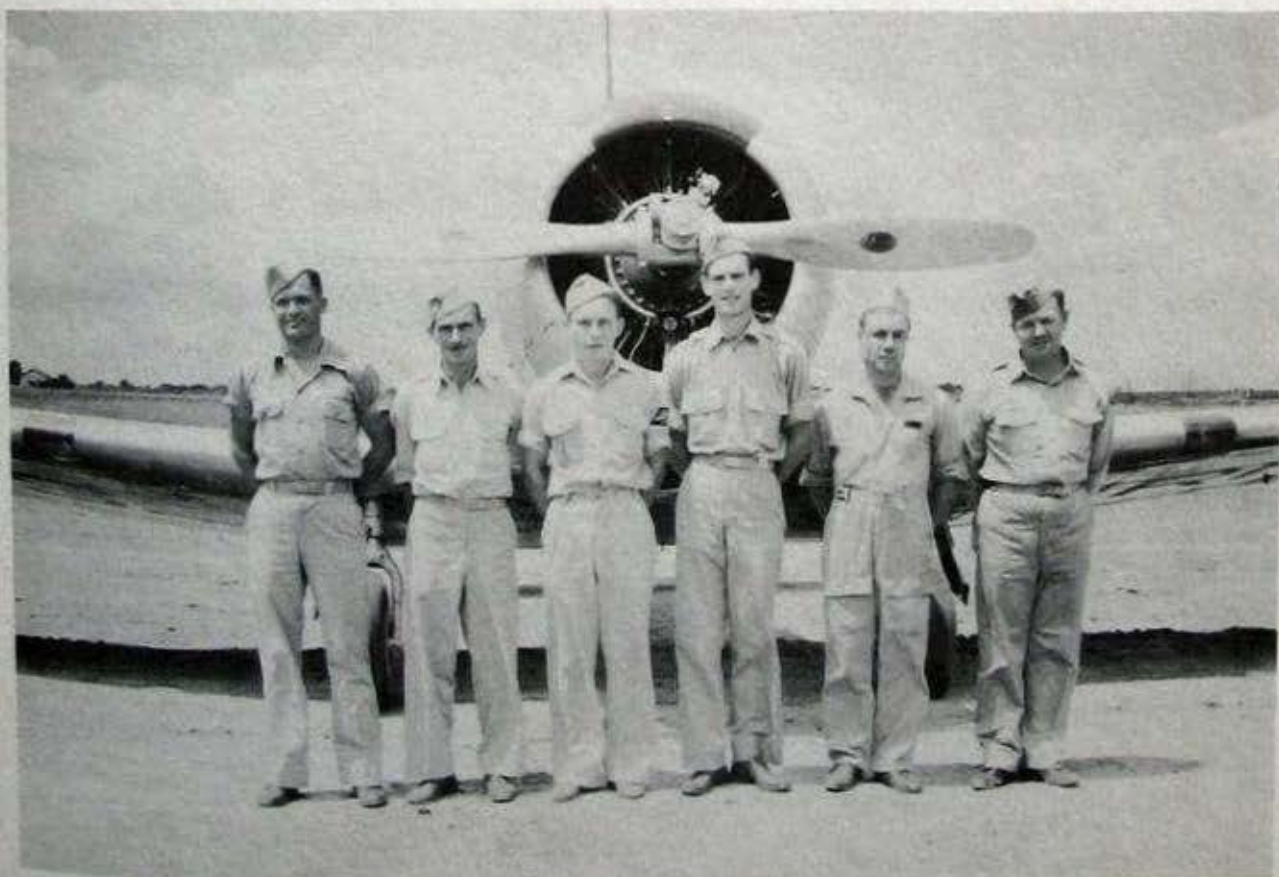
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"C" Flight Commander



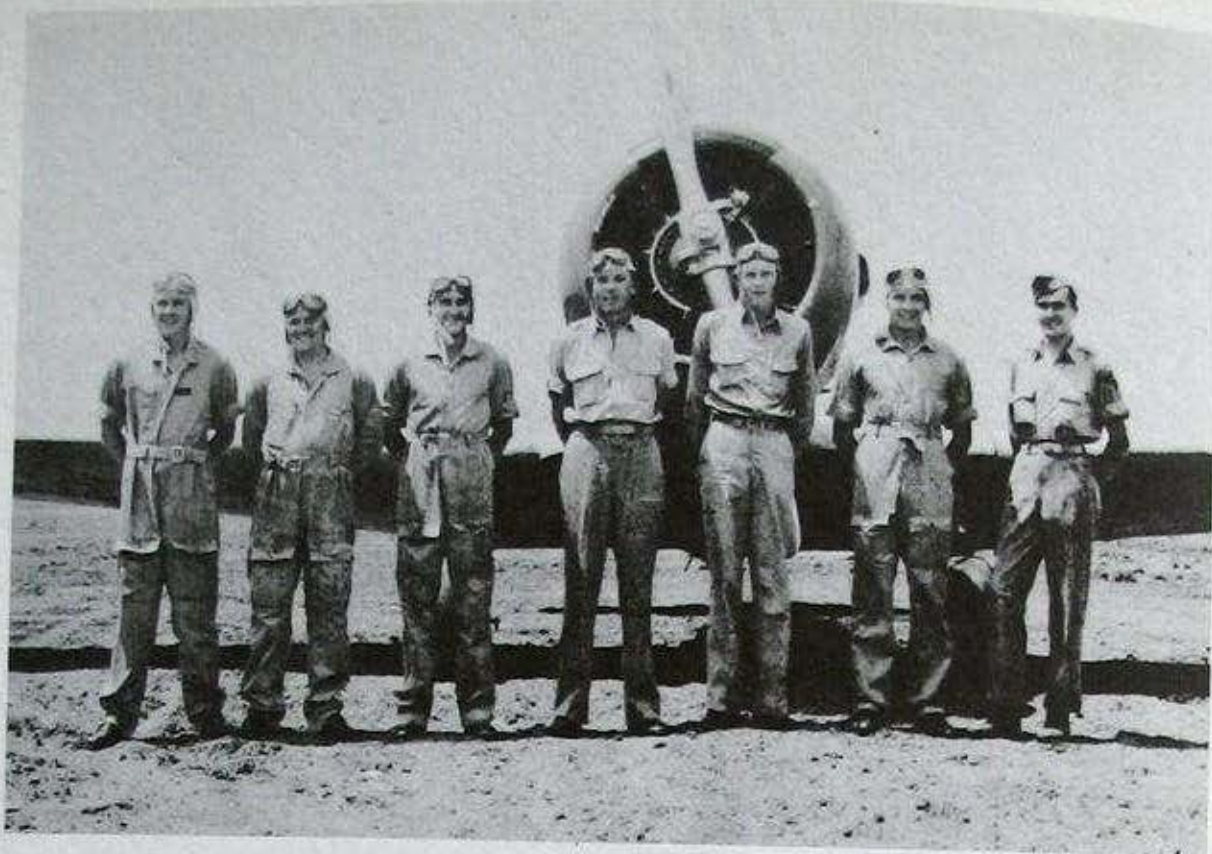
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"D" Flight Commander



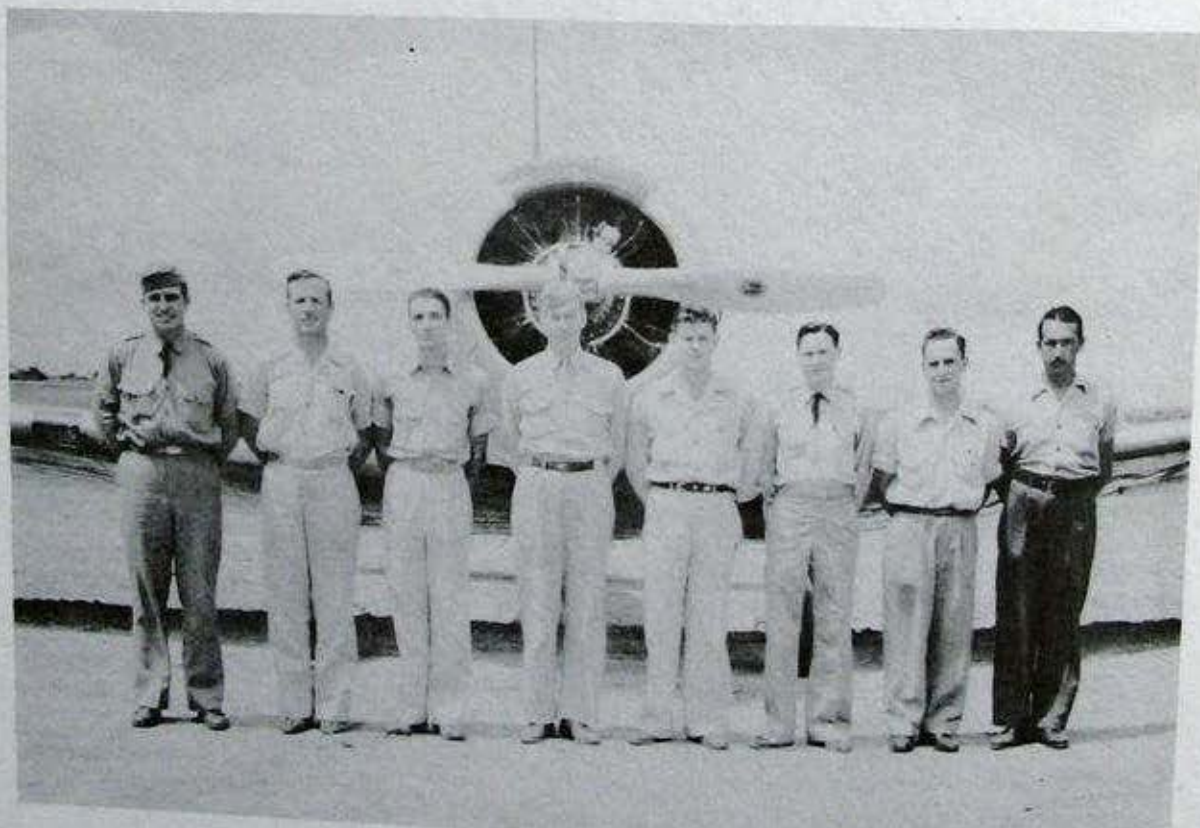
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Primary
Flight
Instructors

C. W. Rodreick

SUPERVISOR



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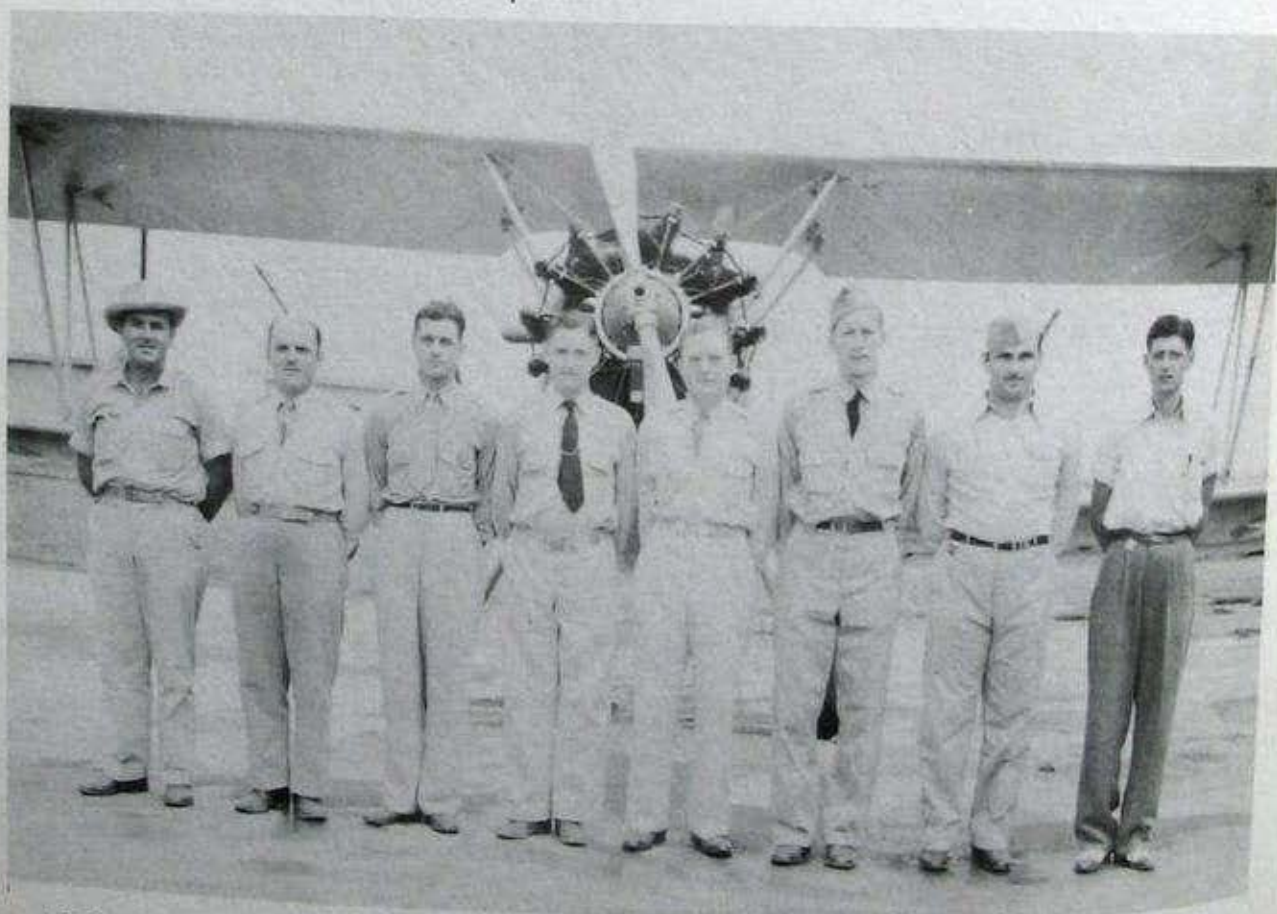
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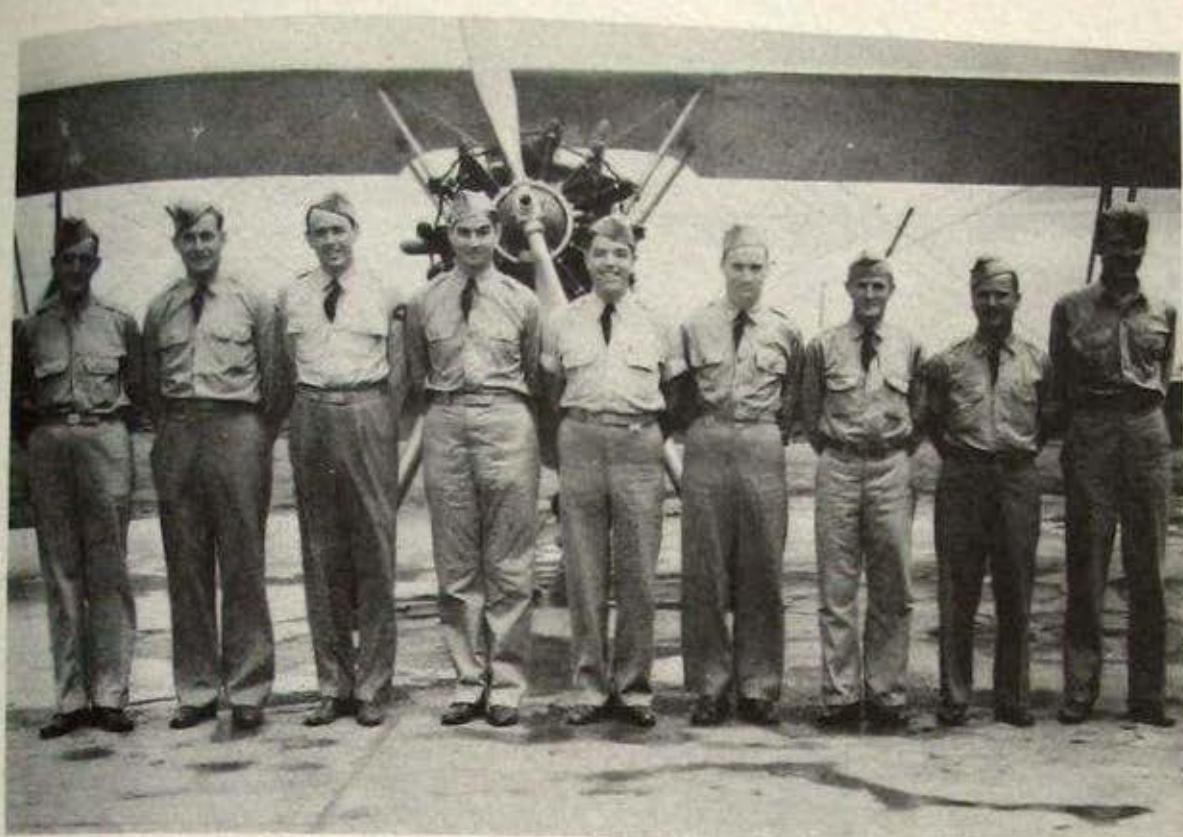
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"G" Flight

Left to right: W. D. Brookover, Jr., flight commander, K. W. Withey, T. M. Hollis, R. Moore, J. H. McDivitt, R. M. Flenniken, R. E. Thompson, W. P. Wakefield, J. Phillips, Dispatcher



"H" Flight

Left to right: Orville Thompson, Flight Commander; C. B. Spicer, A. P. Beinke, Asher Lane, Jr., S. D. Weil, O. N. Clampitt, F. E. Algor, J. P. Smith, E. W. Taylor, Dispatcher

Maintenance

The Men Who
Keep 'Em Flying



JIMMY HAYDEN
Chief of Maintenance



JIMMY BROWN
Daily Maintenance Foreman





THE BOYS OF No. 1 B. F. T. S.

We're the boys of No. 1 B.F.T.S.,
 To our country's call we bravely answered "yes";
 Crossing oceans at our peril, we have landed here in Terrell
 And what we think of Terrell you can try to guess!
 And though flying is the thing we're here to do,
 We don't forget we're propaganda too;
 So 'neath starry spangled banners we're so careful of our manners
 We're the boys of No. 1 B.F.T.S.,

Oh yes!

The British Boys of 1 B.F.T.S.

We're the Boys of No. 1 B.F.T.S.,
 And the Kaufman County Airport's our address;
 It's a quiet little spot on down amongst the fields of cotton
 But we're never quite forgotten by the public or the Press;
 And when we're tired of doing rolls and Cuban eights
 We tramp into the town and look for "dates";
 And if girls are coy or callous, well, we thumb our way to Dallas.
 We're the Boys of No. 1 B.F.T.S.

Oh yes!

The British Boys of 1 B.F.T.S.

We're the boys of No. 1 B.F.T.S.,
 And we're always very natty in our dress;
 We polish ev'ry button till we shine like Barbara Hutton,
 But there's no roast beef or mutton, and it's hard you must confess;
 We've had the barbecues, the gumbo, and the grits;
 The Pabst and the Budweiser and Schlitz;
 But our craving is most vocal
 For a bitter at the Local
 For the Boys of No. 1 B.F.T.S.

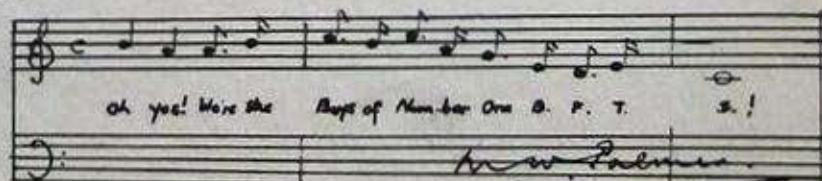
Oh yes!

The British Boys of 1 B.F.T.S.

We're the boys of No. 1 B.F.T.S.,
 And our very grateful thanks we must express;
 For though we're now in clover it will very soon be over,
 We shall see the Cliffs of Dover, and be clearing up the mess;
 But when we've finished off the War and seen it through
 We shall think of Terrell, Texas, and of you;
 And though sea and sky may hide you,
 They never can divide you
 From the Boys of No. 1 B.F.T.S.,

Oh yes!

The British Boys of 1 B.F.T.S.



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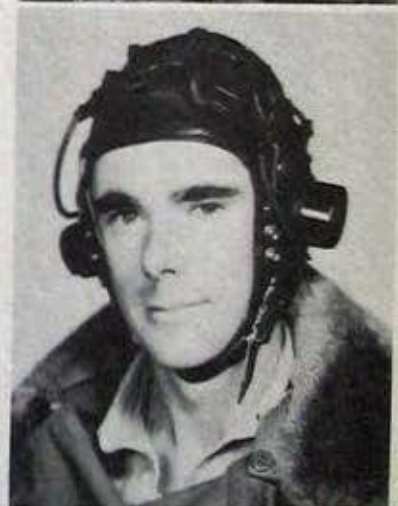
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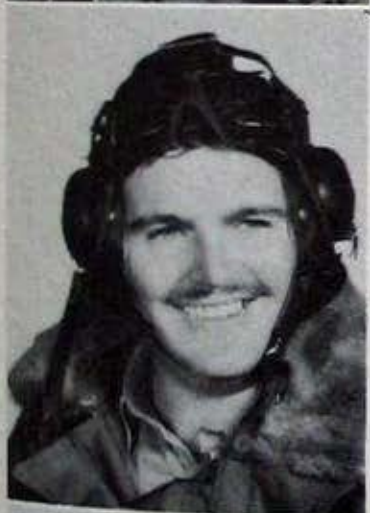
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All In The Day's Work



Early
Morning
P. T.

Some
March to
Flight
Line . . .



. . . And Some
Are
Provided
With
Luxurious
Transport

The Day's Work - Flight Preparation



The Day's Work - On The Line



"... KTAS
Calling . . ."
The Flight Supervisor
in the Control
Tower

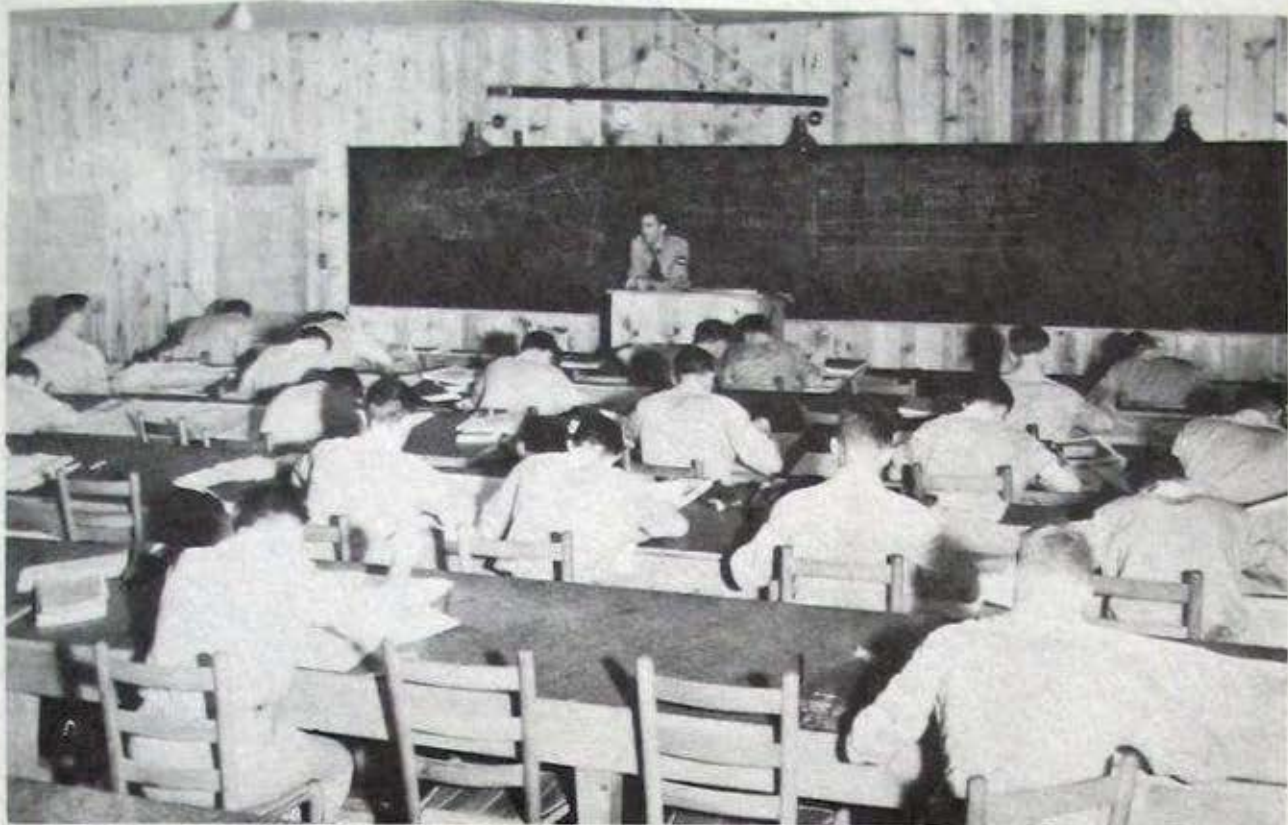


The C. O. and
Navigation Officer
Checking a
Cross-Country

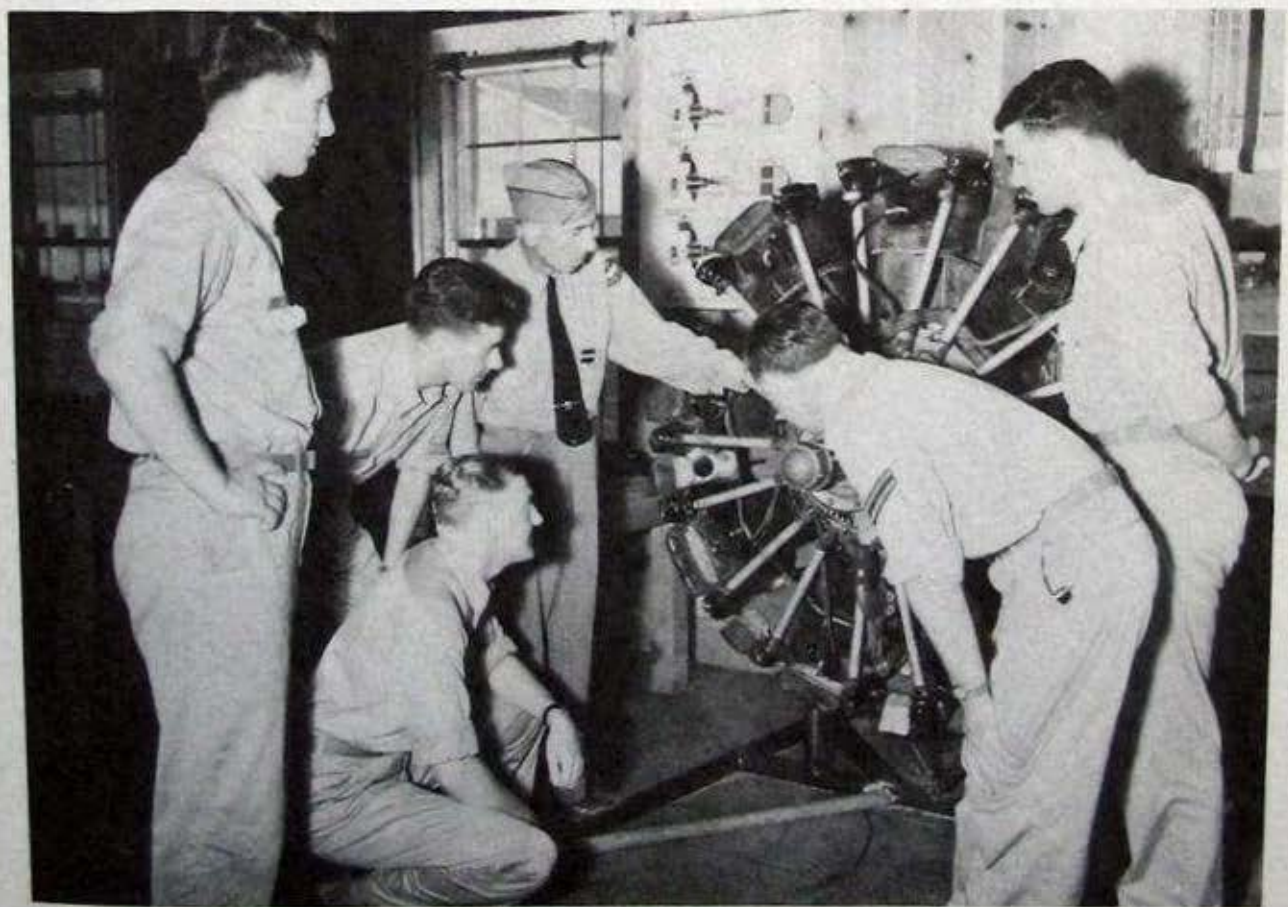
The Day's Work - The Midday Break



The Day's Work - Ground School



Elementary Navigation



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Canteen Staff

Above - Miss Sacchi
Unboxes The Compass

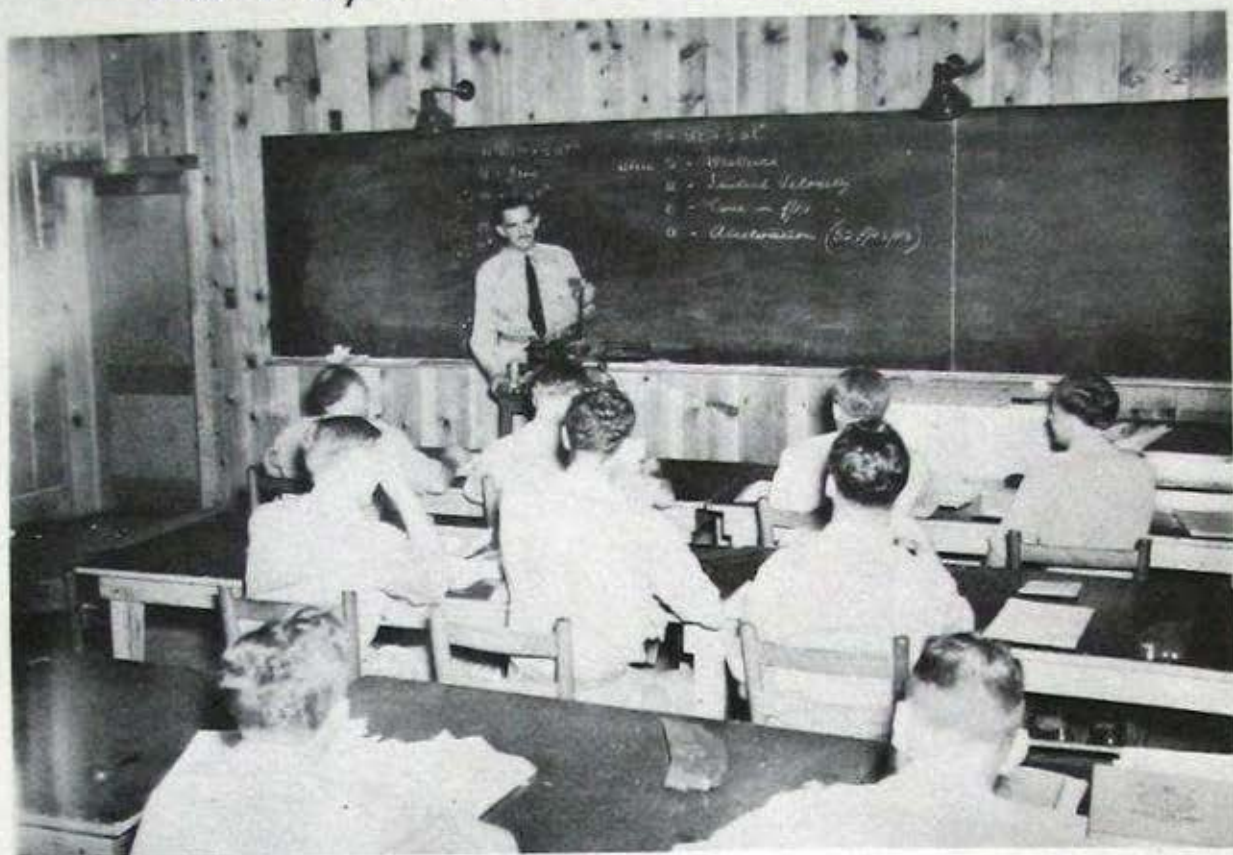


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Afternoon Break

The Day's Work - Ground School



Above: The Bombsight

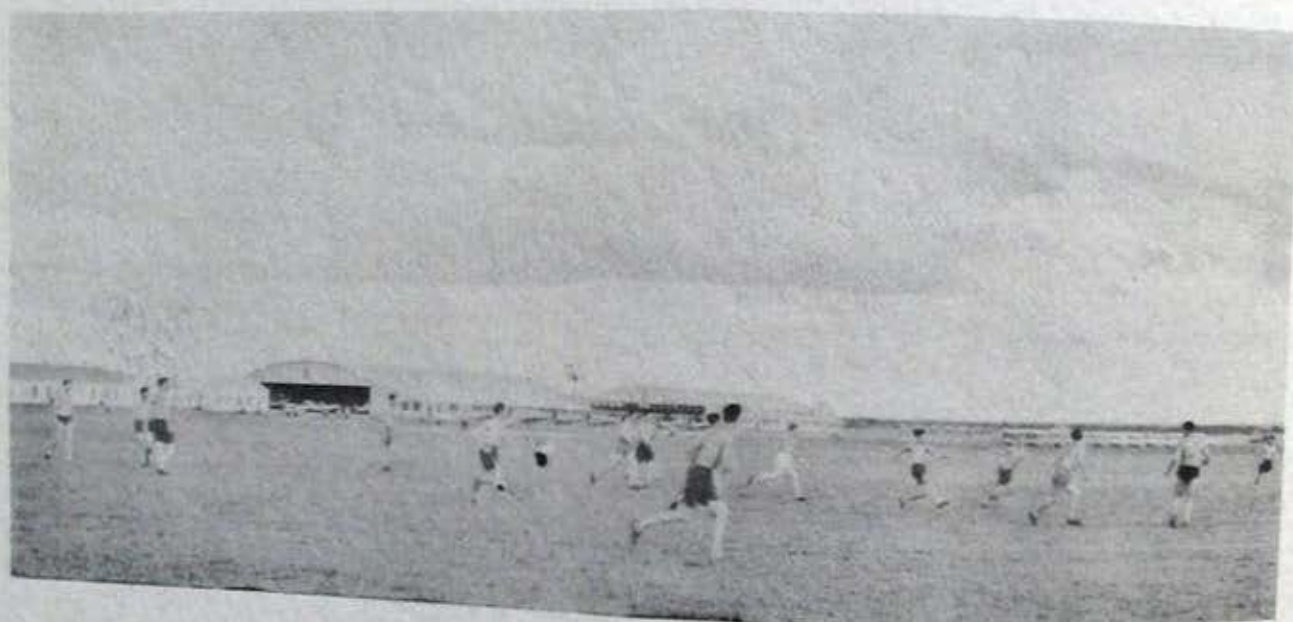
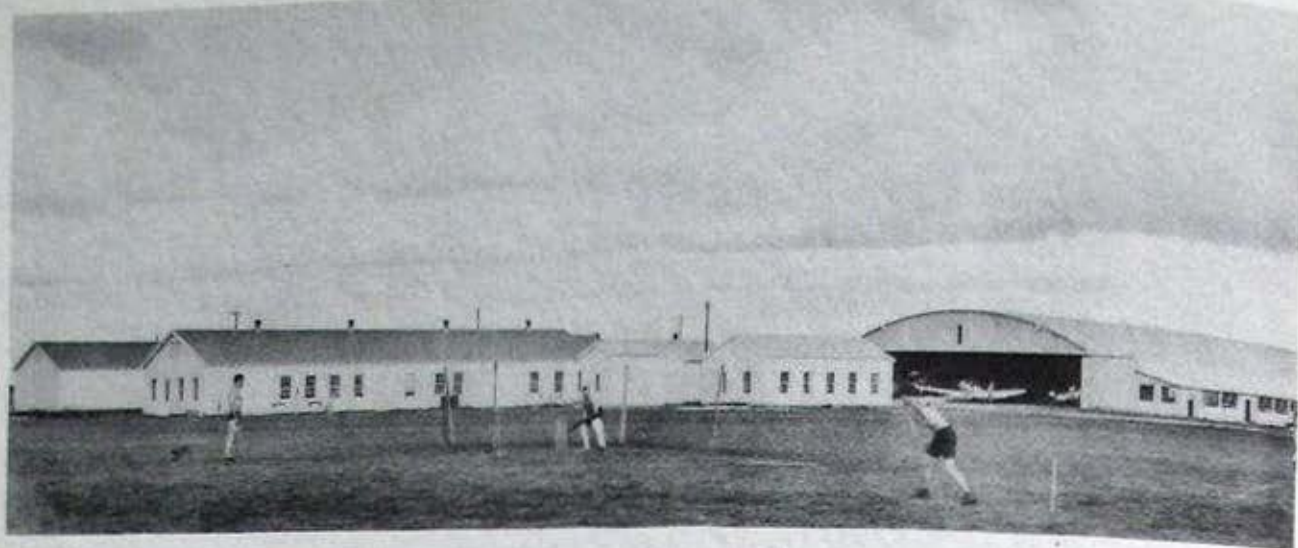
Centre:
Next Week's
Programme



The Talking Lamp



After Working Hours



Recreation



Evening



Lights Out

Sick Quarters

The Flight Surgeon
At Work
DR. O. D. MAXEY



Convalescent Diet — Including Watermelon



DR. L. W. JOHNSTON

Recreation Active . .

Southern
Beauties



Aerobatics



Toxophilists

To Horse,
To Horse!



Soccer
Team With
Times-Herald Cup

... And Not So Active

Sightseeing

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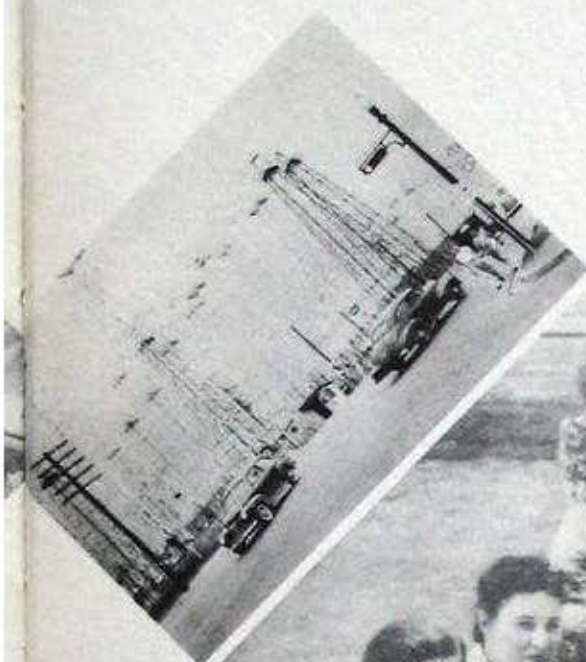
"Big D."



Picnicking

Dressing Up,

—or Just
Loafing
(Despite the
"Postive" Notice)



Memorable Days



16th April, 1942 . . . Visit of Lord and Lady Halifax to No. 1 B.F.T.S.

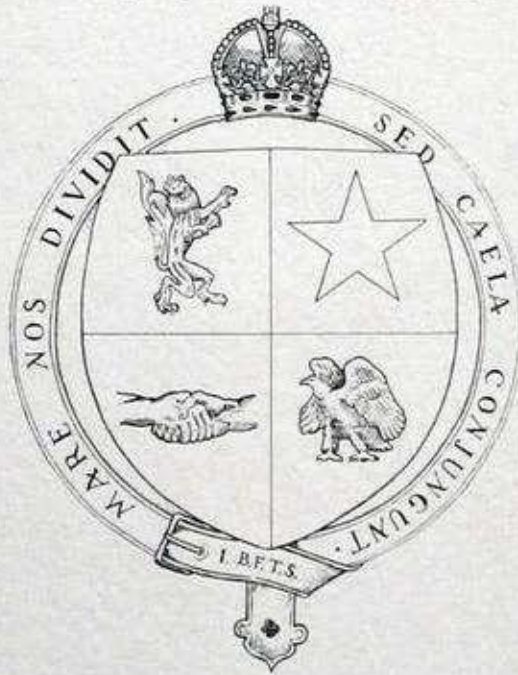


2nd July, 1942 . . . No. 10 Course Represent the School in Military Parade in Dallas

Getting Together



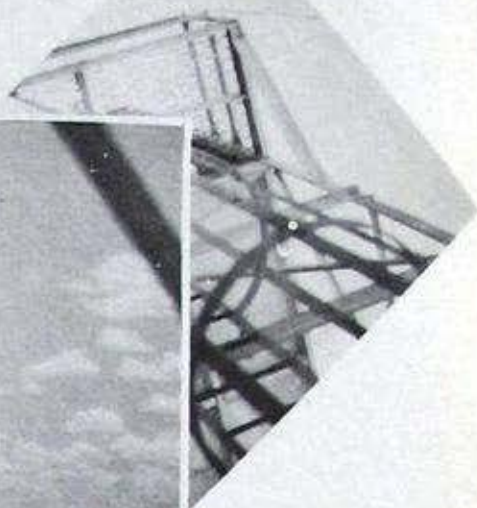
Captain B. D. Spofford
Air Depot Detachment



Lieut. W. C. Gunstream
Supply and Eng. Officer



Views Around



Control Tower
View



Barrack
Inspection

And About



A Gracious Visitor . . . Lady Halifax on the Flight Line



Station Dance

Below Left: Jewel Brooks of the Canteen Staff
and the C. O.

Right: A Good Time Had By All



Church Occasions - Grave And Gay

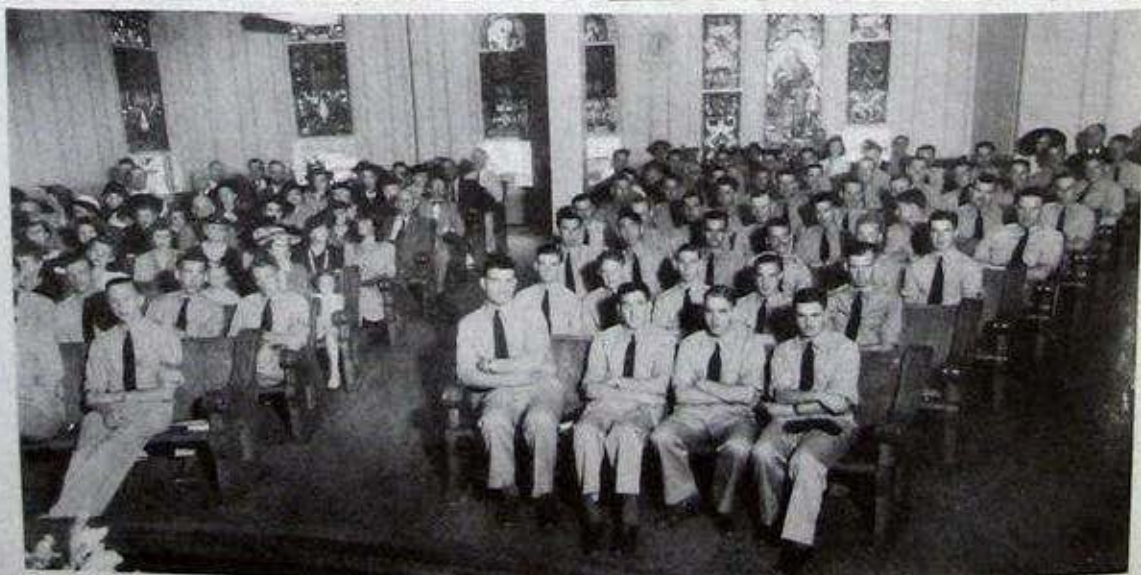
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Parade

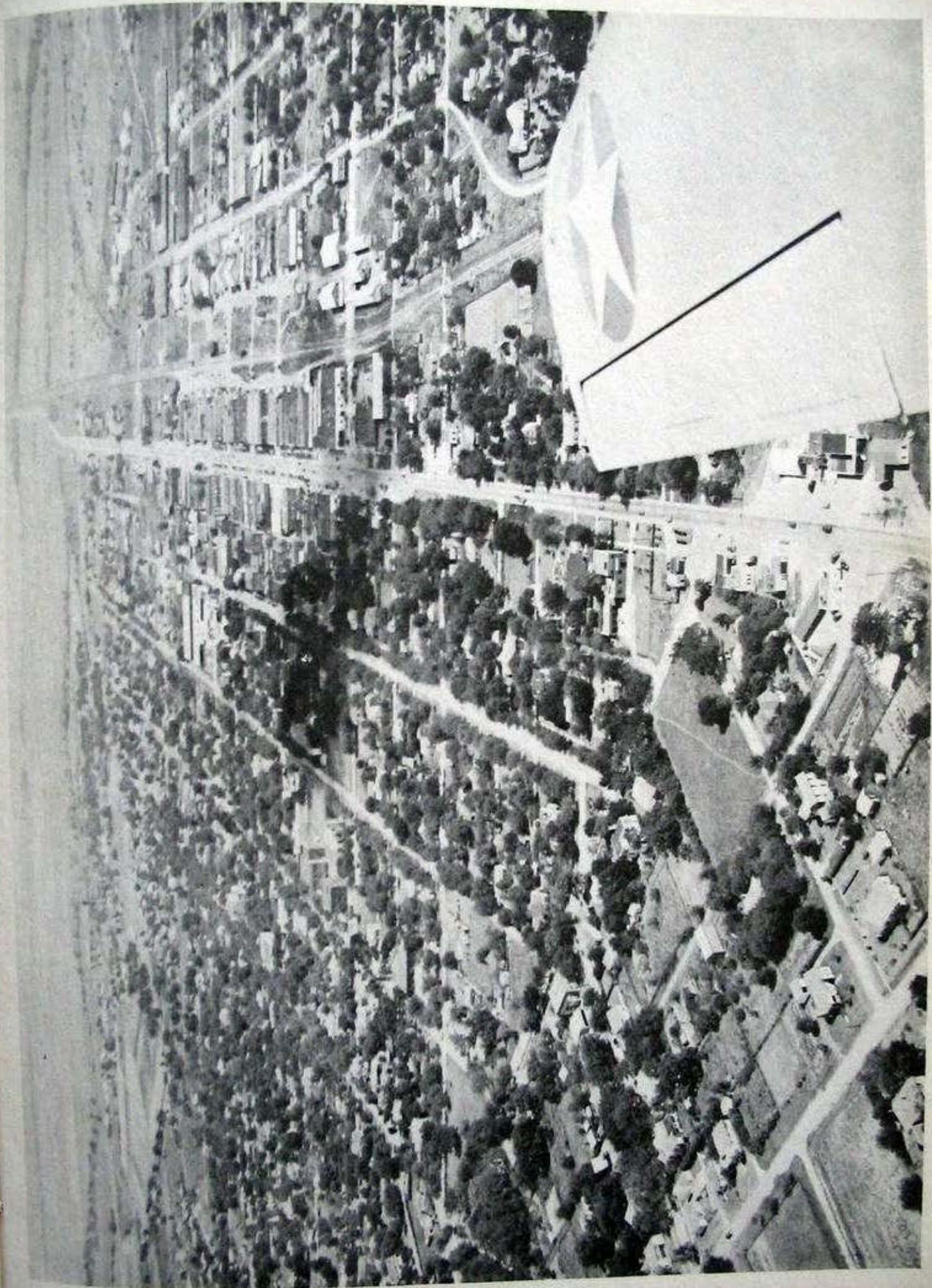


Western
Party



Anniversary
Service







Thank You - All

When we first knew that we were going to be stationed at Terrell, Texas, we had vague ideas of cowboys, ranches, and wide open spaces. Most of us, however, had heard of the famous Southern hospitality, but until we arrived here we didn't know just how grand that hospitality was. Even from the first time that we had Open Post and went into Bass' Drug Store for a cooling drink, which we badly needed, we were immediately welcomed with open arms and invitations began to roll in. On rather timidly accepting one of these invitations we were made to feel at home immediately—even to the extent of just breaking into the icebox if we felt hungry.

When we extended our travels to Dallas, Commerce, Tyler, Kaufman, and other surrounding places (including Denton) we found exactly the same wonderful spirit of friendship. We were initiated into the arts of jitterbugging, steak frys, and eating fried chicken with our fingers. These arts we were given plenty of chances to indulge in at the dances, etc., which the ladies of Terrell so kindly arranged for us.

We are delighted to see from the 'Tribune' that at least one Terrell boy has visited in England the parents of a pupil who was trained at this School. We hope that all of your boys in Great Britain will be given the same warm welcome and generous hospitality as you give us.

"Thanks for everything."

THE BOYS OF NO. 1 B.F.T.S



