

A A B



Wings Aloft

LUBBOCK ARMY AIR FIELD
LUBBOCK, TEXAS



Mrs. Mayne Ranton Keels

To a sweet
little redhead.

Merle



2-11-44



HISTORY OF LAAF

Where roving bands of Comanche and Kiowa Indians once hunted buffalo by the thousands, where Texas Rangers under Colonel Sul Ross and Army Scouts under Gen. R. S. Mackenzie of old Fort Concho intercepted the savages in the 1870's, and where trail herds from West Texas ranches once rolled along the chain of small lakes which formed the Yellowhouse Canyon Trail to markets in the Rocky Mountains region—here the United States Army Air Forces now train hundreds of young aviators to fly twin-engine airplanes and do battle against the modern enemies of civilization, the Nazis and the Japs.

Taking its name from the nearby city of 40,000 people, Lubbock Army Air Field is the second oldest twin-engine flying school of the Army Air Forces Gulf Coast Training Center. Construction of the base was begun in the late summer of 1941 and just before the year passed into history, the first troops arrived. Three commissioned officers, nine con-coms and 48 privates from Brooks Field made up the first security detachment.

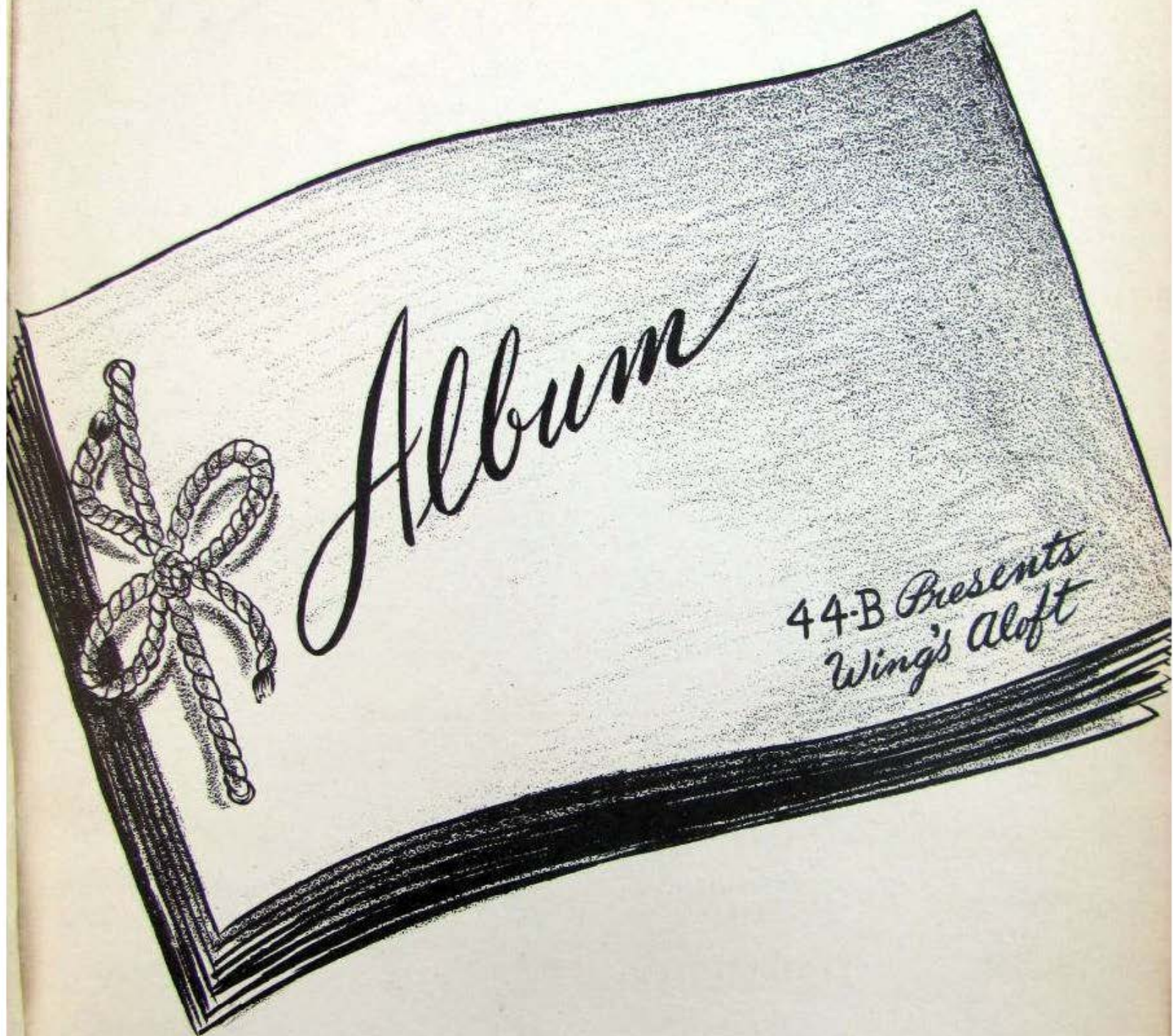
Col. Thomas L. Gilbert, a native of Arkansas, who received his pre-flight training at the University of Texas and his flying training in France during World War I, was sent from his post as sub-depot commander at Ellington Field, Texas, to be first Commanding Officer of LAAF.

The first class of aviation cadets and students graduated April 29, 1942, when Colonel Gilbert presided at the new post chapel and Durwood H. Bradley, Lubbock attorney and World War I veteran, delivered the graduation address. Although single engine AT-6 North Americans were the first training planes used in teaching the advanced cadets, these soon were replaced with twin-engine AT-17's and AT-9's, which are the types in use today.

During 1942 the muddy post streets gave way to pavement and the squadrons planted grass, shrubs, and trees in their plowed-up areas to vastly improve the field's appearance. Then, on June 21, Major General Harmon, acting Commanding General of the Gulf Coast Training Center, came to Lubbock to officially dedicate the field before a cheering throng of 35,000 South Plainsmen and soldiers.

On March 17, 1943, Colonel Gilbert was ordered to another duty and was succeeded as Commanding Officer by Colonel Ralph E. Holmes, who had been serving in the supply division of the Gulf Coast Training Center. Other important events of the year include changing the name of the school from Lubbock Army Flying School to Lubbock Army Air Field and the arrival of the first detachment of members of the Women's Army Corps for duty.

Lubbock Army Air Field has played a leading part in turning out highly competent personnel so necessary for victory in the air, and the record of achievement of its graduates has helped to inspire every officer, soldier, and civilian on the field to strive to maintain the lofty traditions of the United States Army Air Forces.



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(Twin Engine)
Lubbock Army Air Field
Lubbock, Texas*

Pick any American home at random, enter the living room and chances are better than any odds ever offered on a horse race that on a table top somewhere in that living room you will find a family album.

In years yet untried, we men of 44-B will have American homes and living rooms. On the table therein many may wish to place their Advanced classbook—the record and reminder of our cadet days.

Therefore, in keeping with this future prospect and ever mindful of the American penchant for albums, the Wings A-1 staff has compiled not just a class book, but a 44-B family album, a collection of portraits, cartoons and snapshots.

Just one year ago the original Wings Aloft was published. It comprised the first printed record of a class at Lubbock Army Air Field. The class was 43-B.

So it is that an anniversary has been reached, one to be remembered and lionized. Not so much the anniversary of a book, but of a class. 43-B, after one year, has dispersed itself to the many meridians of the earth. Now it has become more than a class; it is multiple fighting units. 43-B is part of the attack! A vital element of the offensive!

The faculty of being able to pick up a copy of LAAF's first bound "History" and gaze at the pictures of men who wings over enemy continents, gives a relationship to destiny.

sible an even more advanced application for the year to fight one year later.

In acknowledgment of this splendid work by 43-B, we of 44-B dedicate both this anniversary edition and our supreme determination to help carry the fight to a triumphant finish.



Lt. Thomas M. Caldwell—43-B
—Missing in action since September
6, 1943 in Europe, was pilot of B-17,
credited with several missions.

Hangar

In the last year at least six 43-B graduates
way to fame. There are many more, doubt-
ported nor decorated. In another year th
its celebrated walls will be the names c



2nd Lt. Alexander Alvarado—
43-B—downed over Italy and inter-
ned prior to the country's capitulation.



Lt. Roy C. Sanders—43-B—
Missing in action as pilot of famed
Fortress, Hell's Angels, credited with
41 operations. He was lost in the raid
on Schweinfurt ball-bearing plant in
which 60 American bombers were
brought down.

of Fame

s of L.A.A.F. are known to have flown their
t lessly, men whose deeds have not yet been re-
e Hangar shall have increased . . . and gracing
f numerous 44-B classmates.



Lt. Jack W. Rogers—43-B—
Air Medal for five successful missions
over Europe. Became German pris-
oner October 23, 1943.



2nd Lt. William R. Roberts—
43-B—though reported killed in
action and awarded the Purple Heart
posthumously, his family later learned
he is alive and a prisoner of war in
Germany.



Lt. Winifred H. Vandiver—
43-B—Missing after recent bombing
of the Jap naval base of Paramushiro.
Pilot of an American bomber.

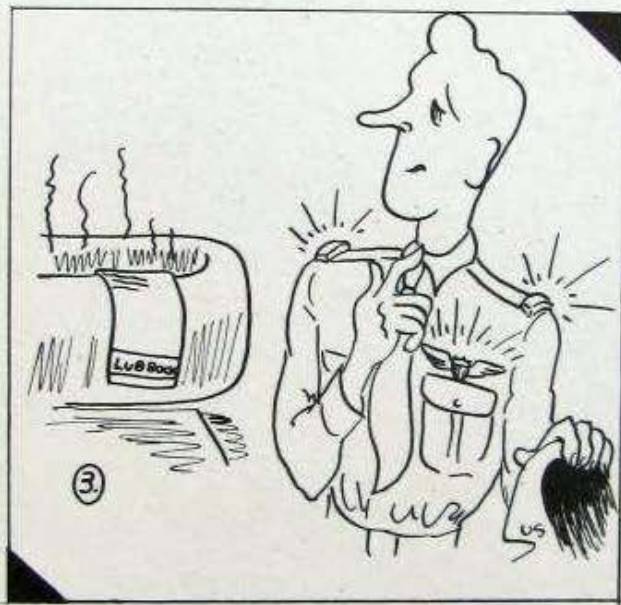


On this page are a few typical shots which appeared in the first Wings Aloft. As you can see, times haven't changed too much.





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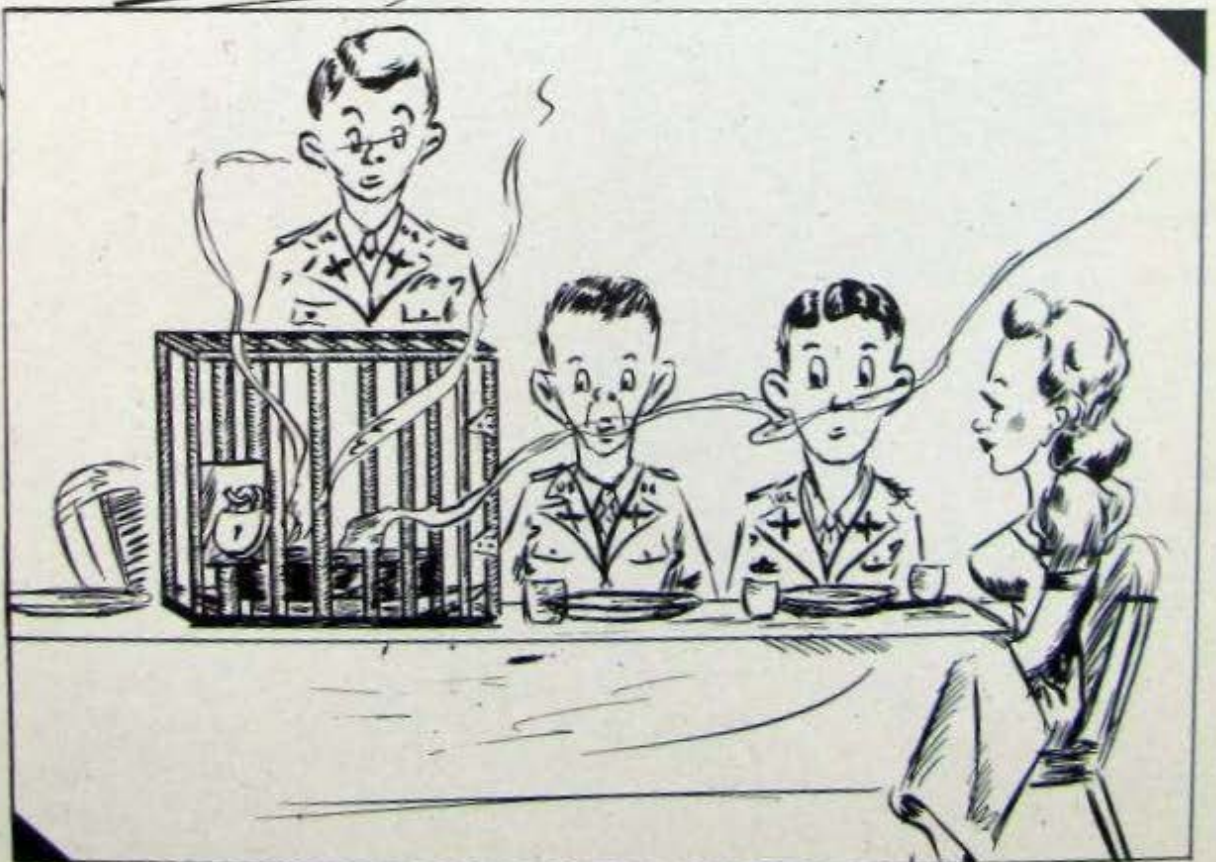


Cartoons





"Sir, Those AT-9's sure land hot"



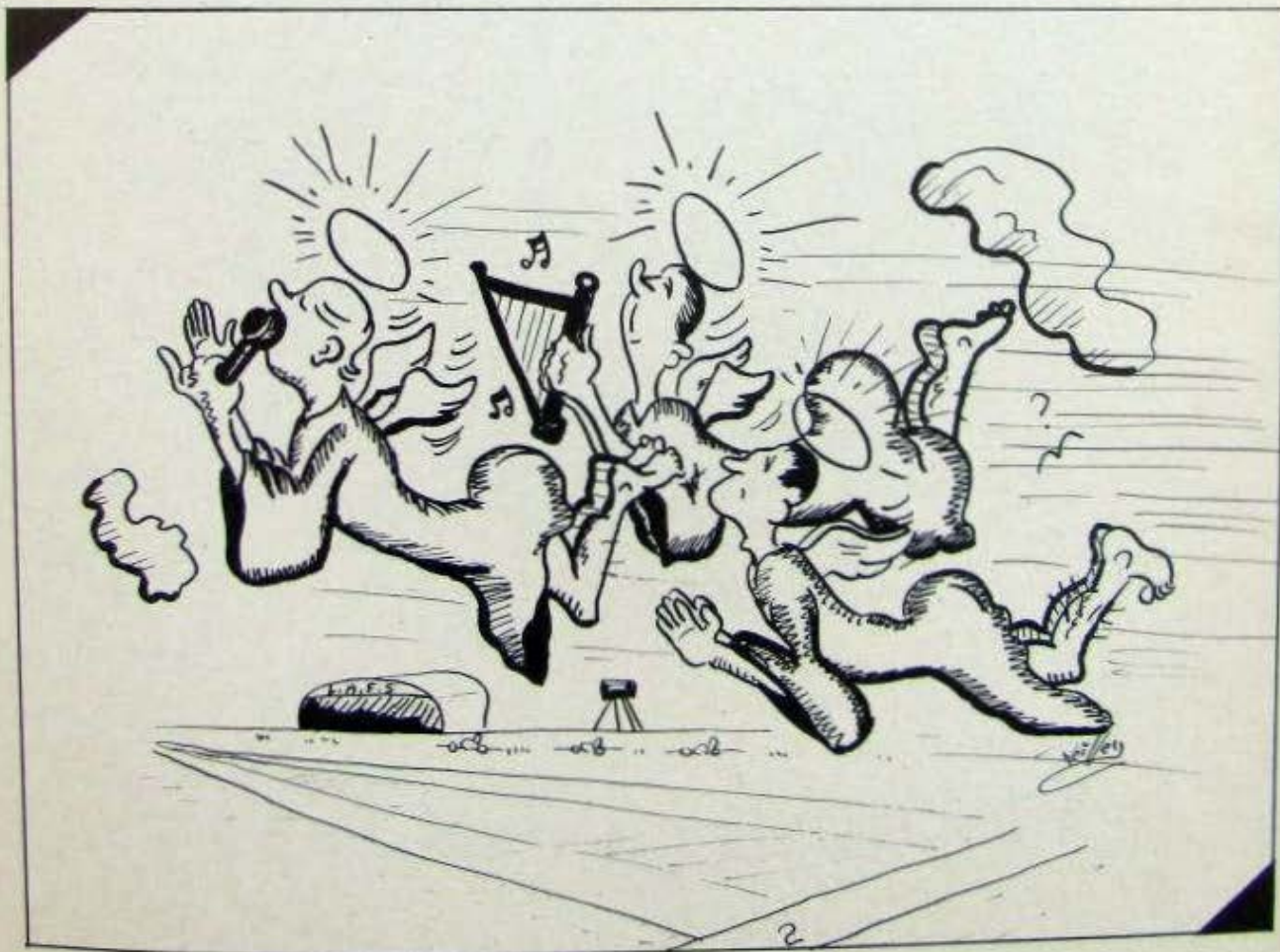
"We tried the Honor system, but that didn't work"



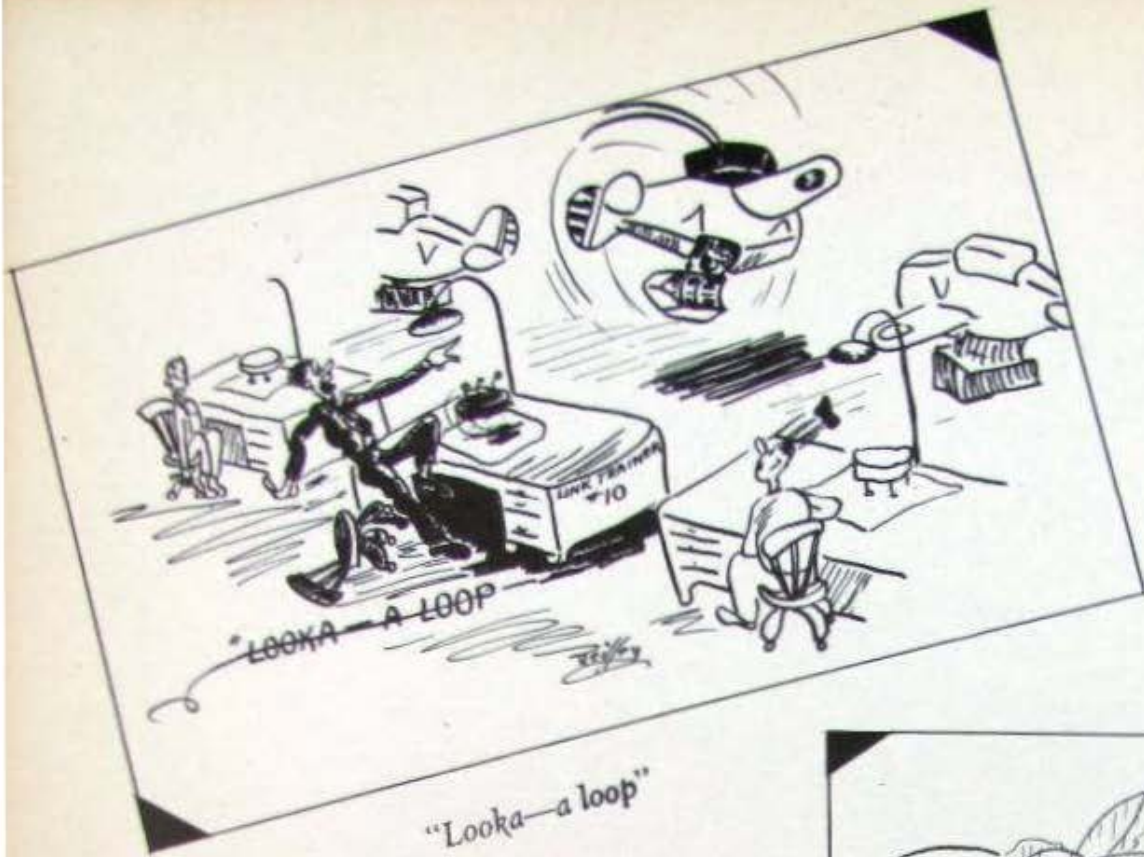
"Boy, did I scare H...
outta my instructor!"



"Trim 'em in neon—swivel 'em in the middle—attach a pull string so I can make 'em flap when I go down the street"

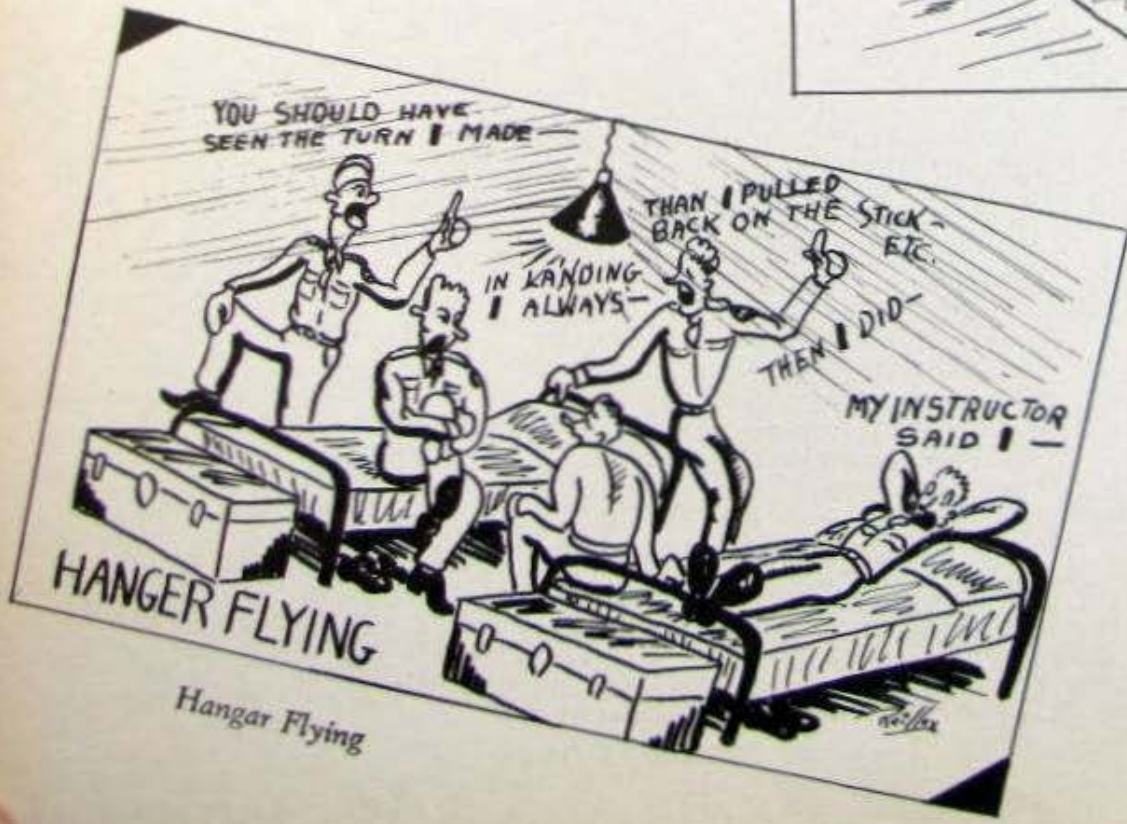


"2WR5—Formation over the field—Requests landing instructions"



"Looka—a loop"

"No, Cadet Snufu, this AT-17's engines don't ice up—why did you ask?"



HANGER FLYING

Hangar Flying



OWED TO A FLYING CADET

Blessings on thee, Flying Cadet
 Your silly puss I can't forget—
 With thy head of solid bone
 Its inner functions stay unknown—

Dressed up in thy fine attire
 I wish that clothes could make the flyer—
 And thy take-offs, never straight
 Look more like a pylon eight—

And thy over-banked chandelle! !
 How I wish you were in hell—
 Thy landings leave me black and blue—
 God made you half-kangaroo—

With thy skidding down-wind turn
 I give up! ! You'll never learn—
 With thy feet on rudder froze
 What keeps you up, God only knows—

With thy pylon-eight down-wind
 You are in a constant spin—
 With thy ever-dragging wing,
 Please, sweet death, where is thy sting?

With thy goggles encased in dust
 If the loops don't get you, the snap rolls
 must—

Blessings on thee, Flying Cadet—
 Stay in and pitch, you'll get there yet—

I only hope someday you'll be
 A flight instructor, same as me! !

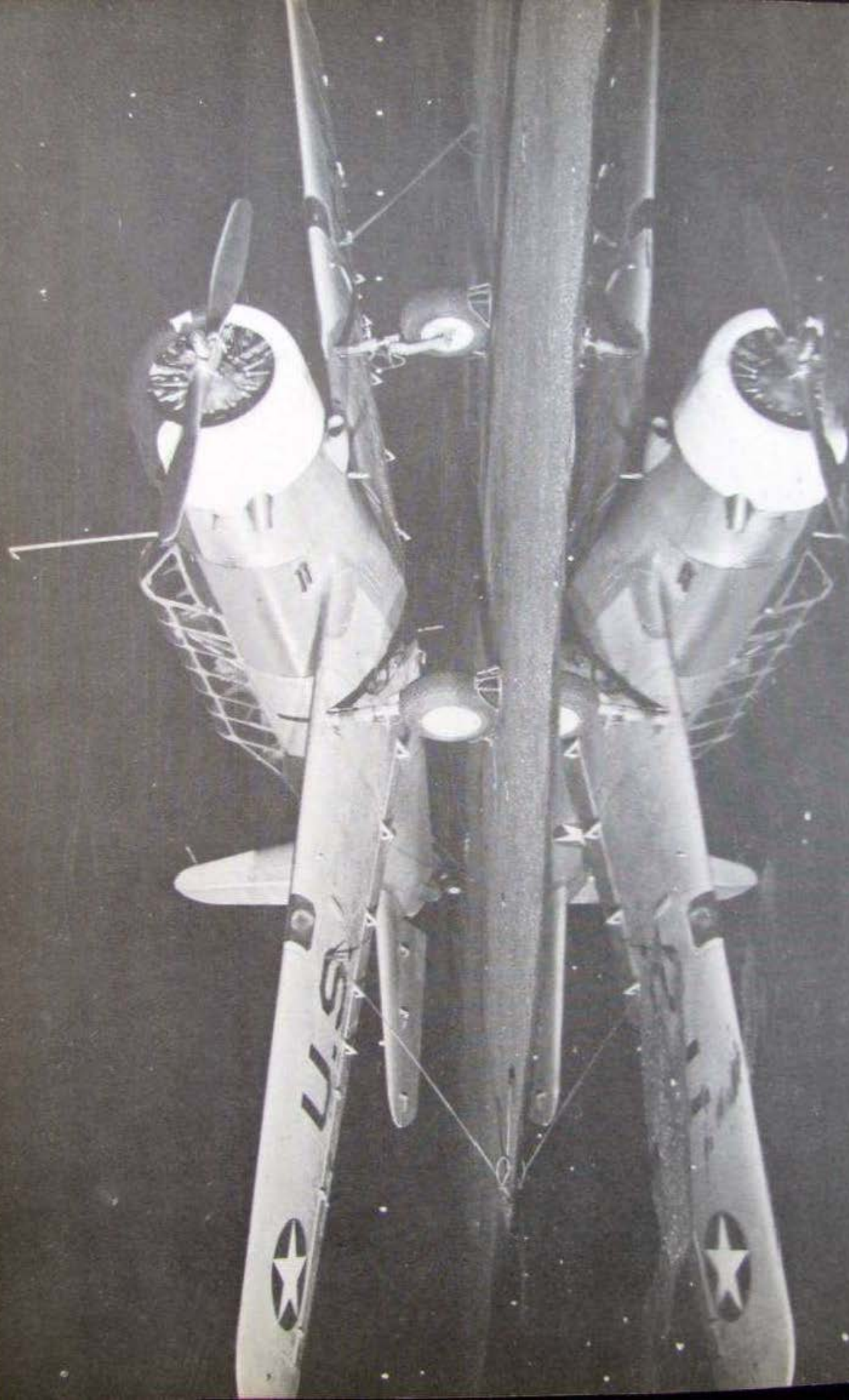
WILLIAM SLOAN





44-B's history is illustrious. We were the first mortals baptised in the AAF's edifying college training waters . . . sandstorms at Shepard Field. Drill and cold mornings and initiation into the fine arts of goldbricking . . . College and coeds and Physics that numbed our brains . . . Classification, where we were declared mentally and physically sound; more goldbricking, with merged ex-GIs to teach us delicate points of the art . . . At Pre-Flight we acquired notoriety for raunchiness, since we had only four days of the class system—thanks to General Yount, may the angels smile upon him . . . PT-19's at last and less PT. The old wringer that kept snatching at our shirt tails, but luckily missed . . . BT-13's—what a ship! And what tact officers. Quoth they: "44-B is still raunchy." Then the great schism, when the boys were separated from the men and the boys went to single engine to fly motorized kites. Remember?





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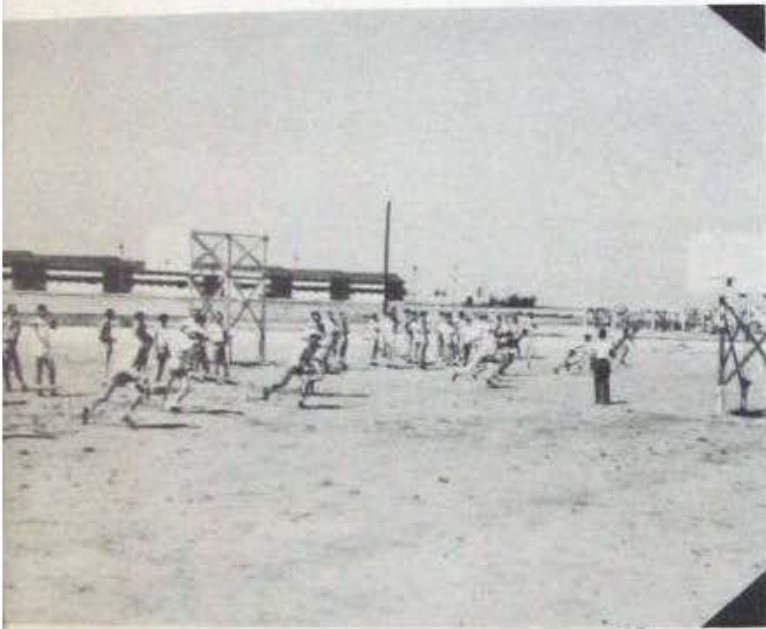


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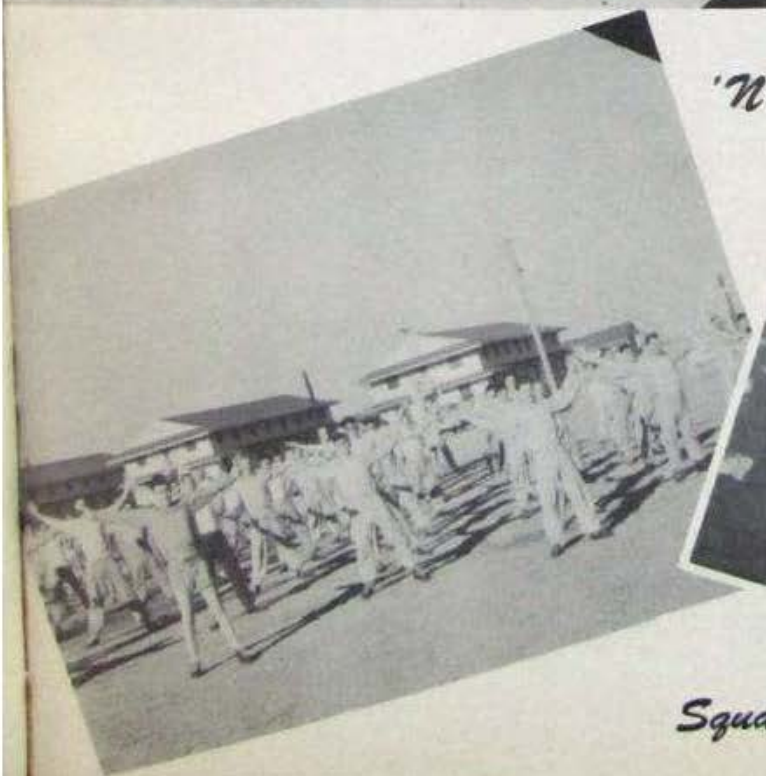


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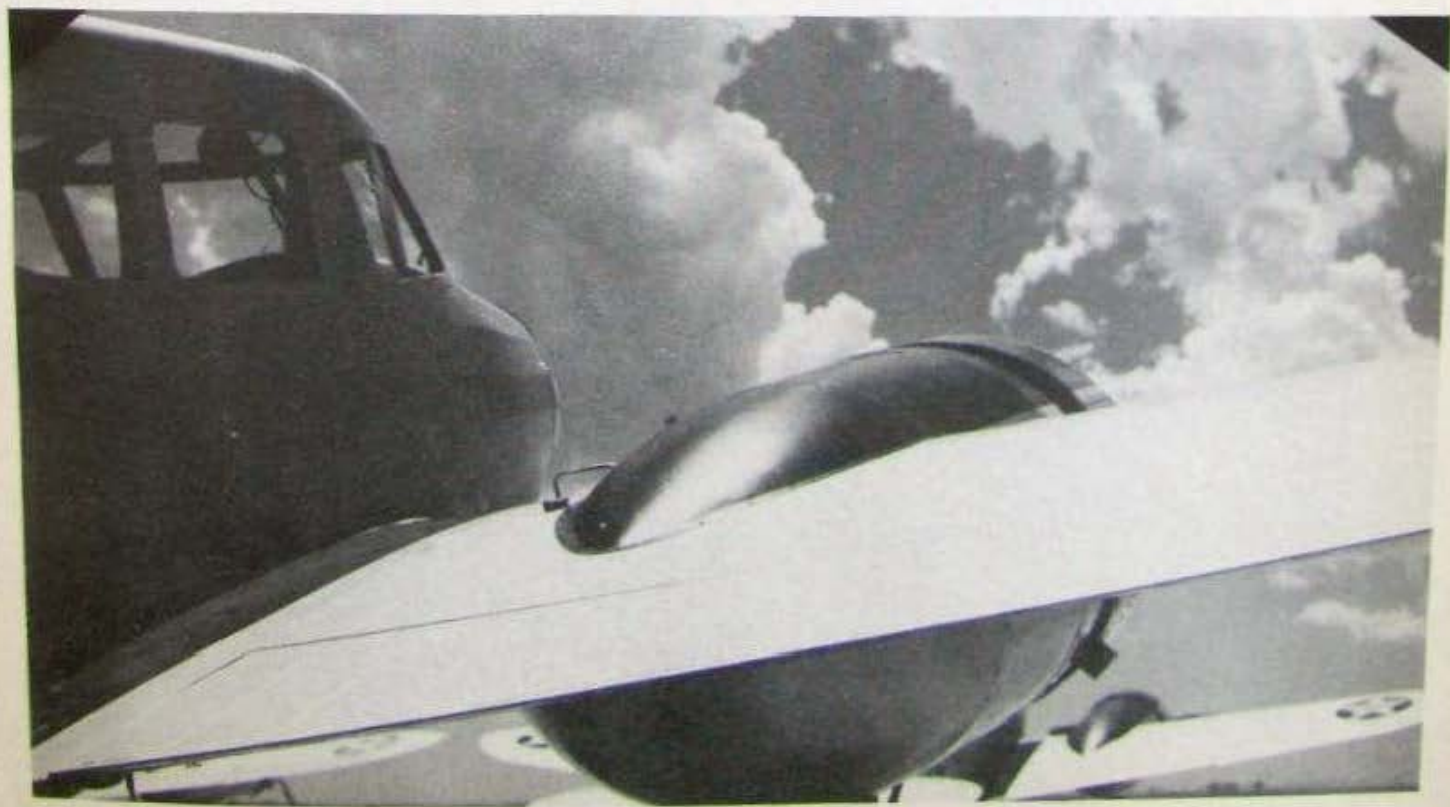
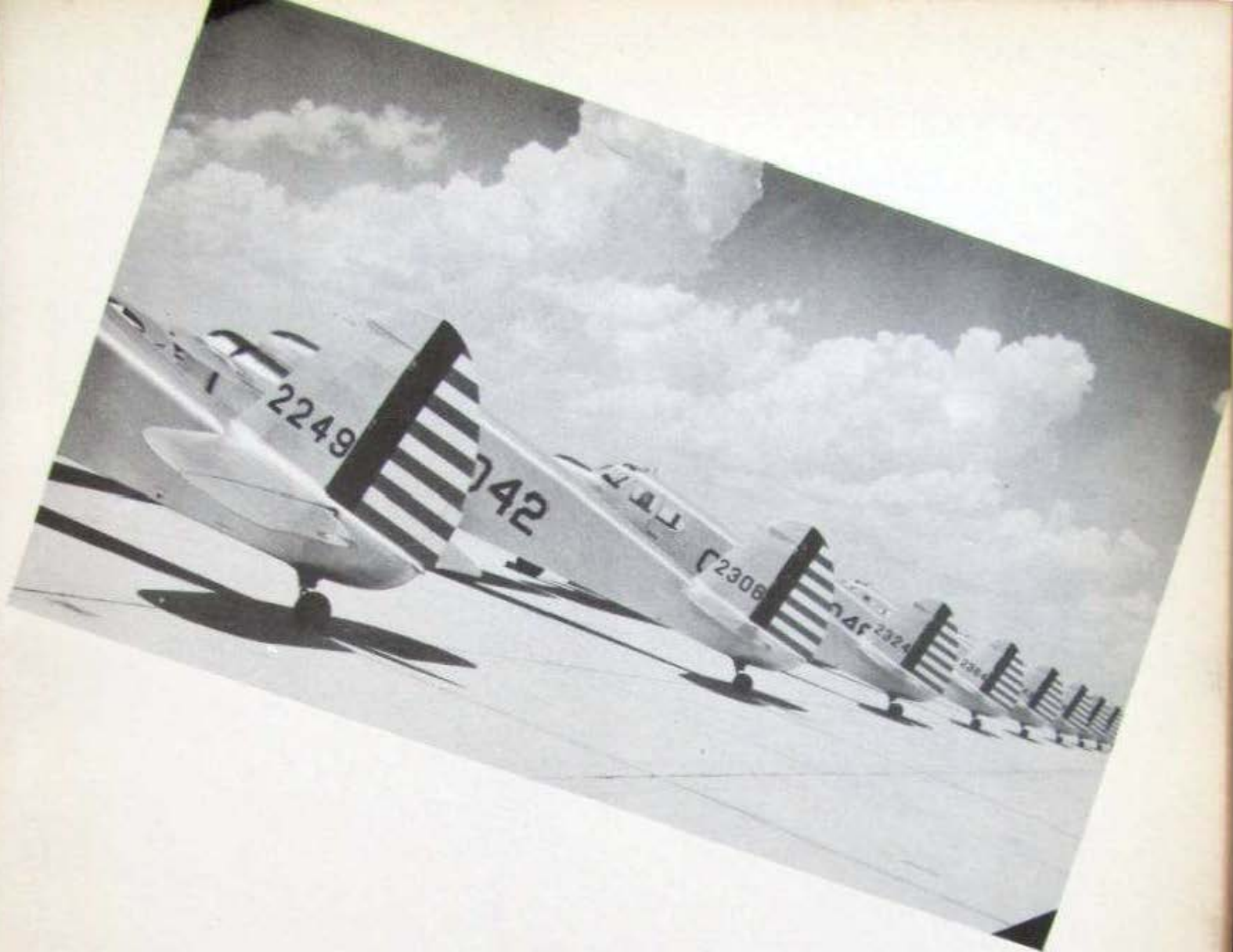
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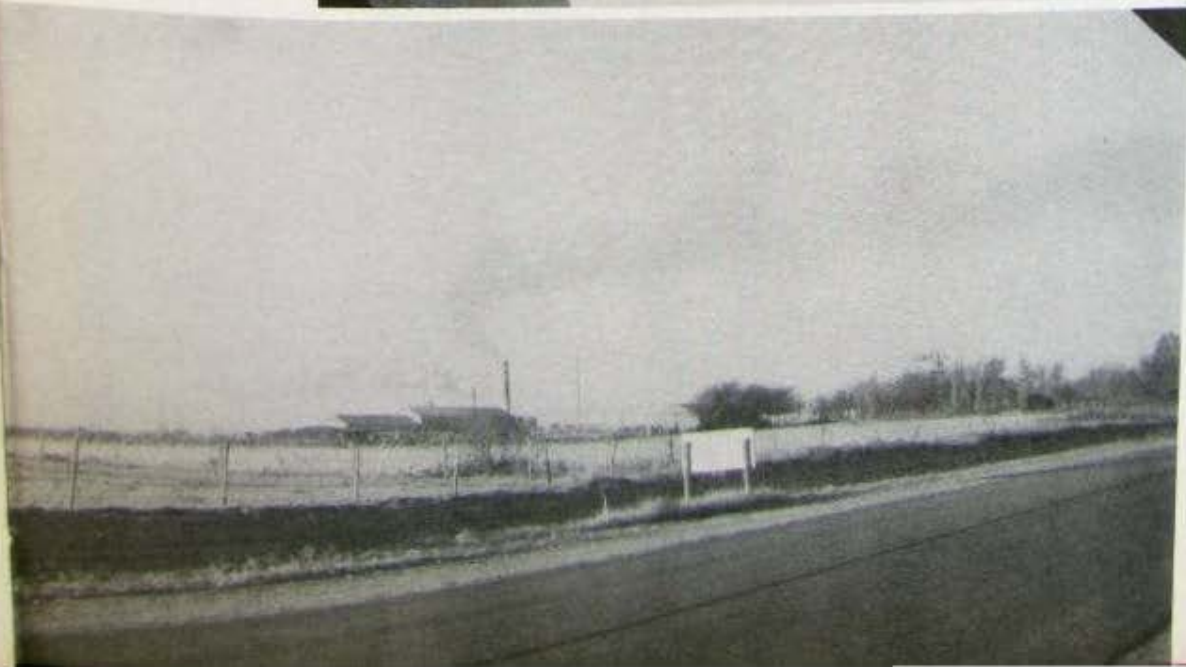
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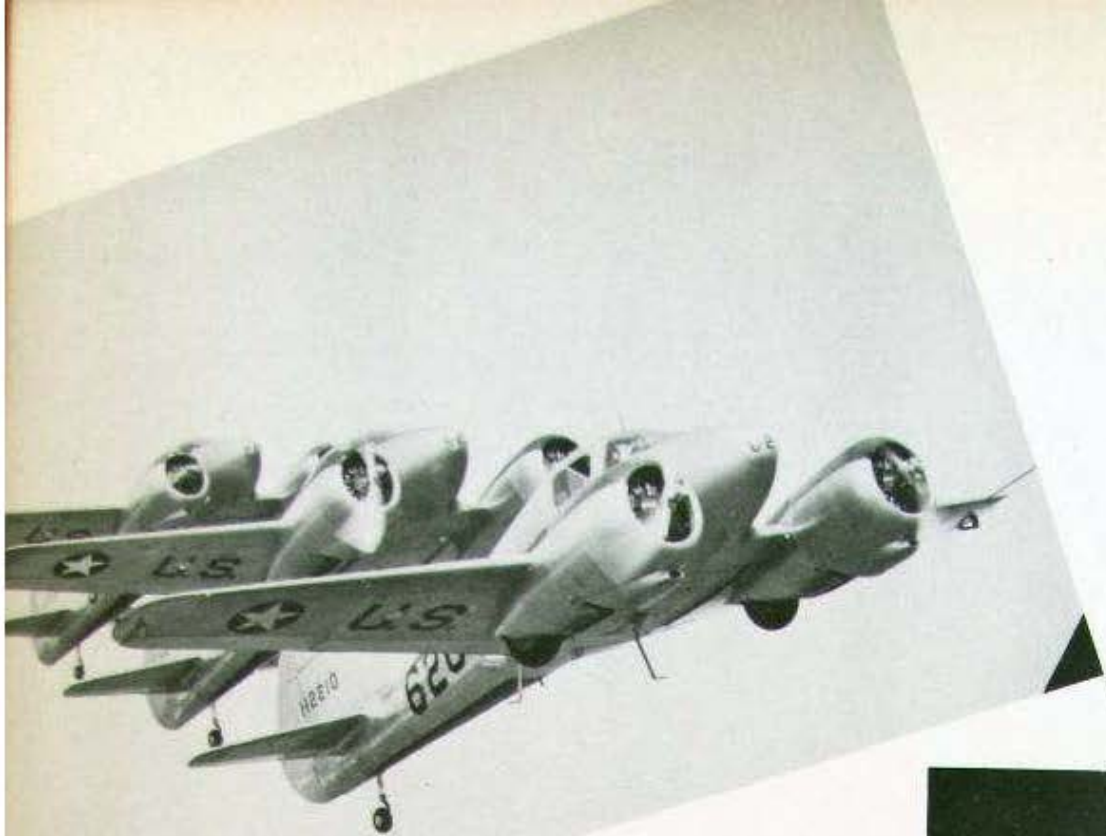
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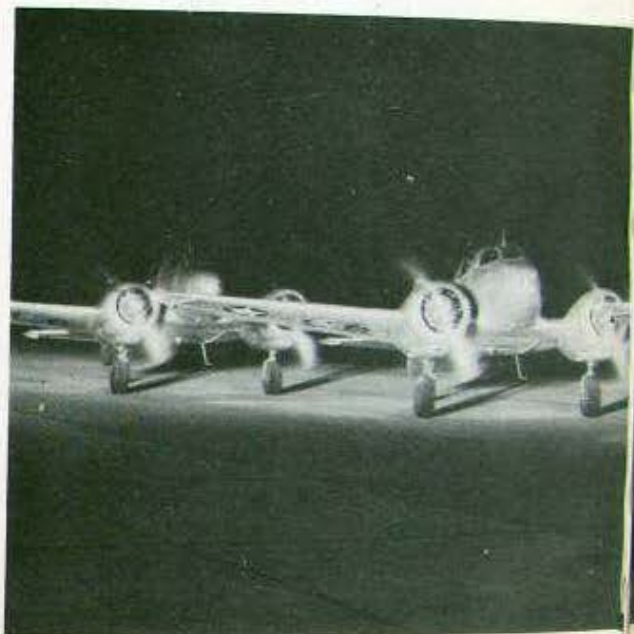
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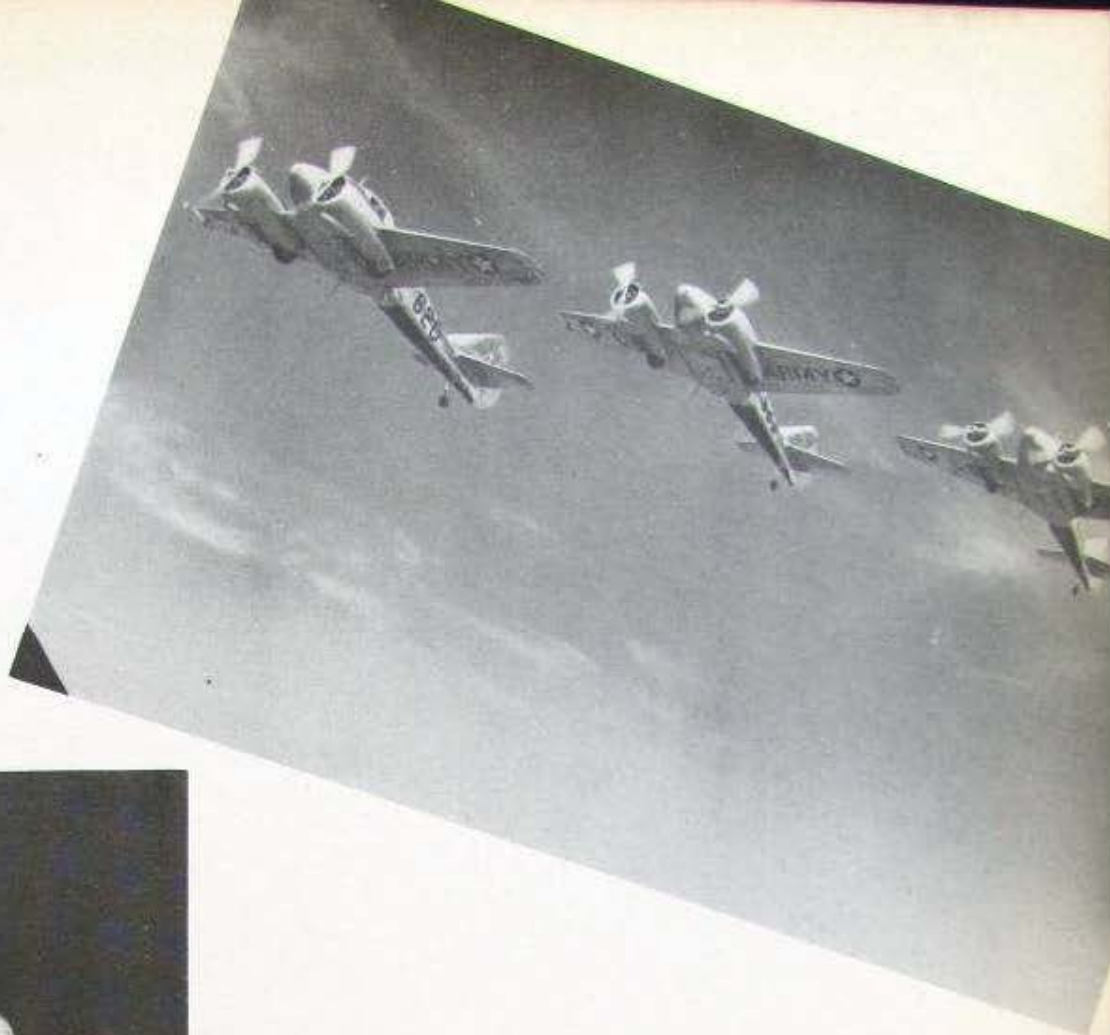


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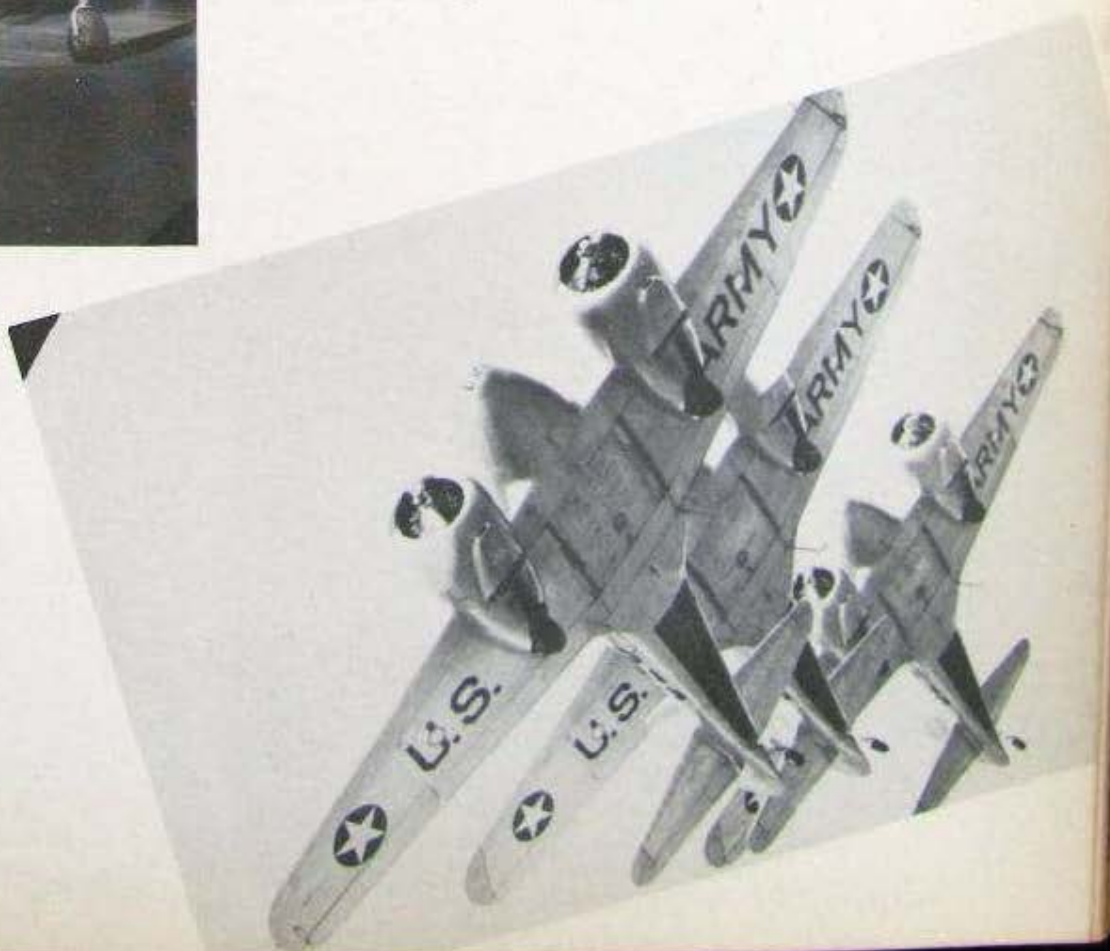


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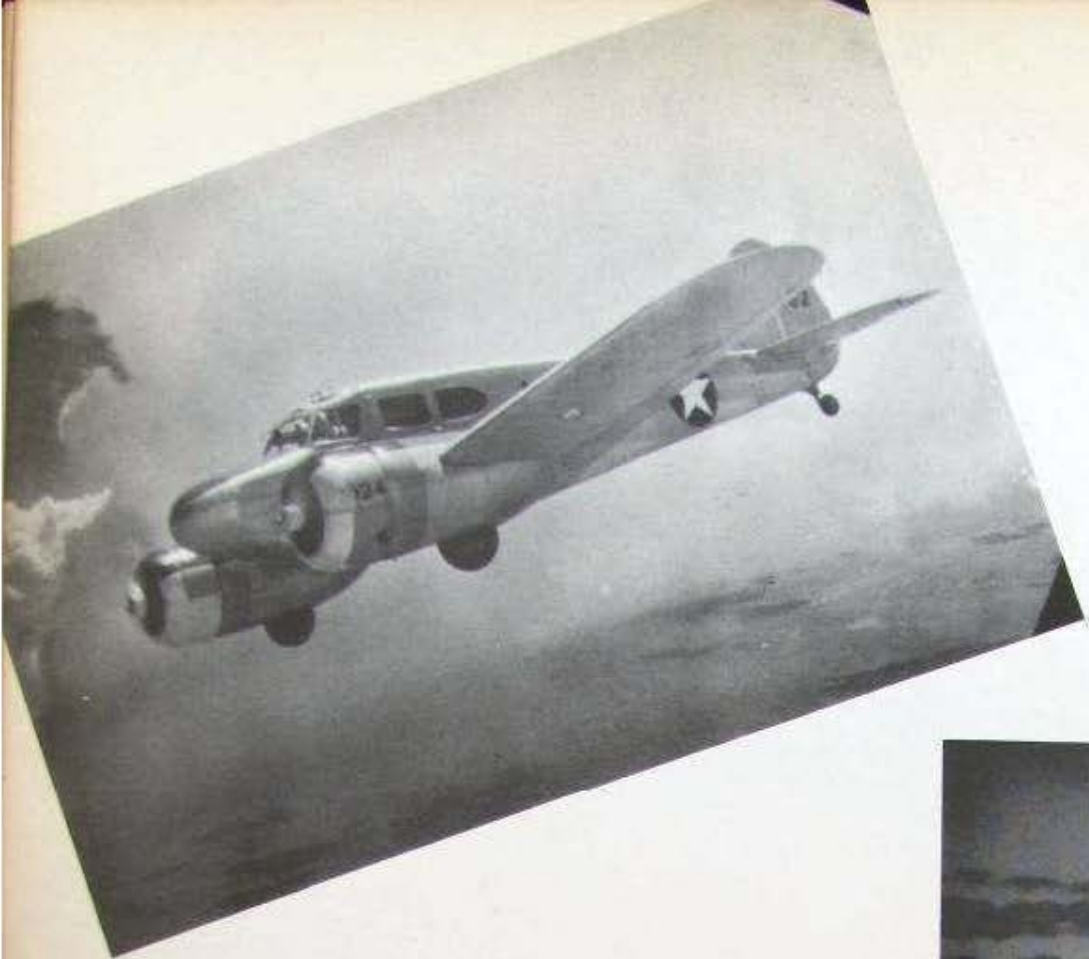
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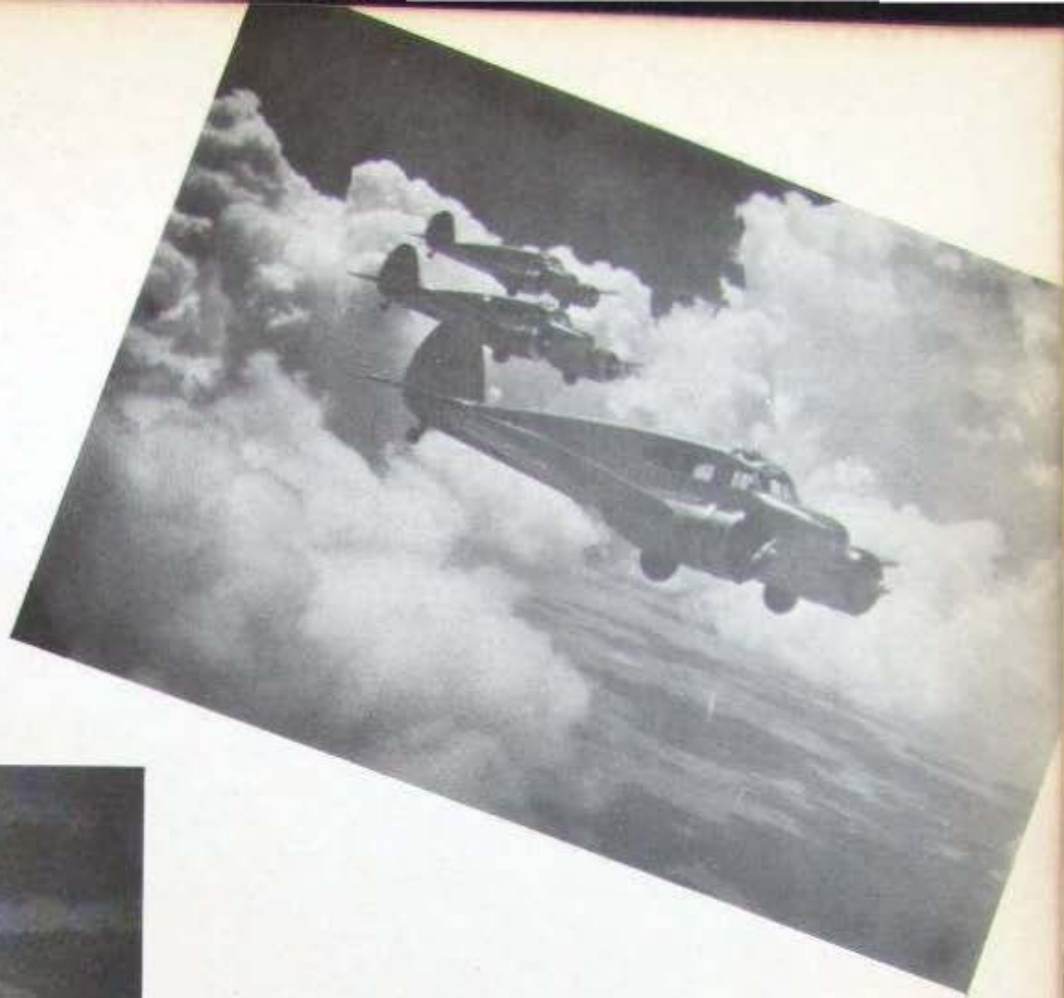


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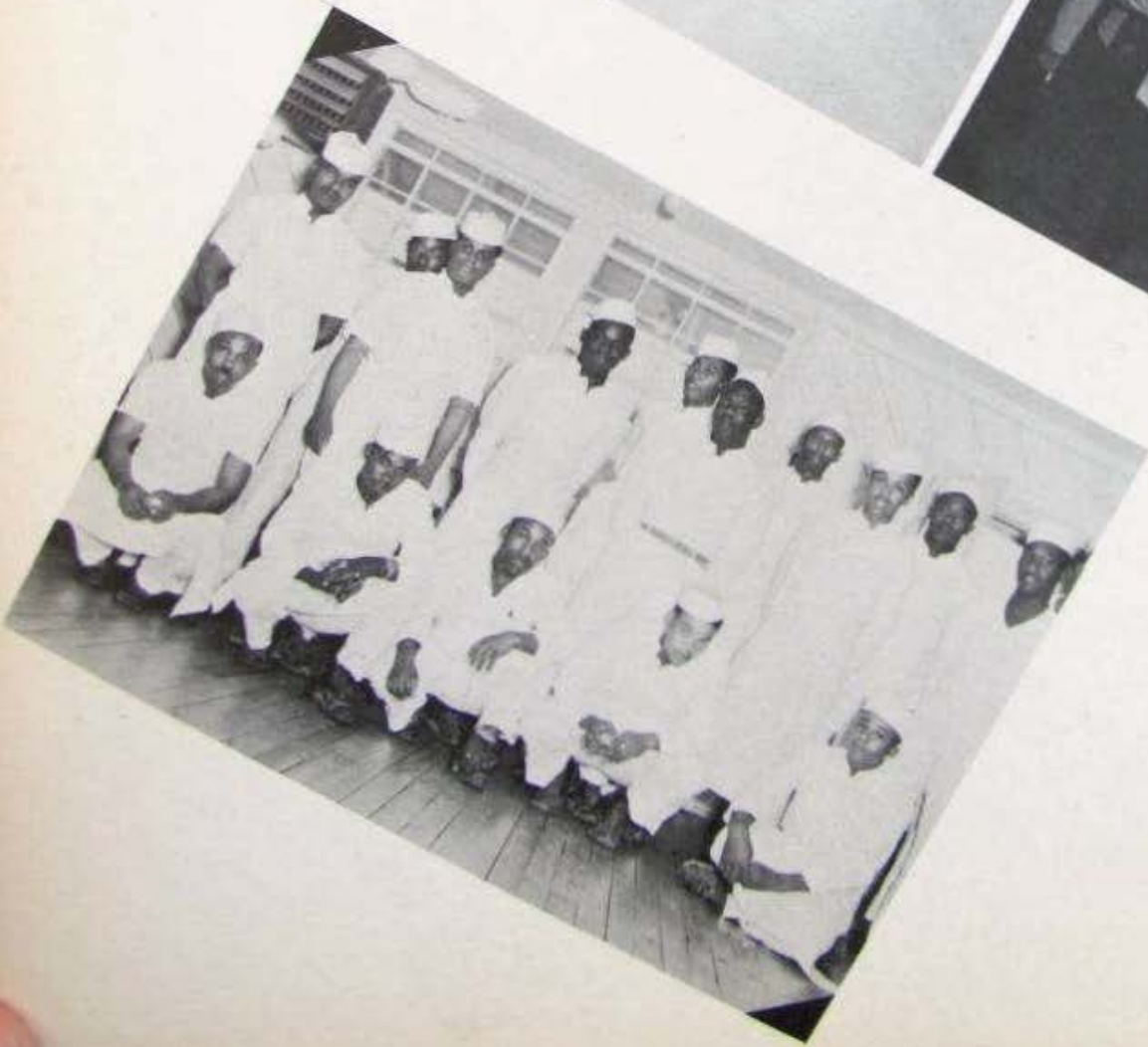


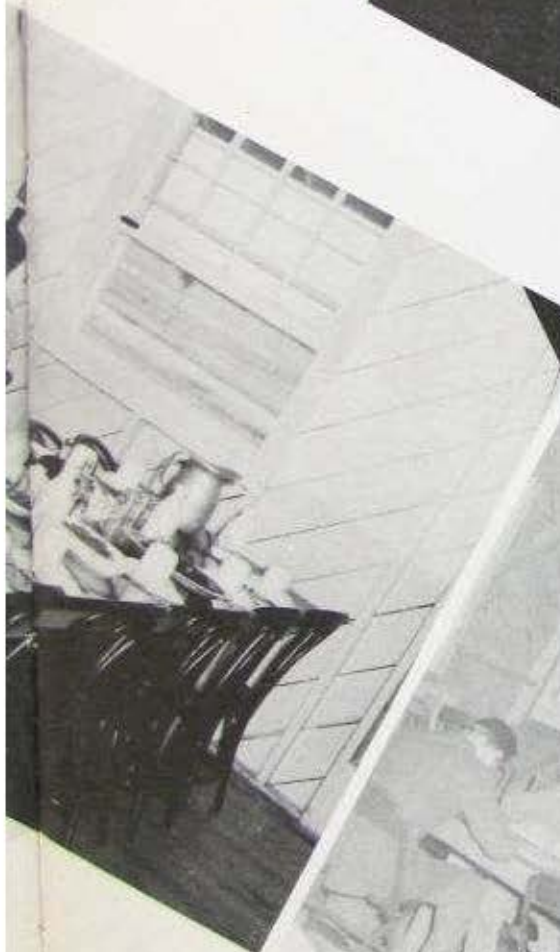
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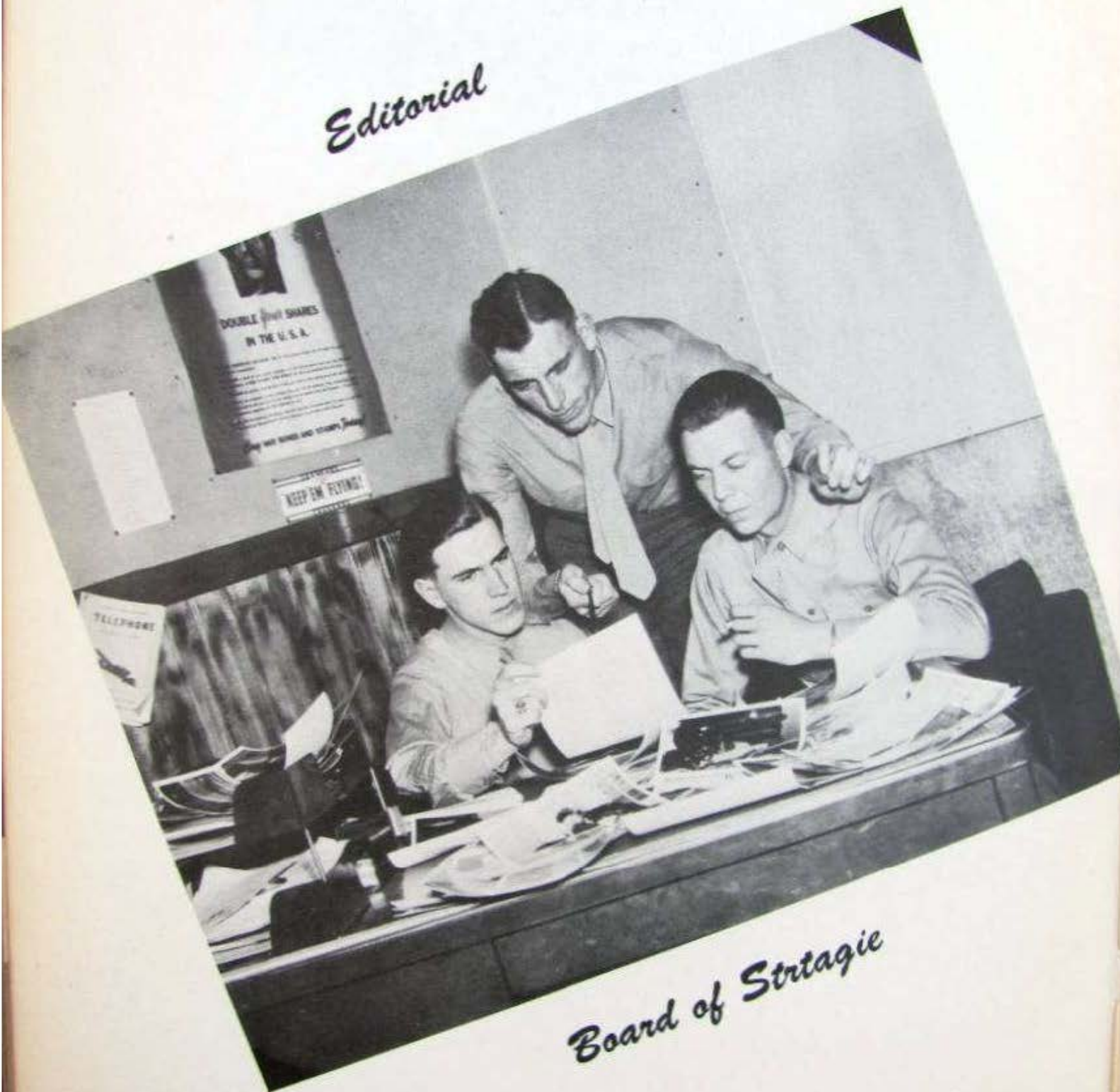


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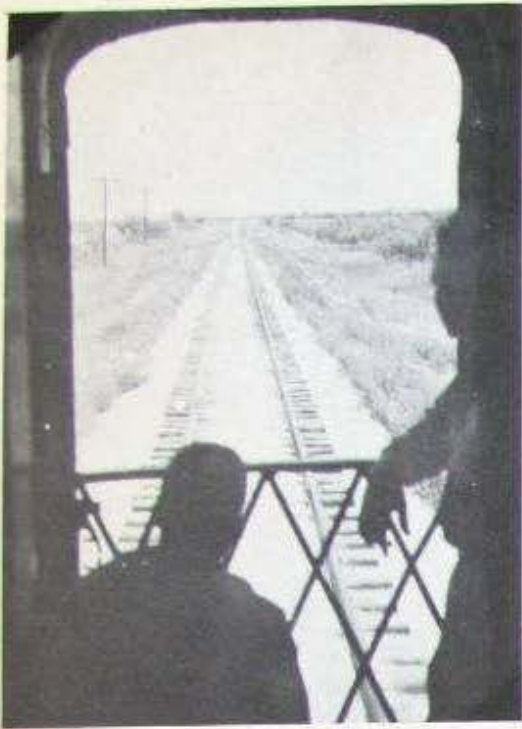


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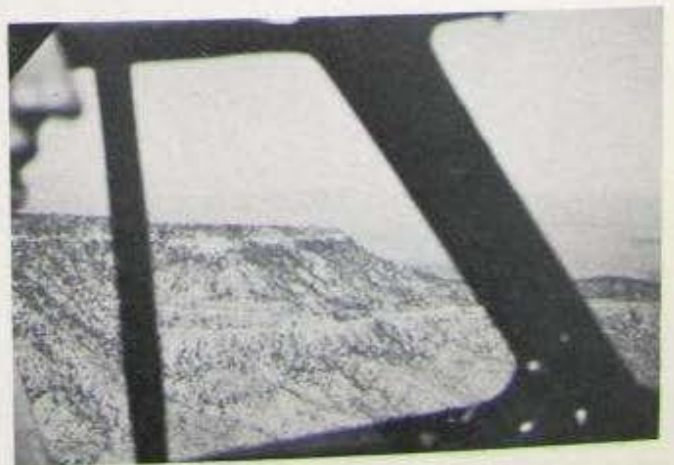
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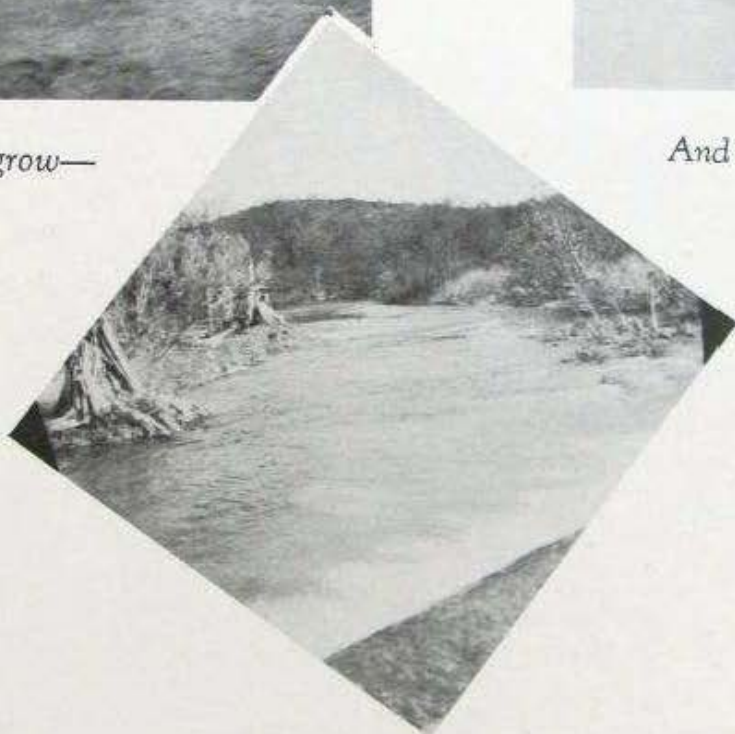
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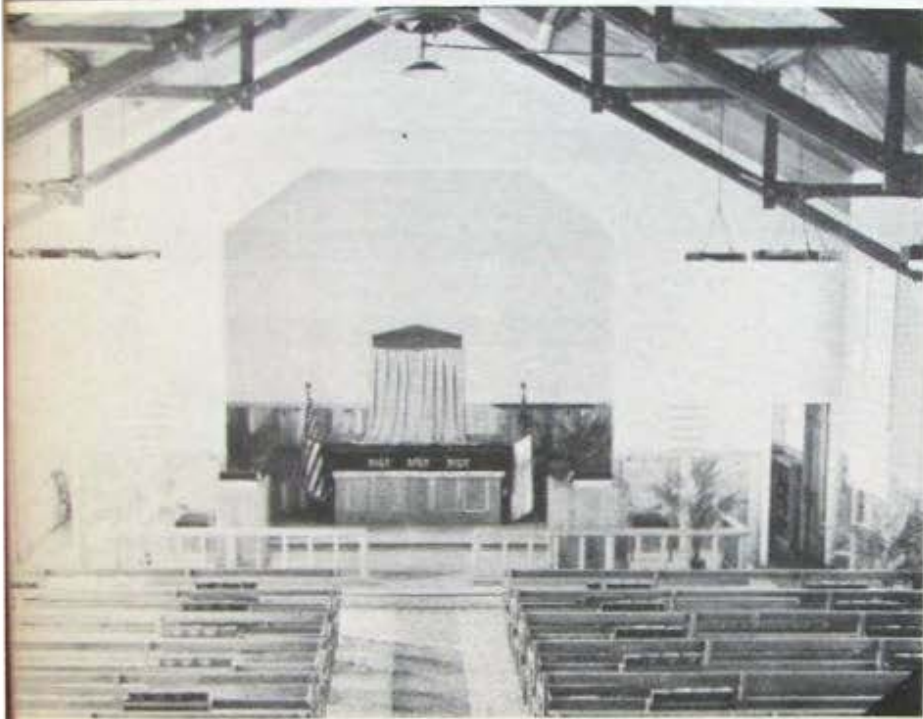
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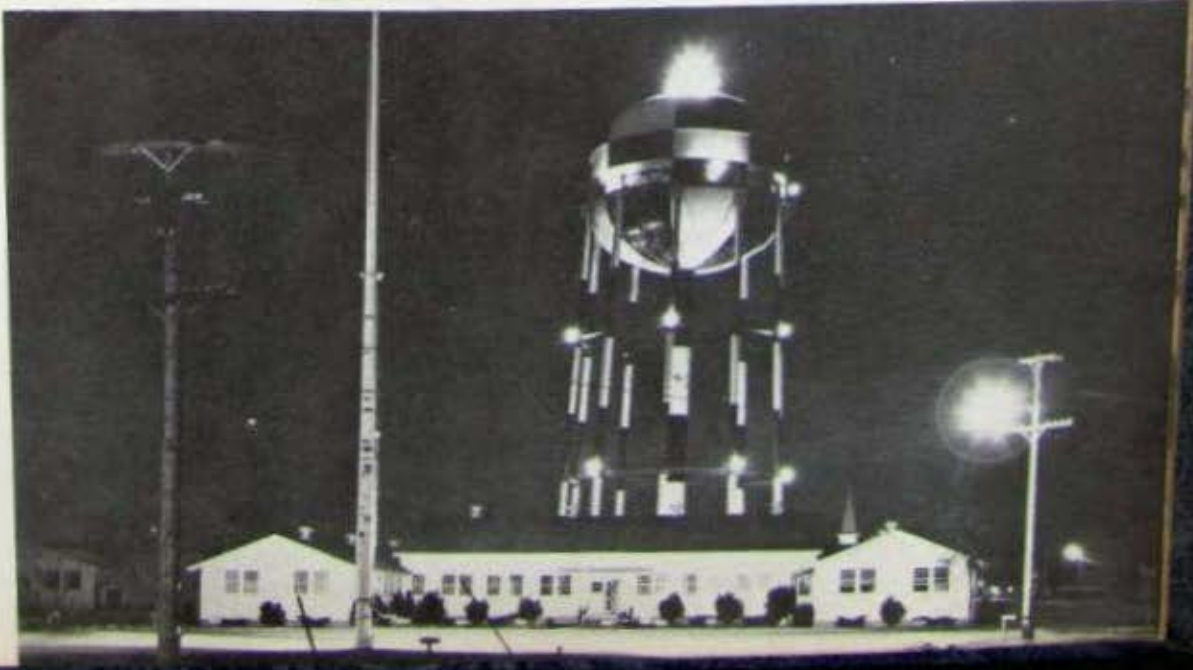


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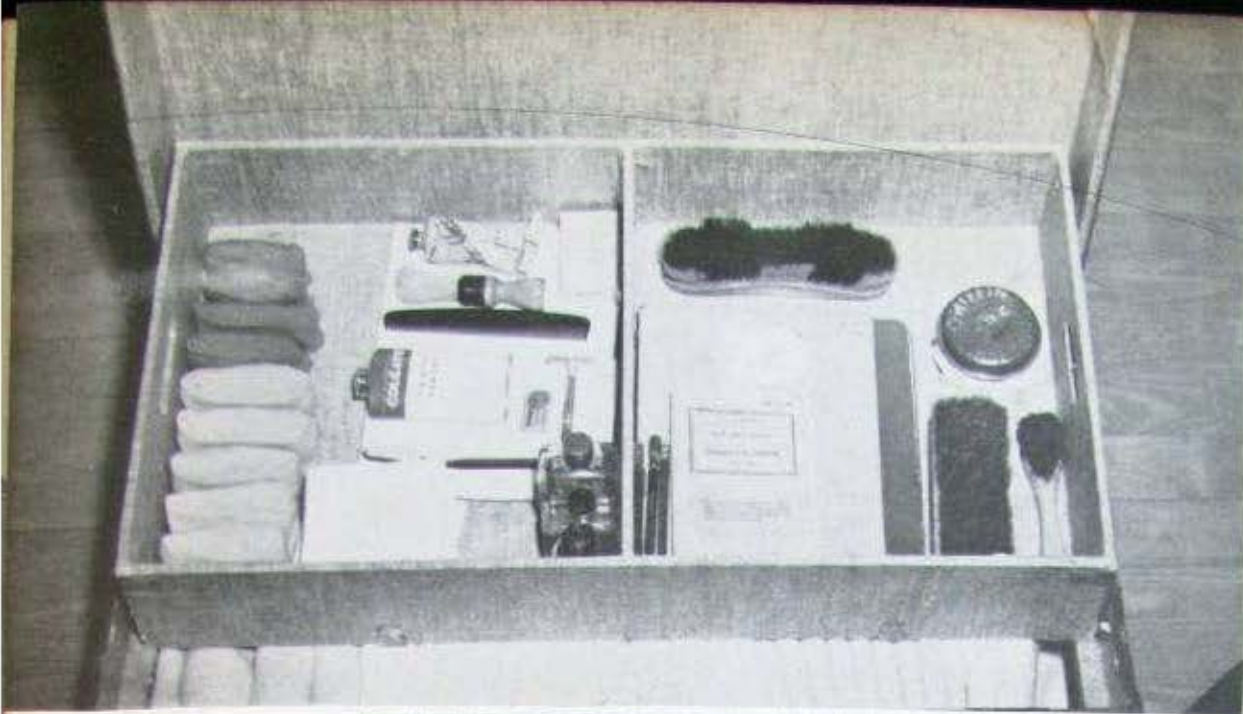
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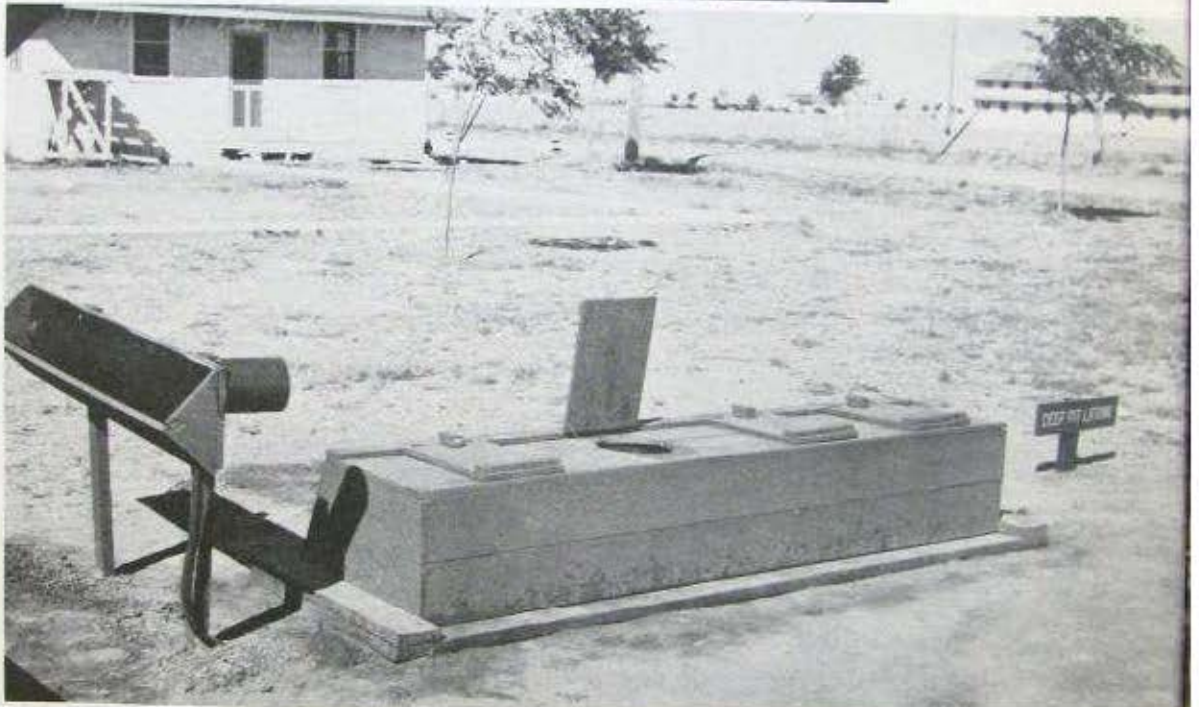
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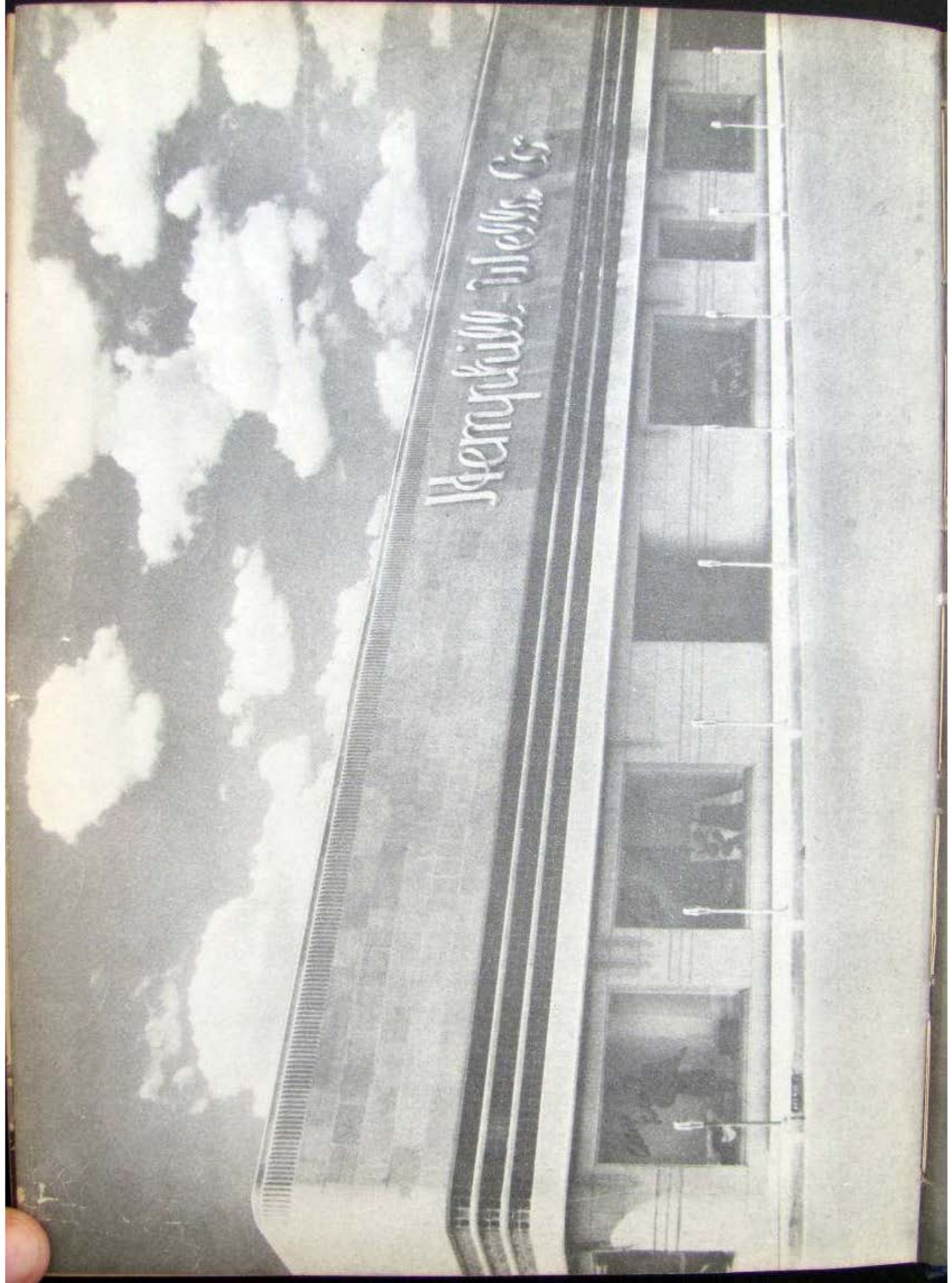


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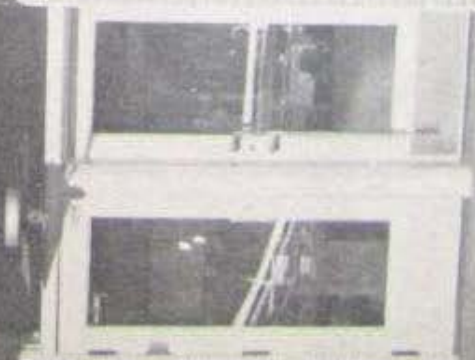
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Wings Ever Aloft



A story must always have a conclusion. And for 44-B, as an official AAF cotillion, this is it.

But, unofficially, it's good to think the story is just barely past the prologue. Though the flesh may be divided, the spirit of 44-B will remain intact. We have been called raunchy and indifferent and a thousand things uncomplimentary and mostly unmeant. Yet mark you well: tomorrow will remember 44-B. It will remember us as the guinea pigs who tried out a new Air Force training program and proved it sound. It will remember us as the men who stuck it out for a whole year and more, doggedly working for those precious wings.

And even more, some day tomorrow will remember us as the guys who weren't afraid to fight, the guys who weren't so raunchy after all when it came to carrying out an assigned mission, when it came to knocking out Axis factories and fortifications and chalking up a few points for freedom. Tomorrow will remember with pride our class.

From here forward it's up to us.





