# PROPRASH

SEQUOIA E I E L D Class 44- E

JANUARY

1944





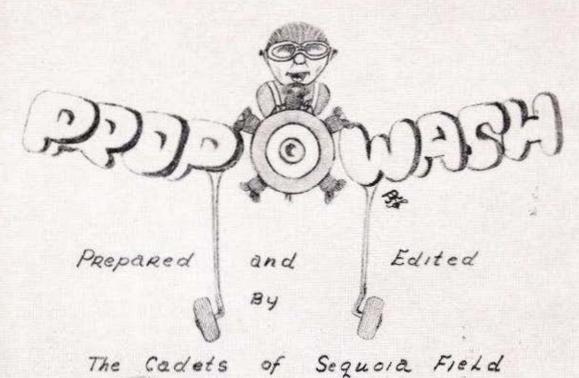


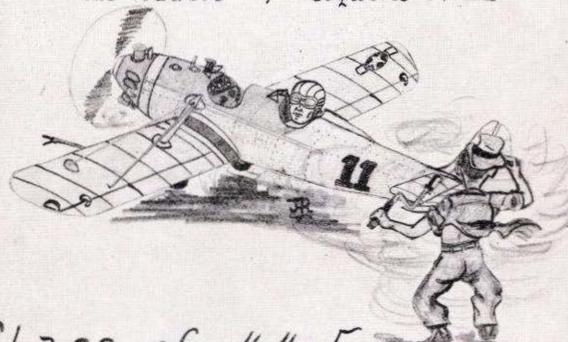
TULARE COUNTY

HISTORICAL LIBRARY

358.4 S

Acc. no. 1141





Chass of 44-E Visabia, California

#### Dedication

When an Aviation Cadet finishes his final check, he is likely to give himself most of the credit for having made the grade. But aside from the small portion of credit due to him, the majority of praise and glory should be given to those anonymous people who are down coaxing those planes to wake up while Joe Kaydet is still enjoying those last blissful hours with Morpheus. Yes, to the men and women of the "line" we the members of Class 44-E dedicate this, our Propwash, with profound thanks for all you've done in helping our pinfeathers grow. It is our humble realization that without your effort and ingenuity, there would have been no "Wild Blue Yonder" for any of us.

J. W. B.



Commanding Officer



MAJOR L. D. DREISBACH

Congratulations to all you men of Class 44-E. This seemingly minor graduation will someday, either during your training or after reaching the battlefronts, be an important factor in your success or failure. Your instructors have endeavored to teach you the basic fundamentals of flying and at the same time mold the habits of good

flying. Remember them in your future work and keep working to develop yourself into a well-trained and well-disciplined soldier—it is you that are being called upon to carry out the orders that will win this war without delay. Good luck.

Major Dreisbach



CAPT. S. K. McGAUGHEY

Now that you have graduated from your training at this station, you are eager and ready to leave for Basic. The officers of the Cadet Detachment have been proud of your work and the excellent spirit you have shown. Your attention to duty and hard work have made an excellent record for you here. We know that Class 44-E will continue this fine work as they go on through the rest of their training.

Capt. S. K. McGaughey



Nine weeks have passed during which it has been my privilege to work with you men: and privilege it was! Very few bouquets were handed out but now that time has come. Your conduct, military bearing. and all around attitude have been excellent under all conditions. Many of you had the "honor" of "pounding the ramp" during your stay here. but each and every man took It on the chin in true Cadel

It's men like you the Allies are depending upon and it's men like you who will carry us to an inevitable victory.

Lt. C. D. Olesen



LT. C. D. OLESEN

#### Administrative Officers







Lt. W. L. Vander Griend



Lt. E. E. Moye



Lt. E. A. Schara

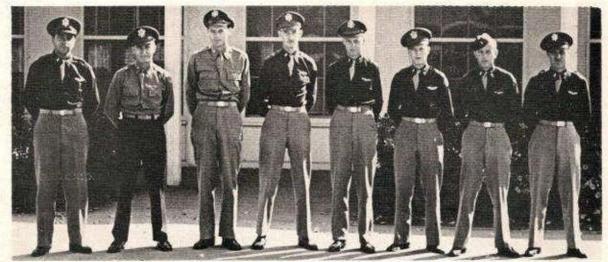


Lt. O. G. Dean, Jr.



Lt. J. M. Zonotti

#### Check Pilots



Left to Right: 1st Lt. Mureset, 2nd Lt. Secrie, 2nd Lt. Peterson, 1st Lt. O'Lecry, 2nd Lt. Allen, 2nd Lt. Nutter, 2nd Lt. Hoyt, 2nd Lt. Davis.

"Grab a chute, mister, we're late." These are the familiar words of the Check Pilots as they daily risk their necks determining our flying ability.

If it's Monday morning and the air is a bit rough you may hear a voice telling you that "This is a check ride, not a sight-seeing trip." "Get that wing up, watch your altitude; I said a two turn spin, not three."

Back on the ground once more, Joe Kaydet drags himself wearily from the gockpit. "That wasn't bad, mister," says the Check Pilot. "Practice those stalls, watch your gliding turns." "See you in about twenty hours."

To these men we offer our sincere thanks for their everlasting patience, and hope that they will indure many more check rides from the do-dos to come.

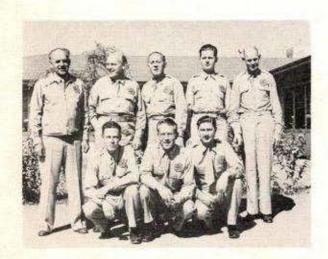


Lt. T. M. Scoggins Air Inspector



Lt. E. I. Murset Director of Training

Politice 6





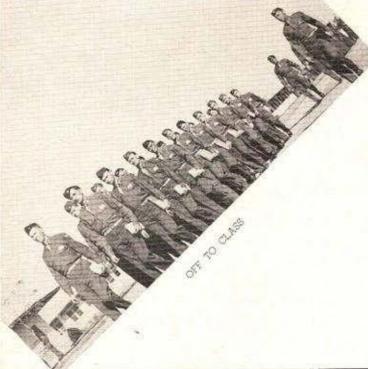
## Ground School

We've all filed into classrooms at CTD, Preflight or before and now we're at Primary and still filing into classrooms. Most of us will admit that regardless of numerous votes of disgust, we know that from good ground schools come good pilots. Regardless of this fact we all need at times, the necessary probing to keep this fact in mind. Behind these stimulants are some of the best friends we have—our instructors. To them we will owe the polish and the technique of efficient pilots.

Sequoia Field has a good ground school; we know it and our instructors know it. They try to keep their standards high not only to satisfy their records, but to turn out men who they can proudly claim as their former students; men who gained their wings not only because their flying efficiency was high, but because their outlooks were broad enough to accept the knowledge handed them.

Justifiably, these men will keep their wings because they used this knowledge wisely.





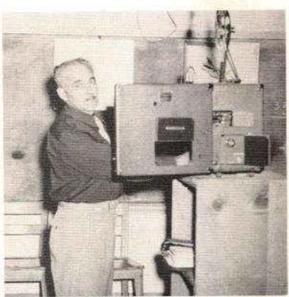
# Ground School



ALL PRESENT



GROUND FLYING



SACK TIME" MOVIES



LET'S GO HOME



## Flight Line Staff

















### Cadet Officers

#### Group No. 1



H. C. ARMOR Captain





A. G. DRUMMOND Group Communder



E. G. COOK Group Adjutant



1. W. DOUGLAS



Wing Commander



J. W. BUNN Captain



M. COSTILLO Adjutant



f. D. QUICK Captain



E. BARMASSE Adjutant



#### Cadet Officers

#### Group No. 2



W. D. FROST Captain





E. McCLAIN Group Commander





R. S. WENZLAW Group Adjutant

B. R. STOUT



Wing Adjutant

JOHN C. NICHOLSON Cuptain





C. D. ZIMMES Adjutont



D. L. BUSMISEL Captain



F. J. POOK Adjutant



# Flight A



Lt. L. R. Downing



## Flight A Instructors



Mr. Rolphs Flight Commander



Asst. Flight Commander



J. D. Lee, Mr. Miller







Mr. Duffy







Leonard F. Bellm "Leonay" Carlinville, Illinois

Frances H. Belmont "H. P." Stockton, California

Ralph W. Bender "Lonesome" Clinton, North Casolina











Jack A. Betourne "Brains" San Diega Califotnia

William G. Blackley, Ir. "The Black" Parkridge, Illinois





Jack G. Brawn "Woodsman" Portland, Oregon



Myron A. Bolser 'Short Stuff' Arma, Kansas



Gottlieb Borgardt
"Doo"
Chicago, Illinois



Ray M. Brandstein 'Keep Jumping' New York City, New York

Frank G. Battersby "Gunner" Chicago, Illinois





Clifford D. Breisford "I'm Thru" Wichita, Kansas



Reuben Brix "Spinner" Culver City, California



Robert E. Brizee "Zoot" Oakland, California



Johnnie B. Benton, Jr. "Blacky" Clinton, North Carolina

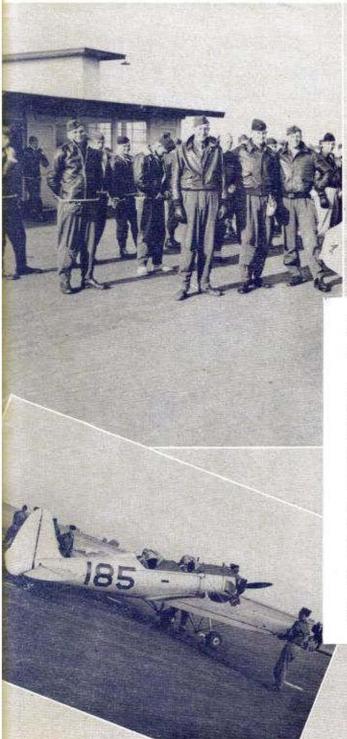




Edmund Barmasse "A. H." Buffalo, New York



Herbert C. Armor "Herb" Mounten, Alabama



#### Distinctions of Flight A

Possessor of the luckiest man in the world, who learned to land a Ryan the hard way . . . A flight that holds its own in all fields including sick call . . Beaming father of all boys . . . Great enthusiasts of a "lapless" PT . . . Athletic and flight formation characterized by that great opus of musical art "Fireball Mail" . . . Most popular tobacco "Mail Pouch" . . . Fond remembrance of double time on the flight line . . . Several who plucked the golden fruit, as in the days of "All Baba" . . .

## Flight B

Flight Lieutenant William F. Clutterham "Willy" Los Angeles, California



Lt. J. Knudsen Jr.

Corporal Jene W. Carl "Monto" Big Timber, Montana





Flight Lieutenant Wade C. Collier "Collie" Brooktield, Missouri

George N. Chaffin, Jr. "Bubbles" Poynor, Texas

Flight Sergeant Edward E. Budzinski "Clam" Erie, Pennsylvania

Corporal Ferdinand C. Christ "Shoot Five" Areadia, Wisconsin

#### Flight B Instructors



MR. OWEN
Asst. Flight Commander
MR. TELLER
Flight Commander



MR. LA HUE, MR. CAMPBELL



G. B. ELDRIDGE, G. B. RICHARDS



N. R. MOORE, W. M. DALTON



A. KEVORKIAN, D. P. DILLINGHAM



MR. JONES



MRS, RAY, Disputcher



D. Edward Matlock "Oke" Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Daniel Marcos "Sonny Boy" Oakland, California

Kenneth W. Mallison "Shorty" Mankato, Minnesota











Ned W. McKinney "Ants" Chicago, Illinois

Roy J. Maier Tyrone" North Hollywood, California



Henry C. Meier "Hank" St. Louis, Missouri



Lucian L. Micek "Hot Pilot" Clumbius, Nebruska



Howard O. Mills "Gigs" Beilingham, Washington



Benjamin F. Miner "The Mole" Evanston, Illinois







Clarence Mooneyham, Jr.
"Moe the Rebel"
Chattaneoga, Tennessee



Paul D. Morgan "Big Dog" Minneapolis, Minnesota



Jack Fitzgerrell Munson "Short Stutt" Los Angeles, California



Richard A. Mueller "Dick" Salem, Oregon





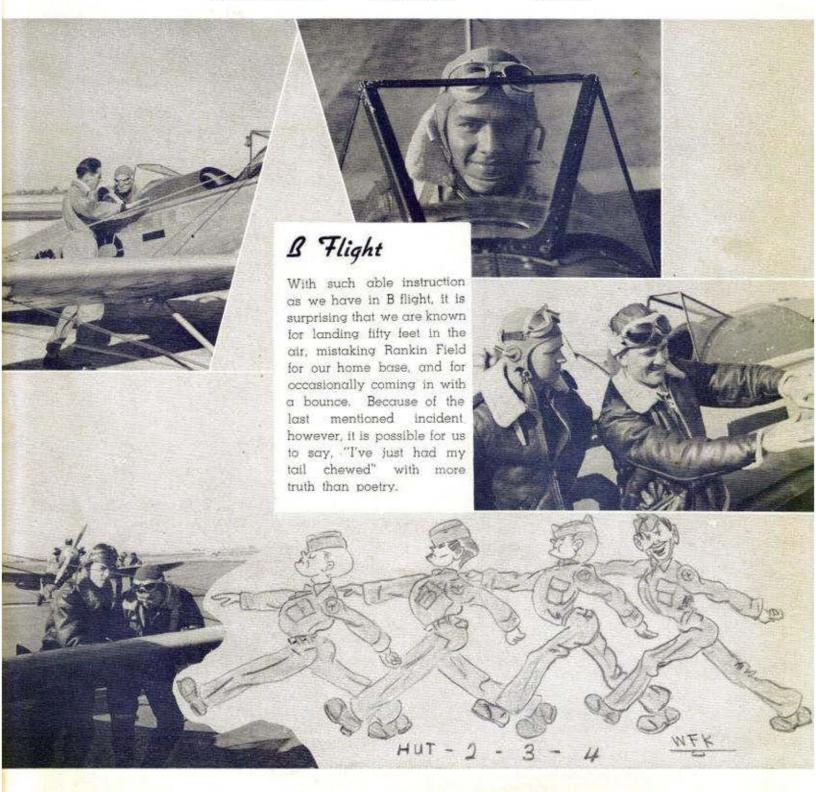
Cecil George Cardiff "Slim" Santa Rosa, California



Everett Crofford Caudel "Wyo. Kid" Glenda, Wyoming



Robert R. Coffey "Java" Euroka, Utah



Flight Lieutenant Joseph H. Beall "loe" Wenatchee, Washington

Corporal Jack Wells Dennis "Crooner" Richmond, California

Corporal
William L. Craig
"Dead Stick"
Barstow, California





Flight Lioutenant Raymond John Fitts "Fitt" San Francisco, California



First Sergeant Jemes Graham Davis "Don Juan" Baldwyn, Mississippi



Flight Sergeant
Roy R. Everingham
"Evy"
San Diego, California



Flight Sergeont Colomon H. Durnell, Jr. "Pink Slip" Luredo, Texas

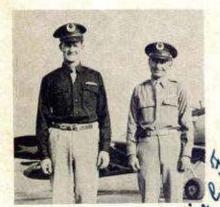
Corporal Thomas K. Follis "Slim" Glendale, California

Corporal Wallace J. Duffy "Hungry" Anabeim, California

#### Flight C Instructors



MR. HEWSON MR. DE BARRY Flight Commander Asst. Flight Commander



MR. NOLAN, MR. FOWLIE



F. L. THOMAS



MR. BILTON, MR. WATTERS



MR. GROVE, MR. WEILSING



MR. CARTER, MR. STONE



MR. JONES Dispatcher



La Velle E. Derhammer "Drophammer" Puente, California

Robert B. Dieterich "Deadwood" Elgin, Illinois

Edward Doporcyk "Shorty" Chicago, Illinois











Kenneth M. Droney "Rabbit" Eric, Pennsylvania

Donald B. Drought "Brownie" Milwaukee, Wisconsin





Archie G. Drummond, Jr.
"Bulldog"
Chicago, Illinois



Maurice E. Dry "Tex" "Roby, Texas



Patrick J. Duffy "Sleepy" Los Angeles, California



Howard W. Duncan "Dankey" Hammond, Indiana







Joseph D. Duryea "Farmer" Erie, Pennsylvania



Benjamin B. Dutton "Flape" Hagerstown, Maryland



Charles H. Enfield "Chuck" Des Moines, Iowa



Robert E. Evons "Downwind" Edmund, Wisconsin





David T. Davidson "Chewed Out" Milan, Texas







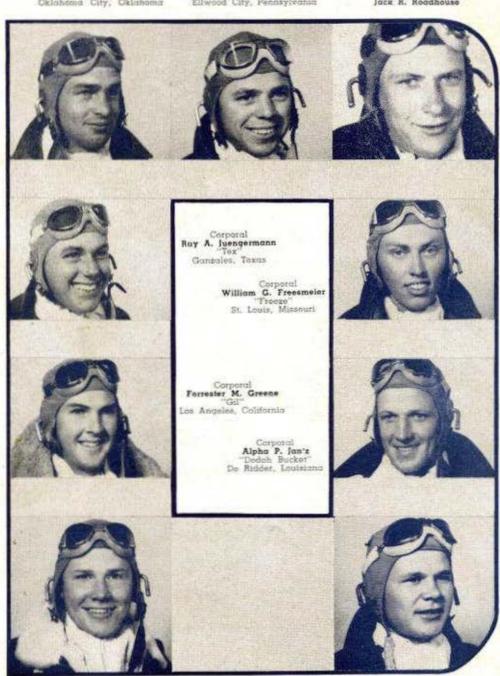
# Flight D



Lt. Luther Myers, Jr.

Flight Lieutenant Charles A. Hudgens "Funny" Oklahoma City, Oklahoma First Sergeant
Stanley J. Kardish
"Sunshine"
Ellwood City, Pennsylvania

Flight Lieutenant Jack R. Roadhouse



Flight Sergeant Henry L. Herman "Hank" Warsaw, Missouri

Flight Sergeant Henry S. Juren "Sweety Pie" Fairfield, Texas

#### Flight D Instructors



MR. HAGLUND DON BRAY
Flight Commander Asst. Flight Commander



C. L. HAMILTON

MR. SWANK



MR. DE BRUN



MR. MALETTE, MR. MURRAY



MR. SILE, MR. SCOTTO



H. E. BROWN, MR. MEYER



MR. SCHMITT Dispatcher



Harold C. Green "Cowboy" Sheridan, Wyomine

Ralph G. Grant Ziggy" Dayton Ohio

Robert L. Grainger "Punk" Santa Paula, California











Buford D. Greer Pete Denver, Colorado

Bobby D. Graham "Doug" Tafi California





Roland L. Guerin "Slick" New Orleans, Louisland



Frank A. Guraedy, Jr. "Geronimo" West Monroe, Louisiana

Alvin G. Hazlett "Tick" Glazier, Texas



Eugene L Haddix "Ace" Partland, Oregon



Thomas J. Hali "Shorty" Huntington Park, California



Richard R. Hartley "Little Stump" Northeast, Pennsylvania





Edward H. Hambrook "Basil" Spokane, Washington



Milford R. Hammond "Chipmunk" Erie, Pennsylvania



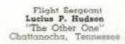
William B. Hawke, Jr. "Old Shoe" New York City, New York





# Flight &

First Sergeant Eldon L. Larson "Lars" Tulelake, California





Corporal
Theodore E. Leete
"Teddy"
Crescent City California

Corporal William F. Morris, Jr. "Skinny" Topeka, Kansas



Flight Lieutenant William A. Meyer "Uncle Bill" La Crosse, Wisconsin



P. R. Bants Warrant Officer (J.G.) F Flight



Flight Lieutenant
R. O. Smith
"Smity"
Baseman, Montana





### Flight & Instructors



MR. McGINNIS Flight Commander



K. J. CAHILL, J. B. TRAIN



F. J. JOHNSON MR. EMMINEGGER Flight Commander Asst, Flight Commander



MR. TODD, MR. HUFF



MR. MESSICK, MR. PIKI





MR. WENTZ



MR. KEOGH, REX TEIG



MR. BEALS



David F. Carlock "Flip" Kansus City, Missouri

Keith E. Carnie "King" Kansas City, Missouri

Dean E. Carpenter "Carp" Beatrice, Nebraska











Durant F. Carpenter "Stump" Williamsport, Pennsylvania

Robert N. Cash "Dinney Bob" Elgin, Illinois





Manuel Castille, Ir. "How You Was" San Antonio, Texas



Orville W. Cavins "Cheese" Tulsa, Oklahama



Roy E. Chaddock "Curley" South Haven, Michigan



Seymour Chanenson "Cheesy" Chicago, Rinois







Orrin R. Christianson "Christy" South Belott, Illinois



Joseph R. Clark
"Sleepy"
College Station, Texas



Joseph W. Clarke "Dan'i Boone" Rediands, California



Lawrence W. Coffey, Jr.
"Dude"
Phoenix, Arizona





i.d erd M. McQuillan "Seabiscuit" Bookiya, new York



David O. Page "Pagey" Durham, New Hampshire



john Calleway Nicholson, Jr. "Nick" jackson, Mississippi



# Flight F

Flight Sergeant George R. Thomas "Cizco" San Diego, California

Flight Sergeant Kenneth D. Woods "Sad Sack" San Diego, California



Carporal Francis H. Snyder "Sheriff" Placerville, California





Corporal
William G. Robinson
"Logger"
Salem, Oregon



Flight Lioutenant Thomas H. Steger "Tripod" Huntington Park, California



LT. W. A. SAFERITE E Flight

### Flight F Instructors



MR. LAGOMARSMING

MR. CHENOWITH Assistant Flight Commander



MR. MACDONALD

MR. BOWER



MR. TARBETT, MR. MORRISON



MR. KIFER, MR. GREGORY



MR. PALMQUIST



MR. ARNOLD, MR. SAITMARSH



MR. RAY Dispatches



Gerald L. Simmons
"Jerry"
Minneapolis, Minnesota

Albert G. Trost, Jr.
"Al"
Hildreth, Nebruska

Howard P. Trimpe "Little Goon" Havana, Illinois

Joseph E. Tomes
"Injun Joe"
Chicago, Illinois









Hiram L. Smith Soufty" Dallas, Texas

Dale H. Swett
"Red"
South Passdena, California



Theron A. Smith, Ir. "Trim Tab" Paimer, Alaska



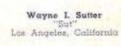
Willis P. Smith "Weakend Willy" San Diego, California



William J. Snare "Love Sick" Oklahoma City, Oklahoma



Christo N. Spire "Pappy" Burbank, California







Robert T. Spurgin
"Gopher Ir."
Minneapolis, Minneasota



George W. Stockdale "Ace" Crawfordsville, Indiana



Clarence Stoub
"Cookies"
Chicago, Illinois



Ben R. Stout. Ir. "Yankee" Oklahoma City, Oklahoma





Earl E. Zieman "Timid" Beaver Dam, Wisconsin



Charles D. Zimmer "Any Letters?" Santa Ana, California



John Henry Rutherford "Jack" Yakima, Washington



#### 7 Flight

Flying was generally drab before the solo. That man was up in front making the controls stiff on londing, saving the takeoff innumerable times. Came the solo and flying became what you wanted it to, colorful. You had to remember that its only he who carries his head where he shouldn't, who levels off at 50 feet and doesn't go around.

Your decision to do your first sole spin was like the announcers version of a boxing match. He's up, he's down, no he's up, then down you went and surprisingly enough you pulled out okey, with the exception of an occasional secondary.

Precision is what they want and some had the wrong conception of precision. Like the cadet who asked his instructor if timing his banks in "S" turns with a stop watch would help.

They were not so precise as the incident in which the instructor asked his cadet several times if he liked the slow roll he had just exhibited and then turned around and stared into an empty cockpit.—Yes, it opened.



DOLLAR RIDE

MAKING HIS "ROUNDS"











"Ground School"-By Gilbert





Crank Packing "Pop"



Headed for Civilization



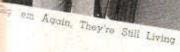






Ye Old Stoker







Thank You, Dear Lord, I'll Take Over Now

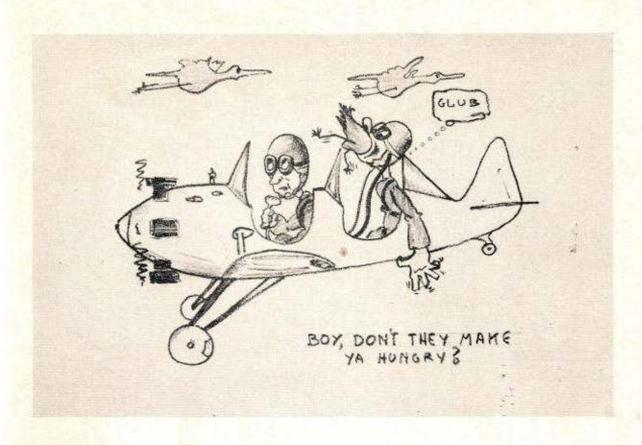


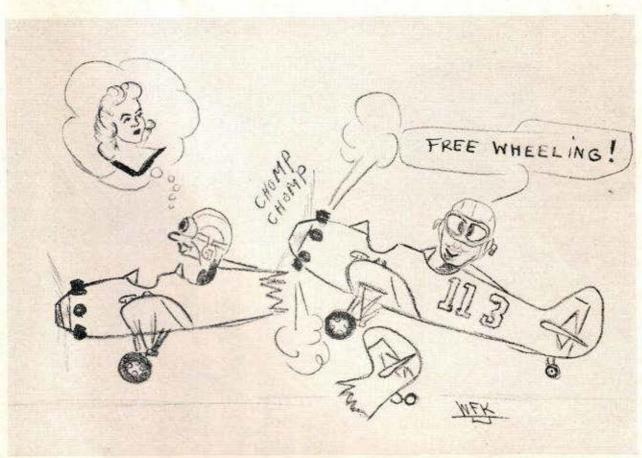
"T. S." Cord Punchers











## Hospital



Captain E. W. Gans

Are you nervous, irritated, airsick or chaffed? Are you tired of drilling, sick of P. T., or just hard to fly with? If you have experienced any of these ailments, you are doubtless one of the better cronies of Capt. Gans and Lt. Roath.

Occasionally there is a legitimate case before the doctors. Usually, however, the sick list is loaded with those who are lonely for Marilyn's smile, or else they are trying to get their thirty thousand dollars in pills. More than likely they will wind up by logging a few hours with the Bismuth can trying to get rid of the G. I. s. The good doctors' humor is as well known as their profound medical knowledge, and the fact that there are so few real cases in the sick book is indeed a tribute to them.





CAPT. CHARLES F. BRUCE

The day has finally arrived! It seemed a long way off when you came to Sequoia in November. During these weeks many new and exciting experiences have come to you. But they mark only another step toward that final goal—your wings.

You may recall the challenge given to you during your first week here when you were asked to work hard, play fair and square, and to give your best, all in the interests of becoming pilots. Take this challenge with you to Basic.

Our prayers and thoughts go with each one of you. May strength, courage and faith be yours when duty calls. The Blessing of God be with you.

CHARLES F. BRUCE Chaplain (Capt.)



#### Athletics



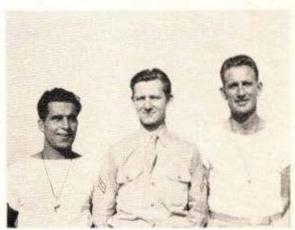
If America's battles are won on its playing fields, the war would end tomorrow if our enemies could witness a speedball game here at Sequoia Field. This and other forms of merry mayhem and hilarious hari-kari are carried on under the able supervision of Lt. Twombly. His duties consist largely of counting the number of warm bodies left on the field after each fracas, in order to determine the winning team.

The typical P. T. period begins with a few dozen bending grunts led by one of the enlisted groan artists, while the Knight of the Wrenched Spine dreams up the slow death of the day. If his plan is not yet hatched at the end of this period, a few screaming laps around the area will give him more time. To call what follows a massacre would be a slight exaggeration, but even the most muscle-bound meathead will admit that it is strictly non-habit forming.

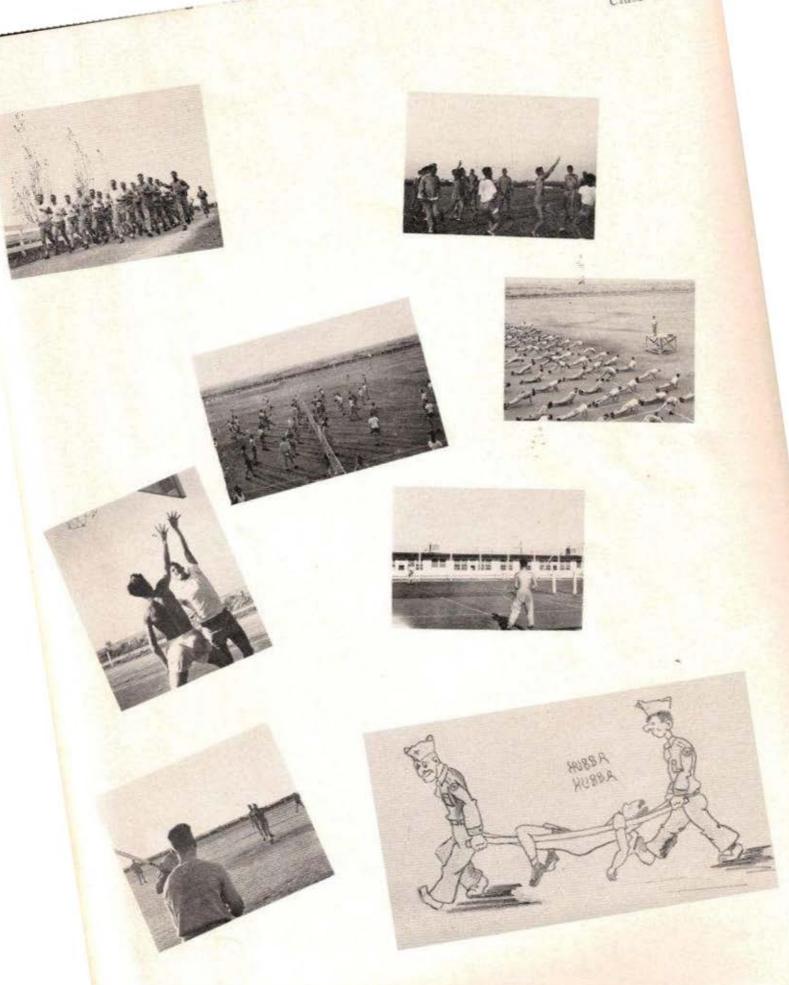
As a few feeble "Agonies" penetrate the foul morning mist and we force our weary frames toward the barracks, it is hard to believe that we can possibly maintain the Lieutenant's record of having the cadets leave Sequoia Field in much better shape than they were when they arrived. We are sure, however, that with our faces gnarled, our backs twisted, and our legs buckling beneath us, "Fate cannot haim us for we have had P.T. for this day."



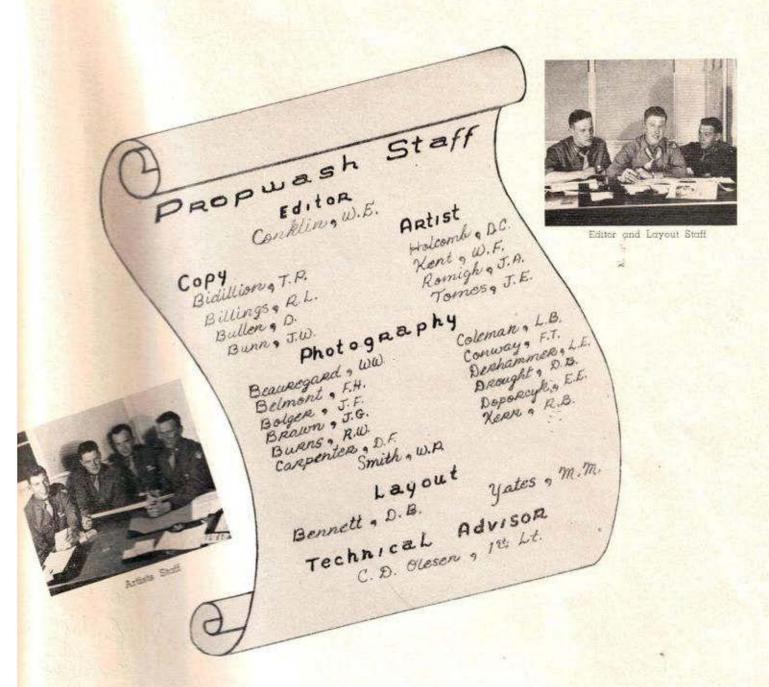
LT. JAMES B. TWOMBLY



Sgt. Bakjian, Cpl. Herzman, Sgt. Feltrop









Photography Staff



Copy Staff

## Personnel Commandants' Cadet Office

Here are pictured the army and civilian personnel of Sequoia Field. Their jobs vary from seeing to it that we are the best fed fliers in the world, to recording our time in a Ryan or a Link. Some of them, we see once a month in the pay line, while we see others of them once a week during the Easter egg hunt on the ramp.



Mrs. Felegy

Many of them are entirely occupied by recording our efforts while we are here.

It seems fitting that they should be pictured on the last page, since they will finish our records and send them on to Basic after we have gone. We hope that they have less trouble recording our training than we had in accomplishing it.





## In Memoriam



WENDELL F. KENT Portland, Oregon December 26th, 1943

"Up, up the long delirious burning blue
I've topped the wind-swept heights
with easy grace
Where never lark, or even eagle, flew,
And while the silent, lifting mind I've trod
The high unirespassed sanctity of space,
Put out my hand, and touched
the face of God."

John Magee RAF

