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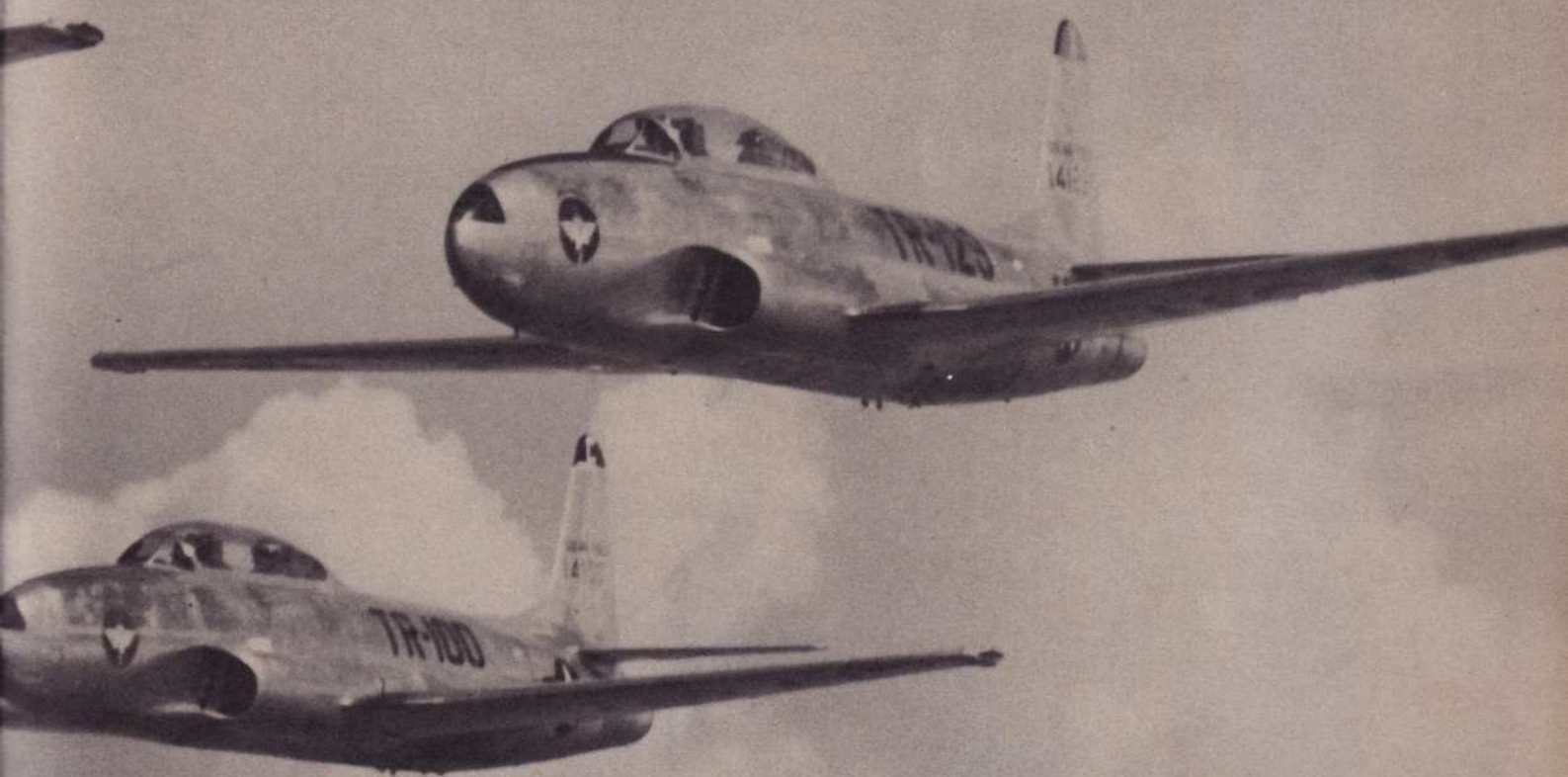
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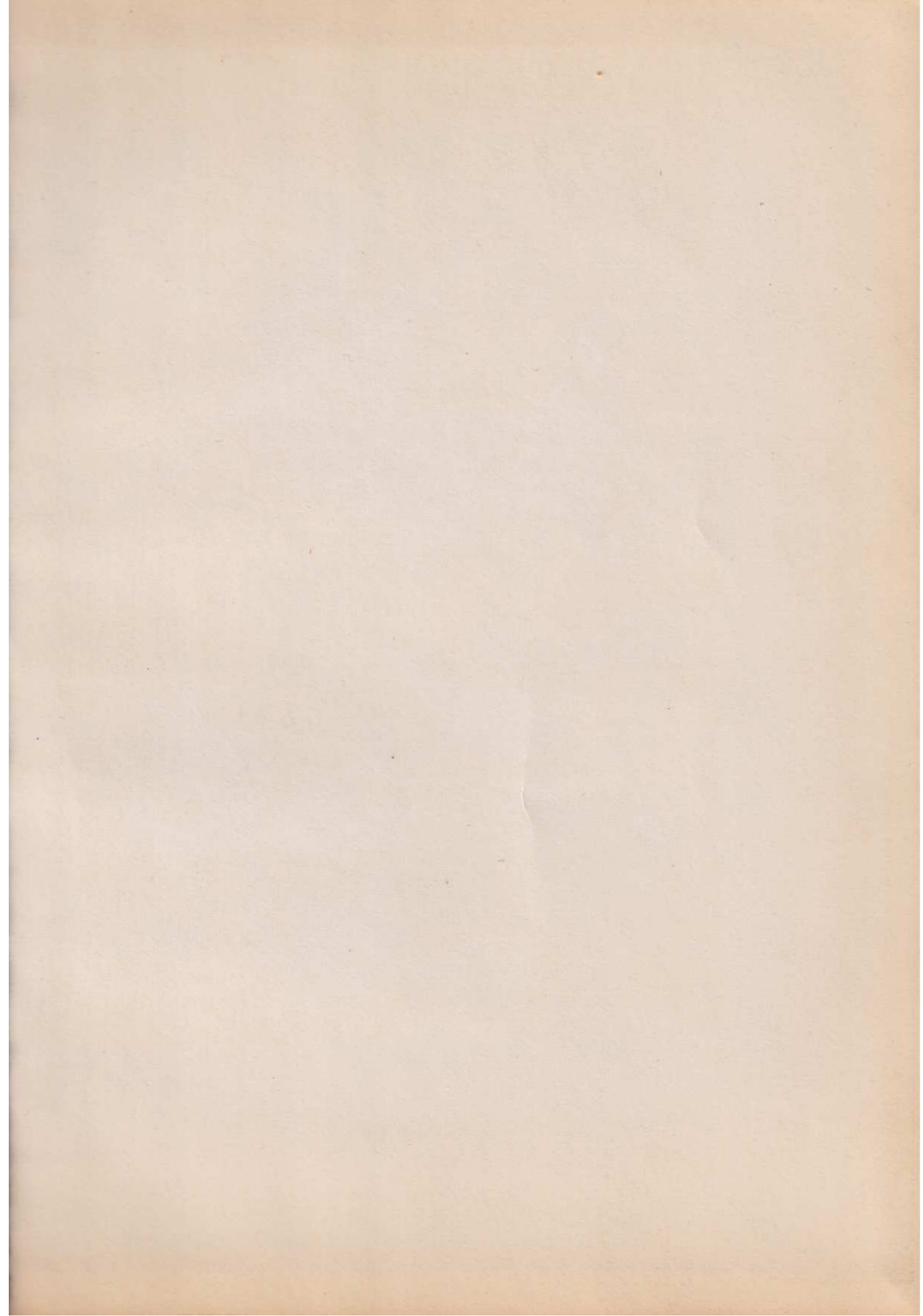














CLASS 55-B



BRYAN AIR FORCE BASE  
Jet Fighter School





COLONEL JAMES A. GUNN III  
3530th Pilot Training Wing Commander  
Bryan AFB, Texas



**HEADQUARTERS**  
**3530TH PILOT TRAINING WING (Bsc SE)**  
**BRYAN AIR FORCE BASE**  
**BRYAN, TEXAS**

**12 October 1954**

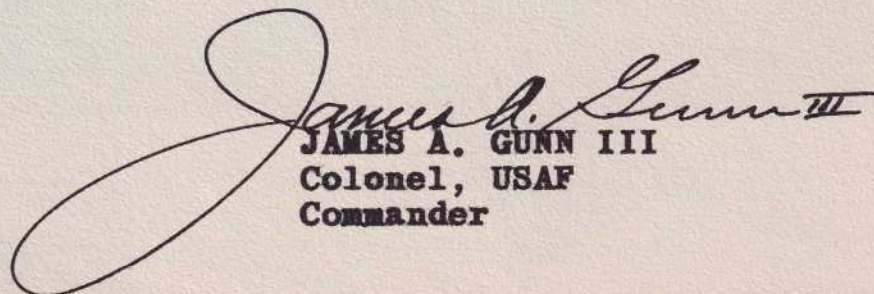
**SUBJECT: Letter of Congratulations**

**TO: Graduates of Class 55-B**  
**3530th Pilot Training Wing (Bsc SE)**  
**Bryan Air Force Base**  
**Bryan, Texas**

1. I offer you, the graduates of Class 55-B, my sincere congratulations upon your successful completion of the basic single-engine jet pilot training school at Bryan Air Force Base. To have been able to endure the rigid training you have undergone truly sets you apart from the average American and Allied youth. Even though at times you might have been discouraged and felt possibly that your training was devoid of value, it has given you the power to overcome circumstances which will ultimately test the mettle in you.

2. As you leave Bryan Air Force Base I charge you to stand firm with one conviction and one vision in mind--that you, as a member of the United States Air Force, the greatest fighting team in the world, must remain staunch to insure that we maintain general air supremacy; always with the vision of a free world, because "where there is no vision the people perish."

3. May God be with you.

  
**JAMES A. GUNN III**  
**Colonel, USAF**  
**Commander**





Bryan Air Force Base Chapel



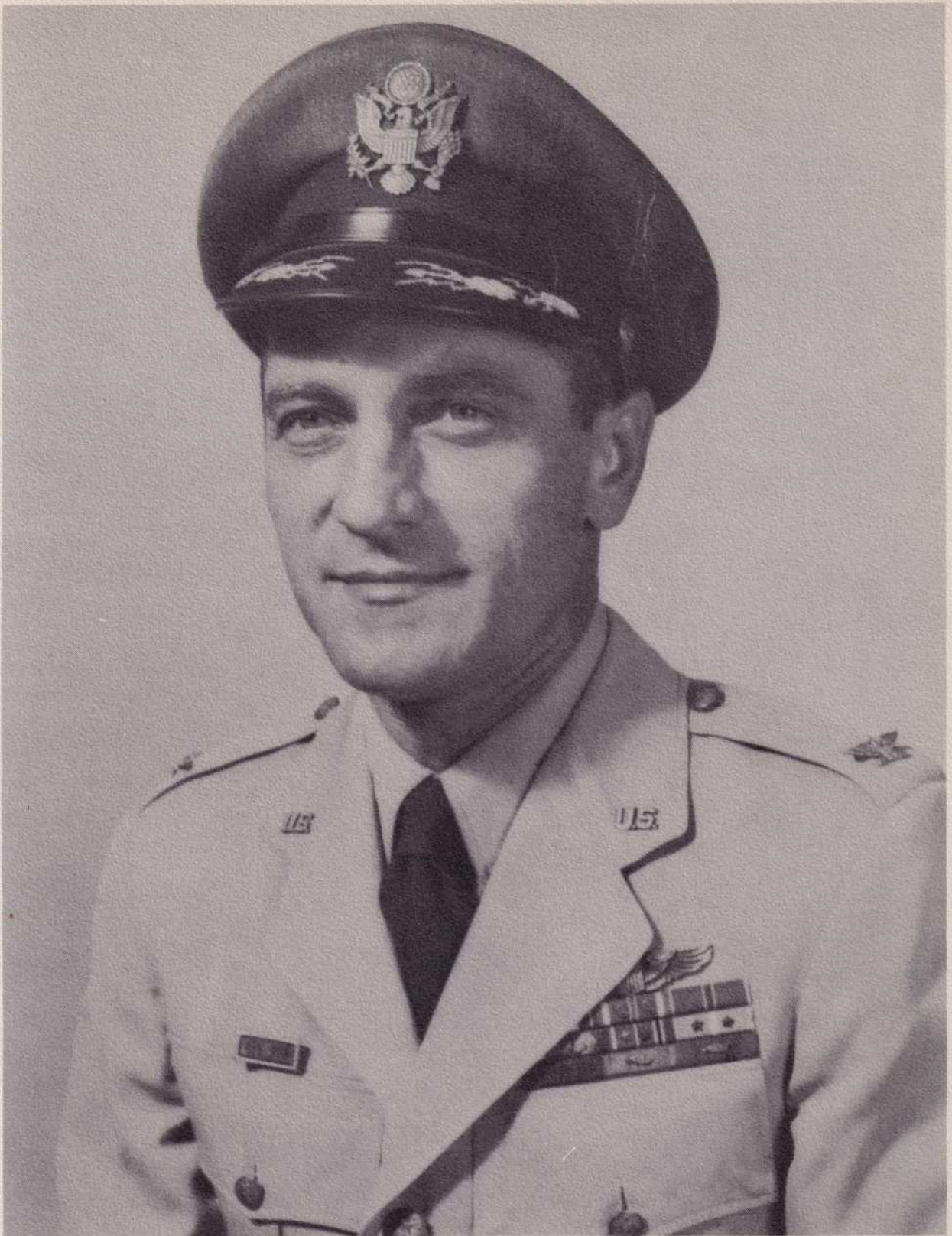
CAPT. CARL D. MORCHEAD

Lord, guard and guide the men who fly  
Through the great spaces of the sky.  
Be with them as they take to air.  
In morning light and sunshine fair.  
Eternal Father, strong to save,  
Give them courage and make them brave.



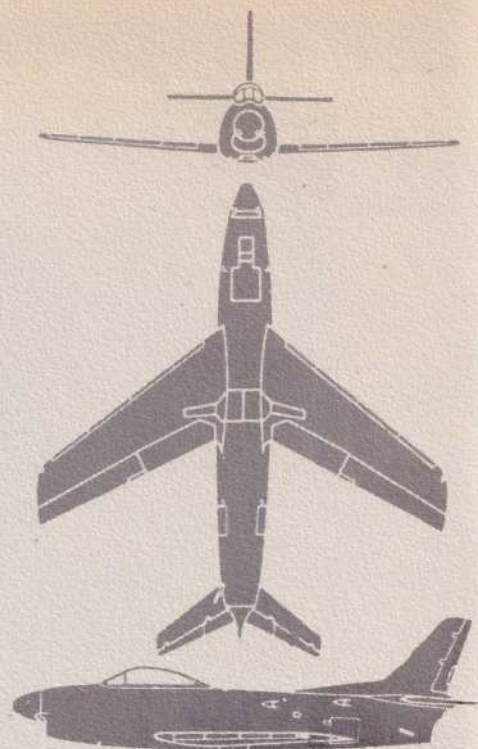
1/LT. FRANCIS J. FORD



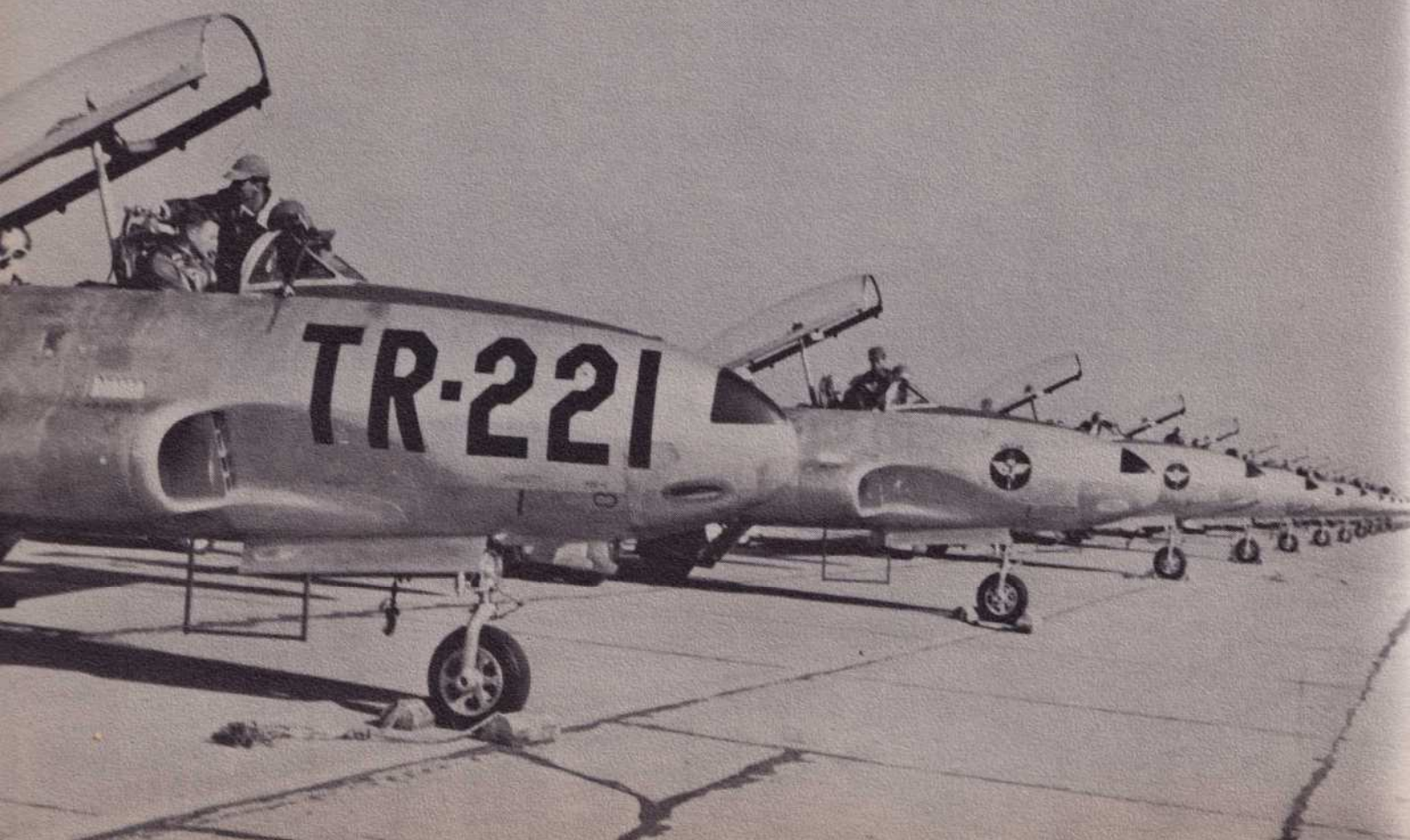


COL. CLURE E. SMITH  
Group Commander





MAJOR BEDFORD R. UNDERWOOD  
Commanding Officer  
3531st Pilot Training Squadron  
Basic Single Engine







MAJOR W. W. WILSON  
Operations Officer





CAPTAIN JOHN N. ROBINSON, JR.  
Squadron Commander



"NEGATIVE ON THE TWENTY SEVEN"

## *3530th Student Squadron*



1/LT. RICHARD C. HIGGINS, JR.  
Director of Military Training



M/SGT. GENE L. REIMER  
Cadet Club Manager





## *Military Training Instructors*



1/LT. THOMAS E. WALLS  
Military Instructor  
Squadron I



1/LT. JAMES H. ALDREDGE  
Military Instructor  
Squadron II





*Brainwashing*



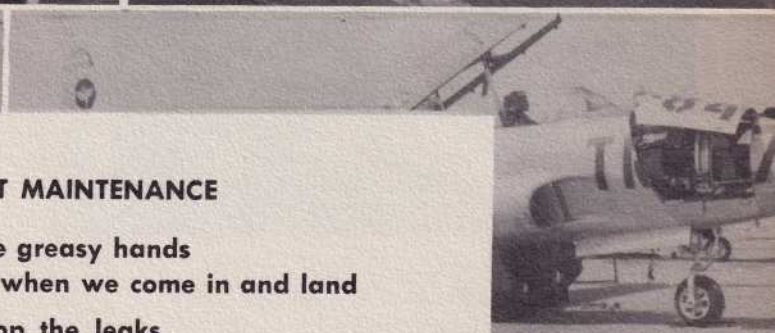
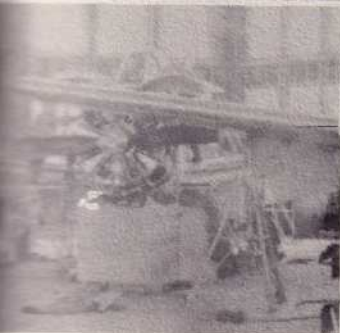
MAJOR HARLAN J. WENZINGER

## *Academic Section*



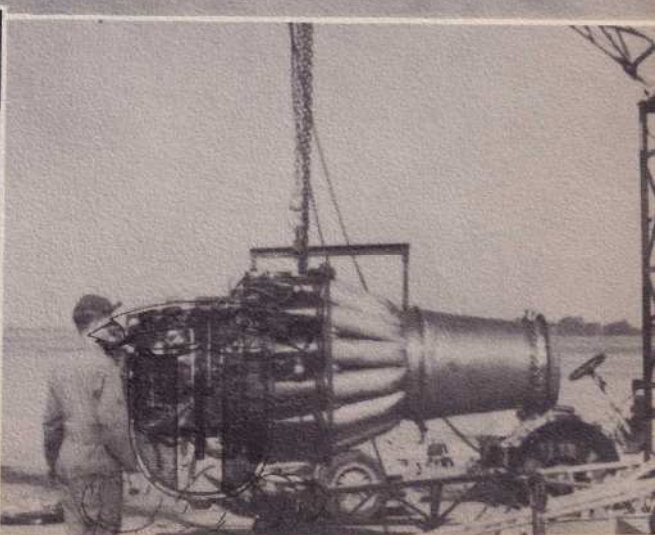
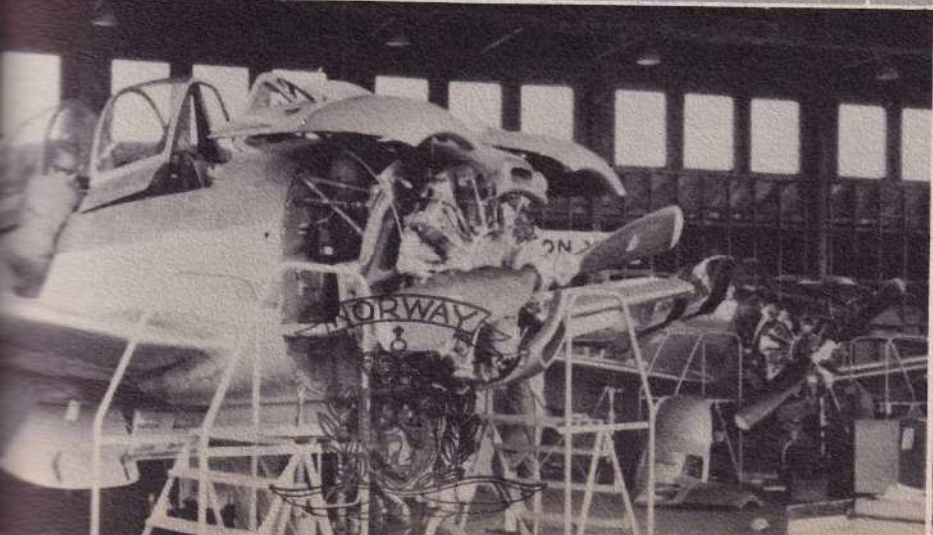
STANDING: T/Sgt. McLaughlin, 1/Lt. McClasky, 1/Lt. Hughes, 1/Lt. Bentzen, 1/Lt. Harder, 1/Lt. Jensen, 1/Lt. Goodnough. SITTING: Mr. Mothersead, Capt. Winn, Capt. Ford, Capt. Carlson, Mr. Schmidt.





### AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE

Here's to the men with the greasy hands  
Who fuel our planes when we come in and land  
Who fix the canopies, stop the leaks  
Change the tires, oil the squeaks  
Tend to the rigging to make them fly straight  
Wait by the planes when the pilots are late  
~~Who smooth the scratches, rivet the panels~~  
Check "Loud and Clear" on the radio channels  
Who read all the write-ups and make the repairs  
Check plastic and fabric for tatters and tears  
Who pull the chocks and walk our wings  
And do a million and one little things  
That make the airplanes safe to fly  
So here's a salute to the hard working guy  
From one of the fliers who too seldom ponders  
The men who keep us in the wild blue yonder







CAPT. R. L. HERMAN  
Section I  
Flight Commander



CAPT. JOSEPH L. STINSON  
Section I  
Operations Officer

## *Section 1*



HURRY UP MEN - SECTION I  
NEEDS 85 PLANES AGAIN TODAY !!



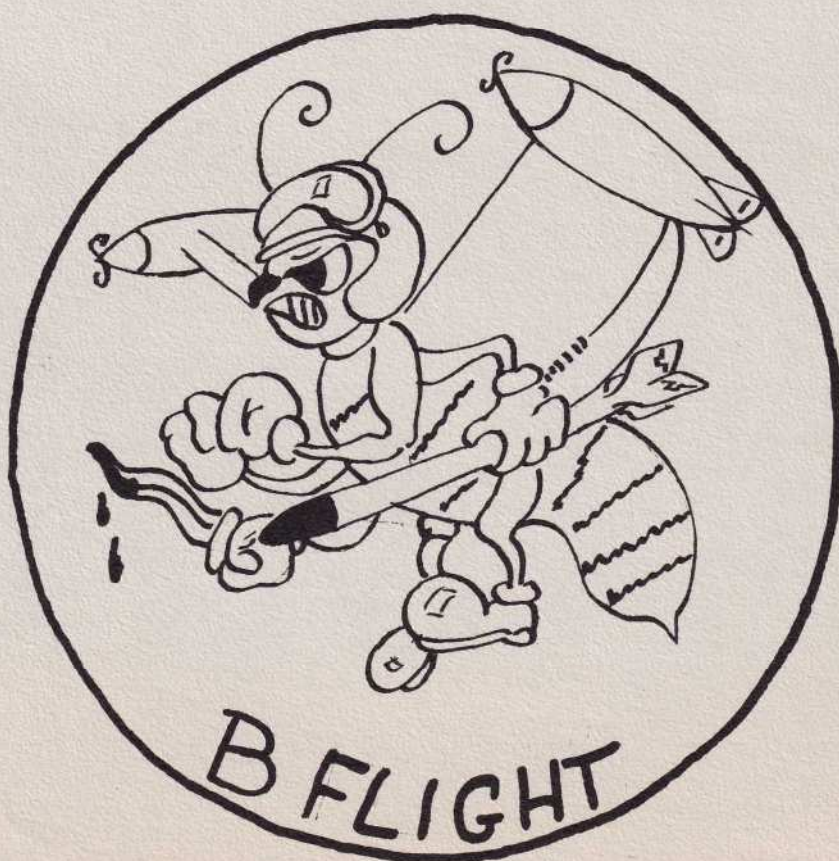


CAPT. DUANE E. BITEMAN  
Flight Commander



CAPT. FLOYD E. SMITH  
Operations Officer

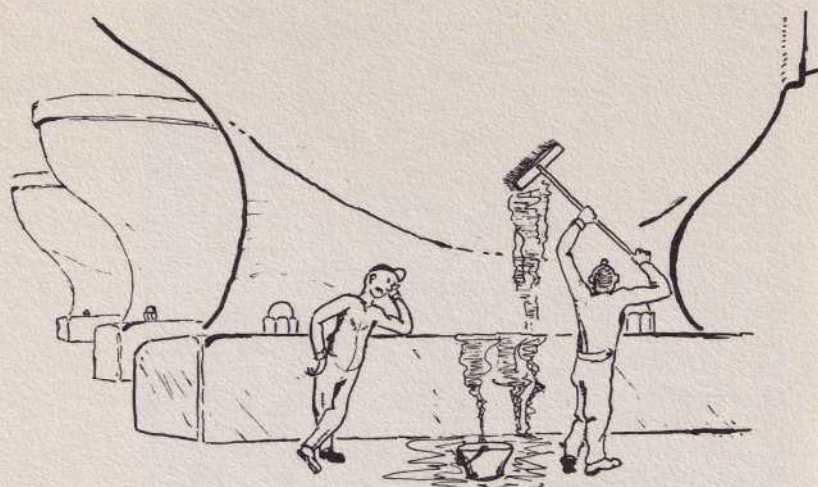
## *"B" Flight*







1/LT. EUGENE C. BOROWSKI  
Chicago, Illinois



THEY OUGHT TO HAVE MORE THAN TWO MEN ON EACH ONE OF THESE THINGS, KNOW IT, AL?

JOYNNIE



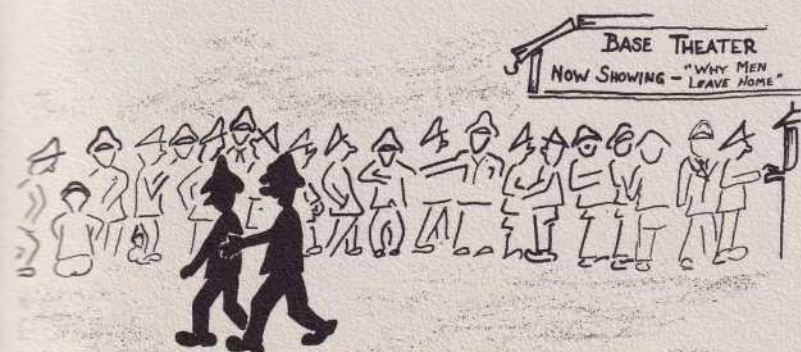




1/LT. DANIEL B. McGRATH  
College Station, Texas



2/LT. EDDY D. DUNAGAN  
Waco, Texas



"NEVER SAW SUCH A LONG LINE. 1ST CLASS  
MUST BE HAVING AN A.E. FINAL TOMORROW"

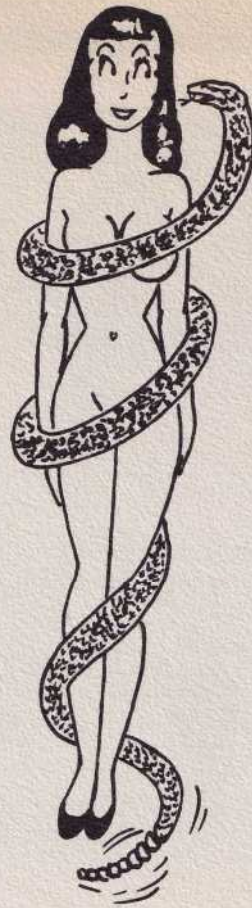


SGT. JACQUES F. GALLIER  
Mont De Marsan Landes





1/LT. CHARLES E. BALL  
Toldeo, Ohio



*Rattler*







2/LT. JACK E. WILLIAMS  
Candor, N. Y.



2/LT. KENYON FRETWELL  
Cedar City, Utah



2/LT. ROBERT E. PRESTON  
Columbus, Ohio

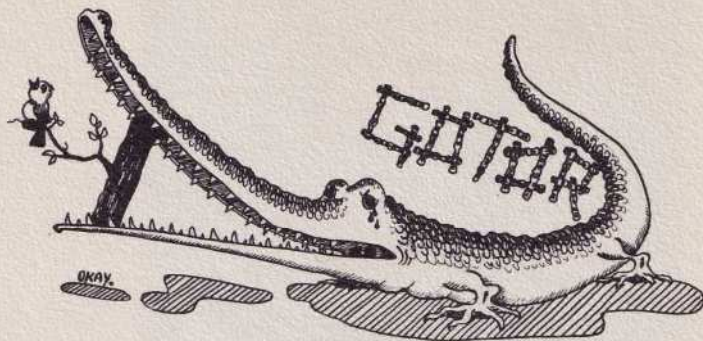


2/LT. WILLIAM D. ZARKOS  
Bakersfield, California





1/LT. EDWIN L. SMITH  
St. Petersburg, Florida







2/LT. CHARLES S. LUBETKIN  
Newark, N. J.



2/LT. MELVIN D. HUNT  
Dearborn, Michigan



2/LT. CORWIN E. DENNY  
West Fulton, N. Y.



2/LT. CHARLES W. SCHOB  
Marietta, Ohio





1/LT. WHITNEY B. ROBINSON  
Beverly, Mass.



## *Red Head Flight*







2/LT. CHARLES E. BUTT  
New Haven, Connecticut



2/LT. RICHMOND T.H. APAKA  
Lihue, Kauai, I. H.



2/LT. EARL L. PEARCE  
Independence, Kansas

1/LT. DON L. MARSHALL





1/LT. JAMES C. McGRATH  
Malden, Mass.







2/LT. FRANK G. GALLO  
Columbus, Ohio



2/LT. JAMES M. JOHNSON  
Detroit, Michigan



2/LT. EDWARD F. RINDFLEISCH  
Schenectady, N. Y.



2/LT. THOMAS BOYD  
Newport, R. I.





1/LT. WILLIAM H. HEERMANS III  
New Castle, Delaware







2/LT. JACK D. NEWTON  
North Arlington, N. J.



2/LT. DWIGHT D. FOSTER  
Pittsburg, Pa.

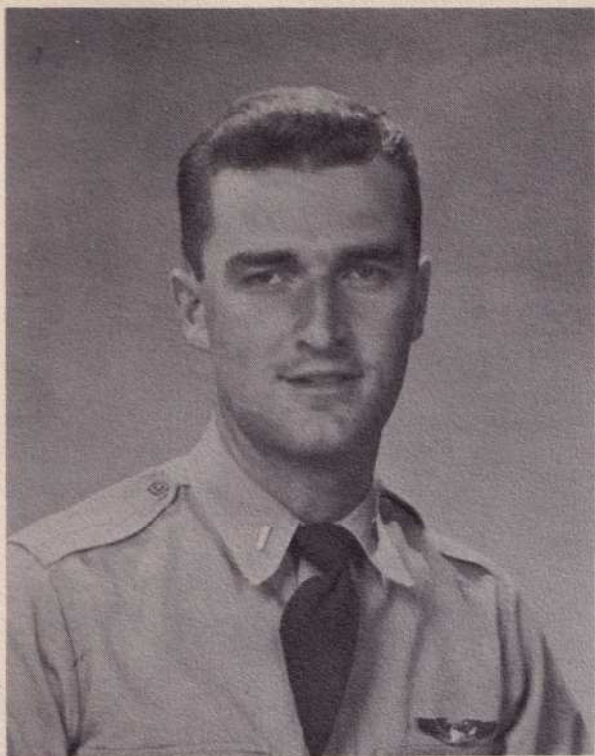


AVIATION,  
IN ITSELF, IS NOT INHERENTLY DANGEROUS;  
BUT, LIKE THE SEA, IT IS TERRIBLY UNFORGIVING  
OF ANY CARELESSNESS, INCAPACITY, OR NEGLECT.



SGT. JACK A. ESTAN  
Savoie, France





2/LT. ROBERT D. PHOENIX  
New York







2/LT. LEONARD R. BRUCE, JR.  
Dallas, Texas



2/LT. JOSEPH V. DIAS  
Morrisville, Pa.



2/LT. MERTON B. McCOY  
Des Moines, Iowa

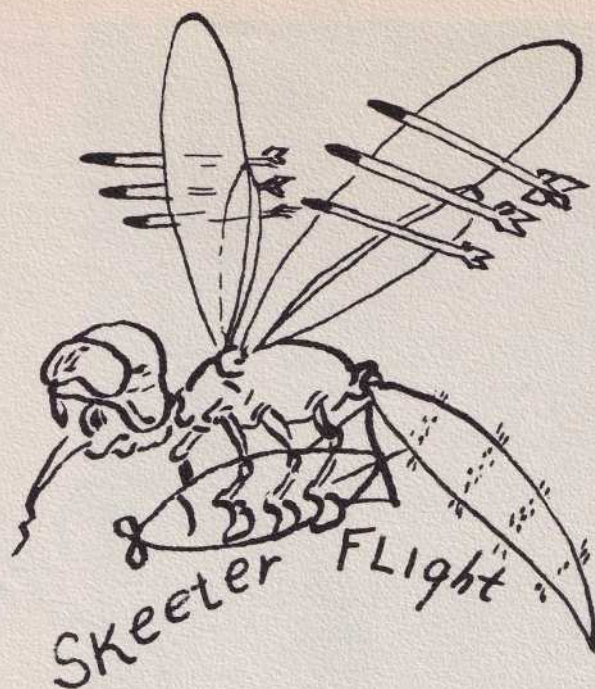


2/LT. FLORAN C. HIGGINS  
Havre, Montana





1/LT. JAMES R. LINDSEY  
Oakland, California







1/LT. FRANK R. MARTIN, JR.  
Los Angeles, California



2/LT. MATT C. MATTSON  
Missoula, Montana



2/LT. LEMUEL WORTHINGTON, JR.  
Maysville, Kentucky



2/LT. CARL J. HESSE, JR.  
Minneapolis, Minnesota





1/LT. JAMES H. SMITH  
South Dakota







2/LT. RICHARD H. ADAMS  
Shrewsbury, Mass.



1/LT. CHARLIE JOHNSON, JR.  
Washington, D. C.



2/LT. BUDDIE R. REINBOLD  
Indio, California

2/LT. JOHN F. DeWITT  
Los Angeles, California





1/LT. ROBERT L. THORKELSEN  
Milwaukee, Wisconsin



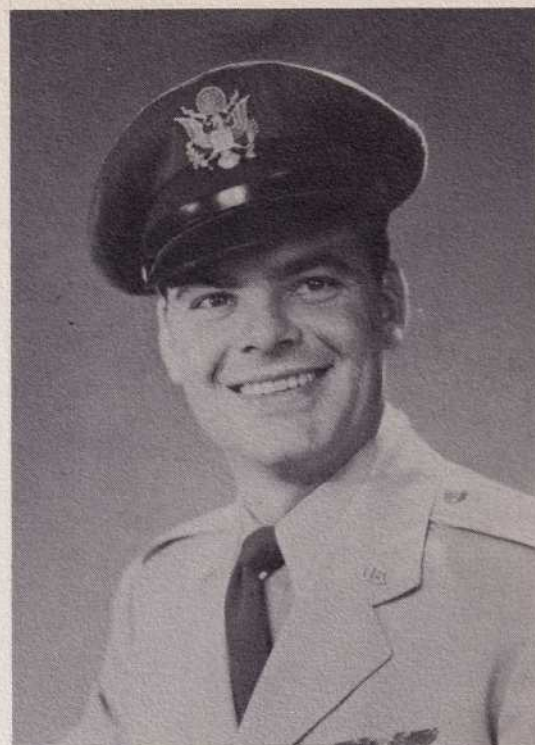
## *Lightning Flight*



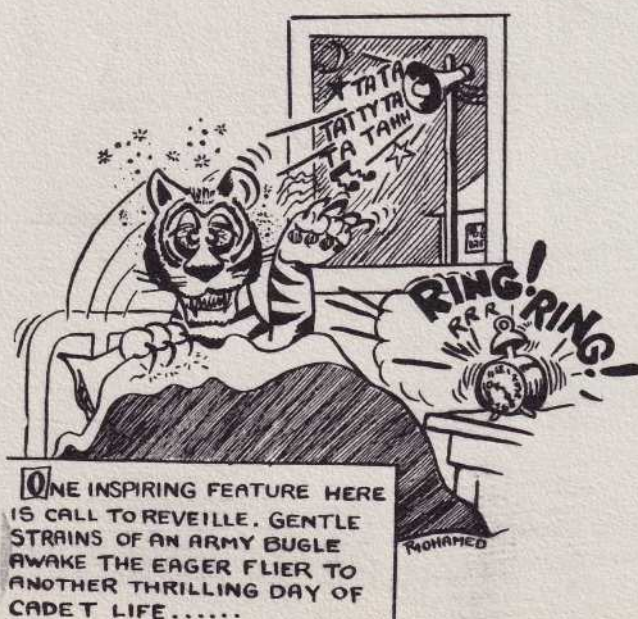




2/LT. JERRY H. WRIGHT



2/LT. ROBERT R. OWEN  
Peoria, Ill.



SGT. RENE LATAPIE  
Lourdes, France





1/LT. DAVID D. YOUNG



## LAZY BONES FLIGHT



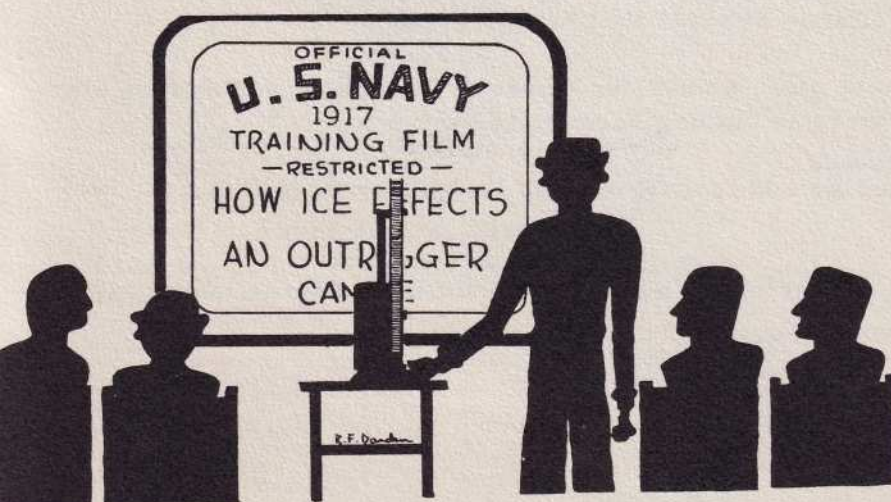




2/LT. CLYDE D. THACKSTON  
Columbia, South Carolina



2/LT. PATRICK L. ROBINETTE  
Ruth, Nevada



"A TYPICAL MODERN USRF TRAINING FILM"



SGT. GABRIEL Y. MOAL  
Finistere, France



# The Pilots' 23rd Psalm

by Capt. J. D. Olive

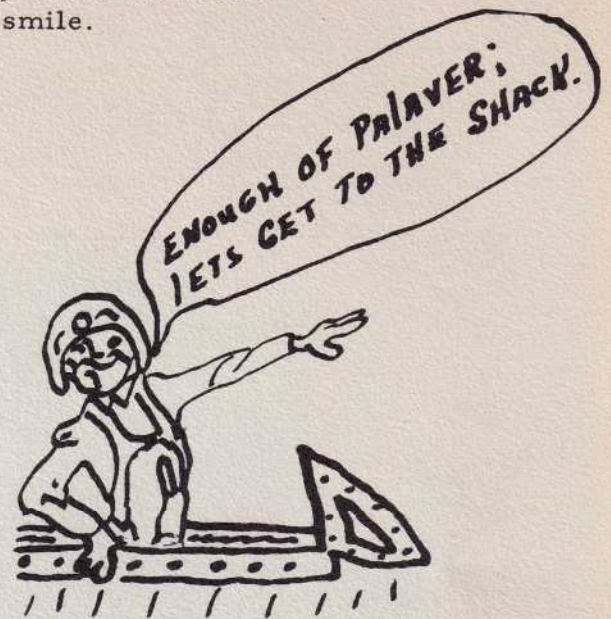
1. As the telephone operator who giveth wrong numbers, so is he who extolleth his exploits in the air.
2. He shall enlarge upon the dangers of his adventures, but in my sleeve shall be heard the tinkling of silvery laughter.
3. Let not thy familiarity with airplanes breed contempt, lest thou become exceedingly careless at a time when great care is necessary to thy well-being.
4. My son, obey the law and observe prudence. Spin thou not lower than 1500 cubits nor stunt above thine own domicile. For the hand of the law is heavy and reacheth far and wide throughout the land.
5. Incur not the wrath of thy Commander by breaking the rules; for he who maketh right-hand circuits shall be cast out into utter darkness.
6. Let not thy prowess in the air persuade thee that others cannot do even as thou doest; for he that showeth off in public places is an abomination unto his fellow pilots.
7. More praiseworthy is he who can touch tail-skid and wheels to earth at one time, than he who loopeth and rolleth till some damsel stares in amazement at his daring.
8. He who breaketh an undercarriage in a forced landing may, in time, be forgiven; but he who taxieth into another aircraft shall be despised forever.
9. Beware the man who taketh off without looking behind him, for there is not health in him. Verily, I say unto you, his days are numbered.
10. Clever men take the reproofs of their instructor in the same wise, one like unto another; with witty jest, confessing their dumbness and regarding themselves with humor. Yet they try again, profiting by his wise counsel and taking not offense at aught that has been said.
11. As a postage stamp which lacketh glue, so are the words of caution to a fool; they stick not, going in one ear and out the other, for there is nothing between to stop them.
12. My son, hearken unto my teaching and forsake not the laws of prudence, for the reckless shall not inhabit the earth for long.
13. Hear instruction and be wise, and refuse it not; thus wilt thou fly safely; length of days and a life of peace shall be added unto thee.





## THE CLOBBERING OF BIG JIM SCHMIERER

If we can keep your attention for just a little while  
This one should really make you smile.



He still don't know  
He landed Piggy back.

You wouldn't believe it in this day and age,  
But: IT'S THE TRUTH. ---

## DALE WAINWRIGHT AND THE SILVER SKATE

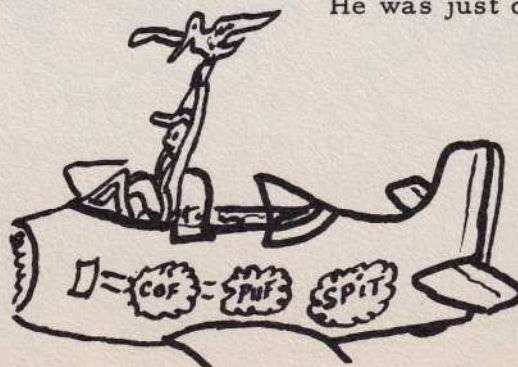
Listen my children and you shall hear  
The tale of a 28's landing gear. -



It was the 16th of June at 1045  
When the plane touched down  
And the facts came alive.



He pushed on the power: pulled back on the stick  
He was just damn lucky - His thinking was quick.



The approach was perfect: The runway was clear,  
Too bad when he touched down. -He had no gear.



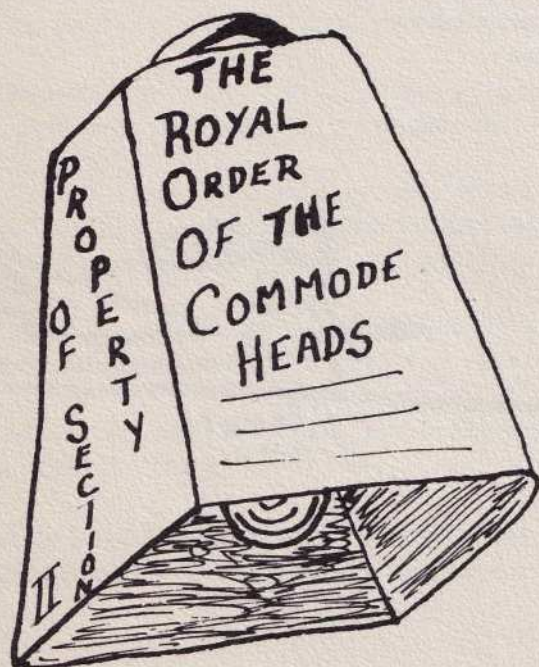


MAJOR ROBERT G. KOCH  
Section II Commander



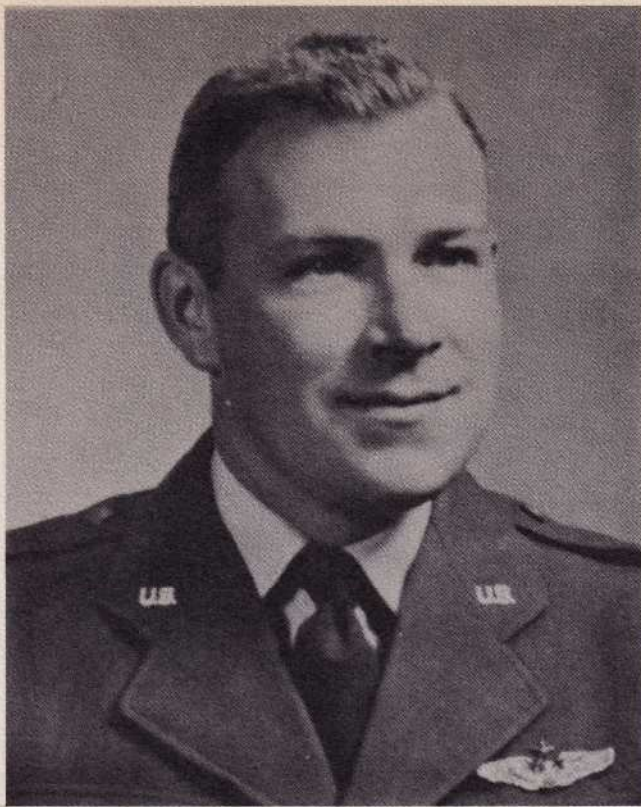
MAJOR WILLIAM SIEGEL  
Section II Operations Officer

## *Section 2*



MAJOR KOCH'S  
AWARD FOR EXTRAORDINARY PERFORMANCE  
OF DUTY.





CAPT. J.P. LeBLANC  
Flight Commander



LT. DARRELL C. BENNETT-USN  
Operations Officer

## *"F" Flight*







1/LT. E.A. CARROL







2/LT LOUIS E. MONTOYA, JR.  
Spokane, Washington



1/LT. DONALD R. BURNS  
Mineral Wells, Texas

HELL-L MET-T-T!!  
JET HOT!

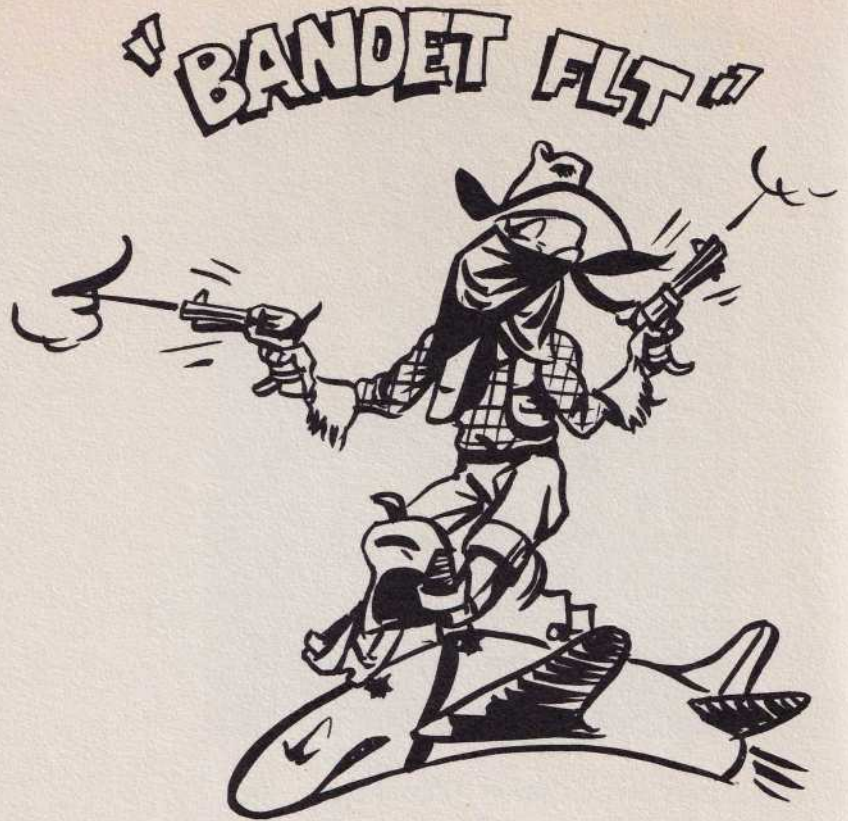


2/LT. JOHN F. O'DONNELL  
Jersey City, New Jersey





1/LT. HERBERT D. MARLOWE  
Hickory, North Carolina







2/LT. DOUGLAS W. SCHAFROTH  
Havertown, Pennsylvania



2/LT. BOBBY R. SCARLETT  
Hillsboro, North Carolina



SGT. JEAN MARIE LeMEIGHNEN  
Morbihan, France



1/LT. CHARLES D. BURTON  
Amarillo, Texas





1/LT. MARTIN T. BERGAN  
Portland, Oregon







1/LT. HAROLD H. WOODELL  
Beckley, West Virginia



1/LT. RICHARD D. McCREARY  
College Station, Texas



2/LT. FRANK E. WELCH  
Pine Bluff, Arkansas



2/LT. DOUGLAS CROMARTIE  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania





2/LT. ALVIN C. KILMURY  
Kenosha, Wisconsin







2/LT. ED GRISCHKOWSKY  
American Falls, Idaho



2/LT. DANIEL E. HOGAN  
Nashua, New Hampshire

### THE CADET LAMENT

The Captain is my shepherd; I do not want.  
He maketh me to walk off many tours; he  
sendeth me to P.T.  
He taketh my week-ends; he leadeth  
me to drill for the Corps sake.  
Yea, though I walk through the valley  
of the shadow of demerits,  
I will fear no evil, for  
they are many;  
The rod and the shaft, they have me.  
Thou preparest a slip before me  
in the presence of mine  
friends;  
Thou annointest my head with  
demerits, my quota runneth  
over.  
Surely goodness and mercy shall  
catch me someday, and I will  
dwell in the house of the  
guard forever.

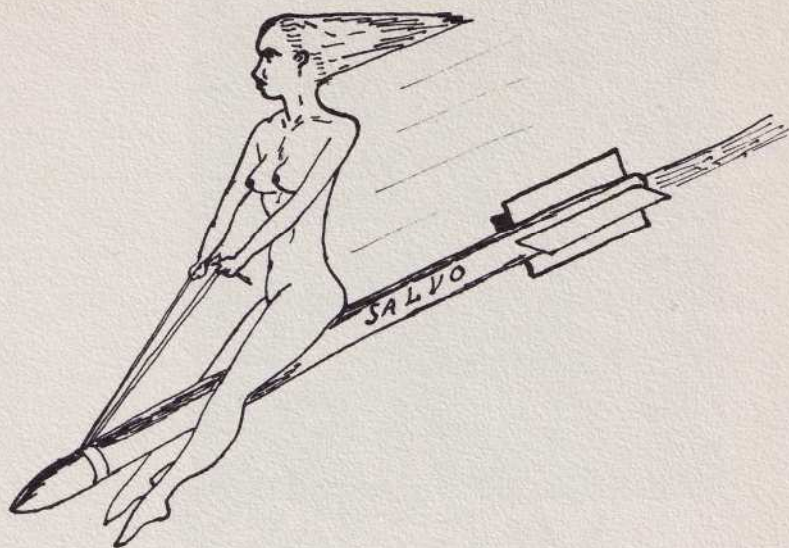


2/LT. THOMAS J. HUBER  
Medina, Ohio





1/LT. JOHN A. MAY  
Bryan, Texas







2/LT. JAMES M. SCHMIERER  
Lansing, Michigan



2/LT. JACK A. GIGLIO  
Zionsville, Pennsylvania



"Student Officer Transportation"



2/LT. BURHAN GURLER  
Eskishar, Turkey





1/LT. CLIFTON B. BANNERMAN  
Carolina Beach, North Carolina



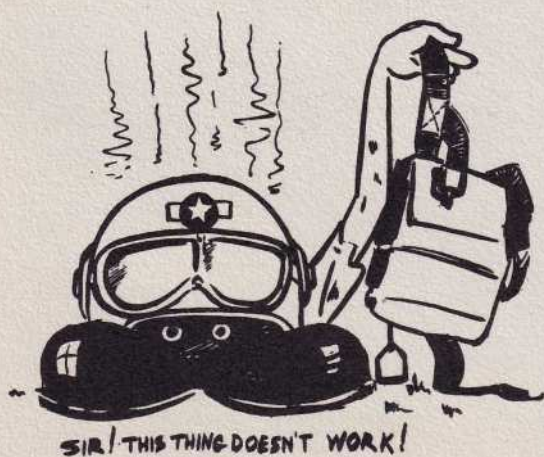




1/LT. THOMAS N. POLLARD  
Winchester, Virginia



2/LT. EARL W. GRENZEBACH  
Worcester, New York



2/LT. HARRY R. LEE  
Manchester, N.H.



"Restricted-Security Information."



2/LT. JOHN H. DELONEY  
Ruston, Louisiana



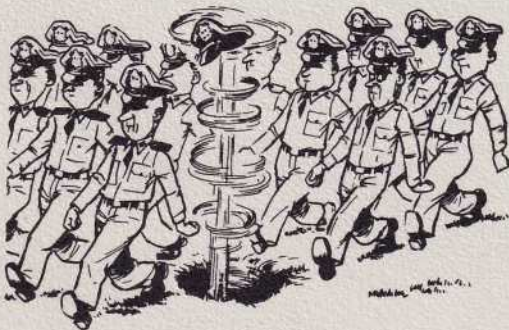




2/LT. RICHARD D. MAGILL  
Pittsburg, Pennsylvania



2/LT. WALLACE H. HOUCHIN  
Bakersfield, California



"HHHHOOOOOOOOLLE"



2/LT. RAY C. MORGAN  
Austin, Texas





1/LT. JOHN F. RHEMANN  
Navasota, Texas







1/LT. FRED A. LUNDIN  
North Platte, Nebraska



2/LT. FLOYD L. EVANS, JR.  
Springfield, Tennessee



2/LT. GEORGE W. RAE, JR.  
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania



SGT. GABRIEL G. GAUDRON  
Aisne, France



"Sorry, out to lunch."



1/LT. HENRY L. KARNES  
Longview, Texas







2/LT. DALE E. WAINWRIGHT  
Deer Park, Washington



2/LT. EDWARD H. SMITH  
Lockport, New York

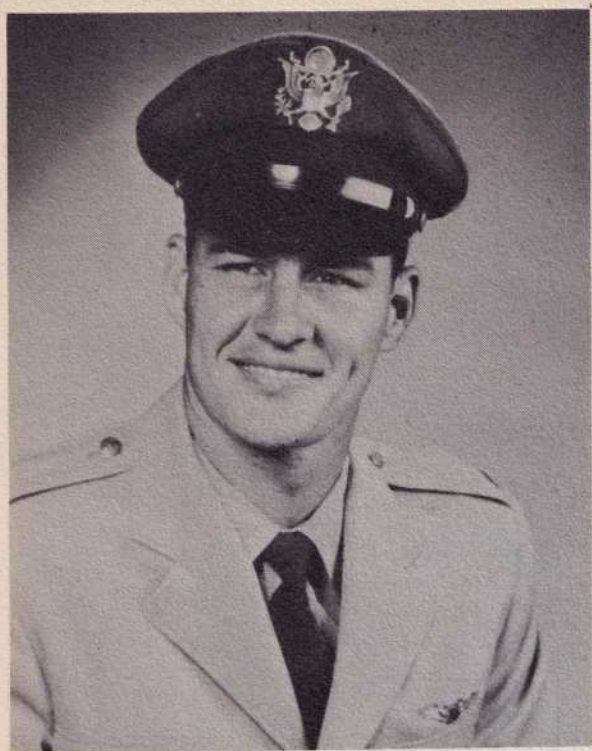


2/LT. HOWARD B. ZIRKLE  
Ridgewood, New Jersey



2/LT. DONALD J. VOLD  
Osseo, Wisconsin





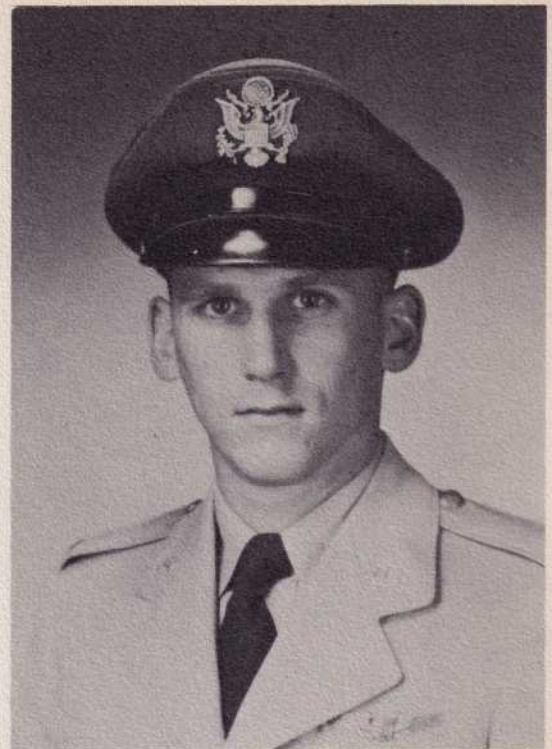
2/LT. CHARLES W. REEVES  
Carthage, Texas







2/LT. ROBERT L. BYRD  
Little Rock, Arkansas



2/LT. JOHN F. KLEIN  
Cleveland, Ohio



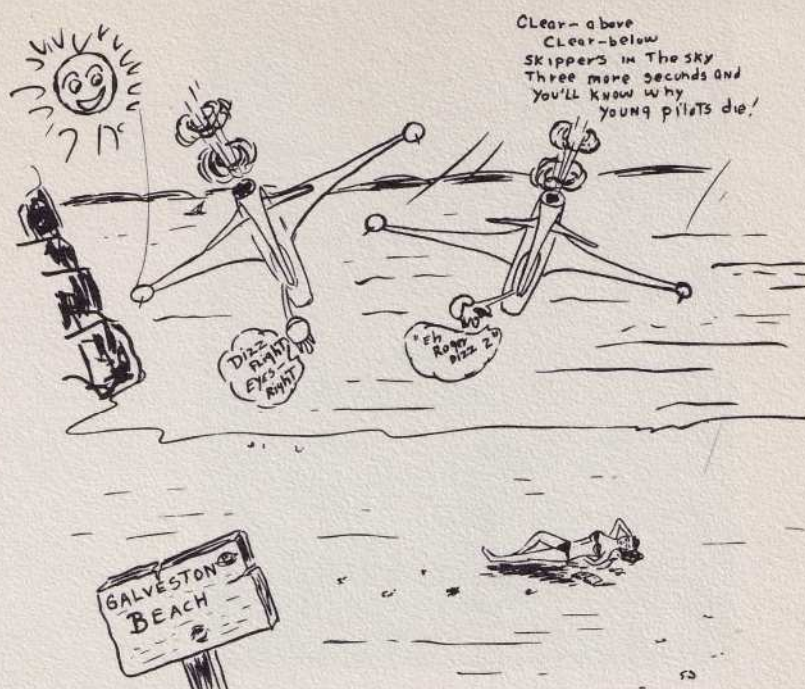
2/LT. ROBERT W. DUNN  
Groton, Connecticut



2/LT MARCELLINO SANCHEZ  
Brooklyn, New York



"Due to restrictions on photos of  
Tasmanian Devils, This space  
will remain blank."



2/LT. LYNNFORD E. DISBROW  
La Porte, Ind.







1/LT. GEORGE A. ROST  
Wood River, Ill.



1/LT. DONALD R. COHN  
Topeka, Kansas



2/LT. EUGENE F. FORSTHOFEL  
Dayton, Ohio

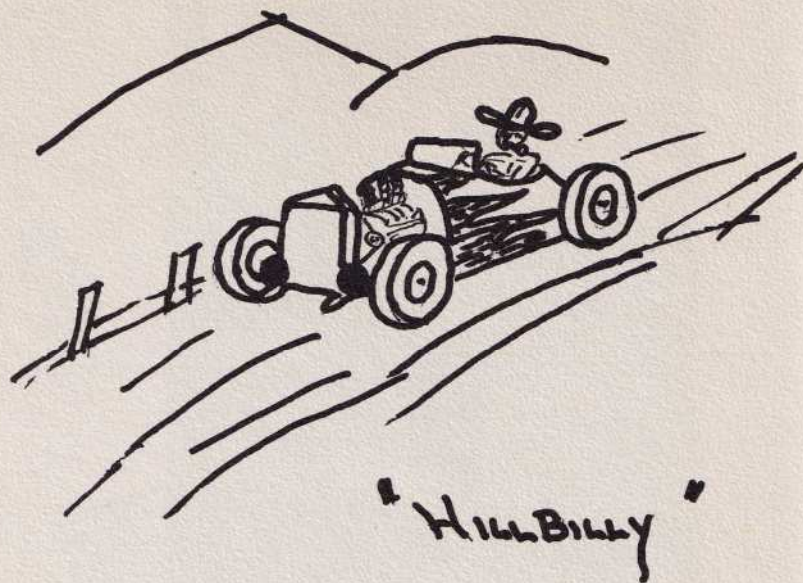


SGT. BERNARD, FOURNIER-MONTGIEUX  
Clermont-Ferrand, France





1/LT. DUDLEY F. NELSON  
Lenoir, N. C.







2/LT. FRANCIS J. BYRNE  
Altadena, California



2/LT. ARNOLD L. PAPARAZO  
Pottsville, Pa.

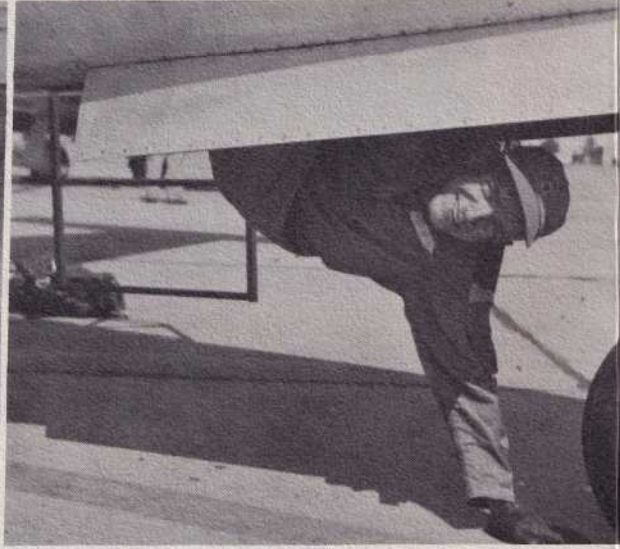


2/LT. RICHARD L. LUVISA  
Glendale, California



SGT. MARC FOUSSADIER  
Lyon, France









I think I'll go RON



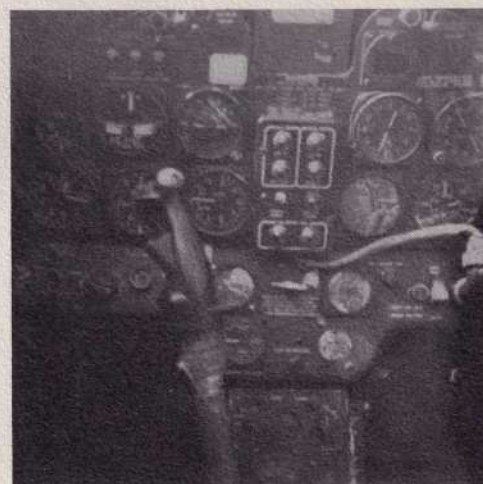
Organized Confusion



Going up



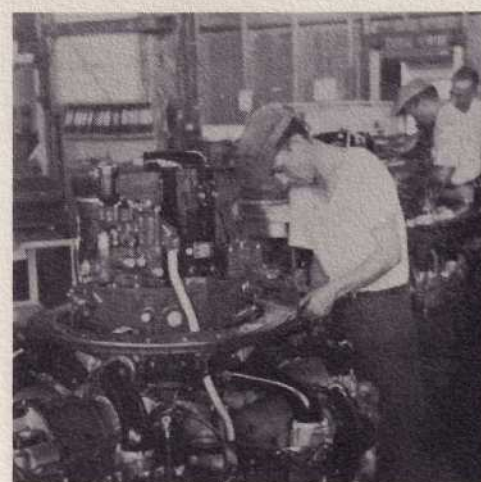
Section one's "skill"? ? !



Lockhead's pinball machine



The support



Radials --



and jets -- some guys are always happy.



Taxi checkout

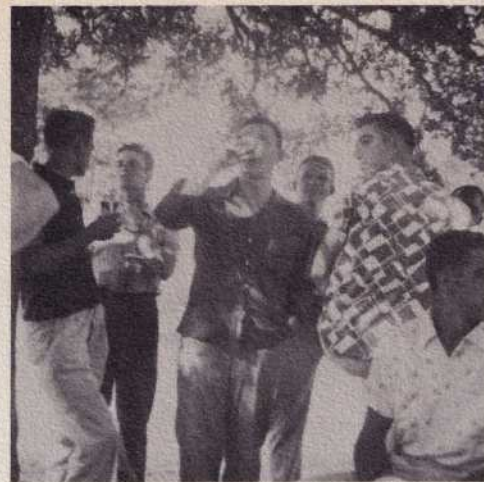




this jet is the most man!



Any questions about that?



"mm, good



"Let's all go down and ---"



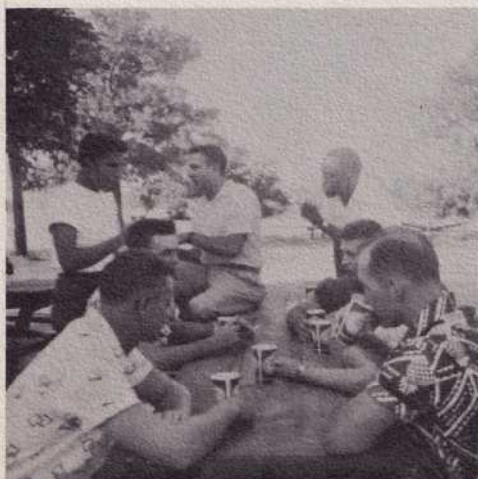
it talks, too



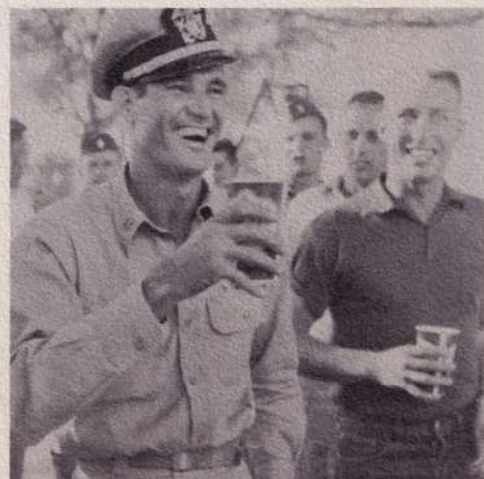
"Thank God I won't be here when you take your 60-4 checks."



Complete control



"Buzz"



carriers are nowhere!!



# It's the size of the **FIGHT** in the man!



Are you frustrated? Neurotic? Do you breathe? Do you hate sleep and food? Can you count to three? Do you have one good eye? Can you speak hieroglyphics? Are you between the ages of 21? Is your wife married? Did your mother have any children? Do you want a buddy—not a sweetheart? If so, you have it made. Remember men (?)—today's Tigers are tomorrow's rugs.

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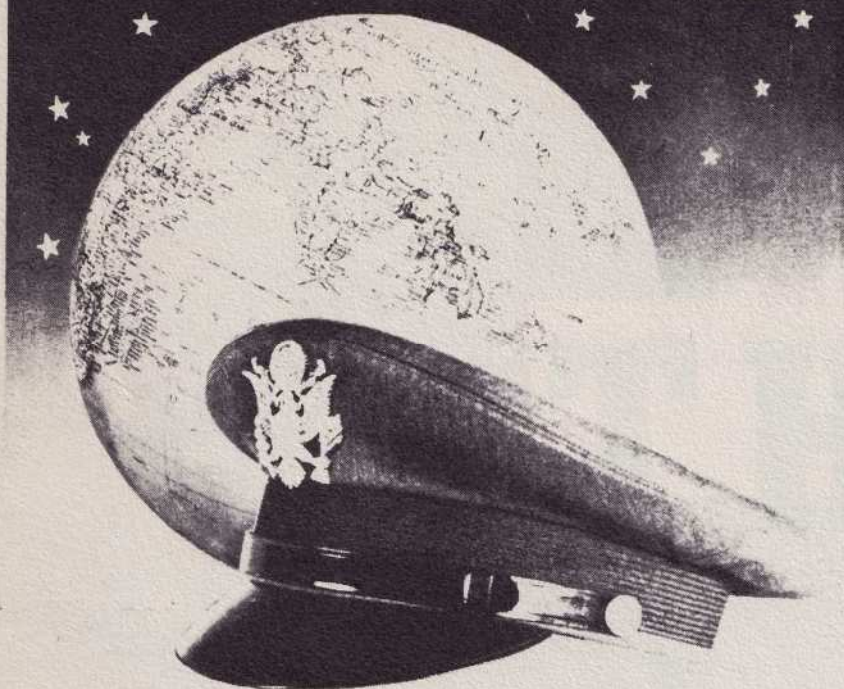
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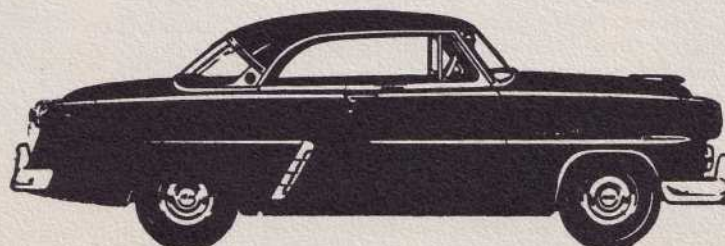
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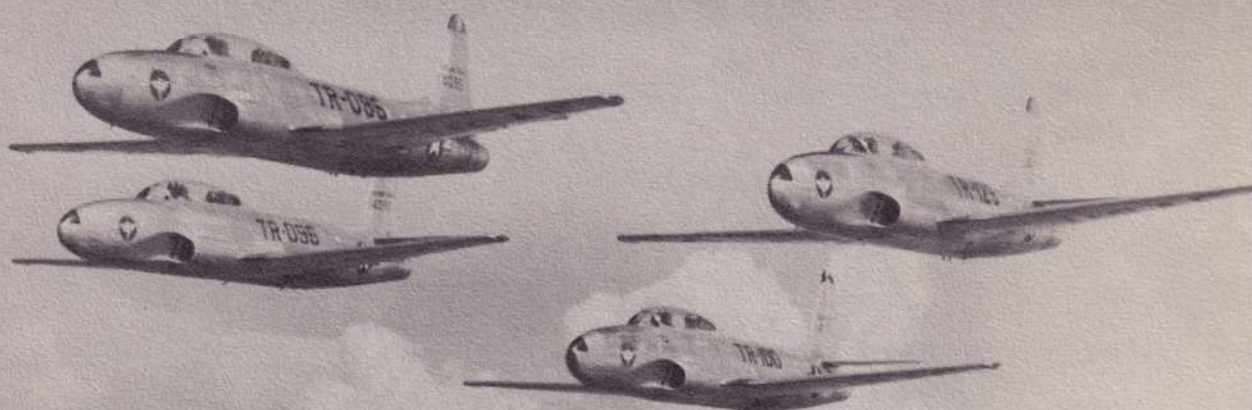


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