

Wing Tips

SQUADRON I ARRIVAL—Mrs. L. V. Brunetto of South San Francisco, Cal., arrived at College Station Saturday to join her husband, who is an aviation student in Squadron I.

SQUADRON II ATTENTION MR. WEEKS—Information was secured as to the reason why the entire personnel of Ramp 9, Law Hall, occupies your room after C. Q. Mr. Jones has just added a new word to his vocabulary, BLACKMAIL.

FAILURES?—Aviation Student Weiner was last seen Saturday noon entering Bryan Public Library with three other Aviation Students. Was it to increase their book of knowledge, or their book of addresses? I saw three damsels leaving alone, what happened? WANTED—About one hundred and twenty-five T. S. CARDS for personnel of flights 21, 22, 23 and 27. Don't complain gentlemen, since last Tuesday when we were grounded the only thought in your mind was wanting to fly and get it over with, and Sunday was the day to start the beginning of the end. Maybe that's why Bryan wasn't covered with men from this Squadron.

SKETCHES—Altho' I sit and meditate, my mind can't seem to concentrate, it must be something that I ate. As the nite goes into morning, and the lack of news, short sketches of Aviation Students will follow, and will continue till the very last issue we occupy.

A/S Corporal Bowers (NCO) never seen without Gig sheet as long as the paper supply lasts.

A/S Mr. Kenneth Hobbs, never seen without whistle, especially at 6.07 and 6.17 A. M.

A/S Mr. Sawyer, never seen without means of getting to Hearn (I went Crazy with B. J.)

A/S Mr. Dickie never seen without Fourth or fifth NCO's rating.

A/S Palladina never seen without future Mrs. Palladina's picture (January 22, 1944).

A/S Mr. Nesbitt never seen without Mr. May.

A/S Mr. Van Waren never seen without Mr. Grinstead and Mr. Cahill.

A/S Mr. Rogers never seen without Ping pong table (Practices all day, ha, Mr. Rogers?)

A/S Mr. A. Hill never seen without his sack whenever possible.

A/S Mr. Gookin never seen without a zoot suit sport jacket and what color!

SQUADRON III BIRTHDAY—A/S J. J. Eccell

sure did enjoy himself Saturday night celebrating his 25th birthday. It all most became a tragedy, when later on in the evening he was almost struck by a car. No damage done. Most of Squadron III were there and really had a swell time. Happy birthday!

PRANKS—Fun is fun, but mouse traps on light switches isn't very nice. Those jokes back-fire, you know.

PIX—They say there's a film

shortage. I wonder where all these Eager Beavers are getting the film. It seems at every corner there was some cute young lady having her picture taken. Come now, fellows, why keep a good thing a secret.

SQUADRON IV

PHLASH—A/S Donald Peterson recently won the title of "90-Mile Peterson" when he knocked off a cool 90 in a physics test.

TRUCE—Galino's Gansters of G1 have signed a peace treaty with Mole Pomante's mob of G3 and for the sake of the entire ramp we hope the settlement will be permanent.

PRACTICE—A/S Leo Parr, bugler-boy from Squadron IV, was home on the ranch a short time ago and kept the stock rolling when he practiced his tooting in front of all the cows and chickens.

SQUADRON V

CORNETTO—Congratulations are in order for Mr. Cornetto on his forthcoming marriage to a young lady at home. It won't be long until he has to make out an allotment.

COMPETITION—Mr. Zlotnick isn't doing so bad with Houston's little belle.

NOMINATION—For the extra special Beavers nomination, we submit the following names of the week: Misters W. H. Clouse, D. E. DuBois, R. F. DuBois, W. T. Geyer, P. C. Gormley, G. H. Hansen and E. E. Mueckler. These gentlemen struck out in a new direction to attend a sorority dance at Texas University.

AVEY, DOUGLAS—Playing the squeeze-box at Turek's Shop and alternating with a few bars on the piano. Foreign service sure can help a man in his studies, especially when the incentive is there. Hummmmm?

TALLAL, JOE—He has now acquired himself a—Electric heating pad!!!

COMMANDOS—Ramp A on the fourth floor are maintaining their mop-up operations. There is still the problem of being able to get a double-headed coin in connection with—who will take the empty 'coke' bottles down.

So You're An Aviation Student

Editor's note: The following information appears in the Air Force Magazine, official magazine of the United States Army Air Forces. Score for each correct answer. ANSWERS IN SAME COLUMN UPSIDE DOWN.

- 1. A peashooter is the name often given (a) a 30-caliber machine gun (b) tail gunner (c) a fighter plane (d) an armament specialist.
2. The astral hatch of an airplane is commonly used by (a) navigator (b) pilot (c) radio man (d) bombardier.
3. A chandelle is (a) the right nacelle of air plane (b) the lighting system in the fuselage (c) an



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Blame It On The Weather

A/S Robert J. Kerrigan

From all indications of last Friday's game it seems as though the Beaver has gone to hibernate during the coming winter months. Just a short week ago we heard the boys hail the Corps basketball team as one of the best they had ever seen in a coons age. The bands, the dance and the newspaper are sponsored by the Beavers. They need your support and they should get them.

The basketball team is a really good one and should be of interest to every true Beaver. You would have been proud to see them avenge their only defeat of the season against the ASTP Thursday and Friday nights. They worked hard in preparation for these games and it was their game from the starting whistle of the game. It was rather a poor tribute to a splendid piece of work by a great Beaver outfit to look against the almost empty grandstand. Therefore gentlemen, we owe it to them to show our appreciation for their wonderful work and representation with the other outfits.

Lt. Segrest has done a marvelous job with the basketball team. Outdoors maybe a little cold and maybe uncomfortable, but the gym is a swell place to see a good Beaver game. There are plenty of seats and more than enough to go around. Let's make up for that one slack night and get down to the

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Wing Ball—In order that we may have a successful Wing Ball, we are going to have young ladies coming here by invitation. Just a word and a quotation from Captain Hill's speech made at the last detachment meeting last Friday, "What you do in private is your business, but when it reflects on our detachment then its our business." We're going to have a lot of fun dancing to special arrangements of various dances just for variety's sake. Don't be bashful. Come in and have the fun of your life. A pleasant surprise is being planned for everyone. So on the 22nd day of January, at 8 p. m., we shall dance.

Games: Lt. Segrest is to be complimented on the fine work that he is doing with the detachment basketball team. The team has been winning several games with a score well ahead of the opponents. We need more attendance at these games. The boys are doing their best out there on the floor. Let's pep up our 'Sports Attitude' and come out to the games and help the team.

next game and show these hard working Beavers that we are for all of them in a big way. The sixth game played by the Air Corps Quints was their sixth victory and losing only one game. Out of seven games played, only one was lost. There will be many more. Plan to attend them and lend 'em your support.

Three Brothers Train at Schools Of A&M College

It is quite unusual for two brothers, in different branches of the service, to be trained at the same location; but when three brothers have passed through the same training place, and two of them at the same time, living in dormitories only a few blocks apart, it is more than unusual. This is the case of Clifford, Jim and Bill Gerry. Clifford is an Aviation Student of Squadron IV, Jim a radio technician with the Navy here at A. & M., and Bill is a third class radio operator now with the naval amphibian forces in England.

Clifford was transferred from the Signal Corps after eight months schooling as radio operator at Camp Koehler, California and in New Orleans, La.

Jim joined the Navy, went to Farragut, Idaho, then to Chicago before coming here to study radio building and repair.

Bill was stationed at A. & M. during the summer of 1942, at which time he also studied to become a Radio Operator with the Navy. He has been through the Battle of Sicily and the invasion of Italy. He joined the navy right after Pearl Harbor at Seattle, Wash., and took his boot training at San Diego, Calif. From there he came to Texas A. & M.

All three brothers were railroad telegraphers in Oregon before the war.

308th Air Corps Quint Scores Its Sixth Victory

Chalking up their sixth basketball victory of the season, the 308th Beavers humbled a fast A. S. T. P. quintet 41 to 35 in the Aggie gym Friday night.

Although the Air Corpsmen led all the way, their 30-15 margin at halftime was whittled to the six point final edge by a lengthy A. S. T. U. rally that provided plenty of excitement throughout the last period.

A/S Robert Norris, forward, paced the Beavers with a total tally of 22 points. His was the outstanding sharpshooting performance of the game. A/S Lambert Koupal and Benyish of the A. S. T. U. each connected for 11 points.

The second half rally kept the fans on their feet as the A. S. T. U. hoopsters got in the groove and rolled in 20 points while holding the Beavers to 11 points.

The game brought the Beavers' total points for the season to 381 as compared to 227 allowed their opponents. Their one defeat by an A. S. T. P. team has been twice revenged.

A/S Norris' 22 points Friday night lifted his season scoring to 93 points to lead the squad. A/S Koupal has a season total of 63 points.

Lieut. H. B. Segrest, coach and detachment athletic officer, is preparing the squad to fill a busy schedule through the rest of the basketball season. The team's record earns it the full support of the whole detachment.

Student Aid Classes Start Tomorrow

The first student aid classes in physics will be held tomorrow night in the Academic Building from 8 p. m. to 9 p. m. The classrooms for each squadron will be posted on the squadron bulletin board.

The following aviation students will act as instructors: Squadron IV: R. E. Otto and D. Torres.

Squadron V: W. E. Mendrich, P. W. Damon and J. H. Dixon.

Instructors for Squadron I will be obtained as soon as possible and until that time, A/S H. E. Leap will conduct the classes.

INTRODUCING

A/S SAM KALSER By George M. Huffman

The 308th C. T. D. has a basketball team of which it can well be proud. For too long the boys on the team have been making their treks to the gym to practice and to play without getting the proper support from the mass of "mistakes" of the C. T. D.

In order that we may better know and understand our team, the sports department has decided to introduce a member of the team in each issue.

The captain of the team is A/S Sam Kalsers, of Squadron III. Mr. Kalsers has been playing basketball ever since he was in the eighth grade in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. His memory of the days when he practically tottered across the basketball floor is rather hazy, so we'll skip lightly over that phase of his athletic career.

He started playing high school basketball practically the same day he registered for the first time at Taylor Allerdice High in Pittsburgh. During the off-season for basketball, he found time to play on the football and tennis teams of Taylor Allerdice, and was a mainstay of the teams in all three sports. He played basketball there for the full four years of his high school career, and led the team to the City Championship in his senior year there.

Leaving high school, he entered Carnegie Tech, where he was promptly chosen as captain of the freshman quintet. Incidentally, that was a very good year for the Freshman Wonder five of Carnegie Tech.

After he left college, he journeyed to Miami Beach, where he played semi-pro basketball for two years. His athletic career had beautiful possibilities until that fateful day when he receive greetings from the President of the United States and the information that he had been selected by his neighbors to represent them in the armed forces.

The 308th is lucky to have a man of Mr. Kalsers' athletic background leading the team which wears its colors.

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- 71. In a one-minute turn, the bank is maintained at (a) 45 degrees (b) 30 degrees (c) 60 degrees (d) 45 degrees.
18. A parachute pilot is (a) a pilot who bails out too quickly (b) a small auxiliary parachute (c) a pilot with the Airborne Command (d) a member of the caperpillar club.
19. The MIG-3 is (a) an American tank (b) an Italian dive bomber (c) a Russian pursuit plane (d) the Navy designation for the A-20.
20. The British Air Marshal is equivalent to what rank in the AAF? (a) Flight Officer (b) Major General (c) Colonel (d) Lieutenant General.
21. In a one-minute turn, the bank is maintained at (a) 45 degrees (b) 30 degrees (c) 60 degrees (d) 45 degrees.
22. The present location of the 14th Air Forces is (a) England (b) North Africa (c) China (d) India.
23. The Beaufort scale estimates (a) air speed (b) wind velocity (c) altitude (d) rate of climb.
24. Paramushiro is (a) one of the Japanese cities bombed by General Doolittle (b) the main Chinese stop on the India-China run (c) a Jap stronghold on the northern tip of the Kurile Islands (d) a key American base in the Aleutians.
25. Fill in the missing letters to complete names of AAF planes (a) Liber (b) Must (c) Com (d) Mitch.
26. What is the WEFT system?
27. Differentiate between absolute ceiling and service ceiling.
28. A williwaw is (a) a non-rotating device for producing alternating currents (b) an electrode having openings through which ions may pass (c) Pidgin English for an airplane (d) a sudden violent gust of cold land air.
29. The approximate range of the B-24 is (a) 2500 miles (b) 4000 (c) 3500 (d) 3000 miles.
30. The military designation for the DC-4 is (a) C-87 (b) C-54 (c) C-78 (d) C-47.

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