

### Squadron Dance To Replace Ball

Acting upon a suggestion from Major Baker, the widely familiar Wing Balls will, in the future, take the form of a graduation dance for the senior squadron.

The Bergstrom Field Orchestra from Austin has already been signed up to play for the dance for Squadron III on Feb. 17.

Only members of the departing squadron will be permitted to attend these dances, with the possible exception of a few invited members of other squadrons.

Most beavers will be expected to invite their own dates but for those not doing so, girls will be invited as was done in the past for the Wing Balls.

### A/S Looney Married

A/S Hal A. Looney was married to Miss Sara Frisch of Stillwater, Okla., Saturday afternoon in the Christian Church of College Station. Mr. Looney met the former Miss Frisch while he was attending Oklahoma A. & M. college at Stillwater.

### Tune: Army Air Corps Song ARMY CHAIR CORPS SONG

#### 1st. Verse

Here we go, into the file-case yonder, Diving deep into the drawer; Here it is, buried way down under That Goddamned stuff we've been searching for!

Off we go into the CO's office, Where we get one helluva roar, We live in miles of paper files, But nothing will stop the Army Chair Corps.

#### Chorus

Here's a toast to the host of those who slave With feet on desk so high, To a friend who will send a message of The trials of the swivel-chair guy. We type and file, and though we have no prop We're either in a spin or else we blow our top A toast to the host of the men who coast, The Army Chair Corps!

#### 2nd. Verse

Here we go, into the file-case yonder, Keep the margins level and true. If you'd live to be a gray haired wonder, Keep your nose out of the glue. Office men, guarding the Army's red tape, We'll be there, followed by more; With dictionary, we're stationary, Nothing can move the Army Chair Corps.

### NEW FIGHTER ASSEMBLY LINE

A new fighter, the P-61, commonly known as the Black Widow, is now in production. It is powered by two Pratt & Whitney engines and is described as having "effective speed and climb performance in addition to a fairly long range."

P-38's are now being built on a chain conveyor system similar to an automobile line. There are three of these mechanized lines in a final assembly floor each being utilized for a different part of the manufacturing process. Although the present speed of the conveyor is only four inches per minute, it is reported that this will be substantially increased.

— WESTERN AIR NEWS

### NIGHT SIGHT PRODUCTION UP

A new machine for testing night vision of soldiers has been developed at the Aero-Medical laboratory at Wright Field. This machine may soon be installed in army classification centers and gunnery schools in order to determine soldiers' night vision aptitude.

— AIR FORCE

November warplane production by the United States totaled 8,789 units, the largest monthly output so far obtained. The total included more than 1,000 four-engine bombers of the B-29 super-Fortress type. During the last 23 months ending with Nov. 30, U. S. plane production has totaled approximately 127,360 aircraft.

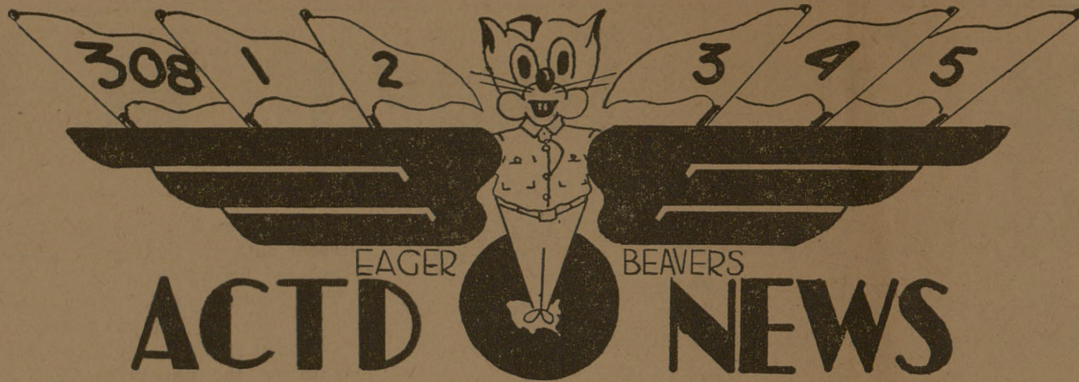
### PROFIT?

Tailor (wrapping up suit): "You know, sir, I'm letting you have this garment at less than it cost me to make it."

Harry Scheuer: "You're always

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## Inter-Squadron Football

Inter-squadron football and softball got underway over the weekend with Squadrons I and IV emerging from the first rounds with clean slates.

Squadron I trounced Squadron III, 11 to 3, in the softball tournament opener while Squadron IV eked out a 5-4 triumph over Squadron V. In football, the grid experts of IV swamped a Squadron V sextet, 42-6. Squadron I took its first football game by default from Squadron III.

Behind the speed-ball pitching

of Constable and Kross, the Squadron I footballers held their opponents to two hits while an overthrow let in the other run. The victors rapped out 11 hits with Ogi, Kros and Fulton each getting a double.

Squadrons IV and V fought evenly through the first four innings. A second inning hit for Squadron IV was nullified by a run for the Squadron V in the fourth. The Four-men broke loose in the fifth for two runs, only to go behind in the sixth when three Squadron V runners made the trip. Two runs in the last frame gave the Fourth its slim victory margin.

#### SCORES:

R. H.  
SQUADRON III 010 002 0 - 3 2  
SQUADRON I 102 303 2 - 11 11  
Constable, Kross and Skouran; Pitting and Robinson  
SQUADRON IV 010 020 2 - 5 5  
SQUADRON V 000 103 0 - 4 4  
Young and Hayes; Hansen and Jones.

IV; Moss, Squadron V. Squadron IV's footballers ran roughshod over the Squadron V men in the first game of the season for both teams. The flashy work of Drake and Green contributed largely to the piling up of the 42 point score. The luckless Squadron V men were unable to stem the tide, though they connected once to reach pay dirt

## SQUADRON I WINS ACADEMIC RIBBON

Squadron I won its first ribbon last week when a posting of the detachment grades showed the Beavers of that group to be at the top of the heap academically by a small margin.

Their squadron average was but a fraction of a point over that of Squadron V, previous holder of the ribbon.

## Brother of A/S Dillard Killed In Crackup

A/S Patric Dillard returned Jan. 30 from his home at Dallas, where he was called because of the death of his brother, Lt. Dave Dillard, 23 years old, who was killed in a plane crash in Brazil, while flying a B-24 to England.

He had been to England and had recently returned to Memphis, Tenn., where he has been attached to the 4th Ferrying Command.

Lieutenant Dillard had just been assigned to a combat crew as navigator and was again going to England when the accident occurred. He entered the army in 1940 and had taken his training mostly at Selman Field, Louisiana. He had been with the Air Transport Command for some time. In all he made 17 trips to China, India and Africa.

Another brother, Leon Dillard, 21 years old, has been with the marines since 1940 and is now fighting in the South Pacific.

Patric is 18 years old and entered the army in August of last year.

## Wing Tips

### SQUADRON I

Aviation Students Carl M. Anderson, Howell B. Smith and Homer U. Darland have been named as Squadron I's representatives on the Wing Board and last week began participating in board meetings and judging.

A/S DONALD B. HALL left on emergency furlough last week for his home in LeRoy, Minn., following the sudden death of his father.

NEATEST EXCUSE of the week came from A/S Richard Woodward, who fell out in the morning with his bare legs flapping beneath his overcoat. "Boody nose," he told questioning student officers.

Not far behind was A/S John W. Condon, whose best excuse for being late was that the knot on his pajamas wouldn't untie.

Squadron I seeks the gold rimmed ribbon for the best example of "bricking" technique. A/S Carl Bronstein, who keeps out of drill, P. E. and all formations by virtue of a pair of crutches and a broken little toe, set a new high last week when he took to riding back from physics classes with one of the instructors.

### SQUADRON III

What A/S student of Squadron III, now famous for the battle of Acraa and who takes much pride in his knowledge of the G. I. army, was noticed Monday night falling out for guard with his leggings on backwards. For more details see the men in ramp six Puryear Hall.

Some of those hot pilots in flight 35 still can't keep their dinner down, or do they just enjoy cleaning the ship? Eh, Mr. Patersons and Mr. Carpenter.

We noticed Mr. Montgomery was enjoying his nap very much in C. A. R. Tuesday morning.

Since when have the gentlemen in a certain Squadron started wearing their patches on their right shoulder?

It is very nice of Mr. Dawson to give some of his air corps patches to his flight instructor. You can't learn to fly that way, sir.

Who in flight 33 forgot to check his oil cap after his line inspection?

The gentlemen that fly in the afternoon wish the morning flights wouldn't get the instructors so worked up. It really makes it tough.

Hey fellows of Squadron III. If you want to have any fun at our ball, let's have less talk and more action. Time is getting short.

### SQUADRON IV

"DAD" McGregor's wife leaves. Mrs. Charles McGregor left last week for her home at Jefferson City, Missouri, after spending the past month visiting here.

Mr. and Mrs. Peyton H. Massey, Jr., recently walked away with the grand second prize in a jitterbug contest at the Bryan Country Club. The Masseys showed the folks how real jitterbugging is done. They won a carton of cigarettes, and much applause for the entertainment.

A/S Clifford Cline had a birthday gathering one evening recently with Mr. John Dale and Mr. Lee Saltsburg present. A nice birthday package of a dozen bananas, candy, cake and new socks had just arrived from Mrs. Cline from Cleveland, Ohio.

HART HALL SERENADERS—Mr. John Kalmbach, teamed with Mr. Darold Peterson has created quite a sensational number of singing, acrobatics and ballet dancing for the boys of H. Ramp. Mr. Edward P. Brune accompanies them occasionally with a guitar.

"How is the Winter Campaign Coming, Napoleon???"

THE HERMIT OF LONELY "I"—The hermitage of I Ramp was broken this week when Mr.

## Beaverettes' Column

The Beaverettes were honored at their last meeting by the presence of two officers, lieutenants Bagby and Pickens. Lieutenant Pickens gave an interesting speech and introduced to us the law book by which our Beavers live, "Student Orders". We shall hear more on the subject from him sometime in the future.

It has been agreed that the Thursday night meeting of the Beaverettes be discontinued and all business be transacted at the Tuesday night meetings.

Thursday nights will be left open for bowling. We played our first game on February 3, and we will reserve two alleys for next Thursday, February 10. All Beaverettes please be on hand at 8 p. m.

Due to a misprint in the last Battalion we wish to repeat our announcement concerning the Welcoming Committee whose purpose is to meet incoming Beaverettes who cannot be met by their Beavers.

Mrs. Gallino — 4-7359  
Mrs. Evans — 4-6614  
Mrs. Riesemmy — 4-6614

We Beaverettes have read in books, magazines and heard on the radio the words, "and now we give you Texas." After seeing the weather the past two weeks we know why they are trying to give it away.

Speaking of the weather, we know who to blame for it now. A Beaverette was walking down Military Row with her husband, and while they were passing the grounds she saw a squad of men on their knees, raising their hands up and down in true Allah fashion. She asked her husband what the purpose of the exercise was and he replied, "That's no exercise, that's Squadron No. 5 praying for rain. They have P. T. in five more minutes."

Robert W. Wright moved in to live with Mr. Robert L. Feagins. (Sad Sack!)

WANTED—Some physics brain-storm who can invent a folding Guidon so Mr. Deislinger can put it in his pocket whenever he eats.

THE PIPE LINE BOYS—A/S Joe Hamilton and A/S Eunice Young have been working on a pipe line recently and have a couple of bad cases of strained backs and blistered hands. Maybe this extra work is the reason they go on sick call—or is it P. E.?

"Romeo"—Toft is on the loose. Get him to show you the letter from Velma—a Bryan lass who has fallen for his manly features. And Oh—that lipstick the girl wears!—What's this all about Toft. (Note:—This was obtained from anonymous sources).

Mr. Niel S. Dodge took a short course of fifty minutes flying last week with squadron three. In one easy lesson he learned how to go up and come down.

Beautiful Priscilla Moffet was here Saturday visiting Mr. Walter Gregory. Miss Moffet hails from Dallas and well upholds the reputation of the Texas beauties being from that city.

SQUADRON V ROBERT Y. ALBERS—is expecting his Bonnie Lass, Lucile McCollum from Portland, Oregon, to say "Yes". To U. S. Survey Boat Kalama: Won't you please say yes so that we may have the opportunity of throwing our G. I.'s at'cha.

WINTON SWENSON—Oh dear, Barbara Ellis. It is rumored, and from a very reliable source that Danny Cupid has done his part for the present.

ANTHONY SHEMROSKE — Came home with a 'Medics' size 36 blouse while touring the town with aye young lady. Waiting for future developments.

EDWIN MARVEL—Mrs. Marvel returned to stay with hubby. Love does conquer all. No more waiting for mail now, is their, Mr. Marvel?

A/S FRANKFORDER—awarded the D. F. U. C. for this week. (Distinguished Foul Up Citation.) This gentlemen called the CLASS to attention during a standby inspection in his room.

WINDELL MELTON—saw his dad for the first time in 14 years. Sunday at Mexia, Texas, A/S Melton visited with his dad. His dad has been in the service of the U. S. Navy.

## Major Baker Commanding Officer Of 308th C. T. D.

### Takes Command During Past Week

New commanding officer of the 308th. College Training Detachment, Air Crew, is Major R. S. Baker. He assumed command of the detachment last week.

Previous to coming here, Major Baker was the commanding officer of the college training detachment at Oklahoma A. & M. College at Stillwater. During the past year he has been the commanding officer of a number of other college training detachments in Oklahoma and Arkansas.

A native of Ponca City, Okla., he resided in Houston before entering the service. He has been in the service approximately two years. Before entering the service he was connected with the Noble-Baker Company in Houston, which is an oil producing firm.

He was accompanied here by his wife and two children, a daughter 3 and a son 1.

Major Baker succeeds Capt. Sam B. Hill, who left this detachment Feb. 1 for a new assignment.



Major R. S. Baker

## Squadron II Appoints New Student Officers

Looking through the events of the past week, we find the new student officers of Squadron II have been appointed. The following named Aviation Students were those selected for the various positions: James D. Colbert, Squadron Commander; Ernest J. Gray, Squadron Adjutant; James E. Fenlon and Wendell J. Kistner, Flight Lieutenants; Willard L. Smith, Supply Lieutenant; Robert L. Long, First Sergeant; Robert E. Bercini and Edward G. Bricker, Flight Sergeants.

Mr. Colbert joined the National Guard in May of 1937 and was attached to the 124th Infantry. On November 25, 1940 he was called into Federal service and was stationed at Blanning, Florida. From Florida he was sent to assist in training Officer Candidates at Ft. Benning, Ga.

Squadron Adjutant A/S Gray has had a total of three years and seven months of Army and National Guard service, first being assigned to the 151st Field Artillery. His stay with the 151st was followed by three transfers—the first to the 634 Tank Destroyers, then to the 513th Parachute Infantry at Ft. Benning, and lastly his transfer to the Army Air Force.

shortly before he left for his new post.

The bride's sister, Marion, is the featured vocalist with the detachment orchestra.

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