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pare students for the Engine Mechanics examination will be given along with flight instructions sufficient to qualify them for Commercial Instructor-Pilot examinations.

In addition to the required work, related studies will be given in applied mathematics, report writing, sketching and plan reading, aviation ground school, airport management, airport layout, airport accounting and other subjects necessary to prepare men to manage the estimated 3000 new airports which are scheduled for this country within five to ten years after the close of the war, Dr. Barlow announced.

Students for the two year course will be housed on the A. & M. College campus and will take their meals in the college dining halls. Advance letters of inquiry indicate that a heavy enrollment will be on hand when the courses begin in the Fall, Dr. Barlow said.

—MUSEUM—

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Creek and Tea Pot Dome oil fields. From this point the party moved to Cody, Wyoming, to study the geology of Wind River and Shoshoni Canyons.

Moving next into Montana, the group centered their investigation of geological interests on the Big Horn and Pryor Mountains. These large and colorful areas proved beneficial to them in their research because they are representative of many of the mountainous sections of that part of the country. Near Red Lodge in the mountain country they inspected the coal fields.

The class then journeyed into the Yellowstone National Park, where they studied the canyon and the volcanic rocks that were exposed. All the natural phenomena attracted them, and added greatly to the enjoyment of the trip.

After leaving the Park, the group spent a week at Pipe Stone Springs, Montana, where they made a topographic and geologic map of a fossil locality.

Visits were also included to Butte and Helena, where the mining interests were studied. The party found, however, that most gold properties are shut down and that Butte, the world's greatest copper camp, has five of its mines idle at the present time because of the general labor shortage of the country. At the same time that activity is slow in the mining business, the oil interest is somewhat active, especially in the state of Wyoming.

Traveling was done by car with night stops being made at tourist camps, hotels, or in the open. The weather was cool and wet on the trip, but not sufficiently as to delay the progress of the party. They maintained their schedule throughout the entire six-weeks, taking into account also the observation of breath-taking scenery and the many varieties of wild life which were seen moving in all directions.

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—AGGIES—

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quarters of officers and enlisted men and the excellent offices in Calcutta when Generals Davidson and Moore hid their headquarters into Assam. Part of a tea plantation was taken over. Now all personnel lives and works in the thatch covered bamboo buildings, called bashes, or labor and sleep in tents. Officers and enlisted men battle mud every time they move from one section of headquarters to another. But the 10th's nerve-center is in the heart of the war in this part of the world.

The move was undertaken shortly after the start of the monsoons when the weather gods fly several rain-bearing missions daily. Despite heavy rains, it was carried out on schedule, without headquarters ceasing to function a single minute. Men and material were moved by trucks, airplane, railroad, and boats.

Generals Davidson and Moore carry their belief that nearness to the war front is essential even farther than moving headquarters into the wilds. The commanding general has planned a number of attacks on enemy-held territory while flying over those areas.

General Moore has flown on several important missions over Burma. Both the generals are command pilots.

General Davidson, who was born in Wharton, Texas, in 1890, and who attended public schools there, was one of the first thirty pilots in the United States Army. He attended Texas A. & M. College for a year and a half before entering West Point in 1909. He graduated in 1913. Oddly enough, one of his athletic coaches was Lt. Gen. Joseph W. Stillwell, now commanding general of American forces in China-Burma-India Theater.

The 10th's commanding general fought World War I in France and has since held commands in many parts of the world. He was, at one time, executive officer to the Chief of Air Corps, General Westover, whose assistant was General H. H. Arnold, who now commands the U. S. Air Forces.

In 1938 General Davidson was named chief of training and operations for the Air Corps. As such, he played an important part in the expansion of the Force.

General Davidson has been awarded the Order of Leopold by Belgium, the Order of Abdon Calderon by Ecuador, the Distinguished

Flying Cross and the Purple Heart.

While the general has spent little time in Texas the last thirty years, one of his hobbies is cowboy songs. He's often heard humming and singing tales of the plains and cow punchers.

General Moore also attended Texas A. & M. He graduated in 1923 with a BS degree and entered business. The call of the Air Corps sounded for him in 1927. He has been in uniform ever since, serving in many branches of the Air Corps. His duties took him to Hawaii in 1934 and he remained there two years. Prior to that he was one of the fifty flying officers sent to Randolph Field to open the now famous alma mater of thousands of pilots.

The 10th's chief of staff is not only a command pilot, but is an officer who is well-grounded in all phases of Air Force activity, having served in such assignments as engineering officer for Wheeler Field, Hawaii, and the plans division of the Air Force. Thus he was well-equipped for his arduous assignment as chief of staff for the 10th Air Force, the organization which, for months, has held air supremacy over India and Burma and which is fighting the war monsoons and mud or not in cloud filled skies and from the tents and bashes in Assam.

—CADETS—

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ner will also serve as an advisor to the Aggeland Orchestra, and for this phase of the work he is particularly well trained.

Mr. Turner, his wife, and small son will arrive here the first week in September. His office will be in the Student Activities office.

Any student interested in the Singing Cadets may give his name

Aggie-Ex Receives Sixth Decoration

Second Lieutenant Jacob D. Rives, 28, of Tyler, Texas, bombardier on the Eighth Air Force B-17 Flying Fortress "Remember U. S.," has received his sixth decoration for achievements while bombing Nazi invasion defense and war-making targets. His most recent award is the Distinguished Flying Cross.

Lt. Rives, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Rives of Route 2, Laneville, Texas, has also earned the Air Medal with four Oak Leaf Clusters to that medal. One of the Clusters was for destroying a Nazi fighter while on a bombing attack against the aircraft assembly plant at Zwickan, Germany.

"The fighters were attacking in waves that day," said Lt. Rives. "We were kept busy for about an hour steady, shooting at them, and hoping none would get in and do us any harm. The one I got came in straight from in front of the nose. I was sweating that bird out, for if my bullets had not punctured his fuselage when they did, and hit the gas tank, he would sure as hell have hit us. The pilot could not bail out, for the plane blew up just below us."

The lieutenant was commissioned in October 1943, and joined this bomber outfit early in April 1944. He received his appointment to

to the Student Activities Office in room three in the basement of the Administration Building. It is hoped by the Activities Office that these two organizations will be very progressive next semester.

cadet school direct from civilian life, volunteering for flying and combat duty. He was employed by Swift & Company Fertilizer Works in Houston as a district representative. The lieutenant's wife, the former Miss Bernice E. Tullos of Henderson, and daughter Sherry Ann, are now living at 538 Douglas Blvd., Tyler.

—LIBRARY—

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it inspires Franklin and his crew majestically.

— Fair Stood the Wind for France is what we generally call "escape reading." But after reading it, one feels himself drawn a little more closely to France and to the current experiences of our Armies in France.

The title of the book was taken from Michael Drayton's verse:

"Fair stood the wind for France
When we our sails advance
Nor now to prove our chance
Longer we tarry . . ."

Some other similar tales of this war are: *Escape* by Ethel Vance, *Assignment in Brittany*, by Helen McInnes Highet, *Paris Underground*, by Etta Shiber, and *Flotsam*, by Erich Remarque.

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