

THE BATTALION

Flies His Way Through School

Jimmie Savage is flying his way through graduate school at Texas A&M.

The 24-year-old candidate for a master's degree in aerospace engineering is a pilot for a research project in which the university is studying subsonic flight dynamics under a Project Themis grant from the Department of Defense.

About three times each week, Savage climbs into a vintage flying machine at the Texas A&M Research Annex (formerly Bryan Air Force Base) and takes off in search of "discreet gusts."

Discreet gusts, explains the Sudan, Texas, native, provide sharp encounters but nothing bordering on clear-air turbulence. Texas A&M officials hope, however, the research will lead to a better understanding of the clear-air turbulence phenomenon.

None of the airplanes which Savage tools around will ever be mistaken for a corporate jet. The fleet includes a modified Grumman Ag-Cat, a Piper PA-18, T-34 trainer and a C-45. Savage and associates are still "de-mothball-

ing" the C-45 after obtaining it through government surplus two months ago.

The planes have an average age of 16 years, but the 1968 Texas A&M graduate emphasizes they get the job done. Officially designated experimental aircraft, they are equipped with various sensing devices for a variety of air-borne tests.

While he spends much time up in the air, Savage has a down-to-earth outlook about his work and future. Whereas most young men feel hypersonic aerodynamics is

"where the action is," Savage is content to devote his energies to subsonic problems.

"People tend to forget that planes have to go subsonic before they can go hypersonic—and they must again go subsonic to land," he observes.

Savage's assistantship does not require that he fly. "It's just something I like to do," he points out, "and it's a means of contributing to the program."

He hopes to make aviation research a career, beginning with a two-year tour as an Army lieutenant after receiving his master's next spring.

Savage is not what you would call a seasoned pilot. In fact, he has only been flying slightly more than a year.

"There's a few times you could get in trouble if you didn't know what you were doing," he admits.



CHARTING TEXAS A&M COURSE

Jimmie Savage (right), Texas A&M graduate student who serves as a pilot for the university's flight dynamic research program, makes final pre-flight check with John Kay, A&M's chief aircraft mechanic.

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He has learned about being a good sport, about regard for his fellow men, and about many other equally important things in Church. For, like thousands of other American youngsters, the Church already plays an important part in his life. That is one reason why his parents have faith in the fact that he will grow up to be a pretty fine man.

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