With the Armed Forces

Names of two more Sooner alumni were added last month to the war casualty list. Garland A. Dishman, '40-'41, was killed May 13 in the crash of his training plane in Arizona where he was stationed at Luke Field as an aviation cadet. A graduate of Okmulgee High School, he received his primary flight training in the CPT program at the University. He was accepted as an aviation cadet in the Army in November, 1941, and received primary training at Ryan School of Aeronautics, San Diego, California. After further instruction at Leemoore, California, he went to Luke Field and was in the last stage of his aviation training when the fatal crash occurred.

The Alumni Office also received word of the death of Major Ira Brown, '32med, formerly of Chicago, who was burned to death in a fire that destroyed an officers' barracks at Camp Grant, Illinois.

Appointed a first lieutenant in the Medical Reserve Corps in 1935, he became a captain in 1940 and a major February 1, 1942. Major Brown was a fellow of the American College of Surgeons; was formerly clinical instructor of gynecology and obstetrics at the University of Chicago School of Medicine; and at one time was associate in obstetrics and gynecology at the Chicago Lying-In Hospital and Dispensary. He was 35 years old.

Another O. U. flier received the Distinguished Service Cross last month, and two more received citations for bravery.

Lt. Nathaniel H. Blanton, '36-'38, was a flying officer in Brig. Gen. James H. Doolittle's squadron of bombing planes that poured death and destruction on Tokyo and other Japanese industrial centers April 18 in one of the most sensational feats of the war. Lieutenant Blanton, along with others who took part in the Tokyo raid, was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross last month.

He was already known as a crack fighting pilot, as he was a member of the "Hell Benters" fighter squadron that helped defend Java, and he was officially credited with shooting down two or more Japanese planes. The pursuit squadron was credited with a total of 39 Jap planes.

Citations for bravery were given last month to two Sooners in the Marine Corps who helped defend the Philippines. They are Lt. Michael Emile Peshek, '39eng, Oklahoma City; and Cpl. Claud Ernest Simpson, '37-'38, Altus.

William Ross Gahring, '23ba, '24ma, one of Oklahoma's outstanding heroes in World War I and the holder of 13 decorations for valor, including the first Distinguished Service Cross ever awarded an American soldier on United States soil, has returned to Army service as a major in the Infantry. Major Gahring, president of the Ross Oil Company at Shawnee, was ordered to report to Fort Sill. For heroism in the first World War, an impressive array of decorations was bestowed on Major Gahring, including the Congressional Medal of Honor, the Croix de Guerre, the Distinguished Service Cross, the Purple Heart, Silver Star and several lesser awards.

Another Sooner believed to have reached Australia from Bataan is Lt. Dorwood C. Stephens, '35-'39, whose last telegram to his wife in Tulsa came through from Australia. Lieutenant Stephens went to the Philippines in October, 1940, as a pursuit plane pilot and later was transferred to a bomber squadron. In the message to his wife, he wrote, "I was lucky enough to catch onto the tail-end of General MacArthur's dramatic dash from the Philippines and have had several days of good rest and food which I've enjoyed so much."

Among those who earlier escaped from thebesieged peninsular were Lt. Fred LaBoon, '39eng, and Capt. James Edward (Buck) Garrett, '32.

The Japanese have shelled and mortared Batangay, Batangas, an outport of Manila, a month ago. Lt. John Watt, Jr., '38eng, Oklahoma City, believed to have been at Corregidor, was thought by relatives to be safe in Australia. Sooners believed to have been fighting on the last American strongholds in the Philippines are Lt. Mike Peshek, '38bus, Marine Corps; Maj. Carlos E. McAlfe, '38law, known to have been on General Wainwright's staff before the evacuation from Bataan; Lt. William A. Berry, '40law, U. S. Navy; Maj. Howard W. Hinman, '30-'34, Infantry officer; Maj. Ralph W. Hubbard, '32med; Ralph L. Jones, '40law; Capt. Henry Doughty, '21ba; Harold Hirsch, '35ba; Maj. George Hohl, '24bus; Capt. Alex B. Welcher, '40gfd, former University boxer; Capt. Clyde Kern, '38med, former chief of the medical staff at Fort Detrickburg near Manila; Lt. Col. James V. Collier, '31ba, former R.O.T.C. instructor at the University; Lt. Leon C. B. Jenkins, '36ed, of the Air Corps; Maj. Carl Bachr, Jr., son of Brig. Gen. Carl A. Bachr, first commandant of the University R.O.T.C., and Pvt. Carl W. Abernathy, Jr., '38-'39, Altus.

Lt. Charles L. Mathis, '39-'41, was in the Philippines when his parents heard from him last December, was reported on an army air base somewhere in the Pacific last month after the fall of Corregidor. In a letter received May 18, the first his parents had received since last December, Lieutenant Mathis wrote, "Don't worry about this man's army. It's plenty OK." He didn't say whether he'd seen action in the Philippines.

Six former senior law students in the University who withdrew from school in March to go into active service were last
reported stationed in Hawaii. The sextet, all second lieutenants, were admitted to the Oklahoma State Bar before leaving the state. They are Eddie Hurst, David Cook, Joseph Hall, Bob Ecton, Douglas Baker and John Richards.

Lt. James Bruce Morehead, '37-'39, fighter pilot with the American forces in Australia who did it before, proved that he could do it again last month when he personally accounted for three Jap bombers during an enemy raid on Darwin, Australia; Port Moresby and the Solomon Islands. It was believed that Lieutenant Morehead already had four Jap planes to his credit and this last reported aerial battle brought the grand total to seven. The Sooner flier first attracted nationwide attention in March after accounts reached the United States of his entry into single-handed combat with 54 Rising Sun bombers.

Capt. George R. Taylor, '22, of the Judge Advocate General's Department, was assigned as chief of the legal section of the District Engineers at Fort Sam Houston, Texas. He was a lawyer at Stillwater.

Larry Cotton, '33, well known singer with Horace Heidt's orchestra, was visiting his parents in Norman last month awaiting assignment for active service.

Major T. L. Brown, '26bus, whose home is in Tulsa, has been assigned to duty at San Francisco.

Foreign Service

David Obert, '40, first lieutenant in the Air Corps, has called his parents in Apache of his safe arrival in Australia from Bataan Peninsula. A former engineering student in the University, Lieutenant Obert was commissioned in December, 1940. Also reported in Australia were Lt. William C. Moore, '41eng, Oklahoma City, and Staff Sgt. Donald D. Walker, '35-'38, Tuttle. Sergeant Walker’s first impressions of the country were passed on to his parents in a letter March 16 in which he told of the Aussie friendliness.

Pilot Guy Anthony, '31-'32, with the American forces in Australia, predicts in a letter to his parents in Oklahoma City that the Yanks like the land “down under” so well a good many of them may settle there permanently when the war is over. The Oklahoman flier described Australians as very hospitable to Americans, waiting on them first in crowded cafes and charging them only half-fare on trams. “If anyone wants a kangaroo for a pet,” he wrote, “just drop me a line and we’ll rush a shipment over via water, water and more water.”

Among numerous Sooner reports sent overseas for foreign service are Lt. Elliott Davis, '37eng, Tulsa; Lt. Frederick J. Hoy, '36ba, '37law, Oklahoma City, and Capt. Bryan Rakestraw, '39law. Mrs. Rakestraw, the former Miss Arthur Lory Morris, '39law, is making her home in Anadarko.

Donald V. Smith, '38-'40, former employee of the Kiowa Lumber Company in Oklahoma City, has been reported with the American forces in Australia.

Lt. Col. William E. Corkill, '16ba, former military science instructor at the University of Oklahoma, was last reported on duty in the Philippines. Since leaving Norman, he has been stationed at Arkansas State College, Jonesboro, and Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indiana.

Lt. Barth P. (Jiggs) Walker, '40med, '40law, has been reported on foreign duty with the Air Force Ferry Command.

Lt. Richard D. Roys, '39med, on foreign duty with the Medical Corps, has notified his wife Ruth Shannon Roys, '35ed, Norman, of his safe arrival in Australia.

Since going into active service, the three Hughes brothers, formerly of Norman, have become widely scattered. Harry Hughes, '29ba, recently promoted to captain, is in foreign service. Capt. Robert Hughes, '28ba, is assigned to Communication School at Fort Sill and Lt. Charles E. Hughes, '29bs, of the Air Corps, is a ground officer at Moore Field, Texas.

Lt. Walter Clifford Pittman, '36bs, has been transferred to a post in Puerto Rico.

Lt. Orel B. Lindsey, '38ed, is with the American forces in Australia.

Bernice M. Shultz, '40nurse, Oklahoma City, has been assigned to duty in Hawaii as a second lieutenant in the Army Nurses Corps.

Another “all-out for defense” family is the Morehead family at Washington, Oklahoma, which has three sons now in active service. Capt. Jackson P. Morehead, '37med, and Lt. Bruce Morehead, '38, were reported with the American forces in Australia, while Walton Morehead, '34, is a Civilian Defense instructor at Santa Maria, California.

Lt. Kenneth M. Taylor, '40, war hero from Hominy who won a Distinguished Service Cross for his courage in the aerial defense of Pearl Harbor, was married May 9 to Miss Flora Love Morrison, Chickasha, at Honolulu, Hawaii. The bride formerly lived at Dover, Oklahoma.

Capt. E. D. Smith, '37-'39, stationed in Iceland during the last year, visited relatives in Norman and Oklahoma City while on a furlough last month.

Lt. I. T. Godfrey, Jr., '40med, McAlester, is reported serving with a medical battalion in the American Expeditionary Force in northern Ireland.

Lt. George E. Dodson, '40med, is on foreign duty.
Promoted to the rank of captain. He was employed with a firm of contracting engineers at Muskogee when called into active service. James O. Britt, '41, and William F. Purnell, Jr., '36-'39, have completed advanced flight training at Luke Field, and received second lieutenant's commissions in the Air Force.

**Arkansas**

Joy E. Sherman, '25-'29, has been promoted to the rank of major at Camp Chaffee. Lt. George L. Hustead, '40-'42, is a fuel and lubrication officer in the Quartermaster Corps at Camp Chaffee.

**California**

Donne Tollefson, '28eng, Norman, has been promoted to captain in the Air Corps at Moffett Field. Captain Tollefson was employed by the Oklahoma Gas & Electric Company for 17 years before entering into active service. William W. Smith, Jr., '40-'41, Tulsa, has been commissioned a second lieutenant in the Army Air Force at the advanced flying school, Mather Field.

Lucius C. Trench, Jr., '38-'41, Quinton, was transferred last month to Mather Field for advanced flight training.

Lt. Louise Beck, '31-'36, Norman, has been assigned to Hamilton Field.

Pvt. Wendell J. Doggett, '41ba, stationed at Stockton, has applied for officer's training.

James D. Morrison, '27ba, '31ma, is a student in the Rankin Aeronautical Academy at Tulare.

James D. Fellers, '36ba, '35law, former Oklahoma City attorney now assigned to a training center in Southern California, has been promoted to rank of captain. Recently graduated from Command and General Staff College, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, he is serving as intelligence officer.

Maj. J. C. Barnett, '32med, co-ordinator for the Civil Pilot Training program at Southwestern Institute of Technology at Weatherford, has been assigned to duty as commanding officer at Santa Ana, California.

Lt. Norman G. Walker, '37-'40, Bethany, has been serving as a navigator in the Air Corps ferry command, and has been stationed in San Francisco.

Cadet William E. Cruce, '38-'41, Oklahoma City, has graduated from basic flying school at Gardner Field, and started advanced training at another post.

Capt. Maurice N. Giezentanner, '30eng, is special services officer for the Field Artillery Replacement Center at Camp Roberts, California. Former engineer at the Texas Pipe Line Company at Drumright, Captain Giezentanner is responsible for soldier entertainment, athletics, recreation and morale in general. He also serves as public relations officer for the Field Artillery division.

Dr. H. W. Hacker, '33med. Tableegah, has been called for active service and reported last month to The Persifilo, San Francisco, for orders.

Lt. Roy E. Long, '39ba, '40med, former county attorney of Kay County, has been assigned to Camp Roberts.

Lt. R. L. Peachke, '40ba, is a flying instructor at Mather Field.

A Sooner trip out on the west coast had an unusual reunion recently when they got together and took a plane ride in a Lockheed Hudson bomber piloted by Novel Wood, '31-'41, former Sooner football center. Breathless passengers were Bill Van Dyke, '38, former Norman Transcript sports editor, and George D'Orelle, '40-'42, Sooner football guard, both now in the Navy at San Diego.

Lt. John P. Reed, '40-'41, Oklahoma City, has had to many different ranks since he went into the Army. Serving as a private but he still will answer to anything from "private" up to "lieutenant." A private in the enlisted reserve, Lieutenant Reed was given the rank of sergeant when called into active service. He worked as a mechanic from one battery to another at Fort Sill brought him again to private's

**Stewart Meyers,' 28ba**

Major Stewart Meyers, '28ba, formerly of Oklahoma City, has been promoted to rank of lieutenant colonel. He is serving at Fort Huachuca, Arizona.

After taking officers training courses, he received his commission and is now at Camp Roberts.

Capt. Jack A. Clark, '34ba, is stationed with a tank destroyer battalion at March Field.

W. E. Curry, '36-'37, Oklahoma City, has been commissioned a second lieutenant in Field Artillery at Fort Sill and assigned to Camp Roberts.

Dan Dunnett, '37eng, has his job as treasurer of Dunnett Oil Company, Oklahoma City, to go into active service as a first lieutenant at Camp Roberts.

Francis Eichen, '34-'35, has graduated as a second lieutenant in the Air Force from the advanced flying school at Stockton Field. He took primary and basic training at Thunderbird Field, Arizona, and Minter Field, California.

Lt. Tom F. Carey, '38ba, '40law, Oklahoma City, has been transferred to Camp Roberts.

Lt. Thomas W. Darnall, '35ba, has been serving as executive officer in the Field Artillery training battalion at Camp Roberts. Recently about thirty officers from Oklahoma, most of them U. S. M. men, arrived at Camp Roberts at one time, to which Lieutenant Darnall remarked, "Get enough of those Sooers out here and we'll win this war in a hurry." He serves as an instructor in the highly specialized training battalion.

Capt. Blanshand, '33ba, '39law, Norman, county attorney of Cleveland County, has gone into active service as a first lieutenant at Camp Roberts.

Lt. William E. Steele, '30-'33, now serving with the Army Air Force, has been transferred to Hamilton Field.

Oliver M. Stewart, '38-'42, is on active duty in the Air Corps, and is taking meteorology courses at the California Institute of Technology, Pasadena.

James O. Brady, '37law, formerly of Ada and now stationed at Hamilton Field, seeks to find out what the boys recently inducted need most is news from their home town and friends.

George Holdem, '42, unchanged by the fact that his father is a colonel in the 95th Division, enlisted in the Marine Corps last month and has been assigned to active duty at San Diego. Before volunteering, Private Holden was an arts and sciences student in the University.

Raymond M. Hart, '31geol, Oklahoma City, has reported for active service at Camp Roberts, as a first lieutenant.

**Paul Crockett Duncan, '37law,** former Oklahoma City attorney now a first lieutenant of Field Artillery, has been stationed at Camp Roberts.

Wm. (Bill) Van Dyke, '37-'38, former Norman Transcript sports editor, has been assigned to the chaplain's office at the Naval Air Station, San Diego, as yeoman third class.

Paul Monroe Root, '35ba, former Navy physician at various stations in China and the Philippines, is now in service as a lieutenant commander at the Naval Hospital, San Diego. He and his wife, Miss C. Mae Moore, '29ba, have been more than three years abroad, returning to the United States in December, 1939, from the Philippines. They have one son three years old.

George T. Hiatt, '39-'40, Tulsa, has been commissioned an ensign in the Navy and stationed at San Diego. He formerly was treasurer of the McAvoy Shipbuilding Corporation in Savannah, Georgia.

**Colorado**

Lt. O. F. Nolan, '36, former geologist with the Humble Oil and Refining Company, Houston, Texas, has gone into active service at Lowry Field.

Frank McCrady, '29eng, has been transferred to Denver.

**Washington, D. C.**

C. E. Guy Brown, '29ba, who is on leave from the business administrative offices of the Seeley Company, has been advanced to rank of major in the Army Air Force Headquarters, Washington, D. C.

Capt. Charles Standley, '24-'27, of Noble, has been assigned to Fort Benning for a three-months' training course.

Maj. Lloyd L. Smith, '23law, former Bristow attorney, has been attending the Air Corps administrative officers school at Miami.

Capt. Robert L. Garrett, '40-'41, of Norman, who has been stationed with a technical school squadron in Mississippi, has been transferred to Morrison Field, West Palm Beach.

**Florida**

John Gittinger, '38ba, '39ba, is an ensign in the Naval Medical Corps and is assigned to duty as an aviation psychologist at the Naval Reserve Aviation Base, Atlanta. Mrs. Gittinger (Mary Frances Ryle, '39ba) is with him.

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ARMY, NAVY AND MARINES

Mrs. George T. Noble, of Okmulgee, doesn't show partiality for any one branch of the armed forces. A brother, John Embry, '21law (left), is a major in the Field Artillery, recently stationed at Camp Barkeley. Another brother, James A. Embry, '37ba, (right), is a captain in the Marine Air Corps, stationed at Pensacola. And her husband, George T. Noble, '39eng, is an ensign at the Navy Yard, Charleston.

Lt. Col. Harry L. S. Hailey, '15ba, '17law, formerly district judge at Tulsa, is temporarily assigned to a training regiment at Fort Benning. Lt. Jack G. Backer, '40, has been stationed with an infantry division at Fort Benning.

Capt. Dennis O. Bernier, '12-'16, Norman, has been assigned to an Infantry Battalion at Fort Benning.

Lt. Clifton L. Bell, '37ba, '37geol, first lieutenant with an Armored Field Artillery Battalion, has been stationed at Fort Benning.

Illinois

Dr. Claude M. Bloss, '37med, is on active duty as a captain in the Army Medical Corps, stationed at Medical Center, Camp Grant.

Lt. William J. Koenigsdorf, '37law, has been stationed at Fort Benning. In civil life, Sergeant Keller served as a hospital apprentice first class. Before enlisting, Mr. Keller played in the National Guard band at Ada.

Kansas

Lt. John B. Dudley, Jr., '32ba, '35law, formerly of Oklahoma City, has gone into active military service at Fort Riley. Mrs. Dudley is the former Miss Margaret Hanna, '32-'33.

Lt. Joseph W. Long, '39-'40, Oklahoma City, has been taking an officers' training course at Fort Riley.

Kentucky

Lt. Tom E. Grace, '38law, and Lt. Fred Dunlevy, '37law, have been stationed at Fort Knox.

Lt. Gene Nelson Moore, '36-'40, Drumright, last month was taking a communications course for duty with the Armored Force at Fort Knox.

Irvin M. Garwood, '40ba, recently promoted to corporal, expects to graduate July 4 from the Armored Force Officers Candidate School at Fort Knox.

Louisiana

E. L. (Mike) Massad, '32, recently promoted to captain, has been assigned as aide to Brig. Gen. J. M. Swing at Camp Claiborne.

William L. Pogg, '32law, chairman of the State Industrial Commission for the last three years, has gone into active Navy service at New Orleans, as a lieutenant junior grade. Lieutenant Pogg served a term as U. S. district commissioner at El Reno before his appointment to head the State Industrial Commission.

Lt. Richard E. Swain, '31ba, '31eng, Oklahoma City, has been stationed at New Orleans.

William S. Laney, '38ba, with a Field Artillery unit at Camp Claiborne, has been promoted from first lieutenant to captain.

George O. Hopkins, '32ba, '35ina, Noble, has been promoted to the rank of major at Hardling Field.

Capt. Harry H. Alley, '37law, Norman, has completed training in aerial observation and received an assignment to Alexandria.

Maryland

Lt. William J. Winder, '37law, reported for active duty April 15 at Ordnance Proving Grounds, Aberdeen.

Staff Sgt. Carroll Hodges, '36na, is one of 40 men selected to attend officers candidate school in the adjutant generals departments at Fort Washington. In 1938, Sergeant Hodges was awarded a scholarship to complete work for a doctor's degree in clinical psychology at the University of Edinburgh, Scotland. He spent several months living in France and visiting other European countries over Nazi-dominated. At the outbreak of war, he was on the faculty of the American Anatolia College in Greece and returned to the United States just before the Germans took over.

Massachusetts

Capt. Perry B. Hackett, '34eng, has been assigned to an Engineers Battalion at Camp Edwards.

Minnesotta

Col S. H. Griffin, '12, has been assigned as Army district engineer at Duluth.

Mississippi

T. T. Beeler, Jr., '37med, Camp Shelby, has been promoted to captain.

Lt. Walter R. Graamal, '32law, former Oklahoma City attorney, has been assigned to duty with a technical school squadron at Keeler Field. Pvt. Robert L. Spies, '37-'38, is a student in the air mechanics school at Keeler Field.

Thomas H. Wilson, Jr., '39ba, '40na, Norman, has recently been taking basic flight training as an aviation cadet at Greenville.

Missouri

John W. Swinford, '33law, Oklahoma City, has been commissioned a first lieutenant and assigned to duty at Jefferson Barracks. J. W. Tidwell, '33na, has been commissioned a lieutenant, junior grade, in the Naval Reserve, and assigned to duty as a member of the Naval Aviation Cadet Selection Board in St. Louis.

Sgt. J. M. DeLester, '41ba, Sapulpa, has been assigned to Camp Crowder.

George Kramer, '38ba, '39na, is an ensign in the Naval Medical Corps, assigned to duty as aviation psychologist for the Aviation Cadet Selection Board in Kansas City.

Joseph G. Ruckes, '36law, Fort Leonard Wood, has been promoted to the rank of captain.

Lt. Nathan S. Sherman III, '38law, Oklahoma City, was assigned to the legal department of the Medical Depot at St. Louis.

Nevada

Patrick D. Bevill, '40-'41, Poteau, assigned to duty as a fireman at the Air Corps Gunnery School, Las Vegas, Nevada, has been promoted to private first class.

New Jersey

Lt. Robert W. Karns, '37med, Oklahoma City, has been assigned to duty at Fort Monmouth.

New York

O. V. Norcutt, '37-'41, Lexington, uses printing experience obtained while working for the Cleveland County News to good advantage at the Navy Recruiting Printing Plant in Brooklyn, where he is stationed. Recently promoted to first class photographer, Sailor Northcutt prints recruiting posters, cards, booklets, stationery and forms used by the Navy.
Millard Purdy, '38journ, former reporter on the Oklahoma City Times now stationed at Fort Sill, has been promoted to captain in Field Artillery. Captain Purdy was relieved of his duties as public relations officer for Fort Sill and returned to the Field Artillery School. New public relations majors were Lt. Herbert Van Zost, '39, former Oklahoma City and Duncan advertising man, who is also traffic officer under the provost marshal at Fort Sill.

Lt. Robert E. Rogers, Jr., 29eng, officer in charge of priorities at Fort Sill, has been assigned to duty at Dufflembou, Morocco, and has been promoted to the rank of captain.

Glen D. Johnson, '31-39, Okemah, representative from Okfuskee County, has gone into active Army service at Fort Sill as a private and expects to apply for officer training at the completion of basic instruction. Private Johnson waived the exemption permitted members of the Legislature when he volunteered.

Lt. John H. Byrd, '38eng, formerly at Camp Roberts, California, and Lt. Frank S. Dunaway, Jr., '41eng, formerly in a Field Artillery battalion at Fort Sill, have both attended battery officer training courses at Fort Sill.

Lt. William S. McCready, '31eng, Bartlesville, accepted for training in the Air Corps after spending almost a year in active Army service at Fort Sill, has been taking primary flight training at the Spartan School of Aeronautics, Tulsa.

Lt. General T. B. Campbell, '37eng, who was called to active duty March 23, was at Fort Sill last month taking a battery officer's course. He has been accepted for officers' training school.

This month Sooner Magazine presents more than 200 items about O. U. men with the armed forces. We'll make room for all the items received, so write the editor a note about what your relatives and friends are doing in the service.
been appointed director of a department of medical tactics in an officer candidate school at Camp Berkeley. He previously was an instructor in the Medical Field Service School at Carlisle Barracks, Pennsylvania.

Harry McMillan, ’29 pharm, former drug store employee in Woodward, has been stationed at Camp Bowie as first lieutenant.

Capt. John L. Smith, ’32 med, a former infantry officer at Fort Sill, has been transferred to Camp Robinson, Arkansas, to take further training in a medical school.

First Lt. Vitaly Kovalevsky, ’40, geol, New York City, is taking basic flight training at Randolph Field, working toward a commission in the Army Air Corps.

Eugene P. Ledbetter, Jr., ’40 ba, and Gordon Haynlip, ’36-’42, were admitted to the Oklahoma Bar after withdrawing from Law School at the University to enter active service. Mr. Ledbetter is in the Army Air Corps and Mr. Haynlip is in the Navy.

Lt. Max K. Gilstrap, ’37, jour, widely known naturalist and lecturer, is now assistant public relations officer at Camp Berkeley.

Major Francis P. Mealy, ’20, Oklahoma City, has been appointed battalion commander of a Quartermaster Regiment at Camp Bowie.

James W. A. Bristow, ’34 law, has been appointed battalion commander of the 138th Field Artillery Unit at Camp Bowie, Texas. He has been stationed at Fort Sam Houston, and at Goodfellow Field.

Capt. Frank A. Spence, ’41 jour, former Norman Transcript sports editor and reporter, is stationed at Geiger Field, assigned to clerical work.

Noel Ross Strader, ’36-’40, of Tulsa, has been promoted to second lieutenant at Geiger Field.

Capt. Ira T. Bond, ’27 med, has been transferred to the Station Hospital at Fort Monroe, Virginia.

Second Army Headquarters, Memphis.

Several Sooners were in a class graduated last month from the Barrage Balloon Training Center, Camp Tyson. The group included Lt. Martin Watts, ’41 ba; Lt. Harm E. Mosgrove, ’36 ba; Lt. Frank Jamieson, ’37 eng, and Lt. B. K. Wooden, ’42. They expected to be assigned to Coast Artillery balloon units.

Capt. Paul G. Reese, ’37 eng, is assigned to the Station Hospital at Fort Monroe, Virginia.

Virginia

Capt. Jack L. Ridley, ’34, of Sulphur, has completed pilot training at Kelly Field, Texas, and received war-wings and rank of lieutenant.

Edward Philip Allen, ’38-’41, assigned to the Air Force Intelligence Office, Victoria Field, has been promoted to first lieutenant.

Lt. Hubert S. Judy, ’40, has been promoted to first lieutenant at Brooks Field.

Lt. Joseph J. Prewett, ’29, has been assigned to duty at Camp headquarters, Camp Wallace.

Aviation Cadet Amos Battenfield, ’41 jour, former journalist in the Army Flying School at Enid, and now at Goodfellow Field, has been sent to the Air Corps Advanced Flying School at Brooks Field.

Long-Bell Lumber Co.

Norman C. Barry, ’39, has completed basic flight training in the Army Flying School at Enid, and has been promoted to first lieutenant.

Lt. Ralph Bollinger, ’37-’41, former Sooner athlete, has been assigned to Duncan Field.

Sam V. McCollum, ’40, has been transferred to the Army Flying School at Midland, Texas, as a telegraph operator in the school’s Signal Office.

Martin B. Schofield, Jr., flight instructor at Goodfellow Field, has been promoted from second to first lieutenant in the Air Corps.

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