With the Armed Forces

Major John D. Bridges, '34-'37, of the Army Air Forces, was in the thick of offensive aerial fighting in the Solomon Islands region last month as the Allied invasion of Japan-held territory got under way.

News stories from an advanced Allied base in the Southwest Pacific listed Major Bridges as pilot of a bomber which raided the nearby Rabaul airport to bar Japanese aid to their forces in the Solomons, where the Allies in late August appeared to be waging a successful campaign.

Former engineering student in the University, Major Bridges was commissioned in the Air Corps at Barksdale Field, Louisiana, and has flown since in Africa, Asia and Egypt. His wife lives in Oklahoma City.

Lt. O. K. Spurrier, '40bus, pilot with the U. S. Ferry Command in India, was saved from death or serious injury in July when his plane heading earthward, hit a cow and bounced high into the air, clearing by mere inches a rocky mound into which it would have crashed. Also involved in the freak accident were Lieutenant Spurrier's crew and six passengers who were making the Ferry Command's regular 3,000-mile hop between India and China.

The Sooner pilot's parents, who live in Houston, Texas, reported that their son had written them about other funny landings he has had. Once he came down in the middle of a rice field in China and it took three weeks to get the plane out. Lieutenant Spurrier wrote his folks that the weather in New Delhi was hot and wet, that he was pestered by mosquitoes until he finally managed to get screens put on the place he is staying.

Capt. Clarke Selman, '38bus, Oklahoma City, was among a group of American pilots in foreign service whose picture was featured recently on rotogravure pages of U. S. newspapers. The picture showed the Yankee fliers and their camouflaged plane hideouts in Australia and accompanying captions read "Out of the bush into the blue" and "These Yanks have accounted for 284 Jap planes in three months."

John O. Moseley, '16ma, dean of students at the University of Tennessee, has received word from a friend of Lt. Col. Vic Collier, '34ba, and Lt. Col. William E. Corkill, '16ba, reporting that the latter two Sooners probably were captured by the Japanese in the fall of Bataan. Both were officially listed as missing. "It is very reasonable logic to assume that they were taken prisoners," wrote the friend, now at Walter Reed Hospital in Washington. "I believe that they are interned at Lake Tial, Tagaytay Ridge, Cavite, P. I. This camp is about 2,500 feet up and is a nice cool spot. It is a summer resort. Food and medical supplies form the problem. Otherwise they will be okay. However, this is my personal opinion."

Harold Mitts, '38ba, 26-year-old aviation navigator with the American forces in Alaska, was reported killed in action at Nome in July. Formerly of Capron, Oklahoma, Mr. Mitts attended Northeastern State College before enrolling in the University. Relatives in Capron received a postal card from him written on June 29 and postmarked at Nome on June 30. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Mitts, live in Gig Harbor, Washington.

Lieutenant James O. Eiter, '40eng, navigator aboard an American bomber based in Australia, was reported missing in action August 2 in a War Department telegram to his parents in Norman. After going into foreign service, Lieutenant Eiter saw action in Africa, India and Java. During the Java campaign, he became ill with fever and was in a hospital for a time, according to a letter dated June 13 which his parents received just before the pilot was reported missing. Lieutenant Eiter was petroleum engineer for the state of Michigan before going into active service.

Pvt. Harold Hirschi, '35ba, Oklahoma City, has been reported officially as missing in action in the Philippines. The young soldier enlisted in the Air Corps in October, 1940, and went on foreign duty in the Philippines a year later as a member of a bombarding group. While a student in the University, Private Hirschi was active in dramatic work.

Major Charles Walton Miller, '27geo, who sailed for the Philippines last October, is believed by friends and relatives to be a Japanese prisoner since no news of his whereabouts has been received since last February. Major Miller was stationed at Clark Field with a bombarding group which was hard hit by the Japanese shortly after Pearl Harbor. Some of the soldiers escaped to India and Australia but the major's parents, residents of Sapulpa, do not believe their son was evacuated. Mrs. Miller, his wife, received a letter from Col. Eugene Eubanks, of the Army Air Force, which told of her husband's heroic conduct during the tough days on Clark Field. Before going into active service, Major Miller supervised C. C. C. work at Albuquerque, New Mexico. The Millers have one child, Charles Barnett Miller.

Pilot Officer Thomas W. Prentice, '40law, Ponca City, was believed to have been killed in action last month on the Egyptian front where he was operating as a Kittyhawk bomber pilot with the Royal Air Force. Another American in the R. A. F., a member of Pilot Prentice's squadron reported that the Sooner flier was last seen dive-bombing the enemy despite extremely heavy anti-aircraft fire. He described him as "a great fighter, absolutely fearless, and dive-bombing with those Kittyhawks is no joke."

Pretince presumably was participating in the Allied campaign against Rommel's forces in Egypt. He took flight training at the Ponca City School of Aeronautics before joining the R. A. F. His father is a former mayor of Ponca City.

Word has been received that Lt. Jack W. Pounds, '37-'38, of the Air Corps, was killed early this year in an airplane crash in California. A member of Sigma Nu fraternity and a former business student, Lieutenant Pounds attended the University of Texas before transferring from the University of Texas. Survivors include his wife, the former Betty Jo Graham, '36-'38.

Lt. John Sylvester Smith, '39-'41, of the Army Air Corps, was killed August 3 in a plane crash in New Jersey a month after receiving his wings and lieutenant's commission. After leaving the University, the 21-year-old pilot took flight training at Siloam, Missouri; Randolph Field, Texas, and Philadelphia. Survivors include his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lige Smith, of Snyder, three brothers and three sisters.
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Milestone in R. O. T. C. History

Seth S. (Jerry) King, '42letters, Okmulgee, is sworn into the regular Army as the 2,000th cadet commissioned by the University R. O. T. C. unit since its organization soon after World War I. Administering the oath is Capt. George Shirk, '36law, former R. O. T. C. adjutant now in foreign service, while Lt. Col. Charles H. Brammell, commandant, looks on. Shortly after receiving his commission, Lieutenant King, editor of the 1942 Sooner Yearbook, reported to Fort Sill for duty.

Maj. Clark C. Kegelman, '34-'36, bomber pilot and hero of the Independence Day bombing by U. S. fliers of Nazi airdromes in Holland, is long on action but short on talk. The day after the raid, Major Kegelman wrote a letter to his wife who lives in El Reno. But of the bombing and his much-publicized aerial feat his much-publicized aerial feat.

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Home on leave after three years with the Marines in the southwest Pacific, Capt. Tom R. Watts, '38ba, visited his parents last month in Oklahoma City. Former University law student, Captain Watts, said he had seen service with the Marines at Hawaii and “outlying islands” but on most points he was noncommittal.

Also on leave was Lt. Com. J. R. McKnight, '25-'26, commander of a U. S. submarine in the Pacific, who paid the home folks a visit in Oklahoma City and told a little of his unusual adventures as skipper of an underwater craft.

Although the Navy Department won't allow the release of actual figures, Commander McKnight reported that he and his submarine crew had “sunk some” enemy ships. His most satisfactory job was his penetration of the destroyer screen around a Jap convoy, enabling the sub's gunners to let fire with a salvo of torpedoes at the Rising Sun cargo ship.

One of the highest ranking among thousands of Sooners in active service is Col. William P. T. Hill, '32ba, now stationed at the Marine Barracks in New River, North Carolina. A member of the regular army serving continuously since 1917, Colonel Hill formerly lived in Vinita. He first attended the University for three years from 1914 to '17, but did not complete work for his degree until almost 20 years later. He was a member of Sigma Nu fraternity and Mystic Keys.

When Raymond Crews, '41law, enlisted in the Air Corps recently, he was the seventh person who has worked in the University Comptroller's Office to sign up for service with Uncle Sam's forces. Others include Maj. Quentin Spradling, '28bus, '40m.ba, with the 45th Division; Lt. Bob Norman, '37-'41, and Lt. Andrew Pickard, '37-'41, Pine Camp, New York; Lt. DeWitt Kelley, '41journ, killed last spring in an airplane crash; Lt. Dudgeon Giezeltanner, '39bus, Fort McCoy, Wisconsin; and Robert Luttrell, '42bs, who recently joined the Coast Guard as a storekeeper third class.

When Lt. C. Harold Brand, '26-'28, went into active service in July at Jefferson Barracks, Missouri, he had his brother Ralph, '33ba, '38ma, goodby and concluded that the war would keep them apart for quite some time. Not long afterward, Lieutenant Harold awoke one morning to find that brother Ralph had gone into the service and was assigned to Jefferson Barracks, not only in the same squadron but in the barracks right next to his office. Until Private Ralph was transferred for officers training at Miami Beach in August, Harold was definitely his brother's keeper, handling his supplies and his mail as well. In civilian life Harold was a real estate subdivider in Oklahoma City, while Ralph was a Kansas City College administrator.

Abroad

Andrew J. Reynolds, '40, former engineering student in the University who was awarded the Silver Star for shooting down five Jap planes during the battle of Java, has been promoted to first lieutenant. His mother, Mrs. Rose Clifton Reynolds was in a hospital during the latter
part of July because of tropical fever, but that he was much improved. Lieutenant Reynolds' superior officer wrote a friend in Seminole telling how well he conducted himself under fire. Reynolds, a Coast Artillery unit at Fort Randolph, Panama, has been promoted to lieutenant junior grade. Recently promoted to captain, Maj. Rex G. Boland, Murray F. Gibbons, General Raymond A. Barton, '07, for the R. C. A. F.

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At mid-August the Sooner Magazine list of University of Oklahoma graduates and former students in active military or naval duty totaled 2,594, and a remarkably high percentage of these are serving as commissioned officers.

The fact that the University R. O. T. C. has commissioned more than 2,000 students as second lieutenants upon their graduation from the University probably accounts for the surprisingly large proportion of officers among the O. U. men in service. Of the 2,320 men which Sooner Magazine has definitely listed as being in the United States Army, only 131 are listed as privates, and only 142 as non-commissioned officers. All the rest are commissioned officers ranging from 1,370 first and second lieutenants up to eight colonels and one brigadier general.

A total of 266 O. U. men in the Navy and Coast Guard, 71 are enlisted men and the rest are commissioned officers.

The service list includes seven men and one woman flier with the R. A. F. or the R. C. A. F.

Highest ranking O. U. man in military service is believed to be Brigadier General Raymond A. Barton, '07.

Mr. Kessler, former Edmond school man, was assigned for naval training at San Diego after enlisting in the Navy late in July. Mr. Kessler, former Edmond school man, was granted a leave of absence as assistant agency manager for the Equitable Life Assurance Society in Oklahoma City to go into active service. Lt. Com. Paul Mote, '24med, Sapulpa physician has been stationed at the U. S. Destroyer Base at San Diego since going into active service a year ago. Last March, Commander Mote was assigned as executive officer at the Base Dispensary, and was reenlisted for his first World War as an enlisted man in the Navy.

Mary Katherine Cuppy, '35nurse, is a first lieutenant in the Nurse Corps stationed at Letterman General Hospital in San Francisco. Lieutenant Cuppy, formerly of Hobart, went on active duty in 1936 as a civilian nurse at Fort Sill.

Lt. George Robert Sullivan, '41bus, Norman, of the Engineers Corps, is on duty in Oakland. Lt. Com. D. G. Willard, '39med, former Norman physician, has been assigned to orthopedic surgery work in the Naval Hospital at San Diego. Lt. Charles A. Laverly, '41eng, has been assigned to an Ordnance Company at Torrance. George Best, '37eng, a second lieutenant in the Quartermaster Corps and temporary stationed at San Luis Obispo, has been assigned to a Motorized Division at Camp San Luis Obispo.

Lt. Harm E. Musturve, '34bus, former business man in Paris, Tex., has been appointed barrack control officer of his barrack balloon detachment at San Diego.

Edward Levi Lyles, '38bus, former assistant manager of the Oklahoma Tire and Supply Store in Bartlesville, was commissioned a second lieutenant in the Quartermaster Corps and temporarily stationed at Fort Ord.

Capt. Robert James Woolsey, '31law, former Tulsa attorney, was assigned to a Field Artillery Battalion staff at Camp Roberts as plans and training officer.

Conrad Ahlers, '37bus, former field representative for the Procter and Gamble Company in Clinton now stationed at Camp Roberts, has been promoted to captain.

Lt. Clayton P. Pendergrass, '30med, former physician and surgeon in Clovis, California, has been assigned to a Marine Corps Division at Camp Lejeune. He was temporarily stationed last March after serving nine months with the Marines in Iceland.

Lt. Jay Lynn Skaggs, '37-'41, Wirt, is assigned to a Field Artillery Battalion with an Army Post Office address in California.

Lt. Paul Louis Sladek, '39eng, former petroleum engineer in Centralia, Illinois, is an ordnance officer at the U. S. Naval Training Station in Fort Myers.

James F. Meeks, '30bus, with the Army Air Corps at Minter Field, has been promoted to major.

Lt. Richard George Taft, '40law, Oklahoma City attorney, is stationed at the post headquarters of the Santa Ana Army Air Base.

Lt. John LeRoy Ainsworth, Jr., '39bus, of the Quartermaster Corps, is assigned to Los Angeles with a branch of the San Francisco Quartermaster Procurement Planning District. He formerly was a student in Cambridge, Massachusetts.

Ensign Walter B. McGown, Jr., '40bus, former accountant with the Halliburton Oil Well Cementing Company in Anadarko, has been assigned to the Federal Building in San Francisco. Kemp H. Dowdy, '40med, is on duty as first lieutenant at the United States Marine Hospital in San Francisco.

Wynn York, '37fa, is on duty with a training battalion at Camp Callan. Lt. Stanley Lewis Drennan, '40med, and Mrs. Drennan, who were married in early summer at Riverside, California, are now at home in San Diego where Lt. Drennan is assistant surgeon at the Naval Base Hospital.

BROTHER'S KEEPER

The Army accidentally stationed Cpl. Ralph E. Brand, '33ba, '38ma, at his brother's post, Jefferson Barracks, Missouri, when he went into active service last summer. For a time Lt. Harold Brand, '26-'28, left, with truly his brother's keeper, as he had charge of mail and supplies for the squadron in which both were stationed.

Maj. Robert Brooks Howard, '38med, is now stationed at San Luis Obispo.

Thomas Elbert Ashinhurst, '38-'39, of Oklahoma City has completed training in the Army Flying School at Victorville, and was commissioned a second lieutenant.

Sparling B. Anderson, Jr., '41, of Oklahoma City, has completed training in the Army Flying School at Victorville, and has been commissioned as second lieutenant.

Robert A. Jones, '40med, has been commissioned junior grade in the Navy and reported for duty at the Naval Hospital, San Diego.

Shelby T. Alexander, '41journ, former employee of the Stillwater Daily News, has been commissioned second lieutenant in the Army Air Force at the advanced flying school at Mather Field.

Lt. Glenn Lee Hobart, '38-'39, has been graduated from the Victorville Army Flying School as a bombardier and has been commissioned a second lieutenant in the Army Air Force Reserve.

Lt. Phineas M. Casey, '29ba, who has been rector of All Souls Episcopal Church in Berkeley, California, for a number of years, is now an Army chaplain at Camp Roberts.

Kenneth Kraetli, '35-'37, was stationed at the United States Naval Hospital, San Diego, after receiving a certificate as a hospital apprentice second class.

Oummar B. Latrobe, '30, of Oklahoma City has been awarded a second lieutenant's commission in the Marine Corps at Camp Elliott.

On duty at the Naval Training Station in San Diego are Ensign Klar C. Zimmerman, '38bus, Chickasha, and Henry Janz, '36ba.

COLORADO

Virgil M. Stone, '42bus, Denver, was commissioned a second lieutenant after completing officers training school at Camp Lee, Virginia, and assigned to Camp Carson near Colorado Springs.

Pte. Alvin H. Smith, '38journ, former reporter for the Shawnee Morning News, has been transferred to Buckley Field near Denver.

Recently promoted, Capt. John F. Stewart, '33 Bus, is now a second lieutenant at the Halliburton Oil Well Cementing Company in Cut Bank, Montana, has been assigned to Camp Clark.

Maj. Selvie J. Curtis, '28med, former physician at Mustang, Oklahoma, is assigned to Fitzimmons General Hospital in Denver.

Lt. George T. Prather, Jr., '20bus, formerly in the banking and merchandising business in Fort Collins, Colorado, is assigned to the Army Air Force Technical Training Command at Washington, D. C.

Capt. John Harlow Tippit, '40law, Marietta attorney, is an aide-de-camp on the general staff of Maj. Gen. Curry with the Army Air Force Technical Training Command in Colorado.

Capt. Joe Ice, '37aw, El Reno attorney, is assigned to the Air Corps headquarters at Lowry Field.

Edmund Wisdom, '31-'39, Okcense attorney, has been called to active service as a first lieutenant, and assigned to Lowry Field.

William O. Bray, '35pharm, '35ba, a member of the officer reserve corps, has been called to Army service at Lowry Field. He formerly was a pharmacist at Potomac.

Bert J. Rogstad, Jr., '35-'38, of Chickasha, has graduated from officer candidate school at Fort Sill and has received commission as second lieutenant in the field artillery. He is assigned to duty at Camp Carson.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Maj. William Carl Lindstrom, '34med, assigned to the Walter Reed General Hospital in Washington, D. C., for special laboratory work, appeared recently on the Army Hour on hour-long radio program devoted to service news broadcast over a nationwide hookup. Major Lindstrom is attached to Sergeant York's old outfit.

Lt. Clayton M. Nicholson, '40bus, former accountant for the General Electric Company in Milford, Connecticut, has been assigned for a year to the Office of Chief of Ordnance in Washington, D. C.

Maj. Hubert A. Patton, '39eng, formerly with the U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey, is assigned to the 43rd Air Force, stationed at Camp Washington, D. C., as director of photography.

Lt. James Ralph Bollinger, '36eng, of the U. S. Navy Reserve, is with the Civil Engineer Corps stationed in the Bureau of Yards and Docks of the United States Naval Department, D. C. In civilian life, he was a civil engineer in San Marino, California.

Capt. Delmar W. Holloman, '35ba, formerly of Cambridge, Massachusetts, is attached to the Board of Economic Warfare in Washington, D. C., as a member of the Board.

Capt. Fratzi L. Duff, '39med, formerly lawton physician, is assigned to the Army Medical School in Washington, D. C., where he has concentrated mainly on tropical medicine study and pathology.

J. R. Anderhub, '41ba, Norman, of the Coast Guard, has been transferred to Washington, D. C.

Lt. William E. Watkins, '34eng, has been assigned as personnel officer for a mapping group at Boling Field near Washington, D. C.

Tyson Hopkins, '39, has volunteered for service in the Navy and was accepted, with rating of yeoman. He reported to the Navy yard at Washington, D. C., for assignment.

Lt. Jack High, '36aw, is assigned to duty in the Judge Advocate General's office at Washington, D. C.
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Lt. Norman Floyd, '34eng, Norman, has been
assigned to the Army Flying School at Sebring.

Capt. J. S. Hopkins, '36eng, Oklahoma City,
is stationed at Camp Murphy.

Capt. James D. Hawkins, '38eng, is assigned
to Fort Benning, Georgia, and recently
participated in maneuvers in North Carolina.

Capt. David L. Cowan, '39eng, has been
assigned to the engineer officer candidate school
at Fort Benning.

Sgt. Charles G. Mayfield, '38-'40, has been
transferred to Fort Benning for officer training.

Lt. Scott Hammond, '32eng, is assigned to a
board of economic warfare, Washington, D. C.

Lt. John H. Mathis, '34law, has completed a
tour of duty at the Navy Indocination School
at Notre Dame University and has returned to
his assignment in the office of the chief of
Naval operations, Washington, D. C.

Florida

Taking his camera to the Navy with him,
general, pipe-smoking Harold Tacker, '40, went
into active service last month as a Lieutenant
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Lt. William Gluckman, '32eng, Capt. Mack M. Braly, '35law;

Capt. George D. Kuhl, '39eng, has been assigned
to the United States Naval Reserve as radio technician, second class, and was assigned
to the Naval training station, Great Lakes.

Byron F. Spears, '33eng, assigned to the
Green River Ordnance Plant at Dixon, has been
promoted to first lieutenant.

Capt. George D. Kuhl, '39eng, has been assigned
to the Naval training station, Great Lakes.

Capt. Orin Richardson, '31law, commander
of the Maryland Field office, Philadelphia, Texas, for the
last two years, has been transferred to Fort
Leavenworth for further military training.

George S. Beazley, '35eng, former Oklahoma
City physician, has been transferred to Fort
Riley and promoted to the rank of major.

Lt. Joseph H. Marshall, Jr., '42journ, has completed
officer training courses at Fort Sill
and reported for a new assignment at Camp
Frunton.

Sgt. W. Irvin M. Garwood, '40law, has been
assigned to Fort Riley. He received his
commission in July at Fort Knox, Kentucky, upon
completion of training in the Armored Forces
officers candidate school.

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Kentucky

Lt. C. A. Bell, Jr., '37 geol, Shawnee, is assigned to an Armored Division at Fort Knox.

Lt. Louis Vanderpool, '33, is serving in a division transportation office at Breckenridge.

Louisiana

L. G. Friedrichs, '41 phys, ed., a member last year of the coaching staff at Marquette University High School in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, enlisted in the Army Air Corps and last month was awaiting induction in New Orleans. While coaching at the Marquette High School, Mr. Friedrichs won conference championships in football and basketball.

Alexander Shadid, '32-'34, Elk City, has gone into active service at Camp Polk as a first lieutenant and was assigned to the Medical Detachment of an Armored Regiment. Lieutenant Shadid attended the University of Tennessee Medical School and took post graduate work at the University of Buffalo in New York.

Maj. Lanson D. Mitchell, '19 ba, former federal employee in Oklahoma City, is assigned to the headquarters of Director of Ground School at the Lake Charles Army Flying School. He wrote the Alumni Office that every month at Lake Charles the Army is graduating a class of fighter pilots who are "all good stuff and will go a long way in this Hitler game called war."

Maj. Eldon Breeden, '17 ba, former high school principal in Kemmerer, Wyoming, has been assigned as an infantry officer to Barksdale Field.

Major Breeden saw service at St. Mihi during the first World War and was awarded for heroism the Distinguished Service Cross, the Purple Heart and the French Croix de Guerre.

Willard Schuyler Cox, '37-'30, former employee of the Armour Packing Company in Oklahoma City, is a yeoman first class stationed with the Intelligence Division at the Algiers Naval Station in New Orleans.

Mike Massad, '32, former fullback on the Sooner football team is a major in the Army and has been assigned as aide to a general at Camp Claiborne.

Capt. George T. Metcalf, '38 bus, former insurance agent in Norman, has a new address in New Orleans.

E. Curtis Yeary, '39 med, of the Army Medical Corps, has been promoted to the rank of captain at Camp Claiborne.

Ensign George E. Woods, Jr., '36 geol, former real estate dealer in Houston, Texas, was assigned recently to Eighth Naval District headquarters in New Orleans.

Lt. C. D. Ellison, '27 la, Oklahoma City, has a naval assignment in New Orleans.

Maryland

During the time he has been stationed at Aberdeen Proving Grounds, Lt. Glenn H. Stalley, '37 law, former Oklahoma City attorney, has served in a legal capacity as assistant defense counsel and journalistically as columnist for the Ordnance Sergeant, monthly camp publication. Now an instructor in the Ordnance School at Aberdeen, the versatile officer recently was promoted to first lieutenant.

Herbert M. Palmer, '29-'33, former state legislator now with the Reconstruction Finance Corporation in Washington, D. C., planned to enlist in the Coast Guard at Baltimore in late July. He was Canadian County representative for four years, from 1930 to 1934.

Otto W. Walter II, '41, Norman, was sworn in July 3 as a cadet at the U. S. Naval Academy, Annapolis. He is the son of the late Otto Walter, '26 eng, member of the University engineering faculty from 1921 to 1928, and Mrs.

NATURAL GAS SPEEDS PRODUCTION

IN OKLAHOMA, natural gas—the accepted fuel in peacetime—has taken its place in the war effort.

Airplane assembly plants, flying fields, army camps and industrial plants are but a few of the many places where natural gas is contributing its part to winning the battle of production.

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Missouri

Pvt. Verne Barr, 42nd, Seminole, has given up his musical career for the time being to study Army radio work in Kansas City. Private Barr, who has a reputation of being a very fine trumpet player, has an extensive knowledge of harmony, counterpoint and arranging, qualifications which the Army prefers radio students to have, since it has been shown that musicians learn Morse code much faster than non-musicians.

Kansas City

Capt. John Raymond Cooper, 31st, of the Chemical Warfare Service, is commanding officer of the Quarterly Review, that Kansas City, Missouri.

New Mexico

Capt. C. A. McFadden, 29th, former assistant superintendent of the state hospital at Pecos, New Mexico, is now in charge of the recruiting and instruction station at Santa Fe.

Captain William C. Lewis, 48th, Oklahoma City attorney, is commander of the Carlsbad Air Base.

Pvt. W. D. Dye, 19th, formerly with the Texas Company in Los Angeles, has been assigned to Camp Shelby.

Capt. C. T. Beeler, Jr., 37th, has been promoted to the rank of major at Camp Shelby.
I (Melba Hudson, ’40journ) will stay temporarily with her parents in Norman.

Capt. Welborn W. Sanger, ’31med, former eye, ear, nose and throat specialist in Oklahoma City, is on the Station Hospital staff at Fort Sill.

George Grace, ’38bus, Enid, former giant tackle on the varsity football squad, is another Sooner athlete now in Uncle Sam’s service. He went on active duty in late July at Fort Sill and expects to apply for officer training after completing basic work there.

Lt. Charles J. Richard, ’39bs, formerly of Lawton, has been assigned to a Tank Destroyer Battalion at Camp Gruber. He and Mrs. Richard, the former Mildred Davis, ’40he, have established a home in Muskogee.

H. H. Holman, ’40eng, former oil company employee at Wewoka, has gone into active service at Fort Sill as a private.

Pvt. George Wallace Allen, ’34-38, Norman, is assigned to military police duty at Fort Sill.

Lt. William Knight Powers, ’36law, former assistant U. S. District attorney at Tulsa, recently went into active service at Fort Sill.

Cadet King W. Broadrick, ’41, has been taking flight training at the Chickasha flying school.

Dan Harbour, ’35-’36, managing editor of the Seminole Producer, was ordered to report in July for induction into the Army at Oklahoma City.

Jack D. Scott, ’36law, Wewoka, assistant county attorney of Seminole County, reported for active Army service in July at Fort Sill. During his legal career, Mr. Scott practiced law in Konawa, Muskogee and Oklahoma City.

Maj. Robert James Price, ’27law, lawyer for the Transwestern Oil Company in San Antonio, is assistant executive officer at the Field Artillery Replacement Training Center at Fort Sill.

Capt. Jeff George Ray, ’35eng, former chief engineer for the Lubbock Steel Work, Lubbock, Texas, is an instructor in the officers training school at Fort Sill.

Mack M. Braly, ’35law, Ada attorney who went into active service a year ago, has been promoted to the rank of captain at Fort Sill. He and Mrs. Braly have two sons, Mack M. and John Leonard.

Lt. Edmund G. Curtin, ’35bs, ’36ma, former faculty member at Northwestern State College, Tahlequah, is assigned as post intelligence officer at the Stringtown Internment Camp.

Lt. George V. Stein, ’41law, former Miami lawyer, is battalion motor officer with a Field Artillery Battalion at Fort Sill.

Col. Robert A. Sellman, ’40eng, first lieutenant with the Army Air Force, is assigned to a flying training detachment at Tulsa.

Maj. Eugene J. McCormick, ’29-’33, has been transferred to Camp Gruber from Fort Sill. At 32 years of age, Maj. McCormick is one of the youngest of his rank in the Army.

Lt. William H. Holmes, ’34eng, former regional industrial relations manager with the Humble Oil and Refining Company in Midland, Texas, has been assigned to the Naval R. O. T. C. Unit at the University. Mrs. Holmes (Mary Lelia Kidd, ’34) and their daughter Phyllis are with him in Norman.

John Barkdale, ’41law, Okmulgee attorney, has been ordered to report for active service.

Lt. John Homer Byrd, ’38eng, former architect in Little Rock, Arkansas, was assigned to the staff and faculty of the Field Artillery School at Fort Sill. Mrs. Byrd is the former Helen M. Fast, ’38eng.

Lloyd B. Mitchell, ’42, formerly of Hollis, is a lieutenant in the Air Corps and has received training in aerial navigation which included 15,000 miles of flying.

Capt. Varley H. Taylor, ’31law, has been promoted to rank of major at the Field Artillery Replacement Center, Fort Sill. Major Taylor formerly was an attorney for the Mid-Continent Petroleum Corporation at Tulsa.

Lt. Johnny A. Blue, ’34med, is new head of
the medical personnel in the Navy recruiting office in Oklahoma City. A new member of this office is L. W. D. Waterhouse, 33rd, who formerly served with the Navy at the air station in Corpus Christi.

Lt. Floyd H. (Mickey) McBride, 26th, former student at the University of Oklahoma in 1924-25-26, has been assigned as physical education instructor at the Naval Reserve Aviation base near Norman. Before entering Navy service, Lieutenant McBride was a student at the State College, Amherst, Massachusetts.

Lt. Dhal M. Duff, 36th, has been promoted to the rank of captain at Fort Sill where he is in the instructor in the Field Artillery School. He was assistant to the Oklahoma City Times prior to entering military service in December, 1940.

James R. Akright, 37th, has been promoted to the rank of captain at Fort Sill.

Lt. Lloyd E. Dean, 41st, has been assigned to the Ordnance Company at Fort Sill.

Capt. Russell Cobb, Jr., of Tulsa, has been accepted as a Naval aviation cadet.

Capt. William K. Ishmus, 35th, who has been a medical director in the Oklahoma City Bone and Joint Hospital has reported for duty at Will Rogers Field Hospital, Oklahoma City.

Ben Harraz, 36th, of Bartlesville, has been promoted to first lieutenant in the Field Artillery at Fort Sill.

Lt. Glenn M. Stinson, 36th, has been promoted to the rank of captain in the field artillery at Fort Sill.

Lt. Alfred L. Lesch, 37th, is on the instructional staff at Fort Sill. Mrs. Lesch (Helen Tappan, 37th) will resume her teaching duties at Tulane University in September. During the summer the couple visited in Chicago where Mrs. Lesch took the examination for a doctor of philosophy degree at the University of Chicago.

Lt. Sirome Byrd, 38th, is stationed at Fort Sill and with Mrs. Byrd has established a home in Lawton.

Lt. B. A. McElroy, 39th, who was formerly stationed at Fort Sill, has been promoted to the rank of major. Mrs. McElroy, 39th, is in charge of an ordnance officer assigned to Camp Gruber.

Lt. Frank C. Hughes, 39th, has been assigned as medical supply officer at Camp Gruber.

Robert Clark, 39th, has been promoted to rank of captain in the Field Artillery at Fort Sill. He is in charge of a former student, the Trinity Portland Cement Company, Dallas, Texas, reported to Fort Sill for active duty in the Field Artillery.

Lt. John K. Henderson, 39th, and Lt. James Alex Cheek, 40th, both of Oklahoma City, are assigned to the Field Artillery School at Fort Sill.

Robert Edwin Drewry, 41st, Norman, and John N. Singletary, 41st, Oklahoma City, have enlisted in the Army Air Forces.

Charles F. Groswal, Jr., 40th, and James F. King, 38th, both of Muskogee, were inducted into the Army in July.

Enrolled for special courses in the Field Artillery School at Fort Sill were Capt. Joseph D. McWherter, 39th; Capt. Lewis V. Smith, 24th; Capt. Joseph M. Willson, 39th; Capt. Joseph D. Willson, 39th; Capt. John D. Mullen, 40th, and Capt. Lawrence H. Caruthers, Jr., 34th.

Lt. John D. Mills, 38th, of Oklahoma City, has been assigned to the Field Artillery School at Fort Sill.

Lt. John C. Stuart, 39th, Oklahoma City, is stationed at Fort Sill to attend a battery officers course at Fort Sill.

Enlisted in Officers Candidate School at Fort Sill were Raymond List, 30th; Frank W. Treadwell, 22nd, and Warren Myers, 41st.

Woodrow Page, 38th, Norman, has been promoted to the rank of Second Lieutenant at Fort Sill where he was stationed as an instructor in the Gunnery School.

Oregon

Charles E. Craig, Jr., 38th, salesman for P. Lorillard Company in Oklahoma City before enlisting in the Navy, is a yeoman third class assigned to the Naval Section Base at Astoria.

Robert Hancock, 27th, Oklahoma City, is on duty with the Army Ordnance Department in Portland.

Pennsylvania

Charles Hugh Wilson, 37th, assigned to the Medical Field Service School at Carlisle Barracks, has been promoted to major in the Medical Corps. Major Wilson served his internship at the New Rochelle Hospital, New Rochelle, New York, and the Bellevue Hospital in New York City before going into active service in January, 1941. He is a former resident of Oklahoma City.

Grady Lewis, 16-17, World War officer and former Durant attorney, has been commissioned a major in the Army Air Corps and assigned to Harrigton.

William E. Hubbard, 41st, Oklahoma City, completed his internship at Mercy Hospital in Denver, Colorado, and has gone into active service as a first lieutenant at Carlisle Barracks.

Wyoming

Lt. Walter S. Kendrick, Jr., 41st, is on duty as first lieutenant in the Army Medical Corps at Carlisle Barracks.

Rode Island

Lt. James Marshall Brown, 25th, of the U. S. Naval Reserve, has been assigned to the Naval Air Station at Quonset Point. He formerly was general superintendent of the Leader Oil Company in Providence.

Lt. (jg) James Edward Pierson, 32nd, Oklahoma City, has been ordered to report to the Naval Training School at Quonset Point for indoctrination.

Tennessee

Capt. Paul G. Reeve, 37th, engineer with the National Supply Company in Toledo, Ohio, is an ordnance officer assigned to Second Army Headquarters.

Lt. Charles Price Atchison, 40th, formerly employed by Shell Oil Company in Tulsa, is personnel adjutant of a Tank Destroyer Battalion at Camp MacArthur.

Robert Lee Hippen, 42th, enrolled in medical school at the University of Tennessee, Memphis, has been commissioned an ensign.

Lt. Harold LeCrone, has been transferred to Camp Forrest.

Texas

Since John B. Champin, 36-41, Lawton, received his wings and commission recently at Midland Army Flying School, the four Champin brothers now are serving as lieutenants in the Army and former University students.

Besides Lieutenant John, the all-out Champins include Lieutenant Herbert, 30-33, Lieutenant James, 31-34, and Lieutenant Billy, 27-28.

Two other O. U. men who received Air commissions from the Midland Army Flying School were Lt. Charles H. Thompson, 36-41, McLester, and Lt. Patrick H. Watts, 36-41, Waurika.

Six Southerners were among the latest class of aviation cadets and student officers to report for basic training at Randolph Field. The men, who will spend nine weeks in stringent pilot training at the southern flying school, include Robert V. Leake, 40-41, Chickasha; E. Whitener, 41a, Duncan; Stuart M. Abrams, 42nd, Miami; Milton E. Carshon, 32-34, and W. C. Matthews, 36-37, both of Oklahoma City, and Lt. Raymond Barnett, 38-40, Purcell.

Lt. Angus Jack, 34-37, has been appointed an instructor in the United States Naval air station in Corpus Christi, since receiving his commission at Pensacola, Florida. He has served at Seattle, Washington and Sitka, Alaska. He also has served as instructor at Pensacola where he assisted another officer in writing a timely navigation book for the Air Corps.

Barndall Bodard, 39th, former journalism student and reporter for the Hobart Democrat-Courier, has been promoted to sergeant technician in the Station Hospital Medical Detachment at Camp Berkeley.

Commanding officer of a School Squadron at Goodfellow Field, Leon W. White, 33-35, has been promoted to the rank of major. Formerly of Enid, Major White graduated from the U. S. Military Academy at West Point and later entered the Air Corps.

William R. Tarwater, 38-41, Duncan, was recently enrolled as a navigation cadet in the Army Air Force Navigation School at Hondo. A native of Camp Barkley, Hackberry, 39-40, former Oklahoma state senator from Lawton, and Robert Clark Dunnington, 27-30, Cherokee, have been promoted to the rank of major. Maryland recently joined the executive officer and adjutant of a Field Artillery Battalion.

Mark S. Cox, 35th, who has been commander of an automatic weapons unit, is assistant adjutant of the Field Artillery unit at Camp Wallace, has been promoted to captain. The new officer was publisher of the Talihina American before entering service as a reserve officer.

Lt. Bryan T. Dyder, 38th, formerly a druggist, has been assigned as medical supply officer at the San Antonio Arsenal.

Capt. Ben P. Clark, 34th, former Okene physician, expected to graduate August 8 from the School of Aviation Medicine at Randolph Field.

Lt. Vestal Dawson Avery, 36-40, former business student from Wayne, Oklahoma, is assigned to a Field Artillery Battalion at Fort Sam Houstons.

Johnny Q. Adams, 41st, pharmacist mate second class, has been transferred to the Naval Base Dispensary at Kingsville.

Charles E. Craig, Jr., 34th, assigned to the Cheyenne Air Station, has been promoted to the rank of major. The new officer was publisher of the Cheyenne School Yearbook at Corpus Christi.

Lt. John C. Smit, 39-40, Oklahoma City, has been attending the Army Air Force Observa tion School at Brooks Field as one of the many ground officers detailed to the Air Force to help coordinate attack by ground troops.

Maj. John M. Cassidy, 31st, Chandler physi cian and surgeon, is flight surgeon with a flying training detachment at Hicks Field.

Lt. Charles Manley Christensen, 34th, Tulsa attorney, was scheduled to go into active service last month at Randolph Field. He and Mrs. Christensen (Rhodie Manley, 36-40, Oklahoma City) have two daughters, Gayle and Carole.

Ensign Wilson Eugene McGarry, 41th, former teacher and salesman in Lawton, is on duty at the Naval Air Station at Pensacola.

Since going into active service last September, he has been promoted from seaman second class and was editor of the Cadets Yearbook at Corpus Christi.

Capt. Herman H. Greenlaw, 38th, Enid lawyer, is plans and training officer of a Tank Destroyer Battalion at Camp Bailey.

Capt. George W. Puckett, 39th, former salesman with Sears Roebuck and Company in Chicago, is assigned to the Eighth Corps Area Service Command at Fort Sam Houston.

Maj. Harlan E. Chase, 32th, new city engineer at Ponca City, is assigned to the Technical School Squadron at Sheppard Field.

Capt. Karl D. Manour, Jr., 39th, Oklahoma City physician recently promoted to captain, is assigned to the Station Hospital at Shipp Hình Field.

Lt. Herbert A. Turk, 40th, law student in the University before going into active service, is with the Bushy Air Station at Goodfellow Field.

Capt. Charles M. Anderson, 12th, Waurika attorney, went into active service in May and was assigned to the Judge Advocate General's Department at Fort Sam Houston. During the First World War he served as an Army Field clerk with the American Expeditionary Forces. Major Anderson has four sons, two of whom are on foreign duty in Hawaii.

Capt. Herbert H. Moody, 33rd, former en-
gineer and geophysicist in Ponca City, has been assigned to the Coast Artillery Corps at Camp Hulen.

Lt. Col. Fenton A. Sanger, '26med, former staff member of the University Medical School in Oklahoma City, commands a Medical Battalion at Camp Bowie. Colonel Sanger was a private on hospital duty in the first World War, serving one year in France. He went into active service two years ago.

Lt. Roy E. Carroll, '41eng, of the Army Air Force, is assigned to a flying training detachment at Stanford.

At Camp Wolters, William L. Crawford, Jr., '33-'34 Dallas, has been promoted to first lieutenant.

Maynard Williams, '38law, former Oklahoma City attorney, has been ordered to report for active duty at Texas A. and M. College in College Station. He is the brother of Lt. Irving Williams, '39, who saw recent action at Midway Island.

Lt. Rawleigh H. Ralls, '21ba, Norman publisher, has been assigned for officers training at Kelly Field.

Lt. Col. Charles H. McNeese, '20ba, former engineer with Continental Oil Company in Ponca City, has been transferred to a Battalion Air Base Security at Camp Swift near Austin.

Bob Ingram, '26ba, sports editor of the El Paso Herald-Post and former sports editor of the Oklahoma Daily, completed arrangements last month to go into military service.

Dr. Gordon Williams, '27med, department head at Southwestern Institute of Technology at Weatherford, has been commissioned a captain in the Army Medical Corps and reported for duty at Amarillo.

Lt. John Homer Hoover, '41eng, is a bombardier at the Army Flying School in Midland.

Lt. Walter P. Schaff, '39law, personnel officer of a field artillery unit at Camp Bailey.

R. B. Shirley, '31ba, Norman publisher, has been commissioned a second lieutenant in the Air Corps and has been assigned to duty at Randolph Field.

Lt. Frank Bishop, Jr., '40bus, has completed a training class at Fort Benning, Georgia, and was ordered to report for duty as instructor at Camp Wolters.

Lt. R. W. Akright, '39eng, formerly of Nowata, has been promoted to rank of captain at Fort Bliss. Before entering service Captain Akright was employed at Borger, Texas, as production engineer for the Phillips Petroleum Company.

Richard G. W. Renz, '37-'40, of Chicago, Illinois, received navigator's wings and commission as second lieutenant in the Army Air Force at Kelly Field in July.

Capt. Alvan M. Muldrow, '33law, who operated a ranch near Lubbock before going into active service, is on duty at Fort Sam Houston. He and Mrs. Muldrow (Vera Kennedy, '33bus) have two sons, Hal Kennedy and Alvan M. Jr.

Lt. Com. Alfred M. Evans, '30med, of Perry, a Naval reserve officer, has been ordered to report for duty at the Naval air station, Corpus Christi.

Albert C. Bailey, '36-'41, has been promoted to rank of first lieutenant at Brooks Field.

C. W. Pickard, '34-'36, is enlisted in the Glider Corps and stationed at San Antonio.

Dr. Ben H. Cooley, '21med, former Norman physician has been promoted to the rank of lieutenant colonel. He is on the executive staff of the William Beaumont Hospital at El Paso.

Training to beighter pilot officers for the Army Air forces, Cadet James Franklin Holcomb, '39-'41, Oklahoma City, and Cadet Frank L. Goldsby, '36-'41, Norman, are attending Advanced Flying School at Foster Field.

Stationed at Camp Bowie are Capt. Frank Gordon Ratliff, '39law, Norman; Lt. Samuel M. Anderson, '41law, Oklahoma City attorney, and Lt. Francis Stewart, Jr., '41eng, Norman, recently promoted to first lieutenant.