With the Armed Forces

Thirteen University alumni last month were reported winners of 16 decorations for outstanding service with the armed forces, bringing the total number of awards won by Sooners since Pearl Harbor to 95, according to Alumni Office records.

Maj. John D. Bridges, '34-'37, Oklahoma City, was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross for extraordinary achievement against the enemy in the Southwest Pacific. Recently home on leave from foreign duty, Major Bridges also holds the Silver Star for his part in an attack on Rabaul in New Guinea last August.

He has participated in more than 50 bombing missions against enemy installations, attacks on enemy shipping and flights transporting supplies and equipment to ground troops.

Capt. U. S. (Sid) O’Hern, '41ba, Lovell, was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross and two Air Medals for aerial action in the Southwest Pacific. The presentations were made recently at the Army Air Base at Pocatello, Idaho.

One of the Air Medals was bestowed for 25 flights over enemy territory, the other for Captain O’Hern’s part in a bombing mission over the upper Solomons.

James Oliver Britt, '39-'41, Snyder, in swift succession received two awards, a promotion to captain and was wounded in action in North Africa. He received the Distinguished Flying Cross for 200 hours of service and the Air Medal for 100 hours of combat service. Details were not available about his injuries.

Captain Britt entered the Air Force in the fall of 1941, receiving his wings at Luke Field, Arizona.

Capt. Richard D. Roys, '35ba, '39med, Norman, of the Army Medical Corps, was awarded the Silver Star for gallantry in action in the New Guinea campaign on May 24. He was reported to be one of a group of surgeons working immediately behind the front lines.

In one letter he wrote Mrs. Roys (Ruth Shannon, '36ed), secretary of the University Counselor of Women’s Office, that he had captured a number of Japanese surgical instruments.

Lt. Com. John R. McKnight, Jr., '26, Oklahoma City, submarine commander in the Pacific, was awarded the Silver Star for heroism in action and destruction against the enemy.

In presenting the medal at Pearl Harbor, Admiral Chester Nimitz said, “You have sunk enemy ships to the shores of Japan itself... I need not emphasize that this kind of action calls for the highest order of courage, determination and tenacity.” Commander McKnight assumed command of his submarine in 1940 at Manila, where he was stationed after graduation from Annapolis.

Capt. Joseph Scannell, '37-'38, Oklahoma City, stationed at Mitchel Field, New York, with an anti-submarine patrol squadron, was awarded the Air Medal for outstanding devotion to duty. He has more than 350 flying hours over the Atlantic to his credit.

The citation concerning Captain Scannell and other Air Force men honored at the same time credited them with a “high degree of skill under many trying conditions such as restricted visibility, low ceilings and icing conditions encountered on the large number of flights necessary to perform this hazardous patrol of great responsibility.”

Capt. Jesse Carney, '36-'38, Norman, was awarded the Order of the Purple Heart for injuries received behind Japanese lines in China after his plane was forced down. He walked several hundred miles through mountainous enemy-held territory before reaching his squadron’s base.

The ceremony at which General Claire Chennault awarded him the medal somewhere in China was filmed and shown in newsreels in the nation’s theaters in May.

Lt. Don L. Sutliff, '40, Blackwell, was awarded the Silver Star for gallantry in a ceremony held practically under enemy fire in New Guinea. He was one of a large group of fliers so honored while their planes stood nearby ready for instant action.

Lieutenant Sutliff also holds the Air Medal. Twice he has been reported missing in action and later returned to his home base.

Capt. James E. Miles, Jr., '36-'39, Sapulpa, who was killed in aerial action in the North African campaign, was awarded the Order of the Purple Heart posthumously.

Recipient of the Silver Star for gallantry in action last December, Captain Miles went on foreign duty in October, 1942, after two years of service in the United States with the Army Air Force.

Lt. Robert F. Wadlin, '40-'41, Tulsa, who was killed in action with the Air Force in the South Pacific in April, received an Oak Leaf Cluster posthumously. The Cluster was added to the Air Medal which he received shortly before his death for participation in a raid on Wake Island.

Lt. Bernard P. Howes, '39-'40, Hugo, was awarded the Silver Star for gallantry in action at Papua, New Guinea, last November. He is a former student in the College of Education.

Maj. Jack Romerman, '40law, Dover, Oklahoma, received a commendation from General Patton for work done in the late days of the Tunis battle. An intelligence officer with the Air Force, Major Romerman was stationed at Fort Sill and Winston-Salem, North Carolina, before going overseas.

Lt. Frank Goldsby, '36-'42, Norman, with the Air Force in North Africa, was awarded the Air Medal for action against the enemy. He received his wings and commission at Foster Field, Texas.

Killed in Service

Carl S. Dalbey, Jr., '40, Oklahoma City, last month was reported killed in action when survivors of the torpedoed vessel on which he was serving were rescued and their report made public. He was previously listed as missing in action.

Commissioned posthumously by the War Shipping Administration, Ensign Dalbey was radio officer aboard a Liberty ship which was forced to drop behind the rest of the ships in a convoy for motor
repairs. Before the vessel could rejoin the convoy, it was surrounded by a pack of submarines and hit amidships.

Survivors said that Ensign Dalbey stayed at his post until the ship was awash, then tried to set up an emergency radio on a barge. He was lost when the barge capsized in the heavy sea. During his career in the Merchant Marine, Ensign Dalbey served on one ship which was torpedoed and he drifted in the Atlantic 32 days before being rescued and on another which was accidentally rammed in a convoy.

Survivors include his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl S. Dalbey of Oklahoma City.

Capt. Walter L. Callaham, '39hus, Broken Bow, originally listed as missing in action in the Pacific, was reported killed in action November 15, 1942, in a recent War Department telegram.

Captain Callaham went on foreign duty in May, 1942, when he ferried a bomber to the Pacific war zone. Before going overseas, he was stationed at Randolph and Kelly Fields in Texas and Dayton, Ohio. At the University he was an accounting student and member of Pi Kappa Phi fraternity.

Survivors include his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Callaham, and his wife, the former Mary Grace Minyard of Jackson, Mississippi.

Sgt. Robert L. Dickinson, '32-'34, Tulsa, was killed May 20 in the crash of an Army plane engaged in Tennessee maneuvers. The plane crashed and burned near Nor- cene, Tennessee.

Sergeant Dickinson was a former student in the College of Engineering. Survivors include W. U. Dickinson, Tulsa.

Lt. Marvin Bryant, '37-'40, Hugo, previously listed as missing in action with the Air Force in Alaska, last month was reported killed in action. Holder of the Distinguished Service Cross and Air Medal, Lieutenant Bryant had been stationed in Alaska since June, 1942.

He was a former student in the College of Arts and Sciences. Survivors include his mother, Mrs. Maud Bryant of Hugo.

**Missing in Action**

Capt. Paul I. Williams, '34-'39, Norman, winner of four medals for action against the enemy in the Southwest Pacific, was reported missing in action since May 21 in a War Department telegram received by relatives.

Pilot of a Flying Fortress, Captain Williams holds the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Silver Star for action over Rabaul last August, the Air Medal for more than 100 hours of operational flying against the enemy and an Oak Leaf Clus- ter.

Former voice student in the University, he was commissioned in the Air Force in March, 1941, at Brooks Field, Texas. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Williams of Norman. His wife, the former Lois Knight of Florida, whom he married in January, 1942, has been making her home with them since Captain Williams went on foreign duty.

Lt. John B. Champlin, '36-'41, Lawton, was reported missing in action over Eu- rope since May 17 when he failed to return from a bombing mission over Ger- man installations. A former law student and member of Phi Delta Theta fraternity, he went overseas as an Air Force bombardier in January.

Brothers serving in the armed forces include Maj. Herbert H. Champlin, '30-'33, of the Paratroops; Capt. George A. Champlin, '33-'37, in the Middle East, and Lt. Robert A. Champlin, '27-'32, in North Africa. Sisters include Mrs. Maurice Denney, Jr., (Eleanor Champlin, '42letters) and Mrs. Lawrence Chambers (Mary Champlin, '32ba), both of Lawton. Lieu- tenant Champlin's wife is the former Irene Parsons of Lawton.

Maj. Charles E. Parker, '22-'23, Tulsa, Marine pilot formerly stationed on Guadal- canal, was reported missing in action in the Southwest Pacific. He is a member of Kappa Alpha fraternity.

Major Parker was associated for ten years with the National Aeronautical Chamber of Commerce in Washington and New York before going on active duty with the Marines in 1940. His par- ents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Parker, live in Baltimore and his wife is the former Ruth- ene Marshall of Fairfax, Virginia.

Lt. James H. Gill, '38-'41, Oklahoma City, member of a Fighter squadron, was reported missing in action on Guadalcanal since May 13.

Former engineering student in the Uni- versity, Lieutenant Gill was previously stationed at Mather Field, California, and Honolulu, Hawaii. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Gill of Oklahoma City.

**Prisoners of War**

Five names of Sooners were added last month to the list of prisoners of war, four having been captured in the Philippines and one in North Africa.

Prisoners of the Japanese included Capt. Clyde Fleming, '26hs, former Altus teach- er and football coach; Lt. Charles L. Mathis, '41, Oklahoma City, whose parents have had no word from him since a letter dated April 7, 1942; Lt. Wayne R. Fanson, '32eng, Mountain View, an Ord- nance officer, and Gareth Ruggles, '40ed, Cyril, Oklahoma, of the Army Medical Corps.

The four men have for a long time been listed as missing in action. Captain Fleming, originally an Infantry officer, transferred to the Air Force after assign- ment to the Philippines where he was stationed at Clark Field and later on Ba- tangan. Lieutenant Fanson and Mr. Ruggles are also known to have been captured on Bataan.

Lieutenant Mathis was assigned to

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Clark Field in October, 1941, after re- ceiving his wings at Stockton Field, Calif- ornia.

Lt. H. K. Wood, '41, Norman, with the Air Force in North Africa, is believed to be a prisoner of war, according to word received from a friend and University alumnus who was in the same squadron.

Lt. Frank L. Goldsby, '36-'42, also of Norman, wrote that Lieutenant Wood was shot down on his first mission over enemy territory. Several days later the same territory was taken by the Allies, and his plane, still in fairly good condition, was found where it had crashed.

**Injured in Service**

Capt. Franklin Calhoun, '40hus, Sand Springs, of the U. S. Ferry Command, received severe burns on his hands and face when the plane he was ferrying to an un- specified point in Alaska crashed and ex- ploded near Fairbanks in May.

After escaping from the wrecked plane just before it exploded, he walked five miles to the highway where he caught a ride to a construction camp close by. He was sent back to his home station for complete medical treatment. Captain Cal-
houn served with the Ferry Command in England before being assigned to duty in the U.S.

Capt. Richard Adams, '40, McAlaster and Oklahoma City, formerly reported missing in action with the Air Force, was reported a patient in an English hospital. He was stationed in England as a Flying Fortress pilot.

Lt. Warren Morris, '41, Tulsa, former Sooner baseball player, has been recuperating from malaria and tropical fever contracted while he was on Guadalcanal with the Marine Corps. He went on overseas duty a year ago, going first to Tulagi Island and later to Guadalcanal.

Lt. John E. Coenen, '41, Okmulgee, suffered a broken back in a plane accident in England recently and was confined to a hospital there. The accident followed a faulty parachute landing when his fighter plane went out of control at a low altitude.

Capt. Winston Harris, '37, Oklahoma City, former auditor with the General Electric Company, was severely injured in a plane crash at Big Spring, Texas, in March. After receiving medical treatment at Schenectady, New York, he recently returned to duty at Big Spring with his leg in a cast.

On European Raids

Sgt. Ralph E. Miller, '39-'40, Woodward, was tail gunner on the Chickasaw Chief, a medium bomber which took part in recent raids on Antwerp and Courtrai in Belgium, and Velsen, a city in northern Holland.

Sergeant Miller's comment on the action over Velsen was quoted by newsmen as, “Between 30 and 40 German soldiers ran toward an emplacemnt. I started firing about the same time they did. I saw my tracers going right into them.” He was formerly on the staff of the Gulf Research and Development Company.

Notable Record

Three hundred hours of combat flying are credited to Capt. Murphy Lents, '39, eng, pilot from Duncan, in the skies over Italy, Greece, Crete, Libya, Palestine and Egypt.

Home on leave in May, Capt. Lents said he was pilot of a Liberator on the first Allied bombing raid over Naples. He has also assisted in giving aerial support to the British Eighth Army by attacking Rommel's supply lines and has participated in the bombing in Greece, Italy, Libya, Palestine and Egypt.

For outstanding service, Capt. Lents holds the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Air Medal, and an Oak Leaf Cluster. He was employed by the Stanolind Oil Company in Louisiana before entering the Air Force.

With Famed Ship's Crew

Ensign W. Perry Carmichael, '28-'29, Norman, was an officer on board the unidentified U.S. battleship which is the heroine of Sidney Shalee't's new book, Old Nameless, an Epic of a U.S. Battleship, a story of fighting off Guadalcanal.

Ensign Carmichael was wounded in a battle in which the unnamed ship sank three, and possibly four, Japanese cruisers. He was standing watch during the firing, when “Suddenly I just had a hunch that it was a good time to squanch down.” As he ducked, a shell came over, two men beside him were killed and he caught a piece of metal in his arm.

After the battle, Old Nameless returned to port for repair of damages to her conning tower, and has since put back to sea. Ensign Carmichael was home in May convalescing from his injury.

Sooner Is Skeet Shooter

Lt. Bill P. Ragsdale, '27, one of the nation's leading skeet shooters, was transferred to the Naval Air Station at Atlantic City, New Jersey, and assigned to the Naval air gunnery department. His wife, the former Marguerite Hays, '27, accompanied him.

Lieutenant Ragsdale has been a member of two successive five-man teams that won the national crown in 1941-42 and was a member of the Navy team that won the national skeet shooting title last August. He was stationed at Norman before his recent transfer.

Meet in Far East

Half-way around the world from Oklahoma, three Sooners recently held a reunion in India where they are stationed with American forces.

The trio includes Sgt. Everett Thomas, '35, bus, Norman; Capt. Jack Collier, '40fa, Norman, and Lt. Crawford Bennett, '32, law, Oklahoma City. Captain Collier is a member of the India-China Ferry Command.

Air Hero Home

Wearing the Air Medal for meritorious action in the Pacific air war, Lt. Jack Rivers, '36, bus, Oklahoma City, was home on leave in May after 16 months of combat flying.

Stationed at various South Pacific bases during that time, Lieutenant Rivers flew on 33 missions over Japanese shipping and installations. He was a bombardier aboard a bomber on most of the flights.

New Officers

Among the numerous alumni who received their commissions in recent weeks were three in the Marine Corps. Lawrence L. Irwin, '42, Leedey, and Gerald G. Sluder, '42, Byron, were commissioned second lieutenants in the Marine Corps Reserve at the Naval Air Training Center at Corpus Christi, Texas. Lt. Guy H. Savage, '43, bus, McAlester, received his commission at Quantico, Virginia.

Ensigns recently commissioned include Jack W. Jones, '39-'41, Lyons, Kansas; Robert F. Wilkinson, '42, Oklahoma City; Kenneth J. Wilson, Jr., '42, Oklahoma City; Phillip M. Conkle, '40, Oklahoma City; Edward L. Evans, '41, Chickasha; Charles Titus, '43, bus, Sayre; Jack Fezler, '43, Oklahoma City; Walter L. Stephens, '43, bus, Henryetta; Thomas E. (Billy) Arnold, '35, Holdenville, who was ordered to Quonset Point, Rhode Island, andGene Corrotto, '39, bus, Star, halfback on the famed Sooner championship team of 1936, stationed at the Pre-flight School at Chapel Hill, North Carolina.

New second lieutenants in the Army Air Force, and the fields at which they were commissioned are as follows: Paul L. Parks, '38-'39, Noble, and Robert L. Garrett, '41, Norman, both at Columbus, Mississippi; O. M. Murray, '40-'41, Norman, Ellington Field, Texas; Jack S. Thomas, '40-'41, Cleo Springs, Luke Field, Arizona; Billy E. Patterson, '33-'40, Oklahoma City, Big Spring, Texas; Robert Stephens, '39-'41, Holdenville, New Haven, Connecticut, and Alfred H. Locke, '39-'40, Eufaula, Pampa, Texas.

Frank B. Smith, '37-'40, Norman, received his commission in the Corps of Engineers upon his graduation from the
United States Military Academy at West Point, New York, in June. He was among the 21 highest-ranking students in his class, which was the largest in the Academy's history and a full year ahead of schedule.

Other newly commissioned officers and the Officer Candidate Schools at which they received their bars are as follows: Mac T. Jimerson, '38-'39, Norman, Field Artillery, Fort Sill; George B. Kimes, '28-'29, Dewey, and Bob W. Larson, '35-'37, Comstock, Oklahoma City; Harvey F. Cooper, Roosevelt; Robert E. Cornish, Oklahoma City; James G. Davidson, Tulsa; Thomas E. Davis, Muskogee; Charles F. Drouillard, Bristow;

Harley E. Eaker, Snyder; Frank Elkouri, Andarko; Paul D. Fielding, Guthrie; Murry J. Flipp, Maysville; Robert W. Hynn, Oklahoma City; Joe M. Ford, Granite; W. L. Goather, Marietta; Cph Bowers, Oklahoma City; Dunn; James W. Goodwin, Oklahoma City; J. B. Hall, McCurtain; Ora R. Hall, Jr., Perry; Edward A. Hartin, Cordell; Leroy V. Hester, Okemah; Robert W. Hines, Dewey; Russell L. Holder, Oklahoma City; Marvin M. Howell, Wagoner; Jack C. Humphreys, Watson; Louis J. Kirripolou, Oklahoma City; Harold E. Kirkpatrick, Hydro; Alan D. Knox, Norman; Benjamin F. Lewis, Oklahoma City; Robert B. Lewis, Oklahoma City; Robert L. Lumsford III, Cleveland; Toland Dwight Mitchell, Jr., Oklahoma City; Milton R. Moon, Oklahoma City; Carl W. Moor, Jr., Pampa, Texas; Phillip E. Morgan, Tecumseh; John H. Murphy, Tyrone; William C. McGrew, Britton; John William McLean, Ponca City; John T. McNaught, Oklahoma City; Isham P. Nelson, Jr., Oklahoma City; Robert Boyd, Oklahoma City; Robert W. Danielson, Blytheville, Arkansas; James Armstrong, Edgar Driver, Gerald Eason, Lester Glass, Lee F. Heenan and Robert Starr, all of Oklahoma City; Guss Babb, Tulsa; Glenn Bowers, Palestine, Texas; Max Floyd, Wewoka; William B. Hill, Norman; Henry Jansen, Lyons, Kansas; Robert Theo King, Alfalfa; James Mugg, Higgins, Texas; John Noon, Bristow; James Rogers, Carnegie, and Richard W. Portis, Fairfax, Missouri.

Seniors in the Tank Destroyer Force who were to report to Camp Hood, Texas, for Officer Candidate training were James Berry, Sapulpa; John Cheek and Patrick Earley, both of Oklahoma City; Jim Martin, Cherokee; Wallace Graves, Fort Worth, Texas; Waldemar Pralle, Garber; Daniel Hayes, Anthonv, Kansas, and Jack Steele, Lone Wolf.

Seniors ordered to report to the Air Force Administrative Officer Candidate School at Miami Beach, Florida, were Dick Boyd, James Clendening and Ralph Fudge, all of Norman; Ben Cagle, Ringgold, Oklahoma City; Hjalmar H. Jorgenson, Oklahoma City; John J. Harris, Oklahoma City; Hjalmar H. Jorgenson, Oklahoma City; James Armstrong, Edgar Driver, Gerald Eason, Lester Glass, Lee F. Heenan and Robert Starr, all of Oklahoma City; Guss Babb, Tulsa; Glenn Bowers, Palestine, Texas; Max Floyd, Wewoka; William B. Hill, Norman; Henry Jansen, Lyons, Kansas; Robert Theo King, Alfalfa; James Mugg, Higgins, Texas; John Noon, Bristow; James Rogers, Carnegie, and Richard W. Portis, Fairfax, Missouri.

Ordered to the Signal Corps Officer Candidate School at Fort Monmouth, New Jersey, were Lee Collins, Chickasha, and John Dulin, El Reno. Seniors to report to the Chemical Warfare Service Officer Candidate School at Edgewood Arsenal, Maryland, were Robert Boyd and Calvin Saunders, both of Oklahoma City.

Seniors assigned to the Engineer Corps Officer Candidate School at Camp Brilliant, Oklahoma City, were Paul Heap, Norman, and William Kritikos, Tulsa.

Seniors assigned to the Ordnance Officer Candidate School at Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland, were Henry L. Bowman, Durant; Charles S. Burton, Harold O. Ebeling, Eugene Glass, Donald E. Hall, William L. Howard, Kenneth E. Lutz, Jack H. Myracle, David N. Newby, Wayne K. Smauder and Joe G. Barbee, all of Oklahoma City.

John B. Bland, Orville F. Meyer, Dar-
win L. Richardson, Leo K. Slajer, and William U. Upchurch, all of Norman; Ray S. Fellows, Jr., Robert B. Kennedy, Mike A. Travis and Bill N. Barnes, all of Tulsa; Louis C. Bailey, James R. Hutchison, John W. Morton and Milton Parker, all of Bartlesville; David M. Cowart, Wewoka; Lawrence J. Galasso, Monson, Massachusetts; Harold F. Gibson, Hobart; Jack M. Glammann, Wellington, Kansas; Donald R. Hot, Medford; Roy O. Jackson, Lexington; Jerry W. Long, St. Louis, Missouri; Altus. Marvin C. Reed and Chester L. Seyer, both of Purcell; Robert V. Richardson, McAlester; Robert L. Robinson, Hutchison, Kansas; William G. Skinner, Oklahoma City; Judge cog, University R. O. T. C. unit. Adair, Oregon; M. Wayne Chesnut, '29-'34, Oklahoma; Thomas Carson, '34-'35, Las Animas, Colorado; Lloyd R. Alexander, Kansas; William G. Skinner, Oklahoma City; overseas; George W. C. Anderson, '39, overseas. 

**Promotions**

Recently promoted to lieutenant colonel were Ralph Brown, '35-'38, Hobart, who is with the Paratroops at Fort Benning, Georgia, and William P. Brooks, Jr., '36-'38, Muskogee, at Camp Shelby, Mississipi. When Lt. Gen. Leslie J. McNair, commander of the Army Ground Forces, made a recent inspection tour at Fort Sill, Colonel Brooks, then a major, served as his aide for the day. He was transferred to Camp Shelby later.

Thirteen new majors and the stations at which they were located are as follows: Pete Smith, '34-'37, Oklahoma; John J. Uri, '37-'40, Football star and coach, at Camp Barkeley, Texas, where he has charge of the athletic program; Archie C. Graham, '36-'40, Army Air Base, Baltimore, Maryland; Thomas Carson, '34-'38, Ponca City, Camp Adair, Oklahoma; Wayne Chenutt, '38-'39, Oklahoma City, Fort Sill; Norman F. Williams, '39-'40, University R. O. T. C. unit.

Lloyd R. Altus, overseas; Elwood Wright, '34-'38, Elk City, Fort Sill; James H. Ross, '38-'40, Oklahoma City, Judge Advocate General's Office in Washington, D.C.; Roy S. Byrd, '39-'40, Norman, on Desert maneuvers; Fred V. Shirley, '38-'41, Elk City, Fort Sill; James P. Listen, '38-'41, Oklahoma City, on desert maneuvers; Joe P. Gibson, '38-'41, Oklahoma City, overseas; Nelson Henson, '39-'40, Oklahoma City, overseas; and Joe B. Steele, '39-'41, overseas.

New sergeants were Austin E. Mills, '38-'40, Lawton; W. J. March Field, California; Pete Gilles, '39-'40, Norman, on Air Base, Columbus, Ohio, and Robert L. Snyder, Jr., '38-'39, Army Air Base, Santa Maria, California.

The group of recently promoted corporals includes R. M. McCloy, '38-'40, Oklahoma City Army Air Field, Amarillo, Texas; Robert Henson, '39-'40, Oklahoma City, overseas; and Joe B. Steele, '39-'40, overseas.

A group of sooners in the service recently promoted to the rank of captain are Ross N. Lillard, '39-'40, Fort Sill; John P. McElveen, '39-'41, Oklahoma City, overseas; Jack Byrd, '39-'40, Oklahoma City, overseas; Tennessee; Herman Irelan, '39-'41, Oklahoma City, overseas; and Joe B. Steele, '39-'41, overseas.


**At Sea**

Lt. Edwin S. Arnold, '41-'42, Fort Benning, has been assigned to the gunnery department aboard a ship to study anti-aircraft gunnery before assignment to a heavy cruiser.

Ensign Edward L. Wilcox, '42-'43, Fort Sill, was on duty in the Southwest Pacific. Ensign L. B. Lott, '42-'43, Oklahoma City, was assigned to duty aboard the heavy cruiser Texas. Ensign L. B. Lott, '42-'43, Oklahoma City, was on duty in the South Pacific.

**Overseas**

Paying tribute to the flyers in the Royal Air Force, Capt. Leslie Francis, '38-'39, Blanchard, a member of the U. S. Air Force in England, recently wrote, "These R. A. F. flyers are geniuses...and the loss of life and damage to property is practically nil here now compared to six months ago."


With the armed forces in the South Pacific were Maj. J. Mort Loomis, '39-'40, Okmulgee, with the 91st Fighter Squadron, and Maj. D. E. Epperson, '38-'39, Oklahoma City, overseas.

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**Pilot Now Age**

Ace of the European theater, Lts. Howard H. Hillyard, '37-'40, Norman, had accounted for four enemy aircraft when this picture was taken. According to latest reports, his score has increased to seven, perhaps more.

Herbert W. Ladd, Jr., '39-'40, Tulsa, Basic Flying School, Greenwood, Mississippi; Robert Kuznetz, '39-'41, Fort Sill; Jack M. Golliver, '40-'41, Oklahoma City, overseas; Lee O'Bryan, '39-'40, Fort Benning, Georgia; Gail C. Aldridge, '38-'39, Manchester, Oklahoma, overseas, and John E. Cooper, '38-'39, Oklahoma City, overseas. Recently exchanging their gold bars for silver ones of first lieutenant were James A. King, Jr., '38-'40, Oklahoma City, overseas; Steve C. Elam, '35-'39, Shawnee, Oklahoma City, overseas; W. E. Hendricks, '29-'30, Oklahoma City, Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri; James D. Richardson, '42-'43, Fort Sill, Oklahoma City, Thermal Field, California; Lynn C. Nordahl, '42-'43, Oklahoma City, overseas; Charles W. McAdams, '41-'42, Oklahoma City, overseas; and John E. Elliott, '38-'40, Oklahoma City, overseas.

The following officers have been promoted to lieutenant commander: Lts. (jg) Matthews J. Kane, '38-'39, Oklahoma City, overseas; Lt. Max Marple, '39-'40, Missouri; Lt. Stuart D. West, '39-'40, Washington, D.C.; Lt. James D. Landry, '39-'40, Oklahoma City, overseas; and Lt. Louis D. Jennings, '39-'40, Oklahoma City, overseas.
ship in Alaskan waters. Mrs. Smethers is the former Mima Magoffin, '43 journ.

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Lt. Clifton C. Wilhite, '40 m.ed, Norman, has been assigned to duty with the Atlantic fleet. Mrs. Wilhite is the former Wyema Adams, '38a.

Dr. E. France Word, '41 med, is assistant surgeon with the United States Public Health Service. He returned from duty in a ship in an active war zone. He formerly was on the staff of St. Paul's Hospital in Vancouver, British Columbia.

Army

Bad weather and ferocious mosquitoes are routine annoyances to pilots on the regular run from the United States south, according to Lt. Bruce Katz, '40-'42, Oklahoma City flier with the support command. After receiving his commission in February, Lieutenant Katz made a number of trips piloting cargo southward until he was transferred recently to a Michigan base. "Our worst hazard, if you ignore the constantly bad weather, is after we leave American waters and get over South American waters. There axis submarines give false radio signals which throw the pilot off course," Lieutenant Katz said. Accompanying him to Michigan was Mrs. Katz, the former Betty Caldwell, '42a.

Jack Jacobs, '38-'42, former O. U. football star, is now a cadet in the Army Air Force, stationed at Mather Field, California, where he has been assigned to Fort Mason.

Aviation Cadet William P. Hackins, Jr., '42ba, Muskogee, was in training at the Rankin Aero School at Tulare, California. Lt. Roger L. Messman, '40 med, was assigned to the Station Hospital at Peterson Field, Colorado Springs, Colorado.

T. Chatty Cook, '42, Norman, was an Army pilot stationed in Denver, Colorado. Sgt. Mat Henderson, 22-24, Stugler, was assigned to Service Command headquarters there.

William S. Jones, '50b, of Oklahoma City, has recently commissioned as a second lieutenant in Army Ordnance, and was assigned to Pueblo, Colorado.

Lt. Floyd D. Brown, '41 med, Oklahoma City, was stationed at Bolling Field, District of Columbia, with a Signal Service battalion.

Lt. Frank F. Reed, '12-13, Pauls Valley, was a cadet in the Army Air Base at Boca Raton, Florida, as a weather officer.

Sgt. Iverson W. Barr, '42a, Seminole, has been transferred to Drew Field, Florida, where he is with a Signal Warning battalion.

Pvt. Herman F. Reusch, Jr., '40 ba, Oklahoma City, was in training with the Air Force at Miami Beach, Florida.

Lt. George D. Wilson, '40eng, Oklahoma City, was assigned to Miami Beach, Florida, as an Ordnance instructor.

Capt. Obbie Lewis, '39-'42, Houston, Texas, was assigned to the Air Base at Orlando, Florida.

Lt. George A. Meacham, '40-'42, Clinton, was with a Fighter squadron at Dale-Mabry Field, Tallahassee, Florida.

Lt. H. Stockman, '42eng, Wichita, Kansas, has been transferred to the Air Force Flying Training Detachment at Augusta, Georgia.

Maj. Ralph R. Carlin, '29-'34, was attached to headquarters of an Armed Division at Fort Benning, Georgia. Cpl. Jack Ruggles, '36a, Oklahoma City.

Lt. Louis K. Sharpe, '42ba, Checotah, was assigned to a Field Artillery battery at Camp Gordon, Georgia.

Lt. W. L. Neill, '39ba, Oklahoma City, was stationed at Fort Sheridan, Illinois.

Lt. Spencer Norton, '28a, University music professor on leave of absence for service with the Air Force, was stationed at the Air Base at Coffeyville, Kansas.

Lt. Cagge Pedrick, Jr., '37-'41, was assigned to the Aeromedical school at the Air Force Basic Flying School at Garden City, Kansas. There too was Staff Sgt. Richard D. Hamer, '35.

Capt. E. L. (Mike) Massad, '32, Ardmore, was attending Command and General Staff School at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas.

At Camp Campbell, Kentucky, were Lt. John E. James, '38a, Capt. Charles J. James, '37, and Capt. Adrian L. Fuller, '42a.

Capt. Lynn O. Freeley, '37-'41, Duncan, was stationed at Fort Knox, Kentucky, after a year's service in the Panama Canal Zone. Lt. Thomas G. Agnew, '40ba, was assigned to the Armed Force School there.


Cpl. James C. Sawyer, '42ba, Sapulpa, has been transferred to the Army Air Base at Delaware, Louisiana, where he is with an Observation Group.

On Louisiana maneuvers this spring were Maj. Charles S. Stanley, Jr., '24-27, '34-'35, Noble, and Capt. Dick Tryan, '38-'40, Oklahoma City, who recently completed an Officers Training Course at Fort Sill.

Lt. Richard L. Disney, Jr., '37journ, Muskogee, of the Signal Corps, was taking advanced training in electronics at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in Boston. He formerly was a reporter for the Muskogee Phoenix and Times Recorder.

Capt. Roy L. Neel, '38med, has been transferred to the Station Hospital at Westover Field, Massachusetts.

Sgt. Thomas C. Anthony, '38-'40, was assigned to duty in a surgeon's office at Camp Crowder, Missouri.

Capt. John E. Wilson, '39, Norman, was assigned to the Army Air Field at Sedalia, Missouri, as base Ordnance officer.

Lt. Elwood Heiman, '41med, member of the Missouri Corps, has been transferred to Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri. Also there was Harold C. Scoville, '29eng.

Pvt. Francis J. Fitzpatrick was in training with the Air Force at Atlantic City, New Jersey.

Lt. Kelsey T. Kennedy, '42ba, El Reno, was with the Signal Corps at Fort Monmouth, New Jersey.

Lt. William H. Hammert, '42ba, Rome, Georgia, was assigned to duty in Dallas following completion of a training course at Princeton University in New Jersey.

Lt. Leslie Tiller, '40, a bombardier instructor at the San Angelo, Texas, Army Air Field, was assigned to the Army Air Field at Carlsbad, New Mexico, for training at the Central Instructors School for Bombardiers.

Lt. James R. Norris, '38-'41, Cushing, was assigned to the Army Air Field at Atlantic City, New Jersey.

BRIDE-TO-BE OFFICATES

When Lt. Alfred H. Locke, '39-'40, Eufaula, received his silver pilot's wings at Pampa Army Air Field in Texas, Patsy Ruth Kraft, Oklahoma City, was present to do the pinning. The couple later were married.
signed to the Army Flying School at Roswell, New Mexico.

Capt. Jack Battenfield, '37med, Granite, has returned from foreign duty for advanced training at Fort Bragg, Nort Carolina. Captain Battenfield was connected with the Oklahoma War Department before he entered service. Pvt. Rupert E. Wilson, Jr., '41law, Oklahoma City, was assigned to the Field Artillery Replacement Training Center at Fort Bragg.

Risk Thompson, '35-'39, Oklahoma City, has been transferred to Officer Candidate School at Camp Davis, North Carolina, from his former post at Greenville, South Carolina. After he left his former post to him appeared the post paper, which read in part, "Risk was our topkick. We called him Junior, Deacon, Skipper or Diamond Jim. He'd reply with a 'Yea, Long live the great.' Bd of us hated to see him go. Risk is a rare bird. He combines a genius for friendship with an utter frankness... He calls himself an 'ordinary guy' but it's the ordinary guys like him who have made and will keep America strong." He was a first sergeant at Greenville before entering officer candidate training.

On duty at Camp Mackall, North Carolina, were Capt. Charles D. Watson, '40law, Oklahoma City; Lt. Dick J. Wilkins, '41, and Lt. Fred T. Hargrove, '34med.

Lt. Harry H. Diamond, Jr., '38-'43, Holdenville, and Lt. Ray D. Painter, Jr., '30-'33, Afton, were stationed at Camp Gruber, Oklahoma, with the Field Artillery. In the Finance office there was Master Sgt. Hal M. Stewart, '36bs, Muskogee.

Capt. Raymond H. Williams, '25law, San Antonio, Texas, has been transferred to the End Army Flying School as base intelligence officer. In civilian life, Captain Williams was an insurance company executive. One of Aviation Cadets Walter F. Watson, '38-'42, Mountain Park, and Robert D. Sheehan, '40-'41, Tulsa, were in training at the End school.

Lt. William S. Nicholson, '34-'35, Shawnee, and Lt. Ralph D. Gahl, '38-'40, Oklahoma City, were on duty at the Army Flying School at Frederick.

Assigned to Fort Sill were Lt. Charles M. Christensen, '30law, Blair, Field Artillery Replacement Training Center; Capt. Thomas Munson, '35bs, Field Artillery officers course; Capt. George T. Metaif, '38bs, Replacement Training Center; Capt. George E. Grace, '38bs, Hartshorne, staff of the Officer Candidate School; Lt. Jim Thomas, '39bs, advanced officer training; Cpl. F. Donovan Ostmeh, '34-'38, in charge of the paint shop at the Aviation Cadet Concentration Center; Lt. John E. Marshall, Jr., '42bs, Norman; Lt. Harold Reddy, '38-'42, Shawnee, former business manager of the Oklahoma Memorial Union at the University, department of air training at the Field Artillery School; Officer Candidate Joseph P. Andrews, '43bs, Oklahoma City; Cpl. Emery Anderson, '33bs, '40ed, Norman; Pfc. Vernon G. Steffen, '42-'43, visual aid section of the Field Artillery School, and Lt. Wilford S. Thomas, '28bs, Oklahoma City, aide-de-camp to Maj. Gen. Ralph Pennell, commandant of the Field Artillery Replacement Training Center.

Lt. Carroll V. Hodges, '36bs, Oklahoma City, has been transferred to Oklahoma A. and M. College at Stillwater for duty with the Army Specialized Training program.

Lt. Leond S. Cope, Jr., '37-'38, Muskogee, was stationed at Will Rogers Field near Oklahoma City as a squadron adjutant. Staff Sgt. Robert E. Harrison, '39, Pauls Valley, was there with the group.

Lt. Byron Jones, '39law, Oklahoma City, and Lt. Paul R. Gamino, '39bs, Bartlesville, were assigned to the Air Force Intelligence School at Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

Major J. R. Morgan, '35med, Oklahoma City, was assigned to a recently activated Infantry division following completion of a special training course at the Medical Field Service School.

Aviation Cadet Raymond D. Crews, '41law, Norman, was in training at the Air Force Navigation School at Hondo, Texas.

Lt. E. P. Litchfield, Jr., '41bs, Sherman, Texas, was attached to a Tank Destroyer battalion at Cameron, Texas.

Lt. Robert M. Fowler, Jr., '41, Triadelphia, Oklahoma, was assigned to a Field Artillery unit at Camp Howeze, Texas.

Lt. Frank C. Hughes, '37a, '39med, Ada, was assigned to Camp Maxey, Texas, with the Field Artillery.

Capt. Lendol B. Leach, '40eng, Oklahoma City, has been transferred to the Red River Ordnance Depot at New Boston, Texas.

Capt. Roy L. Noel, '38med, of the Army Medical Corps, has been transferred to the School of Aviation Medicine at Randolph Field, Texas.

Lt. Robert A. Bommel, Jr., '37-'38, Tulsa, was assigned to Goodfellow Field, San Angelo, Texas, with the Air Force. In training there was Capt. Homer A. Poter, '37-'38, Houston.

Lt. T. H. Humphrey, '40bs, Tulsa, who recently transferred from the Field Artillery to the Air Force, was in training at San Antonio, Texas. Also there was Aviation Cadet Charles L. Coates, '41bs, Oklahoma City.

Pfc. Harlan Mendenhall, '37bs, former fact-finding detective story writer, and Pvt. George Whespe, '42-'43, were assigned to Sheppard Field, Texas.

Lt. Alphas Wilson, '23-'28, Washington, Oklahoma, was assigned to the Sinton Field Air Depot Training Station at San Antonio, Texas.

Lt. Sara Jane Green, '41, formerly of Norfolk, Virginia, was on duty at the Station Hospital at Camp Swift, Texas, as a dietitian. Lt. Paris G. Stringer, '39bs, Oklahoma City, was with the Field Artillery there.

Capt. Gerald L. Mayo, Jr., '34-'38, has been transferred to Camp Wallace, Texas, where he is attached to an Infantry division.

Lt. Roy H. Steele, '32law, Altus, and Pvt. Odis H. Maye, '37, were assigned to Fort Douglas, Utah.

Pvt. Eugene F. Specht, '42bs, Piedmont, was attached to a Special Service force at Fort Ethan Allen, Vermont.

Lt. J. Leland Gourley, '38-'40, Norman, has been transferred to the Special Services School at Washington and Lee University in Lexington, Virginia.

Lt. James H. Sellers, '42bs, Decap, was assigned to Newport News, Virginia, after receiving his commission at the Army Administrative Officer Candidate School at State College, Mississippi.

Capt. John W. Johnson, Jr., '34bs, Oklahoma City, was with the Infantry at Camp Pickett, Virginia.

Lt. Wayne I. Moore, '39-'40, Oklahoma City, was attached to a Fighter squadron at the Army Air Base, Richmond, Virginia.

Maj. W. J. Kelly, '37-'40, Lexington, was assigned to a Fighter group at McChord Field, Washington.

Lt. Bert E. Taliaferro, '35-'38, was stationed at the Spokane Air Depot, Spokane, Washington, as a test pilot.

Maj. Albert Clinkscales, '17bs, Oklahoma City, has been transferred to Charlotteville, West Virginia.

Capt. Norman L. Jones, '31-'35, Duncan, was with the Field Artillery at Camp McCoy, Wisconsin.

Pvt. Jeff G. Ray, '35eng, was stationed at Camp McCoy, Wisconsin, with the Field Artillery.

Navy

Lt. Herbert H. Scott, '20ba, '26ma, director of the University Extension Division on leave for Navy duty, has been transferred to Dallas, Texas, where he is director of the investigating division of the Naval Office of Naval Officer Procurement. Shortly before he left New Orleans, where he was previously stationed, Lieutenant Scott lost a...
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portion of his brand-new uniforms in a laundry fire.

Ensign William A. Allen, '38eng, Oklahoma City, was assigned to duty in San Diego, California.

Ensign James H. Burge, '42bus, Erick, was assigned to the Amphibious Training Base at Little Creek, Virginia.

F. P. Castle, '43ba, was a boatswain on duty in Los Angeles, California.

Lt. Albert Drake, '28bus, Kansas City, Missouri, was assigned to duty at the Naval Aircraft Technical Training Center in Chicago.

Ensign Grover Ellis, Jr., '42eng, Houston, Texas, has been assigned to duty at the Naval Section Base at Cape May, New Jersey.

Gordon Granzow, '43bus, Edmond, was in training at the Naval Reserve Midshipmen's School at Northwestern University at Evanston, Illinois.

On duty at Camp Peary, Virginia, were James I. Baker, '42pharm, Olton, pharmacist's mate second class; R. H. Grinstead, '30-'32, chief storekeeper; A. G. Campbell, '31-'32, storekeeper third class; Ben F. Moore, '26ba, chief storekeeper, and Tece L. Lewis, '30la, seaman first class.

Nolan J. Heburn, '39, was a seaman first class on duty in the supply department of the Naval Air Station at Olate, Kansas.

Ensign Bill W. Jones, '40bus, Bardeeville, was on duty at the Navy Armed Guard Center on Treasure Island, California.

Lt. Olen R. Keith, '41, Hollis, was on duty at the Naval Air Station at Alamada, California.

Lt. (jg) Ellory King, Jr., '35ba, formerly an auditor with the Halliburton Oil Well Cementing Company in Duncan, was taking specialized Naval training at Ohio State University in Columbus.

Ensign Robert Klazubza, '40geol, Prague, was on duty at the Naval Pre-flight School at Chapel Hill, North Carolina.

Ensign Jesse G. Lawyer, '42, was on duty at the Naval Air Station at Daytona Beach, Florida.

Louis Lindquist, '36-'38, radioman third class, was on duty at the Navy Armed Guard Center in New Orleans.

Mrs. Lindquist (Lila Mae Oubuch, '35-'40) is living at Andlers while he is in the Navy.

Cadet John J. Miller, '41horn, Elk City, has been transferred to the Navy Training School at Cottonwood, Arizona, following completion of training at a Naval Flight Preparatory School.

S. Fremin Meowey, '28, was a boatsman's mate second class on duty at the Armed Guard Center in Brooklyn, New York.

Lt. (jg) James Welton Nance, '38geol, Altus, has been assigned to the Naval Navigation Intelligence Branch in the Hydrographic Department in Washington, D. C.

Ensign Paul R. Neyland, '42eng, Silbake, Texas, was on duty at the Navy Training Station at Cornell University in Ithaca, New York.

Ensign Artie Pace, '43eng, Lawton, was stationed at the Naval Training School at Fort Schuyler, Bronx, New York.

Lt. C. C. Wiball, '40ba, Norman, was attached to a Flight squadron at the Naval Air Station at Breezy Point, Norfolk, Virginia.

Clyde L. Schenck, '35eng, Fort Worth, Texas, was attending an aerography class at the Naval Air Station at Lakehurst, New Jersey.

Lt. (jg) Eugene C. Stevens, '39bus, Tulsa, was stationed at the Submarine Chaser Training Center at Miami, Florida.

Ensign Victor B. Thegez, '41eng, Whiting, Indiana, was an inspector of Naval materials in Houston, Texas.

Ensign Foley W. Varden, Jr., '40-'41, Oklahoma City, was stationed at Lee Field, Jacksonville, Florida.

J. S. Weeks, '39, is a chief specialist on duty at the Navy Training School at College Station, Texas.

Lt. Vardin West, '43bus, formerly with General Mills in Minneapolis, Minnesota, is stationed at the Hudson factory in Detroit, Michigan.

Ensign Lawrence Found, '39navy, a Navy nurse, was on duty at the Navy Hospital near Norman.

WAVES

Ensign Edith Roberts, '29, Oklahoma City and Sapulpa, was attached to the Office of the Chief of Naval Operations in Washington, D. C.

In training with the WAVES at Smith College, Northampton, Massachusetts, were Margaret Jones, '41ba, student in aeronautics and physical education at Blackwell; Eda Nelson, '33ba, 34ma, former Wewoka school teacher; Margaret (Peggy) Rennie, '46ed, Ardmore, and Mrs. Gertrude M. Smith, '37, Oklahoma City.

Desie Abbott, '42ma, ed, physical education instructor at Britton, had been accepted for officer training with the WAVES and was awaiting her call to duty.

WAAC

WAAC officers recently assigned to active duty after receiving their commissions were Lt. Emma Powson, '38ba, WAAC Training Center at Fort Oplethorpe, Georgia; Lt. Eileen Hoggard, '41, '42, company commander at Alpine, Texas; Lt. Catharine Cooke Brown, '40soc.wk, Evanston, Illinois, recruiting duty in Indianapolis, Indiana, and Lt. Carla Marie McGee, '42ba, Blackwell, and Lt. Viola Kinnard, '41ed, Randlett, recruiting duty in Oklahoma City.

Auxiliaries assigned to duty after completing basic training were Elizabeth Wood, '32-'34, Eufaula, Camp McCoy, Wisconsin; Syble Sue McDaniell, '40-'41, Blanchard, Fort Monmouth, New Jersey; Martha L. Hull, '28ba, New Camp McCoy, Wisconsin, and Hope Gregory, '27-'32, Norman, Camp Pickett, Virginia.

Aux. Pauline Brooks, '39-'43, Norman, has entered training with the WAAC at Camp Monticello, Arkansas. Ruth Loomis, '40ba, '41ed, formerly of Norman, an Mary Frances Evans, '38, Muskogee, enlisted recently and were awaiting call to training. At the time of their enlistment, Miss Loomis was employed with the Texas Electric Service Company in Fort Worth and Miss Evans was with the State Department of Public Welfare.

Marines

Norma Oaks, '42ed, Moore, has been sworn into the Women's Marine Corps and assigned to the procurement office in Seattle, Washington, where she was employed before joining the service.

Pvt. John S. Gaffney, '43, was attached to a Marine Corps Signal Battalion at Camp Lejeune, New River, North Carolina.

Lt. W. K. Hartford, '40med, Oklahoma City, has been transferred to the Navy Medical Aviation School at Pensacola, Florida.

Pvt. Howard G. Newman, '31-'33, Tulsa, was assigned to the Marine Corps Base at San Diego, California.

Sgt. M. L. Stone, '38-'40, Seminole, was on foreign duty with the Marine Corps. He was secretary to W. S. Campbell, professional writing teacher, while attending the University.

D. T. Thomas, '37, Oklahoma City, has been assigned to active duty with the Marines after completing an Officers Training Course at Quantico, Virginia. Pfc. Charles L. McClary, '43sg, Shreveport, Louisiana, was an officer candidate there.

SPARS

Ensign Eleanor Warren, '35ba, was assigned to the staff of the Coast Guard Academy at New London, Connecticut, as an instructor in the SPARS after she received her commission there. Ensign Roberta Huff, '33ba, Norman, commissioned there at the same time, was attached to personnel work with enlisted SPARS in New Orleans, Louisiana.

Taking basic training with the SPARS in the Bronx, New York, were Esther Rubens, '39-'42, Oklahoma City, and Evalena Jackson, '40-'42.