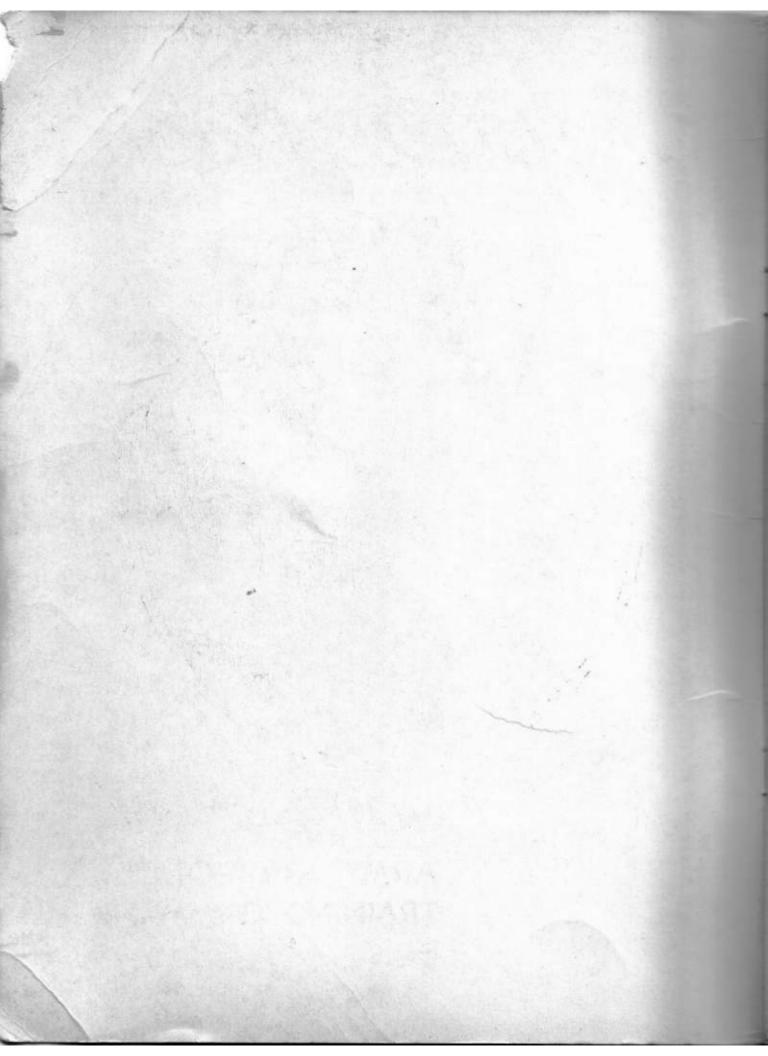
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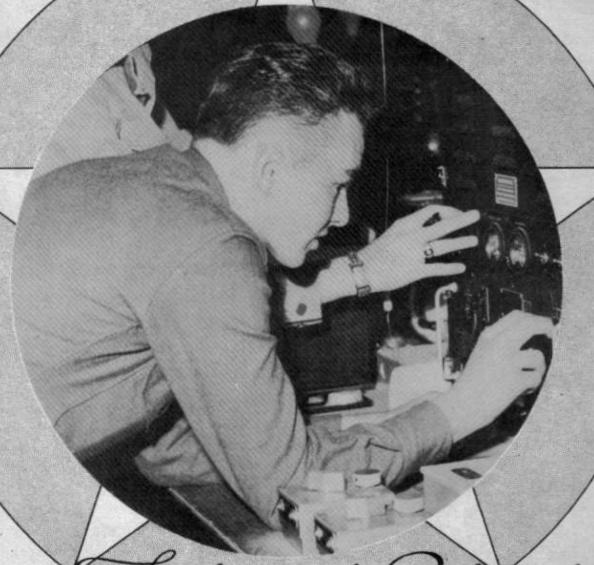
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The Class Book

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TRAINING COMMAND

Sioux Falls - South Dakota

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Radio operators for the Army Air Forces, congratulations upon the completion of your course at this school, preparing you for very important positions in our armed forces. You have gone about your work like real soldiers, determined to accomplish the goal you set out to reach and to obtain the knowledge to prepare yourselves for radio operations. All officers of this school are proud of your occomplishments and bid you farewell upon your departure, knowing without hesitation that you will continue to demonstrate the enthusiasm, loyalty and ingenuity with which you are possessed, and that you will complete your assigned duties in a superior manner.

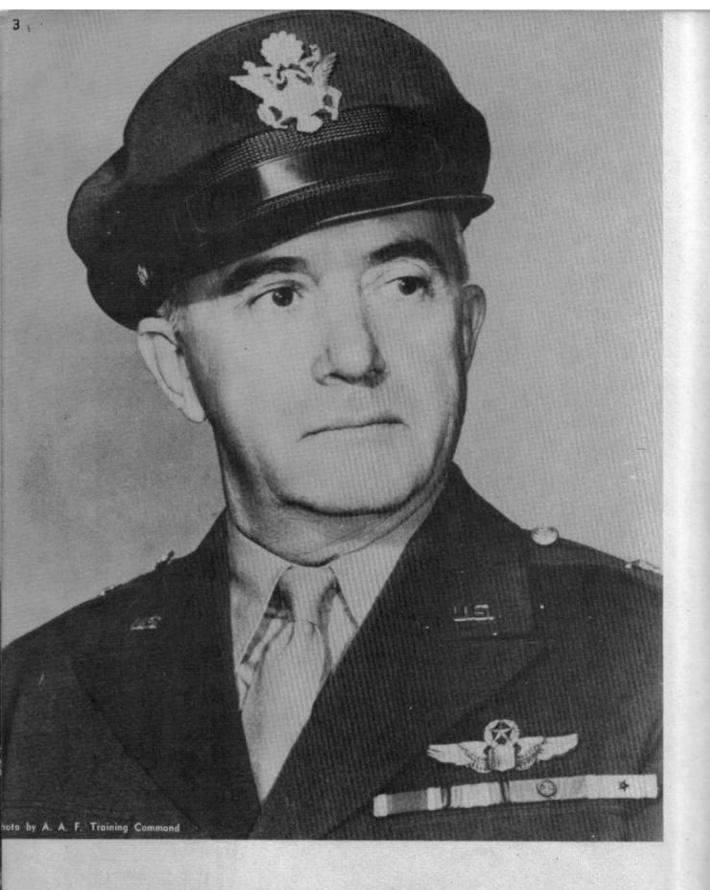
God Speed and clear "Dit-Dahs" to you!



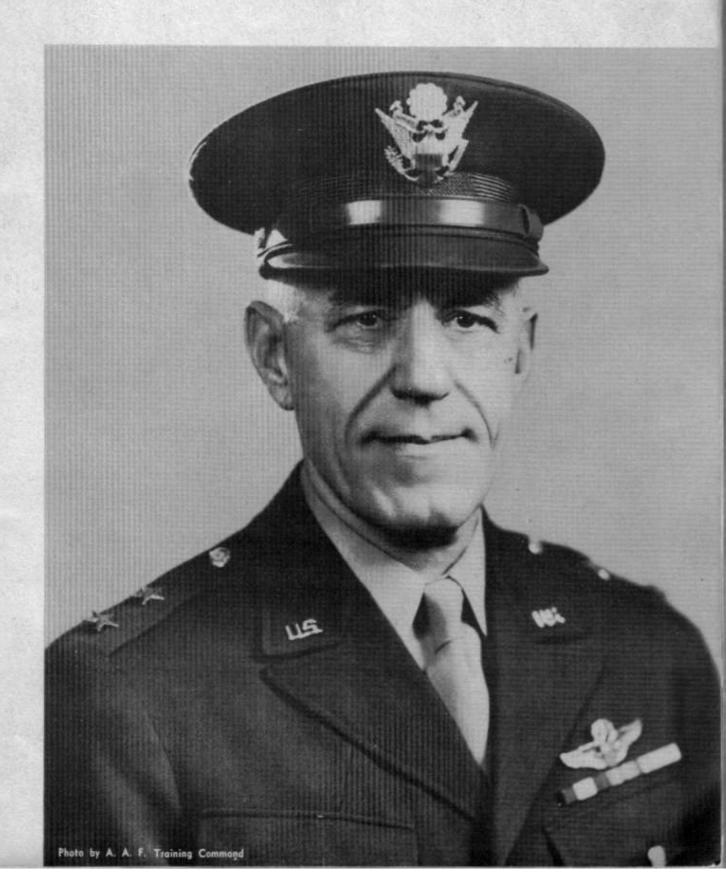


Dedication

-The American Flag and the American Soldier. Together they are Unconquerable!



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One of the many women instructors



The school trains confice

Producing thousands of highly-trained radio technicians is a tremendous job requiring a vast plant, hundreds of competent teachers, modern training equipment and a carefully coordinated schedule of operation. So skillfully is the mass of students broken down into small training units

A portion of the school buildings





to become Instructors

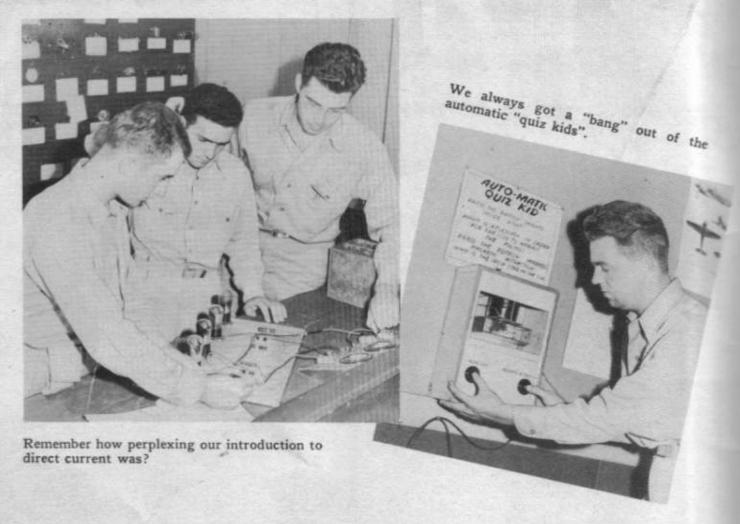
that each student is individually observed at all times, receiving special attention when he needs it and progressing according to his own capabilities without hinderance from his classmates. An unusual part of the training program is the employment of civilian instructors in addition to Army teaching personnel.

Radio School



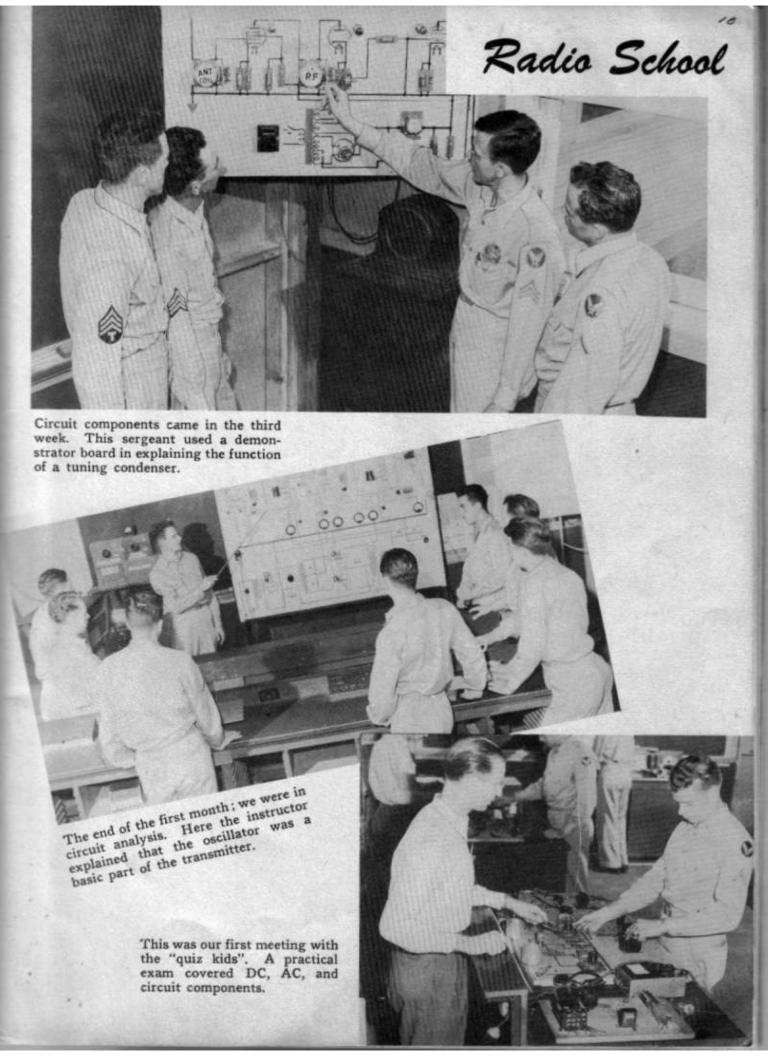
The electric grading machine





The breadboard came in handy in learning operation of the relay-alternating current.



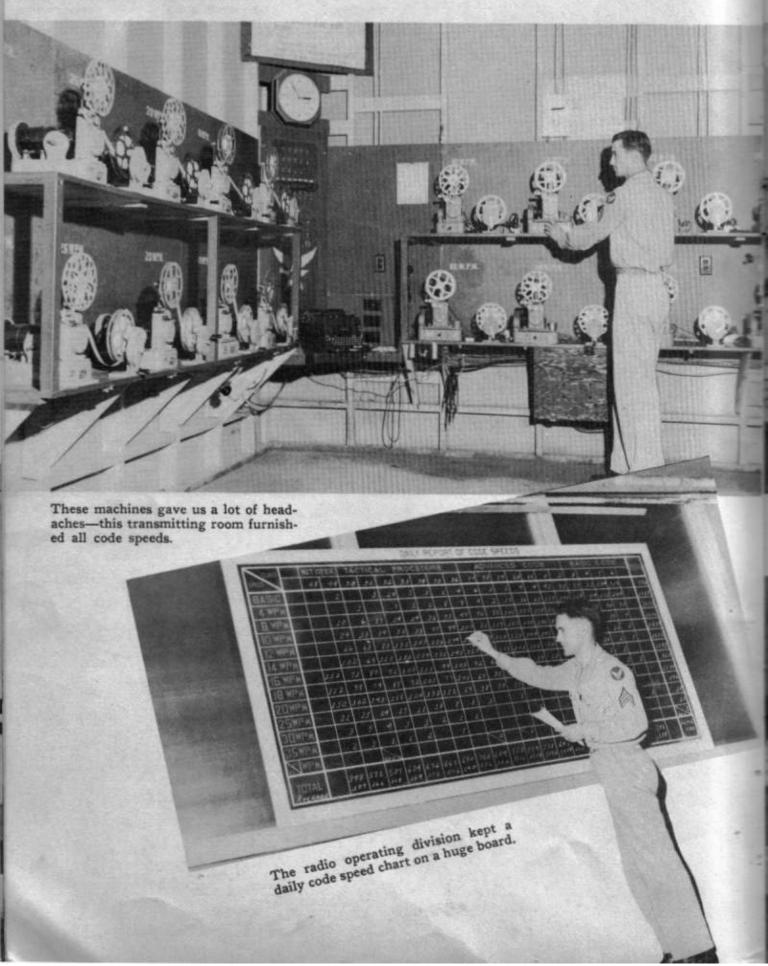






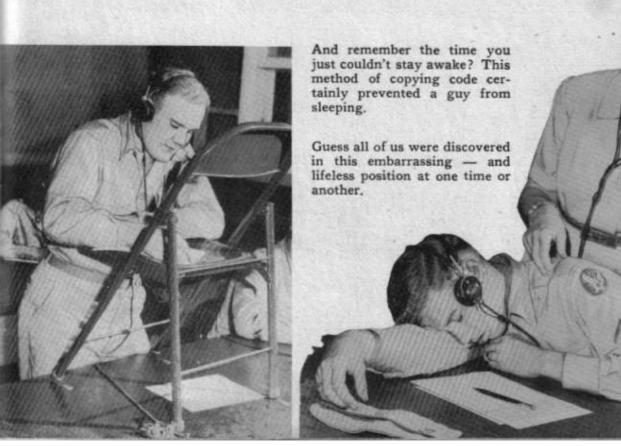
It is difficult to say much about the school's technical library. Here could be found "Tech. orders", current periodicals, and books covering every phase of radio.







This was a typical code classroom. We listened to "Dit-Dahs" from the first to the four-teenth week here.





In the thirteenth week, we studied standard beam approach equipment which aided in "Blind Landing."

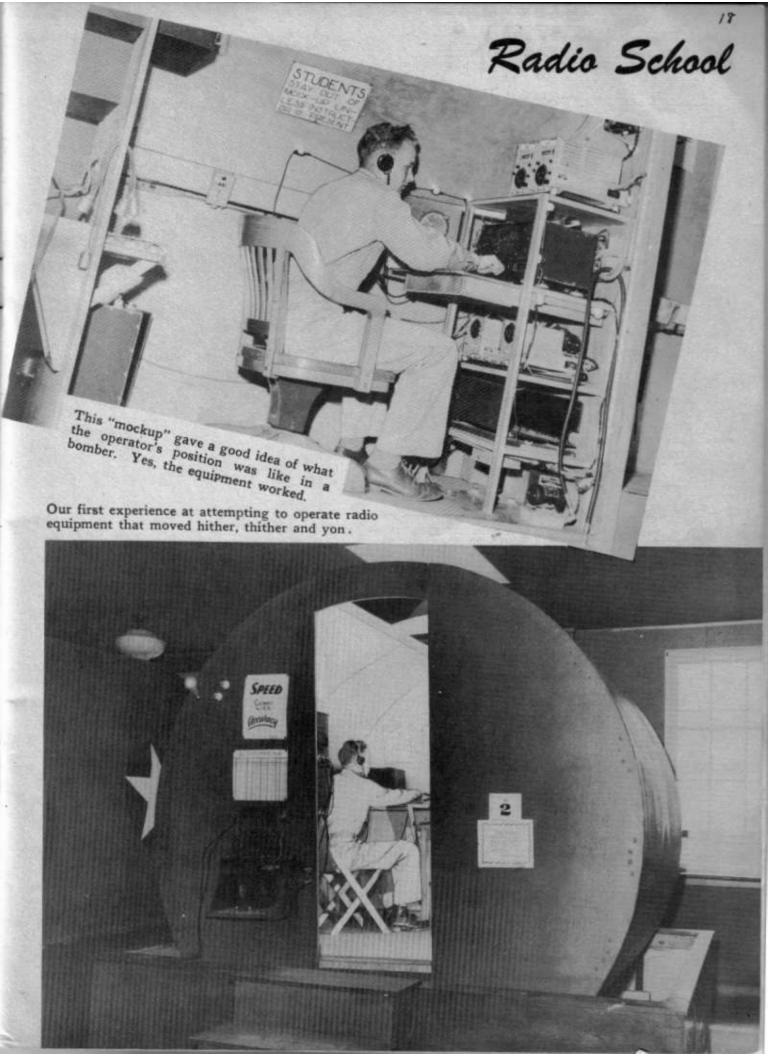
This was our first chance to operate the S. B. A. equipment used in

One of the most important phases was navigation. This radio compass was always interesting to operate.

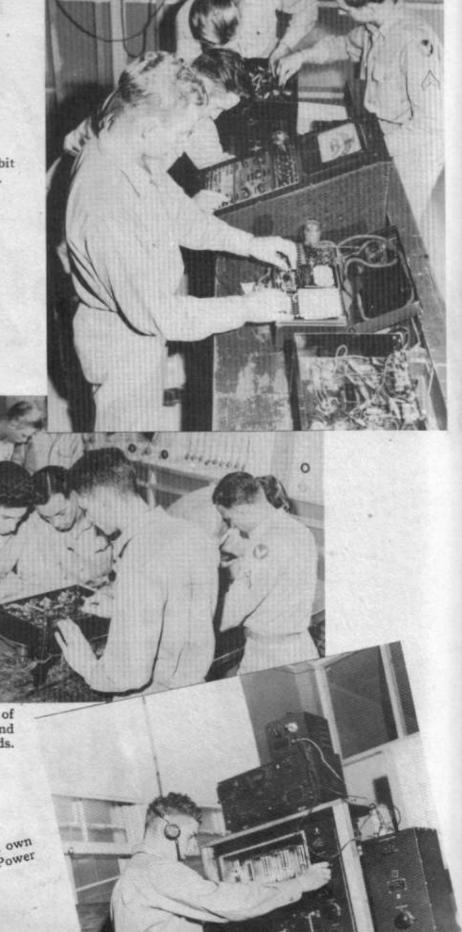
BRITISH S.B.A. SYSTEM

We surprised ourselves by actually charting locations with the aid of the radio compass.

Thanks to good notes, it wasn't command set in the fifteenth week.

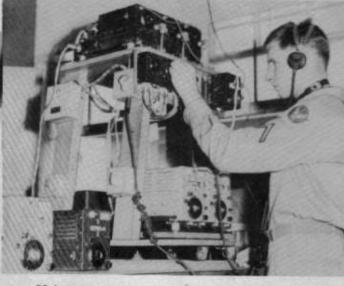


In general test procedure, quite a bit of time was devoted to tube testing.



"Trouble shooting" was the order of the day here. The wall diagram and demonstration boards were vital aids.

This was the radio man's own Power equipment—The High Power Liason Set.



Using a remote control box, we tuned receivers on the low frequency command set.

Remember how we wondered what this good idea of how the trailing wire antenna

They called this "The Gibson Girl". It was fun sending distress signals with this emergency transmitter by simply working the hand generator.





This is always an enjoyable moment — smoking and chatting during the "break".

Students got a taste of control tower work in

the nineteenth week.



It was evident that we were about ready to go out on the "line" when we operated equipment in the B-25s.

Everyone enjoyed Thursdays immensely and learned a great deal in the final week at the Covert Training Unit. This was our first introduction to a Flying Fortress.



Physical Training



Inhale!



Broken field running, a la obstacle

The eight-foot wall, of unhappy memory. Same of us chose push-ups and pull-ups instead

There was no better place for working off steam than the obstacle course. At first it scared us, but it soon became a game and we set up speed records.

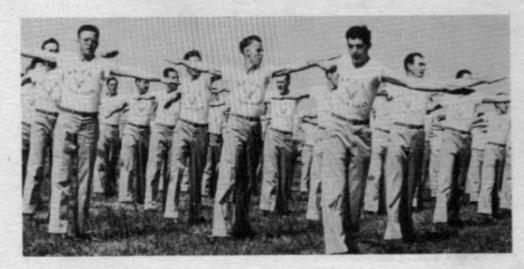


Physical Training



Birth of the bruise

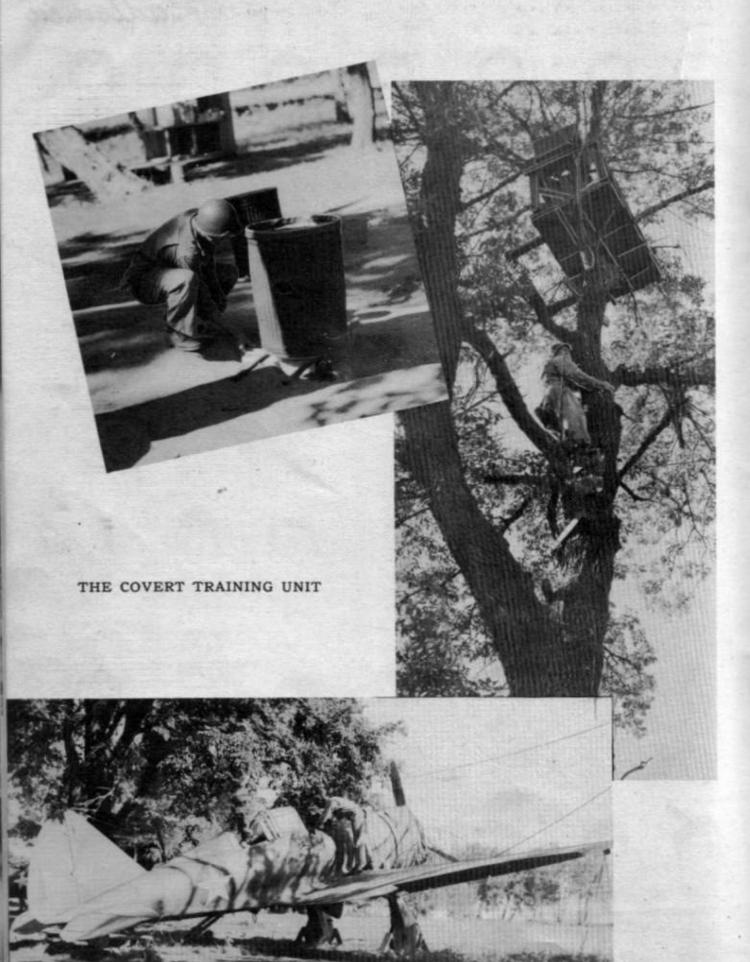
All of us usually did the obstacle course about once a week, weather permitting, otherwise we exercised in our barracks.



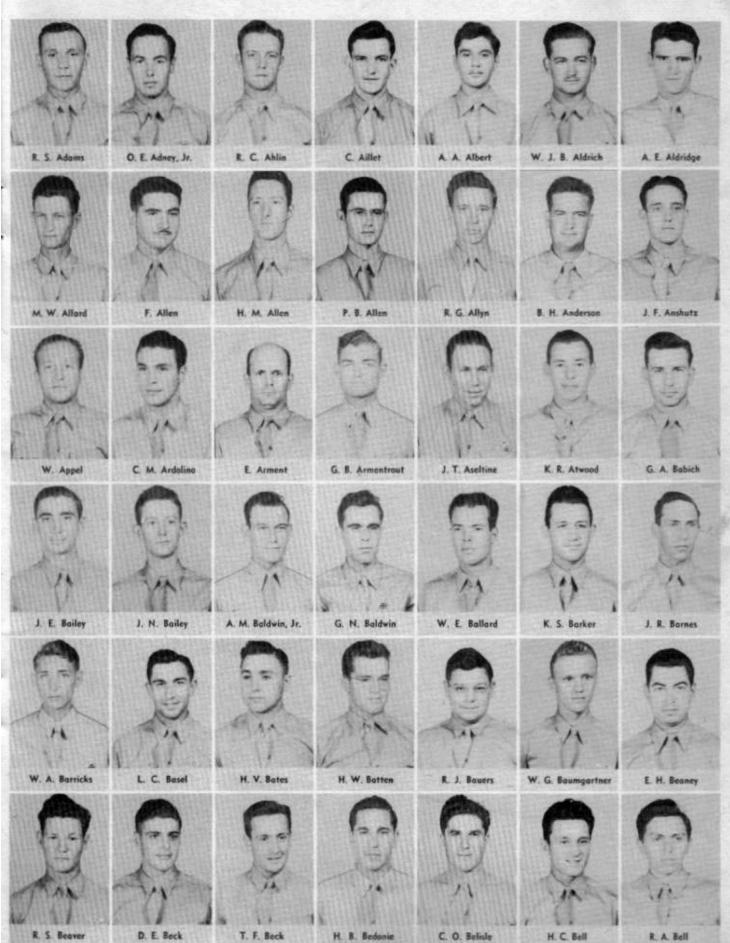
Building candidates for gunnery school

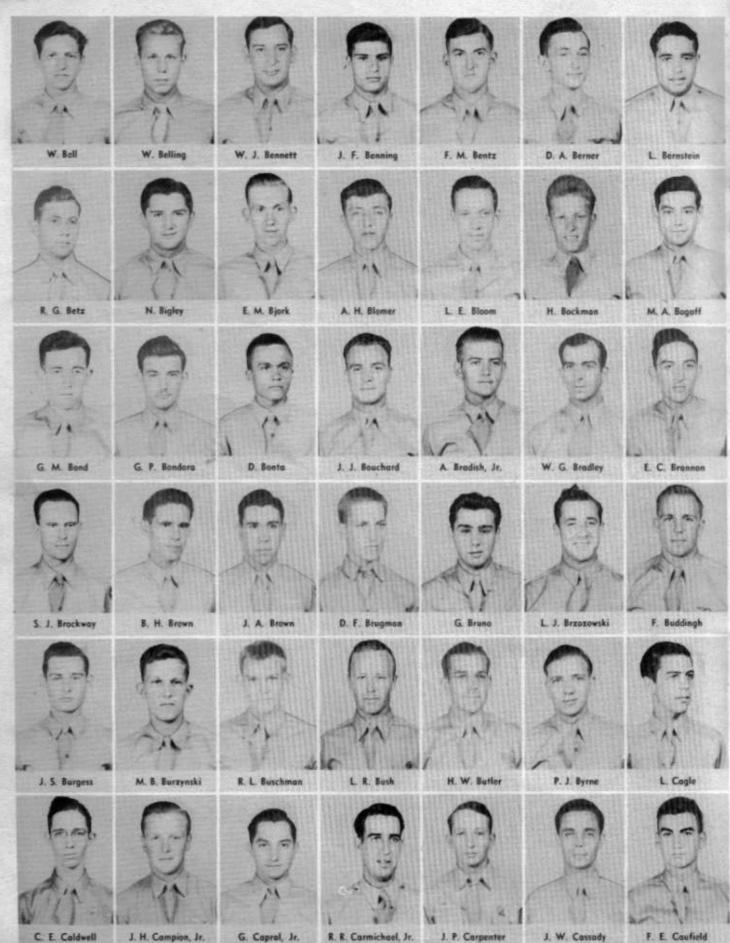
Radioman coming in for a crash landing

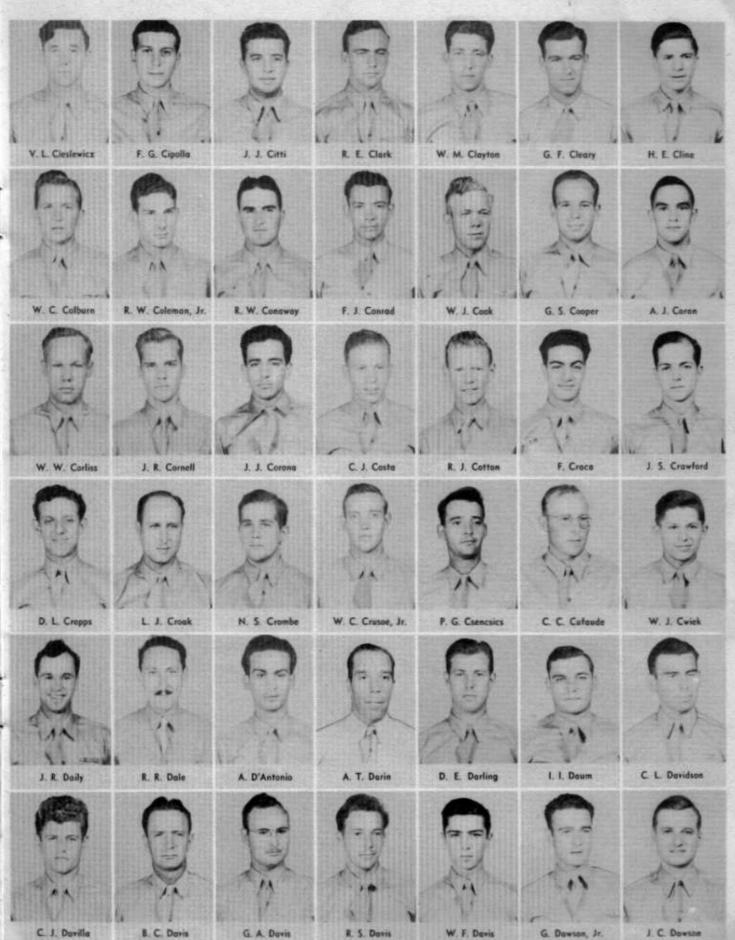


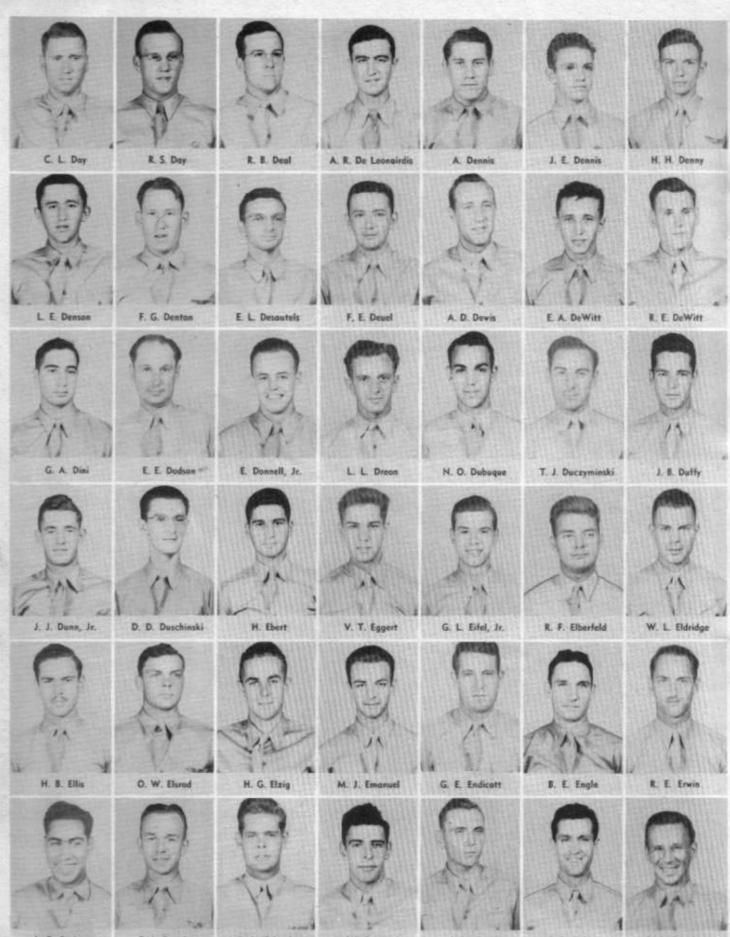


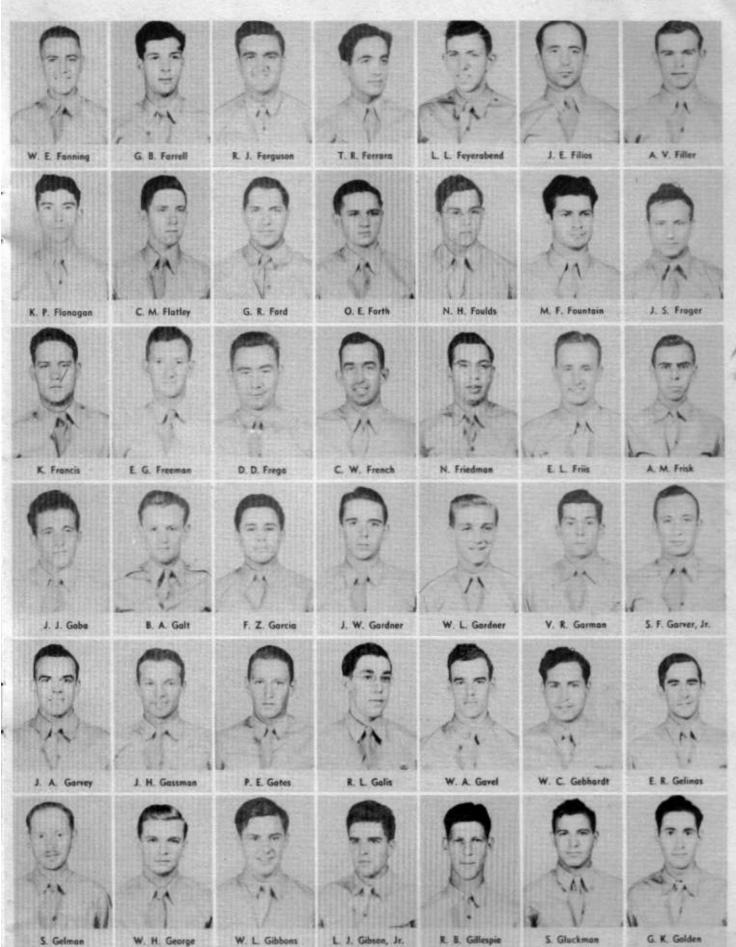
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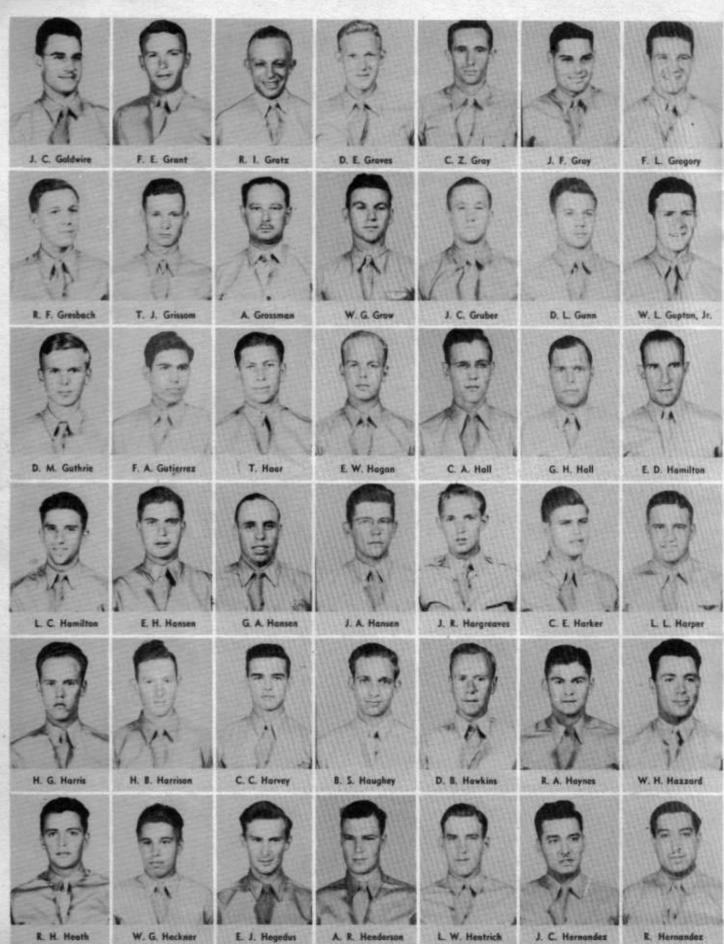


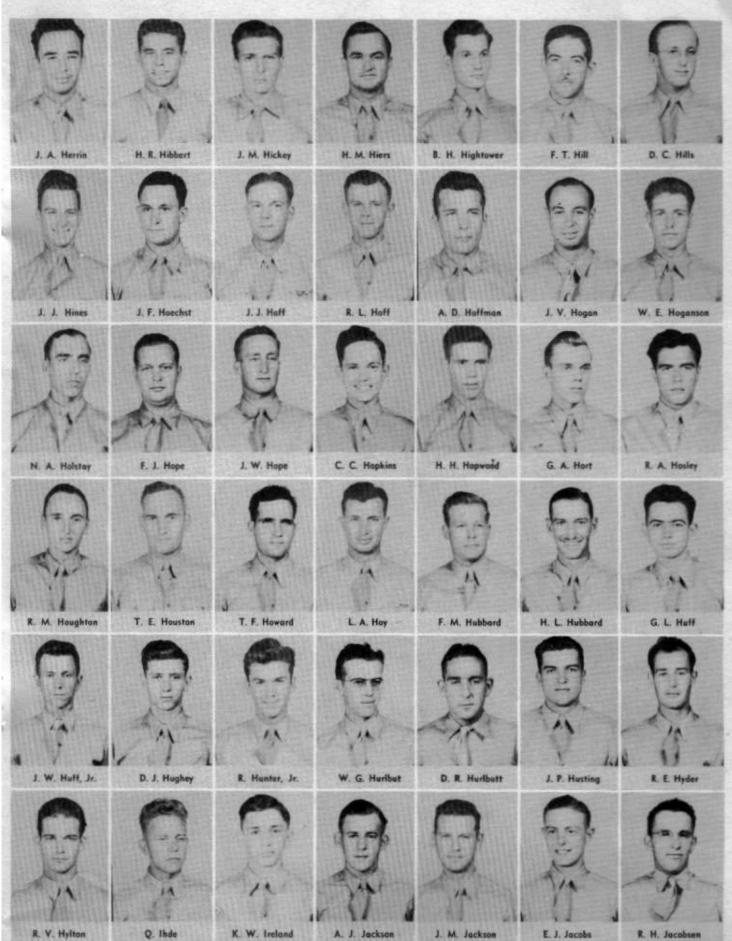


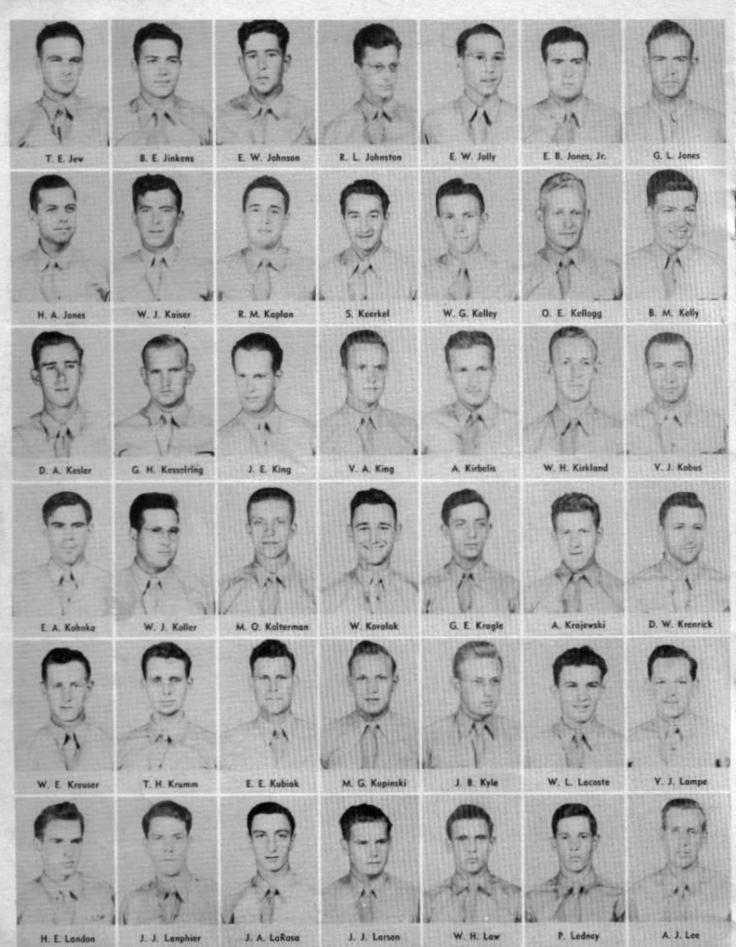


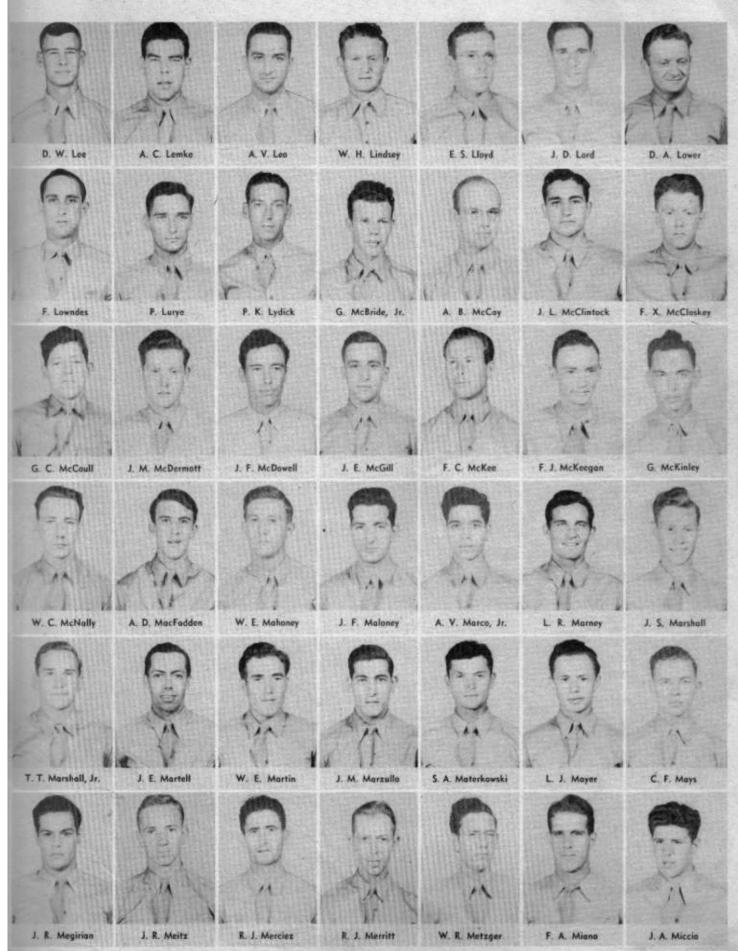


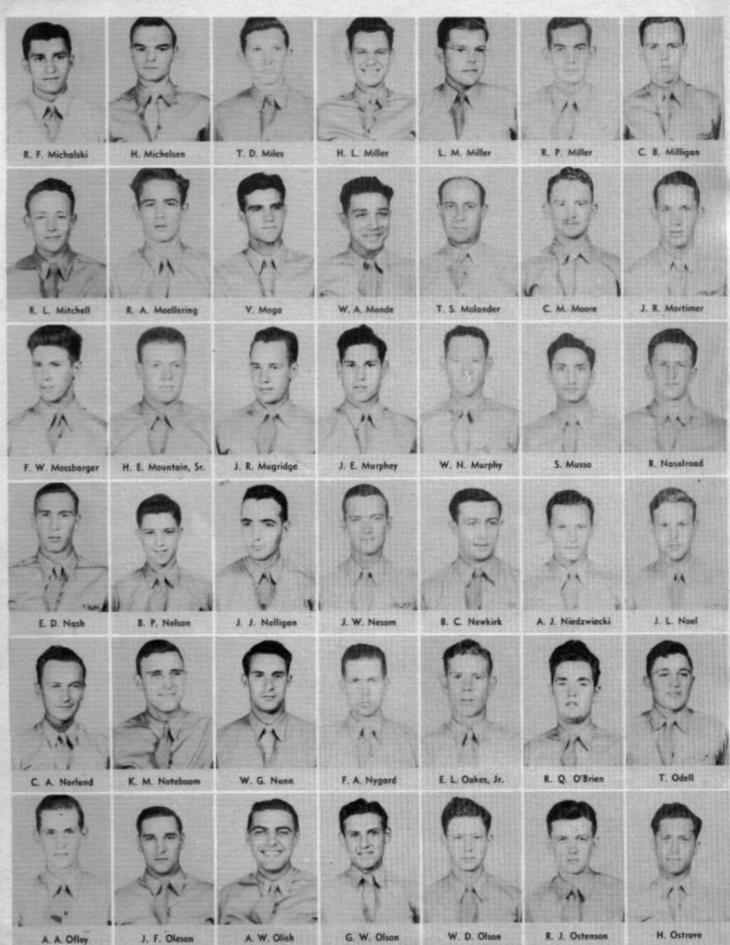
















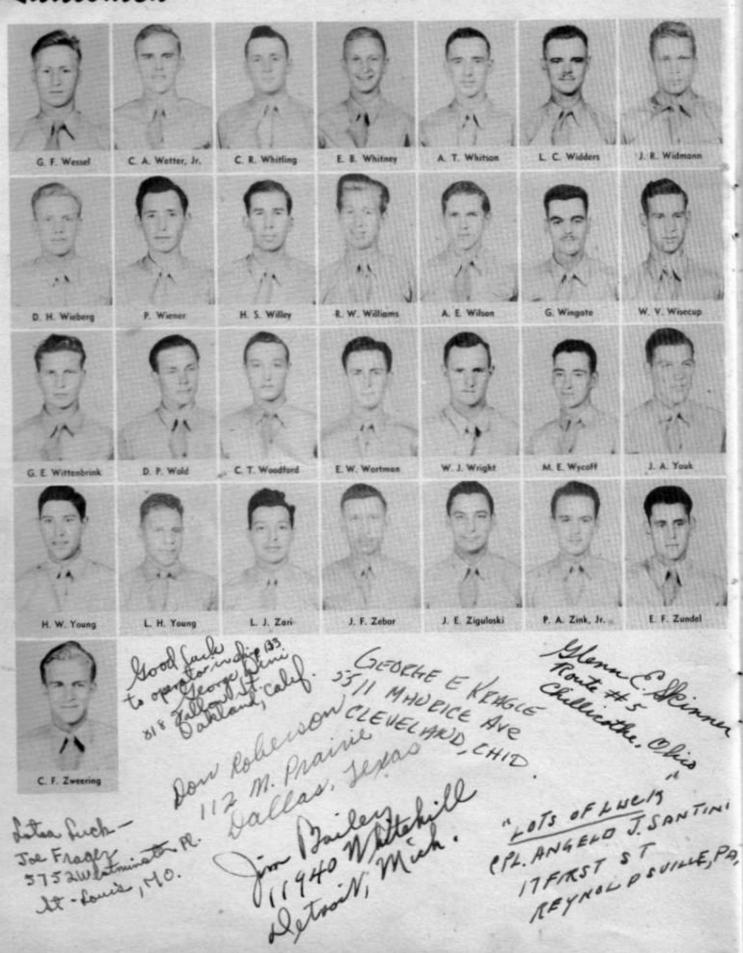




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Voice

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Barracks



The interior of a barracks awaiting inspection - and it passed, too

In the barracks we found our sanctuary, did our living, made our friends. In time we became a group, proud of our barracks, jealous of its appearance.



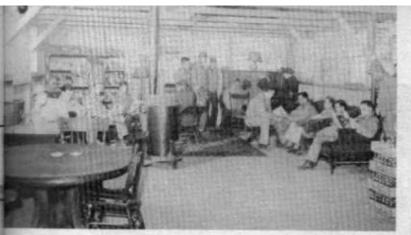
Bull Session



GI Party - R.S.V.P.









Plenty of relaxation here

Some civilians gave us a piano

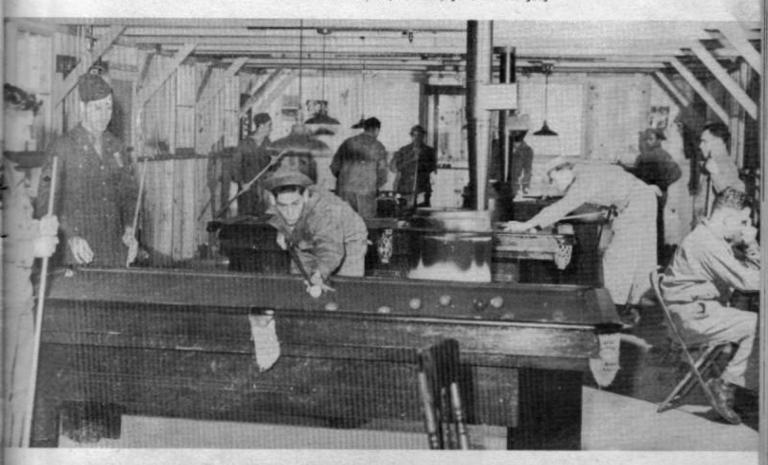
Day Rooms"



Day room athlete

The day rooms belonged to us. We fixed them up with radios, pool tables, ping pong, magazines and writing desks. For our convenience there was a pay-phone and coke machine.

Across the pool tables we had many a friendly game with the gang



Post Exchanges

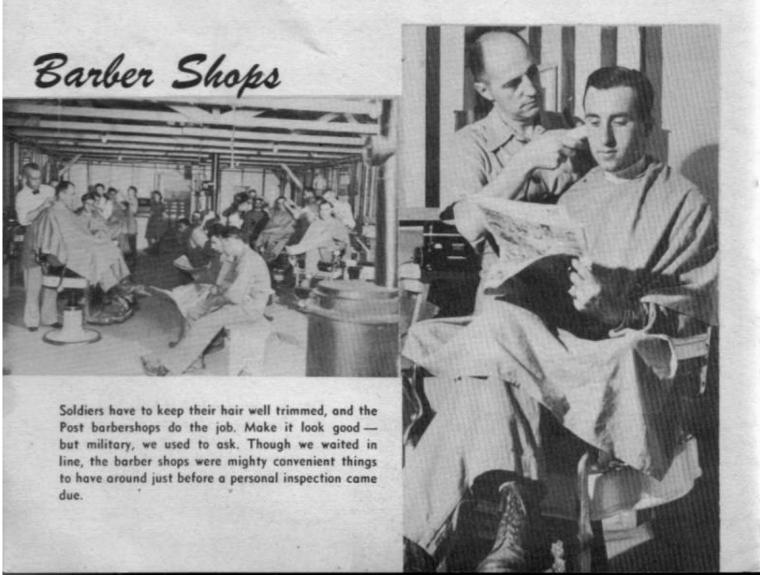


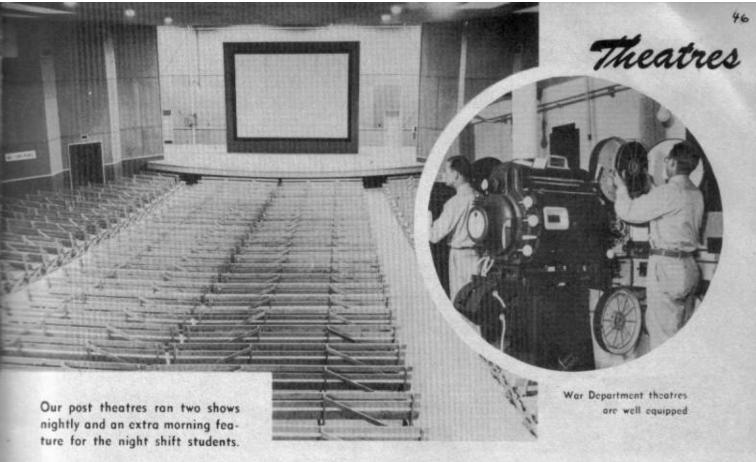
Far from the maddening barracks



A PX attraction







One stage was built for legit or movies



Thanks to Mrs. Goodrich of Sioux Falls, there were always plenty of charming Techettes on hand for our squadron dances. Music by the student orchestra.

Swing session





Tasty food in the cafeteria

For the exclusive use of the enlisted personnel, the Service Club is always the scene of the soldier at ease. A cafeteria, which incorporates a soda-fountain, is on one side of the building with a library and recreation room on the other. Once a week the main lounge is used for squadron dances.



Visiting firemen always welcome

All forms of games and kibitzers available



Service Club



Harry James, for a jitney



A pianist draws a crowd every time

Letterwriting is the feature of any Service Club



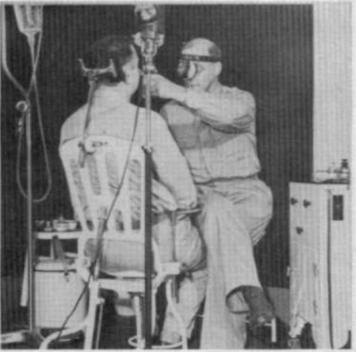
The administration wing was only a small part of the large modern haspital



When we needed the medics they were right on hand with everything from GI glasses to appendectomies.



Special service

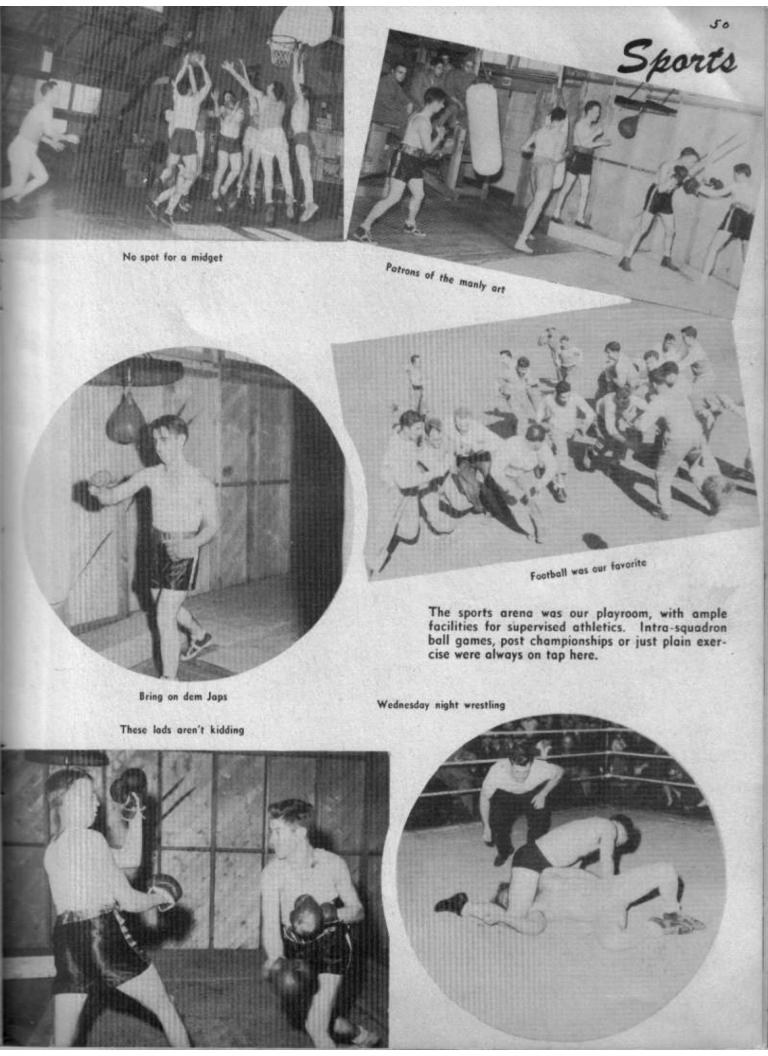


Checking a sinus in eye-ear-nose-and-throat Behind the scenes are the laboratories

X-ray treating a dental patient







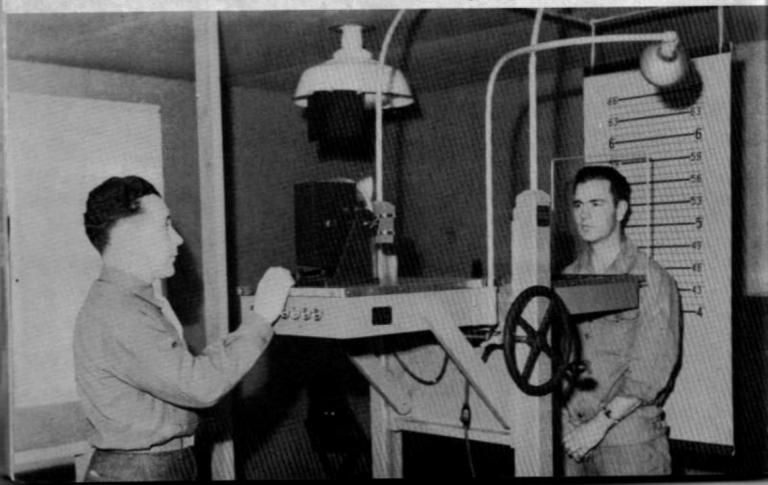
Newspaper



The "Polar Tech," written for the most part by the students was a regular Friday reading feature in the barracks.

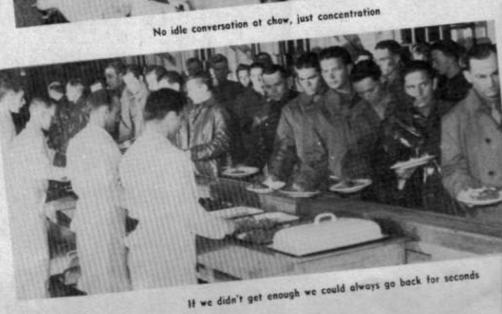
Photo Lab.

The ultra-modern photo lab. can handle any photographic problem from news pictures to identification badges.





Hit me heavy with the spuds



Food Dispensers



No meat rationing for us

Saucepan - Army style

Because this was a school unit Because this was a school unit a permanent mess hall staff did the bulk of the food handling, though we helped occasionally when we could. We were good soldiers and growled while thrivating on it. Actually we added poundage here.



Fire Department



The fire department was fast and efficient, and though a fire call always meant turn-out for everyone, we were glad to know we were well protected.

The department was civilian staffed, and in addition to answering fire calls, maintained all the fire prevention equipment on the post.

"Here & There



Payday investment



General Martin visits



Student instructor twins

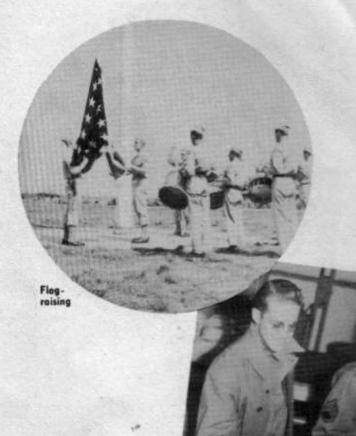




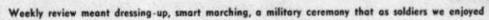
Big league stuff

Civilian guests at the arena

"On the Post"



Good chow, hot from the steamtable



Match you for a coke

Recess



"Home Life"



Heavy date tonight



Moving's no problem -



Better count those sheets, pol



Can I exchange my field jacket?









Thirst coll

Chow hound







Sioux Falls' industries, employing more than 5,000 men and women, includes Meat Packing, Stock Yards, Bakeries, manufacture of Millwork, Feed, Candy, Cereal, Dairy Products, Building Granite, Steel.



Sioux Falls' residential section is beautiful

Sioux Falls, S. D.



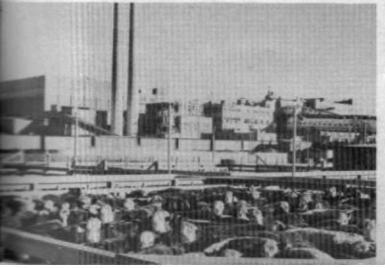
Well shaded streets in residential areas



Rich soil produces some of the world's finest crops in this area Sioux Falls is a leading livestock market

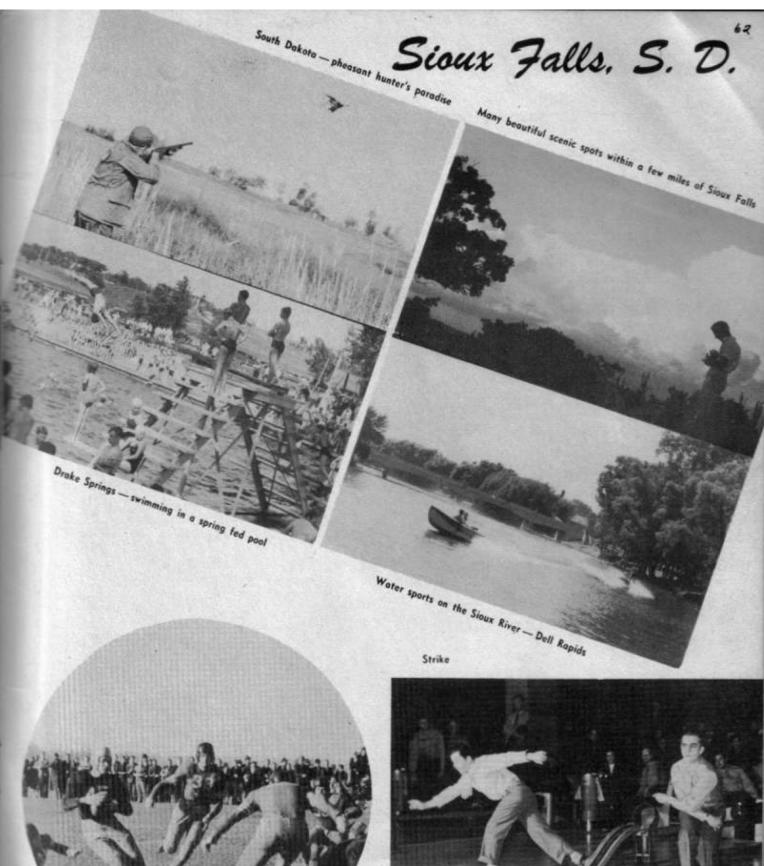


In Sioux Falls are 33 churches representing 20 denominations Sioux Falls ultra-modern City Hall









Penty of football games with a college and two high school teams on tap

