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Hodgetts Promoted to Wing Commander

S.A.O. Recalls Hitler Pageantry In Vienna

W/C G. A. Hodgetts, whose promotion from the rank of Squadron Leader was announced early this week, is the Senior Administrative Officer at No. 3 "M" Depot. Joining this station in mid-November, 1941, he left for a time on temporary duty and was attached to No. 4 Training Command at Calgary, to return here as T/C.O. during the recent absence on sick leave of Group Captain W. G. Webber. He now resumes his former post in his new rank.

Hitler Forced Audience

The flame of the present war was smouldering in Vienna in 1938, while W/C Hodgetts, traveling for a Canadian firm, watched the occupation of that city by German troops. He recalls an instance illustrative of the Hitler love of pageantry in this connection. Street cars and buses, busy for hours bringing spectators into the city to witness the official ceremony of occupation, were not permitted to take people back until the "show" was all over, and the city was jammed.

Again in Prague, later that year, W/C Hodgetts witnessed a repetition of the event as goose-stepping Storm Troopers triumphantly entered the city, followed by Hitler himself.

ROYAL NAVAL AIR SERVICE

He commenced service during the last war, following his graduation from the University of Toronto. In service with the Canadian infantry, he transferred to the Royal Naval Air Service and went overseas as a member of that unit and later joined the R.A.F. In the present conflict, for which he volunteered at the war's outbreak in 1939, W/C Hodgetts was first posted to Niagara Falls in charge of recruiting, then to a similar post in Calgary. Taking an administrative course at Trenton in May, 1941, he was subsequently at No. 1 Training Command as air cadet liaison officer prior to being appointed to his present position.

NEW YEAR'S EVE DANCE

Nineteen Forty-three came to the Arena to the strains of the station orchestra playing to a good crowd at the special New Year's Eve dance. A popular feature was the prize drawing, which took place during intermission time.

The orchestra consisted of noticeably fewer players than usual, as some members were engaged at another dance elsewhere on the station, but the year commenced with the usual smooth playing. Somewhere about 1:30 the home waltz was played, and the AC2's and their girls departed to make the most of that special 03:00 hours late pass.

BIRD AT A.O.S.



F/O A. S. Bird has been posted to A.O.S. in Edmonton. While at No. 3 "M" Depot he organized the basketball team, and was in charge during its recent highly successful season.

AMAZING ADVENTURES OF ROYDS

(CHAPTER XLVI)

Sgt. Royds is back in a nightie again, over at the hospital, while THE AIRMAN ponders what it can suggest to taper him off the stuff he did his New Year's celebrating with. Whatever it was, he's now undergoing treatment for "septic throat." First your mouth and now your throat, sergeant. Maybe you'll work yourself down to bunions by 1944.

P/O I. G. Gilkes has returned. Many will recall his gruff growl from his earlier days here as a flight sergeant in charge of PTI and discip. His commission was awarded him from this depot.

MORE TURKEY ON JANUARY 1

Round three of the turkey vs. AC2 battle was on at noon Friday, New Year's Day, as station personnel gripped their cutlery and waded into wings, drumsticks, breast and parson's nose, complete with stuffing and all the extras. "Too much turkey" is a phrase heard often at this season, but even with ample for everyone on the list we fancy the lads could easily do it all over again at any given moment.

TRADE TESTS, JAN. 11

Don't forget the Trade Tests start January 11. All interested are urged to report to WO1 Shaw in the Trade Tests office in the Arena, where complete information will be gladly given.

WELSH CHOIR TONIGHT

Tonight, Friday, the Edmonton Welsh Choir will give a concert in the Arena commencing at 20:15 hours. This organization has won high praise wherever it has performed, and we suggest you make it a point to come.

CPL. DAVIS POSTED

Cpl. Geoff Davis the untiring worker for better entertainment has been posted to No. 4 I.T.S., Edmonton, to continue his aircrew training.

While at this Depot, Cpl. Davis worked long hours to bring the regular station dances up to their present high standard, and at all times had his hand into station entertainment which benefited greatly by his experience.

REQUIEM

Holland is gone!
Briggs is gone!
Hoff is gone!

With this issue The Airman once again passes to new hands, as three of its staff of four pack their toothbrushes, Brasso cans, etc., and depart for greener pastures across the river.

It is estimated that during their term of office this trinity consumed 1,161 cokes, licked 42,675 stamps, wrote 2,652,073 words of which 2,650,851 were censored. They reduced Cpl. Jerry Bricker's life-expectancy by 32½ years, silvered his raven locks and twice ate him out of house and home.

They limp from the scene now with shaking hands, faltering footsteps and filmy eyes. The Airman will go forward from this issue in new hands.

To their unknown successors, the staff bid good luck, greetings, and here's to the good show you'll make.

Cpl. Les Bullard has been posted to Calgary.

Sgt. Slattery has been posted to the coast.

Cpl. G. H. Grant has been posted to Winnipeg.

It must be the jay-walking pedestrians who make the daffy motorists daffy.

PROMOTED



W/C G. A. HODGETTS

IT COULD HAPPEN HERE

Cpl. Penson of Training Wing comes to bat again with a moving little story of a rookie in Hut 11. He turned up at the dry canteen in search of a "glad-rag," (a "glad-rag" is for polishing buttons), but couldn't for the life of him think of the name. Finally, racking his brains, he asked for a "joy rag."

The chap in the canteen rose to the occasion and handed him what he thought he meant.

"Gosh," gasped the customer, "such a small package—and look . . . there's three of them in here!"

The following NCO's have been posted to Souris: Cpl. J. Turecki, Cpl. A. K. Robinson, Cpl. G. A. Labrie, Sgt. C. M. Wright and LAC G. C. Vener.

F/O A. C. Atkey has been posted to No. 4 I.T.S., Edmonton.

AC2 G. McCaul: "What's Mike like?"

AC2 Smith: "He's as slow as molasses in January."

The Behring Straits is only 36 miles across at the narrowest part.

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IN ONE DAY OF YOUR LIFE

If You Are an Adult Weighing About 160 Pounds:

IN 24 HOURS . . .

Your heart beats.....	108,680 times.
Your blood travels.....	168,000,000 miles.
You breathe.....	23,040 times.
You inhale.....	438 cu. ft. of air.
You eat.....	3 1/4 lbs. of food.
You drink.....	2.9 pints of fluids.
You lose in weight.....	7.8 lbs. in waste.
You perspire.....	1.43 pints.
You give off in heat.....	85.6 degrees F.
You generate in energy.....	450 ft. tons.
You turn in sleep.....	25 to 35 times.
You speak.....	4,800 words.
You move.....	750 major muscles.
Your nails grow.....	.000046 inches.
Your hair grows.....	.01714 inches.
You exercise.....	7,000,000 brain cells.

. . . and yet they wonder why a fellow can't stand still on parade.



- No harm can befall a good man whether alive or dead.—Socrates.
- Mr. Bok: "Did your wife bawl you out for coming in late last night?"
- Other: "You don't know what it's like to have a wife who was a teacher. Topper just made me sit down and write 'I must be in by 10 o'clock,' 100 times."
- The NCO who can bottle his temper is a corker.
- Young couples usually acquire love without advertising for it.
- Many a newspaperman like the moon shines with borrowed light.
- A wedding ring is the circular that advertises the fact.
- An airman knows the value of a dollar and his wife knows the value of 98 cents.
- HELP MAKE 1943 THE VICTORY YEAR!

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MATHEMATICS

By SGT. L. D. STAPLES.

The main elements of mathematics that the potential airman will encounter in his Mathematics Course include: Fractions, Decimals, Percentage, the Metric System and units of length, Square Root, Powers of Numbers, the Theorem of Pythagoras, Algebraic Equations and Problems, Formulae, Ratio and Proportion, and Graphs.

The following illustrate a few of the chief difficulties:

In Complex Fractions:

(a) $3/4$ of $7/8 + 2/3 \div (4/9 - 1/6)$
 $= 21/32 + 2/3 \div 5/18 = 21/32 + 2 \cdot 2/5 = 3 \cdot 9/160.$

In computations similar to the above, the calculations within the brackets are done first, then the numbers connected by "of" are multiplied together, then the multiplication and division, and lastly the addition and subtraction.

(b) $100 \div 5 \times 30 \div 6$
 $= \frac{100}{5} \times \frac{30}{6} = 100$

(c) $3/4 \times 2/7 \div 2/9 \times 5/8 \div 15/16$
 $= 3/4 \times 2/7 \times 9/2 \times 5/8 \times 16/15 = 9/14$

In simplification involving multiplication and division only, as in (b) and (c), the calculations are done in the order in which they occur.

In Decimals:

(d) $5.43 \times .002 = .01086$

In multiplication, the number of digits after the decimal point in the product must equal the sum of the digits after the decimal points in the numbers to be multiplied. Zeros are inserted in the product after the decimal point to make up this required number.

Note that $(.3)^2 = .09$; $(.5)^2 = .25$

Also in Division:

$3.5064 \div .067 = 3506.4 \div 67$, the divisor must be a whole number.

The reciprocal of a number is unity divided by that number. The reciprocal of 12 to three decimal places $1/12 = .083$. The reciprocal of a fraction is just that fraction inverted—

The reciprocal of $2/3$ is $\frac{1}{2/3} = 1 \times 3/2 = 3/2.$

As a conclusion to this instalment here is one to try:

A cylindrical log of wood 28 inches in diameter, 10 feet long, is to be cut down to form the largest piece of square timber possible. If 2 cubic inches of wood make 50 matches, how many matches can be manufactured from the sections cut off?

(To be Continued).

EDIQUIPS

Jack Benny may not have a harp in his orchestra but thank goodness he hasn't Portland cement.

OUT WHERE THE WEST BEGINS

By ARTHUR CHAPMAN.

Out where the handclasp's a little stronger,
 Out where the smile dwells a little longer,
 That's where the West begins.

Out where the sun is a little brighter,
 Where the snows that fall are a little whiter,
 Where the bonds of homes are a wee bit tighter,
 That's where the West begins.

Out where the skies are a trifle bluer,
 Out where the friendship's a little truer,
 That's where the West begins.

Out where a fresher breeze is blowing,
 Where there's laughter in every streamlet flowing,
 Where there's more of reaping and less of sowing,
 That's where the West begins.

Out where the world is in the making,
 Where fewer hearts in despair are aching,
 That's where the West begins.

Where there's more of singing and less of sighing,
 Where there's more of giving and less of buying,
 And a man makes friends without half trying,
 That's where the West begins.

NOTE: This poem was written by Mr. Chapman, a Denver newspaper man, about 28 years ago. He "churned" out this poem on his typewriter one morning.

"M" Depot Juniors Lose to E.A.C.

Drop Junior Fixture To Clubmen By 6-3 Score

Fading in the final frame after a great second period comeback, the No. 3 "M" Depot hockey team dropped its second straight start when they absorbed a 6-3 beating from E.A.C. at the 119th Street Rink New Year's afternoon.

After spotting E.A.C. three goals in the first period the airmen came back to tie the score in the second period with a trio of tallies, two by Don Douglas and one by Roy Brandreth, only to fade away in the final frame as the Clubbers poured three goals past the over-worked Billy McLennan in the Depot goal.

Lack Finish

For the most part the game was a ragged affair with neither team up to par. The airmen controlled most of the play but poor finish around the goal was the cause of their downfall. Twice in the first period Roy Brandreth missed passes with no one but the goalie to beat and again in the final frame Brick Edmunds flipped the puck over the top of the goal with the E.A.C. goalie drawn well out of position.

The Clubbers tallied three times in the opening period when Tommy McCready, Freddie Smitten and Hassie Young beat Billy McLennan.

But the Airmen came back to tie the score in a wild second period. While McLennan was making the E.A.C. forwards look silly with an unbeatable display in the Airmen's goal, Don Douglas took a pass from "Brick" Edmunds to rap home the first Depot goal.

Three minutes later he went through all alone to beat Ingram in the Clubbers' goal and at 15:45 Roy Brandreth flipped Harry Allen's relay into the net to tie the score. Allen was making his first appearance for the Depot squad, but he is by no means new to the league. He was the leading scorer last year while playing for E.A.C. and is tied for the leadership this season.

After such a great comeback the Airmen seemed a sure bet to win their first game of the season but it was not to be. They wilted like a daisy under the prairie sun as the E.A.C. turned on the heat. Wally Everett tallied twice and Billy Ingram once as the Clubbers cinched their second straight triumph.

LINEUPS

R.C.A.F.—McLennan, Dutchak, Adair, Douglas, Edmunds, Fleming, Brandreth, Allen, Gibson, Gobel, Hutt, Gaddy, Guest.

E.A.C.—J. Ingram, Superstein, Cowan, Young, Smitten, Nikiforuk, W. Ingram, McCready, Doolan, Everett, Elke, Phillips, Oxford.

Officials—W. Runge and R. White.

SUMMARY

First Period—1, E.A.C., McCready (Doolan-Superstein), 10:55; 2, E.A.C., Smitten (Nikiforuk), 14:30; 3, E.A.C., Young (Smitten), 19:45; Penalties: Superstein, Adair.

Second Period—4, R.C.A.F., Douglas (Edmunds), 7:50; 5, R.C.A.F., Douglas, 9:45; 6, R.C.A.F., Brandreth (Allen), 15:45; Penalties: Doolan.

Third Period—7, E.A.C., Everett (Doolan), W. Ingram, 7:23; 8, E.A.C., Everett (Doolan), 11:58; 9, E.A.C., W. Ingram

PLANS MOVING AHEAD FOR BOXING SHOW

With LAC Dave Castilloux of the R.C.A.F. due to arrive here next week to start training for his 10-round bout welterweight title bout against Pte. Al Lust, the Army's pride and joy from Calgary, on January 29 or 30 in the Arena, plans are going ahead to line up a strong supporting card.

AC2 Sloan and AC2 Francis, two of the lads who represented "M" Depot against the Penhold boxers, have been held off postings in order to take part on the program and it is possible that LAC Stevenson, the experienced heavyweight from Penhold, will be brought in to match punches with a suitable Army opponent. Two other outstanding fighters at Macleod are also being contacted for the purpose of representing the R.C.A.F. on the card.

All in all it looks like a big evening. Some of the finest exponents of the game in Western Canada are billed to strut their stuff. It will be Army vs. R.C.A.F. all the way through, so be prepared to cheer on your favorites. Don't forget the date . . . it's January 29 or 30, in the Arena.

TAKE A BOW, SEAVIEW!

Seaview W.E.T.P. School at Vancouver is the original home of the high passing mark. Since its inception a little more than a year ago it has consistently graduated aircrew members with higher individual and class-average passing marks than any similar school in Canada. Almost all its graduates have been subsequently posted to No. 3 "M" Depot for training, and a large number of this station's strength today is composed of Seaview students. Today the procedure is reversed. Airmen are posted to Seaview following completion of their training here.

The Airman salutes the "Seaview Observer," a monthly paper edited jointly by AW2's and AC2's of flights currently studying there. The December issue, is well written and contains varied articles of interest.

Greetings and good wishes, Seaview Observer!

Cpls. J. A. McCaugherty and D. R. Burt have been posted to Souris, Man. Cpl. McCaugherty is one of the pioneers of The Airman and his cartoons have caused many sensations and laughs, many sensations and laughs. Cpl. Burt is better known for his untiring efforts in all tasks undertaken by him.

(Nikiforuk), 14:35; Penalties: Fleming (misconduct), Douglas, Young.

"M" Depot Cagers Extend Win Streak; Defeat Army

Players come and players go, but, like Old Man River, the No. 3 "M" Depot basketball team just keeps on rolling along. Tuesday night it was the same old story as the airmen ran roughshod over the Army Garrison team 54-11 to chalk up their eighth straight league win. Add to this another five exhibition wins and you have a pretty fair total.



By F/O H. W. EGGLESTON.

Greetings to the newcomers to No. 3 "M" Depot! . . . During the festive season many of the old standbys departed for other climes and others arrived to take their places. . . . Sport took a back seat throughout the holiday but with training under way again it is expected it will be going full steam ahead for the balance of the winter. . . . On going to press the "M" Depot's junior hockey team in the Edmonton Junior League was suffering under the sting of two straight defeats. . . . One at the hands of the E.A.C. and the other loss to Canadians. . . . Last time out the juniors showed a decided improvement in form. . . . We look for better results in the future. . . . There is a crying need for junior defencemen to round out the team. . . . Cpl. Jimmy Anderson, coach of the team, is scouting around for likely material. . . . The team boasts two well balanced forward lines. . . . If the defence material can be found "M" Depot should be right in the thick of the fight for the championship. . . . In the two games played to date Goalie Bill McLellan has proven a thorn in the side of opposing sharpshooters. . . . The team has no worries between the gas pipes. . . . "M" Depot's entry in the inter-services league receives its first test against No. 4 I.T.S. on January 12. . . . Via the grapevine the news is being spread around that the I.T.S. hockeyists are ready to take on all comers in the west. . . . Time will tell. . . . Noticed many of the officers carrying crests around recently. . . . They were awarded for their proficiency in volleyball circles—especially against the senior NCO's. . . . Welcome to P/O Gilkes. . . . No newcomer to the station he has thrown in his lot with Sgt. Stanway. . . . In future he will direct the boxing activities on the station. . . . Inter-hut hockey schedules are being drawn up. . . . How about getting into it, boys? . . . The equipment is ready. . . . All it needs now is for you to take an interest in the game.

G/C W. G. Webber has returned and assumed command of the depot.

The Army team put up little resistance as the Airmen grabbed an early lead and added to it all the way. Jimmy Bardley led the scorers with 18 points while a newcomer from Trail, Pete Bura, sank six baskets for a 12 point total.

Rookie Naples played a great game both defensively and offensively for the Airmen as he rang up eight points, two less than Spanier who was in there all the way. Other scorers for the Depot squad were Fisher with four and another newcomer, Doug. Main, with two.

H. Ferguson led the Army team with six points.

The Airmen have arranged an exhibition game with the Edmonton Grads next Thursday in the Arena. It must be hard to get opposition when the boys have to play a girls' team.

LINEUPS

Army Garrison—C. Keele, 2; H. Ferguson, 6; C. Murray; W. Preece, 3; N. Harris; Martel; Candel; Goulson; Roberts. —11.

No. 3 "M" Depot—Bardley, 18; Fisher, 4; Naples, 6; Bura, 12; Main, 2; Spanier, 10—54.

3 GAMES NEXT WEEK

No. 3 "M" Depot's hockey team in the junior league is in for a busy session during the next week. Following Wednesday's game the sextet goes into action again on January 11, 13 and 16.

HELPED BUILD FIRST MOSQUITO

You've already heard of the performance of the newly famous de Havilland "Mosquito" war aircraft.

Sgt. Darling spent some time in the Old Country on aircraft production. He was chosen as one of the crew to produce the first test Mosquito. They went to a quiet part of England. The workshop was a camouflage marquee. The sergeant says that often a curious heifer, pig, chicken or colt would wander in to see what was going on in the tent.

The Mosquito was duly completed. Someone forgot to advise the R.A.F. Command that it was to be tested in that area. The test pilot soon found himself in flak and quickly returned to his base. On the second test flight, he was escorted by Hurricanes and the "Mosquito" ran circles around them.

What time would it be if you saw 13 cats on a tin roof? Twelve after one.

WANTED!
CUTE LYRICS

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AROUND THE "Y"

No regular tournaments were played during the holiday week, but a small table tennis match, run off Monday night, January 4, added one more to F. Bristow's long line of wins. J. Brown was runner-up. A by-product of the rubber shortage is a growing scarcity of tennis balls, which may eventually severely handicap future matches.

Ab. Cook, Fred Youmans' satellite, is now at Moose Jaw.

A welcome innovation in the games room is the recently added new installation of fluorescent lighting.

The first station dance of 1943 is scheduled for next Friday, January 15. The future won't look so black then—a pay-parade will be held first, so plan to attend.

Arena Movies for Sunday, January 10—"The Roundup," a western comedy starring Richard Dix, Patricia Morrison and Preston Foster, with a cartoon "Triple Trouble." Tuesday, January 12, "East of the River," a New York waterfront story with John Garfield and Brenda Marshall plus short subject, "The Lady and the Lug."

INTERSERVICE TEAM IN ACTION JANUARY 12

After many weeks of practices under the watchful eye of F/L LaRocque and Cpl. Reid the No. 3 "M" Depot's senior hockey entry in the Interservices League will swing into action on January 12 when it meets No. 4 R.C.A.F. I.T.S. at the I.T.S. rink.

From all reports a strong entry has been gathered together to represent the "M" Depot despite recent postings.

Four Teams

Four teams will compete in the circuit, namely: No. 3 R.C.A.F. "M" Depot, No. 2 A.O.S., Army and Navy. All four teams will take part in the first round of the playoffs which will start on February 16 and 18, the team finishing first meeting the fourth place team and the second and third teams battling it out. The first round will be played on a home and home total goal basis.

The second round of the playoffs will commence on February 23 with the winners of the first round meeting in a two out of three series for the championship, the third game if necessary to be played on neutral ice.

Following is the schedule of games:

January 7—Army at No. 2 A.O.S.; Navy at No. 4 I.T.S.

January 12—No. 3 "M" at No. 4 I.T.S.; No. 2 A.O.S. at Army.

January 14—Navy at No. 4 I.T.S. (Navy home game); No. 2 A.O.S. at No. 3 "M".

January 19—Navy at No. 2 A.O.S. (Navy home game); No. 3 "M" at Army.



¶ Since gas rationing went into effect, a family at Rocky Mountain House put up their car for the winter. The first evening they stayed in they discovered they had four children instead of two.

¶ AC2 Morfitt: "How about a little kiss, Miss?"

Jean: "No, I have scruples."

He: "That's all right, F/L Caldwell inoculated me the other day."

¶ What is a marabou? It's been credited with bringing babies since Cain and Abel were born to Mr. and Mrs. Adam. The stork to you.

¶ When Cupid hits the mark he usually Mrs. it.

¶ It is said that butter and axle grease look alike to the airman or airwoman in love.

¶ Someone said years ago: "There is no sex in brains."

¶ Women ought to make good legislators. Any married man will say that their word is law.

"In the mud and scum of things, Some one always, always sings."

¶ Don't throw a kiss to your sweetheart in the blackout—you may know what you are doing but she won't.

¶ If a housewife walks five miles each day in her kitchen, and washes five acres of dishes a year, how many cans does she open in a month?

¶ And when Hitler, Mussolini and Hirohito appear to be overrunning the globe and bringing back the age of barbarism, keep your shirt on—keep your head—it won't last, nothing does.

LOCALS AND PERSONALS

Air Vice-Marshal G. R. Howsam, M.C., Air Officer Commanding, No. 4 Training Command, Calgary, was a recent visitor to this station.

Sgts. Maynard and Annett have been promoted to Flight Sergeants.

MARRIAGES

AC1 E. A. Weatherby to Miss Ellen Irene Mather, at Edmonton, on December 24, 1942.

AC2 S. W. Kirkland to Miss Moyra Louise Manning, at Allenby, B.C., on December 26, 1942.

A newcomer to the accounts section is P/O C. Etheridge.

January 21—No. 4 I.T.S. at Army; No. 3 "M" at No. 2 A.O.S.

Jan. 26—No. 2 A.O.S. at No. 4 I.T.S.; Navy at Army (Navy home game).

Jan. 29—Navy at No. 2 A.O.S.; Army at No. 3 "M".

February 2—No. 4 I.T.S. at No. 2 A.O.S. Navy at No. 3 "M" (Navy home game).

February 4—Army at No. 4 I.T.S.; Navy at No. 3 "M".

Feb. 9—Navy at Army; No. 4 I.T.S. at No. 3 "M".

CURRENT CINEMA

AVENUE

Saturday: "Look Who's Laughing," Fibber McGee and Molly, plus "Two Latins from Manhattan." Starting Wednesday: "Magnificent Obsession," and "All-American Co-Ed."

CAPITOL

Starting Thursday, January 7: "Springtime in the Rockies," technical feature with Betty Grable, John Payne and Carmen Miranda.

DREAMLAND

Starting on Saturday: "King's Row," with Ann Sheridan and Ronald Reagan, also "About Face," starring Wm. Tracy and Joe Sawyer. Wednesday: "Roxie Hart," with Ginger Rogers and Adolph Menjou; also "My Favorite Spy," featuring Kay Kayser's band.

EMPRESS

Starting Friday for one week: "The Navy Comes Through," with Pat O'Brien and Geo. Murphy.

RIALTO

Starting Friday for three days: "Turned Out Nice Again," a Geo. Formby picture. Tuesday: "Voice of Terror," a Sherlock Holmes mystery, featuring Basil Rathbone, plus "Almost Married."

STRAND

Starting Friday: "Hello Annapolis," starring Tom Brown and Jean Parker, also "Trail of the Lonesome Pine," with Fred McMurray, Sylvia Sidney and Henry Fonda. Tuesday: "The Big Shot," with H. Bogart, and "Lydia," starring Merle Oberon.

F/L and Mrs. J. W. Caldwell celebrated their second wedding anniversary recently. They were married in the Little Church in the Vale near Des Moines, Iowa.

F/L O. P. Goaling has returned to the depot.



Hello muscles, how's the balls on your feet? . . . According to Cpl. Jack Palmer in his description of a Warrant Officer to Miss Hortie: "A WO is half way between an NCO and an officer. . . . And as Cpl. Golds says, "Now that New Year's is over and we can settle down if we can get our stomach to settle down." . . . And getting around to these pesty little Moron jokes, we report as we hear: Why did the Moron kill his parents? So he could go to the orphan's picnic. . . . And then there was the Moron who took the alarm clock to bed with him because he heard it was fast. . . . And the Morons when out driving knew they were getting closer to the city because they were killing more people. . . . Just killed a bottle of rye with our old pay P/O Charlie Knight. . . . he reports this incident at the Vulcan station. . . . two airmen were taking two women's division girls to the picture in town. They met in the WD canteen. Something went wrong and the lights went out. Meanwhile a pretty little blonde came into the darkened canteen and in a loud voice proclaimed to all the girls present, "What I could do to a man right now." And now for the joke of the week . . .

Airman: "I'd like to marry you or something."

Blonde: "You'll marry me or nothing."

F/L Steve Carr, formerly a medical officer on No. 3 "M", visited friends here, Wednesday. He is quite proud of his "Canada" badges. His family is at present sojourning in California.

IT'S A TREACHEROUS CLIMATE AND YOU CAN'T EAT WITH THEM FROZEN

Here's a true story of how one New Year's leave got off to a flying start. It concerns one of the station NCO's, so far unidentified by THE AIRMAN. He spent the night in a room in town, and arrived at the Canadian National depot just as the train was preparing to pull out. In his hand he clutched a white china pitcher.

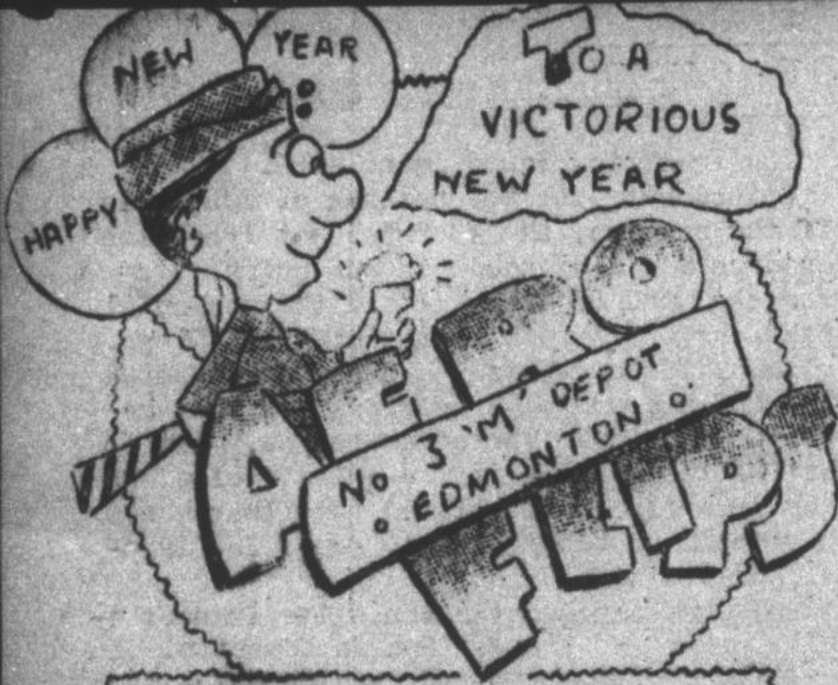
"Why the pitcher?" inquired other airmen who assisted his panting form aboard the train.

"Blog gam 'eet flo inna blog gam gug!" gasped the fellow.

This illuminating comment, supported by his gestures into the depths of the jug, prompted the lookers-on to peer in. Far down in a solid block of ice were his store teeth, which he had removed the previous night and placed too near an open window.

We suggest a posting to Libya for him.

"Wings" the new Royal Canadian Air Force publication should be on sale in the Airmen's canteen about January 15th. The Airman staff sent several articles for the first edition. "Wings" is a monthly tabloid of approximately 16 pages. The price will be 5c the copy. Part of the nickel that you spend for it, will be given to a fund for the continued publication of your own weekly, The Airman. It is expected that every person on the station will buy a copy of "Wings" for himself.



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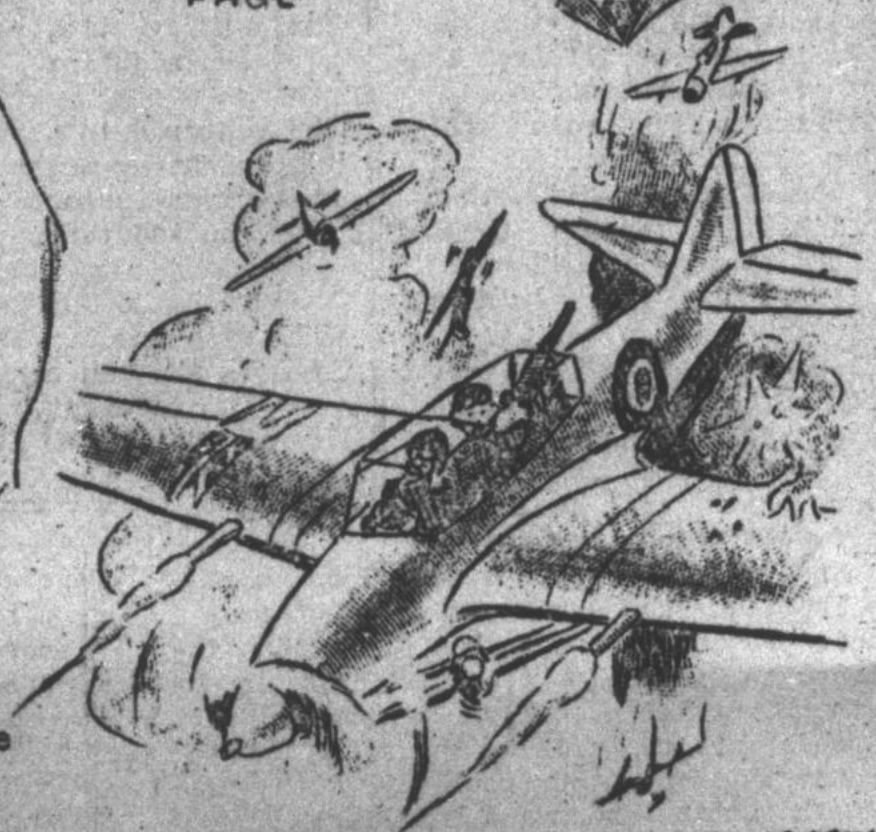


THERE WAS AN OWL SAT
IN AN OAK
THE MORE HE HEARD
THE LESS HE SPOKE
THE LESS HE SPOKE THE
MORE HE HEARD
ALL AIRMEN SHOULD IMITATE
THAT WISE OLD BIRD

REMEMBER
THEY'RE
LISTENING.



"WHO, AT
REVEILLE, RAVES
AND STORMS?"
SEE "THE
ADJUTANT"
POEM ON
OPPOSITE
PAGE



You said you were hot and took
off your coat, you said you had
corns so you took off your shoes,
but listen, Mr. Airman, I dont care
how bad they are, they dont need
pressing!

RODGER

FRIGHTEN ME QUICK BILL -
I'VE GOT THE HICCOUGHS

#3 "M" DEPOT 7; CANADIANS 5.

PRECISION SQUAD DISBANDED

It's lucky for the #3 "M" Depot junior hockey team that they only play three periods to a game. If they had been forced to play four sessions they would probably still be looking for their first win of the season. But as it happens a hockey game consists of only three periods, so the Airmen have the number "1" chalked up on their win sheet against two losses. They took Canadians Wednesday night to the tune of 7-5 at the 119th Street Rink.

In the high-scoring first session the Airmen played as if they had been together as a team for years, whipping the puck around and through the bewildered Canadian defence. With a little less than four minutes gone by, "Brick" Edmunds picked up Johnny Dutchak's pass and rammed it home to open the scoring.

Just thirty-five seconds later Gibson converted Roy Brandreth's relay, and a minute later Brandreth flashed the red light himself, taking Don Douglas' pass. That was just the first of Brandreth's three counters. Four minutes later he scored again on a pass from Barney Adair and completed his hat trick just a minute and a half from the end of the first period, with the assists going to Douglas and Gibson.

The Airmen added another goal halfway through the second chukker when Harry Allen flipped Vic Fleming's pass home. Then the Canadians started rolling. J. Fleming scored two quickies on passes from Ken Cox, but the Airmen came back to score their final goal when Harry Allen took "Brick" Edmunds' pass to tally his second counter.

The team showed vast improvement over their previous outings, but still seem inclined to wilt under pressure. Roy Brandreth, Harry Allen, Billy McLennan & "Brick" Edmunds were the pick of the squad, with Brandreth shining particularly with his smooth skating and stick handling.

- AC2 Don McCloan.

scoring by newcomer Fred Bryant and Naples were chiefly responsible for #3 "M"'s narrow win.

The Precision Squad is no more.

Coincident with the posting of F/L Davis off the station, the #3 "M" Depot Precision Squadron was disbanded in one quick blow from the hand of Ottawa, and the personnel transferred to Training and Disposal Wings.

That, in short, is the news that awaited the 150 members of Precision when they returned from their Christmas leaves. And to most of the fellows it was quite a blow, as they drearily contemplated the long weeks they would probably have to spend in Disposal and Training Wings.

So, just nine months since its inaugeration

in Edmonton, the Precision Squad is a thing of the past. It was organized last April, with Sgt. Bill Barnes in command, and right from the first it was a success. The second squadron took part in the Edmonton Fair last summer, and was the hit of the show. Following this, the squad traveled to Vegreville, to amaze the local citizens with their 144-movement drill. These 2 fairs "made" the Precision Squad.

Shortly before taking part in the Edmonton Fair, the Perfection boys were taken over by F/L Davis, and from then on the squad was his baby. He personally drilled the boys day after day thru the whole summer.

"M" DEPOT CAGERS STILL ROLLING ALONG.

They say Dame Opportunity knocks but

once, but Joe Naples must have been born with a silver spoon in his mouth, because on Wednesday night in the McDougall Gym she up and socked him twice as the Depot basketball squad extended their unbeaten streak to 14 games with a 41-40 overtime win over YMCA in an exhibition game. Joe fluffed his first opportunity, but with the second pulled a "Frank Merriwell" to keep the Depot streak rolling along at a fast clip. Brilliant last-minute

THE ADJUTANT

Who sits sublimely in his chair
And greets all comers with a glare?
Who thinks he's Lord of Everywhere?
The Adjutant.

Who potters round the slumbering camp
Armed with a crowbar and a lamp?
Who falls in trenches soft and deep?
The Adjutant.

Who puffs the poisonous cigar?
Who commandeers the petrol jar,
And murders chickens with his car?
The Adjutant.

Who goes to sleep with Army forms
Stacked round his pillow in their swarms?
Who, at reveille, raves and storms?
The Adjutant.

Who ventured in an old B.E.
And, sighting Gothas on the spree
Nose-dived instanter in the sea?
The Adjutant.

Who, when the war is fought and won,
Will rise and say: "This thing was done
By ME - the man behind the gun"?
The Adjutant.

(song of the R.F.C., ...1917 era)