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1-10-40 Three Harvards arrived from Contractors,

Canteen officially opened by Gp. Capt. A.D. Bell-Irving M.C. at 1630 hours.

2-10-40 Nil

3-10-40 Nil

4-10-40 No flying.

5-10-40 15 AEM and 15 AFM from St. Thomas. Three Harvards arrived from Winnipeg. First general meeting (Airman’s - Mess).

6-10-40 Nil

7-10-40 F.O. H.G. Taylor O.C. Security Guard reported for duty.

8-10-40 Nil

9-10-40 Nil

10-10-40 Nil

11-10-40 All men living at YMCA moved into Barracks. Airmen’s mess opened. LAC Sheppard, T.S. forced landing wheels up. First flying accident of school.
12-10-40 Four Ansons arrived.

13-10-40 Air Commodore Cowley visited from No. 4 T.C. Regina.

14-10-40 Parade of Airman Pilots in city prior to football game between No.6 EFTS Prince Albert and University of Saskatchewan. Course No. $ A.T.P. arrived.

15-10-40 Nil.

16-10-40 Trade Test Board assembled under F.O. L. Dawson.

17-10-40 Nil.


19-10-40 Anson R9931 proceeding to Winnipeg on temporary Duty crashed on forced landing at Brandon. No (injuries.

20-10-40 Harvard 2562 forced landing at Dundurn LAC Lawless pilot. No injuries.

21-10-40 Afternoon flying ceased due to dust storm,

22-10-40 Two Ansons arrived from Winnipeg.

23-10-40 Nil

24-10-40 Nil

25-10-40 Control tower in use.

26-10-40 Three Harvards arrived from Contractors.

27-10-40 Nil.


29-10-40 The Commanding Officer Gp. Capt. A.D. Bell-Irving M.C. held a general inspection of the Station.

30-10-40 Nil.
31-19-40 Nil.

IMAGE 1274

1.11.40 Fog. No flying. Kit inspection.

2.11.40 No flying. Low ceiling.

3.11.40 Harvards 2637, 2642, 2643 arrived from Winnipeg.

4.11.40 Snow. Low ceiling, flying limited to instructors.


6.11.40 Snow flurries, flying interrupted. Lockheed left for Winnipeg with Command Officers at 1200 hrs.

7.11.40 Blizzard conditions, no flying. Braziers built in workshops and set up for the use of the Security Guard. Purchase of 5000 feet of snow fence for aerodrome protection.

8.11.40 Blizzard continues, no flying. Eight men reported sick from the effects of coal gas Barrack Block No. 16.

9.11.40 Blizzard continues, temperature zero degrees. No flying.

10.11.40 Limited flying due to difficulty in starting motors. Visiting flight under Sqn. Ldr. Mitchell arrived.

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11.11.40 Parade of 75 airmen and units from army and naval forces in the district formed up at the Cenotaph for Armistice Observance. March past and salute taken by Group Captain A.D. Bell-Irving, M.C. as Senior Officer of the District.

12.11.40 Harvards 2555 and 2557 arrived from Winnipeg.

13.11.40 Temperature 14 degrees below zero. Harvard 2556 arrived from Winnipeg after emergency landing at Moose Jaw.

15.11.40 Forced landing LAC Jessiman Anson 9961 no damage or injury.

16.11.40 Inspector General Air Vice-Marshall G.M. Croil A.F.C. and staff arrived by air from Prince Albert at 1625 hours. Flying Officer Bevan called to Camp Borden on temporary duty. Anson 9895 arrived from Winnipeg.

17.11.40 Inspection by Air Vice-Marshall G.M. Croil A.F.C. First Wings Parade and hoisting of the ensign on this Station. 37 Flying Badges presented to J.A.T.P. Course No. 5 by the Inspector General.

18.11.40 Inspector General departed for North Battleford by air at 1040 hours.


20.11.40 Harvard 2621 pilot LAC Foxley minor accident in landing. 12 LAC's from Course 5 posted on temporary duty to Winnipeg to ferry aircraft to Ottawa.

21.11.40 Flying ceased at 1330 hours due to weather. Mr. Archibald of the Department of Transport (Meteorological Service) visited the Station. Report of visit forwarded to No. 2 T.C.

22.11.40 Snow at mid-day low ceiling. Flight Lieutenant McMurtrie and Flying Officer Black with three LAC pilots Course 5 proceeded to Regina to ferry aircraft from Calgary. F/O Bevan returned. Commanding Officer spoke on "invitation of the Principal" to boy students at Nutana College at 1530 hours.


24.11.40 Snow in afternoon. Brigadier General W.W. Foster D.S.O, visited the Station and was shown around by the Commanding Officer. Three snow rollers arrived in camp. No traction available to handle. Fire drill to test new sirens. Turn out in 2½ minutes with exception of Pump Trailer, tractor for which would not start due to the cold and lack of engine heaters. Sirens proved inadequate. Flight Lieutenant Harling, Sergeant Pilot Reed departed to

24.11.40 East End to ferry Harvard from forced landing there.
25.11.40 Low ceiling. F/O Black, LAC Coggan arrived in Harvards 2625, 2614 having been forced down at Harris.

26.11.40 Night flying cancelled due to weather.

27.11.40 Lockheed CF-CSX arrived from Winnipeg 1530 hours. Pilot Frizzel and five staff officers from Command (No. 2 T.C.). No flying until 1330 hours. Important damage appears to have been done to aerodrome glim lighting system by snow compaction equipment. Flying Officer Huff Fire Prevention Expert from A.H.Q. Ottawa arrived.

28.11.40 No flying in morning due to weather. Seven LAC’s called in on ferry flight from Regina to Prince Albert. Harvard 2627 arrived at 1040 hours from Calgary. J.A.T.P. Course 5 interviewed by Commanding Officer re appointment to Commissions. Sqn. Ldr. Taunton arrived from #2 T.C. Anson 9895 LAC Smith, Harvard 2571 LAC Sutton nosed over on landing due to soft condition of snow on aerodrome.

29.11.40 No flying. Weather and snow conditions on runways. Snow compaction troubles this morning more or less solved by 1200 hours. Fixed glim lamps unsuitable for use on compacted aerodromes. Planned Vee cover and to compact over it. Reverends Sampson, HaLL, Ellis visited regarding church service on a temporary basis.

30.11.40 No flying. A Muster Parade held. Compaction still incomplete north west limits.

(A. Bevan) Flying Officer,
for Commanding Officer,
No. 4 SFTS RCAF Saskatoon, Sask.

IMAGE 1278

1-12-40 Flying washed out at 1100 hours on account of No. 2 runway being unserviceable and blizzard conditions. Temperature 1° below zero

2-12-40 Aerodrome compaction more or less completed. Aerodrome serviceable. Extreme cold with strong wind. Compelled compaction crews working on open tractors to stop work during the night. Temperature 25 below zero. Complaints of Ansons being difficult to start and warm up for take-off.

3-12-40 Harvard 2561 forced landed thirty miles south of Prince Albert, Sask. No damage. The pilot - Sergeant Pilot MacLean.

4-12-40 Flying all day.

6-12-40  Nil.

7-12-40  Three Harvards proceeded to Regina, Sask. for opening of No. 3 Air Observers' School. Group Captain Bell-Irving attended.

8-12-40  Reorganization of Intermediate Squadron into two separate Squadrons. Flight Lieutenant R.F. Gross. Officer Commanding No. 1 Squadron, Flight Lieutenant C.J. Fee, Officer Commanding No. 2 Squadron, Squadron Leader W. R. MacBrien, Chief Instructor No. 4 S.F.T.S.

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8-12-40 (Cont'd)  Commanding No. 2 Squadron, Squadron Leader W. R. MacBrien, Chief Instructor No. 4 S.F.T.S.

9-12-40  No flying - snow compaction proved unsatisfactory. No. 1 and No. 2 Squadrons commenced operations as separate units.

10-12-40  Flying all day.

11-12-40  First successful use of the aerodrome "all way". Night flying under extreme low temperature of 40° below zero.

12-12-40  Nil.

13-12-40  New snow blower working today. Authority to hire M. T. drivers at 45ø per hour approved. Six men taken on through Recruiting Centre. Course No. 15 reported from No 12 E.F.T.S., RCAF, Goderich, Ontario, No. 10 E.F.T.S., RCAF, Mount Hope, Ontario and No. 11 E.F.T.S., RCAF, Cap de Madeliene, Quebec.

14-12-40  Received advice Course No, 8 was to be completed with an average of 75 hours by 20-12-40.

15-12-40  Epidemic of flu. Commanding Officer, Administrative Officer and the Third-in-Command, Officer Commanding Ground Instructional School, all sick. Ice rink flooded. Leaks developed and flooding was not successful,

16-12-40  No flying during the day. Night flying took place.

17-12-40  Fine and clear. Group Captain Bonham-Carter visited with Squadron Leader Hendricks from

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17-12-40 (Cont'd)  No. 2 Training Command arriving by air at 1115 hours. Mr. Nicholson Member of Parliament for MacKenzie called on the Commanding Officer. Anson 6971, pilot L.A.C. Thorne, landed with wheel3 up. No serious damage.

18-12-40  Flying all day. Group Captain Bonham-Carter and Squadron Leader Hendricksc left by air at 0845 hours. Night flying in three shifts on main aerodrome and one shift at Vanscoy. First use of Vanscoy for night flying.


20-12-40  Commanding Officer's inspection concluded. Presentation of wings for 38 graduates of Course No. 8. Wings presented by Group Captain A. D. Bell-Irving. 33 graduates of this course entrained for Central Flying School, Trenton, Ontario at 2345 hours. Ladies Auxiliary gave a tea for the parents and relatives of Course No. 8 in the Recreation Building which was today heated for the first time.

21-12-40  Flying all day.

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22-12-40  Afternoon Christmas party for the children of the airmen in the Recreation Building. An estimate of 150 attended.

23-12-40  No. Flying.

24-12-40  Flying all day. L.A.C. Smith carried out an unsuccessful forced landing when overtaken by darkness and bad weather in vicinity of Bents, Sask.

25-12-40  Fog all day - no flying. Official opening and Christmas dinner in the Officers’ Mess. Christmas dinner in Other Ranks mess at 1800 hours.

26-12-40  Fog all day - no flying.

27-12-40  Fog all day - no flying. First meeting and organization of Central Purchasing Board - Squadron Leader Huggard, President.

28-12-40  Flying washed out at 1130 hours. Fog condition,

29-12-40  Clear - flying all day. The first ice suitable for skating on open air rink.

30-12-40  Low ceiling - no flying except test.

31-12-40  No flying - snowing.
(J.R. Welsh) Flying Officer,
for Commanding Officer,
No. 4 SFTS, RCAF, Saskatoon, Sask.

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1-1-41 Commanding Officer ordered Flight Lieutenant Mcknight, in co-operation with N.W.M.P. to take Anson to North Battleford to search for four escaped inmates of the insane asylum. Left at 1000 hours, returning 1600 hours. Harvard 2626 Pilot Wilson. C.A. damaged Starboard wing on account of levelling off too high at 2240 hours. Flying all day and night. Reception in Officer's Mess 1000 hours to 1330 hours. Commanding Officer's cards delivered officially by two calling officers - Flt. Lt. McMuirrie and Flying Officer Michaud.

2-1-41 Weather clear. Temperature 10 degrees below zero at 0700 hours. Flying all day and night. Interruption in electrical power to Station.

3-1-41 Flying washed out at 1000 hours on account of blowing snow but continued at 1130 hours. Night flying. Harvard No. 2579 struck fence on approach to flare path at 1830 hours damaging both wings and propeller. Pilot Hawes, Student LAC Ward. No injuries.

4-1-41 32 potential pilots posted to I.T.S. at Regina from Security Guard replaced by aircrew arriving from Lethbridge and Vancouver. Five members of Course 8 posted to No. 1 A.N.S.

5-1-41 Flying all day.

6-1-41 Deputy Minister of National Defence for Air - Honorable J.S. Duncan visited and inspected

IMAGE 1283

6-1-41 the Station. Officers of Station moved into quarters. Two Cessna aircraft arrived from Winnipeg flown by Squadron Leader Dawson and Flight Lieutenant McKnight. Arrival of aircraft witnessed by Deputy Minister. Squadron Leader MacBrien granted special leave on account of death of Flying Officer M.D. MacBrien at Rivers, Manitoba.

7-1-41 Flying all day. Lockheed CP-BSZ arrived from Winnipeg with Squadron Leader Evans, Squadron Leader McCann, and Captain Turner of No. 2 Training Command.

8-1-41 Flying all day. Station visited by Wing Commander Tice, RCAF Medical Services. A.F.G.Q. Ottawa accompanied by Flight Lieutenant Johnson RCAF Medical Services No. 2 Training Command.
9-1-41. Wing Commander Tice and Flight Lieutenant Johnson flown to No. 7 E.F.T.S., Prince Albert by Flight Lieutenant Thompson. Returned to this Station 1200 hours. Plan developed for routine in connection with organized sports and Drill Parades on this Station. Plans A and B submitted with regard to Stores and Maintenance Squadron to No. 2 Training Command. Plan A involves construction of annex on north side of Hangar No. 5. Plan B involves conversion of Drill Hall for use as Station Stores Building.

10-1-41 278 hours flying - a record for this Station. Officers Mess Meeting at 1700 hours. LAC Saunders in Harvard 2577 landed at Vanscoy with wheels up. Slight Damage.

11-1-41 260 hours flying. Pilot LAC Guest forced landing at Melfort.

12-1-41 No flying. Poor visibility on account of fog.

IMAGE 1284

13-1-41 Considerable trouble with electrical power on Station. Snowing all day - no flying. Kit Inspection at 1400 hours. Organized Sports Schedule approved by Commanding Officer. Flight Lieutenant Robinson in charge of Course 5 on their posting to Trenton returned to Station to-day.

14-1-41 Poor weather. No flying.

15-1-41 No flying.

16-1-41 Flying all day. Harvard 2565 Pilot McCarthy nosed up on landing. Prop and cowling damaged.

17-1-41 Ground fog. Flying commenced at 1030 hours and continued throughout the day. Temperature 26 below zero at 1000 hours.

18-1-41 Flying from 1500 hours to 1630 hours. Mess open this afternoon to officers and friends. First informal evening in the officer's mess.

19-1-41 Flying commenced 1000 hours ceased at 1630 hours. Ladies, friends and relatives of officers took tea in the Officer's Mess from 1600 hours to 1800 hours.

20-1-41 Flying washed out in the morning but continued for a short period in the afternoon. Commanding Officer faced off puck for the first use of the Station Hockey Rink.

IMAGE 1285
21-1-41  Heavy snow fall.  No flying.

22-1-41  Harvard 2583 Pilot LAC Waltham crashed at Vanscoy at 1500 hours.  Slightly injured.

23-1-41  Harvard 2581  LAC Ward and Sergeant Pilot Gibbs - slightly damaged wing on landing. 
Blizzard all day. Flying from 0730 hours to 0830 hours only.

24-1-41  Flying washed out.

25-1-41  Flying washed out. High wind, snow and fog. Forty Australians reported as Course 19.

26-1-41  No flying during day. During night flying LAC Smith A.G. crashed in Harvard 2573. Injured,

27-1-41  Weather clear and fine. LAC Goldberg, Course 15 landed at Vanscoy in Harvard 2643 with wheels up.

28-1-41  Course 12 graduated. Presentation of flying badges by Commanding Officer at 1600 hours, after which tea was served by courtesy of Air Force Ladies Auxiliary to staff, 42 graduating trainees, and relatives and friends.

29-1-41  Flying all day. Flight Lieutenant Durham reported on posting as Station Adjutant replacing Flying Officer A. Bevan posted to Carberry. Group Captain Bonham-Carter, Group Captain Walker, Wing Commander Dickens, Flying Officer Leitch arrived on Station in Cessna 7660 from Winnipeg.

30-1-41  First fatality on the Station occurred when LAC Quinlan, J.A. Course 15 was struck by airscrew of Harvard 2621 piloted by LAC D. White of Course 17. Station Inspection commenced by Commanding Officer accompanied by Group Captain Bonham-Carter, Group Captain Walker,

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30-1-41  and Wing Commander Dickens.

31-1-41  Flying washed out at 1000 hours. Started again at 1400 hours. Strong west wind.
New Civilian Barrack Officer reported for duty. Station Inspection by Commanding Officer continued.

Officers on Station    62

Other Banks.    602
Trainees             182
Civilians             162

(C.G. Durham) Flight Lieutenant,
for Commanding Officer,
No. 4 S.F.T.S. RCAF, Saskatoon, Sask.

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1-2-41 Station Inspection completed by Commanding Officer. Low ceiling, no flying.
2-2-41 Weather fine, clear and mild. Flying all day and night flying.
3.2.41 Weather fine, clear and cold. Flying all day and night flying.
4.2.41 Flying all day and night flying. Station visited by Wing Commander A.H. Wilson, who was proceeding to Dauphin, as Commanding Officer of No. 10 S.F.T.S. Wing Commander N.C. Pleasance, Engineer Officer, Flt. Lt. S.E. Lovelace, Security Guard, F.O. G.E. Huff, Fire Prevention, visited Station from No. 2 Training Command. Two Ansons arrived from Winnipeg piloted by Flt. Lt. Harling, and Flt. Lt. Thompson. Anson N9668 from Moose Jaw brought six pilots to ferry six Harvards from this Station to Moose Jaw. Left Station for Moose Jaw 1415 hours.
5.2.41 Perfect flying weather. Flying Officer Huff and Flt. Lt. Lovelace, Fire and Security Guard Branches respectively, inspected Station. Two Cranes arrived from Winnipeg 1645 hours.
6.2.41 Flt. Lt. Beardmore, No. 1 Fighter Squadron, recently from England, gave lectures to Staff and trainees on combat tactics, etc. No. 2 Training Command Beachcraft arrived. One Engine seized and one Aircraft unserviceable. Staff Officers and Wing Commander Dubuc

IMAGE 1288

6.2.41 proceeded to Prince Albert by air in an Anson of this Station to hold a Court of Inquiry. Ideal flying weather, flying all day, and night flying.
7.2.4 Weather fine and clear, flying all day, and night flying. Mr. Norman Smith of the Air Force Public Relations Branch visited Station.
8.2.41 Flying all day, night flying. Cessna arrived from Winnipeg at 1520 hours.
9.2.41 Flying all day, and night flying. Flying Officer E.W.C. Sharp here from No. 2
Training Command on Court of Inquiry of L.A.C. Waltham.

10.2.41 Flying washed out at 0900 hours. No. night flying. Situation regarding shortage of Aircraft on Station becoming very serious.

11.2.41 Snow, no flying. Poor visibility all day.

12.2.41 Low ceiling, poor flying conditions. Instructors only allowed flying during afternoon.

13.2.41 Flying all day, no night flying. Five Cranes arrived from Winnipeg. Wing Commander Dubuc left on temporary duty to Wireless School, Montreal. Flt. Lt. Christie posted to No. 2 Training Command, on temporary duty on subsequent posting to Dauphin.

14.2.41 Flying all day, no night flying.

15.2.41 Flying all day.

16.2.41 Flying all day.

17.2.41 Flying all day and night flying.

18.2.41 Visit to Station of Air Vice Marshal Goble, Liason of R.A.A.F. One Cessna arrived from Winnipeg. Two Harvards departed for Moose Jaw. Flying all day and Night flying. 46 trainees (Australians) arrived. Part of Course 21.

19.2.41 Flying all day. Badge for stenographers - sketch submitted by Henry Birks and Sons.

20.2.41 Flying all day. Breakdown in water supply. Temperature 38 degrees below zero.

21.2.41 49 graduates Course No. 15 presented with Pilots Flying Badge by Commanding Officer. Parade under Squadron Leader Huggard in Hangar No. 4 at 1600 hours, followed by a Tea by courtesy of Air Force Auxiliary in Recreation Hall Building, for Graduate Trainees, Staff, and friends.

22.2.41 Dual flying only. 17 members of Course 15 appointed to commissions. Dance held in Sergeants' Mess at 2100 hours.

23.2.41 Dual flying only. Church Parade to Saskatoon - Church of England. Snow compaction crews ordered out at 1330 hours. Flt. Lt. Robinson departed for temporary duty to Winnipeg on subsequent posting to Dauphin.

24.2.41 Flying all day and night flying. Six Harvards to Moose Jaw. Mr. Hungerford,
President of

IMAGE 1290

24.2.41  C.N.R. visited Station at 1030 hours. Pilot Officer A.W. McMillan (Administrative) reported to Station.

25.2.41  No Flying. Commanding Officer spoke at Luncheon Meeting of Kewanis Club at Saskatoon.

26.2.41  Flying all day, and night flying at Vanscoy.

27.2.41  Two Cessna and two Ansons arrived from Winnipeg. Signal from No. 2 Training Command indicates period of instruction for Course 17 to be extended. No further information contained in Signal.

28.2.41  Flying all day and night flying.

Officers on Station  64

Other Ranks  675

Trainees  186

Civilians  167

(C.G. Durham) Flight Lieutenant, for Commanding Officer, No. 4 S.F.T.S., R.C.A.F. Saskatoon, Saskatchewan.

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In addition to the Daily Diary submitted for the month of February, the following information is submitted to conform with A.S.I. (Administrative) No. 13., dated March 14th.

1-30-41  Fatal accident to L.A.C. Quinlan, J.A. at 12:30 hours when he while crossing the taxi strip walked into airscrew of Harvard No.26-21 piloted by L.A.C. White of Course 17.

18-2-41  46 R.A.A.F. pupils reported on the station to form Course 21. These are the first Australian pupils to arrive on this Station.

21-2-41  Course No. 15 graduated from this Station. 49 pupils of Course 15 graduated today, 18 being posted to C.F.S. Trenton. Ontario., the remaining 31 of these graduated being posted
to Debert, Nova Scotia.

22-2-41 12 R.C.A.F. pupils reported on the Station today forming the balance of Course 21.

Unsuccessful Students Course 15.

L.A.C. McCarthy W.F.)


L.A.C. Wilkins, H.A.)

L.A.C. McConchy, A.F. -Missed Training time due to compassionate leave. Transferred to Course 17.

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L.A.C. Waltham, R.M. - Training Interrupted Sickness, Transferred to Course 17.

L.A.C. Golab, F.M. - Flying Training Discontinued, Posted to No. 2 Manning Depot, Brandon, Manitoba.


L.A.C. Strutt, G.J. - Interrupted Training Sickness, Transferred to Course 17.

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1-3-41 PERSONNEL STRENGTH

(i) RCAF Officers - 58 : RCAF Airmen 635

(ii) RCAF Officers - 0 : RCAF Airmen (trainees) - 138

(iii) Personnel Other than RCAF and Civilians

   R.A.F. - 4 Officers

   R.A.A.F. - 8 6 Trainees.

   C.D.C. - 1 Officer : 3 Other Ranks

   R.C.A.S.C. 1 Officer : 6 Other Ranks

   R.C.A.M.C. 1 Other Rank,

(iv) Civilians - 178

1-3-41 Weather ideal for flying and night flying also carried out at Auxiliary Landing Field at Vanscoy. Flight Lieutenant McMurtrie, G.E. posted from Navigation Officer of GIS., to Officer Commanding "G" Flight.

2-3-41 Aircraft strength of Station is increased by the arrival of 1 Cessna No. 7680 from Winnipeg. Night flying commenced at an early hour but it was found necessary to wash it
out by reason of fog condition blowing in from the North-West.,

3-3-41  The weather today was clear and cool, thus making it possible for the Station to record a good number of flying hours. A picture show, ("Union Pacific" starring Barbara Stanwyck & Joel McCrea; "Hospitality", Popeye cartoon) was sponsored at 1830 hours by the YMCA for all station personnel.

4-3-41  Another ideal day for flying is recorded for this station but it was not possible to carry out night flying as it was necessary to carry out snow compaction action on the airdrome. Considerable interest is being shown by the airmen of the station in boxing and is being greatly encouraged by the Sports Committee in collaboration with YMCA representative. Training is being carried out nightly under the supervision of Corporal Maguire, J.B. of the station service police. This station, being very proud of its boys talent, arranged several bouts with the Army from Camp Dundurn which took place in the drill hall. Card I was organized by Flying Officer K Brown and Corporal Maguire, J.B. An audience of approximately 600 witnessed a decided Air Force Victory at this boxing bout.

5-3-41  Weather condition was such as to permit flying all day. LAC Ozment, D. E. of Course 17 crashed at Junita, Saskatchewan at 1510 hours in Anson No. 5148. The aircraft was seriously damaged, but pilot only slightly injured. The accident cause was the fact that there was a very low ceiling and it was necessary for the pilot to fly approximately 300' and while reading his map, flew into the ground. Relaxation and entertainment was obtained by the men of the station attending a variety show and quizz concert held in the recreation hall and organized by the YMCA representative on the station. Dining in night was held in Officers mess and a social evening was enjoyed by all officers of the station. A new mess committee was elected and 3 prominent men of Saskatoon elected as Honorary members of the mess.

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5-3-41  by the men of the station attending a variety show and quizz concert held in the recreation hall and organized by the YMCA representative on the station. Dining in night was held in Officers mess and a social evening was enjoyed by all officers of the station. A new mess committee was elected and 3 prominent men of Saskatoon elected as Honorary members of the mess.

6-3-41  On account of considerably mild weather, a slightly foggy condition exists preventing student solo flights. This mild weather also makes it necessary for snow compaction action to be carried out during the night which again prevents night flying. A show "Mr. Doodle Kicks Off" under the auspices of the YMCA is shown tonight for the Airmen. The first issue of the station paper (Reconnaissance) made today. This paper is of great interest to the members of this station and considerable interest is shown in the production of it by Flying Officer K. Brown who was a newspaper editor when in Civil life.

7-3-41  Aircraft situation on the station was improved by the arrival of 2 Cessna's from Winnipeg. The station had its first taste of gumbo mud caused from mild weather melting the snow and creating a very bad mud condition all over the station.
The weather is again ideal for flying allowing the station to record a goodly number of flying hours both during the day and from night flying which took place at Vanscoy.

Again ideal flying weather allowing continuous flying all day and night flying here.

Wind conditions very bad during morning which would only permit dual flying; solo flying was carried out during the afternoon. It was necessary to wash out night flying by reason of snow storm. Free motion picture in the Recreation Hall presented by Y.M.C.A for station personnel. Picture shown "Mystery Plane" starring John Trent and Marjorie Reynolds. Shorts "Nautical Knights", " Stranger Than Fiction" and "Ghost Town Follies" and Oswald Cartoon.

Ideal flying weather again permitted a goodly number of flying hours to be recorded for the station during the day and night flying took place at the airdrome and at the Auxiliary field at Vanscoy. The aircraft strength of the station was again increased by the arrival of 3 Cessna's from Winnipeg. A minor flying accident occurred when LAC Dawson, JFB., when flying solo and about 6½ miles north-west of Saskatoon was confronted with the situation of having his starboard engine catch fire. By using the fire extinguishers provided he was able to put out the fire while still in the air and make a successful forced landing. Wing Commander Dubuc, M.C. (Administrative Officer) on the station) returned from temporary duty in Montreal.

Ideal flying conditions for day and night flying. The first fatal flying accident is recorded, for this station when LAC Barrett, J.C. and LAC Starkey, L.N. of Course 17 were completing their time in flying formation. These two pupil pilots were flying 2 Ansons which collided in mid-air over the outskirts of Saskatoon. Both aircraft falling to the ground in numerous pieces, and both pilots killed.

The aircraft strength of the station again increased by the arrival of 2 Ansons from Winnipeg. All Cessna aircraft on the station were grounded at 1600 hours by reason of defect being found in fuel lines. Wing Commander Pleasants, N.C. and Flying Officer Sharpe, N.W.C. arrived on the station in connection with a Court of Inquiry being held on fatal accident which occurred the previous day. They arrived on the station from No.2 Training Command. Picture shown at Recreational Hall under auspices of YMCA "Code of the Mounted", starring Kermit Maynard and Lillian Miles. Shorts: "A Celestial Venice", "Self Defence", and "Backstage Frolics" a comedy.

The aircraft situation of the station is again improved by the arrival from Winnipeg of 2 Cessna's and 1 Anson. Flying on the station was discontinued at 1040 hours, but was again commenced at 1440 hours. By reason of several Scarlet Fever Cases appearing on the station the hospital conducted DICK Test of all personnel on the station to show the susceptibility.
of personnel to Scarlet Fever preparatory to carrying out Scarlet Fever inoculations.

15-3-41 A blizzard condition existing all during the day made flying impossible. The weather settled, however, and it was possible to carry out night flying at the airdrome here. The wind during the day was 50 miles per hour. The airmens dance at the Recreational Hall was well attended and an enjoyable time was had by all.

16-3-41 The weather is settled today and temperature considerably lower making it possible to carry out flying both day and night.

17-3-41 It is found necessary to wash out flying at 1400 hours. 5th Wings Parade is to be held on this station takes place when Course 17 is presented with their Flying Badges at 1600 hours in No. 4 Hanger by the Commanding Officer, Group Captain Belle Irving, A.D. Of the 52 pilot graduates who received their flying badges, 24 were posted to Trenton, Ontario; 28 to Debert, Nova Scotia; 6 other student pilots of Course 17 posted to Picton, Ontario; and 3 others were transferred to Course 19 as they had been delayed in their training by reason of sickness. Following the Wings Presentation, which was well attended by relatives and friends of the graduating class, there was tea served in the Recreation Hall by the Saskatoon Air Force Ladies Auxiliary for the graduating class and their friends and relatives. The 8th class of student pilots arrived on the station being composed of 56 pupils reporting from No. 8 EFTS Sea Island, and from No. 6 EFTS Prince Albert to form Course 23. Another Cessna arrived from Winnipeg. All station personnel welcome to see YMCA Motion Picture.

18-3-41 Course 23 is assembled in GIS and are lectured by the Commanding Officer on what is expected of them at a Service Flying Training School and what they will obtain in the way of flying instruction at the school. It was found necessary to wash out flying at 1100 hours previous to which time a successful forced landing was carried out on the airdrome by Flying Officer Stayner R. after a Cessna aircraft had lost a wheel in mid-air.

19-3-41 Weather permitted flying to be carried out during the day. Flight Lieutenant Fee, C.J. and Flight Lieutenant Miller, K.L. proceeded on temporary duty to Winnipeg to ferry 2 Tiger Moths back to this station. The YMCA representative on this station, the Reverend E. Walling was relieved today by Mr. Christilaw.

20-3-41 It was not possible to carry out instructional flying by reason of a low ceiling condition existing in this area. Air craft strength of the station is again increased by the arrival of 1 Cessna from Winnipeg.

presented at Recreational Hall at 1830 hours, "I Met Him in Paris" starring Claudette Colbert, Melvyn Douglas, Robert Young and Mona Barrie. Short: - "Meet the Maestros"- Musicale.

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21-3-41 Extremely foggy condition exists throughout the day thus preventing flying. Photographer for the March Of Time arrives on the station and arrangements are made with the Commanding Officer to take shots of the station to be incorporated in a picture being produced by March of Time of the training in the JATP.

22-3-41 Fog condition, no flying all day until 1600 hours when a practice formation flight of 9 aircraft piloted by instructors takes place preparatory to picture being taken of same the following day. A station parade and mock Wings Presentation is held on parade ground preparatory to picture being taken of same for March Of Time on the following day. The first formal dance is held in the Officers Mess with an orchestra in attendance. This event was a marked success; very well attended by the officers, their wives and friends.

23-3-41 Station parade and mock Wings Parade held at 1000 hours and a goodly number of spectators were present from the City of Saskatoon. This event was photographed by the before-mentioned photographer during the afternoon formation of Cessna's again piloted by instructors. 2 Tiger Moths arrive from Winnipeg for this station piloted by Flight Lieutenant Miller, K.L. and Flight Lieutenant Fee, C.J.

24-3-41 By reason of mild weather, compacted snow on the airdrome has become so soft as to produce slush from 4 to 16" deep thus making the airdrome unserviceable. Action is now being taken with snow removal equipment to clean the runways. The runways cleaned to such an extent as to make it possible for the Beach Craft CF-BMU to depart for Winnipeg, this aircraft having been at this station for some time undergoing repairs. YMCA presented Moving Picture Show "Disputed Passage" starring Dorothy Lamour, at the Recreational Hall.

25-3-41 Airdrome still unserviceable for Instructional flying, snow removal operations still being carried out.

26-3-41 Snow and slush now being removed from runways air drome is serviceable and flying recommenced. Wing Commander Reid, security guard officer from A.F. Headquarters and Flight Lieutenant Lovelace from No. 2 Training Command arrive on station for inspection of security guard of the station. A dining-in night and dinner is held in the Officers Mess. A very interesting short address given to the officers by Wing Commander Reid. A boxing exhibition is held in the Drill Hall and various pugilists of the station exhibited their ability before an audience of approximately 500 airmen of the station.

27-3-41 Much to the pleasure of the flying instructors on the station, who are crying for aircraft,
2 more Cessna's arrived from Winnipeg. Mild weather again creates extremely bad mud conditions on the station. Show tonight at the Recreational Hall.

28-3-41  Ideal flying weather again allows the station to record an extremely good day's flying.

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Air Commodore A.B. Shearer accompanied by Group Captain Bonham-Carter and party arrived on station from Winnipeg in a Beach Craft and a Lockheed. Group Captain Bonham-Carter returned to Winnipeg in the Lockheed in the early afternoon. The Air Officer Commanding accompanied by the Commanding Officer and party made an unofficial inspection of the station.

29-3-41  The Air Officer Commanding departed for Winnipeg early in the morning in the Beach Craft. The Commanding Officer commences monthly Station Inspection. The dance held at the Sergeants Mess was well attended and a marked success. During the course of the evening the dance was attended by Flight Lieutenant Durham, C.G. station adjutant and Honorary President of the Sergeants Mess and Flying Officer Wright, J.E. of No. 1 Squadron.

30-3-41  Another complete day's flying record for this station. Station inspection is continued by the Commanding Officer.

31-3-41  Ideal flying weather thus permitting another continuous day of flying. The officers Mess was visited at 1700 hours by Lieutenant Governor A. McNab and Wing Commander E. McNab who were greeted on entering the mess by the Commanding Officer and each of the Officers at the Mess introduced in turn to them by the Mess President, Squadron Leader Smith, W. M. Y.M.C.A. Show "The Plainsman" starring Gary Cooper and Jean Arthur; short: "Plumbing is a Pipe" a Popeye Cartoon.

IMAGE 1307

31-3-41  PERSONNEL STRENGTH

(i) RCAF Officers - 56 : RCAF Airmen 66l

(ii) RCAF Officers - 1 : RCAF Airmen (trainees) - 130

(iii) Personnel Other than RCAF and Civilians

R.A.F. - 4 Officers  50 Airmen (Temp. Duty)

R.A.A.F. - 86 trainees.

C.D.C. - 1 Officer: 3 other Ranks
R.C.A.S.C.- 1 Officer: 6 other Ranks.

(iv) Civilians - 178

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(M.C. Dubuc) Wing Commander, for Commanding Officer, No. 4 S.T.T.S., R.C.A.F., Saskatoon, Saskatchewan.

IMAGE 1320

1-4-41 PERSONNEL STRENGTH

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Civilians  174

Trainees

Officers  R.C.A.F.  1

Airmen  R.C.A.F  81

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1-4-41  Trainees

Airmen  R.A.A.F.  77

Airmen  R.N.Z.A.F.  0

Aircraft Strength

Serviceable  Ansons  8

Harvards  0

Tiger Moths  1

Cessna  32

Unserviceable  Ansons  6

Harvards  1

Tiger Moths  1

Cessna  34

1-4-41  Good flying weather prevailed all day. There was no night flying, however, owing to soft ground off runways. Honorary Flt. Lt. W.P. Griffiths (Chaplain) reported on this station, posted from No. 2 Manning Depot, Brandon.

2-4-41  Flying proceeded during the day. There was still considerable amount of snow on the aerodrome, and there was no night flying.

3-4-41  Day was clear and flying proceeded during daylight hours. No night flying as approaches to runway in poor condition. The regular weekly Officers' Mess dinner was held.
3-4-41 (cont'd) The Y.M.C.A. put on an entertainment in the Recreation Hall showing the movie, "Carefree" starring Fred Astaire and Ginger Rogers; two "shorts", "Rented Riot", and "A Buckaroo Broadcast", completed an enjoyable evening for a large audience.

4-4-41 Flying all day. No night flying due to soft ground off runways. The Saskatoon Air Force Auxiliary held a dance in the Recreation Hall under the direction of Mrs. Mathers and Mrs. Smith. An orchestra was in attendance, and a large number of airmen attended.

5-4-41 Flying all day. The aerodrome although improved was still not ready for night flying. A banquet was tendered by the Saskatoon Shrine Club to 35 airmen from the British Isles. Mr. G. D. Underwood, a prominent citizen of Saskatoon, and members of the Y.M.C.A. collaborated in arranging the attendance of the airmen.

The first marriage ceremony on the station was conducted by Honorary Flt. Lt. Griffiths (Chaplain); AC1 Eugene Gilbert Thomlinson and Patricia Mary Barnett, both of Grenfell, Sask., being the happy couple.

6-4-41 Flying proceeded all day, no night flying. Hon. Flt. Lt. Mulcahey, part time Padre on the station, officiated for the Roman Catholic communion service, while Hon. Flt. Lt. Griffiths conducted the Church of England Communion service. Services are now held regularly on Sunday with approximately 80 - 100 men attending.

7-4-41 Weather in the early morning was dull, but later in the day, fair weather prevailed. Flying started at 900 hours. Arrival of visiting Flight in Boeing aircraft. Flying training was discontinued for LAC J. J. Harrison 433223, and he was posted to No. 2 Manning Depot, Brandon. Y.M.C.A. Official conducted a showing of the moving picture "Mad About Music" starring Deanna Durbin, followed by an "Oswald" Cartoon and the "Problem Child". The Commanding Officer, Group Captain, Bell-Irving, made an inspection of the Motor Transport Section. F/O Buckle reported on the station representing Air Vice Marshal Goble, (Australian Liason Officer)

8-4-41 The day was clear. Anson 6235 crashed 6 miles out of Cudworth, Sask. Pilot L.A.C. A.M. Randall, and passenger LAC Donald Tweedie were killed. These two Australian Pilots were highly regarded, and a poem written by one of their comrades is attached. (ED NOTE – see IMAGE 1338). The bodies were taken by plane to Wakaw and placed on a train destined for Saskatoon. All roads leading out from Cudworth were impassable, and consequently R.C.A.F. officials did not reach the scene of the accident until early Wednesday morning, April 9, 1941. The deceased airmen by a strange coincidence had used the same lockers at the flight
8-4-41  that had been used by two airmen killed on March 14, 1941, namely; LAC Barrett and LAC Starkey.

9-4-41  Ideal flying weather; flying all day. Two Australian student pilots, LAC Newman and LAC Windsor, while flying, Cessna 7702 ran into a flight of Mallard ducks. One duck collided with leading edge of port wing, entering as far as main spar, and making a hole about 10 inches across. Aircraft was landed safely, but students were slightly shaken by their experience. It was thought a penalty should be charged for duck hunting out of season.

10-4-41  The day was warm, and flying operations progressed favorably. Squadron Leader Newcombe and F/O E.W.G. Sharpe, arrived from No. 2 Training Command to form a Court of Inquiry along with Flt. Lt. W.B.M. Miller of this station. Training was discontinued for LAC F.W. Clewley, R40579, and LAC D.P. Rogers, R70744, attached to Course 21. They were posted to No. 2 Manning Depot. Under Y.M.C.A. auspices, a show held in the Recreation Hall was well attended. Feature attraction was "The Rangers Round Up", a western picture with Fred Scott as the star, and "shorts", "Dog show", "Flip the Frog", "New York" and "Broadway Dance Parade". As Good Friday occurred on the following day, the usual

10-4-41  Thursday night mess dinner was cancelled. The fourth issue of "Reconnaissance" came off the press today; a copy of this station's periodical is attached. (ED NOTE - not attached).

11-4-41  Today, Good Friday, was declared a holiday for all service personnel with the exception of the skeleton staff. The sky was heavily overcast, and several cross-country flights previously planned had to be cancelled. Hon. Flt. Lt. Griffiths, conducted a brief church service in the Recreation Hall at 1000 hours. Flying Officer (Instructor), Patrick Grant was married to Gretchen Virginia Kroshus at St. Paul's Cathedral at 2045 hours. An impromptu reception at the Bessborough Hotel, following the marriage ceremony, was attended by brother officers and friends of the bride and groom.

12-4-41  Owing to heavy fog, there were no morning flying operations. Flying proceeded in the afternoon. The funeral of the two deceased airmen, LAC Tweedie and LAC Randall was held. Full military honors were accorded, and a large assembly gathered at St. John's Cathedral in Saskatoon. The service was held at St. John's Cathedral, and conducted by Hon. Flt. Lt. Griffiths, assisted by Archdeacon Alderwood. City officials, in attendance, were Mayor MacEachern and Commissioner Leslie. F/O Collins was in charge of the funeral party. Interment took place in Woodlawn Cemetery, Saskatoon. Aircraft flying overhead, formed part of the ceremony and flowers were strewn from the air. Pictures of the ceremony are attached. (ED NOTE - not attached). LAC H.G.W. Smith 402678, and LAC G.A. Perriman Course 21, were posted to No. 2 Manning Depot, as their flying training was discontinued here.
The early morning of this day was cloudy with slight rainfall about noon. However, the day was clear enough to allow for flying. Flying training was discontinued for LAC Triger, L.R71532, who was posted to Brandon. Church Services were held by the Anglican and Catholic Padres. Attendances at these services was only fair. This day being Easter Sunday, many visitors were allowed access to the station grounds. Progress is being made on improvement of the Station grounds. Visiting Flight; Flt. Lt. Chessny from Prince Albert conferred with the Ground Instructional School Officers.

Good flying weather all day; no night flying. Group Captain Bonham Carter from Headquarters arrived at 1630 hours in a Lockheed. Moving pictures were shown by Mr. Christilaw of the Y.M.C.A., at 1930 hours. The feature attraction being "Let Em Live", with stars Nan Grey and John Howard. "Shorts" were "Stars & Stripes and "Nellie, the Sewing Machine Girl". The Recreation Hall was filled.

Light wind prevailed. Flying day and night. The Trade Test Board arrived from Command and immediately proceeded to attend to their duties on the station.

The morning was cool. Flying by day; no night flying.

Owing to snow flurries during the day, there was no flying. Y.M.C.A. put on a Movie at the Recreation Hall at 1930 hours. Main picture was "Sing While You're Able", together with "shorts" "Rome", "Good Old School Days" and "Pathe News Digest". This programme was well attended.

Good weather conditions; flying all day.

Good flying weather; flying all day. A marriage ceremony was performed by the Protestant Chaplain, Hon. Flt. Lt. W.P. Griffiths, in his office on the station. The participants were Sgt. Cunningham and Miss Lillian Johnstone of Moose Jaw. The regular monthly formal dance was held in the Officers' Mess in the evening. It was well attended.

Hon. H. W. Estey, Attorney General, Minister of Education, for the Government of Sask. was a visitor at this station.

Flying during the day. Crane 7714 was slightly damaged. The pilot was LAC N.S. Fairbridge Course 21, who was uninjured. The cause of the accident was the failure of tail wheel to lock and seizure of left brake. The Padre, Hon. Flt. Lt. Griffiths, held the usual church service at 1100 hours preceded by communion at 800 hours.

Perfect flying weather; day and night flying. In the evening the Y.M.C.A., put on a
show for the service personnel entitled "Little Tough Guys", starring the "Dead End Kids" with "shorts" "Going Places" and "Queen's Kittens".

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22-4-41  Flying all day; night flying. An accident occurred when Crane 7685 crashed into Aerodrome at 1245 hours. The pilot was LAC E. D. Vanier, R65301, Course 23. Fortunately he was not injured. The cause of the accident was claimed to be inexperience of pilot. The first route march for Officers was held this morning, and a distance of 3½ miles was covered. A successfully conducted dance was enjoyed by the Sergeants in their mess.

23-4-41  Flying all day; night flying. St. George's day, services were held in the Anglican Cathedral, Saskatoon, attended by representative groups of the airforce, army and navy. Saskatoon organizations were represented by citizens and Boy Scouts and Girl Guide troops. A crash occurred at the aerodrome at 2215 hours. Pilot: P/O N.F. Rettie, Student: LAC. P.C. Browne, Course 19. Neither injured. The undercarriage collapsed and the cause of the accident was attributed to heavy landing.

24-4-41  Good flying weather; flying day and night. Cranes 7719, 7722, 7723, arrived at 1600 hours from Winnipeg. F/O P.J. Grant was posted to No. 18 EFTS., Boundary Bay, B.C. A picture show, conducted by the Y.M.C.A., was given for the service personnel at the Recreation Hall. Title of picture being "Trans-Atlantic Town". The Officers' Weekly Mess Dinner was

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24-4-41 (cont'd) held at 1930 hours. Honorary mess members present were Major McNeill and Mr. R. Strickland. Lt. Col. Cathcart was also present as a mess guest.

25-4-41  Favourable weather; flying day and night. LAC M. M. Hurley, Course 23, was posted to No. 2 Manning Depot, his flying training being discontinued. F/O C.J. Collins, Armament Officer here, was posted to No. 3 Bombing and Gunnery School, MacDonald, Man. Squadron Leader C. F. Newcombe, arrived today to take over the duties of Chief Flying Instructor.

26-4-41  Good weather; flying day and night. Crane 7720 with Pilot LAC E. B. Dean, and passenger LAC W. G. Hawes, flying Crane 7720, crashed on aerodrome at 1445 hours. No injuries. The undercarriage collapsed, the cause of the accident being obscure. The officers of the Ground Instructional School, conferred with Squadron Leader, C. F. Newcombe, Chief Instructor. Many new features of the Ground Instructional School work were discussed. Sir Robert Clive of the British Ambassadorial staff was a guest of Group Captain Bell-Irving at an informal gathering in the Officers' Mess.

27-4-41  Weather fair; flying during the day; no night flying. Crane 7698 crashed at 0815 hours on aerodrome. Pilot - Cochrane, K.M., Course 21, uninjured. Undercarriage collapsed. Cause of accident obscure.
28-4-41 Clear weather; flying all day. Two new aircraft arrived from Winnipeg; Crane 7724, 7725. G.I.S. Tests were held at Ground Instructional School for pupils, and preparations

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28-4-41 (cont'd) were made for final examination of Course 19. Y.M.C.A. put on a Movie at the Recreation j Hall, the feature picture was "Death Rides the Range".

29-4-41 Owing to low ceiling flying did not get under way until 1400 hours; night flying. The Commanding Officer, Group Captain, Bell-Irving, started his inspection of the station, accompanied by Wing Commander, M. C. Dubuc. Mr. Scowcroft, Engineer in charge of Works and Buildings, who has accepted a post with the City of Saskatoon, effective May 1st, has agreed to report to the station each evening to supervise work progress, until the arrival of P.O. Farquharson who will take over Works and Buildings operations on May 9th. Our Officer flying Instructors have displayed commendable zeal in taking an extra-mural course in one point landings. Their means of practice are saddle horses from a Saskatoon riding academy. No basic reports have been received as yet.

30-4-41 Good weather; flying day and night. The Commanding Officer continued his inspection accompanied by Wing Commander Dubuc. Squadron Leader Newcombe, Chief Instructor of Ground Instructional School, attended the coroner's Inquest at Cudworth in connection with the accidental deaths of LAC Tweedie and LAC Randall.

C.O. No. 4 S.F.T.S., Saskatoon, Sask.

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APRIL 41

THE TWO AUSTRALIANS

Their’s was to die with laughter in their hearts,
In a clean land, fresh blown by snow-kissed wind,
Made sweet by early spring and sun,
This was their stage then, this their last sports field,
Their eyes made brave in southern lands.
Had not yet looked on Death - - and yet - -
They chose that which was Death’s playmate
And blithely played him out,

Some fool-made query - - “such a pity ‘twas so young,”
They had not shirked, complained, nor asked
For aught but what their day might bring;
They held a pride within their hearts,
Australian pride, and strength of England’s strain,
They died -- 'twas seemly so - their blood
Enriched the ground on which it fell:
They won't begrudge - -their heads are in the sky.

- From a Comrade.

IMAGE 1347

1-5-41 PERSONNEL STRENGTH

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Airmen R.C.A.F. 83

1-5-41 Trainees

Airmen R.A.A.F. 78

Aircraft Strength

Serviceable

Ansons 7
Harvards 0
Tiger Moths 2
Cessna 33

Unserviceable

Ansons 7
Harvards 1
Tiger Moths 0
Cessna 33

Total 83

PERSONNEL

31-5-41

Staff

Officers R.C.A.F. 63
Airmen R.C.A.F. 763

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**Total** 73
1-5-41  Flying all day. Night flying. Crane 7676 crashed at Vanscoy at 1140 hours. Pilot - LAC Williams, R.D. (Course 21) solo, uninjured. Aircraft ground looped breaking undercarriage. The Office's Mess was honored to have as guests Mr. R.N. Pinder and Lt. Col. Stayner, D.S.O., O.B.E., prominent citizens of Saskatoon, The Y.M.C.A. put on a showing of the moving picture "Death Rides the Range" at which 250 airmen were present.


3-5-41  Flying all day. Night flying. An informal evening was held in the Officers' Mess at which the officers and their friends bade farewell to F/O Kirkcaldy and Mrs. Kirkcaldy, who were to depart for Brandon the following day.

4-5-41  Flying all day. Crane 7675 crashed at aerodrome at 0130 hours. Pilot Sgt. Black, W.

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4-5-41  Student: L.A.C. Reid, J.P.F. Neither injured. Undercarriage sheared. Pilot took over too late. Crane 7674 crashed on aerodrome. Pilot Sgt. North, E.B. Applied brakes suddenly near taxing post. Aircraft nosed up. Pilot uninjured. The Town Council of Vonda visited the station and were conducted on a tour of the grounds by Wing Commander Dubuc. Afternoon tea was served in the Officers' Mess.

5-5-41  Flying all day. No night flying. The Y.M.C.A. showed the picture "Mr. Hobs" in which George Arlies played the feature role. Two hundred and eighty airmen attended. A meeting of the Sports Committee was held at which it was decided to enter an R.C.A.F. team in the local Baseball League. Consideration was given to details covering a track and field meet. Those present were S/L Fee, F/O C. Field, F/O Payton, Cpl. Emery and Mr. C. G. Christilaw of the Y.M.C.A. and several airmen.

6-5-41  No flying. High wind. Neither day nor night flying. The funeral of AC2 Hiebert, R.T. who was killed in a flying accident at No. 11 S.F.T.S. Yorkton, Sask., was held and F/O Marks was in charge of the funeral party. Full service honours were accorded and burial took place in Woodlawn Cemetery, Saskatoon. Photographs are enclosed. (ED NOTE - not enclosed). The first planting of the trees provided by the Department of Agriculture for the beautification of the Station grounds was begun today. A sing-song, conducted by Mr. Christilaw of the Y.M.C.A., was held in the Recreation
6-5-41  Hall in the evening; about 20 airmen attended. A Ping Pong tournament was held in the Dry Canteen and twenty-four players participated.

7-5-41  No flying on account of snow. A meeting of the Sports Committee was held at which S/L Fee, F/O Field, F/O Peyton, Cpl. Emery and airmen from the various units of the station attended; Mr. Christilaw represented the Y.M.C.A. Final details concerning the track and field meet to be held on May 11th were arranged.

8-5-41  Flying all day. Crane 7700 crashed on runway at 1200 hours. Pilot LAC Murray, R.B. uninjured. Purpose of flight: Solo training. Pilot unlocked tail wheel after landing while travelling at high speed. On attempting to turn slightly aircraft ground looped shearing the undercarriage. The weekly Officers’ Mess dinner was held in the evening. A farewell speech was made at the dinner by Captain Goodman of the Canadian Dental Corps. Capt. Goodman was to leave within the next few days to take up duties at Rivers, Manitoba. An intra-station softball game was held; twenty-three of the station personnel participated. "A" flight held preliminary track and field trials in preparation for the Sports Day to be held on May 11th. A picture show was given by.

8-5-41  the Y.M.C.A. in the evening.

9-5-41  Flying all day. Crane 7688 crashed on runway at 1130 hours. Pilot LAC Dobbie, T.G. uninjured. while landing, brakes became defective. Uncontrolled swing developed. The Protestant Chaplin at this station, F/L Griffiths, left today for Winnipeg to attend a conference of chaplains in No. 2 Command. Elimination trials were held to determine candidates for the events to be held at the Sports Meet. A dance for N.C.O.’s, airmen and their friends was held under the auspices of the Saskatoon Women's Air Force Auxiliary. Three hundred people attended.

10-5-41  Crane 7660 Pilot LAC Sherlock, A.A. crashed on aerodrome at 1600 hours. Pupil ground looped on first solo flight. Undercarriage sheared. Crane 7717 crashed at Vanscoy at 1705 hours. Landed with wheels retracted. Pilot Hearle, W.E. (400587). Finishing touches were made to the Sports field in preparation for the track and field meet to be held on the following day.

Flying all day. No night flying. LAC Murdoch, R.S. posted to Picton. Failed navigation exam.

11-5-41  LAC McCall, J. P. R56292 training interrupted on account of sickness. Transferred to Course 23. Both these students in Course 19. Flying washed out. Under ideal weather conditions, the Track and Field Meet was held. The preliminary heats were "run-off" in the morning starting at 1000 hours. In the afternoon at 1400 hours

11-5-41  the gates were opened to the public and some 5000 people attended. The prizes were
presented by Group Captain Bell-Irving. Two copies of the Program of Events and a descriptive "write-up" which appeared in the Saskatoon "Star-Phoenix" are enclosed.


13-5-41  Flying all day. Night flying. Softball practice; approximately 20 airmen participated. LAC R. Hutchinson acted as coach for the softball enthusiasts.

14-5-41  Flying all day. LAC Peacock, N.B. Course 19 flying training discontinued. Posted Trenton.

15-5-41  Flying all day. Mr. Woodward, Managing Editor of the Saskatoon Star-Phoenix, was the guest of honour at the weekly mess dinner, and proved himself a raconteur of no small merit. The R.C.A.F. softball team played their first game in the Saskatoon Men's Senior Softball League with the rather disastrous result which has been immortalized by the Saskatoon Star-Phoenix in the attached clipping.

16-5-41  Flying in the morning. Wings Parade for Course 13. Forty-nine pupils graduated. Twelve posted to No. 31 G.R. School Charlottetown and 37 were posted to "M" Depot, Halifax, N.S. A Wings Parade was held for the graduates of Course 13. Owing to inclement weather, this parade had to be held in No. 2 Hangar. The Premier of Saskatchewan, the Hon. Mr. V. J. Patterson, addressed the graduating class. The Premier was accompanied by Saskatchewan's Attorney-General, the Hon. Mr. W. Estey. A copy of the photograph published in the Saskatoon Star-Phoenix on May 19th showing the graduating class and the attending officers and guests is enclosed.

17-5-41  Flying for half the morning. The Commanding Officer, Group Captain Bell-Irving, left today on 14 days leave. Wing Commander M.C. Dubuc took over temporary Command of the station pending the return of Group Captain Bell-Irving. A formal dance was held in the Officers' mess. Quite a few officers from Dafoe, accompanied by their wives and friends, attended.

18-5-41  Flying all day. Usual Sunday afternoon tea held in the Officers' Mess.

19-5-41  Flying half day. Washed out on account of wind. One hour and a half night flying washed out account of weather,
20-5-41 New flying schedule organized. Flying to commence at 1700 hours and continue until 1000 hours following day. High winds. Air Vice Marshall Gobel of the R.A.A.F., was a visitor at the Station during the day. P.T. Instruction was given to a number of pupils in the various courses by P.C. Bowman, the P.T. Instructor who has just recently arrived on this station. First baseball game of the season was inaugurated by the Mayor of Saskatoon, Mr. McEachern. The opposing teams were the R.C.A.F. and the Saskatoon Tigers. The R.C.A.F. kept their "no win" escutcheon unblemished by losing this game 17-0.

21-5-41 No flying during day - dust storm. Flying all night at Vanscoy and Osler. No sports activities.

22-5-41 Flying as scheduled. Mr. Trotter of Saskatoon was the guest of honor at the weekly mess dinner. Seventy-two airmen participated in Softball and baseball games on the sports field in the evening.


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23-5-41 A Sports Committee meeting was held for the purpose of instituting a definite sports programme. Those in attendance were F/O Field, F/O Payton, P/O Bowman, Cpl. McAskill and Mr. E. G. Christilaw of the Y.M.C.A. War Services.

24-5-41 Crane 7707 crashed at 0015 hours on aerodrome. Pilot - LAC Halihurst, W. (2007A) uninjured. Left wheel undercarriage remained fixed partially retracted. Victoria Day. No special events took place,


26-5-41 Flying all day. No night flying due to bad weather. Sqn. Ldr. A.H. Sellars and F/O E.W.C. Sharpe arrived from No. 2 Command to conduct the Court of Inquiry regarding the death of LAC Rowe. Group Captain Grant, Vlng Commander Pleasance and F/O Chapman paid a visit to the station to deal with matters pertaining to the Maintenance Section. Group Captain. Feather, Ottawa was another visitor.
26-5-41 The Y.M.C.A. put on the movie "Lives of a Bengal Lancer"; One hundred and fifty airmen attended.

27-5-41 Flying washed out. Bad weather.

28-5-41 Flying washed out in the morning. Hudson 776 bearing the VICTORY TORCH landed at 1330 hours. Departed 1615 hours. The VICTORY TORCH Parade was held today; sixty-three officers and airmen, from this station took part. Attached clippings (May 29, May 30) from the Saskatoon Star-Phoenix are descriptive. Photographs made by service photographer are also attached.

29-5-41 Half day's flying. The weekly Officers' Mess dinner was held; there were no outside guests present. The funeral service for the late LAC Herbert J. Rowe was held; the Protestant. Flt. Lt. W. P. Griffiths, conducted the service and F/O James Constabaris was in charge of the funeral party. A complete newspaper account is attached.

30-5-41 Tiger Moths 4260 and 4261 left at 1135 hours for Virden. Crane 7758 arrived from Winnipeg at 1530 hours. Wing Commander Dubuc, Acting Commanding Officer, started on an inspection of the station today. A dance for airmen and friends was held in the Recreation Hall under the sponsorship of the Saskatoon Women’s Air Force Auxiliary. This dance was attended and enjoyed by many.

31-5-41 Flying for half day. Wing Commander Dubuc continued his Inspection of the Station. The Sergeants held their monthly dance in the Sergeants’ Mess. Two copies of station periodical attached.

M.C. Dubuc W/C.

IMAGE 1385

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| TRAINEEs:         | 136.     |             | 149       |
| R.C.A.F.          | 12       |             |           |
| R.A.A.F.          | 1        |             |           |
| R.A.F.            | 12       |             |           |

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Ansons  | 1            | 1             |
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Cessna  | 44           | 32            |

IMAGE 1387

1-6-41   No flying. Bad weather. Group Captain Bell-Irving returned from leave by plane from Winnipeg.

2-6-41   No flying. Bad weather. The Commanding Officer continued the station inspection initiated by Wing Commander Dubuc the previous week. Under Y.M.C.A. auspices the moving picture "Torrid Zone" was shown to an appreciative audience.

3-6-41   Flying from 0500 hours to 1000 hours. Crane 7763 arrived at 1610 hours from Winnipeg. Flying from 1700 to 2200 hours. Night flying.


5-6-41   Flying all day and night. Flt. Lt. Emery from Command inspected office re weekly and monthly returns. Crane 7687 crashed on main aerodrome at 1820 hours. Pilot L.A.C. Woods, R.E. (R71062) Course 21 uninjured. Pilot swung on take off and ground looped shearing undercarriage. Cause: Failure to correct swing quickly enough. Flying Officer Walton, i/c of Radio Technicians' School at the University of Saskatchewan made arrangements with the Y.M.C.A. representative on this station to aid in the recreational activities of the R.C.A.F. students at the University. A Y.M.C.A. showing of the movie "Everything is Thunder" was well received by station personnel.

6-6-41   Day and night flying. Major D. S. Cooms, M.M. S.O. D.S. (Air) and Major C.W. Steele C.D.C., arrived on this day for the purpose of inspecting dental facilities.

IMAGE 1388
7-6-41  Day flying.

8-6-41  Flying all day, Night flying. A visiting baseball team from the army camp at Dundurn played here. The R.C.A.F. won by a narrow margin; the final score being 10 - 9. The army team was accompanied by Capt. Budd, Hon. Capt. Daly, Lieutenant Rollefson and Mr. Reid of the K. of C. Auxiliary Services.

9-6-41  Course No. 21 graduated. 2 posted to No. 119 (BR) Squadron, Yarmouth, N.S., 36 posted to No. 1 "M" Depot, Halifax, and 8 posted to No. 31 G.R.S., Charlottetown, N.B. Day and night flying. Wings Parade for Course 21 was held. The Commanding Officer made the presentations of "Wings" to the successful students. The Saskatoon Ladies' Air Force Auxiliary served tea in the Recreation hall after the parade. A newspaper account of this parade is enclosed. A movie show "Three Cheers for the Irish" was held in the evening.

10-6-41  Flying all day. Night flying. Funeral of Corporal Douglas Earl Craig (24) R.C.A.F., who was killed in an aeroplane crash near Sable Island, was held on this day. A newspaper account and photographs of the funeral are enclosed.

11-6-41  Flying all day. Night flying. Funeral rites for L.A.C. Robert Alexander, R.C.A.F. were held. Newspaper account and photographs are enclosed. The first Sports Parade for the students of the Radio Technicians' course took place; one hundred and fifty students took part.

12-6-41  Day and night flying. The movie "Pacific Liner" was displayed to some 200 R.C.A.F. personnel. Baseball and Softball games were engaged in. The R.C.A.F. lost out by a narrow margin to the Saskatoon "Pats"; the score 13 - 14. The baseball score was tallied R.C.A.F. 6 - Pats 14.

13-6-41  Day and night flying. Crane 7714 crashed on runway at Vanscoy at 2000 hours. Pilot LAC Baker, C. G. (Course 23) uninjured. Pilot made single engine approach, opened throttles to go around again. Starboard engine failed, and the aircraft was unable to maintain altitude. Cause: Failure of starboard engine. Crane 7770 crashed at Vanscoy at 1930 hours. Pilot: Sgt. Epps, R. F., (R59287) - Student - L.A.C. Smith, H. (R56283). Neither injured. The instructor was giving dual and forced landing procedure removing under-

13-6-41  carriage warning fuse. Aircraft landed with wheels up. Cause: Instructor removed undercarriage fuse and failed to check position of undercarriage. The Officers' Mess dinners heretofore held every week, are scheduled to take place on Friday night every second week, so that those officers engaged in night flying may find time to partake of the social benefits engendered by these enjoyable gatherings. It has also been arranged to hold the monthly dance on the second Friday of each month, immediately following the dinner.

14-6-41  Crane 7763 crashed at Osler aerodrome at 06l0 hours. Pilot: Sgt. Logan, N.J. - Student - L.A.C. Williams, A. E. (RAF) (1187313) uninjured. Pilot swung on take off, ground
looped and sheared undercart. Cause: Inability of instructor to correct swing was allowed to progress too far. Error in Judgment on part of instructor. Day and night flying. A meeting was called for the purpose of ascertaining the possibility of forming a Station Trumpet and Snare Drum band.

15-6-41  Day and night flying.

16-6-41  Day and night flying. The motion picture "It All Came True", starring Ann Sheridan, Geoffrey Lynn and Humphrey Bogart, was enjoyed by a fairly large audience.

17-6-41  Day and night flying. A further meeting concerning the Station band was held. Progress was made and it is expected that in the near future a satisfactory band can be formed.

18-6-41  Day and night flying. Crane 7689 undercarriage collapsed. Pilot L.A.C. Shepherd, A., (1256371) uninjured. Practicing circuits and landings, first solo. Undercarriage collapsed. Crane 7700 crashed on main aerodrome at 1800 hours. Pilot: F/O Brown N.C., (1037) Passengers: F/Sgt. Cox, L.T., (2073). Sgt. Goode, H.M. (1038), AC Zacharias, N.C. H79605 uninjured. On landing, port brake was discovered to be seized and pilot was unable to hold straight. Aircraft ground looped and undercarriage sheared. Cause: Seizure of brake when aircraft was being tested. Crane 7758 crashed at main aerodrome at 0205 hours. Pilot: L.A.C. Arnett. J. L. (R76623) uninjured. Accident occured while practicing night landings. Wheel broke off, and aircraft ground looped. Cause: Heavy landing on left wheel. The Y.M.C.A. representative at this station co-operated with F/O Walton i/c of the Radio Technicians' School at the University of Saskatchewan in the conduct of a Sports Parade on the University grounds. The sports participation was as follows: Forty Students played softball; twenty played horseshoes; twenty took part in various gymnasium activities; sixty took over the swimming pool, and ten engaged in tennis.

19-6-41  Flying day and night. Crane 7680 (Pilot: F/O Thompson, R. W. - Student - L.A.C. Doggett, A. A. Course 30) crashed at Osler aerodrome, while practicing circuits and landings. Collapse of starboard oleo leg. League games between R.C.A.F. teams and city teams took place. Softball, R.C.A.F. (8) vs. K. of C. (2); Baseball, R.C.A.F. (8) vs. Cubs (9); R.C.A.F. personnel from the Bombing and Gunnery School visited the station and engaged in a scoreless gamr of football. After a tour of the station they returned to Dafoe by bus.

20-6-41  Day and night flying. The first Sports meeting was held under the chairmanship of Flit. Lt. Patton, who succeeded Squadron Leader Fee, posted to an eastern station. Those present were Flying Officers Bowman, Doolittle, Farquharson Field, Flt. Sergeant Sager, and Mr. Christilaw the Y.M.C.A. representative. The Ladies' Auxiliary held a dance in the Recreation Hall, which was attended and enjoyed by the airmen and their friends.

21-6-41  Day and night flying. Crane 7690 crashed at Vanscoy aerodrome while practicing

22-6-41  Flying half day. No night flying. A party of 25 R.C.A.F. personnel visited Dundurn Army Camp for participation in soccer, and baseball games. They were most cordially received by Col. Laws, Capt. Sheward, Hon. Capt. Daly and Mr. Reid. The games were placed in mid afternoon. The R.C.A.F. won the baseball 16-0, but lost the soccer game 1 to 3.

IMAGE 1391

23-6-41  Flying during day. No night flying. A successful barbecue party was arranged by the Sask. Game Conservation Association, at which sat English students. The method of barbecuing a whole beef was entirely new to the English lads, and they enjoyed themselves to the full. The movie this evening was "True Confessions".

24-6-41  Flying all day and night.

25-6-41  Flying day and night. Mr. Christilaw, the Y.M.C.A. representative, aided Flying Officer Walton of the Radio Technicians' School in another Sports day, which was held under favorable weather conditions.

26-6-41  Flying; day and night. In the league baseball and softball games, the R.C.A.F. teams were consistent; they lost both games.

27-6-41  Flying day and night. Crane 7704 crashed at Osler Aerodrome. Pilot: L.A.C. Doggett uninjured. Aircraft during landing went up on wing tip and nosed to ground with considerable force breaking both engines. The semi-monthly mess dinner was held and the outside guests present were, Mr. R. F. Strickland, Prof. Hopkins of the Faculty of Law, University of Saskatchewan, and Major Angus McNeil. Flying day and night. L.A.C. Beldam, I.R., crashed in Crane 7722 at Osler aerodrome at 2000 hours. Aircraft swung on take off and the undercarriage collapsed. Cause: Inexperience. L.A.C. MacLaughlin, A. J. crashed in Crane 7695 at Vanscoy aerodrome. Solo landing practice. Heavy landing collapsed left undercarriage. Pilot flattened out too high.

28-6-41  Flying during day. No night flying. Softball and baseball games were played by R.C.A.F. teams against army teams at the Exhibition grounds; a surge of sporting conscience enabled the R.C.A.F. teams to emerge triumphant from the contests.

IMAGE 1392
28-6-41  L.A.C. Henderson, M.K., crashed on main aerodrome at 0055 hours in Crane 7708. Pilot uninjured. Pupil was practicing night flying circuits. Tail wheel failed to lock properly and aircraft swung on take off shearing undercarriage.

29-6-41  No flying. Bad weather.

30-6-41  Flying during day. Night flying. A moving picture show entitled "If I Had My Way", was given by the Y.M.C.A. representative.

(C.G, Durham) Flt. Lt.,
for Commanding Officer,
No. 4 SFTS, RCAF.,
Saskatoon, Sask.

IMAGE 1400

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Personnel Strength  
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R.C.A.S.C.  1  7
C.D.C.  1  3

Civilians
Barrack Officer  0
Meteorologist  2
Others  172

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IMAGE 1402


Marriage: Norman Leonard Pickett to Grace Dorothy Newfeldt in St. James Church, Saskatoon by W.P. Griffiths, Flt. Lt.

2-7-41  Flying all day. Night flying. R.C.A.F. vs. Mayfair Club - Soccer game played on the Mayfair Park grounds. The game was tied at 3-3. Mayfair team were last year's champions, while the R.C.A.F. team was newly formed. The following were members of the R.C.A.F. team. LAC's Veech, LaRocque, Wilson, Davidson, Mulvihill, Studds, Biddle, LaSalle, Jones, Stocker and Corporals Smith, Ralston, Guest. In the softball league the R.C.A.F. won from the Pats by a score of 6-5.

3-7-41  Flying all day. No night flying. Course 23 graduated. Newspaper clipping enclosed. Eleven graduates posted to No. 31 G.R.S., Charlottetown - Two posted to Eastern Air Command - Thirty posted to No. 1 "M" Depot, Halifax, N.S. The Flyers lost a baseball game to the Tigers by a score 7-8. The Flyers took an early lead but were overtaken in the 6th inning and beaten by
a winning run in the seventh. The Saskatoon Air Force Auxiliary served tea to the graduating class and their friends in the Recreation Hall. The first tennis courts on the station were ready in the drill hall and play was started under the lights. The Y.M.C.A. movie in the Recreation Hall featured the Sea Hawk starring Errol Flynn and Brenda Marshall. The cartoon with the show was "Slap Happy Pappy". Marriage: Walter Woodrow Fink to Maureen Carruthers Anderson in Chaplain's Office, No. 4 SFTS. RCAF. by Flt. Lt. W. P. Griffiths. Robert Haig Beardall to Marjorie Vivian Forrest in Chaplain's office, #4 SFTS. RCAF. by Flt. Lt. W. P. Griffiths.

4-7-41 Course 32 reported to this station - - 17 reported from No. 16 E.F.T.S., Edmonton and 27 from No. 6 E.F.T.S. , Prince Albert, and 1 from No. 10 S.F.T.S., Dauphin, Man. Flying all day. Night flying. Crane 7794 arrived from Winnipeg.


6-7-41 Flying all day. Night flying. Baseball and Soccer teams from Dundurn visited the station. After a day of sports the men were entertained in the canteens and messes. Lieutenant Barr was in charge of the baseball team and Staff Sergeant Melville of the Soccer team for Dundurn. The R.C.A.P. teams were captained by Cpl. Emery and Cpl. Murray for baseball and soccer respectively. Captain Pechev brought the third baseball team from the Army Depot at the Exhibition Grounds. The first baseball game was won by the R.C.A.P. against Dundurn Army team with a score of 10-2. In the evening the R.C.A.P. defeated the Depot team 9-2 while the soccer game was taken by the R.C.A.F. by a bare margin of 4 to 3. It was an R.C.A.P. day.

7-7-41 Flying all day. Fight flying. The usual Monday show was "Rulers of the Sea" starring Douglas Fairbanks, Jr. and Margaret Lockwood, also a Popeye Cartoon - "Mutiny Ain't Nice". Attendance was about 150 airmen and the Commanding Officer and Administrative Officer. A football meeting was held to organize the team more completely. Flying Officer Fields being made manager. Cpl. White, Captain and Squadron Leader Smith, vice-captain with E.G. Christilaw of the Y.M.C.A. acting as secretary to arrange games and schedules.

8-7-41 Flying all day. Night flying.

9-7-41 Flying all day. Night flying. Baseball game with the Technical School Students played on No. 4 SFTS. grounds.

10-7-41 Flying all day. Night flying. Crane 7762 - Pilot S/P Shannon, C.R. undercarriage jammed In "up" position. Show night. The feature being the "Calling of Dan Mathews". In the baseball league the Flyers lost to the Cubs by 6 – 9.

11-7-41 Flying all day. Night flying. The funeral of Flt. Lt. John Gordon Richardson, was held
from St. John's Cathedral. Newspaper clipping attached.

12-7-41 Flying in the morning only. No night flying. A party was given by the Saskatoon Air Force Auxiliary at the Sask. Country Club for about 45 airmen. Transportation was given by the Street Railway Company to take the students to and from the dance. The purpose of the dance was to help the students of Course 32 to get acquainted in Saskatoon.

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12-7-41 The ladies of the Auxiliary provided lunch and entertainment, and the airmen greatly enjoyed the evening. The Y.M.C.A. representative was responsible for the organization of the group from the station and arranging to have then meet the bus at the Senator Hotel.

13-7-41 Flying one-half day. Night flying

14-7-41 Flying during the day. Night flying. Monday's show, "The Last Outpost" was well attended. The shorts "Bob Crosby and His Orchestra" and "Silver Millions", a story of salmon fishing were particularly good.

15-7-41 Flying during the day. Night flying. Two ball games at Cairn's Field were played on schedule by the baseball and softball teams representing this station.

16-7-41 Flying all day. Night flying. Crane 7709 - Pilot LAC Baker, G.E. killed. Solo night flying practice. Crash occurred during the circuit. Aircraft burned. Crane 7796 - Pilot LAC Miller, D.H. crashed. Pilot held off too high due to inexperience and as a result landed heavily, bending undercarriage fork. allowing no clearance between tire and fork. Newspaper clipping attached. R.C.A.F. vs Amy (Exhibition) soccer games played on the station. The game was won by the home team.

17-7-41 Flying all day. Night flying. Cranes 7665 and 7671 crashed. Pilot (7665) - LAC MacDonald W.R.C., and pilot (7671) LAC Rae, J.A. Pilot started engines of 7665 while standing behind pilot's seat and without chocks on wheels. Brakes did not hold and aircraft 7665 turned and struck 7671 standing on line nearby. R.C.A.F. BASEBALL TEAM were defeated by the Technical School group. The game was played on the station's sports field and was closely contested. The Thursday show was the Harold Ball Wright story, "The Mine with the Iron Door".

IMAGE 1405

18-7-41 Flying all day. Night flying.

19-7-41 Flying one-half day. No night flying. Try outs for the various entries were held in the Swimming Pool. The Sergeants held a dance in their Mess.
20-7-41  Flying one-half day. Night flying. Swim meet held in the New Swimming Pool. Baseball and soccer teams visited Dundurn where they won one game and lost one game. The teams had an enjoyable day and were accompanied by Squadron Leader Smith, Flight Sergeants Baker and Hobbs and were captained by Corporals Emery and White.

21-7-41  Flying during day. Night flying. Cranes 7839 and 7832 arrived from Winnipeg. Monday's show was to be the "Light that Failed" but was replaced by "You Aint So Tough" starring the Dead End Kids.

22-7-41  Flying during day. Night flying.

23-7-41  Flying during day. Night flying. Cranes 7839, 7841 and 7844 arrived from Winnipeg.

24-7-41  Flying during day. Night flying. Squadron Leader Bell and Wing Commander Lung of No. 3 S.F.T.S. R.A.F. North Battleford were visitors at the station. 23½ Hours leave had a particular appeal to the airmen when shown in the Recreation Hall by the Y.M.C.A. The night was very hot and the attendance was down to 85.

25-7-41  Flying during day. Night flying. Group Captain Bonham Carter of No. 2 Training Command and Group Captain Bett of North Battleford, Wing Commander Edwards, of Headquarters, Ottawa, Ontario and Wing Commander Gordon of Yorkton visited the station.

26-7-41  Flying one half day. No night flying on account of bad weather. Crane 7836 swung on landing, collapsing undercarriage and damaging starboard nacelle. Pilot: LAC Connor, R.H. Course 30.

27-7-41  No flying during day or night. Rainy and cloudy weather during evening and throughout the night.

IMAGE 1406

28-7-41  Flying during day. Night flying. Shown in the Recreation Hall, the show "The Great Victor Herbert" was enjoyed by the airmen. Course 28 had it's Wing Parade. Tea being served by the S.A.F.A. in the Recreation Hall. Newspaper clipping enclosed.

29-7-41  Flying during morning only. Cloudy and raining in the evening and throughout the night, at which periods no flying took place. Crane 7682 ground looped on take off and collapsed port undercarriage allowing port airscrew to strike ground. Pilot: P/O Alington. Marriage: Alan Edward Thompson, Flt. Lt. to Marguerite Alice Downey in Bessborough Hotel by Flt, Lt. W.P. Griffiths. A team of firemen from Saskatoon lost a soccer game to the R.C.A.F. team on the home grounds. The game was interrupted for a short period by a heavy shower. In the League baseball the R.C.A.F. were blanked by the Cubs with a score of 0-4.

30-7=41  Flying during day. Night flying. Crane 7797 swung on landing and ground looped. Pilot: L.A.C. Snow, W.J.
31-7-41  Flying during day. Night flying. The Recreation Hall has been equipped with blinds and light traps to enable the picture showings to be started earlier. The screen density is much improved and the show "Hitting a New High" featuring Lily Pons, Jack Oakie, Edward Everett Horton and Eric Blore was well received.

(C.G. Durham) Flt. Lt., for Commanding Officer, No. 4 SFTS. RCAF. Saskatoon.

IMAGE 1407

Appendix “A”
1st July, 41. Two Royal Canadian Air Force men lost their lives in an airplane crash in the Shellbrook district Tuesday evening. The two men. Sgt.-Pilot Fred Ray, Rapid City, S.D.. and L.A.C. Jack Kugelmass, Montreal, were attached to No. 4 Service Flying Training School, Saskatoon. They were flying a twin-engined Cessna training plane on a navigation flight. Sergeant-Pilot Ray was an instructor and Leading Aircraftsman Kugelmass a student pilot.

IMAGE 1420

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IMAGE 1423

1-8-41. Flying during day. Night flying. A farewell dinner was tendered to Group Captain A.D. Bell-Irving prior to his departure. Guests included Lt. Col. Dillon and Major Little from Dundurn and Lieutenants Wentz and Wallace, R.C.N.V.R.

2-8-41 Flying in forenoon only, No flying in the afternoon, due to unfavorable weather. Otherwise nothing of importance.
3-8-41  Flying one-half day. Night flying. Normal routine.

4-8-41  Flying during day. Night flying although cloudy and rainy weather. Crane 7839 - P/O L. Cameron crashed on landing. Starboard, undercarriage, airscrew and flap damaged. The moving picture "I was a Spy" was shown in the recreation hall.

5-8-41  Flying during day. Night flying. Crane 7677 Sgt. Pilot Willison, swung on take off, damaging the undercarriage. The handing over parade was rehearsed. The station baseball team played a city team on the station Sports' field.

6-8-41  Flying during day. Night flying. Another aircraft accident today. Crane 7777 LAC Motherwell, V.G. swung on take off damaging starboard undercarriage. Flying was placed on winter schedule. Wing Commander E.A. McNab arrived today to take over command of the station from Group Captain A.D. Bell-Irving, who is posted to Toronto.

7-8-41  Flying washed out till 1000 hours. Cloudy weather. Flying rest of the day. Night flying. Group Captain A.D. Bell-Irving handed over command of No. 4 SFTS. to Wing Commander E.A. McNab today. The ceremony marked the first appearance of the station trumpet band. Air Commodore R.W. Ryan and Wing Commander Chalk visited the station on a hospital inspection flight.

IMAGE 1424

8-8-41  Flying during morning. Crane 771?2  LAC Boyd swung during takeoff, collapsing the undercarriage.

9-S-41  Flying during day. No night flying. Another undercarriage damaged today; Crane 7705. LAC Tudell ground looped on landing.

10-8-41  No flying in morning. Flying for only one hour in afternoon. Very windy from 1500 hours on. Night flying. The station baseball team defeated the Trade School team in a well played game at the Exhibition grounds.

11-8-41  Flying during day. Night flying. Course 30 commenced their final examinations today.

12-8-41  Flying during day. One hour of night flying. Course 30 examinations completed. Flt. Lt. Durham was guest at a farewell smoker in the Sergeants' Mess on his retirement as Honorary President of the Mess. Flt. Lt. Durham leaves shortly for overseas.

13-8-41  Flying during day. Night flying.-The Tigers baseball team of Saskatoon defeated the R.C.A.F. team 14-4.

14-8-41  Flying during day. Night flying. A service soccer league has been formed, and the first game was played today. The R.C.A.F. team defeated the R.C. Engineers by a score of 1-0. ....
15-8-41  Flying during morning. Raining in the afternoon. One and one-half hours flying only. Flying Officer J. M. MacMillan took over the duties of Station Adjutant today.

16-8-4  Flying in morning and afternoon. No night flying. Crane 7815 - P.O. Draper with LAC Miles, H.T. and LAC Robertson, D.S. forced landing wheels retracted near Dundurn. Damage to airscrews and engine mounts. Class "A" reported today. This class is to receive preliminary training prior to posting to an I.T.S. The Junior branch of the Saskatoon Air Force Auxiliary entertained Course 31 at the Saskatoon Country Club.

17-8-41  No flying during morning. Flying in afternoon. Night flying. Routine; nothing of importance.

IMAGE 1425

18-8-41  Flying during day. Night flying. Y.M.C.A. picture show; "Little Miss Marker". Course 30 received, their clearances today.

19-8-41  Flying during day. Night flying. Rehearsed for Wings Parade and preparation made for the reception of the Governor General. Dundurn military soccer team defeated the station team 5-1 at Dundurn.

20-6-41  Flying during day. No night flying. The Governor General, the Earl of Athlone, the Princess Alice and party visited the station in the morning. The party inspected the station at a reception in the Officers' Mess. The officers of the station were presented to the Governor General and Princess Alice. Wings Parade at 1530 hours. Wing Commander E.A. McNab, DFC, presented wings to class 30. Thirty-seven students graduated. Course 36 reported in for training. Total number in the course is 54 including 34 R.N. Z.A.F.

21-8-41  Flying during day. No night flying. Squadron Leader J.C. Huggard transferred from O.C. G.I.S. to Administrative Officer, Station Headquarters, Flying Officer Dennison took over duties of C.G.I. Picture show "Care Free" shown in Recreation hall. The station soccer team defeated the Navy team by a score of 3-0. The 34 R.N.Z.A.F. trainees were quarantined due to exposure to mumps and measles.

22-8-41  Flying during day. No night flying. Crane 7831 Pilot Boyd, N.M. After landing ground looped collapsing undercarriage completely. Pilot LAC Richardson. H.O. crashed in Crane 7700 at 1520 hours - killed. Apparently stalled and spun into ground and burned. Uneventful.

23-8-41  Flying during day. No night flying-routine.

IMAGE 1426

24-8-41  Weather fine - flying in afternoon. No night flying. Class "A" paraded for Saskatoon. Memorial Day parade.

27-8-41  Flying during day. No night flying. Crane 7683. LAC Fergus, F.R. ground looped, shearing undercarriage and damaging airscrews and cowlings. The station softball team defeated the Radio school.

28-8-41  Rain. Flying washed out for the day at 1000 hours.

29-8-41  Low ceiling. No flying until 1000 hours. Normal routine otherwise.

30-8-41  Crane on cross country navigation. LAC Measor R.G. and LAC Morris, W.S., crashed and burned 16 miles north west of Blaine Lake, Sask. Time 0930 hours. Group Captain Bonham Carter arrived via air from North Battleford. Departed in afternoon.

31-8-41  Flying during afternoon. No night flying.

(J. C. Huggard) Squadron Leader,, for Commanding Officer,
No. 4 SFTS. RCAF. Saskatoon.

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IMAGE 1436

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Civilians

- Barrack Officer: 0
- Meteorologists: 2
- Others: 154

TOTAL STAFF: 67, 958, 156

TRAIINEES: R.C.A.F 116
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TOTAL TRAINEES: 145

Aircraft Strength

Type | Serviceable | Unserviceable
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Ansons | 1 | 0
Harvards | 0 | 0
Tiger Moths | 0 | 0
Cessnas | 48 | 48

IMAGE 1437

1-9-41 Night flying started for Course 34. Weather fine. A Court of Inquiry assembled today to inquire into crash of Crane 7681 with Squadron Leader G. Seller, of No. 11 S.F.T.S., as
president of the court.

2-9-41 Class 30, recently graduated and posted, reported back to this station on recall, due to the ban on postings outside the Prairie Provinces. This ban was placed to prevent the spread of the present epidemics. Class 32 today began their final examinations. Crane aircraft 7621 had a forced landing eleven miles northwest of the station at 1445 hours. Pilot Sgt. Prentice, D.P. with student LAC Peden, R.M. uninjured. Aircraft landed, wheels retracted while practicing precautionary landings. Crane aircraft 7698 crashed on No. 2 runway. Pilot LAC Lonsdale, R. (R.N.Z.A.F.) uninjured. The aircraft swung on take off collapsing undercarriage.

3-9-41 Weather fine - flying all day and night flying. Uneventful.

4-9-41 Flying all day and routine night flying. Weather conditions good.

5-9-41 Fine weather continues with routine day and night flying. A civilian, giving his name as Evert Weenk, 1617 Avenue C. North, Saskatoon was taken into custody by the station police at 0200 hours, being on the station premises without a pass.

6-9-41 Unfavorable weather, no flying.


IMAGE 1438

8-9-41 Weather fine, routine day and night flying. Crane aircraft 7719 crashed at Osler Relief Field, pilot: LAC McQueen, D.S. (R.N.Z.A.F.) uninjured. The aircraft swung on take off shearing off undercarriage. Crane aircraft 7814 had a forced landing three miles east of St. Brieux, Saskatchewan, pilot - LAC McDonald, W.B.S. second pilot LAC McConnell, LAC McConnell was slightly injured. The accident was caused by engine failure. The starboard motor cut out followed shortly by the port motor. On landing the aircraft turned over.

9-9-41 Weather fine - day and night flying. Crane aircraft 7721 crashed at Osler relief field at 1530 hours, pilot - Sgt. Milloy,, passengers - Sgt. Gordon, G.F.B. and LAC Streight, H.G. The passengers were mechanics being ferried to-duty at Osier. The cause of the accident was unusual. The starboard airscrew struck a bird in flight, shearing off the tip of the airscrew The tip went through the nose cowling, damaging the controls. All uninjured. Everett Weenk, 1617 Avenue "C" North, Saskatoon, taken into custody September 5th, was today fined $15.00 and costs in police-court for trespass.

10-9-41 Weather fine, routine flying. Examination results showed only three members of class 32 to have failed in G.I.S.
11-9-41 Due to weather flying was washed out at noon. No night flying. Course 32 had a pre-
graduation party at which they entertained their instructors and friends. Mr. C.A. Hay, Manager
of Hi-Way Refining Company spoke to the students on the uses of petroleum.

12-9-41 Poor flying weather - half-day flying only. Class 32 issued clearances in preparation
for graduation. Construction at Vanscoy Relief Field slowed up because of lack of material and
men.

13-9-41 No flying. Wings parade for class 32 at 1530 hours. Seven graduates posted to
Trenton, five to Patricia Bay, 6 to Charlottetown, P.E.I., 14 to "Y" Depot, Halifax. Of the rest, 1
transferred to Course 34, 9 posted to Composite Training School, Trenton, 4 to Conversion
Training School, Picton.

14-9-41 Weather unfit to flying until 1330 hours. Night flying washed out at 2130 hours. Class
38 arrived on station.

15-9-41 Weather fine - day and night flying. New class 38 allocated to flights and instruction
begun.

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16-9-41 Day and night flying according to routine.

17-9-41 Day and night flying according to routine. Fire drill at 1110 hours. Fire piquet tuned
out smartly.

18-9-41 Weather fine; day and night flying. Practice blackout of city of Saskatoon with co-
operation of military units and the R.C.A.F.

19-9-41 Poor visibility, low ceiling. Flying half day only.

20-9-41 Night flying of class 34 completed. Crane 7672 crashed at Osler Relief Field at 1730
hours, pilot - Sgt. Prentice, D.F., passengers - LAC Keetley, R.S., LAC Mang, R.F., LAC
McIntosh, J.H.M. all uninjured. Pilot did not allow sufficient space for take off and struck wind
sock. Forty-three High School teachers from city schools attended lectures at the station fitting
them for Air Cadet Training. This plan is proving very popular in Saskatoon. A swimming meet
was held, competitors being the Navy, Army located in Saskatoon and No. 1 A.N.S. Rivrs and
our own station No. 4 SFTS, were competitors. No. 4 SFTS, won the meet with a total of 30
points, Rivers were second with 21 points, the Navy were third with 3 points and the Army with
one point.

21-9-41 Flying half day only. Normal Sunday routine.

22-9-41 Weather good, flying all day. Crane aircraft 7706 crashed at Osler Relief Field at 1010
hours, pilot LAC Vanish, G.A. uninjured. Aircraft swung on take off shearing undercarriage.
23-9-41 Weather poor - no flying.

IMAGE 1440

24-9-41 Flying all day. Practice blackout - City of Saskatoon at 2045 hours. The station participated by flying formations over the city during the blackout. Military units also participated. The entire scheme was carefully planned and successfully executed. Visiting party consisted of the Deputy Minister for Air S. L. de Carteret, Chief of the Air Staff, Air Vice Marshall Edwards, Air Commodore A.E. Shearer, and their staffs inspected the station, arriving here at 1800 hours. Pre trainees class left for I.T.S. Edmonton at 2400 hours.

25-9-41 The visiting party departed by air at 1100 hours. Weather fine, flying all day. Second class of pre-trainees, fifty in number reported from No. 4 Manning Depot, Edmonton. Improvement is noted in the progress of construction at Vanscoy Relief Field. The soccer league was completed which comprised of two teams from the Army and one team from the Navy and No. 4 SFTS, No. 4 SFTS. winning the league but lost out in a total goal series with the Royal Canadian Engineers, 6 goals to 5 in two games.

26-9-41 Flying all day. Course 34 started writing their final examinations.

27-9-41 Weather fine, flying all day. The High School teachers, in charge of the Air Force cadets again attended lectures at the station. A Rugby Football match was held on Sept. 27, No. 4 SFTS. vs University of Saskatchewan, which was won by #4 SFTS. 6 points to 4

28-9-41 Usual Sunday routine. Flying commenced at 1330 hours.

29-9-41 Flying all day. Night flying begun for next class. Instructors have started giving night lectures to High School teachers at the Technical School in Saskatoon.

30-9-41 Flying all day and routine night flying. Crane aircraft 7867 crashed 3 miles S.W. of Langham, Saskatchewan at 1810 hours, pilot - LAC Thring, G.H. uninjured. While practicing precautionary landings, engine failed to respond when throttles opened. Aircraft landed - wheels retracted.

(A. L. Mills) Flying Officer,
for Commanding Officer,
No. 4 SFTS. RCAF. Saskatoon.

IMAGE 1445

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C.D.C. 1 4

Civilians
Barrack Officer 0
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Others. 154
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TRAINEES R.C.A.F. 116
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Others 169
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IMAGE 1447

1-10-41  No flying, low ceiling. No night flying.

2-10-41  Selection Board met - selection for commissions, etc. for Course 34. Flying during day. Anton 6067 departed for Rivers. No night flying.

3-10-41  Flying all day. Night flying. LAC Snelgrove, J.R. (RCAF) R92432, Course 36, landed one mile north of Rostern. Shortage of gas.

4-10-41  Flying all day. No night flying.

5-10-41  Flying commenced at 1330 hours. Night flying.

6-10-41  Flying all day.

7-10-41  Flying all day. Crane 7683 and Crane 7673 crashed at taxiing post. Pilot of 7683 tAC Park, Gordon Alexander (412521) Pilot of 7673, Sgt. Riach, Ronald McDonald (R75045) Passenger: LAC Shand James Arthur (R92176) under instruction. All personnel uninjured. Accident occurred while practicing night flying. Cause; Carelessness on part of LAC Park. Crane 8201 ground looped after landing causing undercarriage to collapse and damaging left wing flap and cowling. Pilot: LAC Harrower, Howard George (R94634) uninjured. Accident occurred while practicing circuits and landing at main aerodrome at 1120 hours. Cause: Faulty tail wheel lock. Wings Parade for Course 34. LAC Conrady, Thomas Edward (R95160) flying training discontinued. Unable to solo Crane aircraft. Recommended for discharge. LAC Raven, Jack Warren washed out. (R94619). Recommended for training as air observer.


IMAGE 1448

9-10-41  Flying all day. Night flying. D-18 departed- this unit 1130 hours for Alaska. LAC Fisher, Dalton Paul (R94667) ceased training. Unsatisfactory Progress. Recommended for
training as air observer.

10-10-41  Flying all day. No night flying. LAC Park, Gordon Alexander (412521) transferred from Course 36 to 38. Discipline. LAC Franklin, Ford John (412219) transferred from Course 36 to 40. Illness. LAC Hoar, William George (R94534) transferred from Course 35 to 40. Illness.

11-10-41  Flying all day. No night flying.

12-10-41  Flying all day. No night flying. Regular issues of gasoline and equipment. General Clean-up of Stores.

13-10-41  Flying all day. No night flying. Received shipment Aircraft Spares from No. 7 Equipment Depot. Jacobs Engines. Nos. 395 and 896 (turned in by Maintenance Squadron for shipment to Standard Machine.

14-10-41  No flying during day. No night flying. Forty-five minutes Drill completed for weekly drill parade. Shipment Engine Cases urgently required received from No. 7 Shipment Depot.

15-10-41  Flying all day. No night flying. R94708 LAC Allcock, Albert John Chaffee (Course 38 washed out. Unsatisfactory progress. Recommended for training as Wireless Air Gunner. Jacob Engines 4954 and 4957 received and-issued to Maintenance for Crane 7698. Jacob Engines 4953, 4955. 4956 and 4958 received from No. 7 Equipment Depot. Two vingr received one used for Crane 7706, one for stock. Jacobs 924, 925 shipped to Standard Machine.

16-10-41  Flying all day. No night flying.

17-10-41  Flying all day. No night flying. Aerial sets received for installation of radio in Crane Aircraft. Forty five minutes drill completed. Jacobs Engines 895 and 896 shipped to Standard Machine.

18-10-41  Flying all day. No night flying. Asphalt Distributor, Serial #579 received, issued to Works and Buildings.

IMAGE 1450

19-10-41  Flying commenced at 0930 hours. No night flying. 5 aircraft unserviceable, 91 serviceable. Maintenance closed at 0930 hours for Duty Watch Church Parade.

20-10-41  Flying all day. No night flying. Sixteen aircraft unserviceable. Experiments on oil dilutions.


22-10-41 Flying all day. No night flying. LAC Cairns, William Barclay (R98867) flying training discontinued. Failed in course of instruction. Posted to Composite School, Trenton. Recommended for training as Air Observer. Check being made of maintenance publication for new system to be installed.

23-10-41 Flying all day. No night flying. Drill Parade 1400 - 1500 hours. Wireless installed in 7871.

24-10-41 Flying all day. No night flying. LAC Birdsall, Howard.Claire (R101043) flying training discontinued at own request. Recommended for discharge.

25-10-41 Flying all day. No night flying. Douglas D-18 arrived at 1615 hours with officers from the U.S.A. enroute Washington, D.C.

26-10-41 14 unserviceable aircraft, 82 serviceable. Flying washed out 1340 hours. No night flying.

IMAGE 1451


29-10-41 No flying during day. Night flying. 13 unserviceable, 70 serviceable. Experiment on welding demonstrated by Messrs. McLean and Flockie. Temperature gauges on all aircraft unserviceable.

30-10-41 Flying all day. Flying at night. 17 unserviceable aircraft, 78 serviceable. Weekly drill period.


(R.E. Leary Pilot Officer),
for Commanding Officer,
No. 4 SFTS. RCAF. Saskatoon.

IMAGE 1452

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**IMAGE 1454**

1-11-41 Flying washed out at 1500 hours. No night flying.

2-11-41 Flying all day; night flying. A forced landing took place at Dinsmore, Saskatchewan, Aircraft 7833 - no injuries. Pilot was R98930 LAC Popplewell, Chetwin, Hamre.

3-11-41 Inclement weather prevented flying during the day. No night flying. A muster parade was held at 1500 hours for all personnel on the station at which time the Commanding Officer carried out an Inspection. The funeral of Pilot Officer Nowosad, August was held from Third Avenue United Church, Rev. G. Stanley Packham conducting the service assisted by Flt. Lt. Canon Rev. W. P. Griffith, of this station. Flying Officer Foulkes was in charge of the funeral parade. The pallbearers were six Sergeants and honorary pallbearers were six commissioned officers from this station. This Officer was killed in a plane crash in the Adirondack Mountains, New York State, October 75, 1941. Interment was in the Woodlawn Cemetery.

4-11-41 Flying during day. No night flying. 412515 LAC Finn, James Owen was transferred from Course 36 to Course 38 owing to illness. Final examination results for Course 36 were posted on the Bulletin board of G.I.S. An Inspection took place on this station by the Inspector General, Air-Vice Marshal Croil. In the party also were Air Commodore Shearer, Wing Commander Critchley, Wing Commander Arranson, Flight Lieutenant McLellan, and Flight Lieutenant Diamond. The official party arrived at the station at 1200 hours there being a Guard of Honor of ten airmen on each side of the main gate. Air-Vice Marshal Croil and party had lunch in the Officers' Mess and at 1330 hours proceeded to make a tour of the station. A thorough inspection was carried out. The party left for Prince Albert at 1810 hours after Headquarters staff had made all satisfactory arrangements / regarding transportation, tickets and reservations.

**IMAGE 1455**

5-11-41 Flying half day. Night flying. 412376 LAC Greenstreet, James Frederick and 411891 LAC Hawken, Everard Howard, transferred from Course 36 to Course 38 for disciplinary reasons. Inoculations took place at the Radio School at the University with 100% attendance under the supervision of Flt. Lt. Bradley. Fire drill was held on this station at 1100 hours.
6-11-41 Fine weather prevailed. No night flying. An inoculation parade was held.

7-11-41 Unfavorable weather for part of the day. No night flying. A Wings Parade was held with 44 students graduating. Five Canadians were posted to C.F.S. Trenton, 3 RCAF posted to No. 13 Operational Training Squadron, Patricia Bay, and 36 posted to No. 1 "Y" Depot, Halifax, N.S. This class obtained the highest class average ever received at G.I.S. exceeding Class 34 the next best, by 2.6%. A change took place in altimeter setting in all aircraft in Maintenance. No. 4 S.F.T.S. held its first Annual Air Force Ball at the Bessborough Hotel. Many guests were present from Regina, Yorkton, Prince Albert. A good representation of citizens from Saskatoon attended the ball and, of course, the officers of No. U SFTS. attended en masse with their wives and sweethearts. The ballroom and the whole of the first floor were beautifully decorated by the Ladies Auxiliary. Dancing continued till 0200 hours in the morning and the comments received from those in attendance indicated a good time was had by all.

8-11-41 Flying commenced at 0730 hours on this date. A new flying schedule was arranged owing to the fact that the days are becoming noticeably shorter. Night flying. 49 New Zealanders were taken on strength for Course 42. The marriage of Marion Eileen MacDowell to Pilot Officer Cameron, Lloyd H. of this station took place at Pakenham, Ontario. Following a reception the happy couple left for Ottawa and went on from there to Montreal by plane.

9-11-41 Flying all day. No night flying. Two R.C.A.F. airmen reported from Virden, Manitoba, and two reported from Edmonton for Course 42. Cessna 7849 landed with wheels retracted during night flying practice. Pilot: R94567 LAC Brown, Kenneth William.

10-11-41 Flying all day. Night flying. Fourteen R.C.A.F. airmen reported from Virden, Manitoba to attend Course 42.

11-11-41 Eighty airmen under the personal charge of Flt. Lt. Field, C.T.W. represented No. 4 SFTS, in the Armistice Day Parade. Flying all day. Night flying. Visiting Flight departed for North Battleford. Four additional airmen reported from Virden, Manitoba for Course 42. The Commanding Officer gave an Armistice Day address to the students at the University. Included in the group were the officers of the C.O.T.C. and later in the day he spoke to the members of the faculty.

12-11-41 Flying all day. Night flying. The potential aircrew were entertained in the evening by the I.O.O.F. Lodge of Saskatoon.

13-11-41 Flying all day. No night flying. A modification requested re operation of electrically operated flaps on Cessna aircraft.

14-11-41 Flying all day, night flying. Undercarriage of Crane 7666 collapsed on heavy landing. Pilot R102449 LAC MacLachlan, Robert Bruce uninjured. The accident took place at Osler R2
while practicing circuits and landings. Crane 7795 taxied into tail of Crane 7770 at Vanscoy R.I. Pilot of 7795 was R87321, LAC Vinish, George Alex, and pilot of 7770, R94593  LAC Small, Charles Edward. No one injured. The accident occurred while doing night flying practice. L.A.C.’s Copenhaver, McGregor, Alderson, Reed and Gilcher (American trainees) took part in a broadcast from the Capital Theatre in aid of the sale of War Saving Certificates.

IMAGE 1457

15-11-41  Flying all day, night flying. Night flying for Course 38 completed. A boxing match against members of R.A.F. team from No. 35 S.F.T.S. North Battleford was held. LAC Meagher and ACI Halliday won their respective bouts, the former by a knockout and the latter on points.

16-11-41  No flying during day due to low ceiling. No flying during night. Voluntary study periods and special lectures were given by instructors for Course 38.

17-11-41  A high wind prevailed and there was no flying during the day or night. A funeral was held for Pilot Officer Wood, John Wylie who was killed in a flying accident, in New Brunswick. Honorary pallbearers were P/O Statham, F.E.W., P/O Blythell, J.E., P/O Tabuteau, N.J., P/O Shapton, S.W., P/O Nesbitt, R.H., P/O Blundell, P.J.S., P/O Draper, D.J. Pallbearers: Sergeants Clinkskill, Hicks, Turtle, Epps, Lown, Jessiman. Rev. G. Stanley Packham and Flt. Lt. Griffiths, Station Chaplain officiated. Flying Officer Payton was in charge of the escort party and Flying Officer Francis, the funeral parade. The station basketball team lost a close match to the University of Saskatchewan.

18-11-41  Weather was fine and clear. Flying continued during the day. No night flying.

19-11-41  Flying all day. No night flying. The shortage of electricians is causing some concern on the station. The Padre visited the Public Library in an endeavor to secure textbooks for the airmen taking correspondence courses.

20-11-41  Flying half day owing to inclement weather. No night flying. Flt. Lt. Howey of No. 3 E.F.T.S. Calgary, called to discuss Maintenance problems particularly with reference to equipment required for maintenance of Cessna aircraft. Final examinations for Course 38 started today.

21-11-41  Blizzard like weather prevailed. No flying during the day or night. The Commanding Officer was visited by some of the Engineering professors from the University of Saskatchewan. Two Security Guards were sent to guard an aircraft at Vanscoy (R.I) as owing to bad weather the machine there could not be flown.

IMAGE 1458

22-11-41  Flying all day. No night flying. Wing Commander Tuck visited the station and lectured to the flying personnel at 1555 hours on "Fighter Operations Overseas." Examination for Course 38 finished today.
23-11-41  Day and night flying took place. Navigation examination papers for Course 38 were marked.

24-11-41  Flying all day. No night flying. R86646  LAC Broughton, Omar Jund was posted to the Composite Training School, Trenton, Ontario, having failed in course of instruction (Course 42. Recommended for Air Observer. R87321 Vinish, George Alexander transferred to Course (40) for disciplinary reasons. The Sports Field and other grounds on the west side of the station were cleaned of Russian thistle, the potential aircrew doing a thorough job in this respect.

25-11-41  Experimentation took place with regard to early morning flying and it got under way this date at 0700 hours, ceasing at 1630 hours. R98855 LAC Keaschuk, Michael (Course 40) flying training was discontinued at his own request. It is being recommended that he be remustered to General Duties. Airmanship examinations for Course #38 were marked and final ground school results for Course #38 were tabulated. The Padre is keeping in touch with the Technical School checking up on the advancement made from time to time with regard to the airmen attending classes at this Institute. Flying Officer Farquharson spoke to the Kiwanis Club at their regular weekly luncheon on "Life in India", pointing out particularly the opportunities for young men in a business sphere in this country. He dealt at length with Gandhi's position, his relationship to Great Britain and his standing in India. Unusual occurrences which he had during his stay there were also given. Altogether it was a very interesting address.

26-11-41  Flying commenced at 0700 hours and ceased at 1640 hours. 413991 LAC Brockett, Neville (Course 42) flying training was discontinued. Recommended for training as air observer. The Library Committee held a meeting. The Padre visited the City Hospital and called on all the airmen there.

27-11-41  Flying commenced at 0845 hours and washed out at 1645 hours. Night flying. A crash occurred at R.1 Aerodrome, Vanscoy at 0130 hours during night flying practice. Pilot: R103567  LAC Dexter, William Albert was slightly injured. Aircraft flew into ground while winding wheels down after main electrical failure. Total write off of aircraft was necessary. Supplemental examinations took place at G.I.S. No more 48-hours leave passes were to be given to any one on the station for the balance of the year. LAC Keaschuk training was discontinued on being posted to Composite Training School, Trenton. LAC Finn transferred to Course (40) owing to illness. It is noted with deep regret that Sergeant Pilot Beardall was killed overseas. The padre had performed the marriage ceremony of this pilot on July 3, 1941. A list of the children is being secured from the different units on the station to make arrangements for a Christmas Tree party for all of the airmens' children. A happy marriage took place on November 27th, when LAC Palmer, Brimsley George of Calgary, one time resident of Saskatoon, married Miss Addie Vivian Smith of Saskatoon. The marriage was performed by Flt. Lt. Griffiths, Padre of No. 4 S.F.T.S. at the home of the bridegroom's parents in Saskatoon. Immediately after the wedding the bride and groom proceeded to Calgary where they will spend their honeymoon.
28-11-41  A low ceiling continued during day and night and no flying was held. 413440 LAC McCartney, John Alexander flying training was discontinued. (Course 42) Failed to solo. Recommended for training as Air Observer. Supplemental examinations for Course #38 were concluded. LAC Brockett, and LAC McCartney, both of Course 42, training discontinued.

29-11-41  Very poor weather continued and there was no flying during the day or night.

IMAGE 1460

30-11-41  It has been the usual practice to start flying on Sunday somewhat later than week day Flying commenced at 0850 hours and ceased at 1640 hours. Owing to inclement weather, night flying was washed out at 2355 hours. Crane 7833 landed on top of Crane 7663 about 25 feet in the air as both aircraft were levelling off for a landing on east end of east-west runway. Pilot of aircraft 7633 (R98714 LAC Murray, Charles) failed to observe aircraft 7663 underneath him as both were approaching for a landing. Pilot of aircraft 7663 LAC Ferris, Thomas Arthur (R954868) seriously injured and pilot of other aircraft 7833, B98714 LAC Murray, Charles was slightly injured. Investigation in this respect has been started at this station.

(A. W. McMillan) Flying Officer, for Commanding Officer, No. 4 SFTS. RCAF. Saskatoon.

IMAGE 1461

1-12-41  

Personnel Strength | Officers | Airmen Or Other Ranks | Civilians
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C.D.C. | 1 | 6 |

Civilians |
Barrack Officer | 1 |
Meteorologists | 2 |
Others | 179 |

TOTAL STAFF | 71 | 1142 | 182 |

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IMAGE 1463

1-12-41 Flying all day. Flying all night. Crew from No. 7 Repair Depot arrived to carry out flap modifications on Crane aircraft.

2-12-41 Flying during day. No night flying.

3-12-41 Flying washed out at 1300 hours; inclement weather. Night flying. LAC Meagher and AC1 Halliday participated in local boxing matches, the former losing by a technical knockout and the latter winning his bout.

4-12-41 Flying during day. Flying at night.
5-12-41  Flying during day. Flying at night. At the Wings Parade at 1400 hours, fifty-five graduates from Course 38 received Wings, eight with distinguished passes. Sixty-nine New Zealanders trainees reported for instruction, Course 44.

6-12-41  Flying during day. No night flying. Following an appeal to the citizens of Saskatoon for old rags for cleaning purposes, approximately 8,500 pounds were collected by the school children in a recent drive and delivered to the station. The children were assisted by their parents and teachers and members of the Hugh Cairns Chapter, I.O.D.E. Fire Chief Spence and his firemen co-operated by providing space in the fireballs as a depositary for the rags.

7-12-41  No flying during day. Night flying. Fourteen New Zealand airmen and ten Canadians of Class "A" 3 were entertained at dinner by various citizens of Saskatoon.

IMAGE 1464

8-12-41  No flying during day. Night flying. R101442 LAC Burr, D.H. transferred from Course 40 to Course 42 on account of illness.

9-12-41  Flying day and night. Proposed final examination papers for Course 40 submitted to No. 2 Training Command for approval.

10-12-41  Flying day and night. Wing tests for Course 40 commenced. St. John's A.T.P.A. entertained thirty-five New Zealand trainees from 2000 hours to 2400 hours. Lac Peterson and LAC Purdy, Course 42, discontinued classes and washed out because of unsatisfactory flying progress.

11-12-41  Flying during day. No night flying. Twenty-five R.C.A.F. airmen, potential pilots and observers reported from No. 2 "M" Depot, Brandon.

12-12-41  Flying day and night. Maintenance Squadron hampered by lack of personnel due to postings overseas and to West Coast.

13-12-41  Flying during day. No night flying.

14-12-41  Flying during day. Night flying. A number of R.C.A.F. personnel as well as some New Zealand trainees took part in Air Force broadcast from C.F.Q.C. Saskatoon. Sergeant Henderson, navigation instructor, contributed two solos at this Y.M.C.A. Armed Forces programme.

15-12-41  Full day flying. Night flying for Course 42 from "C" and "F" flights. R101402 LAC Morrison, K.W., Course 40, discontinued classes on being washed out because of unsatisfactory, flying progress.

16-12-41  Flying all day. Night flying. R106128 LAC Scholes, Raymond Irving discontinued classes on being washed out due to unsatisfactory flying progress. Posted to Trenton for training.
as Observer. Parachute section of Maintenance Squadron inspected by Officer from No. 8 Repair Depot.

IMAGE 1465

17-12-41  Flying all day. Night flying Flap modifications were completed on all Cranes and Repair crew returned to No. 8 Repair Depot, Winnipeg, Man.

18-12-41  Flying all day. Night flying. Final examinations for Course 40 commenced. The new skating rink located immediately west of the Administration Building was opened. It is well illuminated with six floodlights and benches are provided for convenience of skaters in the G. I.S. engine room.

19-12-41  Flying commenced at 0900 hours. No night flying. Crane 7719 crashed at Vanscoy Aerodrome at 1500 hours. Pilot - LAC Heiford, Gordon Arthur uninjured. Accident occurred while practicing take offs and landings. Aircraft ground looped during take off, starboard undercarriage collapsed. Cause - partial failure tail wheel lock and inexperience. RIO2473 LAC Shaw, Thomas, flying training discontinued. Posted to Trenton as Wireless Operator.

20-12-41  No flying during day. No night flying. R95700 LAC Reed, Don Hamilton, flying training discontinued and transferred to Course 44 due to medically unfit. Wing Commander C.F Newcombe assumed temporary Command of the Station on the departure of Wing Commander E. A, McNab, to Western Air Command, Victoria, B.C. Wing Commander E. A. McNab was instructed to report by signal immediately to Western Air Command at 1500 hours. He met his officers in the mess to say goodbye and at an informal ceremony handed over temporary command to Wing Commander C. F. Newcombe.

21-12-41  Flying both day and night.- Eighteen New Zealand trainees were entertained at dinner by Saskatoon citizens. The annual Xmas Tree Party was held in the Recreation Hall from 1400 hours to 1700 hours, when some three hundred children of the officers and airmen were entertained. Free transportation was provided for the children and their parents from and to the city.

IMAGE 1466

22-12-41  Day flying. Night flying. Wing Commander R .C. Hair assumed command of the station and took over command from Wing Commander C. F. Newcombe. Fifty R.C.A.F. airman, potential pilots or observers reported from No. 3 "M" Depot, Edmonton.

23-12-41  Flying one half day only. No night flying. Classes discontinued at 1200 hours. Commencement of Christmas leave.

24-12-41  No flying. No classes on account of Christmas leave. Funeral services for the late Sgt. R. T. Mitchell who was killed in a flying accident at Nanoose Bay, B.C. on 15th instant, were
held in the United Church, Strasbourg, Sask. on this date. Services were conducted by Rev. J. Bright of Strasbourg and Flt. Lt. W. P. Griffiths, Chaplain of this Station. The military Ceremony at the graveside was carried out by Flt. Sgt. J. J. Knox assisted by trumpeter LAC L. R. Allinson and a firing party of six airmen from this station.

25-12-41  No flying. Christmas Day. No classes.

26-12-41  No flying. Boxing day. No classes.

27-12-41  Flying by day and night. Classes resumed on completion of Christmas leave.

28-12-41  Flying all day. Night flying.

29-12-41  Flying washed out at 0845 hours due to poor visibility. No night flying.

30-12-41  Flying by day. No night flying. Crane 7718 crashed at main aerodrome at 0930 hours. Pilot-Pilot Officer Hovey, F.G. (J7687) uninjured. Passenger NZ 414685, LAC Cott, James Newell, uninjured. Accident occurred while dual instruction being carried out. Undercarriage Jammed and aircraft landed with wheels up. Cause: Faulty down circuit switch. Anchor plate bent allowing hand crank chain to come off sprocket.

31-12-41  Flying all day. No night, flying. New Years Eve dances were held at the Officers' Mess, Sergeants' Mess and in the Recreation Hall. The officers, N.C.O.'s and airmen entertained their friends.

(A. I. Mills) Tlt. Lt.,
for Commanding Officer,
No. 4 8FTS, RCAF. Saskatoon.

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No flying during day. No night flying. The Sergeants' Mess entertained the Officers at 1000 hours. At 1100 hours the Officers' Mess entertained the Sergeants. At 1300 hours the Commanding Officer, officers and sergeants served a special New Year's dinner to the airmen in the Airmen's Mess.

2-1-42  

Flying half day. No night flying. Wings Parade held for Course 40 with 53 graduating. Their standing in G.I.S. was the highest yet obtained by any course, the class average being
79.4%. Twelve posted to C.F.S. Trenton, and remainder posted to No. 1 "Y" Depot, Halifax.

3-1-42  Flying all day. No night flying.

4-1-42  Flying all day. No night flying. LAC Clare, Cedric-William (NZ414249) uninjured in Crane 7672 which crashed at Vanscoy at 12:45 hours. Pilot was authorized one hour on steep turns, precautionary, forced, and ordinary landings. solo. Forced landing and forgot to lower undercarriage. Both wooden airscrews broken. Cause: Carelessness in not carrying out correct cockpit drill. A hockey game was held between No. 4 SFTS, and the Navy from the Saskatoon Training Barracks.

5-1-42  Flying half day. No night flying. NZ 413836 LAC Frazer, Glen Morrison ceased training. Failed in course of instruction.

6-1-42  Flying all day. No night flying.

7-1-42  Flying all day. NZ 414249 LAC Clare, Cedric William ceased training. Failed in course of instruction. No night flying. A basketball game took place between the Grade of the University of Saskatchewan, and the station basketball team. The station hockey team also played against the Saskatoon Light Infantry.

IMAGE 1470

8-1-42  Flying all day. No night flying.

9-i-42  Flying all day. No night flying. Flying Officer Lewis ferried aircraft 7669 from Edmonton.

10-1-42  Flying all day. Aircraft 7772 equipped with experimental single flap motor returned from Winnipeg after being tested by Commanding Officer and Chief Instructor.

11-1-42  Flying all day. No night flying. Divine Service was held at 1000 hours and Holy Communion at 0900 hours by Flt. Lt. H. Crawford Scott.

12-1-42  Flying commenced at 0740 hours. Ceased at 1630 hours. Full day flying. No night flying. Results of Course 44 mid-term examinations tabulated. The course as a whole appears to be progressing favourably. LAC Cruller, Course 42, discontinued training due to unsatisfactory flying progress. Recommended for training as Air Observer.

13-1-42  Flying half day. Washed out at 1?45 hours due to poor visibility. W.O.2 Pugeley give a lecture with slides on aircraft recognition to Air Cadets of Nutana Collegiate, Saskatoon. Mr. Wilson, western cities' representative for T.C.A., visited G.I.S.

14-1-42  Flying commenced at 0745 hours. Flying all day. No night flying. The Mobile Photographic Unit began its duties of photographing all station personnel. The funeral of Pilot
Officer O.F.D. Mackie was held at St. Andrew's Church.

15-1-42  Flying all day. No night flying. R112768 LAC Alexaitis, S. ceased training in Course 46. Unsatisfactory progress and recommended for discharge. R95516 LAC Klassen, Harold Padfield ceased training in Course 46. Recommended for training as Air Observer. NZ 413993 LAC Bourke, Roderick Francis David transferred from Course 42 to Course 46. Illness. The station hockey team played against the Central Ordnance Depot at our illuminated outdoor rink.

16-1-42  Flying all day. No night flying. LAC Clarke, Richard (NZ 414252) Pilot of Crane 7683 LAC Milbury, Francis Arthur (R113616) - Pilot of Crane 7770 - Starboard wing of 7770 taxied into 7683 near tip of port wing, damaging spar of 7683. Damage to 7770 very slight. Cause: Carelessness on part of LAC Milbury. A boxing card of 15 bouts was held between the R.A.F. at North Battleford and No. 4 SFTS. Saskatoon.

17-1-42  Flying all day. No night flying. Crane 7706 missing on routine cross country flight from Saskatoon - North Battleford. Pilot NZ 413818 LAC Cotton, Tobert George; Navigator LAC Chale, John Leo Joseph. A search party was formed and proceeded on search at 1300 hours. Both pupils were seriously injured.

18-1-42  Flying all day. No night flying. Holy Communion was held at 0900 hours and Divine Service at 1000 hours. The personnel of the photographic establishment journeyed by motor transport to scene of crash at Blaine Lake for the purpose of taking pictures of the accident.

19-1-42  Flying commenced at 0730 hours. Ceased at 1640 hours. No night flying.

20-1-42  Flying commenced at 0740 hours. Ceased at 1640 hours. Night flying "B" Flight. The station basketball team played the Burs of the University of Saskatchewan. Crash party returned from Blaine Lake with Crane 7706.

21-1-42  Flying commenced at 0720 hours. Ceased at 1645 hours. Night flying 'F' Flight. The Padre visited parents of Flying Officer Palmer, killed in crash at Aylmer, Ontario. Results of Course 42 final examinations tabulated.

22-1-42  Flying commenced at 0740 hours. Ceased at 1640 hours. Night flying "C" Flight. The station hockey team played the Navy hockey team at our illuminated outdoor rink.

23-1-42  Flying commenced at 0730 hours. Supplemental examinations for five students of Course 42 were written.

24-1-41  No flying during day. Poor visibility. No night flying. The funeral of Flying Officer
Palmer was held from Third Avenue United Church at 2:30 in the afternoon. Fifty airmen from Maintenance were detailed for funeral party.

25-1-42 Flying full day. No night flying. The regular Holy Communion and Divine Service was held by Flt. Lt. H. Crawford Scott, Station Chaplain (P).


27-1-42 Flying half day. No night flying. R95404 LAC Campbell, John Gilbert ceased training. Unsatisfactory flying progress. Recommended for training as Air Observer. Class "A" 5 consisting of 50 potential aircrew were posted here from No. 35 S.F.T.S. North Battleford (24) and No. 32 S.F.T.S. Moose Jaw (26). Trade Board tests were started.

28-1-42 No flying night or day. G.I.S. played an enjoyable, fast-moving game of hockey against the team from "B" Flight. The Padre spoke to 45 airmen reporting at G.I.S.

29-1-42 No flying night or day. A hockey game was played between the station team and the Navy hockey team.

30-1-42 Flying full day. Night flying washed out after six hours put in. The station basketball team played the Engineers of Dundurn.

31-1-42 Flying half day. No night flying.

(A. L. Mills.) Flt. Lt., for Commanding Offlcr, No. 4 STTS. RCAF., Saskatoon, Sask.

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1-2-42 Flying for half day. No night flying. Class "A" 5 Red were granted 9 days leave reporting back on Feb. 9th, 1942.

2-2-42 Flying all day. Night flying Crane 7703 crashed 18 miles south of Saskatoon. Pilot,
LAC Knight, Mervyn David (NZ414641) was killed when Crane 7703 collided in mid-air with Crane 7831 piloted by Sgt. Myers, Arnold Armistead (R65786) and LAC Perrers, Frederick Leonard (NZ414672) while practicing formation flying. Both occupants of 7831 uninjured. While searching for crashed aircraft 7703, Flight Lieutenant Bland, E.A. in Crane 7812 landed on rough ground. Undercarriage collapsed. Pilot uninjured. Cause of accident: Error in judgement. The first squadron of C.W.A.A.F. arrived in C.P.R. station at 0720 hours and were transported by truck to airport. The draft comprised 2 corporals, 113 airwomen and one Assistant Section Officer.

3-2-42 Flying all day. Flying washed out at 1030 hours. All members of the C.W.A.A.F. were allocated to different sections and were paraded to same to commence their new duties. Squadron Leader Thompson, Flight Lieutenant Pafford and Flight Lieutenant Denison sat on a Selection Board for Aircrew. Several airmen were interviewed.

4-2-42 Flying was washed out both day and night. G.I.S. defeated "C" flight in a fast game of hockey by a score of 9 - 6. The C.W.A.A.F. canteen was started by a loan from the Station Funds.

5-2-42 Flying for half day. Night flying was washed out at 1045 hours. Course 44 acted as escort at funeral of LAC Knight, Mervyn. David, of New Zealand.

6-2-42 Flying all day. No night flying. A dance for airmen was held in the Recreation Hall.

7-2-42 Flying washed out both night and day. Crash Party returned with last of crashed aircraft Crane 7703 from Moon Lake.

IMAGE 1476

8-2-42 No flying during day or night. Basketball team played No.7 I.T.S. and won.

9-2-42 Flying was carried out during the day and night. Aircraft 8197 crashed at Vanscoy with minor damage. Aircraft 7862 and 8201 collided on Main aerodrome and severely damaged.

10-2-42 No flying during day. Flying at night. Crane 8201 piloted by P/O Kemp, R.B. (J7912) taxied into parked aircraft 7862. Cause: Carelessness on the part of Pilot. During single engine practice, LAC Small, L.J. (NZ414351) crashed at Vanscoy aerodrome at 1600 hours in 8199. On single engine approach, cut engine with mixture control but forgot to put mixture rich. Overshooting, raised undercarriage and attempted to go around only one engine caught. Swung and hit ground. Starboard wing tip spar and port airscrew damaged.

11-2-42 No flying during day. Night flying was carried out. At 0120 hours Crane 7668 crashed at Vanscoy aerodrome. P/O Hovey, F.C. (J7687) and LAC Wilson, L.C. (NZ41472) were killed. LAC Hunter, D.W. (NZ414631) was slightly injured. Our hockey team played Saskatoon Light Infantry and won.
12-2-42  No flying during day or night. Funeral parade for Sgt. Hovey killed in east coast. Remains of Pilot Officer Hovey were sent to Woodstock, N.B. escorted by Pilot Officer MacDonald, W.R.C. Our hockey team played jointly with No. 7 I.T.S. and won over Dundurn Engineers at Dundurn.

13-2-42  Flying all day. No night flying. Overhaul Flight won over G.I.S. in a hockey game with a score of 9 - 1. Crash party returned from Vanscoy with Crane 7868. No. 7 I.T.S. was downed in basketball by our station team.

14-2-42  Flying all day. No night flying.

15-2-42  No flying during day or night. Several airmen and airwomen took part in the War Services’ concert which was held in the Capito1 Theatre.

16-2-42  No flying during night or day. Our basketball team won over the University of Sask. Grads. Eleven bouts were presented in a boxing meet between our Station, No. 7 I.T.S. and the Army Depot. Prizes were presented to the winners by the Commanding Officer. Cranes 7850 and 7849 collided formation flying. Minor damage to both aircraft.

17-2-42  Flying during day as well as night.

18-2-42  Flying for half lay, no night flying. Crane 7836 crashed when landing. Both wings and airscrews were damaged. Cause: Aircraft would not hold height when starboard engine failed.

19-2-42  No flying during day or night. A hockey game was played between Air Force (No.4 S.F.T.S. and No. 7 I.T.S.) and Army and Navy combined before a crowd of about 5000 people. All proceeds are to be used for better recreational facilities of members of all the Services.

20-2-42  No flying during the day but the weather cleared up enough for night flying. Course 42 held their Wings Party in the Cavern Ballroom. A exhibition basketball game between our team and Wireless School (RCAF), University of Sask., resulted in the defeat of the latter. A meeting of the Station Fund Committee. Snowmobile arrived for use on crash parties.

21-2-42  Flying during day, but no night flying.

22-2-42  No flying during day or night. St. Andrews choir from Saskatoon sang at the Divine Service at 1000 hours.

23-2-42  A draft of eleven airwomen left the station for Claresholm, No flying during day or night. Course 42 attended a Victory Parade at City Park Collegiate.
24-2-42  Flying for half a day but no night flying. LAC Gillan, Leslie William (NZ414274) Course 44, killed in flying accident 17 miles north of Main aerodrome. Accident occurred at 1630 hours during solo formation practice. Aircraft 7717 dived into ground and burned. A/S/O Henderson, Staff Officer, arrived from Command. Inspection of Airwomen's Recreation Room, Canteen, Barrack Rooms, Office, Officer's Quarters, etc. by Wing Commander Hicks, Wing Commander Newcombe, A/S/O Henderson and A/S/O Graham, Wing Commander Pleasance here from No. 2 Training Command.

25-2-42. Flying was carried out during day and night. Arrangements made with Flying Officer Tiplin to start an archery class for airwomen.

26-2-42  Flying during day and night. Wings Parade rehearsal was held at 1730 hours. Flight Lieutenant Saylor, J.W., arrived from Headquarters, Ottawa.

27-2-42  Flying for half day. Night flying. Court of Inquiry assembled at G.I.S. to inquire into the fatal accident of LAC Gillan of New Zealand. Wing Commander Dickens and Flight Lieutenant Sharpe arrived to form part of the Court of Inquiry. Wings parade for Course 42 was held in No. 2 Hangar. 55 Students received their wings. All R.N.Z.A.F. (39) were posted to No. 1 "Y" Depot, Halifax. Most of them plan on spending a week in New York City while on leave. LAC Sanders, L.W., of New Zealand, remained on station awaiting disciplinary action.

28-2-42  Flying during day and night. Several airmen and officers journeyed to Prince Albert to attend and participate in the Skiing and Hockey meet held there.

(A.L. Mills) Flight Lieutenant, for Commanding Officer, No. 4 SZTS, RCAF, Saskatoon Sask.

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**IMAGE 1481**

March 1, 1942  Flying both day and night. Course 50 arrived on station. to commence their course. Several airmen and airwomen attended Provincial Ski Meet at Prince Albert. Weather was perfect. Monday lectures on Store procedure were held by W.O.2 Montgomery. St.
Andrews' Choir took part in the morning service.

March 2, 1942  Flying all day as well as at night. LAC Little who was killed in the East was buried here in Saskatoon. Course 4 "A" acted as Escort Party. In the 2nd Provincial Northern Basketball play-off game at Nutana Collegiate, No. 4 S.F.T.3. defeated "Grads" from Saskatoon. A.S.O. Taylor is in Winnipeg on temporary Duty. Airwomen voted unanimously against having a wet canteen for themselves.

March 3, 1942  Flying all day and night. Chaplain arranged for typing classes for airwomen at Technical School.

March 4, 1942  Night and day flying again today. P/O Dexter, Engineer Officer, reported for duty.

March 5, 1942  Weather still continues good. Night and day flying. Night work for the second night in Maintenance. Several drill tests for Squadron and Wing drill were held on ping pong tables in the Recreation Hall, with the new blocks. Each test took about 30 minutes. Airwomen held a very successful dance in their recreation hall.

March 6, 1942  Flying all day as well as at night. Course 44 completed night flying. LAC Saunders (NZ) of Course 42, who was held on Station until it was time to report to No. 1 "Y" Depot as punishment for low flying, received his wings and Sergeant's stripes.

March 7, 1942  Flying all day. No night flying. At 1300 hours, R64351 F/Sgt Campbell, Hugh Charles, and two students LAC Ford, Hubert Vernol (R120660) and LAC Cook, Benjamin Dean (R107392) were killed in aircraft 7657 when it crashed at Vanscoy aerodrome. Two other occupants of the aircraft (LAC Freebairn, Adam Lees R21392) and LAC Friesen, Elmer Peter (R115895) seriously injured. Accident occurred when aircraft was ferrying students back to Saskatoon. Second Victory Loan campaign completed on this Station with a total amount of $6800.00 being subscribed.

March 8, 1942  No flying at night or day.

March 9th, 1942  Flying for half day. Snow. Court of Inquiry convening on crash of F/Sgt Campbell. Funeral parade was held at 2100 hours and the body of F/Sgt Campbell escorted to the C.P.R. Station by the senior N.C.O.'s of the Station. A.S.O. Clarke from Claresholm visited Airwomen's barrack rooms and canteen.

March 10, 1942  Flying both day and night.

March 11, 1942  Flying day and night. Funerals for LAC Cook and LAC Ford were held.
March 12, 1942  Flying day and night.

March 13, 1942  Flying all day and night. Several N.C.O. flying instructors received promotions to Flight Sergeant and Warrant Officer II.

March 14, 1942  Day and night flying, Mr. Don Flower and two Chief Engineers from the Cessna Factory arrived on the Station. First RCAF (WD) wedding on the Station, AW1 Higgins, hospital cook, to Emil Thorsteinson. F/Lt. Crawford Scott performed the ceremony. Hockey rink is being torn down. We had six station teams in the inter service schedule. At least 22 intra-mural games were played. Headquarters and Accounts Section turned out the best team, having completed the season without losing a single game.

March 15, 1942  Flying all day and night. Class "A" 4 S.O.S. on posting to No. 7 I.T.3. Class "A" 6 T.O.S. on posting from No. 3 Manning Depot.

March 16, 1942  Flying day and night, Wing Commander-Kent, who had just returned from Overseas spoke to the aircrew, giving tips and general information on what they are apt to be up against in a few months. F/O Rosborough arrived on temporary Duty from Brandon to replace F/Lt Coveney whilst on sick leave.

March 17, 1942  Flying all day. Night flying. Station basketball team played University Huskies and won Northern Senior Provincial championship.

March 18, 1942  No flying during day. Night flying. Airmen and airwomen are taking a great interest in sports of all kinds.

March 19, 1942  Flying day and night. Course 46 commenced final examinations. A.S.O. MacDonald reported from No. 6 "M" Depot, Toronto. Chaplain has organized an excellent library with the aid of the airwomen.

March 20, 1942  Flying all day. No night flying. Commanding Officer inspected the station. Eight Fairey Battle aircraft arrived from Mossbank. Course 46 completed their final ground school examinations and Course 44 held their Wings Party at the Bessborough Hotel.

March 21, 1942  Flying all day, no night flying. Sgt. McMillan (R.C.A.F. W.D.) was appointed to commissioned rank. Funeral of F/O Ness killed at Prince Albert was held today. This is the fifteenth funeral in ten weeks. Fairey Battle Aircraft that arrived yesterday left for their home station. The station basketball team played Regina Toilers at Saskatoon Technical Collegiate in the first game of the playoffs for the provincial championship and won by a score of 45 to 33.

March 22, 1942  Flying half day. No night flying.
March 23, 1842  Flying half day. No night flying. Station hockey team played No. 7 I.T.S. and won the Inter-service Championship by a score of 6 to 1. A.S.O. Taylor posted to Yorkton. WO1 Harrison arrived on temporary duty from No. 3 S.F.T.S., Calgary to form a central maintenance.

March 24, 1942  Flying all day. Night flying. Concert was held in the Recreation Hall in the evening for airmen and airwomen.

March 25, 1942  Flying night and day. Seven airwomen left for Administrative Course at Trenton. The basketball team journeyed to Regina and won the Senior Provincial Championship. Marks for Ground School examinations for Course 44 were completed. Average of 81.6% was highest ever obtained at the school.

March 26, 1942  Flying night and day.

March 27, 1942  Flying half day. Night flying. Course 46 completed night flying. Wings parade was held for Class 44, with sixty two graduating. A large number attended a dance for airmen held in Recreation Hall.

March 28, 1942  No flying during day or night.

March 29, 1942  Flying commenced at 0920 hours. Drum Head service was held in Drill Hall as per orders by His Majesty King George VI. Course 52 reported in to commence instruction. A/C 7686 turned over on runway while landing. No one was injured.

March 30, 1942  Flying all day, no night flying.

March 31, 1942  Flying all day, no flight flying. Staff of R.C.A.F. (W.D.) helped pour at tea served in Hudson's Bay Auditorium. Money for benefit of Services. All matters pertaining to Maintenance were brought under the Maintenance Wing which came into operation as at 0001 hours, 31.3.42.

(A.L. Mills) Flight Lieutenant,
for Commanding Officer,
No. 4 SFTS, RCAF,
Saskatoon, Sask.

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**IMAGE 1490**

April 1st 1942  Flying all day. No night flying, although weather favorable. R.C.A.F. (W.D.) held a dance in their Recreation Hall. Invitations were extended to Flights "D", "E", and "F". G.I.S., Service Police; Headquarters; and civilian girls who work here.

April 2nd 1942  Flying all day. Weather fit for night flying. WO2 Pugsley and Cpl. Wetherall lectured to Air Cadets at Nutana Collegiate on Aircraft Recognition, S/O Graham was made an Associate Member of Lion's Club. This club pays rent for W.D. Service Club.

April 3rd 1942  Good Friday. No flying during day and weather made it unfit for night flying. The above holiday was observed by the station only a skeleton staff being kept on. Special church parade and service was held in the Drill Hall.

April 4th 1942  Flying all day. Weather again is unfit for night flying. Service Club for Women On Active Service opened in Saskatoon. Two W.D. corporals acted as cashiers at "The Del" since they were donating 5% of today's proceeds to the Lion's Club for use in the new Service Club.

April 5th 1942  Flying all day. Weather still unfit for night flying. The Padre has found that transfers have become a real problem. He is as usual, a very busy man.

April 6th 1942  No flying all day. Weather unfit for night flying. Plans were made to bring the Victoria Dominoes from B.C. for the semi-finals for Western Canada in basketball to play our station.

April 7th 1942  Flying all day. No night flying due to the weather. A number of entertainers from Saskatoon presented a very nice program at the Recreation Hall for the airmen.

**IMAGE 1491**

April 8th 1942  Flying all day. No night flying. Softball teams and baseball teams are being formed by all sections on the Station.

April 9th 1942  Flying all day. Weather fit for night flying, but none carried out. Archery is becoming very popular with airman and airwomen.
April 10th  Flying all day and night. A large number of students were entertained by the Success Business College at the King George Hotel, S/O Henderson arrived here from No. 2 T.C. Mr. R.E. Dutton, Cessna Representative also arrived today.

April 11th  Flying all day. Weather fit for night flying, none was scheduled; Course 48 from No. 7 I.T.S. came down to use the firing range. Mr. Dutton of the Cessna Co. left today.

April 12th  No flying day or night, S/O Henderson returned to Winnipeg.

April 13th  Flying during both day and night.

April 14th  No flying during day. Night flying. Quizz programme was held in Recreation Hall. Padre acted as Master of Ceremonies.

April 15th  No day or night flying, F/O Leary replaced F/O Lingings as Admin. Officer at Maintenance Wing.

April 16th  Flying both day and night. Our basketball team had their first game with Victoria Dominoes in the play-off for Western Canada Championship. We were taken by a score of 47-43. The game was held in the Arena and was well attended.

April 17th  No flying day or night. Visiting flight left for Winnipeg by air. A "Wings Dance" was given at the Cavern by Women's Auxiliary. Very well attended and very well conducted. Victoria Dominoes again conquered our station team for a score of 43-26.

April 18th  No flying during day. Night flying.

April 19th  Flying during day and night.

April 20th  Flying day and night. At 0300 hours Crane 7759 piloted by LAC Milton, Alexander Douglas (R119844) crashed 3 miles N.E. of Saskatoon. Pilot slightly injured. A/C flew into ground while changing flap fuses. Aircraft burned.

April 21st 1942 Flying all day. Night flying. Padre attended Chaplains conference in Winnipeg.

April 22nd  Flying day and night. Student pilot landed Crane 7844 with wheels up.

April 23rd  Flying during day, but no night flying.

April 24th  Flying for half day. No night flying. Wings Parade was held for Course 46. Again there seems to be a demand for instructors. Flt/O Hime left for No. 6 "M" Depot, Toronto.
April 25th  No flying during day or night, W/C Crowther, S/O, E.J.S. Henderson, and A/S/O A. Henderson arrived for inspection of station.

April 26th  No flying during day or night. Course 54 arrived consisting of 9 R.A.F., 1 Canadian and 50 New Zealanders.

April 27th  No flying during day or night. A Softball meeting was held in F/O A.W. MacMillan's Office. The engine room in G.I.S. has been converted into a Class room for Class A.7.

April 28th  Flying all day and night.

April 29th  Flying all day and night. A boxing show (12 bouts) with Yorkton, 11 SFTS, and with some competitors from City, Y.M.C.A. and Navy. A fine crowd and fine show.

April 30th  Flying all day and night Nine-hole golf course lined out with very little trouble. Good supply of second-hand clubs available down town. A number of airmen and airwomen attended a supper and dance at the King George Hotel given by the Saskatoon "V" club.

(W.W. Lewis)  Flying Officer,
No. 4 SFTS, Saskatoon, Sask.

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May 1st, 1942. Flying all day, also night flying. R.C.A.F. (W.D.) held a dance in their recreation room.

May 2nd, 1942. Flying all day and night flying. The station golf course has been completed, tested and approved. WO1 Harrison ceases to be en temporary duty and returned to Bo.3 SFTS, Calgary.

May 3rd, 1942  Flying during both day and night.

May 4th, 1942  Flying during day and night.

May 5th, 1942  Flying during both day and night. Nine more airwomen reported for duty from Toronto and St. Thomas.

May 6th, 1942. Day and night flying carried out. R53923 WO2 Logan, N.J. and student R118011 LAC Raimonde, G.R. made a landing with retracted undercarriage. The engines failed to respond on returning controls to rich during a precautionary landing.

May 7th, 1942  Flying during day and night. R51857 WO2 Logan, J.L.F. and R110979 LAC Curd, T.A. made a landing with retracted undercarriage. One engine failed and aircraft would not maintain height. The 1942 Softball season officially opened today and No. 4 SFTS won one game from No. 7 ITS.

May 8th, 1942. Flying day and night. Considerable landscaping has been done and is continuing about the

May 8th (Cont'd)  Station by all sections. It has been a great improvement in the grounds. A muster parade was held on the parade ground to witness the sentence of 1AC Cotton. He received 40 days at Fort Osborne for causing damage to His Majesty's aircraft, and fined $50.00.

May 9th, 1942. Flying during the day. No night flying. A squadron of Air Cadets from Saskatoon Technical Collegiate Institute paraded to No. 4 S.F.T.S. on a. route march. They were accompanied by our Bugle Band. One flight of 35 senior boys was given a brief lecture on the
Browning Machine Gun and then taken to the range and practised firing. The other three flights were lined up and allowed to sit on the edge of the tarmac to watch activity of aircraft on the aerodrome. Any questions about Control Tower Signals, aircraft procedure on takeoff and landing, circuits etc., were answered. The canteen was made available for refreshments from 1030 to 1100 hours.

May 10th, 1942  Flying all day, no night flying. Our Softball team won a game from the College Lads.

May 11th, 1942.  Flying during both day and night.

May 12th, 1942.  Flying night and day. R112794 LAC Moore, R.K. in aircraft 7966 failed to take off on instruments during night flying and flew into ground. Had minor head injuries. No investigation thought necessary.

May 13th, 1942.  Flying during day. No night flying. Our Softball team again won their game. Group Captain Lawrence from No. 2 T.C. visited here today.

May 14th, 1942.  Flying during day and night. Our men’s Softball team continues with its winning streak again today.

May 15th, 1942.  Flying all day and night.

May 16th, 1942.  Back-stop for ball diamond has been completed.

May 17th, 1942.  Flying half day, night flying carried out. Duty Watch has been discontinued and new system of work schedules have been put into effect. The new flying hours being 0500 to 1100 hours and 1700 to 2100 hours. All personnel including civilians are at work at 0700 hours, have one hour for lunch, and work ceases at 1530 hours.

IMAGE 1499

May 18th, 1942.  Flying all day and no night flying.

May 19th, 1942.  Flying during both day and night. The first of the intra-mural softball games was held today.

May 20th, 1942.  Flying day and night.

May 21st, 1942.  Flying all day, no night flying.

May 22nd, 1942.  Flying all day, no night flying. A fine variety concert was held on the partly completed new stage in the recreation hall.

May 23rd, 1942.  Flying all day, no night flying.
May 24th, 1942. No flying either day or night. A special church parade was held for Empire Day.

May 25th, 1942. No flying day or night. 72 students reported for Course 56. This makes 4 courses will be under instruction here from now on.

May 26th, 1942. Flying during day and night. 27 Americans left for Regina to be interviewed by Board for return to American Armed Forces.

May 27th, 1942. Flying half day, no night flying. Our library is progressing very well. Now have over 1200 books.

May 28th, 1942. No day or night flying. Three airman returned from Regina, the remainder have been discharged and returned to U.S.A. Muster parade of all R.C.A.F. (W.D.) was held.

May 29th, 1842. Flying half day, night flying.

IMAGE 1500

May 30th, 1942. Flying during day. No night flying.

May 31st, 1942. Special parade and inspection was held by Commanding Officer at 1000 hours. Special church service was conducted on the parade ground. Many friends and relatives of service personnel attended.

    W.W. Lewis
    for (A.L. Mills) Flight Lieutenant,
    for Commanding Officer,
    No. 4 SFTS, RCAF,
    Saskatoon, Sask.

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IMAGE 1508

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Personnel Strength  
STAFF:  
R.C.A.F.  
Service, Personnel Other than RCAF  
R.C.A.S.C. 7  
C.D.C. 2 3  
C.P.C. 3  
Civilians  
Barrack Warden 1  
Meteorologist 2  
Others 140  
TOTAL STAFF 112 1142 143

Trainees:  
R.C.A.F. 187  
R.N.Z.A.F. 52  
R.A.F. 10  
TOTAL STAFF 249

Aircraft Strength
## Type        Serviceable        Unserviceable

Cessna         97                  10

**IMAGE 1504**

June 1st 1942  Flying for half day. Poor visibility A very successful boxing meet was held at the Arena.

June 2nd   Flying all day. No night flying, S/O Graham posted on Temporary Duty to No. 8 B &t G School, Lethbridge, Alta.

June 3rd   Flying all day. No night flying. It is presumed from evidence found that LAC Hayfield, F. of this station leaped to his death from the 25th St. Bridge in Saskatoon. Further details may be gathered from Appendix.

June 4th   Flying all day. No night flying. Parade and inspection for Headquarters Squadron. New Zealand Liaison Officer visited station and spoke to New Zealand airmen training here. R.C.A.F.(W.D.) held a dance in their Recreation Centre. An impromptu orchestra was made up of airmen and airwomen.

June 5th   Flying all day. No night flying. During evening flying period, at approximately 1900 hours, R107481 LAC Light, Allan Scott, soloing in Crane 8016 crashed into Saskatchewan River, seven miles east of Hague. Aircraft struck a ferry cable. Pilot was killed. R.C.A.F.(W.D.) softball team was defeated by the Pats in a well played game.

June 6th   Flying all day. No night flying.

June 7th   Flying half day. No night flying. The swimming pool was opened for the day. Our softball team played the College Lads but lost the game.

June 8th   Flying all day and night.

June 9th   Flying all day and night.

**IMAGE 1505**

June 10th 1942. Flying half day No night flying. Cpl. Hayton, A.5. and Sgt. Sinclair, A.E. have been awarded the British Empire Medal. Details may be found in Appendix.

June 11th   Flying all day. No night flying. Entries for coming track meet very slow in coming in. Weather cool, no one out for track or field training.

June 12th   Flying all day and night.
June 13th  Flying all day. No night flying. Divine service was taken by F/Lt Griffith of No. 7 ITS in absence of F/Lt Scott who is in the Hospital.

June 14th  Only 3½ hours flying during day. Night flying.

June 15th  Flying all day and night.

June 16th  No day or night flying. Soccer team held practice. This sport does not seem to appeal to the West. Most players were English.

June 17th  Flying half day. Night flying. Tennis court being levelled, rolled and packed. Wet weather has held this work up considerable. Approximately 100 Air Cadets marched from town to the Station to spend the week here. They were accompanied by our Bugle Band.

June 18th  Flying all day and night. Ten R.C.A.F. (W.D.) cooks posted from No. 4 SFTS to No. 8 B &t G, Lethbridge. Muster Parade of all RCAF(WD) personnel and inspection held by A/S/O MacDonald. G/C Grant arrived from No. 2 T.C. Air Cadets seem to be enjoying themselves in spite of the weather. F/Lt I.H. Eberle began a period of Temporary Duty during F/Lt Scott's illness.

June 19th  No flying during day or night. 43 airmen received their wings today when Course 50 graduated, G/C Grant returned to No. 2 T.C.

June 20th  No flying during day or night. Air Cadets were given a Modachrome lecture on the new Rainbow Bridge over the Niagara Gorge.

June 21st  Day flying carried out for half-day. Night flying as usual. Most of new course reported in today with the exception of a number of Australians.

June 22nd  Flying all day and night.

IMAGE 1506.

June 23rd 1942. Flying all day and night. Seven students ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in G.I.S. Track meet was held by the Air Cadets and was very successful. W/C Aslin from AFHQ, Ottawa inspected the air cadets here today.

June 24th  Flying all day and night. New group of air cadets moved in and old group moved out today. They are still quartered in Recreation Hall due to damp weather. Muster parade was held to practice for coming of D.I.G.

June 25th  Day flying, no night flying. 28 Australian student pilots reported from #5 "M" Depot, Lachine, Quo., to complete the new course. Another muster parade and practice for visit of D.I.G. All sections are very busy cleaning up. S/O Graham returned from Temporary Duty at
No. 8 B & G School, Lethbridge.

June 26th  No day or night flying. Deputy Inspector General Air Commodore Godfrey completed an Inspection of this Station today. It had been previously planned to hold a parade on the tarmac but due to rain it was postponed until 1400 hours and held on the parade ground.

June 27th  One-half day of flying. No night flying. A.O.C. Air Vice Marshall Shearer inspected No. 4 S.F.T.S.

June 28th  One-half day of flying. No night flying. Baseball game between No. 4 SFTS and Kaycee team.

June 29th  One-half day of flying. No night flying. Air Cadets held a sports meet. Bedford Road Collegite tied with City Park and the meet was to be decided by a tug-of-war the following day.

June 30th  One-half day of flying. No night flying. Tug-of-war previously mentioned was won by Bedford Road.

(W.W. Lewis) Flying Officer,
for Commanding Officer,
No. 4 SFTS, RCAF, Saskatoon.

IMAGE 1507

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Trainees:

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| R.N.Z.A.F. | 49 |
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| R.A.A.F. | 29 |

TOTAL TRAINEES 226

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**IMAGE 1529**

July 1st 1942. Flying all day and night. Two N.C.O.'s of RCAF (WD) left for Toronto on appointment to commission. Hardball team played out of town. Won 1st money. After expenses were deducted, remainder was turned over to Sports' Fund.
July 2nd   Flying all day and no night flying. Dance was held in the Recreation Centre of the W.D. Track meet has been postponed to July 15th. Both softball and hardball teams won their games.

July 3rd   No flying day or night.

July 4th   No flying day or night. Posting notice was received for remainder of Course 50.

July 5th   Flying for only ½ day. Flying all night. lass A8 posted to No. 7 ITS, Saskatoon. Class A9 reported from Brandon, Man.

July 6th   Flying all day. No night flying. Mosquitoes have made track work very difficult.

July 7th   Flying all day and night. Work is progressing on the tennis courts behind No. 5 Hangar.

July 8th   Flying all day. No night flying. J10789 Pilot Officer Small, Robert William with NZA146194 LAC Burrowes, Edwin Fitzherbert George, student, under instruction, abandoned aircraft by parachute after losing control in severe thunder storm. Bottom of swimming pool at drain broken open but was soon repaired.

July 9th   Flying all day. No night flying. Two messing Officers (W.D.) reported from Toronto.

July 10th   Flying all day. No night flying. The padre continues to be a very busy man.

IMAGE 1530

July 11th, 1942   Flying all day. No night flying.

July 12th   Flying for only ½ day. Flying all night.

July 13th   Flying all day and night. Military funeral was held in town for airman killed on West Coast.

July 14th   Flying all day. No night flying.

July 15th   Flying all day. Flying at night. While giving dual instruction on instruments P/O McDonald, W.R.C. (J7689) with R62772 Cpl Langevin, J.A., student receiving instruction, were killed when their A/C Crane 1 - 7944 crashed 20 miles south of Prince Albert, a/c apparently fell out of thundercloud out of control and appeared to break up before striking ground.

July 16th   Flying all day. No night flying.

July 17th   Flying for ½ day. No night flying. 38 students received wings when Course 52 graduated today. Still postings to be received from Ottawa for several on this course. Escort
parade was held to C.N.R, Station for P/O McDonald in evening.

July 18th    Flying for ½ day. No night flying.

July 19th   Flying for ½ day. Flying all night. Course 60 reported on station.

July 20th   Flying all day and night. Padre spoke to HCAF(WD) during their Domestic evening.

July 21st   Flying all day and night. The station changed over from summer schedule to the old schedule of working hours. Work commences at 0800 hours and ceases at 1700 hours.

July 22nd   Flying all day and night. Pilot Officer Motherwell. V.. (J7920) was giving night flying instruction to R114976 LAC Currie, A.C., the axle broke on a tractor proceeding towards stalled Aircraft on the field. P/O Motherwell of 7871 failed to see headlights and flashlight of ground crew and ran into the tractor, thereby damaging aircraft.

July 23rd   Flying all day. No night flying. Dance was held in Recreation Centre of RCAF(WD).
Group of Farm Boys visited the station during the day.

IMAGE 1531

July 24th   No day flying. Flying during ½ night.

July 25th   Flying for ½ day. No night flying.

July 26th   Flying all day and night. Airmen are making good use of swimming pool.

July 27th   Flying all day and night.

July 28th   Flying all day. No night flying.

July 29th   Flying all day and night.

July 30th    Flying all day and night. About 75 airmen and airwomen attended a well organized sports party and weiner roast. Heavy rain during the night melted the salt into the clay and course sand on tennis courts, two of which are now open.

July 31st   Flying all day and night. Accident to Crane 1 - 7719 occurred at 1330 hours 1½ miles east of Warman, Sask. J10804 Pilot Officer Currie, A.A. was instructing R125925 LAC Seeds, E.A. with RAF1361191 LAC Gray, G. as lookout on instrument flying. While practicing instrument flying dual, aircraft dived almost vertically into the ground and burned. All occupants were killed.
(W.W. Lewis) Flying Officer,
for Commanding Officer,
No. 4 SFTS, RCAF, Saskatoon, Sask.

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IMAGE 1535  

Aug. 1st, 1942  Flying all day. No night flying. Flying Officer Hobson of the Trade Test Board from No.2 Training Command is progressing well with the Trade Testing.  

Aug. 2nd.  Flying all day. No night flying.  

Aug. 3rd.  Flying all day and night. RAF658339 LAC Crighton, Albert Melligan, a student of Course No. 60 ceased training. This was due to shortness of legs which made him unable to reach the rudder and brake pedals.  

Aug. 4th.  Flying all day and night.  

Aug. 5th.  Flying all day and night. Air Vice Marshal Goble, Australian Liason Officer, spoke to the Australians. A/S/O Magoon reported here from No. 7 B. & G. Paulson on posting. The Flyers lost final ball game to Comermy. Score 3-1.  

Aug. 6th.  Flying all day and night. Dance was held in RCAF(WD) Recreational Centre.  

Aug. 7th.  Flying all day and night.  

Aug. 8th.  Flying all day. No night flying. Course 56 started their final examinations today.  

Aug. 9th.  Flying half day. Flying all night. Sgt. Looker of RCAF(WD) appointed to
Commissioned rank and is to proceed to Toronto for a short course.

Aug. 10th.  Flying all day. No night flying.

Aug. 11th.  Fling all day. Night flying.

Aug. 12th.  Flying half day. Flying all night. Posting Instructions received for Course 54. There still seems to be a great demand for Instructors.

Aug. 13th.  Flying half day. No night flying. LAC Collier changed from Course 58 to Course 60.

Aug. 14th.  Flying half day. No night flying. 44 students received their wings when Course 54 graduated today. The class was split up quits a bit by postings as they were sent to eight different stations.

Aug. 15th.  No flying day or night. New Class 10 "A" reported In from Manning Depot at Edmonton.

Aug. 16th.  Flying all day. No night flying. The new class, Course 62, reported in. Swimming meet as held In the Station swimming pool. In the evening the RCAF(WD) paraded from Armouries to Band Stand with C.W.A.C. ‘s., St. John's ambulance and Miss Canada Girls.

Aug. 17th.  Flying all day and night. Four new W.D. reported in from Toronto and Guelph. Stores office arrangement is being changed.

Aug. 18th.  Flying all day and night. One student of Course No. 60 ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying.

Aug. 19th.  Flying all day and night. One pupil pilot ceased training due to failure in Supplemental Armament Exam. Another ceased training after being involved In a careless accident. While on a cross country exercise, both engines cut. Pupil made forced landing -wheels retracted. Causal carelessness, pupil neglected to change tanks when engines stopped. S/O Henderson of No. 2 Training Command arrived for a day's visit.

Aug. 20th.  Flying all day. Flying only ½ night. Student Pilot ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying. Dance was held In W.D. Recreational Centre. WO2 Montgomery of Stores was posted to Sea Island, B.C.

Aug. 21st.  Flying for ½ day. No night flying. One student pilot ceased training due to unsatisfactory Progress in flying.

Aug. 22nd.  No flying day or night.
Aug. 23rd, 1942  Flying for ½ day. No night flying. RCAF(W.D.) took part in the Decoration Day parade in Saskatoon along with 100 students and two officers.

Aug. 24th. Flying all day and night. All RCAF(WD) confined to Barracks with restricted privileges until those responsible for defacing orders Issued by the Commanding Officer confess.

Aug. 25th. Flying all day. Flying for ½ night. Extension of G.1.S. is now completed. Education Officer has moved his office from Link Trainer Building to the new extension in G.-I.S.

Aug. 26th. Flying all day. Flying for ½ night. LAC Felming ceased training due to medical reasons. He is posted to No. 3 Repair Depot, Vancouver, prior to posting home to New Zealand.

Aug. 27th. Flying for ½ day. No night flying. C.B. lifted after the confession of three airwomen. They were paraded before the C.O. on charge and awarded 14 days C.B. and 28 days R.P.

Aug. 28th. Flying for ½ day. Flying all night.

Aug. 29th. Flying all day. No night flying.

Aug. 30th. Flying all day and night.

Aug. 31st. Flying all day and night. The number of flying hours for the month of August—10,745 hours--is greater than any previous month at this Unit. The only accident was a forced landing in which the pilot was uninjured.

(R.E. Leary) Flying Officer,
for Commanding Officer,
No. 4 SFTS, RCAF, Saskatoon, Sask.

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Barrack Warden 1
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Sept. 1st, 1942

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TRAINEES: R.C.A.F. 173
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R.A.A.F. 22
R.A.F. 36

TOTAL TRAINEES 235

AIRCRAFT STRENGTH:
Type Serviceable Unserviceable
Cessna 72 30

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Sept. 1st, 1942  No flying during day or night. Drill parades for personnel of Maintenance Wing carried out.

Sept. 2nd  Flying all day and night. I07477 LAC McGowan, D.W., student of Course No. 56 transferred to Course No. 58 on account of Illness. With exception of skeleton staff, all personnel on the station attended a very successful sports meet at the sports field here. A number of airmen from No. 7 competed also.

Sept. 3rd  Flying all day and night. Two aircraft awaiting overhaul and two awaiting parts. Drill period today completed required amount for this week. All students allowed out until 2359 hours.

Sept. 4th  Flying all day and night. Red and Blue Sections of Course $8 at Ground School all day preparing for final examinations. Considerable Interest has been aroused with the Rifle Shooting Competition. Each section is entering a team of eight. The W.D. took part today.

Sept. 5th  Flying all day. No might flying. A/C 7796 due for overhaul at Moose Jaw. Course 58 started their final examinations by writing navigation, Meteorology and Signals. S/O Graham from No. 3 SFTS Calgary and S/O Prud'homme from Recruiting Centre, Regina, visited the Station.

Sept. 6th  Flying for one-half day; no might flying. A/C 7796 to go to Moose Jaw for overhaul. Muster Parade and inspection of entire Station by the Commanding Officer. Course 58 completed final examinations.

Sept. 7th  Flying all day and might. The W.D. Domestic evening took the form of a general clean-up of

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Sept. 7th, 1942 (Cont'd) Barracks, and Canteen. Two W.D. equipment assistants posted In T.T.S., St. Thomas. Postings received for Course 56. Sports day held for winners of last Wednesday. The meet took place at Griffiths Stadium, Saskatoon.

Sept. 8th,  Flying all day and night. A/C 7862 to fly to Moose Jaw for overhaul. Law Robinson appointed to A/S/O in the Equipment branch. The bomber crew of the Moose Squadron arrived from Overseas today. They addressed all classes and went to No. 7 ITS for dinner. They were
Introduced to the public by Wing Commander Newcombe, Commanding Officer of this unit, at the Park in Saskatoon.

Sept. 9th  Flying all day. Flying during half the night. Two airwomen left to take No. 10 Administrative Course In Toronto. Course 56 held their Wings Party at the Bessborough and the Saskatoon Golf and Country Club.

Sept. 10th  Flying all day and night. A/C 7862 due for overhaul.

Sept. 11th  Flying for one-half day. Flying all night. 64 students of course No. 56 graduated here today. Still quite a large number being taken for Instructors. 21 of them going to G.R. Schools. 13 of them Overseas and 13 to A.G. Schools. 21 of them received commissions. The Lieut. Governor of Saskatchewan presented the Wings to this course. RCAF(WD) attended the premier of "The Eagle Squadron" at the Invitation of the management of Tivoli Theatre.

Sept. 12th  Flying all day. No night flying. A/C 7862 taken off charge.

Sept. 13th  Flying all day. No night flying. Regular church parades held. Padre flew to North Battleford. He addressed Decoration Day Service in Wilkie in afternoon.

Sept. 14th  Flying all day. No night flying. A/C 7687 brought on charge, 7814, FJ259 and 7758 awaiting parts. Sixty of Course 64 reported in.

Sept. 15th  Flying for one-half day. No night flying. R140571 LAC Lee, S.E. a student of Course No. 62 transferred to Course No. 64 on account of illness. A/C FJ259 still awaiting parts. A/C 7850 to Moose Jaw for overhaul.

Sept. 16th, 1942  Flying all day. No night flying. JI0584 Pilot Officer Barton, R.A.J. while giving R124445 LAC Webber, R.C. dual circuits and landing practice - overshot slightly on landing - ran past boundary markers, struck rock damaging starboard undercarriage, airscrew and flap. Examination marks for Course 58 were forwarded to Winnipeg.

Sept. 17th  Flying all day. No night flying. GB1321757 Lac Cordy, P.F.P. a student of Course No. 62 ceased training—unsatisfactory progress in flying. Posting received for Class A.10 to No. 7 ITS, Saskatoon. Six airwomen reported in. Four of them were Met. Observers.

Sept. 18th  Flying all day. No night flying. G.I.S.. von the Rifle Shoot with a very high score. First bowling games of the season were held. One airwoman reported in from T.T.S. St. Thomas.

Sept. 19th,  Flying all day. No night flying. GB1388616 LAC Seaben, R.G.W. a student of course No. 62 ceased training—unsatisfactory progress in flying.

Sept. 20th  Flying for half-day. No night flying. Divine services were held for Protestants and
Sept. 21st  Flying all day. No night flying. While practicing circuits and landings AUS40833 LAC Hays, C.W. made a wheels-up landing. Under-carriage motor failed to lower wheels and pupil attempted wheels-up landing. Red Very lights fired and instructor in second aircraft flew along side holding undercarriage crank In view. Pupil made no attempt whatsoever to wind wheels down by hand and landed wheels retracted against more Very lights.

Sept. 22nd., 1942  Flying all day. No night firing. RL40941 LAC Somers, B.A. of Course 62 ceased training. Unsatisfactory progress In flying. A banquet was held at the King George Hotel for the W.D. softball team. Wing Commander Newcombe and Flight Lieutenant Thompson were guests and spoke briefly to the airwomen. The "Pierrots" of Saskatoon staged a delightful concert In the Recreation Hall.

Sept. 23rd  Flying all day and night. R138071 LAC Greene. G.A. student of Course 62 ceased training. (Unsatisfactory progress in flying) GB1531945 LAC Monee, P. of Course 62 ceased training in Course 62 and transferred to Course 64 due to illness. Dance was held in the airwomen's canteen, P/O E.R. Wiseman, former hockey star of Boston Bruins reported for duty as P.T. & Drill Instructor.

Sept. 24th  Flying all day. No night flying. AUS40833 LAC Hayes, C.W. a student of Course 64 has ceased training—unsatisfactory progress in flying. The bowling teams of the station completed their second game in the league. Party and dance was held at the W.D. recreation centre.

Sept. 25th  Flying all day and night. Group Captain Pleasance from No. 2 Training Command arrived to review Maintenance. A/C's 7819 and 7769 due for overhaul. A/C 7692 brought on charge.

Sept. 26th  Flying all day. No night flying. GB11121 Tomkinson, C. a student of Course 62 ceased training—unsatisfactory progress in flying. A very successful dance was held at the Sergeants' Mess and the Officers' Mess had one too in celebration of the 2nd birthday of the Station.

Sept. 27th  Flying for one-half day. Flying all night. Class A.11 reported in from Edmonton. Alberta.

Sept. 28th  Flying all day and night. NZ416206 LAC Morgan, F.W. student of Course No. 62 ceased training for medical reasons. RAF1450340 LAC Hickson, J.A. student of Course 62 ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying. P.T. Classes started at the Y.W.C.A. for all the airwomen.
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Sept. 29th, 1942  Flying all day and night. AUS414060 LAC Millard, A. J. a student of Course 64 has ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying, Course 64 were invited to a party put on by Mr. and Mrs. Strickland. All courses allowed out till 2359 hours. First Aid Classes started for the airwomen under the direction of Cpl. Milner.

Sept. 30th  Flying all day and night. AUS421103 LAC Thompson, L. S. a student of Course 64 ceased training—unsatisfactory progress in flying. RI12794 LAC Moore, B. K. student of Course 58, transferred to Course 64 due to Injuries received in a crash of May 12th. 1942. R139972 LAC Smylie, J. E. a student of Course 64 ceased training—unsatisfactory progress in flying.

(R. A. Jamieson) Squadron Leader, for Commanding Officer, No. 4 SFTS, RCAF, Saskatoon, Sask.

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October 1st, 1942  Airmen or
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Service Personnel Other Than R.C.A.F.
R. C.A. S.C.            4
C.D.C.                  1            3
C.P.C.                  3

Civilians
Barrack Warden          1
Meteorologist           2
Others                  160
TOTAL STAFF             120           1109          163

TRAINESS:   R.C.A.F.        128
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R.A.F.          17
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October 1st, 1942  Flying all day and night. All courses allowed out till 2359 hours. Sgt. Cunningham received a commission as Pilot Officer in the Photographic branch and was posted to Lachine, Que. Two aircraft at Dafoe and one at Winnipeg. Three are due for overhaul and three taken on strength.

October 2nd  Flying all day and night. R.C.A.F.(W.D.) attended P.T, and First Aid Classes. Class 60 invited to a party, by St. Johns AYPA. They are now preparing for their final exams in G.I.S. Two aircraft at Dafoe and four due for overhaul. The Padre lectured to aircrew in G.I.S.

October 3id  Flying all day. No night flying. R.C.A.F.(W.D.) bowled in Saskatoon at the Bowladrome. Course 60 wrote final examinations. All courses allowed out till 2359 hours. Two
aircraft at Dafoe and six due for overhaul.

October 4th  Flying all day and night. No classes held in G.I.S. but Course 60 continued final exams. Two aircraft at Dafoe with seven due for overhaul.

October 5th  Flying all day and for one-half the night. Posting for Course 58 has been received. Padre lectured at G.I.S. P.T. class at the Y.W.C.A. for R.C.A.F.(W.D.)  P.T. and games were given to aircrew classes. Work continues on the Obstacle course. Badminton courts were repainted in the Drill Hall. Boxing classes were held in the afternoon and evening.

October 6th  Flying all day and one-half the night. AUS410189 LAC Withers, A.V. student of Course 64 ceased training. Unsatisfactory progress in flying. All courses allowed out till 2359 hours. Overhaul due for five aircraft. Bingo and dance held in W.D. Recreation Hall. New station orchestra provided the music for dancing. P.T. and games given aircrew classes. Arrangements being made to have basketball floor ready for games. Basketball

IMAGE 1553

October 6th, 1942 (Cont'd)  team being organized for winter season. Boxing class held in afternoon. Sports equipment issued to Airmen and Airwomen, a good number taking part in all available sports.

October 7th  No flying during day. Flying all night. AUS14853 LAC Woodrow, G.D. student of Course 64 ceased training. Unsatisfactory progress in flying. Course 58 held their wings part at the Bessborough Hotel. Three aircraft due for overhaul, LAW O'Neil left for No. 10 Administration Course at No. 6 Manning Depot, Toronto. Boxing class held in afternoon and evening. P.T. and games given to aircrew classes.

October 8th  Flying for half day, but no night flying. All courses allowed out till 2359 hours. Three aircraft due for overhaul. P.T. and games given to Aircrew classes.

October 9th  Flying for half day. No night flying. Course 58 graduated with a larger number receiving commissions than usual. This is due to a new policy being adapted. Three aircraft taken off strength. LAC Hunt (Australian) was married in the Bessborough shortly after graduating with Course 58. Sports equipment not required for the present season was returned to stores. Work continues on the obstacle course. P.T. and games were given to Aircrew classes.

October 10th  Flying all day. No night flying. One aircraft taken off charge and seven taken on charge. One is due for overhaul. All available sports were played by airmen and airwomen.

October 11th  Flying all day. No night flying. No classes were held today in G.I.S. Two aircraft taken on strength and overhaul due for three others. Command Chaplain conducted church service in the morning. Kinsmen Glee Club attended.

October 12th  Flying all day. No night flying. Sixty airmen of Course 66 reported in. Additional
lectures given to those who have to write supplemental in Navigation. Two aircraft were taken on strength and three due for overhaul. P.T. and drill given to aircrew classes. Sports equipment repaired and checked. Boxing classes were held in afternoon and evening.

October 13th  Flying all day and no night flying. All of Course 66 in attendance at G.I.S. for dividing into Flights and receiving instructions on duties to be carried out. All courses allowed out until 2359 hours. Proposed final exams for Course 62 forwarded to No. 2 Training Command. Three aircraft taken on strength, two taken off strength and two due for overhaul.

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October 13th, 1942  (Cont'd) Efforts are being made to stage a service boxing bout in the Drill Hall. Arrangements for basketball, skating rink and hockey team proceeding.

October 14th  Flying for half day. No night flying. AUS420457 LAC Davey, L.W. student of Course 64 ceased training. Unsatisfactory progress in flying. Nine students of Course 60 wrote supplemental examinations in Navigation. H.H.H. Princess Alice visited the Station and inspected the R.C.A.F. (W.D.) late in the afternoon. She was accompanied by S/O Henderson from No. 2 Training Command. Two aircraft are due for overhaul and two taken on strength. Rugby and soccer teams held practices. Swimming pool checked and locked for winter months.

October 15th  Flying all day. No night flying. All courses allowed out until 2359 hours. Received posting for class A.11 to No. 7 ITS, Saskatoon. Three aircraft due for overhaul. Boxing class held in afternoon. Aircrew classes given in P.T. and drill during their sports periods. Badminton nets were set up for officers games in the evening.

October 16th  Flying all day. No night flying. New flying schedule will be set in motion on Monday, 19th. Flying is to stop at 1600 hours Saturday and commence Monday morning at 0800 hours. Three aircraft due for overhaul. Dance held in W.D. Recreation hall. A sports meeting was held at No. 7 ITS for the purpose of promoting sports between the local Services. Football field being prepared for games. Boxing class held in afternoon and evening.

October 17th  Flying all day. No night flying. Two aircraft struck off strength. The station has been unable to secure football equipment for the present season and are unable to outfit a team to play competitive games. However it is felt that when the present plans are completed we will have representative and inter unit teams to compete in the various sports during the winter season.

IMAGE 1555

October 18th, 1942  No flying during day or night. A squadron of aircrew and R.C.A.F. (W.D.) took part in a special Victory Loan Parade in Saskatoon.

October 19th  Flying all day. One-half night of flying. R134332 LAC Robertson, H.I. student of
Course 60 ceased training. Unsatisfactory progress in flying. P.T. class was held at the gym of the Saskatoon Technical School for the R.C.A.F.(W.D.) Three aircraft due for overhaul. F/L Rosborough posted to No. 2 Training Command and being replaced by S/L Mountain. All available games were played by a large number of personnel.

October 20th  Flying all day and night. R140657 LAC Crawford, D.H., a student of Course 64 ceased training duo to unsatisfactory progress in flying. Three aircraft taken off strength. All courses allowed out till 2359 hours. Drill and games were given aircrew classes.

October 21st. No flying during day. Flying all night. P.T. and games were given aircrew classes. Arrangements were made for a soccer game against No. 7 ITS for October 24th. Boxing classes afternoon and evening.

October 22nd  Flying during one-half of the day and all night, R141603 LAC Pollin, W.B. of Course 60 transferred to Course 64 due to illness. One aircraft taken off strength. All courses allowed out till 2359 hours, The basketball court was completed in the drill hall and a large number of airmen practised same. Boxing class held in afternoon.

October 23rd  No flying during day or night. One aircraft taken off strength. Drill hall cleaned and put in readiness for sports. All available games were played with badminton especially drawing a large number of participants. A meeting of the Station Sports Committee was held and plans for the winter sports season were discussed. The station sports officer and Y.M.CA, officer attended a sports meeting held at No. 7 ITS to discuss inter Services sport for the winter season.

October 24th  One-half day of flying. No night flying. One aircraft taken off strength and two due for overhaul. Class A.12 reported in. P/O Hammersley (Navigation) posted to R.C.A.F. Station, Trenton, Ont. Both the football and soccer teams were forced to postpone their games in the City due to the severe cold weather and snow storm.

IMAGE 1556

October 25th, 1942  No flying during day or night. A compulsory church parade for all R.C. personnel was held at St. Paul's Cathedral. Group Captain Nelligan, head R.C. Chaplain of the armed forces was present. No classes were held in G.I.S. Two aircraft are due for overhaul. The station was opened to visitors during the afternoon. More than a thousand people took advantage of this opportunity. They were allowed to visit and inspect various buildings including hospital, link trainer building, recreation hall and canteens. Various buildings, trucks, aircraft and aircraft parts were tagged showing the number of bonds required to purchase each to give the public an idea of the cost involved in operating a station such as this. Sports facilities were displayed for the benefit of these visitors.

October 26th  Flying all day and night. P.T. class was held for all R.C.A.F.(W.D.). Class A.12 started classes at G.I.S. Final examinations for course 62 have been received. Two aircraft due for overhaul. Aircrew classes were given P.T.I. and games. Station basketball team held a practise in the Drill Hall in the evening. Boxing classes were held in afternoon and evening.
October 27th  Flying all day, but no night flying. A most successful concert was staged in the Recreation Hall. The cast consisted entirely of Service personnel and was directed by A/S/O Magoon. All courses were allowed out till 2359 hours. Flying time extended on two aircraft. A hockey practise was held at Saskatoon Arena for Station players. All available sports were played by a large number of personnel.

October 28th  Flying all day. No night flying. R147576 LAC Rowney, E. student of Course 66 ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying. Final preparations made for Course 62 examinations. One aircraft brought on charge. A boxing card was arranged with the Essex Tank Regiment of Durnburn camp to be held at this Station Nov. 13th. Al Delaney,

October 28th, 1942  (Cont'd)  former heavyweight opponent of Joe Louis, Tony Galento and world ranking boxers, was secured to appear as referee for our Station show. R139998 LAC Dotten, L.C, student pilot, fell from panel truck while picking up night flying flares, and was dangerously injured. Cause was obscure and an inquiry is being convened to investigate this accident.

October 29th  Flying all day and night. First Aid class was held for all R.C.A.F.(W.D.). All courses allowed out till 2359 hours. Course 62 started final examinations. Five aircraft were brought on charge. Volley ball courts were repainted for future games which are being organized between various sections. A hockey practise was held in the Saskatoon Arena for all those interested in hockey. Boxing class was held in the afternoon.

October 30th  Flying all day and night. R124420 LAC Verry, P.E. student of Course 66 ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying. Captain Rankin of the C.W.A.C. visited No. 4 S.F.T.S. and was shown through the W.D. Barracks and the Canteen and the O.R. Mess. Course 62 has completed final examinations. Posting of Course 62 has been received. The station sports officer proceeded to Regina to make arrangements for the R.C.A.F. hockey team to play in the Saskatchewan Service Senior hockey league. All available sports were played by a large number of personnel. A boxing class was held in the afternoon and evening.

October 31st  Flying all day and no night flying. Course 64 soccer team played No. 7 ITS and No. 7 and lost by a score of 5 to 0. Arrangements were made with No. 7 I.T.S. to enter a group of our Station boxers on the card to be held at No. 7 on Friday Nov. 6th. All available sports on the Station were played during the afternoon and evening.

{E.A. Jamieson) Squadron Leader,  for Commanding Officer,  No. 4 SFTS, RCAF, Saskatoon, Sask.

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October 31st, 1942

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Nov. 1st, 1942  No flying during day or night. Eighty-two aircraft were serviceable and twenty-one were unserviceable. Sporting equipment was checked and Issued. The following games were played by a large number of officers and airmen; badminton, basketball, handball and volleyball.

Nov. 2nd  Flying all day and night. Three airwomen put on an entertainment during a banquet at the Lions Club. Aircrew classes were given P.T. and games. Senior N.C.O.'s were given drill. Boxing classes were held in afternoon and evening. Sports equipment issued and all available games were played. The Station basketball team played No. 7 I.T.S. at that station and lost by a score of 54 to 19. Twenty-five of Course 66 were invited to a party put on by the Beaver Club at the Hudson Bay Co.

Nov. 3rd  Flying all day. No night flying. First Aid classes were held for the airwomen. Aircrew classes were given P.T and games. Personnel of No. 5 Hangar were given-drill. Sports equipment was issued to a large number of personnel who played all available games. The Service Police played the Fire Department a game of basketball and won by score of 9 to 6. The station hockey team held a practise at the Arena Rink in Saskatoon. Boxing class was held in afternoon. Course 64 soccer team held a practise in the evening. The "Lifebuoy Follies" was presented to a large appreciative audience in the evening at the Recreation Hall. Two airmen are at present under arrest for low flying while on a cross-country instrument flight. All courses allowed out till 2359 hours.

Nov. 4th  Flying one-half day and one-half night. Aircraft 7913 was taken on strength. Aircrew classes were given P.T. and games. Airmen of H.Q. were given drill. A large number of personnel played, handball, volleyball, basketball and badminton. Badminton has become a popular game on this station and a large number of games are played daily. The station

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Nov. 4, 1942  (Cont'd)  basketball team held a practise la the evening. Boxing classes were held In afternoon and evening. Course 60 held their Wings Party at the Bessborough.

Nov. 5th  No flying during day or night. First Aid class was held for the airwomen. The W.D. precision squad- of this Unit commenced its training under the instruction of the Station Disciplinarian. Aircrew classes were given P.T. and drill. The women's division were given drill. A boxing class was held in the afternoon. A basketball practise game was played In the Drill Hall. The R.C.A.F. hockey team from Saskatoon played the R.C.A.F. team from Prime Albert at the Arena Rink in Saskatoon and won by a score of 10-1.

Nov. 6th  Flying for one-half day and all night, S/O M.M. Graham of No. 3 S.F.T.S., Calgary, formerly of this Unit, visited this Station today. Aircrew classes were given P.T. and drill. No. 4 Hangar personnel were also given drill. Sports equipment was issued and all available games were played by a large number of personnel. The Station basketball team held a practise in the Drill Hall. Four boxers from this Station competed in the Inter-Service boxing show held at No. 7 I.T.S. and won three of four bouts. Wings Parade for Course 60 was held this afternoon.  P/O Merrell, C. of this course received General Proficiency award and- also received the highest-average of any student passing through G.I.S.

Nov. 7th  Flying all-day. No night flying. Flight Officer Henderson, Command Staff Officer of No. 2 Training Command, visited the Station and carried out an Inspection. All sports equipment was checked and Issued. A large number of officers and men played badminton. Course 64 soccer team played No. 7 I.T.S. on the Station soccer field and lost by a score of 7 to 1.

Nov. 8th.  No flying during day or night. GB.1533561 LAC Hales, J.H.E. of Course 62 ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying, R132370  LAC Jamieson, G.K. of Course 62 has ceased training for the same reason. S/O Macdonald addressed the Junior Members of the Catholic Women's League at the King George Hotel. The subject of her talk was 'She Serves - That Men May Fly". The Masonic Male Choir sang at the Divine Service held at 0930 hours. Course 68 report in. Recreation Hall prepared for Station Round Robin Badminton Tournament in which a large number of officers, airmen and their lady friends took part. Sports equipment was issued to a large number of personnel who played the following games in the Drill Hall, badminton, handball and basketball.

Nov. 9th   Flying all day and night. S/O Macdonald and six airwomen put on an entertainment at a banquet held at the Bessborough Hotel by the Lions Club. Lectures were given, to Course 68 by the Commanding Officer, Chief Flying Instructor, Padre, and Disciplinarian. Boxing classes were held in afternoon and evening. The Station Boxing Meet scheduled for Nov. 13th was postponed until Nov, 20th, on request of the President of Sports Committee. Sports equipment was issued to a large number of personnel who played all available games. A hockey practise for the Station hockey team was held in the Arena Rink in Saskatoon. Senior N.C.O,'s were given drill.
Nov. 10th  Flying all day and night. First Aid Class held for W.D. personnel. All courses allowed out until 2359 hours. Course 68 began classes at G.I.S. Aircrew classes were given drill. Sports equipment was issued and a large number of personnel took part in various sports. A boxing class was held in the afternoon. Hockey practise held at Arena Rink. The Station Basketball team played the City "Burrs" team in the first game of the City League schedule and won by score-of 29 to 24.

Nov. 11th  Flying all day and night. At 1230 hours accident to Crane FJ259. Pilot, F/O Arnason, A. (J5221) uninjured. Passenger Sgt. Ansell, D.B. (R61919) uninjured. Testing aircraft after Inspection, undershot on landing. Struck runway marker post. Aircraft stalled too high and dropped heavily onto ground damaging both airscrews. A special Remembrance Day parade was held in Drill Hall for all personnel. Personnel of No. 4 presented their concert at No. 7 I.T.S. 26 airwomen took part in the concert. Group Captain Pleasance arrived from Winnipeg at approximately 1500 hours. Aircrew classes were given P.T. and sports. Headquarters squadron was given drill. Boxing class held in afternoon and evening. Work was begun on the new station skating rink between R.C.A.S.C. building and Officers' Annex.

Nov. 12th. 1942  Flying all day and one-half night. AUS414470 LAC Weaver, E.W. of Course 64 has ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress In flying. Group Captain Pleasance left for Davidson. All courses allowed out until 2359 hours. Aircrew classes were given drill. Boxing class held in afternoon. All available sports were played by a large number of Officers, airmen and airwomen. The Station basketball team held a practice in the evening. The hockey team held a practise at the Arena Rink. Work continues on the station ice rink.

Nov. 13th  Flying all day. No night flying. The station precision squad drilled in the evening. First Aid Class was held for the R.C.A.F.(W.D.). Flight Lieutenant Burns, Navigation Instructor, reported in at G.I.S. Aircrew classes were given P.T. Work continued on Station Ice Rink. Sports equipment was checked and issued to a large number of personnel who played all available sports.

Nov. 14th  Flying all day. No night flying. Work continued on the Station Ice Rink. Sports equipment was checked, repaired and issued. A large number took part in badminton, volleyball and handball. A large number of "off-duty" airmen picked up teams for baseball and two games were played in the Drill Hall.

Nov. 15th  No flying during day or night. Courses 66 and 68 and A.12 attended Church Parade. Stinson Aircraft (Civilian) NC12137 reported in at 0935 hours. Sports equipment was issued to a large number of personnel who played all available games. Ski equipment was issued to a large number of personnel.

Nov. 16th  No flying during day or night. Domestic evening was held by the R.C.A.F. (W.D.) also classes in P.T. Flight Lieutenant Putnam assumed command of G.I. S. on posting to this
Unit. Civilian aircraft down due to inclement weather. P.T. and sports were given aircrew classes. Senior N.C.O.'s were given drill. Sports equipment was issued to a large number of personnel who played all available games. Boxing classes were held in afternoon and evening. A basketball and hockey practise was held for the Station team.

Nov. 17th One-half day of flying. No night flying. All courses were allowed out till 2359 hours. Civilian Stinson A/C NC12137 left 1100 hours. Pilot was Randall, a civilian. P.T. and sports were given aircrew classes. Headquarters squadron were given drill. Sports equipment was checked and issued. Officers, airmen and airwomen were issued with the following sports equipment: skates, skis, badminton, handball and volleyball. A boxing class was held this afternoon. The station hockey team held a practise at the Arena. Station basketball team played Nutana Beavers of the City league and won by a score of 57 to 7.

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Nov. 18th, 1942. No flying during day or night. Since there has been considerable bad weather holding up flying so far this month, maintenance has been able to to keep up a very high percentage of serviceability. Todays report is as follows - Serviceable A/C: 95, U/S A/C: 12. Drill was given aircrew classes during their sport period. The W.D. were given drill. Boxing classes were held afternoon and evening. All sports equipment was in use during the afternoon and evening. A basketball practise was held in the drill hall. Work on the Slating rink continued each day during the week.

Nov. 19th One-half day flying. No night flying. The airwomen held a dance in their Recreation Centre. All courses allowed out till 2359 hours. Airmen personnel of No. 5 Hangar were given drill. Service Police and Fire Department were given sports and drill. Station boxers who are boxing on the card in the Drill Hall on 20-11 were given light workouts. Sports equipment was issued and all available games were played. The Sports Officer and Y.M.C.A. Director attended a meeting of the Active Inter-Services Sport League held at No. 7 I.T.S. in the interest of Station Sports. The Station Basketball team held a practise in the Drill Hall.

Nov. 20th Flying all day. No night flying. Squadron Officer Walker and Section Officer Dunbar from Air Force Headquarters Visited No. 4 and made an Inspection of the barracks, canteen and several of the sections. P.T. and sports were given aircrew classes. Personnel of No. 4 Hangar were given drill. All sports equipment was issued to a large number of officers, airman and airwomen who played all available games. The Drill Hall was prepared for the nights boxing meet. Twelve boxing bouts were held between personnel of the three Services and approximately 700 spectators attended. Prizes were presented to the contestants by the C.O.

Nov. 21st Flying all day. No night flying. Several airwomen attended the performance at No. 7 I.T.S. put on by the W.D. Precision Squad from No. 7 Manning Depot, Rockcliffe, Ont. Work was
Nov. 21st, 1942 (Cont'd)   continued on the Station skating rink. All sports equipment was checked and repaired. Work continued on arrangements for the hockey game between the Navy and R.C.A.F., to be held at the Saskatoon Arena tonight. A large number of personnel played badminton in the afternoon. Approximately 2500 spectators attended the hockey game which ended in a score of 2 all.

Nov. 22nd   Flying for one-half day and all night. Sports equipment checked and issued to a large number of personnel who took part in the following sports; skiing, basketball, badminton and skating, The Station basketball team played the "Toilers" in the City League and won by a score of 49 to 17. Courses 62 and 64 and Tarmac personnel attended Church Parade.

Nov. 23rd   Flying all day. No night flying. R157849 LAC. Punter, Robert Hamilton of Course 68 has ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying. P.T. and sports were given aircrew classes. Senior N.C.O.'s were given an hour of drill. Work on the Station Skating Rink was continued and flooding was started. Sports equipment was repaired and issued and all available games were played by Officers, airmen and airwomen.

Nov. 24th   Flying for one-half day. No night flying. R139998 LAC Dotten, Lawrence Clive of Course 64 transferred to Course 66. (Result of injured sustained in an accident 20-8-42 while laying out the flare path.) R62193 Cpl. Nesbitt, John of Course 62 transferred to Course 64 pending court martial. R128295 LAC Rush, Francis John of Course 62 transferred to Course 64 pending court martial. R65975 Sgt. Campbell, Gordon Kenneth of Course 68 ceased training. (Unsatisfactory progress in flying). Drill was given Aircrew classes. Airmen of H.Q. squadron were given an hour of drill. The station skating rink was given two floodings during the day. All available sports were played during the afternoon and evening. The Station hockey team held a practise at the Arena Rink in the evening. One hundred AC2's reported from No. 3 Manning Depot for Tarmac Duty.

Nov. 25th   Flying all day. No night flying. R141603 LAC Polln, W.B. of Course 64 was transferred to Course 66 due to illness. A boxing class was held in the evening. Personnel took part in all available sports during-afternoon and evening. Skates were issued to those going to the Arena Rink. Course 64 are preparing for their final exams in G.I.S.

Nov. 26th   Flying all day and all night. Thirty-four airwomen attended a party given by the Ladies Auxiliary at C.N.R. hall. P.T. was given to Aircrew classes. Airmen personnel of No. 4

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Nov, 26th, 1942 (Cont'd)   Hangar were given one hour drill. Airmen of the Service Police and fire sections were given one hour sports. The skating rink was flooded in the morning and afternoon. All available sports were played during the afternoon and evening. The Station Basketball team held a practise in the Drill Hall. The Station hockey team held a practise at the Arena Rink. All courses allowed out till 2359 hours.
Nov. 27th. Flying all day and no night flying. R157412 LAC Yemchuk. N. G. of course 68 ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying. R147635 LAC Clift, R.J. of Course 68 ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying. 2654 Sgt. Yaternick, E. of Course 68 ceased training for the same reason. A successful dance was held at the Recreation Hall. P.T. was given to aircrew classes. Airmen personnel of No. 5 Hangar were given one hour of drill. Badminton was played by a large group during the afternoon and evening. A meeting of the Station Sports Committee was held and all station sports was discussed.

Nov. 28th Flying all day. No night flying. Visiting A/C from No. 10 SFTS Dauphin, Man. downed here - 15 remained overnight. Work continued on the skating rink. Sports equipment was checked and repaired. A large number of personnel took part in all available sports. The Inter-service hockey team is being organized in preparation for the opening of the Inter-Service League. Twenty-Five students from Class A.13 invited to a dance in the King George by the Normal School.

Nov. 29th. No flying during day or night. A large number of personnel look part in all available sports. A particularly large number took part in badminton during the afternoon and evening.

Nov. 30th Flying during - half the day and also half the night. Aircrew classes were given drill and P.T. N.C.O.’s were given drill in the Drill Hall. All available sports were played during the afternoon and evening.

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(E.A. Jamieson) Squadron Leader, for Commanding Officer, No. 4 SFTS, RCAF.
Saskatoon, Sask.

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IMAGE 1580
December 1st, 1942. Flying all day. No night flying. All courses were allowed out till 2359 hours. P.T. was given aircrew classes. One hour drill was given to airmen of Headquarters Squadron. Work continued on the Station skating rink and skates were issued to those who wished to skate on it before a smoother surface was attained. Skis were issued to a small group of airmen who were going on a hike. All sports equipment was issued during the afternoon and evening. A large number of officers and airmen and airwomen played badminton. The senior hockey team played the Regina Army at the Arena Rink and lost by a score of 6 to 5.

December 2nd Flying all day. No night flying. Course 62 held a Wings Party at the Bessborough. P.T. given to aircrew classes. One hour drill given to airmen of No. 5 Hangar. Aircrew classes were given games and drill when flying was stopped for bad weather. All sports equipment was checked. The following sports were played during the afternoon and evening: badminton, volleyball, basketball, skiing and skating. The senior hockey team held a practice at the Arena Rink in the morning. The senior basketball team held a practice in the Drill Hall.

December 3rd Flying all day. No night flying. Course 62 officially graduated and 23 of them were granted commissions. Twelve airmen and S/O Macdonald, under the direction of A/S/O Magoon presented a floor show at the Third Annual Air Force Auxiliary Dance. All available sports were played during the day. The senior hockey team left at noon for Flin Flon to play hockey. A meeting of the various sections on the station was held for the purpose of forming an inter-section hockey league. The games are to be played on the station. The inter-service basketball team played the Tech Aeronauts in the first game of the inter-services league schedule and won by a score of 43 to 15.

December 4th Flying all day. Flying during one-half of night. Course 62 officially graduated and 23 of them were granted commissions. Twelve airmen and S/O Macdonald, under the direction of A/S/O Magoon presented a floor show at the Third Annual Air Force Auxiliary Dance. All available sports were played during the day. The senior hockey team left at noon for Flin Flon to play hockey. A meeting of the various sections on the station was held for the purpose of forming an inter-section hockey league. The games are to be played on the station. The inter-service basketball team played the Tech Aeronauts in the first game of the inter-services league schedule and won by a score of 43 to 15.

December 5th, 1942 No flying during day or night. At 1045 hours accident to Crane 1 7718, Pilot RI57847 LAC Wise, D.M. uninjured. Solo practice. Pilot took off against washout signal, encountered bad weather was unable to return to aerodrome, and crashed on attempted wheels-up landing. Marks for Course 64 were completed. The station rink was put in readiness for skating. The senior hockey team played the Flin Flon Bombers at Flin Flon and lost by a score of 2 to 1.

December 6th Flying all day and night. Course 64 as well as red sections of A12 and A13 attended Church Parade. Course 70 reported on the station. The senior hockey team played the Flin Flon Bombers at Flin Flon and won by a score of 4 to 2.
December 7th    Flying all day and night. At 1000 hours accident to Crane 1 7988. Pilot AUS421036 LAC Hobson, H.G. uninjured. Solo flying practice. Undercarriage collapsed on landing with wheels partly retracted. Pilot error and failure of electrical system. The R.C.A.F. (W.D.) held a domestic evening followed by physical training classes. P.T. was given to aircrew classes. Senior N.C.O.’s were given an hour of drill. The station rink has been open each afternoon and evening and a large number of personnel take part in this sport. The inter-service hockey team played Saskatoon Junior Quakers at the Arena Rink and lost by a score of 3 to 1.

December 8th    Flying all day and night. RI49112 LAC Leasman, J.A. student of course 68 ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying. RI52941 LAC Chase, C.L. student of Course 68 ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying. All courses except A12 and A13 allowed out till 2359 hours. P.T. and games were given to aircrew classes. Service Police were given sports and drill during their morning period. A large number of officers, airmen and airwomen were skating during the afternoon and evening. Due to the heavy snow fall all skiing equipment was in use during the week. The inter-services basketball team held a practice in the Drill Hall. The Station senior basketball team played the University Huskies at No. 7 I.T.S. and lost by a score of 39 to 26. The senior hockey team held a practice at the Arena Rink.

December 9th    No day flying. Flying all night. All courses were confined to barracks. Airmen personnel of H.Q. Squadron were given one hour of drill. Aircrew classes were given drill and games during bad weather periods. All available sports were played on the Station during the afternoon and evening. The Station senior hockey team played Regina Caps at Regina and lost by a score of 3 to 1.

December 10th   No flying during day or night. C.B. has been lifted off student pilots. All courses were allowed out till 2359 hours. P.T. was given to aircrew classes. Airmen personnel of No. 4 Hangar were given one hour of drill. Sports equipment was checked and repaired. The station senior hockey team held a practice in the Drill Hall. The Padre has prepared a Christmas message which is to be sent to each man and woman on the Station.

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December 11th, 1942    Flying for one half day. No night flying. All courses were allowed out to attend the Hockey game between Flyers and Regina Army. C.B. Has been lifted off Class A. 12 and A.13. Airmen personnel of No. 5 Hangar were given an hour drill. All skiing equipment was issued to a group of officers who went on a ski hike. Skating continued during the afternoon and evening. The inter-service basketball team held a practice in the Drill Hall in the evening. The senior hockey team played Regina Caps at the Arena and lost by a score of 9 to 4.

December 12th    No flying during day or night. Section Officer Pratt from No. 4 R.C. Saskatoon brought 32 potential airwomen out to No. 4 to make a tour of the Station. The girls visited several sections on the Station, after which tea was served in the Airmen's Mess. Sports equipment was checked and repaired. A large number of personnel took part in the following sports during the afternoon and evening:-Badminton, basketball, skating and skiing. The senior hockey team held a practice at the Arena Rink.
December 13th  Flying all day and night. Courses 66 and 68 as well as Blue Sections of A.12 and A.13 attended Church Parade. Flying on Sunday was carried out to make up for the bad weather of the past, which has kept the aircraft grounded. Sports equipment was checked and issued to a large number of personnel. The following games were played during the afternoon and evening: badminton, basketball, skating and skiing.

December 14th  Flying all day and night. S/O Macdonald, A/S/O Magoon and A/S/O Hames and 95 airwomen attended the Airwomen's banquet and theatre party held at the King George Hotel and Capitol Theatre. AC2 Mayer reported to G.I.S. to be kept on Tarmac until hockey season is over. Blanket pass for Course 64 and Tarmac Classes made up for week. Courses 66 and 68 confined to barracks for one week. The Station rink has been cleaned and flooded. Arrangements were made to have a dressing room built at the skating rink. The senior hockey team held a practice at the Arena Rink. The senior basketball team played Tech Aeronauts at No. 7 I.T.S. and won by a score of 53 to 30. Sports equipment was issued to a large number of personnel who played all available sports. The skating rink was in use during the afternoon and evening.

December 15th  No flying during the day. Flying all night. The compulsory administrative course for all officers and senior N.C.O.'s was terminated tonight by a written examination. Course No. 70 was allowed out till 2359 hours. Fifteen airmen from Class A.13 were invited to a social by the staff of La Belle.

December 15th Cont'd. Beauty Clinic. Airmen personnel of No. 5 Hangar were given one hour drill. The inter-service basketball team travelled to Dundurn Military Camp to play the Army in a scheduled league game and won by a score of 35 to 20. The senior hockey team played the Flin Flon Bombers at the Arena Rink and won by a score of 6 to 3. A practice for the Inter-service hockey team was held on the Station rink.

December 16th  No flying during day or night. R158051 LAC Pollock, J.WI student of Course 68 ceased training, due to unsatisfactory progress in flying. All skiing equipment was in use during the afternoon. Arrangements were made to play the inter-service hockey game against No. 7 I.T.S, but was again postponed owing to the snow storm in the evening. Work continued on the dressing room at the skating rink and arrangements were made to form an inter-section hockey league so that all airmen will have an opportunity to take part in this sport.

December 17th  Flying all day and night. At 1145 hours accident to Crane 18003. Pilot Officer Bellis, A.R.B. (J11564) uninjured and LAC Cochrane, A.R. (RAF658423) uninjured. Navigation exercise dual. Aircraft made rather heavy landing, starboard oleo leg collapsed and wheel folded into nacelle. A heavy landing and fracture of undercarriage fitting. A large number of personnel took part in skiing, skating and badminton. The senior hockey team held a practice at the Arena Rink. The inter-service hockey team held a practice on the Station Rink. Aircraft 7850 is at Dafoe.
December 18th   Flying all day. No night flying. The airwomen presented their concert at the Naval Barracks in Saskatoon. The senior hockey team held a practice at the Arena Rink. The inter-service basketball team was to play the Navy at No. 7 I.T.S. but the game was postponed owing to a concert part at the Naval Barracks. The Senior basketball team were scheduled to play the Nutana Beavers in a league game which was postponed on request of that team. Two aircraft 8061 and 7867 were taken off strength.

December 19th   Flying all day and night. At 1550 hours accident to Crane 1 7812. Pilot, R158104 LAC Budd, D.R. was uninjured. Solo circuits and landings. Pilot made low approach and struck boundary marker, stalled high and made heavy landing and undercarriage collapsed. Error in judgment. All courses allowed out till 0200 hours. Sports equipment was checked and repaired. An inventory check of all equipment was made. The skating rink was cleaned and prepared for skating. All available sports were played by a large number of personnel during the afternoon. The dressing room at the Station Skating rink was completed. The senior hockey team played Flin Flon Bombers at the Arena Skating rink and won by a score of 3 to 1. Boxing classes were postponed during the past two weeks due to the Motor Transport and Fire Department using the Drill Hall for a storage garage. With doors being open to allow passage of transport the temperature was too low to permit boxers to strip. Two aircraft, 7718 and 7772 were taken off strength.

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December 20th   No flying during day or night. A special Christmas Church Parade was held. Sports equipment was issued to a large number of personnel who took part in the following sports: badminton, volleyball, basketball, skating and skiing. Airmen, airwomen and officers have been making very good use of the skating rink.

December 21st   Flying for one-half day. Flying all night. R128295 IAC Rush, F.J. student of Course 64 has been transferred to Course 66 pending court martial. R62193 Cpl. Nesbitt, J. student of Course 64 also has been transferred to Course 66 pending court martial. Course 66 commenced final examinations. The original No. 1 Squadron held a banquet at the Elite Cafe celebrating a year in the Air Force. The W.D.'s also held their Christmas Dance in the Recreation Hall. All sections were invited to attend. Sports equipment was issued to a large number of officers, airmen and airwomen who took part in all available sports. The skating rink was cleaned, flooded and put in good shape for the Christmas week.

December 22nd   No flying during day or night. Course 66 completed final examinations and was allowed out till 0200 hours. Courses were allowed out till 2359 hours. A large number proceeded on Christmas leave. The skating rink was taken care of and a small number of personnel took part in all available sports. Station activity reached a new low due to such a large number of personnel being on leave. The leave has been about evenly divided over Christmas and New Years, everyone being granted five days leave at either one time or the other.

December 23rd   Flying all day. Flying during one half night. Remainder of personnel going on
Christmas leave in G.I.S. were given passes. Posting for Course 64 was received. This course js to graduate on December 30th.

December 24th  Flying was carried out all day. No night flying. A/S/O Magoon has been promoted to Section Officer. General activity is very slack today. Official mail incoming and outgoing has slackened off considerably.

December 25th  No flying during day or night. All airmen and airwomen were served a very elaborate dinner Christmas Day by the senior N.C.O.'s and Officers.

Image 1585

December 26th  Flying all day. No night flying. Everyone seems to be taking it easy recovering from their Christmas dinner.

December 27th  Flying all day but no flying during night. Class-A.12 and A.13 attended Church Parade. The sports equipment was issued to a small number of personnel who played badminton and went skating. There was little activity in any section due to the holiday season.

December 28th  Flying all day. No night flying. Tarmac attended classes only in the afternoon. This routine was followed out all week. Ordinary routine was carried out in most sections but in a much smaller scale. LAC Saunders died this morning as the result of an internal hemorrhage.

December 29th  Flying one half day. Flying all night. R157751 LAC Nelson, J.W. student of Course 68 transferred to Course 70 due to illness. Wings parade for Course 64 held today. LAC Widger, E.D. (RAF) was given the General Proficiency Award. In addition to the graduation, the course held its Wings Party in the Bessborough Hotel.

December 30th  No flying during day or night, Course 64 officially graduated. The wires giving the commissions have not been received yet. This course was a rather large one, there being 61 graduating. S/O Maclntyre reported on the Station from Hagersville, Ont. to fill the place of S/O Macdonald, who was posted to No. 6 Manning Depot, Toronto. The senior hockey team travelled to Yorkton to play the Yorkton Flyers and won by a score of 4 to 3.

December 31st  Flying all day. No night flying. All courses were allowed out till 2359 hours. Equipment for all available sports was issued to a small number of airmen and airwomen. The Padre and party attending the funeral of LAC Saunders at Borden, 8ask., were caught in a blizzard and were unable to return until today. The Officers' Mess and the Sergeants' Mess held their annual New Year's Eve party.

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A. Magoon S/O
for (E.A. Jamieson) Squadron Leader, for Commanding Officer,
No. 4 SFTS, RCAF, Saskatoon, Sask.

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JAN. 1st, 1943.

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IMAGE 1599

January 1st, 1943  
Flying all day and night. A very fine New Year's dinner was enjoyed by the airmen and airwomen in the Airmens Mess. The senior hockey team played the Yorkton Flyers at the arena rink and won by a score of 6 to 2.

January 2nd  
No flying during day or night. R133398 LAC Udy, D.R., student of Course 66 ceased training due to service attitude and for disciplinary reasons. With the exception of physical training for a small group of aircrew trainees, all drill parades were cancelled for the holiday season.

January 3rd  
Flying all day and night. While J13050 Pilot Officer Allan Rowan Durston was giving instructions to GB1335031 LAC Manuel, E.V., starboard engine failed on take-off. Pilot landed on unrolled portion of aerodrome causing aircraft to nose-over. Neither man were injured. Cause of accident- engine failure.

January 4th  
Flying all day. No night flying. R155652 LAC Welsh, L.A., ceased training due to failure of course of instruction in flying. The senior hockey team travelled to Yorkton and lost to Yorkton Flyers in a League game by a score of 5 to 0. The inter-service basketball team held a practise in the drill hall. Several airmen and airwomen took part in skiing.

January 5th  
Flying all day and night. GB3911833 LAC Currie, R.W., ceased training due to failure of course of instruction in flying. All courses allowed out till 2359 hours. 7758 and 8199 flown to Moose Jaw for overhaul and 7958 received from Moose Jaw. The Senior Basketball team played the Huskies in a City League game held at No. 7 I.T.S. and won by a score of 58 to 38. The Senior Hockey team played Regina Army at the Arena Rink and won by a score of 4 to 2.

January 6th  
Flying all day but no flying during the night. Aircraft 7802 and 7835 received from Moose Jaw. The Inter-service hockey team played No. 7 I.T.S. on the Station Rink and lost by a score of 6 to 3. The Senior Hockey team held a practise at the Arena Rink. Sports equipment was checked and issued to a large number of personnel who took part in all available sports.
January 7th   Flying all day and night. R79975 Cpl. Thompson, R.F., ceased training due to failure of supplemental examination in Navigation. All courses were allowed out till 2359 hours. Both hockey teams held practices. All ski equipment was issued. Due to the warm weather a large number took part in outdoor sports.

January 8/43 Flying all day. No night flying. 2393A Sgt. Igguldan, R.E. ceased training due to failure of supplemental examination in navigation. R139998 LAC Dotten, L.C., transferred to Course No. 68 due to illness. The Station Rink was cleaned and flooded. P.T. and drill was given to Aircrew classes. The Senior Hockey team held a practise at the Arena Rink.

January 9th   Flying all day. No night flying. Forty Tarmac personnel posted from Brandon Manning Depot, to be known as Class A.14. The Inter-service Hockey. Team played No. 7 I.T.S. at No. 7 I.T.S. and lost by a score of 6 to 1. The Inter-service Basketball team played No. 7 I.T.S. and won by a score of 50 to 8. Boxing classes are being resumed due to an Inter-service Boxing competition to be held at No. 7 I.T.S. on January 23rd.

January 10th   Flying all day and night. The Protestant Church Parade was held in the W.D. Canteen with W.D. Choir in attendance. Sports equipment was checked and issued to personnel. A large number of Officers and Airmen played badminton. The skating rink was cleaned and a large number took part in this sport. A small group took part in skiing and playing basketball during the afternoon. Class A.12 posted to No. 7 I.T.S., Saskatoon.

January 11th   Flying all day and night. Domestic Evening was held in the W.D. Canteen after which an hour of Physical Training was given to the girls by Miss Wilson from the Y.W.C.A. P.T. was given to Aircrew classes. The skating rink was cleaned and flooded for a Hockey game, against Dundurn Army. A large number of personnel took part in all available sports during the afternoon and evening. The Senior Hockey team travelled to Regina and lost to Regina Army by score of 8 to 2. The Inter-service Hockey team played Dundurn Army on the Station Rink and lost by a score of 5 to 4.

January 12th   Flying all day and night. 769 Sgt. Simms, P.M., a student of Course 70 ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying. R157588 LAC Reed, V.B., a student of Course 70 also ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying. Airmen on Tarmac duty have formed Basketball and Volleyball teams and arranged games during their off duty periods. The Senior Hockey team played Yorkton Flyers at the Arena Rink and won by a score of 3 to 2. The Inter-service Basketball team held a practise in the Drill hall. All courses allowed out till 2359 hours.

January 13th   Flying all day and night. GB104193 LAC Muat, G., a student of Course 70 ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying. P.T. was given to Aircrew classes. Sports equipment was issued and the following sports were played: Badminton, Volleyball, Basketball, Skiing, Skating, Hockey and Boxing, the Senior Hockey team held a practice at the
January 14/43  Flying all day. No night flying. R141790 LAC Magill, J., a student of Course 66 ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying. GB634377 Cpl. Long, D.A., a student of Course 70 transferred to Course 72 for disciplinary reasons. The Inter-service Hockey team was to play the Navy team on the Station Rink but due to the mild weather the ice was too soft to hold the game. The N.C.O. in charge of Physical Training gave rifle drill to a funeral party and travelled to Biggar, Sask., for the funeral, returning the same night. All courses were allowed out till 2359 hours.

January 15th  No flying during day or night. A Bingo party was held in the W.D, Canteen for all Station Personnel and an enjoyable time was had by all. No outside sports were played due to the severe weather. The Senior Hockey team left for Flin Flon to play hockey on Saturday and Sunday. Drill was given to funeral party. Members of the Station Boxing team held a workout at the city Y.M.C.A.

January 16th  Flying all day, no night flying. R157842 LAC Miller, J.E., a student of Course 68 ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying. Sports equipment was checked and issued. A wrestling and tumbling class was held in the Recreation hall and a small group took part in this sport. The Senior Hockey team played Flin Flon at that town and lost by a score of 7 to 2.

January 17th  No flying during day or night. Protestant Church Parade was held in the W.D. Canteen Sunday morning. Sports equipment was issued to a small group of Officers and men who played Badminton in the Recreation hall. No outdoor sports were played due to the severe cold weather. The Senior Hockey team played Flin Flon Bombers at Flin Flon and lost by a score of 7 to 3.

January 18th  Flying all day and all night. The first meeting of the W.D. Canteen Committee was held Monday afternoon. Aircrew classes were given P.T. and Drill. Sports equipment was issued to a small number of personnel who played Badminton and Basketball. Airmen who were to take drill tests were given drill instruction and practise in the Drill hall. All outdoor sports were cancelled during the cold weather.

January 19th  No flying during day or night. All courses were allowed out till 2359 hours. The R.C.A.F. W.D. spent an enjoyable evening Bowling. Arrangements were made for the Senior Hockey game against Yorkton Flyers at the City Arena but was cancelled due to the late arrival of our team from Flin Flon. The Inter-service Basketball game which our team was to play against Dundurn Army at No. 7 I.T.S. was also postponed because of cold weather.
January 20/43  No Flying during day or night. The Music Hour Club held its second meeting in the W.D. Canteen with a good crowd in attendance. All P.T. and Drill classes held in the Drill hall were cancelled as contractors started building a new floor and made it impossible to hold classes in that building. Sports equipment was issued and a large group played Badminton in the Recreation hall. The Senior Hockey team played Yorkton Flyers at the City Arena and lost by a score of 4 to 2.

January 21st  Flying for one half day only. No night flying. All courses were allowed out till 2359 hours. Orchestra practise was held in the W.D. Canteen. A number of skates were issued to Airmen and Airwomen who were going to the city Arena. Arrangements for sharpening skates were made with the Hydraulic Section and all skates belonging to the Sports Club are now being sharpened at regular intervals. The Inter-service Hockey team played the Tech, Aeronauts at the Arena and won by a score of 3 to 1. The Inter-service Basketball team played Dundurn Army at No. 7 I.T.S. and won by a score of 37 to 16.

January 22nd  No flying during day or night. Two privates from the C.W.A.C. reported for duty at the Supply Depot being attached to this Station for Rations, Quarters and Discipline. Sporting equipment was issued and all available sports were played by a large number of personnel. The Senior Hockey team held a practise at the Arena Rink. The Inter-service Boxing competition staged by the Army, Navy and Air force at No. 7 I.T.S., drew a large crowd of Service personnel. The three entries from this Station won their matches in the Welterweight, Middleweight and Heavyweight classes.

January 23rd  No flying during day or night. A/S/O Horn, B.E. and A/S/O Hayden of the R.C.A.F. (W.D.) reported for duty. Sports equipment was checked and issued to a large number of personnel who played all available sports. No outdoor sports were played due to the cold weather. The senior hockey team played Flin Flon Bombers at the Arena and won by a score of 4 to 2.

January 24th  Flying all day. No night flying. Sports equipment was checked and issued to a large number of personnel who played Badminton in the Recreation Hall. The skating rink was opened for skating, but only a small number took part in this sport as the weather was cold. A number of skis were issued to a small group who were going on a ski hike. Pilot Officer C.C. Waller proceeded to No. 2 Training Command for a period of Temporary Duty of three weeks. The Red Section of A.13 and Blue of A.14 attended Church Parade.

January 25th  Flying all day. No night flying. P.T. classes were cancelled for the week owing to construction work in the Drill hall. Sports equipment was checked and issued to a large number of personnel who took part in the following games; Badminton, 'Skating, Hockey, Skiing, Wrestling and Tumbling. The Senior Hockey team held a practise at the City Arena. The Senior Basketball team played No. 7 I.T.S. at the Station, the score being 41 to 41, draw.

January 26/43  Flying all day, but no night flying. R146091 LAC Wakefield, H.C., a student of
Course 66 ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying. At Vanscoy Aerodrome at 1030 hours accident to Crane 1 7694. Pilot R159335 LAC Coffey, J.P. was uninjured. Circuits and landings. Student on landing applied brakes causing Aircraft to turn over. A Badminton tournament has been organized and games have been started. The Inter-service Basketball team played the Tech. Aeronauts and won by a score of 38 to 19. All courses were allowed out till 2359 hours.

January 27th   Flying all day. No night flying. Play continued in the Station Badminton tournament. An Inter-service Hockey game between No. 4 S.F.T.S. and the Navy was postponed due to no open hours at the city Arena. Canadian Pacific Airlines Aircraft were stored in No. 4 Hangar overnight. Pilot Officer Cawley, H.R.. (Eng) (NFL) proceeded to No. 2 I.T.S. Regina for a short course on oxygen equipment.

January 28th,   Flying all day. No night flying. Sports equipment was issued to a large number of personnel. The weather becoming warmer, outdoor sports were played. All skiing equipment was in use. The Senior Hockey team held a practise at the City Arena. The Skating Rink was cleaned and a large number were skating during the evening. The Senior Basketball team played an exhibition game against No. 7 I.T.S. at that Station.

January 29th   Flying all day. No night flying. Inventory of sports equipment was taken and unserviceable equipment sent for repair. A number of skis were issued to Airmen who organized a ski party. The Senior Hockey team held a practise at the city Arena. The station sports committee held a meeting in the Recreation Hall and all sports were discussed. Examinations for Course 68 were completed.

January 30th   Flying all day. No night flying. R157837 LAC Jenkins, J.P., R157846 LAC Leese, W.H. Rl666l6 LAC Whitney, all of Course 72, ceased flying due to unsatisfactory progress in flying. At 1430 hours accident to Crane 1 7821 and Crane 1 8003. Pilots for 7821 - C.312 Flying Officer Croll, I.B. (Uninjured) and pupil RI51684 LAC Kline, V.W. (Uninjured). For 8003, R157679 LAC Hornby, H.M. (Uninjured). 7821 - Check of pupil by Flying Officer Croll. 8003 - General practice. Flying Officer Croll testing instrument take-off of pupil. Both looked out and saw all clear and take-off started. Pilot of 8003 apparently did not see 7821 until too late and stopped in its path. Port wing of 7821 passed through both propellors of 8003.

IMAGE 1604

January 31/43   Flying during one-half day. No night flying. Large number of Airmen and Airwomen took part in all available sports. Skating and Skiing attracted most of those taking part in sports, as the weather was warmer. Airmen have shown interest in Broomball and teams are being organized to play teams in the City.

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Feb. 2nd. Flying all day and night. All courses allowed out till 2359 hours. Course 66 were informed of their postings upon graduation. A broomball game was played on the station rink with No. 4 SFTS playing St. James team from Saskatoon. St. James won the game by a score of 4 to 2. Sports equipment was checked and issued to a large number of personnel who took part in all available sports. Play continued in the Badminton tournament. The senior basketball team played the Saskatoon Beaver's in a city league game and won by a score of 62 to 19. The senior hockey team played Flin Flon Bombers in a Saskatchewan league game, the score being a draw, 1-1.

Feb. 3rd. Flying all day. No night flying. Advice has been received that the Inspector General will commence tour of Western Units on Feb. 28th, 1943, with No. 4 SFTS first on his itinerary. Course 66 finished flying and started their clearance. The Music Hour Club held its regular meeting in Music Appreciation in the W.D. Canteen on Wednesday evening from 1830 hours to 1930 hours. Sports equipment was checked and issued. All available sports were played. Play continued in the station badminton tournament. The skating rink was prepared for skating and a large number took part in that sport. Members of the senior hockey team played in the amateur vs professionals game staged at the Arena Rink for the Aid to Russia Fund.

Feb 4th. Flying all day. No night flying. All courses allowed out till 2359 hours. Course 68 held its wings part at the Bessborough Hotel; Flight Lieutenant Putnam was promoted to
Squadron Leader. The senior hockey team held a practice at the Arena Rink. Sports equipment was issued to a small number who took part in all available sports. The sports inventory was checked and unserviceable articles sent for repair. The Station rink was prepared for skating but only a small number made use of the rink due to cold weather.

Feb. 5th. Flying all day and night. W.O.1 Lamb (Clk. Admin.) was S.O.S. today on posting to No. 11 Equipment Depot, Calgary, and was replaced by W.O.2 Bailey from No. 2 T.C. Headquarters. A.15 reported in today. Wings Parade for Course 66 was held; Over 30 of them received commissions. A Sing Song and Bingo party were held in the W.D. Canteen in the evening under the supervision of Mr. G. Devitt and Mr. A. Brady of the Y.M.C.A. Pick-up teams from Class A.13 played a game on the rink. Sports equipment was issued and the following sports were played: Badminton, Hockey, Broomball, Skating and Skiing. The Senior Hockey Team travelled to Yorkton and played a 2-all tie game with Yorkton Flyers. The inter-service Hockey Team played the Saskatoon Junior Quakers at the Arena Rink and lost by a score of 16 to 3.

Feb. 6th. Flying all day and night. At 1055 hours accident to Crane 1A 8785. Pilot R162843 LAC Reid, D. uninjured. Solo circuits and landings. Pilot failed to ensure undercarriage down and made wheels up landing. At 2150 hours, one mile south of Laura, Sask., accident to Crane 1, 8037. Pilot Flying Officer A.N. McLeod (J8144) - uninjured. R15192 LAC Joplin, S.J. and R157031 LAC Fleming, E.R. - uninjured. Aircraft returning from R. 1 to main Aerodrome after night flying. Pilot encountered bad weather, unable to return to main aerodrome and made wheels up landing. No classes were held in G.I.S. Sports equipment was checked and issued. All available sports were played. Skiing is becoming a popular sport with the W.D. and skis are in use whenever the weather permits. The station rink was cleaned and a small number took part in that sport. Play continued in the Station Badminton Tournament. A large number of skates were issued to personnel who were going to the City Arena.

Feb. 7th. Flying all day. No night flying. All Tarmac personnel attended Church Parade. Sports equipment was issued and a good number of personnel took part in the following sports; Badminton, Skiing and Skating. The Skating Rink was cleaned and was open during the afternoon and evening.

Feb. 8th. No flying during day or night. GB1577472 LAC Raisen, G.H. student of Course 72 ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying. R166140 LAC Lonie, J.M. student of Course 72 ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying. GB955549 LAC Dawson, R.H. student of Course 70 also ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying. Flying Officer H.R. Cawley (Eng) returned from Temporary Duty at No. 4 I.T.S., Regina, where he attended a short course on Oxygen Equipment. The Padre, Flight Lieutenant C. Scott, was present at the Domestic Evening in the W.D. Canteen and Section Officer McIntyre presented him with a gift as a token of appreciation from the Airwomen on his departure for Overseas. Students for Course 74 reported on the Station. The Inter-service Hockey Team held a practice
on the Station Rink. The Senior Hockey Team held a practice on the Arena Rink. The Senior Basketball Team played the Saskatoon Toilers in a league game, held at No. 7 I.T.S. and won by a score of 63 to 29.

Feb. 9th.    Flying all day and night. Three W.D. were posted overseas. All Courses were allowed out till 2359 hours. Sports equipment was checked, issued and unserviceable equipment sent for repair. All available sports were played by a large number of personnel.

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Feb. 9th, (cont'd)    Due to the heavy snowfall, skiing was popular during the week and all ski equipment was in use. The Station rink was cleaned and was open for skating during the evening. Play continued in the Station Badminton Tournament. The Senior Hockey Team played the Yorkton Flyers in a Saskatchewan Senior League Hockey Game and won by a score of 2 to 0.

Feb. 10th.    Flying all day and night. Another Airwoman has been posted Overseas. Arrangements were made for P.T. and Drill classes to commence on Monday, 15-2-43. The Station Rink was cleaned and prepared for skating. All available sports were played during the day, The Senior Basketball Team played the Saskatoon Orphans, in a City League Game, and won by a score of 73 to 34. The Senior Hockey Team held a practice at the Arena Rink.

Feb. 11th.    Flying all day and night. R159126 LAC Petasky, M.C. student of Course 70 transferred to Course 72 due to illness. Air Commodore T.A. Lawrence, Air Officer Commanding, No. 2 Training Command, and Wing Commander C.F. Newcombe, Commanding Officer, conducted an inspection of Maintenance Wing. All Courses were allowed out till 2359 hours. Sports equipment was checked and issued to a large number of personnel who took part in the following sports; Badminton, Skating, Skiing and Hockey. he Senior Hockey Team held a practice at the Arena Rink. The Station rink was cleaned and flooded.

Feb. 12th.    Flying all day. No night flying. At 0315 hours accident to Crane 1A FJ265. Pilot R61644 WO1 Short, J.E.- uninjured. Student GB654051 LAC Fenwick, C. - uninjured. Night flying cross country. Engine failed, pilot made wheels up landing using parachute flares. Hit bush with left wing, passed through two fences. Pilot Officer F.E. Songhurst, Field Liaison Engineer Officer from No. 2 Training Command Headquarters arrived at No. 4 S.F.T.S. this date to discuss with the C.E.O. the adoption of the recently inaugurated system of central maintenance. The Senior Hockey Team travelled to Regina and played the Regina Army in a Senior League Game, losing by a score of 5 to 4.

Feb. 13th.    Flying all day. No night flying. A Station Dance was held on the new floor in the Drill Hall. Music was supplied by the RAF Orchestra from North Battleford. The dance was well attended by Officers, N.C.O.'s, Airmen and Airwomen. Free sandwiches and soft drinks were served during the evening. Class A.13 has been posted to Saskatoon I.T.S. and Regina I.T.S. The Senior Hockey Team held a practice in the Arena Rink. The Station Rink was cleaned and flooded. Play continued in the Station Badminton Tournament.
Feb. 14th. Flying all day and night. Church services were held as usual Sunday with the Protestant Service held in the Recreation Hall instead of the W.D. Canteen. Blue Section of A.13, and Red Sections of A.14 and A.15 attended Church Parade. Sports equipment was issued to a large number of personnel. The Station Rink was opened and prepared for skating.

Feb. 15th. Flying all day and night. P.T. classes were held in the Canteen for the W.D. Forty more Tarmac personnel have been posted out. Trainees and potential Aircrew personnel were given P.T. and Drill. The Senior Hockey Team held a practice game against the Station Inter-service Team at the Arena Rink and won by a score of 10 to 1. The Station Broomball Team played the St. George's team of the City Church League on the Station Rink and won by a score of 1 to 0.

Feb. 16th. No flying during the day or night. The South Side of Hut 19 moved into Hut 16 West in order that the new heating system might be installed. All Courses allowed out till 2359 hours. Trainees and potential Aircrew personnel were given P.T. and Drill. Sports equipment was checked and issued to a large number of personnel who took part in all available sports. Due to nice weather skiing was very popular with Officers, Airmen and Airwomen. The Inter-service Hockey Team played No. 7 I.T.S. at the Station in a League Play-off game and lost by a score of 4 to 2. The Senior Hockey Team played Regina Army at the Arena Rink and lost by a score of 3 to 0.

Feb. 17th. Flying all day and one-half night. The Music Appreciation Hour was held at 1830 hours in the Canteen, following this lessons in Clay modelling and freehand painting and drawing were enjoyed by several of the Airwomen. Due to warm weather the ice in the rink is too soft for skating. The Senior Hockey Team held a practice at the Arena Rink. The Station Senior Basketball team played the City Burrs in a Schedule League game held at No. 7 I.T.S. and won by a score of 62 to 28. The Station Broomball Team played the City Lutherans of the City Church League at the Station Rink and won by a score of 4 to 1.

Feb. 18th. Flying all day. No night Flying. R142135 LAC Kunkel, A.E. student of Course 70 transferred to Course 72 due to illness. R158323 LAC Dertell, R.E. and R147615 LAC Dertell, W.D. of Course 72 transferred to Course 74 due to illness. R149469 LAC Agur, P.G. student of Course 68 transferred to Course 70 due to disciplinary reasons. A muster parade and Commanding Officer's Inspection was held in the Drill Hall at 1730 hours. All Courses allowed out till 2359 hours. The Inter-service Hockey Team played No. 7 ITS In a play-off game held at the Arena Rink and lost by a score of 7 to 3. The Senior Hockey Team travelled to Yorkton and played the Yorkton Flyers, winning by a score of 7 to 1.

Feb. 19th. 1943 Flying all day. No night flying. At 1620 hours. 18 miles North West of main aerodrome, accident to Crane 1 7924. Pilot J10620 Flying Officer Moir, G.J. - uninjured.
Pupil R159148 LAC Wood, J.H.-uninjured. Passenger R191074 AC2 Ryan, M.F.A.- uninjured. Dual instruction flight, Pilot demonstrating precautionary landing and engines failed when throttles opened, aircraft overturned on landing. A Sing Song and Bingo party was held at the W.D. Canteen under the direction of Mr. Brady of the Y.M.C.A. Trainees and Potential Aircrew were given P.T. and Drill during the day. Sports equipment was issued to a large number of personnel who played all available sports. The Senior Hockey Team held a practice at the Arena Rink. The Basketball court in the Drill Hall was layed out and painting lines was started.

Feb. 20th.  Flying all day. No night flying. Several Airwomen attended a dance at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Saskatoon, acting as hostesses for the evening. Potential Aircreww personnel were given Drill. Sports equipment was issued and all available sports were played, with the exception of skating as the ice was too soft during the warm weather. The Senior Hockey Team held a practice at the Arena Rink.

Feb. 21st.  Flying all day and night. On main aerodrome at 1100 hours accident to Crane 1A 8785 Pilot R157492 LAC Norris, J.J. - uninjured. Landing after completing solo cross country. Heavy landing, undercart collapsed  R.C. Church was held in W.D. Canteen. Sports equipment was issued to a large number of personnel who took part in the following sports, badminton, basketball, skating and skiing. The skating rink was opened and a small number took part in that sport. All Tarmac personnel attended church parade.

Feb. 22nd.  Flying all day and night. R162843 LAC Reid, D. student of Course 72 ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying. A kit inspection was held for all airmen on the station at 1800 hours. P.T. classes for W.D. were held in the W.D. Canteen. Aircrew trainees were given P.T. and drill. Sports equipment was checked and issued to a large number of personnel who took part in all available sports. The senior basketball team held a practice in the drill hall. Work on painting the basketball court was continued. The senior hockey team held a practice at the Arena Rink.

Feb. 23rd.  Flying all day and night. At Vanscoy at 0910 hours accident to Crane 1 8690 Pilot, J10553 F/O Smith, W.J. - uninjured. Student R171600 LAC Belt, D.E. - uninjured. Dual instructional flight. Pupil making single engine landing levelled off high and instructor opened throttles to correct one engine failed to respond and throttles closed. Aircraft stalled and landed heavily. Aircrew trainees were given P.T. and drill. The Senior hockey team held a pratice at the Arena Rink. The basketball court was completed. The station rink was cleaned and a small number took part in skating. Sports equipment was issued and all available sports were played. Flying Officer Clearwater, Signals Officer, proceeded on temporary duty to Winnipeg.
Feb. 24th.  Flying all day and night. The Music Appreciation Hour was held in the Canteen at 1830 hours. Freehand painting and drawing lessons followed this for the airwomen. The senior hockey team held a practice at the Arena Rink. Sports equipment was issued and all available sports were played. The senior basketball team held a practice in the drill hall. The skating rink was opened and prepared for skating and broomball.

Feb. 25th.  Flying all day and night. R158178 LAC Parr, J.W. student of Course 74 ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying. GB1306931 LAC Rounce, N.H., R162269 LAC Patterson, J.T. and R158180 LAC Lamb, N.G.M., all students of Course 74 ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying. The senior basketball team played the Varsity Huskies in the Station Drill Hall and won by a score of 26 to 25. The senior hockey team played the Flin Flon Bombers at the Arena Rink in a play off game and lost by a score of 5 to 3. All courses were allowed out till 2359 hours. Course 70 began final examinations. There are 53 students writing.

Feb. 26th.  Flying all day and all night. Aircrew trainees were given P.T. and drill during scheduled hours. The senior hockey team held a practice at the Arena Rink. Sports equipment was issued and all available sports were played. The inter-service basketball team held a practice in the Drill Hall.

Feb. 27th.  Flying all day. No night flying. Aircrew and potential aircrew trainees were given drill during scheduled hours. Sports equipment was checked and issued to a large number of personnel who took part in all available sports. The senior hockey team travelled to Regina and lost to the Flin Flon Bombers in a play off game by a score of 6 to 4. Classes were held in G.I.S. for Courses 72, 74 and Tarmac.

Feb. 28th.  Flying all day and all night. All Tarmac personnel were detailed to attend church in the Recreation Hall. Sports equipment was checked and unserviceable equipment sent for repair. All available sports were played by a large number of personnel,

(E.A. Jamieson) Squadron Leader,
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Saskatoon, Sask.

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March 1st 1943   Flying all day and night. S.O. Wiess from Dafoe visited this Unit. Rehearsal parade was held prior to arrival of Deputy Inspector General. Aircrew and tarmac trainees were given P.T. and drill during the day. Sports equipment was checked and issued to a large number of personnel who took part in all available sports. The senior hockey team held a practice at the Arena Rink. The Station inter-service basketball team played H.M.C. Unicorn in a league game held in the Station Drill Hall and won by a score of 25 to 26. The combined No. 4 and No. 7 I.T.S., Cranes basketball team played the University Orphans in the first game of the city playoffs and won by a score of 29 to 22. This game was also held in the Station Drill Hall. All courses were allowed out till 2359 hours.

March 2nd   Flying all day. No night flying. Aircrew and tarmac trainees were given P.T. and drill during schedule hours. Sports equipment was checked and issued to a large number of personnel who played all available sports. The senior hockey team played Flin Flon Bombers at the Arena Rink and lost by a score of 6 to 3 this loss ending the season for the R.C.A.F. Flyers. The senior basketball team held a practice in the drill hall. An extensive inspection was carried out in preparation for the arrival of the Deputy Inspector General. Approximately 1700 hours, the D.I.G. and party arrived by air on his way to inspect the R.A.F. Station in North Battleford.

March 3rd   Flying all day. No night flying. Pottery lessons were given to members of the hobby club. Aircrew trainees and airmen on tarmac duty were given P.T. and drill during scheduled hours. The intermediate basketball team played the University Orphans in the Station Drill Hall and lost by a score of 21 to 24. All courses were allowed out till 2359 hours.

March 4th   Flying all day. No night flying. The D.I.G. who returned from North Battleford by air last night, completed an inspection of the entire station. After a personnel inspection in the Drill Hall in the afternoon, a conference of the D.I.G., his party, and the Commanding Officer, was held in the C.O.’s office to discuss various matters of importance. Aircrew trainees and airmen on tarmac duty were given P.T. and drill during the morning hours. Some sports were played during the evening but owing to the shortage of badminton birds this sport has not had many participants. Wings party for Course 68 was held in the Bessborough Hotel.

March 5th, 1943 FJ5823 LAC McConnell, J.F., R159216 LAC Mein, H.L. R150958 LAC McCutcheon, J., of Course 72 and. R16758 LAC Clement, A.F., of Course 74 ceases training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying. Aircrew trainees and airmen on tarmac duty were given P.T. and drill during the scheduled hours. The senior basketball team (Cranes), played the City Orphans in the Station Drill Hall and won by a score of 55 to 24. The station Inter-service basketball team played No. 7 I.T.S., in the Station Drill Hall and won by a score of 14 to 12. Wings parade for Course 68 was held in the afternoon. Of 56 Graduates, 34 of them were granted commissions.

March 6th   Flying all day. No night flying. R147615 LAC Dertell, W.D. student of Course 74 and R158323 LAC Dertell, R.E. student of the same course were transferred to Course 76 due to
illness. Sports equipment was checked and issued to a large number of personnel who took part in all available sports. The Station skating rink was cleaned and flooded in preparation for a hockey game to be played on Sunday between officers and senior N.C.O.’s.

March 7th  Flying all day. No night flying. Classes A.14 and A. 15 are posted to I.T.S. the majority to No. 7 I.T.S., Saskatoon and the remainder to No. 4 I.T.S., Edmonton. Sports equipment stores were opened and equipment was issued to a small number of personnel who took part in the following sports; badminton, basketball, skiing and some skates were issued to those going to the City arena. The Station rink was cleaned and prepared for a hockey game between the officers and senior N.C.O.’s and with the weather turning cold the game was later cancelled.

March 8th  Flying all day, and night. Sixty new students reported in to form Course 76. P.T. Classes for the W.D. were held in the airwomen's canteen. P.T. and sports were given to Aircrew trainees during the day. Sports equipment was checked and issued to a large number of personnel who took part in all available sports. The senior basketball team held a practice in the Drill Hall. The Drill Hall floor was measured and plans for badminton and volleyball course were made.

March 9th  Flying all day and night. R91824 LAC Baptiste, F.J. and GB991233 LAC Jordan, J.W. students of Course 70 and R171600 LAC Belt, D.E. of Course 74 ceases training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying. On main aerodrome at 1720 hours accident to Crane 1A 8835. Pilot- R150868 LAC Rowe, G.L. - uninjured. Practicing forced landings. Undercarriage failed to come down when selected, pilot used hand crank without success and carried out wheels up landing. All courses allowed out till 2359 hours. Work commenced on painting courts in the Drill Hall. Sports equipment was checked and issued to a large number of personnel who took part in all available sports. Badminton has been temporarily held up due to a shortage of birds. The senior basketball team held a practice in the drill hall in preparation for their final games against the University Huskies for the Northern Saskatchewan Championship.

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March 10th, 1943  Flying all day and night. RI66607 LAC McLean, H.L. student of Course 72 ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying. Final marks for Course 70 have been completed in G.I.S. The Hobby Club had another meeting in the W.D. Canteen. P.T. and drill were given aircrew trainees during the scheduled hours. Painting of Courts in the Drill Hall continued and Works and Buildings started the new sports office and equipment room in the Drill Hall. Sports equipment was checked and issued to a large number of personnel who took part in available sports, basketball getting the largest amount of play. The senior basketball team played University Huskies in the Drill Hall and won by a score of 55 to 26.

March 11th  Flying all day and one-half night. R159112 LAC Fleet, J.L.H. student of Course 72 ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying. R162135 LAC Steindel, J.I. student of Course 74 transferred to Course 76 for disciplinary reasons. All courses allowed out till 2359 hours. Inventory of sports equipment was taken and hockey equipment property of the senior Flyers team, was brought from the Arena Rink. Sports equipment was issued to a small number
of personnel, who played badminton and basketball. Work continued in the Drill Hall. The senior basketball team held a practice for their final game on Friday.

March 12th  Flying all day. No night flying; A station dance was held in the Recreation Hall. P.T. was given aircrew classes during the scheduled hours. An inspection of the physical training and drill facilities and program was made by the Command P.T. Officer. Sports equipment was issued to a small number of personnel who took part in available sports. Work continued on the sports office and courts in the Drill Hall. The senior basketball team played the University Huskies in the drill hall, winning the Northern Saskatchewan Championship by a score of 31 to 26. This game was followed by an exhibition game between the City Orphans and Toilers.

March 13th  Flying all day and one-half night. Sports stores were opened and equipment issued to a small number of personnel who took part in all available sports. Work on the sports office and Drill Hall courts continued. Arrangements for moving from the Recreation Hall to the Drill Hall as soon as possible were made.

March 14th, 1943  Flying all day. No night flying. Sports equipment stores were open from 0800 to 2200 hours. Equipment was issued to a small number of personnel who took part in all available sports. R.C. Church service was held in the W.D. Canteen. Protestant Service was held in the Recreation Hall.

March 15th  Flying all day and night. R147408 LAC Robertson, I. student of Course 70 ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying. R159126 LAC Petasky, M.C. student of Course 72 transferred to Course 76 due to illness. P.T. and drill classes were held for aircrew trainees during the following hours, 0730 to 1830 and 1330 to 1430. Airmen personnel of No. 5 Hangar were given one hour drill instruction. All sports equipment was moved from the Recreation Hall to the new sports office and equipment stores in the Drill Hall. P.T. classes were held from 1900 to 2000 hours for the R.C.A.F. (W.D.). Domestic evening was held Immediately following P.T.

March 16th  Flying all day. No night flying. Work continued on arrangements in the new sports office. Airmen from Works and Buildings section were given one hour drill instruction. Sports equipment was issued to a small number who took part in skiing and basketball. Airmen of Course 70 played basketball during the afternoon. The senior basketball team held a practice in the drill hall during the evening. All courses were allowed out till 2359 hours.

March 17th  Flying all day and night. R142135 LAC Kunkel, A.E. student of Course 72 transferred to Course 74 due to illness. R162663 LAC McDonald, D.A. student of Course 72 ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying. P.T. and drill classes were held for aircrew trainees from 0730 hours to 0830 and 1330 find 1430 hours. Work has continued on painting courts in the Drill Hall. Sports equipment was issued to a large number of personnel who took part in basketball, skiing and skating at the Arena Rink. The senior basketball team and the W.D. team held a practice in the Drill Hall. Music Hour was held in the W.D. Canteen from 1830 hours to 1930 hours immediately following which Hobby Club was held.
March 18th   Flying all day and night. Work continued with the new arrangements in the Drill Hall. Sports equipment was issued to a large number of personnel who took part in all available sports. Airmen selected for the firing party for a funeral were given instruction on rifle and funeral drill. The senior basketball and W.D. basketball teams held practices in the Drill Hall during the evening.

March 19th   Flying all day and night. P.T. and drill classes were held for aircrew trainees from 0730 to 1830 hours. The usual P.T. class from 1330 to 1430 hours was cancelled as trainees were selected for the funeral party for 1400 hours. Pilot Officer Hunt, an Australian, was buried with full military honors in a Saskatoon cemetery. This officer was killed in a flying accident at an Operational Training Unit, in Patricia Bay, B.C. He had graduated from this Unit on Course 58 October, 1942. Sports equipment was issued and a small number of personnel took part in available sports. The senior basketball team played the city All Stars at the Nutana Collegiate Gym and lost by a score of 54 to 47. A swing session and Bingo Party was held in the W.D. Canteen. A/C 7787 transferred to Moose Jaw for overhaul.

March 20th, 1943  Flying all day and one-half night. Work continued on the courts in the Drill Hall. Arrangements were made with stores to have all sports equipment stored in the sports section. Arrangements were made with Works and Buildings to have skating rink closed down and lights stored for the summer months. Sports equipment was issued and a large number of personnel took part in available sports. Maintenance continues to maintain a high percentage of serviceability. Today there are 103 serviceable and 14 unserviceable.

March 21st   Flying all day and all night. Sports equipment stores were open and equipment was issued to a large number of personnel who took part in basketball, badminton, skating and skiing. With sports equipment stores situated in the Drill Hall, personnel find it more convenient to borrow equipment and more sports are being played. R.C. Church service was held in the W.D. Canteen at 0830 hours.

March 22nd   Flying all day and one-half night. Aircrew trainees and airmen on tarmac duty were given P.T. and drill during the scheduled hours. The skating rink was closed for the summer months and the rink equipment was locked in the rink dressing room. Painting continued on the courts in the drill hall. All sports equipment, which was stored, in main stores was taken out and placed in the new sports equipment stores. Sports equipment was issued to quite a large number of personnel who took part in available sports. Sixty-one AC2's reported from Edmonton, 11 of them Tarmac (I.T.S.), 24 Air Gunner (Standard) and 26 Air Gunner (Deferred). The audition for the Amateur Hour was held in the Recreation Hall from 1800 to 2000 hours.

March 23rd   Flying all day and all night, accident to Crane 1A FJ274  Pilot J12031 Pilot Officer Bishop, G. and student RI57375 LAC Widdicombe, C.J. - no injuries. Pilot overshot field on landing and aircraft overturned on hitting unrolled portion of field. Accident to Crane 7821
Pilot R107510 Flt. Sgt, Rittinger J.A. student, R167542 LAC Earl, R.S. - no injuries. Pilot whilst returning on last leg of authorized low flying cross country flight came in contact with an object which caused damage to the aircraft. Pilot stated that at the time of the accident, both he and the pupil were engaged in map reading, when a sudden lurch was experienced. Airmen on tarmac duty were given drill during the day. Work continued on the arrangements for sports and P.T. in the Drill Hall. Sports equipment was issued to a large number of personnel who took part in all available sports. The women's division held a basketball practice in the Drill Hall. The senior basketball team also held a practice. All courses were allowed out till 2359 hours. The Amateur Hour was presented in the Recreation Hall at 2000 hours. This venture appeared to be very successful. All those who reached the semi-finals were given a forty-eight hour pass. The final winners were awarded cash prizes.

March 24th, 1943  Flying all day and one-half night. R128673 LAC St. Laurent, H.A.J. of Course 76 has ceased training. He has been recommended for Air Bomber. Air crew trainees and airmen on tarmac duty were given P.T. and drill during the following hours, 0730 to 0830, 1030. to 1130, 1330 to 1430 and 1630 to 1730 hours. Work continued on arrangements in Drill Hall. The senior, basketball team travelled to Regina and lost to the Regina Caps. in the first game of the Saskatchewan Senior Basketball Finals by a score of 57 to 56. Sports equipment was issued and all available sports were played on the Station.

March 25th   Flying all day and no night flying. R168347 LAC McGill, F.G. of Course 76 has ceased training. He has been recommended for remuster to M.T. Section. Airmen on tarmac duty were given one hour squadron drill. Work continued on repair to equipment, brackets for the basketball courts, etc. The women's division and the senior basketball team held practices in the Drill Hall. Sports equipment was issued and all available sports were played. All courses were allowed out till 2359 hours. The weekly morning parade and inspection was held for the W.D. from 0800 hours to 0900 hours.

March 26th   Flying all day. No night flying. R150973 LAC Anderson, A.J. of Course 74 was discharged from the service on medical grounds. R166975 LAC Thomson, J. of Course 76 has ceased training and has been recommended for remuster to Air Navigator. Aircrew trainees and airmen on tarmac duty were given P.T. and drill during the scheduled hours. Sports equipment was issued and all available sports were played by a large number of personnel. The senior basketball team held a practice in the Drill Hall. A relay team consisting of four airmen were entered in the Saskatchewan Speed Skating Carnival held at the Arena Rink and won second place in the Mile relay finals. A meeting of the Hobby Club was held in the Recreation Hall with a large crowd in attendance. A/C 8011 has been transferred to Prairie Airways.

March 27th   No night or day flying. Arrangements were made with works and Buildings to erect the punchbag stands for boxing classes. A boxing class was held and a good number took part. Owing to bad weather a large number of airmen, who were excused flying duties, took part in all available sports. Two basketball games were played between teams picked from trainees.
and a large number used the tumbling matts for wrestling and tumbling. The senior basketball team played the Regina Capitals at No. 7 I.T.S. and won the total point, two game series by a score of 54 to 14, thereby winning the Saskatchewan Senior Championship and the right to play Manitoba in the Western Canada playdowns.

March 28th    Flying all day. No night flying. All tarmac personnel were detailed to attend church parade. The R.C. Church parade was held in the W.D. Canteen. Sports equipment was issued to a large number of personnel who took part in all available sports.

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March 29th, 1943.    Flying all day. No night flying. RL66l64 LAC Tobin  J.D., student of Course 70 ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying. Postings for Course 70 have now been received. They will graduate on the 2nd April. Domestic evening was held from 1800 to 1900 hours. P.T. classes were held for the R.C.A.F. (W.D.) from 1900 to 2000 hours. Aircrew and tarmac personnel were given drill and P.T. during the scheduled hours.

March 30th    No flying during either day or night. All courses were allowed out till 2359 hours. Four R.A.F. pilots in Course 70 graduating on April 1st were originally posted to Moncton and thence overseas, but this has been changed to No. 2 F.I.S., Vulcan, Alta. The Hobby Club met in its new location in the Recreation Hall at 1930 hours. P.T. and drill was given to all aircrew and tarmac personnel at scheduled hours throughout the day. An increasing number of airmen and airwomen are taking part in various sports since the sports section has moved into the Drill Hall. This is probably due to the fact the equipment is much handier to get.

March 31st    Flying all day. No night flying. Both sections of Course 72 attended Ground School in the morning and afternoon in preparation for final examinations. Course 70 began getting clearances signed. P.T. and drill was given to all aircrew and tarmac personnel. A large number of personnel were issued with all available sports equipment. There seems to be an exceptional shortage in clippings and photographs in the Appendices this month due to the hockey season closing early and also the fact that photographs of any kind other than those actually required for the efficient conduct of the Service seem to be out for the duration.

IMAGE 1645

April 1st 1943.

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(C.F. Newcombe) Wing Commander,
Commanding Officer,
No. 4 S.F.T.S., RCAF, Saskatoon, Sask.

IMAGE 1641

April 1/43 Flying all day. No night flying. Course 70, which graduates on the 2nd, had its Wings Party in the Bessborough Hotel.

April 2/43 Flying for one-half day. No night flying. Wings parade was held for Course 70. Twenty-seven of them have been granted commissions.

April 3rd Flying all day. No night flying. The Air Officer Commanding of No. 2 Training Command, Winnipeg, Man, arrived by air on his way to No. 4 Training Command, Calgary. Our commanding officer accompanied him to Calgary. The following sports are now being played in the drill hall; basketball, badminton, volleyball, boxing, wrestling, tumbling, bag punching and P.T. games.

April 4/43 Flying all day. No night, flying. The commanding officer returned from No. 4 Training Command, Calgary by air with the Air Officer Commanding, No. 2 Training Command. The A.O.C. left immediately for Winnipeg.
April 5/43   Flying All day and night. The Saskatoon Symphony Orchestra visited the Station in the evening and entertained station personnel at a concert in the Drill Hall at 2030 hours. Three Ansons and one Cessna Crane were taken on strength.

April 6/43   Flying all day and night. Arrangements were started for organization of hardball and softball teams.

April 7/43   Flying all day and night.

April 8/43   Flying all day and night. The Winnipeg St. Andrews basketball team arrived in Saskatoon for their Western Canada semi-final playdown games against our senior team.

April 9/43   Flying all day. No night flying. The senior basketball team played Winnipeg St. Andrews at No. 7 I.T.S. and lost the first game of the two game total point series by a score of 31 to 37. The weekly ensign hoisting and C.O.'s parade was held in the Drill Hall.

April 10/43  Flying all day. No night flying. RI67232 LAC Anderson, J.C.E., student of Course 76 ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying. The second game was played with the Winnipeg team and our senior team won by a score of 44 to 31. They have now won the right to continue in the playdowns against the Edmonton RCAF games to be played at Edmonton.

April 11/43  Flying all day. No night flying. The senior basketball team left for Edmonton to enter the western semi-finals at Edmonton.

April 12/43  Flying all day and night. R170071 LAC Creswell, G. E., student of Course 76 ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying. The senior basketball team played the Edmonton RCAF Red Devils at Edmonton Manning Depot and won by a score of 51 to 50 in the first game of the series.

April 13/43  Flying all day and night. The senior basketball team lost to the Edmonton Red Devils by a score of 46 to 34 in their two game total point series.

April 15/43  Flying all day and night. R172059 LAC William, R. student of Course 78 ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying. R151289 LAC Scanlan, P.D., student of Course 78 ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying. R167184 LAC Hastings, L.W. student of Course 76 transferred to Course 78 for disciplinary reasons. The tennis courts were rolled and arrangements were started to prepare the courts for play. Arrangements for a ladies softball team to enter the city league were made.

April 16/43  Flying all day and night. Organization of ball teams is under way and many have been out for practice.
April 17/43  Flying all day and night.

April 18/43  Flying all day and night  R176442 LAC Horton, A.G., student of Course 78 ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying. R114843 LAC McManus, R.H. student of Course 78, R162309 LAC Low, V.T. student of Course 76 and R155730 LAC Braaten, E. S., student of Course 78 ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying. A senior softball team from this station was entered in Saskatoon City League.

April 19/43  Flying all day and night. R139998 LAC Dotten, L.C., student of Course 72 transferred to Course 74 due to illness. R157375 LAC Widdicombe C.J. student of Course 74 transferred to Course 76 for disciplinary reasons. All personnel, service and civilian, given special x-ray of chest. This was conducted and sponsored by the Tuberculosis Prevention League of Saskatchewan.

April 20/43  Flying all day and night. R178394 LAC Murdock, J.D., student of Course 78 ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying. Accident to Crane 1A. FJ234 two miles NE Sutherland at 0435 hours. Pilot - J12225 P.O. Gilmour, R.G. uninjured. Stbd airscrew came off propeller shaft during flight and has not been recovered. Pilot carried out single engine landing on main aerodrome. Investigation in progress to determine cause. Air Commodore T. E. Lawrence, A.O.C., No. 2 T.C., visited station, arriving by air 1515 hours.

April 21/43  Flying all day and night. The A.O.C., A.C. Lawrence left for Winnipeg by air at 1030 hours.

April 22/43  Flying all day and night. At 1145 hours R170332 LAC McColl, D.K., uninjured in Crane 1A 8785 taxied into the tail assembly of Crane 1 7872 (unoccupied) parked on the taxi strip. Damage to 8785 - stbd propeller (wooden) damaged beyond repair. Damage to 7872 - elevators and rudder badly bent and chewed up. Disciplinary action - awarded 27 days detention and set back two courses. Return prepared for ATHQ, of all Publications on station. The chest X-rays of all personnel was completed today.

April 23/43  No flying during day or night. R170179 LAC England, R.W. student of Course 78, R162558 LAC Agnew, J.G. student of Course 74 and R178068 LAC Butt, P.J., student of Course 76 ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying.

April 24/43  Flying all day. No night flying. 23 personnel reported from University of Saskatchewan, reported on Station for Tarmac duty.

April 25/43  Flying all day. No night flying. R12130A LAC Greig, D.S., student of Course 76 ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying. The station was thrown open to public of Saskatoon, between 1300 and 1700 hours in aid of Victory Loan Campaign. Approximately 4000 to 5000 attended and were taken on conducted tours of the station. Crane 7913 crashed at
Vanscoy due to failure of wheel bearing.


April 27/43  Flying all day and night. R164016 LAC Wirth, P.N., student of Course 76 ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying. R165453 LAC Sloan, M.J., student of Course 76, R168575 LAC Clements, J.E., student of Course 78, R60863 Sgt. McKeever, R.O., Student of Course 78, and R161994 LAC Yusikiw, L.F student of Course 76, ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying. Serviceable A/C - 74. U/S A/C - 36.

IMAGE 1644

April 28/43  Flying all day and night. Course 74 started final examinations - Navigation and meteorology. Serviceable A/C - 75; U/S A/C - 36. Squadron Leader A.T. Livingstone (A.E.) arrived on temporary duty from No. 2 T.C. in connection with investigation of aircraft accident.

April 29/43  Flying all day and night. Crane 8120 to Prairie Airways for overhaul. Serviceable A/C - 76; U/S A/C - 34.

April 30/43  Flying all day and night; R172989 LAC Gonar, A. student of Course 76 ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying. Presentation of Wings-parade held in Kiwanis Park; Saskatoon at 1700 hours for Course 72. See Appendix "G" at IMAGE 1655. Wings presented to graduating class by A/C T.E. Lawrence, A.O.C., No. 2 Training Command, Service and civic officials invited to attend. Parade held in aid of Victory Loan Campaign. S.L. Putnam and P.O. Hamilton awarded Navigators1 Badges at Wings Parade held in Kiwanis Park. Course 74 completed final examinations.

IMAGE 1646

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IMAGE 1655

APPENDIX "G"

No. 4 S.F.T.S., Saskatoon, DAILY DIARY For month of April.

Appendix.

Course 72 commenced 11.1.43 with 60 students and graduated 30.4.43 with 46 students.

No. 3 F.I.S. Arnprior, Ont. - 2
No. 1 F.I.S. Trenton, Ont. - 4
No. 2 F I.S. Pearce, Alta. - 5
No.31 G.R.S. Charlottetown, P.E.I. - 3
No. 1 G.R.S. Summerside, P.E.I. - 7
No. 9 A.O.S. St. Johns, Que. - 2
No. 4 A.O.S. London, Ont. - 1
No. 1 "Y" Depot, Halifax, N.S. - 18
No.3IP.D., Moncton, N.B. - 4
Total 46

Ceased Training 13
Transferred 6

IMAGE 1662

May 1st 1943. Airmen or Personnel Strength

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| C.D.C.      | 2        |
| C.P.C.      | 3        |

Civilians

| Barrack Warden | 1        |
| Meteorologist  | 2        |

Others 157

| 121 | 1073 | 160 |

TRAINEES: R.C.A.F. 216
R.A.F. 5

Aircraft Strength Type Serviceable Unserviceable

| Cessna | 86 | 13 |
| Anson  | 8  | 1  |
| Tiger Moth | | 1 |

IMAGE 1663

May 1st, 1943 No flying - day or night. Serviceable A/C - 35; U/S A/C - 25. Moth 4675 - unserviceable. Command storage four Crane Aircraft AFHQ, Storage - six Crane 1 aircraft, 1 Crane 11, 9 A Anson 11, 13 Menasco Moth. Squadron Leader Livingstone returned Winnipeg.

May 2nd Flying all day. No night flying. R.C. and Protestant Church Parade held at 0830 hours. Air Vice Marshall Cuff, D.I.G. and Air Commodore T.E. Lawrence, A.O.C. No. 2 T.C. arrived at No. 4 S.F.T. S. by air from Winnipeg at 1610 hours and stayed about two hours before proceeding to No. 7 I.T.S., Saskatoon.
May 3rd  Flying all day and night. R2204A Sgt. Brandford, J.P. transferred from Course 78 to 80 due to illness. Course 80 report to G.I.S. (see Appendix “K” at IMAGE 1682). Flight Officer Kemp, the Command Staff Officer visited the station. Squadron Officer Jeffs, the Chief Messing Officer from A.F.H.Q. visited this Station accompanied by S.O. Rainer, and A.S.O. Stacey. Advice was received that this Station was the winner of the minister's Pennant. Plans prepared for presentation - which was to be open to the public.

May 4th  Flying all day, no night flying. Courses allowed out till 2359 hours. Fourth Victory Loan Concert held in Recreation Hall, announcement was made that the Station's total amounted to $52,800. thereby exceeding quota of $45,000. set by Command. he Stations War Savings Committee voluntarily raised the objective to $70,000.

May 5th  No day flying. Flying all night. Air Commodore Lawrence presented No. 4 S.F.T. S. with the Minister's Pennant. A wing parade and march past was held in conjunction therewith.

May 6th  Flying all day and night. R167773 LAC Warnig, G.F. and R172077 LAC Tindel, P.A. both of Course 78 ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying. Classes were allowed out till 2359 hours.

May 7th  C.O.’s parade was cancelled. Flying all day and night. Fourth Victory Loan passed the voluntary objective of $70,000 as Station's quota reached $74,000.

May 8th  Flying all day and no night flying. The R.C.A.F. Show "Blackouts of 1943" was shown in the Recreation Hall.

IMAGE 1664

May 9th 1943  Flying all day and all night. Church parade was held In the morning. In the afternoon No. 4 S.F.T.S. took part in a Victory Loan Parade in Saskatoon, represented by the band, two flights of airmen, one flight of W.D. personnel. R151145 LAC Mitchell, L.J. student course 76 ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying. The RCAF Show "Blackouts of 1943" was shown for second time.

May 10th  Flying all day and night. R107332 LAC McColl, D.K, student of Course 78 transferred to Course 80, for disciplinary reasons. A.V.M. Collard, Deputy Minister and party visited Station at 1700 hours, arriving by air. Mr. Parkin, Federal Aircraft representative visited Station 1000 hours, left for Dafoe 1430 hrs.

May 11th  Flying all day and all night. A.V.M. Collard. Deputy Minister and party left the Station at 0830 hours by air. Courses 76, 78, 80, allowed out to 2359 hours. Subscription to fourth Victory Loan exceeds 75% above quota, Fourth Victory Loan Pennant hoisted.

May 12th  Flying all day and all night. LAC Allan, W.E., Course 74, Ceases Training due to unsatisfactory flying progress.
May 13th   Flying all day and all night. Casket missing from rocker box cover starboard engine, Crane 8733. Immediately investigated, R158333, LAC Allen, W.E. student of Course 74 ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying. C5515 F/L F.E., Rader commenced training with Course 80, Auth. No. 2 T.C. 14-4-5B(P.7) d/26 April, 1943. and No, 2 T.C. P913 d/29 Apr.43. Course allowed out to 2359 hrs.,

May 14th   C.O.'s weekly parade held at 0730 hours. Flying all day and night. Accident to Anson FP772 - Crash category C.14. Necessitating wing change as a result of starboard collapsing on tarmac while engines being run up after P.240. Cause U/C selector lever not properly locked in down postion by Inspection, crew.

May 15th   Flying all day but no night flying. Flying Officer Nicholson, special Investigator from. No. 2 T.C. arrived 1630 hours. Departed 0700 hours 17 May, 1943.

May 16th   Flying all day and all night. R.C. and Protestant Church Parade held as usual at 0830 hours. The flyers in the men's City League won two weekend games,

May 17th   Flying all day and all night GB1563989 LAC Allen, Robert, RI76035 LAC Robinson, J., GB658769 LAC Jeffs, H.E., GB1098859 LAC Hatrass. G. - All of Course 80 ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying. The Flyers played their first game in the Saskatoon Girls City League and were defeated badly.

May 18th   Flying all day and all night. R139998 LAC Dotten, L.C. transferred from Course74 to 76 due to Illness, Courses allowed out until 2359 hours with the exception of Blue section of Course 80. Some W.D.'s were allowed out for two hours sports during the afternoon.

May 19th   Flying all day and all night. Group Captain D.H. McCaul, S.A.E. O., #2 T.C. visited the Station at 0900 hours departing 1530 hours. The Sergeants' Mess Softball team won an exhibition game against the airmen of this Station. W.D.'s Flyers played their second game in the city League and lost.

May 20th   Flying all day and all night. All Course except blue section of Course 80 allowed out till 2359 hours. No. 4 S.F.T.S. Flyers lost their games in the Men's City Senior League.

May 21st   Flying all day and all night. C.O.'s parade at 0730 hours.

May 22nd   Flying all day but no night flying. Airmen and W.D.'s took part in the Army Track and Field Meet at Dundurn on Saturday. Those taking part made a particularly good showing.

May 23rd   No flying all day or night. R.C. and Protestant Church Services were held as usual at 0830 hours. Repair Squadron changed their hours of work. Day shift 0630 hours - 1530 hours. Night shift 1530 hours to 2359 hours. Margaret Bishop famous Names quilt was on display in
the Airmen's Mess.

May 24th  Flying all day and night. Courses 74, 78, 88 allowed out till 2359 hours.

May 25th  Flying all day and night. Wing Officer Walker and Squadron Officer Davies and Flight Officer Kemp arrived by air at 0830 hours. Men's SoftBall team were defeated.

May 26th  Flying all day and night R163654 LAC Taylor, A.J. of Course 78 ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying. A special parade of W.D.'s was held and were inspected by Wing Officer Walker. Following the parade W/O Walker gave an informal talk in the W.D. Canteen. Various sections where W.D's were working were inspected by W/O Walker. W.D. Flyers lost their soft ball game in the Senior City League.

May 27th  Flying all day and night. R99902 LAC McWilliam, K.A, and GB1581439 LAC Latham, P.E. both of Course 80 ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying. R162135 LAC Steindel, J.I. of Course 76 ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying. Men's Softball League game was played with the Flyers losing to the Navy. In the Interstation league game the Sgts. scored a victory over the Gunners. Course 78 and 80 allowed out till 2359 hrs. F/L W.K. Coveney on T.D. from Davidson, Sask. Trade improvement lecture, commenced for A.E.M.'s and A.F.M.'s.

IMAGE 1666

May 28th, 1943  Flying all day and night. C.O.'s parade at 0730 hours. Course 74 Wings Parade was held. 28 of this course received commissions. LAC Benson from Chile granted General Proficiency award. (see Appendix “K” at IMAGE 1682).

May 29th  Flying all day but no night flying. The second interstation dance was held at No. 7 I.T.S.

May 30th  Sunday Services as usual. No day flying but flying all night. At 1330 hours Crane 8055 crashed 1½ miles east of Clark's Crossing, Sask. Aircraft complete write-off. The three occupants of the - Aircraft J24270 Pilot Officer Dingle, John Tregenna. C7327 Flying Officer Cameron, Robert Joel. Mr. Longman, Arthur Churchill were instantly killed. Cause of the accident obscure. Court of inquiry in progress. Flight Officer Graham and Wing Commander Irwin of No. 3 S.F.T.S.. Calgary visited the Station Sunday and Monday.

May 31st  No flying day or night. No 4 S.F.T.S. flyers played their first hard ball game with a win over the cubs of 8 - 0, Serviceable A/C - 50; U/S A/C - 28; Moth 4875 unserviceable. A.F.H.Q, Storage 3 Crane, 1 Anson II. 9 Menasco Moths, Anson II SJ122 - in storage others on Unit strength. Course No. 82 reported in. (see Appendix “K” at IMAGE 1682).

IMAGE 1669

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Meteorologist 2
Others 157

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TRAINEES:

R.C.A.F. 216
R.A.F. 5

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(A.H. Wilson), Group Captain
Commanding Officer,
No. 4  S.F.T.S., R.C.A.F., Saskatoon.

IMAGE 1682

No. 4  S.F.T.S., Saskatoon, Sask.  APPENDIX  "K"  Daily Diary - Month of May

Course No. 80 commenced training on May 3rd, 1943, with 58 students.

35 students reported from No. 6 E.F.T.S., Prince Albert, Sask.
15 students reported from No. 15 E.F.T.S., Regina, Sask.
7 students reported from No. 23 E.F.T.S., Davidson, Sask.
1 student reported from No. 7 E.F.T.S., Windsor, Ont.
APPENDIX

Course No. 74 graduated on 28th May, 1943, with 49 graduates.

Disposition of Course 74 is as follows:

No.  3 F.I.S., Arnprior, Ontario                       8 graduates
No.  1 F.I.S., Trenton, Ontario                        4 graduates
Ho.  31 G.R.S., Charlottetown, P.E.I.                      6 graduates
No.  1 G.R. S., Summerside, P.E.I.                      7 graduates
No.  34 O.T.U., Pennfield Ridge, N.B.                       2 graduates
No.  1 W. A. G.S., Yarmouth, N.S.                       5 graduates
No.  7 A.O.S., Portage la Prairie, Manitoba                  3 graduates
No.  1 "Y" Depot, Halifax, N.S.                          5 graduates
No.  31 Personnel Depot, Moncton, N.B.                     9 graduates

49 graduates

Wastage — 9 students.

APPBMDIX

Course No. 82 commenced training 31.5.43 with 60 students.

30 students reported in from No. 6 EFTS., Prince Albert, Sask.
15 students reported in from No. 15 EFTS, Regina, Sask.
15 students reported in from No. 23 EFTS, Davidson, Sask.

60

IMAGE 1683

June 1st, 1943  No flying day or night. RI78393 LAC Hoggard, Gordon Albert, student of Course 78 ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying. R180022 LAC McLeod, William George., student of Course 80 transferred to Course 82 due to illness. All courses allowed out till 2359 hours. A signals class was commenced for W.D.'s. This class is to be held for three quarters of an hour twice a week. Serviceable aircraft - 86, u/s aircraft - 32. Moth 4875 unserviceable. AFHQ, storage - 3 Crane 1, 1 Anson II, 9 Menasco Moths. Stored reserve on Unit strength 9 Anson II.

June 2nd No flying day or night.

June 3rd Flying all day and night. All courses allowed out till 2359 hours. Four W.D.’s from No. 4 S.F. T. S. tied with No. 4 Recruiting Centre in a radio Quiz.
June 4th Commanding Officer's Parade followed by Officer's Drill course was held at 0800 hours. Flying all day and night. R170332 LAC McColl, Duncan Keith of course 80 transferred to course 82 for disciplinary reasons. At 0115 hours - 200 yards from the north boundary of the Main Aerodrome accident to Crane 1 7676. Pilot R170178 LAC Bergin, Donald Stuart uninjured. The accident occurred when LAC Bergin was solo night flying circuits and landings. Both engines failed on the take-off. Aircraft was damaged seriously investigations proceeding. Three W.D.’s took part in a prologue at the Technical School in Saskatoon this afternoon and evening. Station dance was held in the recreation Hall with a good crowd in attendance.

June 5th Flying all day - no night flying.

June 6th Sunday Protestant Padre holding funeral service at Watrous so Protestant Service cancelled. R.C. service as usual. Flying all day but no night flying.

June 7th Flying all day and night. R225116 LAC McTavish, Donald, R225122 LAC Simpson, Bertram, R225119 LAC Dewar, Harry Esten all of Course 80 transferred to Course 82 due to illness. Flyers in the senior girls league lost another ball game. Exhibition game played between the Senior Mens Team and Sergeants Mess team.

June 8th, 1943 Flying all day and night. Course 80 student - LAC Hill D.G. ceased training. N.C.O.’s and airmen were attending party for funeral of Sgt. F. Hawes former member of G.I.S. Staff drowned at Watson Lake. Courses allowed out till 2359 hours.

June 9th Flying all day and night. Flyers in the senior girls league played a good game but were still unable to win Sgts Mess team won their first game of the interservice league. Group Captain A. H. Wilson from Dauphin visited at No. 4 S.F.T.S. Educational lecture held for Maintenance Wing at 1830 hours in the Recreation Hall. Professor Currie of the University of Saskatchewan was the guest speaker.

June 10th Flying all day - no night flying - Wing Commander C.F. Newcombe visited No. 10 S.F.T.S. Dauphin. Man. Courses allowed out till 2359 hours. The Men's Senior softball team flew to No. 5 B. & G. School Dafoe, to play an exhibition game which they lost 2-7. The Sgts' Mess held a Golf Tournament at Saskatoon Country Club. Unfortunately this was not completed due to rain.

June 11th Commanding Officer's parade was held at 0750 hours. Flying all day and night. R186685 LAC Truman, Lawrence Russell of Course 80 ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying. he Officers' Mess held a Golf Tournament at the Saskatoon Country club which was won by Flying Officer E. Wiseman.

June 12th Saturday - Flying all day - no night flying. R186783 LAC Pritchard, Richard Harold
student of Course 80 ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying. Crane a/c 7999 and 8017 sent to Moose Jaw for overhaul. The senior Hardball team lost their league game to the Tech-Aeronauts.

June 13th Church services were held as usual. Flying all day and all night. The R.C.A.F. Flyers managed to win their first victory in the Ladies Senior softball league defeating the Saskettes 3-2. Tennis lessons were commenced for W.D. with Miss Wilson from the Y.W.C.A. as instructress. No. 4 S.F.T. S. Flyers lost their softball game in the Mens' Senior League to the Cardinals.

June 14th Flying all day and all night. Oxford aircraft BM677 from North Battleford, No 35 S.F.T.S. crashed 3½ miles N.E., Alvena, Saskatchewan. The C.W.A.C. were guests at No. 4 S.F.T.S. and an exhibition ball game was played. The flyers scored their second victory for the week. A men's interservice game was played with the Majors victorious.

June 15th Flying all day and all night. R180022 LAC Mcleod, W.G. student of Course 82 ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying. Handing Over Parade and Ceremony when Group Captain A.H. Wilson took command of No. 4 S.F.T.S. from Wing Commander C.F. Newcombe. Courses allowed out until 2359 hours.

(Cont'd)

IMAGE 1685

June 16th, 1943. Wednesday. Flying all day and night. R186652 LAC Smith, George Edward, R160511 LAC Smith, Roy Graham R181534 LAC Anderson, Percy Jack, and R178853 LAC Bergeron, John Albert, all of Course 82 ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying. W.D.'s scored a victory over the C.W.A.C. in a Radio Quiz but the softball team was defeated by the Pats. The Men's Senior softball team won their City league game.

June 17th Thursday. Flying all day and all night. The finals of the Rifle Competition against Yorkton were run off. In the preliminary shoot the armament section stood first and the W.D.'s second. The swimming pool was opened for this season. No. 4 Gunners defeated M.D..20 in the Men's Interservice Softball league. The Flyers Senior softball team lost their game to the College lads in the men's City League. Courses allowed out until 2359 hours,

June 18th Flying all day and all night. R191317 LAC Dalgetty, Charles Frederick L. student of course 80 ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying. R172S88 LAC Dean, Forrest Gordon student of course 82 ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying. A station dance was held in the Recreation Hall and was very successful.

June 19th Saturday. Flying all day but no night flying.

June 20th Protestant and R.C. Church Parade as usual. No flying day or night. Four airmen led
by Cpl. Moss visited this Station and entertained a large number of airmen and airwomen with a variety of musical numbers. Oxford BM677 taken by trailer to No. 35 S.F.T.S.

June 21st   Flying all day and night. No 4 S.F.T.S. Interservice team won their ball game against Technical School 10 to 6. 1 Officer from Saskatoon reported in with 48 air cadets and 2 officers from Yorkton reported in with 32 Air Cadets for 10 days training. R. C. A. F. (W.D.) Flyers were defeated in their ball game with the Ramblers 14 to 9.

June 22   Flying all day and night No. 4 S.F.T.S. Hardball team defeated the Bubs 5-1. The #4 Softball team lost to No. 7 I.T.S., 6-3. The swimming pool was again well attended with 110 as a total for the day.

June 23   No flying day or night. #4 S.F.T.S Interservice team is still doing well and scored another victory over the army 10-4. Flyers were defeated by the Saskatoon at Cairns Field.

June 24th, 1943   Flying all day and night. R.C.A.F. Flyers were defeated In the softball league by the Navy 7-3.

June 25th   Flying all day and night. Commanding Officer's Parade and Ensign Hoisting ceremony took place at 0800 hours. The R.C.A.F. (W.D.) held an "At Home" from 1330 hours to 1700 hours. All Clubs in Saskatoon were invited to send representatives to visit the W.D. at No. 4 S.F.T.S. Over 300 women attended. R225116 LAC McTavish, Donald student of course 82 ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying. Wings Parade for Course 76 was held. (see appendix ”F” at IMAGE 1684).

June 26th   Flying all day but no night flying.

June 27th   A Formal station church parade was held at 1100 hours. R.C. personnel paraded at 0800 hours. 26 Air Gunners Deferred were posted to No. 4 Wireless School Guelph, Ontario. RI86962 LAC Gaffray, Elward William student of Course 82 ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying.

June 28th   Flying all day and night. Course 84 commenced training with 55 students. LAC Colban, J. and LAC Hurdle, D.R. were transferred from Course 82 to Course 84.

June 29th   Flying all day and night. Courses allowed out till 2359 hours.

June 30th   Flying all day and night. The Air Cadets had a ceremonial parade and were struck off strength. Serviceable A/C - 92; u/s A/C - 24 - Moth 4875 unserviceable. AFHQ, storage - 2 Crane 1, 1 Anson II 9 Menasco Moth. Stored Reserve on Unit Strength - 9 Anson II.

IMAGE 1687
June 30th 1943

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Flying Hours: = Total Number of hours flown during the month of June was 7,936.

(A.H. Wilson), Group Captain
Commanding Officer,
No. 4  S.F.T.S., R.C.A.F., Saskatoon.

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No.4  S.F.T.S. Saskatoon, Sask.  APPENDIX “F” DAILT DIARY - Month of June

APPENDIX.

Course 76 graduated on 25th June, 1943, with 51 graduates.
No. 2 F.I.S., Pearce, Alberta  9  Graduates
No. 1 G.R.S., Summerside, P.E.I.  10  Graduates
No. 34 O.T.U., Pennfield Ridge, N.B.  1  Graduate
No. 2 A.O.S., Edmonton, Alberta.  3  Graduates
No. 7 A.O.S., Portage la Prairie, Man.  3  Graduates
No. 8 A.O.S., Ancienne Lorette, Que.  3  Graduates
No. 1 C.N.S., Rivers, Manitoba.  5  Graduates
No. 1 "Y" Depot, Halifax, N.S.  11  Graduates

51 Graduates

Wastage  -  16.

IMAGE 1695

July, 1 1943  Flying all day and night. Courses allowed out until 2359 hours. Serviceable aircraft - 88. unserviceable aircraft - 32. Moth 4875 unserviceable. A.F.H.Q. Storage 1 Crane 1, 1 Anson 11, 9 Menasco Moths. Stored reserve on Unit strength - 4 Crane 1, 1 Crane 1A, 9 Anson 11.

July, 2  Commanding Officer's Parade at 0800 hours. Flying all day and night. Flyers, W.D. Soft ball team lost their ball game to the Ramblers. Flight Officer Kemp visited the Station to discuss exchange postings with Dafoe.

July, 3  Flying all day but no night flying. The men's hardball team defeated No. 7 I.T.S. The day was very hot and there were 200 in attendance at the swimming pool. A Station Dance was held with a good crowd in attendance.

July, 4  Church parades were held as usual. Flying all day and all night. R182522 LAC Wright, Oliver, Gordon and R178387 LAC Millican, James Wallace both of Course 82 ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying. 110 were in attendance at the swimming pool.

July, 5  Flying all day and all night.

July, 6  Flying all day and half the night. Courses were allowed out until 2359 hours. The swimming pool is the most popular place on the station. The day being very hot, 200 people attended the swimming pool.

July, 7  Flying all day and night. FJ221 made wheels up landing on Vanscoy Relief Aerodrome, two c/s propellers were bent, one rocker box cover cracked, a dented cowling, but no person was injured. The Saskattes defeated the Flyers 14 to 8 in a league game at Cairns Field. The R.C.A.F. Flyers defeated the Kaycees 6-5 in a league game. With the weather still very warm, 200 attended the pool.
July 8, 1943  Flying all day and night. Anson aircraft 11283 made a forced landing 5 miles west of the main aerodrome as a result of a starboard engine failure. No. 3 cylinder on starboard engine was badly burnt and the pistons shattered. Both engines were changed. All courses were allowed out until 2359 hours. The film "For Your Information" was shown to W.D.'s on Thursday evening in the Recreation Hall. #4 S.F.T.S. hardball team defeated Tech Aeronauts 8-5. The attendance at the pool was still high as the weather remained hot.

July, 9  Flying all day but no night flying. R181065 LAC Runer, Harry, R172068 LAC Christopherson, Carl Hughes both students of Course No. 78 transferred to Course 80 due to illness. Oxford aircraft X7148 from #35 S.F.T.S. was forced down by a storm six miles north of Dalmay. The accident was an "A" category, but the two students were, uninjured. The film "For Your Information" was shown for all W.D.'s who did not see it Thursday evening. 175 in attendance at the pool.

July, 10  Flying all day, no night flying. Pool was popular as usual, the day very hot, 195 were in attendance.

July, 11  Church parade as usual. Flying all day and night. 2328 F/Sgt Miskey, S.M. in Course 78 ceased training because of failure to pass ground school examinations. #4 S.F.T.S. Men's Softball team defeated the Cardinals 2-0. Attendance at the swimming pool was 165.

July, 12  Flying all day and night. R168690 LAC Yeomans F.M., R172078 LAC McLean, R.C. ceased training in course 76 due to unsatisfactory progress in flying. The water was changed in the swimming pool. W.D. "Flyers" played and lost their league game against "Pats" at Cairns Field. Tennis lessons were given to the W.D.'s by the Y.W.C.A.. Instructress, Miss Wilson.

July, 13  Flying all day and all night. Courses allowed out until 2359 hours.

July, 14  Flying all day and all night. C.O.'s parade and drill from 1400 to 1700 hours. W.D.'s played another league game at Cairns Field, and lost. R.C.A.F. hardball team defeated Cubs 6-2.

July, 15  Flying all day but no night flying. Courses allowed out until 2359 hours.

July, 16  Flying all day but no night flying. W.D.'s played their third game of softball for the week and lost again. Their sportsmanship is good and they arrived back on the station with enough energy to attend the station dance in the recreation hall.

IMAGE 1607

July, 17  Flying all day but no night flying.

July, 18  R.C. and Protestant Church services were held as usual in the W.D. Canteen and Recreation Hall respectively. GB180892 LAC Bolsovar, W, R189459 LAC Morrise, G.I., GB1804195 LAC Tegore, W.Y.E., GB1334553 LAC Bath, R.T., GB1603018 LAC Mercer,
G.F., GB1399596 LAC Richardson, J.A., GB1521472 LAC Morris, H.C., GB1803838 LAC Horncastle, M.J. GB1801895 LAC Pam, H.E. R196068 LAC Todd, J.C. all of Course 84, ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying. R181672 LAC Dickson, R.S. and R172378 LAC Manning, F.J. both of Course 82 ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying. The men's hardball team lost to No. 7 I.T.S. The swimming pool attendance was 65.

July, 19  Flying all day and night. Swimming pool attendance 50.

July, 20  Flying all day and night. Courses 78, 82, and 84 allowed out till 2359 hours. Swimming pool emptied so no one in attendance.

July, 21  Flying all day and night. R166462 LAC Wilmot, W.D. transferred to Course 82 owing to being granted compassionate leave. R172301 LAC Conroy, G.R. transferred to Course 82. #4 S.F.T.S Men's hardball team defeated Rosthern 14-5. In spite of the cold water, attendance was 60 in the swimming pool.

July, 22  Flying all day and night. 175 boys from the Farm Boys' Camp at the Saskatoon Exhibition visited the station during the afternoon and under the guidance of F/L Ricks, D.A.P.M. made a tour of the station. Courses 82 and 84 allowed out until 2359 hours. Course 78 held Wings Party. Swimming pool attendance was 70.

July, 23  Flying half a day. Course 78 Wings Parade held at 1600 hours. 32 students were granted Commissions. LAC Clesse won the best pupil award. Week is drawing to a close with much higher temperature, and the attendance in the pool was 165 to-day.

July, 24  Flying all day. The hardball team won two games with Dafoe and one with No. 7 I.T.S. The softball team however was not so fortunate and lost their game to the Navy. Swimming pool attendance was 55.

July, 25  R.C. and Protestant church parades were held as usual. Flying all day and half the night. R172274 LAC Hurdle, David Roy, GB1728832 LAC Elliott, Roy Frederick and R192595 LAC Nicol, Gordon James all of course 84 ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying. The Army Show was held in the Saskatoon Arena for Service personnel. Approximately 600 airmen, airwomen, and Officers from this station paraded to this show.

July, 26  Flying all day and all night. R181108 LAC Murdock, George William McKay student of Course 84 ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying. At 2359 hours, 3½ miles east, 6 miles north of Sutherland, Crane 1A FJ252 crashed. Pilot - J27774 P/O William John McPherson A.F.M. and student R170239 LAC Owen, Kenneth David were both uninjured. The pilot was carrying out night cross country exercises when both engines failed. The pilot and student both bailed out. Aircraft complete write-off. Course 86 reported to G.I.S. with a total of 60 students. W/C W.M. Murray (Equipment) arrived at this unit on temporary duty.
July, 27  Flying all day and night. No. 4 S.F.T.S. hardball team defeated No. 7 I.T.S. 5-3. All courses were allowed out until 2359 hours.

July, 28  Flying all day and all night. C.O.’s parade and drill was held from 13.30 hours to 1700 hours.

July, 29  Flying all day and all night. At R.1 Field Vanscoy at 0850 hours accident to Crane 8014. Pilot Aus.413099 P/O Allan James Rutherford and student R181587 LAC Johnston, Roy were both uninjured. While carrying out circuits and landings exercise, the Instructor was attempting to show his student precautionary take off, using full flaps and brakes, causing aircraft to nose over, due to misuse of controls. Two metal propellors were damaged but are repairable, tail fork was broken and the fuselage tail stinger was damaged but repairable. All courses were allowed out till 2359 hours. #4 R.C.A.F. Softball team won the game from Peronauts.

July, 30  Flying all day and night. R.C.A.F.(W.D.) Softball team lost their game to the Saskattes, but with Dutton as pitcher, recently posted from Dafoe, they put up a much better showing. The regular station dance was held in the recreation hall with a good crowd in attendance.

July. 31  Flying all day, but no night flying. W/C Murray (Equip) returned to No. 2 T.C. Serviceable aircraft 88 u/s A/C 24, Moth 4875 unserviceable. AFHQ Storage 13 Crane 1, 2 Crane 1A, 1 Anson 11, , 9 Menasco Moth. Stores Reserve on Unit strength 7 Anson 11.

**IMAGE 1699**

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**TRAINNEES:**

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Aircraft Strength  Type  Serviceable  Unserviceable
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Anson                    8       10
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Flying Hours: Total Number of hours flown during the month of July was (????).

(A.H. Wilson)  G.C.
Commanding Officer,

IMAGE  1705

No. 4 S.F.T.S., Saskatoon, Sask., APPENDIX "E" DAILY DIARY Month of July.

APPENDIX

Course No. 78 commenced training on 5th April, 1943 with 60 students.
Course No. 78 graduated on 23rd July, 1943 with 41 students.

Disposition of Course No. 78 by totals is as follows:
No. 3 F.I.S., Arnprior, Ont.       2 graduates
No. 1 F.I.S., Trenton, Ont.       3 graduates
No. 2 F.I.S., Pearce, Alta.       6 graduates
No. 31 G.R.S. Charlottetown, P.E.I.  12 graduates
No. 34 O.T.U., Pennfield Ridge, N.B.  1 graduates
No. 1 C.N.S., Rivers, Man.         5 graduates
No. 5 A.O.S., Winnipeg, Man.      5 graduates
No. 1 Y Depot, Halifax, N.S.      7 graduates

41 graduates

Wastage of Course No. 78 by totals is as follows:
No. 2 Manning Depot, Brandon, Man. , 15 Cease Training
No. 1 C.N.S. Rivers, Man           1 ”
Transferred from Course No. 78 to Course No.80 2 students ,
Transferred from Course No. 78 to Bourse No.82 1 student
19 wastage

APPENDIX

Course No. 86 commenced training on 26th July, 1943 with 60 students
Intakes

49 students reported in from 19 E.F.T.S., Virden, Man.
7 students reported in from 15 E.F.T.S., Regina, Sask.
1 student reported in from 9 E.F.T.S., St. Catherines, Ont.
3 students reported in from 23 E.F.T.S., Davidson, Sask.

IMAGE 1706

August 1, 1943  A formal church parade was held with all personnel in attendance. R.C. church parade was 0830 hours in the W.D. Canteen and Protestant church parade was held at 1100 hours in the Recreation Hall. Flying all day and night. Serviceable Crane A/C - 82. Serviceable Anson A/C - 8. Unserviceable Crane A/C - 11. Unserviceable Anson A/C - 10. Moth 4875 - unserviceable. A.F.H.Q. storage - 14 Crane, 1 Crane 1A, 1 Anson II, 9 Menasco Moth. Stored Reserve on Unit Strength - 7 Anson II. Crane 7911 taken on Stored Reserve.

August 2 1943  Flying all day and night. The Trade Test Board from No. 2 Traing Command arrived to trade test all eligible personnel. No. 4 S.F.T.S. W.D.’s lost their last league game. No. 4 S.F.T.S. senior men’s team also lost their game to No. 7 I.T.S. with a score of 8 - 7. Work for the station Sport's Day August 25th, is being carried out. Crane 7911 taken on Stored Reserve. Miss Wilson, Y.W.C.A., instructed airwomen in tennis.

August 3 1943  Flying all day and all night. Courses allowed out till 2359 hours. No. 4 hardball team lost to the Cubs in a game played at Cairns Field.

August 4 1943  C.O.’s Parade at 0730 hours followed by drill for No. 4 Squadron, Flying all day and all night. A/C 7812 struck off strength to Prairie Airways Ltd. No. 4 S.F.T.S. entered the girls' soft ball team in the 'Estey Trophy' tournament at Cairns Field but were again beaten badly. No. 4 senior N.C.O.’s won a game played on the station in the Inter-service League.

August 5 1943  Flying all day but only half the night as the weather was bad. Courses 80, 82 and 84 allowed out till 2359 hours. Course 86 allowed out till 0200 hours to attend Weiner Roast given by the Hostess Club. The A.O.C., A.V.M. T. A. Lawrence (C.7), G/C G.P. Dunlop (C171), G/C A.J.S. Taunton (C2044) and W/C J.C. Binnie (C1768) arrived at 1700 hours by air. No. 4 S.F.T.S. flyers won a game from the Bowman Archers 5 - 0 in the senior men's Softball league. A/C 8661, 8690 struck off strength to No 8 R.D.

August 6, 1943  The weather was still bad and so flying was only for one-half day and one-half the night. The A.O.C. and party left at 1330 hours. A/C 7814 struck off strength to No. 8 Repair Depot.

IMAGE 1707
August 7, 1943   Flying all day but no night flying. A/C 7872 S.O.S. The swimming pool attendance for the week was low because of cold weather, but the attendance to date for the season is now at 3,859. F/O R. Hooper, representing No. 4 S.F.T.S. in the Provincial Swim Meet at Regina, won the Saskatchewan one mile championship and the Wrigley's Trophy. No. 4 S.F.T.S. Baseball Team defeated the Teoh. Aeronauts at Cairns Field 13 - 0. Two W.D. Officers, A/S/O McCorkindale00000 and S/O Ball, both former airwomen of this station, arrived safely overseas. G.B.48633 F/O Wayland, John Albert Meredith, student to Course 86 ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying.

August 8  1943   R.C. and Protestant church parades were held as usual in the W.D. Canteen and Recreation Hall respectively. Flying all day. No night flying. The No. 4 R.C.A.F. Softball Team defeated the Cardinals 3-6.

August 9 1943   Flying all day and night.

August 10  1943   Flying all day and night. Courses allowed out till 2359 hours. No. 4 S.F.T.S. Men's Softball Team played their first play-off game and defeated the Navy 2-1. At main aerodrome at 1025 hours, accident to Crane 1 7963, pilot - J12770 F/O William Sydney Cooper and student R61629 F/S Fay.Arthur Edward, were both uninjured. The accident occurred on landing after completion of cross-country exercises, on application of brakes too much pressure was applied by student for good-year type of brake installed and the aircraft nosed over on its back. Airframe was damaged seriously and the engines slightly.

August 11  1943   Flying all day and night. At R.1 field, Vanscoy, at approximately 2230 hours an accident occurred to Crane 1 7674. Pilot R115502 F/S Ready, Lawrence Maxwell and student R186774 LAC Nixon, Ralph George, were both uninjured. The accident occurred while practicing circuits and landings, the landing being made during a storm and the aircraft ran off the runway into a shallow ditch. Damage consisted of broken starboard propeller and attachment bolts of the starboard undercarriage jacking nut brackets were sheared off.

August 12  1943   Flying all day and night. Courses allowed out till 2359 hours.

August 13  1943   Flying all day and night. R175964 LAC Thomson, Alexander Raitt, GB1582758 LAC Dunn, Harden and GB1156367 LAC Lovement, Kenneth Walter Palmer, all of course 86 ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying.

August 14  J943   Flying all day but no night flying.

IMAGE 1708

August 15, 1943   R.C. and Protestant church parades were held as usual in the W.D. Canteen. Flying all day and night. R189331 LAC Bromley, Gilbert William, student, Course 84, ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying.
August 16, 1943   Flying all day and night.

August 17  1943   Flying one-half day and all night. R87159 Cpl. Gillott, T.S., student of Course 86 ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying. R172301 LAC Conroy, Irvine Lindsay, student of Course 82, transferred to Course 84 due to illness. At approximately 1100 hours, R.2 field Osler, undercarriage of aircraft retracted during take off causing damage to two wooden propellers of aircraft Crane I FJ254. Pilot R191356 LAC Christianson, Arden Thedrick, on solo practice was uninjured. Courses 80, 84, and 86 allowed out till 2359 hours. Sports parade was held for W.D.'s in preparation for Sports' Day to be held August 25th.

August 18, 1943   Flying all day and one-half the night. C.O.'s Parade at 0730 hours. Officers' refresher course drill held as usual at 0800 hours.

August 19  1943   Flying all day and night. At approximately 100 hours on the main aerodrome Pilot GB1607357 LAC Mancey, Raymond Albert Robert, on solo practice allowed the starboard wing of his aircraft IA 8836 to strike the port wing of a parked aircraft while taxiing on the taxi strip. Both wing tips were cracked but the pilot was uninjured. A sports parade was held again for W.D.'s planning to take part in the Sports' Day next Wednesday.

August 20  1943   Flying all day and night. Course 80 graduated and G/C A.H. Wilson, Commanding Officer of this unit, presented the wings to the graduates, forty-three students graduated, twenty-two receiving commissions. (see appendix "A" at IMAGE 1712). R163814 LAC Thompson, C. C. was the honour student. A large number of civilian guests were present.

August 21  1943   Flying all day but no night flying.

August 22  1943   A formal church parade was held for all personnel on this unit. R.C. personnel paraded at 0800 hours. Protestant personnel paraded at 1100 hours. F/L Goudy was the speaker of the day at the cemetery for

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August 22, (Cont'd) Decoration Day. Flying all day but no night flying. R181108 LAC Murdock, George William, GB1581895 LAC Talbot, Stanley and GB517881, Sgt. Coote, James Sydney George, all students of Course 86 ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying.

August 23  1943   Flying all day and all night. GB1607357 LAC Mancey, Raymond Albert Robert, student of Course 86, was transferred to Course 88 for disciplinary reasons. Course 88 reported in - 20 from No. 19 E.F.T.S. Virden, and 37 from No. 15 E.F.T.S. Regina. No. 4 S.F.T.S. Majors played an exhibition ball game with No. 7 I.T.S. and won with a score of 4 - 3.

August 24  1943   Flying all day and night. Three R.A.F. students reported in from No. 34 E.F.T.S., Assiniboia to be enrolled in Course 88. W.D.'s held a sports parade in preparation for the Sports' Day on Wednesday. The No. 4 S.F.T.S. hardball team lost their first game in the
hardball finals 8 - 1.

August 25, 1943  Flying one-half day and no night flying. The station Sports' Day was held commencing at 1330 hours. Sports events, mid-way attractions, show and dance were all a big success. Derrick Mettrick, a Toronto airman won the individual honours for the day. The A.O.C. and party were guests of this station for the day. In this party were two reporters from Winnipeg, Miss McGillvray and Mrs Aikman, who covered the station and sports events. A soccer game between No. 4 S.F.T.S. and No. 7 I.T.S. was won by No. 4 S.F.T.S. No. 4 S.F.T.S. baseball team also won a game from No. 7 I.T.S.

August 26 1943  Flying all day and night. Three W.D.'s LAW Rice, Cpl. Jones and LAW Mills went with Miss McGillvray in the A.O.C.'s party to Prince Albert for the day. The station baseball team lost the second game of the hardball finals 11 - 2.

August 27 1943  Flying all day but no night flying. LAW Birkin and LAW Thompson went with the C.Q.'s party to Brandon.

August 28 1943  Flying all day but no night flying. All courses allowed out till 0630 hours. The station ball team lost the series with an 18 - 2 defeat.

August 29 1943  R.C. and Protestant church parades were held as usual in the W.D. Canteen and Recreation Hall respectively. Flying all day but no night flying. GB1395969 LAC Williams, Sydney Graham, student of Course 86, ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying. At R.I field, Vanscoy, at 1645 hours, accident to Crane 1 7858. Pilot R195900 LAC Connelly, Elwyn Coughlan, flying solo circles was uninjured. The undercarriage warning device failed and the approach was made with wheels retracted. He did not get a flare and continued with landing. Total damage amounted to two wooden propellers broken.

August 30 1943  Flying all day but no night flying. No. 4 Gunners Softball team defeated No. 12 Army team 9 - 5. at No. 4 S.F.T.S. in the last scheduled game of the Inter-Service Series.


August 31st 1943.

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Service Personnel Other Than R.C.A.F.
R.C.A.S.C 5
C.D.C. 2
C.P.C. 3

Civilians
Barrack Warden 1
Meteorologist 3
Others 161
142 1,053 165

TRAINEES: R.C.A.F 4 140
R.A.F. 6 66
10 206

Aircraft Strength Type Serviceable Unserviceable
Cessna 67 19
Anson 16 2
Menasco Moth 1

Flying Hours: Total Number of hours flown during the month of August was 8,576.

(A.H. Wilson) Group Captain.
Commanding Officer, No. 4 S.F.T.S,

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DAILY DIARY

No. 4 S.F.T.S., Saskatoon, Sask. For the month of August, 1943.

APPENDIX "A"

APPENDIX

Course No. 80 commenced 3.5.43 with 59 students.
Transfers from previous course - 4
63

Course No. 80 graduated 20.8.43 with 43 students.
12 graduated posted to No. 31 G.R.S., Charlottetown, P.E.I.
6 graduated posted to No. 3 F.I.S., Amprior, Ontario.
6 graduates posted to No. 2 H. I.S., Pearce, Alberta.
4 graduates posted to No. 8 A.O.S., Ancienne Lorette, P.Q.
6 graduated posted to No. 4 A.O.S., London, Ontario.
3 graduates posted to No. 7 A.O.S., Portage la Prairie, Manitoba.
3 graduates posted to No. 1 "Y" Depot, Halifax, H.S.
3 graduates posted to No. 31 Personnel Depot, Moncton, N.B.
43

Total number of Wastage - 19. One student graduated 23.7.43 (on a refresher course) and was posted to No. 1 "Y" Depot, Halifax, H.S.

Disposition of Wastage

10 posted to No. 2 Manning Depot, Brandon, Man.
  1 posted to No. 1 Manning Depot, Toronto, Ont.
  1 discharged from R.C.A.P. due to illness.
  5 transferred to Course No. 82 due to illness.
  1 transferred to Course No. 82 due to disciplinary reasons.
  1 transferred to Course No. 82 - compassionate leave.

APPENDIX

Course No. 88 commenced training on 23.8.43 with 60 students.

21 students reported from No. 19 EFTS., Virden, Man.
36 students reported from No. 15 EFTS., Regina, Sask.
  3 students reported from No. 34 EFTS., Assiniboia, Sask.
  60

IMAGE 1723

September 1, 1943. Commanding Officer's Parade was held at 0800 hours with all personnel in attendance, all supernumerary officers drilling in the Drill Hall under Flying Officer Wiseman. There was flying all day, but no night flying.

September 2 Flying all day but no night flying. Flight Lieutenant Gillespie E.D. left to attend a two week course in Aircraft Recognition at Rockcliffe. Courses were allowed out until 2359 hours.

September 3 Flying all day but no night flying. Squadron Leader H.B. Hunter from No. 2 T.C. visited this station concerning reallocation of aircrew. Squadron Leader L.A. Costello, the Command Chaplain (P.C.) from No. 2 T.C. made a routine inspection. Wing Commander L.C. Russell from No. 7 I.T.S. sent complimentary tickets to the station to see the Air Force Show
"Blackouts of 1943". Many of the personnel who had not seen the show before took advantage of his invitation.

September 4  Flying all day but ao night flying. Cranes FJ234 and FJ208 transferred to Moose Jaw for overhaul.

September 5  R.C. and Protestant Church Parades were held as usual in the W.D. Recreation Hall and Station Recreational Hall respectively. Flying took place one-half day and one-half night. GB1652052 LAC Harris, Leonard Vivian, student of course 86 ceased training at his own request.

September 6  Flying all day and all night. A station team represented No. 4 S.F.T.S., at the Northern Saskatchewan Field meet held in Saskatoon, but half way through it was called because of rain. Arrangements were made to finish the meet September 13th, weather permitting.

September 7  Flying all day and night. At 1045 hours at R.2 Field, Osler, an accident to Crane 1A 8812 occurred. Pilot - GB1393723 LAC Porter, Denis Russell (Uninjured). While on circuits and landings, when aircraft touched down, it developed swing to right. Corrective action was applied too late to prevent collapse of left oleo leg. Aircraft ground-looped. Damage consists of broken port airscrew, broken port undercarriage and port engine nacelle cowling bent. - repairable. Cranes 8720, 8083 taken on strength from stored reserve. Courses were allowed out until 2359 hours.

September 8  Commanding Officer's parade held at 1430 hours. Parade for Saskatoon was cancelled and kit inspection was held for all personnel on the Station. Flying one-half day and all night. R225122 LaC Simpson, Stuart Bertram of Crse 82 was transferred to Crse. 84 due to Illness.

September 9, 1943  Flying all day and night. Courses allowed out until 2359 hours.

September 10  Flying all day said one-half night. At 1035 hours at R.2 Field, Osler, there was an accident to Crane 1 8861. Pilot, J23240 P.O. Jack, A. Claridge (uninjured). Pupil Pilot - R187729 LAC Rattle, William Lloyd (uninjured). While on precautionary approaches and landings, starboard oleo leg collapsed on landing. Aircraft swung right and ground looped. Damage consisted of starboard tire cut, starboard undercarriage actuating screw bent, starboard propeller bent - repairable, undercarriage Jacking nut side bearings sheared off, lower starboard engine nacelle cowlings bent - repairable.

September 11  Flying all day. No night flying. Crane 7783, FJ254 struck off strength to Moose Jaw for overhaul and wing change. The W.D. Recreational Centre was the scene of .a pretty wedding when Cpl. Thomas of Accounts was married to L.A.C. Tape at 1400 hours. There was a small reception in the Recreational Centre following the wedding. F.L. Cowdy officiated.
September 12   Protestant Church Parade was held in the Recreational Centre and R.C. Church Parade was held in the W.D. Canteen as usual. Flying all day and night. GB46126 F/L Henry, Percy Reginald Henry student of Course 86 ceased training. (Unsatisfactory progress - flying). R181025 LAC Chisholm, Leonard Alexander student of Course 82 ceased training. (Unsatisfactory progress - flying). R178260 LAC Williams, Eric Norris student of Course 82 ceased training. (Unsatisfactory progress - flying) GB1399869 LAC Dartford, James Richard student of Course 84 ceased training. (Unsatisfactory progress - flying). GB1623567 LAC Hands, Eric Walker student of course 88 ceased training. (Unsatisfactory progress - flying) RI89432 LAC Davidson, James Holte student of Course 88 ceased training. (Unsatisfactory progress - flying). GB1801098 LAC Cocksedge, Hoffman Arthur student of Course 88 ceased training. (Unsatisfactory progress - flying) GB1522057 LAC Jones, Frederick   Henry Samuel student of Course 88 ceased training. (Unsatisfactory progress -Flying.)

September 13   Flying all day and night. The northern Saskatchewan Sports meet was completed. No. 4 brought home the trophy for the year.

September 14   Flying all day and all night. Courses 82-86-88 allowed out until 2358 hours.

September 15    Commanding Officer's parade held in the morning. Flying all day and night. Final examinations in Navigation, Met. and Signals theory written for Course 84. Command Dental Officer made a routine inspection of the Dental Clinic. Squadron Leader McFarlane, Command Chaplain (P) from No. 2 T.C. was on the Station for the day.

September 16   Flying all day and night. Courses 86 and 88 allowed out till 2359 hours.   Course 84 wrote final Airmanship and Armament (W) examinations. Course 82 allowed a 0630 hours pass to hold Wings Party at the Bessborough Hotel. A.V.M. Nair and party paid a fleeting visit to the Station.

September 17, 1943   Flying all day and night. Course 84 wrote final A/C Recognition Signals (P) and Armament  (P) Examinations. Wings parade for Course 82 was held at 1600 hours., families and friends of the airmen being allowed on the Station. The wings were presented by G. C. Wilson, Commanding Officer of the Station, who extended the invitation to all mothers and fathers to pin the wings on their sons if they so wished. Many parents took advantage of this, for it was a beautiful day and there were many visitors for the occasion. A W.D. Corporal, Cpl Blaine, from Yorkton came to Saskatoon to pin the Wings on her nephew, LAC Blaine. Course No. 82 commenced 31st May, 1943, with 60 students. There were 7 transfers from other courses making a total of 67 for adjusted intake. This course graduated September 17th, 1943, with 49 students. 5 graduates posted to No. 1 G.R.S., Summerside,  3 graduates posted to No. 3 F.I.S., Arnprior,  5 graduates posted to No. 2 F.I.S. Pearce, Alberta, 5 graduates posted to No. 31 G.R. S., Charlottetown, 1 graduate posted to No. 34 O.T.U.,  Pennfield Ridge, 5 graduates posted to No 5 A.O.S., Winnipeg, and 25 graduates posted to No. 1 Y Depot, Halifax. Total number of Wastage - transfers and ceased training cases was 18 - 15 students ceased training and were
posted to No. 2 Manning Depot, Brandon, and 3 students transferred to Course 84 due to illness. W.C. Lanford and S.L. Corkill, RAF, from #2 T.C. visited the station concerning reselection board and ceased training aircrew. 39 graduates of Course 82 were commissioned.

September 18   Flying all day but no night flying.

September 19   Church parade held as usual in the W.D. Recreational Centre and the Station Recreational Centre. There was flying all day and night. R190315 LAC Lynch, Donald Kenneth student of Course 88 ceased training. (Unsatisfactory progress - flying) R195800 LAC Connelly, Elwyn Coughlan, student of Course 88 ceased training. (Unsatisfactory progress - flying) GB1390371 LAC Cornish, Philap Lax, Student of Course 86 ceased training. (Unsatisfactory progress - flying). R189327 LAC Cleland, Robert Lindsay, student of Course 88 ceased training. (Unsatisfactory progress - flying).

September 20   Flying all day and night. R190150 LAC Harding, Harold William Stenning, student of Course 88 ceased training (Unsatisfactory progress - flying). R16332 LAC Arthurs, Norman John student of - Course 88 ceased training. (Unsatisfactory progress - flying). At main aerodrome at 2220 hours there was an accident to Crane 1 7802. Pilot - R181916 LAC Gaudry, Earl Philip (Uninjured). While on solo night flying practice the electrical system failed. He did not wind the undercarriage down by hand and landed with wheels retracted. Damage consists of two wooden propellers broken, one tire damaged and undercarriage damaged, Results for Course 84 finals were completed. The class average was 80.7% Course No. 90 commenced with 60 students. 20 students reported from #32 E.F.T.S. Bowden, Alta. and 40 students reported from No. 19 E.F.T.S., Virden, Man.

September 21, 1943   Flying all day and night. W.O. 2 Mather reported back to G.I.S., after an Instructor’s course in Armament at Rockcliffe.

September 22   No day flying, but flying all night. Commanding Officer’s parade was held at 1400 hours and all personnel drilled afterward.

September 23   Flying all day and night. Courses allowed out until 2359 hours.

September 24   Flying all day and night.

September 25   Flying all day but not night flying.

September 26   There was a Station Church parade held, all personnel attending. R194833 LAC Hoskins, Leo Charles, student of Course 88 transferred to Course 90 because of illness. GB462271 LAC Middleton, George, student of Course 88 transferred to course 90 because of illness.

September 27   Flying all day and night. Duty watch for station was started.
September 28   Flying all day and night. Miss Bujea of the Canadian Legion War Services interviewed all airwomen about educational courses and post-war activities.

September 29   Flying all day and night. Commanding Officer's parade held at 0800 hours.

September 30   Flying all day and night. At R.2 field, Osler, at 1100 hours an accident occurred to Crane 1A FJ220, Pilot - R191356 LAC Christianson, Arden Thedrick (uninjured) While on solo practice he attempted a precautionary landing and allowed one wing to stall. He was unable to recover before striking ground on port wheel. He closed throttles while aircraft was too high off the ground on precautionary approach. Damage amounted to oleo leg bent; wheel broken; tire damage (repairable at Depot); tail wheel strut fractured; stinger bent (repairable at Unit). Total number of flying hours for month of September 9021:35 Flight Lieutenant Smith and Flight Lieutenant A. Rutledge, visiting flight in armament reported on the station for temporary duty. The big station carnival arranged for September 30th, October 1st, and October 2nd. opened with a good crowd in attendance. Dancing and games were featured, and the object was to raise money to instal bowling alleys.

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Flying Hours: Total Number of hours flown during the month of September was 9021:35.
(A.H. Wilson) Group Captain.
Commanding Officer, No. 4 S.F.T.S,

IMAGE 1745

October 1st, 1943. Flying all day and night. Station-Carnival held in Drill Hall Friday and Saturday, A/S/O Wilson reported in and was installed in the Control Tower as Assistant Adjutant. Serviceable Crane a/c - 72; Serviceable Anson a/c - 6; Unserviceable Crane a/c - 18; Unserviceable Anson a/c - 6; T.O.S. FROM Stored Reserve 8022, 8786, and 11365. A.F.H.Q. Storage - 4 Crane I, 10 Menasco Moth Stored Reserve on Unit Strength - 6 Anson II.

October 2nd Flying all day. No night flying. Course 84 and Blue Section of Course 88 on a 48. Dance and Carnival in Drill Hall.

October 3rd. Flying all day and night. GB1672289 LAC Harrison, John G. student of Course 86, ceased training. (Unsatisfactory progress - flying.) Protestant and R.C. Church Parades held in Recreational Hall and W.D. Canteen, respectively. No G.I.S. classes held.

October 4th Flying all day and night. Headquarters Squadron, including W.D.'s on Ensign Hoisting Parade. W.D. N.C.O. lecture given at 1630 hours.

October 5th Flying all day and night. G.I.S. Courses allowed out till 2359 hours.

October 6th Flying all day and night. A. Commanding Officers Parade was held at 1400 hours followed by drill for all ranks, W.D. and airmen. Ground School carried on as usual but all staff not needed for Instructional purposes attended parade and drill.

October 7th Flying all day and night. RI89409 LAC Kaye, Francis D. student of Course 84, transferred to Course 86 (Disciplinary reasons) W.D. N.C.O. lecture at 1630 hours. G.I.S. Courses allowed cut till 2359 hours.

October 8th Flying all day and night.

October 9th Flying all day. No night flying. At 1140 hours, 7 miles north and 4 miles west of airport, accident to Crane 1A 222. Pilot RI89143 LAC Noel, James G. (uninjured). While on solo practice, the aileron controls jammed and pupil abandoned aircraft by parachute. The aircraft crashed and burned, setting fire to grass and destroying a granary containing 400 bushels of barley. After landing safely, LAC Noel assisted the farmer in trying to put out the fire. Serviceable Crane a/c - 80. Serviceable Anson a/c - 13. Unserviceable Crane a/c - 11; unserviceable Anson a/c - 5. AFHQ, storage - 5 Crane I 10 menasco Moth. Stored Reserve on

IMAGE 1736
October 9th, 1943 (Cont’d)  Unit Strength - 5 Anson II. Crane FJ 222 - "A" Crash.

October 10th  No flying  day or night. GB180337 LAC Husband. F.W. ceased training  
(Unsatisfactory progress - flying). R208879  LAC Morris, A.W. student of Course 90, ceased 
training (Unsatisfactory process - flying. Protestant  Church Parade held in the Recreation Hell 
and R.C. Church Parade in the W.D. Canteen. Four airwomen enjoyed Thanksgiving dinner 
down town with Saskatoon families.

October 11th  Flying  all day. No night flying. Four airwomen from No. 4 came out top in a 
radio quiz programme at 2100 hours. The new Team approach Squadron was set up.

October 12th  Flying one-half day and one-half night. Weather still poor.

October 13th  Flying all day and one-half night. Course 86 wrote final navigation, Meteorology 
and Signals Theory Examinations. The C.O.'s parade was held 1730 hours on the Parade Square. 
Visitors' Day held, men over seventeen being invited to visit various sections on the Station.

October 14th  Flying all day and night. Course 86 wrote final airmanship and Armament 
Theory Examinations.

October 15th  Flying one — half day and all night. Wings Parade for Course 84 held at 1600 
hours. The wings were presented by Group Captain Wilson, Commanding Officer of the Station, 
who invited any parents present to pin the wings to their sons. Many parents accepted the 
invitation. Course 84 commenced training  June 25th, 1943 with 55 students . There were 4 
transfers from previous courses making an adjusted intake of 59. This course graduated 15th 
October, 1943, with 43 students. 4 graduates posted to No. 1 F.I.S. Trenton, Ontario; 6 graduates 
posted to No. 2 F.I.S. Pearce, Alta; 12 graduates posted to No. 1 G.R.S., Summerside, 1 graduate 
posted to No. 34 O.T.U. Pennfield Ridge, N.B.; 4 graduates posted to No. 4 A.O.S., London, 
Ont. 2 graduates posted to No. 32 O.T.U. Patricia Bay, B.C., 8 graduates posted to No. 31 Personnel Depot, Moncton, N.B. ; 6 graduates posted to No. 1 Y Depot, Halifax, N.S.  Total 
number of wastage, transfers and ceased training cases was 16. 14 students ceased training and 
posted to No. 2 Manning Depot, Brandon, Man., 1 student ceased training and posted to No. 1 
Manning Depot, Toronto,1 student transferred to Course 86 (Disciplinary reasons). W.D.’s took 
part in Wings Parade. Thirty W.D.’s and A/S/O Wilson, all on 48's left for Prince Albert to take 
part in the Victory Loan Parade on Saturday and the R.C.A.F. Church Parade on Sunday. 
They were well received and entertained both by the city and by No. 6 E.F.T., Prince Albert. 
It was the first time airwomen had paraded in this City. R.1 Vanscoy officially opened today and 
Course 86 proceeded there in accordance with instructions.

October 16th  Flying all day. No night flying.

October 17th  Flying all day and night. Courses 86 and 90 attended Church Parade.
October 18th  1943   Flying all day and night. Course 92 commenced with 60 students. 15 students reported from No. 15 E.F.T.S., Regina;  45 students reported from No. 6 E.F.T.S., Prince Albert.

October 19th   Flying all day and night. All courses except Duty Watch allowed out till 2359 hours. Final marks for Course 86 completed. Class average 83.0

October 20th   Flying one-half day and no night flying. First snow of season. C.O.’s parade in morning.

October 21st   Flying all day and night.

October 22nd   Flying all day. no night flying.

October 23rd   No day no night flying. No. G.I.S. classes held.

October 24th   Flying all day and night. R184446 LAC Alexander, A.M. student of Course 90, ceased training (Unsatisfactory progress - flying).

October 25th   Flying all day and night. Lecture on "Messing" given by S/O Hayden to N.C.O.’s(W.D.) Much appreciated especially by personnel working in the Hospital.

October 26th   Flying all day and night. At 1030 hours a parade of Training wing and Maintenance was called on the tarmac to hear Group Captain Wilson announce that P/O J.E. Short has received an award of the Air Force Cross. This officer has been instructing steadily since July 25th, 1940 both at E.F.T.s. and S.F.T.S. during this period he has put in over 2000 hours making almost 2000 instruction flights. His keenness and loyalty to duty have been an inspiration to all with whom he has come in contact. The Majorettes, a local girls' Concert Troupe, entertained all personnel in the Recreation Hall at 2000 hours with vaudeville, song and dance. The program was much enjoyed by a crowd that left not even standing room. After the program the performers were entertained in the Officers' Mess.

October 27th   Flying all day and night. Air Vice Marshal J.A. Sully visited the airport and delivered three lectures. He spoke first to Senior N.C.O.’s next to Trainees and then to the Officers on matters relating to Personnel.

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October 28th  1943   Flying all day and night. R191356 LAC Christianson, A.T., student of Course 86, transferred to Course 88 because of illness. GBI673299 LAC Dodd, W.E. student of Course 86 transferred to Course 88 because of illness. At R.I Vanscoy at 1130 hours accident to Anson 8482 and Crane -1 7835. Pilots J22958 F/O W.R. Lloyd ( uninjured) and R126595 Shy. Meyer, J. ( uninjured). Students GB81688 F/L G..A. Holder and R205135 LAC Paxton, L.L. ( uninjured). While on navigation exercise the brakes of the Anson failed while taxiing and
aircraft collided with the Crane parked on tarmac line. Maintenance was the first Section on the Station to reach its quota in the Victory Loan Drive.

October 29th   Flying all day and night.

October 30th   Flying all day. No night flying. Squader Leader J.D. Parks visited the station and addressed a gathering of officers and N.C.O.'s on "Morale and Leadership". A Hallowe'en Masquerade Dance was held it the Drill Hall with prizes for Fancy and Comic Costumes.

October 31st   No flying day or night. Course 86 and 90 Blue allowed a Reveille Pass.

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October 31st  1943.

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| TRAINEES: R.C.A.F | 1 | 138 |
| R.A.F.           | 5 | 77  |
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Flying hours: Total Number of hours flown during the month of October was 7167:35.

(A.H. Wilson) G.C.
C.O. No. 4 S.F.T.S., Saskatoon, Sask.,
1 Nov/43  Flying was carried out for one-half day but there was no night flying. R220096 LAC Hopkins, Richard L., a student of course No. 90, ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying. R200508 LAC Kaye, Cathcart, a student of course No. 90 was transferred to course No. 92 for disciplinary reasons.

2 Nov/43  Flying all day and also night flying.

3 Nov/43  Flying all day and one-half the night. Flight Officer Kemp reported in on a W.D. Staff Visit. Wing Commander J. Rossie-Brown of A.F.H.Q. was on the Station for a Staff Chaplains visit. Flying Office J.M. Bates No. 2 Training Command reported on temporary duty with regard to P.T. & Drill.

4 Nov/43  Flying all day and one-half the night. Squadron Leader G.H. Warren of No. 2 Training Command, C.E.O. visited the station today

5 Nov/43  No day flying and no night flying

6 Nov/43  No day flying and no night flying. Fifth Victory Loan drive ended today. At the and of the campaign completed applications on the books of the War Savings Committee were as follows;

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This Unit had an increase of 57 applications and 3,300.00 over and above the results of the Fourth Victory Loan Drive. R198686 LAC Stanley, Raymond T. of Course No. 90 transferred to Course No. 92, due to illness.

7 Nov/43  Flying all day. No night flying. Courses 88 and 92 allowed revellie passes. Flying Officer J.A. Whalen reported in on temporary duty from No. 2 Training Command re time keeping system

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8 Nov/43  Flying all day and night. The I.G.'s Inspection, the station being inspected by A.V.M. Croil, CBE, AFC, Squadron Leader M.E. Grant and Squadron Leader Edgar.
9 Nov/43  Flying all day but no night flying. Courses 86, 90, and 92 allowed passes until 2359 hours.

10 Nov/43  Flying all day and all night. Course 88 wrote final Navigation, Meteorology and signals Theory Examinations. Squadron Leader Verrier from No. 2 Training Command paid a short visit to the Station Works & Buildings Section.

11 Nov/43  Flying all day and night. Course 90 and 92 allowed out until 2359 hours. Remembrance day parade in the City of Saskatoon under direction of the Canadian Legion. Squadron Leader F.E.G. McCall, DSO, MC & Bar, DFC, from No. 7 I.T.S., was Parade Marshal. A Flight of airmen together with the Station bugle band represented No. 4 S.F.T.S.

12 Nov/43  At 1430 hours at Main aerodrome an accident to Crane 1 8727. Pilot R182928 LAC Kilgore, Arthur B. While on circuits and landings single engine landings - and while approaching on S.E. practice he over-shot. Right engine failed to respond when throttles opened and aircraft ground looped. Damage consists of starboard wing, port propeller tail wheel fork, port and starboard engine mounts, port and starboard undercarriage, port and starboard engine cowlings and fairings, port wheel, port tire, port engine, front nacelle truss. At 1200 hours at Main aerodrome, accident to Crane 1 8082. Pilot - R203917 LAC Shafer, Robert J. While on circuits and landings the generator fuse blew and battery ran down. Undercarriage did not fully lower and warning device failed. After landing aircraft gradually settled breaking tips of both propellers. Cause - failure of electrical system and inexperience. At 1400 hours at main aerodrome accident to Crane 1 7814  Pilot GB1615776 LAC Heady, J. While on solo flying practice the underside of tail plane damaged by flying stone on take off. Starboard wheel struck a stone on side of runway causing it to fly up and strike tailplane. Damage consists of starboard wing. Port propeller, tail wheel fork, port and starboard engines, port and starboard engine cowling and fairings, port wheel and port tire, port engine front nacelle truss. Wings parade held at 1600 hours for Course 86, W.D. taking part. Held in the Drill Ball, and tea was served afterward to the guests and graduates. Wings were presented by Wing Commander L.C. Russell, Commanding Officer of No. 7 I.T.S., Among the visitors to wings parade were the following: Major Lois Jaspard de Fonseca, Captain Alberto Lavin Godoy, and Captain Manuel Amos Herader from Los Carabineros de Chile. They were accompanied by Superintendent G. Binning, R.C.M.P. Regina, Sask. Inspector Brakefield-Moore, R.C.M.P. Regina, Sask. and Chief G.M. McDonald, Chief of Police Saskatoon, Sask. Three Royal Air Officers, Flt. Lt. Holder, F.O., Lvay, and F.O. Wilson received their wings at this ceremony. Twenty-one commissions were granted altogether. This course commenced training 26th July, 1943, with 60 students, transfers from previous courses 1. making adjusted intake 61. 42 students graduating.  5 graduates posted to No. 3 F.I.S., Arnprior, Ont; 4 graduates posted to No. 1 F.I.S., Trenton, Ont;  5 graduates posted to No. 1 G.R.S.. Summerside, PEI; 1 graduate to No. 34 O.T.U., Pennfield Ridge, N.B.
Total number of wastage – transfers and ceased training cases, 2 students transferred to Course 88 for disciplinary reasons, 3 students transferred to Course No. 88 due to illness, 2 students ceased training and posted to No. 1 M.D. Toronto, 9 students ceased training and posted to No. 2 M. D. Brandon, 2 students ceased training and posted to No. 31 P.D., Moncton, and 1 student ceased training and posted to No. 36 O.T.U., Greenwood, N. S. Course 88 wrote final A.C. Rec. and Signals (P) examinations. Station Dance held in the Station Drill Hall.

13 Nov/43   Flying all day but no night flying. Courses were given reveille passes but no forty-hour passes because of flying behind schedule.

14 Nov/43   No flying day or night. GB1684397 LAC Elstub, Bernard student of course No. 92 ceased training because of unsatisfactory progress in flying. GB18040l4 LAC Harvey, Desmond student of course No. 92 ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying. Reveille passes granted all courses.

15 Nov/43   Flying all day and night. Course 84 reported from Prince Albert. Flying Officer N.H. Waddell from No. 2 Training Command reported on temporary duty regarding Armament examinations.

16 Nov/43   Flying all day and night. Courses 88, 90, and 92 allowed out till 2359 hours. Final marks for Course 88 completed. Class average 81%.

17 Nov/43   Flying all day and night. Squadron Leader Rosborough (C3129)(Eng) visited the station from No. 2 T.C.

18 Nov/43   Flying all day and all night. OBI520985 LAC Gleghorn, Alan, student of Course 90 transferred to Course No. 92 due to illness. Courses 88, 90, blue, and 92 allowed out till 2359 hours. A concert party "The Question Marks", entertained the station personnel.

19 Nov/43   Flying all day but no night flying.

20 Nov/43   Flying all day but no night flying. Courses 88 and 92 blue, and 94 allowed reveille passes. Course 90 on a 36 hours pass.

21 Nov/43   Flying all day but no night flying. GB1568341 LAC Graham, George student of course No. 92 ceased training due to unsatisfactory flying progress. A Commanding Officer's church parade was held today and all those not detailed for duty or on leave or pass were required to attend. Squadron Leader I. MacLatchy (C3637) visited the station today on duty from A.F.H.Q. regarding the new timekeeping system for aircraft.

22 Nov/43   Flying all day and night. Squadron Leader A.R. Cummings. A.P.M. from No. 2 Training Command visited the Station today on duty.
23 Nov/43   Flying all day but no night flying. At 0905 hours at Main aerodrome an accident involving Crane 1 8655 and Crane 1 7958. Pilot in a/c 8055 while on solo flying practice started to take off before runway was clear and rolled into aircraft 7958 that had landed ahead of him. Pilot of 8655 - GB1626S71 LAC Kindred, W. Course 94.

24 Nov/43   Flying all day and night. No. 4 S.F.T.S. Flyers defeated Orphans in a City basketball game played before a fair sized crowd at Nutana Collegiate Institute.

25 Nov/43   Flying all day and night. At 1345 hours at Main aerodrome accident involving Crane 7825 and Crane FJ260 Pilot of FJ260 - Cpl. Stewart, A.A. (2406A) taxied into parked Crane 7825. "Course 88 "B" Flight returned from R.1 Field, Vanscoy today.

26 Nov/43   Flying all day and night. At 1200 hours at Main Aerodrome accident involving Crane 7911 and Anson 8482 Pilot of Crane 7911 - GB1605028 LAC Hulbert. R.F. swung on take off by misuse of throttles he swung badly in the other direction and could not stop aircraft before striking parked Anson 8482. Squadron Leader L.A. Costello (C1931) Services Chaplain (R.C.) visited the station on duty from No. 2 Training Command.

27 Nov/43   Flying all day but no night flying. R197219 LAC Taylor, E..L. student of course 92 ceased training due to unsatisfactory flying progress.

28 Nov/43   Flying all day but no night flying; R182928 LAC Kilgore, A.B. a student of course No. 92 ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying.

29 Nov/43   Flying all day but no night flying.

30 Nov/43   The last day of November was ushered out by the biggest snow storm of the season, which caused flying to be washed out during the day and also during the night.

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1 Dec/43 The first heavy snow storm of the season blanketed this vicinity yesterday, and due to poor visibility today there was no day flying or night flying. All G.L. officers took P.T. from 1300 to 1400 hours.

2 Dec/43. Foggy this morning, Flight Lieutenant Taylor from No. 2 Training Command here, to make a survey for new sewage disposal method. No. 4 S.F.T.S. Basketball team played Y.M.C.A. Beavers and won 29-13. Flying all day and half the night.

3 Dec/43 Flying all day and one half night. Poor visibility early in morning, also hoar frost cloaking everything. Station dance held in the Recreation Hall in evening, very successful with about 210 persons present. The C.G.I, Squadron Leader Putnam left for overseas on temporary duty.

4 Dec/43 Fairly clear and mild today, plenty of activity on the Station for a Saturday due to there being no 48's everyone granted five days special leave for Christmas or New Years. Flying all day but no night flying. At Main aerodrome at 1515 hours accident to Crane 1A FJ268. Pilot - LAC Ritchie, R.H. (R212441), uninjured. Pupil Pilot LAC O'Hara, J.H. (R60730), uninjured. While on solo practice, aircraft bounced on landing, and port oleo leg dropped out. Damage consisted of port propeller and minor damage to mainplane plywood,

5 Dec/43. Flying all day and night.

6 Dec/43. Flying all day and night. All courses given two o'clock passes to attend Mart Kenny Dance at No. 7 I.T.S. 60 aircrew I.T.S., "C" reported in today on draft from No. 3 M Depot for useful employment whilst awaiting posting. A funeral party of 33 officers and airmen left on temporary duty for Watrous to bury Flying Officer Ralph Great, a flying instructor from No. 6 E.F.T.S., Prince Albert, Sask. No. 4 S.F.T.S. Basketball team played the Y.M.C.A. Toilers and won 36-29.
7 Dec/43  A.V.,M. T.A. Lawrence, A.O.C. #2 Command, Winnipeg, addressed a Station Parade in the Drill Hall at 0900 hours and earnestly wished every Officer, airmen and airwoman the seasons greetings. Flying all day and night. Crane A/C 8056 taken on strength of Unit.

8 Dec/43  Squadron Leader Hunter reported in on temporary duty from No. 2 T.C. for reselection duty. Flying all day and night. GB1568004 LAC Hood, A.S. student of Course No. 94 ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying. Crane a/c - 8052 struck off strength to Moose Jaw for overhaul. Chaplain (P)began study Group and Discussion using as a basis the book. "Think aloud in War-Time". The Croup will meet every Wednesday evening.

9 Dec/43.  Flying all day and all night. A fine variety show was staged this evening in the Recreation Hall by a Saskatoon group of Young Ladies under the direction of Mrs. Daymond. Every available seat was occupied. Group Captain A.J. Taunton, C.W. Officer reported in for Inspection purposes.

10 Dec/43.  A light snow fell early this morning. Flying all day and one-half the night. 2506A Cpl. Stewart, A.A. a student of Course 88 transferred to Course No. 90 for disciplinary reasons. Squadron Leader H.A. Sloan, from A.F.H.Q. visited the station to inspect the M.T. Section. Course 88 received their wings on parade today. Squadron Leader Montgomery, who has been the Chief Flying Instructor here and now posted to Greenwood O.T.U., at Nova Scotia, presented wings to the graduates, by courtesy of Group Captain A. H. Wilson, Commanding Officer. There were 53 graduates. The course commenced training 23 Aug/43 with 60 students and 5 transfers from previous courses making an adjusted intake of 65 students. Postings of graduates as follows: 9 graduates to No. 2 F.I.S., Pearce, Alta., 10 graduates posted to No. 1 G.R.S., Summerside, P.E.I., 9 graduates to No, 34 O.T.U., Pennfield Ridge, N.B., 3 graduates to No, 32 O.T.U., Patricia Bay, B.C., 4 graduates to No 1 C.N.S., Rivers, Manitoba., 13 graduates to No. 1 Y Depot, Lachine, Que., and 5 graduates to No, 31 Moncton, N.B., 2 students were transferred to Course 90 due to illness, 1 student transferred to Course No. 90 due to disciplinary reasons, 1 student ceased training and posted to No. 1 M Depot, Toronto, Ont., 8 students ceased training and were posted to No. 2 M Depot, Brandon, Man. Captain Armitage staged a show under the auspices of the Y.M.C.A. in the Recreation Hall. His program was very different from the usual run of entertainment and a crowd of 350 persons enjoyed his program. There was no charge for admission. Major Mowatt attached to Ottawa visited the Station for purpose of inspecting the Library.

11 Dec/43.  30 airmen pilots from 23 E.F.T.S., Davidson, and 30 airmen pilots from 15 E.F.T.S., Regina, reported in to begin their Service training. Flying all day but no night flying. Draft for overseas from Maintenance Section, 2 Instrument mechanics, 15 aero-engine mechanics, and 5 A.F.M's.
12 Dec/43. Today, Sunday, a compulsory church parade was held, the largest indoor Church Service in the history of the Station. Some 83 officers and 750 other ranks attended the Protestant Service and some 100 other ranks attended the R.C. Service. Flying all day and night.

13 Dec/43. Flying all day and night, 60 aircrew I.T.S., "C" reported in today on draft from No. 2 P.A.E.D., Edmonton, for useful employment whilst awaiting a posting to I.T.S. 59 Aircrew I.T.S., "C" reported in from No. 2 I.T.S., to be used for useful employment awaiting a posting to I.T.S., to continue their training, and 70 aircrew I.T.S., "A" reported in from No. 3 M.D., for useful employment whilst awaiting posting, Today a total of approximately 189 aircrew reported in for useful employment. Squadron Leader Robers. J.W.

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13 Dec/43 (Cont’d) from No. 2 T/C. visited the station today on temporary duty to the accounts Section. 50 members of the W.D.'s at this Station entertained at the Empire Services Club for Girls in honor of Mrs. A. Mitchell, the occasion being her birthday.

14 Dec/43 Posting notice received today from D.A.P.S, affecting 24 airmen (aircrew A.G. for entry into course 73 at| No. 3 B. & G., School, MacDonald, reporting 1 Jan/44. Flying all day and night.

15 Dec/43. Flying all day and all night. Posting notices received today affecting 60 aircrew, usefully employed at this unit, to report at No. 2 I.T.S., Regina. The No. 4 S.F.T.S., Flyers Basketball team played the No. 7 I.T.S., team and lost 26-12.

16 Dec/43. Fine weather. Flying all day and all night.

17 Dec/43. Flying all day and night.

18 Dec/43. Flying all through the day but no night flying.

19 Dec/ 43. Flying all day and night. GB1624849 LAC Hartley, J.H., student of Course 94 transferred to Course 96 on account of illness. R208638 LAC Caton, R.P. students of course 92, and GB754622 Cpl. Kerridge, R.C. and GB139566 LAC Ashton, R.D. students of Course 94, ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying.

20 Dec/43. Snow fell during the afternoon. The entertainment Committee held a Christmas Party for children of personnel on the Station, Presents were bought for about 350 children. The funds for these presents being supplied mostly by the Officers’ and Sergeants' Messes and the balance from Station Funds, Free bus transportation for the children and mothers was supplied out to the Station by the Bus Company, In the evening a dance was held in the Recreation Hall, music being supplied by the Station Orchestra. Course 90 wrote final navigation and meteorology examinations. Flying half day but no night flying.

21 Dec/43. Bowling as usual on Tuesday night, with 18 teams participating, 5 men to a team.
Course 90 wrote final examinations in airmanship and armament. Flying all day but no night flying.

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22 Dec/43. Flying half day but no night flying.

23 Dec/43. Flying all day but no night flying. After duty today half the station personnel proceeded on leave. (special Christmas).

24 Dec/43. Flying one-half day but no night flying. Extra fine weather for Christmas season.

25 Dec/43. The Commanding Officer together with the other officers and Senior N.C.O.s of the Station served Christmas Dinner to the Airmen and airwomen in the Airmen's Mess, from 1200 hours to 1300 hours. The dinner included turkey, dressing, pudding, and beer. After dinner the Commanding Officer assisted by the other officers stayed to wash the dishes.

26 Dec/43. No flying today or night. Aerodrome unserviceable. GB1802372 LAC Kindred, W. student of Course 94 transferred to course 96 due to disciplinary reasons.

27 Dec/43. Flying all day but no night flying. Station quite quiet due to half the personnel being on leave.

28 Dec/43. Flying all day but no night flying.

29 Dec/43. Quite foggy today. Flying for only one-half day. No night flying. Personnel on Christmas leave returned to duty today. Results for Course 90 final examinations completed Class Average 82.7%.

30 Dec/43. Flying all day but no night flying. After duty today, personnel on New Years Leave left the Station.

31 Dec/43. Flying all day, but no night flying. Weather very mild for the last day of the year. The W.D.’s held a party in their Recreation Centre in the evening.

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C.P.C.  3

Civilians
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Meteorologist  3
Others  160

162  1078  164

TRAINEES:  R.C.A.F  137
R.A.F.  90

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Aircraft Strength  Type  Serviceable  Unserviceable
Cessna  84  6
Anson  17  1

Flying Hours:  Total Number of hours flown during the month of December 5354:25

(A.H. Wilson)  G. C..
C.O. No. 4 S.F.T.S,

1 Jan/44  No flying because of the New Year's Holiday. The Officers were invited to the
Sergeants* Mess during the afternoon. Special New Year's Services were held for the Roman
Catholic personnel.

2 Jan/44  There was no flying either day or night due to snow and overcast weather. New
Year's Church Services were held for both Roman Catholic and Protestant personnel.

3 Jan/44  Snow again prevented flying both day and night.

4 Jan/44  Regular bowling was cancelled because of the New Year's leave. There was flying all
day but night flying washed out due to fog.

5 Jan/44  There was flying all day but no night flying. The senior course "B" Flight, went to
Vanscoy for their final training. There was a forced landing of aircraft 8746 pilot R251468 LAC
Matalon, E.J. but there was no damage or injury. Aircraft Crane 1A FJ213, Pilot R186152 taxied
into aircraft Crane 1 8085 - pilot Flying Officer  C.B. Weenk causing damage estimated at
fifteen dollars. No one was injured. Wing Commander Weaver, C725, reported in to assume the
duties of Chief Flying Instructor.

6 Jan/44  There was flying all day but no night flying. A ceased Training Board was convened at
0900 hours, consisting of Wing Commander Weaver, Sqn. Ld'r. Dawson, Flt. Lt. Loree and Flt.
Lt. Gillespie, GB1574142 LAC Brown, A, H. was boarded. The weather for today was clear and cold. No. 4 played hockey against No.12 VT. And won by 12 to 3. The film "Nutritional Film Training Table" was shown to all personnel in the station Recreation Hall.

7 Jan/44 The weather was clear and cold and there was flying all day. There was no night flying. Dr. Altschul, School of Medicine, University of Saskatchewan, spoke in the Recreation Hall at 1900 hours on Czechoslovakia. This was one of the regular Progress of War Series. A station dance was held in the Recreation Hall after this lecture.

8 Jan/44 There was flying all day but no night flying. The personnel of No. 4 were invited to the opening of the new Saskatoon Recreational Centre for all Services. This station was well represented at this opening.

9 Jan/44 The weather was partially cloudy with a high wind but there was flying all day and night. Flt. Lt. Stevens reported in on temporary duty from Mountain View, Ont. concerning the Standard Beam Approach. LAC Brown, A.H. of course 94 ceased training, because of unsatisfactory progress.

10 Jan/44 Weather mainly clear and flying all day and night. R196595 LAC Prime, R.J. of Course 94 transferred to Course 96 because of illness.

11 Jan/44 There was flying all day and all night. No. 2 Visiting Flight arrived on the Station. The regular howling took place down town. A station skating party was held on the Station rink, refreshments being served in the Recreation Hall afterward.

12 Jan/44 There was flying all day and night, LAC Cherry, E.R. while on single engine approaches and landings approached and landed with wheels retracted. Total damage consisted of two broken propellers. The pilot was uninjured. At 1900 hours on main aerodrome while on night flying circuits, LAC Blackman, R.T. Crane 1 7950 taxied into LAC Harries, R.N. Crane 1 8014. Damage consisted of - 7950 damage to plywood on the underside of starboard wing, 8014 damage to plywood and bow of port wing tip.

13 Jan/44 There was flying all day and all night. At 1220 hours on main aerodrome Crane 1 8151 Pilot U199106 LAC Gillespie, J.W. was on solo engine approaches and landings and FJ260 - pilot R205149 LAC Bowes, K.E. was returning from Clear Hood solo exercises, 8151 struck tail of FJ260 hole in rudder, trim tab damaged tail light torn loose. Damage to 8151 was starboard propeller u/s Nose cap punctured.

14 Jan/44 There was flying all morning but it washed out at 1300 hours, due to snow. There was no night flying. The Hobby Club started its meetings again in the W.D. Canteen, The new potters’ wheel is an excellent addition to the pottery class. There was an airman's dance in the Recreation Hall at 2000 hours, featuring the Station orchestra.
15 Jan/44  Flying was washed out at 1300 hours due to fog and light snow. W.D.'s were hostesses to the Rural Women attending the University Farm Work programme. About fifty women were shown around the W.D. Barracks, Recreation Centre, and Mess Hall.

16 Jan/44  Flying was washed out at 1000 hours due to fog. There was no night flying. Regular church services were held for both Protestant and Roman Catholic personnel.

17 Jan/44  There was no flying in the morning due to fog but it commenced at noon. There was no night flying due to rain and sleet. The No. 4 S.F.T. S. Basketball team played in the Drill Hall against No. 20 P.A.E.D. and won 36-28.

18 Jan/44  Weather was clear and ceiling unlimited so there was flying all day and night. Educational class in Mathematics, Science, English, Aircraft Recognition and Signals started for those interested in remustering.

18 Jan/44 (Cont'd) to aircrew. A concert party from the University entertained the Station. The Station brass band was in attendance.

19 Jan/44  There was flying all day and night, an Inspection Visit was made of the station by the Air Officer Commanding No. 2 Training Command, A/V/M. T.A. Lawrence. He was accompanied by G/C A.J. Taunton, G/C H.H. Atkinson, G/C D.H. McCaul, W/C B.M. Arnison, W/C J.E. Sharpe, F/L J.E. Alexander, F/L D. Eshelman.

20 Jan/44  Flying during the day was washed out because of a strong cross wind but the wind decreased during late afternoon allowing night flying. A Ceased Training Board convened and R251182 LAC Knapp, T.C. was boarded. No. 4 S.F.T.S. Hockey team played the Tech. Aeronauts and No. 4 won 3-0. The station band played between periods.

21 Jan/44  There was flying all day and night, and the weather was clear and cold. The second meeting of the Hobby Club was held in the W.D. Recreational Centre with Mr. Harvey from the Y.M.C.A, instructing in clay modeling. The regular Friday night dance was held in the Recreation Centre with the Station orchestra playing. Dr. K. Larmour, Professor of Chemistry, University of Saskatchewan spoke in the Recreation Hall at 1900 hours, on Industrial Utilization of Farm Products. This was a regular lecture in the Progress of War Series. The station Basketball team played the No. 7 team and lost 46 - 12.

22 Jan/44  There was flying all day but no night flying.

23 Jan/44  Although the weather was partly cloudy there was flying all day and night. A Station Church Parade was held for all personnel at 1015 hours, on Sunday.

24 Jan/44  There was flying all day and night. GB1809959 LAC Lavender, C.E. of Course 94 transferred to Course 96 due to illness. At 2125 hours on main aerodrome Crane 1 7950, pilot
GB1685324 LAC Craven, G.P., while on night flying circuits taxied into a time post while returning to hangar. The damage consists of Port and Starboard propellers damaged, nose cap u/s and a small dent in fuselage. The Trade Test Board arrived to start the trade testing on the Station.

25 Jan/44 There was flying all day and night. Wing Commander Weaver gave the first of the series of Administrative lectures to the officers at 1715 hours. The bowling teams were out in full force, and the Station Hockey

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25 Jan/44 (Cont'd) Team played the No. 12 Vee Team. No. 4 won 5 to 3.

26 Jan/44 There was flying all day and all night. The Auditors arrived on the Station. There was a Mess dinner in the Officers Mess and the guests were: S/L McCall, Brig. Roome, W/C Russell, Brig. Trudeau, Major Knowles, Major Bishop, and S/L Stodgill.

27 Jan/44 There was flying all day and night. The Reselection Board commenced at 0900 hours and GB1673381 LAC Greene, F. was boarded. The first administrative lecture for N.C.O's was given by Wing Commander Weaver in the Recreation Hall at 1715 hours. The Station basketball team played the Toilers and won by 36 - 28.

28 Jan/44 There was flying all day and night. A station dance was held in the Recreation Hall at 2000 hours.

29 Jan/44 There was a change of Adjutants today. Flt. Lt. Cameron from Yorkton arrived to take over his new duties. Flt. Lt. McBeth was posted to Yorkton to take up the adjutant's duties there. There was flying all day but no night flying.

30 Jan/44 There was flying all day and night. GB1673381 LAC Greene, F. student of Course 94 ceased training because of unsatisfactory progress in flying, and R261182 LAC Knaap, Th.C. student of Course 96, ceased training because of unsatisfactory progress in flying.

31 Jan/44 There was flying all day and night.

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(A.H. Wilson) G.C.
C.O., No. 4 S.F.T.S.

1 Feb./44 There was flying all day and all night. F.L. Fowler, N.M., paid a routine visit to the Photographic Section from No. 2 Training Command Headquarters.

2 Feb./44 There was flying all day and night. The serviceability in Maintenance was high at one-half the crews were given the afternoon off. The new pool tables purchased for the airmen's canteen were installed.

3 Feb./44 There was flying all day and night. A ceased training board was convened at 0900 hours and boarded Cpl. Hawkins, G.F. The No. 4 Hockey team played the Navy, No. 4 winning 9 to 2.

4 Feb./44 There was no flying all day due to a blizzard, but toward evening the weather cleared enough to permit night flying. The serviceability in Maintenance Wing was high so one-half the crews were allowed the afternoon off. Major Buchanan, the Command Dental Officer, paid a visit to the station. Professor Van Vliet of the Farm Management Department, University of Saskatchewan spoke on the topic "Agriculture Now and After the War". This in a regular Progress of War lecture.

5 Feb./44 There was flying all day but no night flying. R192887, LAC Abraham, D.G., student of
Course 92 was transferred to Course 94 due to illness,

6 Feb./44 The weather was overcast with snow and there was light fog, making it a good day to do bad weather circuits and landings. There was no night flying.

7 Feb./44 Snow, low ceilings and poor visibility caused flying to be washed out all day. R186152, LAC Cardwell, student of Course 90 transferred to Course 92 for disciplinary reasons. R196629 LAC Taylor, F.H. student of Course 92, transferred to Course 94 because of illness. GB158877 LAC Blackman, R.T., GB168532 LAC Craven, G.P. and R223509 LAC Cherry, E.R. students of Course 94 were transferred to Course 96 for disciplinary reasons.

8 Feb./44 There was flying all day and one-half the night. R79897 Cpl. Hawkins, G.F.G., student of Course 96, ceased training (unsatisfactory flying progress). The Kinsman concert party entertained the station in the Recreation Hall.

9 Feb./44 There was flying all day, but no night flying due to fog. The Officers' wives toured the station, visiting particularly the W.D. quarters and Canteen and the Mess Hall. S.L. Hobbs from No. 2 T.C., paid a visit to the W. & B. Section on the Station. 1 Basketball game between No. 4 and W.E.T.P.(Tech) was played.

10 Feb./44 No flying in the morning due to ground fog and smoke, but washed in at noon. There was flying all night. The S.A.S.O. from No. 2 Training Command, G.C. Scott, paid a visit to the Station.

11 Feb./44 There was flying all day and night. Course No. 90 graduated, receiving their wings at 1600 hours in the Drill Hall. Many relatives came forward to pin the wings on the graduates. Tea was served to the guests following the parade. An Airmen's Dance was held in the Recreation Hall with the Station orchestra in attendance. Disposition of Course No. 90 is as follows:

Course No. 90 commenced training 20th Sept./44 with 60 students.
Transferred from previous courses 3
Adjusted intake 63

Course No. 90 graduated 11th Feb./44 with 53 students.

8 graduates posted to No. 2 F.I.S., Pearce, Alta.
3 graduates posted to No. 1 G.R.S., Summerside, P.E.I.
2 graduates posted to No.34 O.T.U., Patricia Bay, B.C.
1 graduate posted to No.32 O.T.U., Pennfield Ridge, N.B.
5 graduates posted to No. 1 C.N.S., Rivers, Man.
3 graduates posted to No. 4 A.O.S., London, Ont.
11 graduates posted to No. 1 Aircrew Graduates Training School, Maitland, N.S.
4 graduates posted to Mo. 4 Aircrew Graduates Training School, Valleyfield, Que.
16 graduates posted to No.31 Personnel Depot, Moncton, N.B.
53
Total number of wastage - transfer and ceased training cases.

2 students transferred to Course No. 92 (Illness)
2 students transferred to Course No. 92 (Disciplinary Reasons)
2 students ceased training and posted to No. 2 "M" Depot, Brandon, Man,
4 students ceased training and posted to No. 3 "M" Depot, Edmonton, Alta.

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12 Feb/44   There was flying all day, but no night flying. Anson FP722 was forced down at Regina because of engine trouble.

13 Feb/44   There was flying all day and night. A Station Church Parade was held at 1015 hours. A Music Appreciation Club was formed and held its first meeting Sunday night in the Station library.

14 Feb/44   At commencement of flying a low ceiling and snow made low flying circuits and landings possible. At 1030 hours dual flying was washed in and at 1200 hours full solo flying. WO2  J.A. Ellis and FS  O.R. Wierts were commissioned. P.T. classes were started for W.D.’s. Entries for Course 100 are as shown below:
Course No.100 reported in 14th Feb/44 with 67 students from:
16 students reported from No. 33 EFTS, Caron, Sask.
19 students reported from No.23  EFTS,  Davidson, Sask.
11 students reported from No. 6 EFTS, Prince Albert, Sask.
9 students reported from No. 5 SFTS, High River, Alta.
4 students reported from No. 34 SFTS,  Assiniboia, Sask.
7 students reported from No. 35 SFTS, North Battleford, Sask. (Transferred from their Course No. 96).

15 Feb/44   There was flying all day and night,   F/L Watts and F/O McLarty were posted overseas. F/L Draper was posted to a B.R. Course. F/l Horton and F/O McLaren paid a visit to the P.T. & D.. Section from No.2 Training Command Headquarters. 300 of the personnel of the Station were invited to attend the Meet the Navy show.

16 Feb/44   There was a blizzard so no flying could be done during the day. Night flying went on as usual. GB1673185 LAC Johnson, S., student of Course No. 94  ceased training (unsatisfactory progress in flying). S/L Sparling reported in as O.C. of. No. 1 Squadron. There was an invitation from the Navy for 300 more of our personnel to visit the Navy show.

17 Feb/44   Flying was washed out at 1200 hours on account of snow and a blizzard. Dual only was washed in at 1630 hours and flying continued all night. The religious discussion group under F/L Gowdy held a meeting in the Library. The Swingtime Concert Party entertained the Sergeants in their Mess. There

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17 Feb/44   was a basketball game between No. 4 and No.7 I.T.S., No.7 winning 43 to 39.
18 Feb/44  At 0830 hours, the weather check found icing—so that there was no flying all morning. It was washed in at 1300 hours and out again at 1445 hours. There was night flying all night. The Swingtime Entertainment Unit entertained the station in the Recreation Hall. There was a dance afterwards.

19 Feb/44  Flying all day, but no night flying. R22608 LAC Miller, W.A., student of Course No. 96 was transferred to Course No. 100 due to illness.

20 Feb/44  There was flying all day and night. The Swingtime Concert party entertained in the Officer’s Mess.

21 Feb/44  There was flying all day and all night. A Badminton Tournament was held in the Drill Hall in the evening.

22 Feb/44  Flying began at 0830 hours and dual was washed in at 1500 hours due to high gusty cross winds. Flying washed out at 1630 hours and there was no night flying.

23 Feb/44  There was flying all day and all night. At 2235 hours Crane 7692 crashed after take-off. The pilot, LAC McKane, G.R., was uninjured. He was on solo night flying circuits and landings and flew into the ground following take-off due to inability to maintain equilibrium. The crash occurred about ½ mile east of the main aerodrome and it was classed as a "C" crash. At 2236 hours Crane 8655 immediately following Crane 7692 crashed after take-off. The pilot, LAC Russel, D. was seriously injured but not dangerously. He was on solo night flying circuits and landings and flew into the ground following take-off due to inability to maintain equilibrium. The crash was classed as an "A" crash and occurred ½ mile east of the main aerodrome. S/L E.W.C. Sharpe, No.2 T.C was appointed investigating officer. The armament visiting flight arrived on the station. A basketball game was played between No.4 and No.12 V.T.S.

24 Feb/44  There was flying all day and all night.

25 Feb/44  Dual flying washed in at 0815 hours. Solo washed in at 1230 hours. There was flying all night. An Arman’s dance was held in the Recreation Hall at 2000 hours.

26 Feb/44  Flying washed in at 1300 hours and flying continued half the night. A Station parade was held so that the A.O.C. No.2 Training Command present the Operational Wings to F/O Hobson, DFM. F/O A.P. Arnold, P/O D. Ward, and F/O C.A. Hobson, DFM.

27 Feb/44  There was a low ceiling in the morning and flying was washed in at 1330 hours for bad weather flying. There was no night flying due to low ceiling and icing.

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28 Feb/44  Flying, dual only, was washed in at 0830 hours, as there was some light snow and icing. It was washed out at 0920 hours and dual washed in at 1300 hours. Solo flying started
again at 1430 hours. Circuits and landings washed in at 1900 hours for night flying and washed out at 0300 hours.

29 Feb./44 Dual only washed in at 0945 hours due to approaching snow and low ceilings. Low level circuits washed in at 1525 hours. There was no night flying.

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Flying Hours: Total number of hours flown during the month of February 7430.55

)A.H. Wilson (G.C.
C.O. No. 4 S.F.T.S.

1 Mar./44 There was no day or night flying as March came in with a blizzard. There was a basketball game between No. 4 and No. 7 I.T.S., No. 7 winning 47 to 30.

2 Mar./44 Flying was washed in at 0845 hours, but there was no night flying. No. 4 Hockey team played against Dundurn, winning 3 to 2. The Padre's Discussion Group met in the library at 1830 hours to discuss Gilkey's Book "You Can Master Life".

3 Mar./44 Flying was washed out during the moaning due to fog. There was flying half the
night.

4 Mar./44 There was flying all day but it was washed out at 2240 hours due to fog and unsettled conditions. GB1809959 LAC Lavender, C.E., student of course 94 transferred to course 96 due to illness. Aircraft Crane 1 A 8784 and Crane 1 7903 collided while in the air on navigation exercises. There was no apparent technical failure involved. Pilots R206170 LAC Harris, C.E. and R186460 LAC Cripps, E.H, were uninjured. Crane 1 7903 was flown home while Crane 1 8784 made a forced landing.

5 Mar./44 There was flying all day and all night.

6 Mar./44 There was flying all day and night.

7 Mar./44 There was flying all day and night.

8 Mar./44 Flying was washed in at 0800 hours and out at 1030 hours due to poor visibility. It was washed in at 1100 hours again but there was no night flying. A basketball game was played at Dundurn between No. 4 and Dundurn, Dundurn winning 51 to 50. R277932 AC2. Welling went before a Court Martial convened on this station at 1000 hours on a charge of theft. He was awarded 112 days, confirmed by A.O.C. No. 2 Training Command.

9 Mar./44 Flying was washed in at 0800 hours but washed out at 1140 hours due to a report from F/O Clark that while flying in the vicinity of Warman, he noticed someone bail out of an aircraft at 1120 hours. All aircraft were accounted for but a parachute flare was missing in FJ274. Flying was washed in again at 1330 hours. There was no night flying. The semi-finals of the hockey league were played between No. 4 and No. 7 I.T.S., No. 4 won 5 to 3.

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8 Mar./44 There was no flying all day or night due to a very high wind. The Wings parade of Course 92 was held at 1600 hours in the Drill Hall, the following being the disposition of the course: Course No. 92 commenced training 18 October, 1943 with 60 students. Transferred from previous courses 4 Adjusted Intake 64

Course No. 92 graduated 10 March, 1944 with 54 students. 13 graduates posted to No. 2 F.I.S., Pearce, Alberta. 2 graduate posted to No. 1 G.R.S., Summerside, P.E.I. 1 graduate posted to No. 1 C.N.S., Rivers, Manitoba. 4 graduates posted to No. 10 A.O.S., Chatham, N.B. 12 graduates posted to No. 2 A.G.T.S., Calgary, Alta. 3 graduates posted to No. 1 A.G.T.S., Maitland, N.S. 9 graduates posted to No. 3 A.G.T.S., Three Rivers, P.Q. 10 graduates posted to No. 31 Personnel Depot, Moncton, N.B. Total number of wastage - transfers and ceased training cases:
3 students transferred to Course 94 (illness)
4 students ceased training and posted to No. 3 "M" Depot, Edmonton, Alberta.
1 student ceased training and posted to No. 2 "M" Depot, Brandon, Manitoba.
1 student ceased training and posted to No. 3 B. & G. School, MacDonald, Man.
1 student ceased training and posted to No. 19 S.F.T.S., Gimli, Manitoba.

Wings were presented by W/C Weaver, C.I. of this station. Tea was served afterward to the guests in the Drill Hall. Dr. Rawson of the University of Saskatchewan gave an illustrated lecture on Saskatchewan Fisheries in the Recreation Hall at 1900 hours. The regular meeting of the Hobby Club took place in the W.D. Canteen.

11 Mar/44 There was no flying during the morning due to high wind and low cloud. Dual flying only was washed in at 1430 hours. There was no night flying.

12 Mar./44 Flying was washed in at 1300 hours and out at 1530 hours.

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13 Mar./44 G/C Wilson left on a week's leave and W/C Weaver took over temporary command of the station. There was flying all day. Course No. 102 commenced training 13 March, 1944, with 65 students:
39 students reported from No. 15 E.F.T.S., Regina, Sask.
3 students reported from No. 19 E.F.T.S., Virden, Man.
17 students reported from No. 23 E.F.T.S., Davidson, Sask.
1 student reported from No. 2 E.F.T.S., Ft. William, Ont.
4 students reported from Taeri, New Zealand. 1 student reported from Harewood, New Zealand.

14 Mar./44 There was flying all day. GB1862258 LAC Hughes, E.M., student of course 100 transferred to course 102 on account of illness. Crane 8057 was flown to Moose Jaw for overhaul. There was a concert of station talent held in the Recreation Hall at 2030 hours. This was very successful.

15 Mar./44 There was flying all day.

16 Mar./44 There was low level circuits on account of icing conditions. Flying was washed out at 1730 hours. R207880 IAC Brennan, R.J., student of course 96 transferred to course 100 due to illness. F/O Robson, DFM, spoke to the Saskatoon War Victory Loan Committee. The first issue of Reconnaissance, the station paper, was published. First hockey game of the two out of three series was played, No. 4 winning 4 to 0.
17 Mar./44 There was flying all day. Group Captain MacCaul paid a visit to the Maintenance Section from No. 2 Training Command.

18 Mar./44 Low ceiling, icing conditions and snow made weather unfit for flying. Circuits and landings washed in at 1330 hours, and full solo at 1400 hours.

19 Mar./44 There was a Station Church parade held at 1015 hours. Flying was washed in at 1300 hours, and ceased at 1730 hours. Night flying was washed in at 1930 hours and continued until 0300 hours. The Music Image 1799

19 Mrn./44 (Contd) Appreciation Hour was held in the Station Library at 1900 hours.

20 Mar./44 G/C Wilson returned from leave and Resumed command of the station once more. S/L Dawson, AFC, F/O Robson, DFM, F/O Hobson, DFM, F/O Dalphond, DFM and F/O McPherson, AFM, attended the Investiture at Winnipeg at 1400 hours. W/C Farmer, C.W., from AFHQ and W/C Sharpe, from No. 2 Training Command visited the medical section.

21 Mar./44 Flying was not washed in until 1000 hours due to fog, but there was flying for the rest of the day and night.

22 Mar./44 There was flying all day and night. R251073 LAC Whiting, Peter Graham Scott, student of Course 100 ceased training because of unsatisfactory progress in flying. Fl/O Kemp, B.D. from No. 2 Training Command paid a visit to the Women's Division. There was an Inter-Active Service Basketball game played between No. 4 and W.E.T.P. W.E.T.P. won by a scare of 43 to 42.

23 Mar./44 Bad weather flying was washed in for senior flights only until 1200 hours and then it was washed out. It was washed back in at 1400 hours but there was no night flying. A kit inspection for the Station was held during the afternoon.

24 Mar./44 Flying was washed in at 0800 hours until 1545 hours. Bad weather flying was washed in at 1615 hours, but there was no night flying. Dr. B.W. Currie of the Physics Department of the University of Saskatchewan gave a lecture in the Recreation Hall at 1900 hours on Climate and Warfare. As Dr. Currie spent one year and a half in the Arctic North of the Hudson Bay studying weather conditions, his talk was especially interesting to aircrew. The hockey finals between No. 4 S.F.T.S. and No. 12 V.T.S., were played off. No. 4 won 11 to 0. The Station concert party first held in the Recreation Hall on March 14th was put on at Dundurn Military Camp for the Army. This show was very well received.

25 Mar./44 There was flying all day but no night flying. Crane 1 8085 made a heavy landing at R1 Vanscoy at 1710 hours. Pilot J27064 F/O Clark, R.D. (uninjured) and student GB1802372 LAC Kindred, W. (uninjured) were practicing mush type precautionary landings, and dropped in heavily, shearing four bolts off the starboard actuating screw. Port fork of undercarriage was bent
and starboard controlled speed propellor was damaged. The accident was categorized "D3".

26 Mar./44  Flying was washed in at 1300 hours and continued all day and night.

27 Mar./44  There was flying all day and night.

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28 Mar./44  There was flying all day and night. S/L Gray departed for Rivers to assume the position of Chief Engineering Officer there. A concert party from Saskatoon entertained the station in the Recreation Hall at 2000 hours. The first game for the Command Championships in Inter-Active Service basketball was played between No. 4 S.F.T.S. and the W.E.T.P's at 2000 hours. W.E.T.P's won.

29th Mar./44  There was flying all day and all night. No. 7 I.T.S. extended an invitation to the station to attend a concert at No. 7 at 2000 hours.

30 Mar./44  There was flying all day and all night. The meeting of the Hobby club was changed to Thursday now that the hockey season was nearly finished.

31 Mar./44  There was no day flying due to icing conditions and snow flurries and variable wind. There was flying half the night.

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IMAGE 12

1 April/44  Local dual flying was washed in at 0800 hours, but out again at 0930 hours due to icing. At 1330 hours solo for senior courses and dual for junior courses commenced and lasted until 1730 hours. There was flying all night.

2 April/44  There was flying half the day and all night.

3 April/44  The weather was clear to overcast and there was flying all day and all night. R215471 Lac Jones, G.W. and GB1584716 Lac Sterer, W.R., students of course 100 ceased training because of unsatisfactory progress in flying. The semi-finals of the hockey series of No. 2 Training Command were played at the Saskatoon Arena. The first game was between No. 4 SFTS and No. 11 SFTS. No. 4 won 7 - 6. The second game was between No. 8 RD and No.12 MD. No. 8RD won 5 - 4. The brass band from No. 7 ITS and the No. 4 Trumpet and drum band were in attendance.

4 April/44  The weather was cloudy to partly clear with southeasterly wind. There was flying all day and all night. A First Aid lecture and practical demonstration in bandaging was given in G.I.S. F/L Graham reported in from Rivers, Man. to take over the position of O.C., Repair Squadron. W/C Walmsley from No. 2 Training Command made an Inspection visit of the Wireless Section. The hockey finals for No. 2 Training Command were played in the Saskatoon Arena. No. 8 RD. won from No. 4 SFTS 2 - 1.

5 April/44  The weather was cloudy and overcast, clearing in the afternoon and evening. There was flying all day and night. The Padre's class for discussion and instruction was held in the Station Library at 1830 hrs. The Reselection Board sat in the Chief Instructor's Office at 0930 hours, R173288 LAC McCahen, J. and GB1197009, Cpl. Hambrew, Y. appearing before it.

6 April/44  It was cloudy and overcast with a northerly surface wind but there was flying all day
and night. Wings parade was held for Course 94 at 1600 hours in the Drill Hall. Tea was served afterward to the Graduates and Their Visitors. The following was the disposition of the courses.

Course No. 94 Commenced training 15 November, 1943, with 60 students.
Transferred from previous course 3
Adjusted intake 63
(See Appendix IV at IMAGE 22)

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6 April/44 (contd) Course No. 94 graduated 7 April, 1944, with 51 students. 4 graduates posted to No. 2 F.I.S., Pearce, Alberta. 13 graduates posted to No. 1 G.R.S.. Summerside P.E.I. 2 graduates posted to No. 2 A.G.T.S., Calgary, Alberta. 12 graduates posted to No. 32 Personnel Depot, Moncton, N.B. 51 graduates total. Total number of wastage, transfers and ceased training cases. 4 students ceased training and posted to No. 5 M Depot, Lachine, P.Q. 1 student ceased training and posted to No. 5 B.& G. School, Dafoe, Sask. 1 student ceased training and posted to No. 31 Personnel Depot, Moncton, N.B. 3 students transferred to Course No. 96 (Illness). 3 students transferred to Course No. 96 (Disciplinary reasons). 12 graduates total. F/O. Raynor, the Command Messing Officer made an official tour of the Messes. There was an Airmen's dance held in the Recreation Hall at 2100 hours.

7 April/44 As this was Good Friday, it was a station holiday. Special church services were held on the station.

8 April/44 The weather was partly cloudy, with some smoke lowering the visibility. There was flying all day but no night flying.

9 April/44 As this was Easter Sunday a station church parade was held at 1030 hours. There was a heavy fog in the morning but it cleared at noon and remained clear in the evening. There was flying for half the day and half the night.

10 April/44 The weather was clear to overcast with a surface wind from the south. There was flying all day and night. R173249 LAC McCahon, J. and GB1197009 Cpl. Hembrew, V. students of course 102 ceased training because of unsatisfactory progress in flying. Course No. 104 commended training with 60 Students. 15 students reported from No. 23 EFTS., Davidson, Sask. 20 students reported from No. 15 EFTS., Regina, Sask. and 25 students reported from No. 4 EFTS., Prince Albert, Sask.

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10 April/44 (cont) G/C Charest, Assistant Director of Chaplain Services (RC) and W/C Costello Command Chaplain from No. 2 Training Command paid an official visit to the station. The No. 4 SFTS (WD) basketball team met Davidson (WD) in the playoff to see which team would play in the No. 2 T.C. final series. Davidson won 13 - 12. No. 7 ITS and No. 23 EFTS, Davidson, played off at the close of the WD games. No. 7 won 28 - 27. G/C Charest, Assistant
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11 April/44  S.A.S.O. G/C Scott, paid an official visit to the station. The weather was clear to cloudy and the visibility partially reduced because of smoke. There was flying all day and night. The station was entertained by a Concert Party from Saskatoon and the Station Brass Band at 2000 hours in the Recreation Hall. A first aid lecture on fractures was given in G.I.S. at 1900 hours. The semi-finals of the airmen's basketball were played in the Drill Hall at 2000 hours. No. 7 ITS defeated Dafoe by 64 - 42.

12 April/44 There was flying all day and all night, and the weather was cloudy and overcast. The padre's class and discussion group met in the station library at 1800 hours. W/C Sinclair, S/L Bevan, F/L Girew and F/L Richardson from No. 2 Training Command, made an inspection of the Accounts Section.

13 April/44 There was flying all day but no night flying due to low ceiling. R251248 LAC Russell, D., student of Course 96 was transferred to Course 100 due to illness. A first aid lecture on fractures was given in G.I.S. at 1900 hours. An Officer's Mess Dinner was held at 1900 hours.

14 April/44 The weather was overcast with a south-east surface wind until about midnight. Flying was not washed in until 1230 hours, but continued for the rest of the day and night. R218475 LAC McKay, H.H., student of Course 100 transferred to course 104 because of illness. There was an inter-services basketball game played between No. 7 ITS and No. 4 SFTS in the drill hall. No. 7 won 44 - 34.

15 April/44 The weather was clear to overcast with southeast surface wind. There was flying all day but no night flying. F/O Rayner, Command Messing Officer inspected the station messes.

16 April/44 There was flying for one half the day and all night. The mobile repair party arrived from No. 8 Repair Depot to remove 3 link trainers and install 3 new ones.

17 April/44 There was flying all day and one half the night. GB2104708 LAC Crow, B.S. and GB1125791 LAC Robinson, A.

17 April/44 (cont) students of course 102 ceased training because of unsatisfactory progress in flying. The weather was clear to partly cloudy with smoke from the city lowering visibility somewhat. The Command Trade Test Board arrived on the station to commence trade testing.

18 April/44 There were rain showers from 2030 hours to about 2215 and from 2315 to 2335 but
there was flying all day and all night. There was a meeting of the Station Garden Committee to plan the Station Victory Garden and the Station grounds. It was decided to offer a price of $30.00 for the section or barrack block that showed the most interest and improvement in their grounds.

19 April/44 There were light showers around midnight with an east to south southeast surface wind. It was partly cloudy and overcast the rest of the day; At 2215 hours on the main aerodrome there was an accident to Crane 1, 7945. The pilot was P/O J.A. Adams, and the student LAC Broderick, J.J. Both were uninjured. While on night flying circuit they struck a misplaced glide path indicator with tail wheel while landing. The damage was as follows; fuselage, four cross members bent and one broken bottom rear of fuselage; tail strut broken, fin post broken, tail stinger bent, tailwheel lock cable broken and 3 feet of fabric torn on belly of fuselage.

20 April/44 Commanding Officer's parade at 0800 hours and No. 1 and 3 Squadrons were inspected. The weather was partly cloudy with ground fog in the morning and clearing in the afternoon. There was flying all day and one half the night. R196595 LAC Prime, R.J. student of course 96 transferred to course 104 due to illness. R115947 Cpl. Atkin, H.G. student of course 102 transferred to course 104 due to illness. W/C McFarlane, Command Chaplain (P) paid a visit to the station. A station dance was held at 2000 hours in the station recreation hall.

21 April/44 There was flying all day night.

22 April/44 The weather was clear to partly cloudy with some fog at sunrise and there was flying all day and night. R197297, LAC Newell, J.K., student of course 100 transferred to course 104 because of illness. Area championships in Badminton were held at No. 4 SFTS to determine who would take part in the Command play-offs. Sgt. Davis and Sgt. Nicol (WD) were the only ones from No. 4 to win their games.

23 April/44 The weather was clear and there was flying half the day and all night.

24 April/44 The weather was clear to overcast and there was flying all day and night. The 6th Victory Loan got under way, the quota set for this station being $80,000.00. On Monday there were 39 applications for a total of $3,250.00. LAC Heroux, L.A. and LAC Black, D.J. represented the station in the boxing inter-

24 April/44 (cont) service league semi-finals at Davidson. They were both defeated. W/C Sinclair made an inspection visit of the accounts section.

25 April/44 There was flying all day and night. The weather was overcast and partly cloudy. The Victory Loan applications to date were 102, amounting to $11,500.00.

26 April/44 The weather was clear to overcast with visibility reduced in light smoke. There was flying all day and night. The Victory Loan explications were 183, amounting to $19,300.00.
27 April/44  Commanding Officer’s parade and inspection was held at 0800 hours. G/C WcCaul from No. 2 Training Command inspected the Maintenance Wing. The weather was partly cloudy and overcast with light showers. GB1801305 LAC Noble, C.A., student of course 96 ceased training because of unsatisfactory progress in flying. The Victory loan applications to date amount to 292, total value $34,900.00.

Apr. 28/44  The weather was partly cloudy and overcast and there was flying all day and night. W/C Groves, Staff Shaplain for the R.A.F. arrived at this unit to interview the R.A.F. personnel. The total applications to date for the Victory Loan were 350, amounting to $39,850.00. No. 2 T.C. Semi-finals for boxing took place in Saskatoon Arena.

29 April/44  There was a light variable wind and the weather was partly cloudy. There was flying all day but no night flying. The Badminton finals for No. 2 Training Command were played at No. 7 ITS. Sgt. Davis and Sgt. Nicoll represented this station but both lost to No. 8 RD. No. 2 Training Command, Boxing finals took place in Saskatoon Arena. Total Victory Loan applications to data 45k. amounting to $56,300.00.

30 April/44  There was flying half the day, but no night flying. There was a Station Church parade hold and W/C Gorves, RAF Staff Chaplain preached the sermon for the Protestant personnel. The A.O.C. was in attendance.

Total flying time for the month of April: 10,276:10.

Issues of reconnaissance, station newspapers, are attached as appendix VII.

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(A.H. Wilson) G/C
C.O. 4 S.F.T.S

Only One Canadian Among Graduates

Only one Canadian, Frederick H. Tyler of Carruthers, was among the graduate pilots who received their wings from Grp. Cpt A. H. Wilson, commanding officer of No. 4 S.F.T.S., at the wings parade held on the station Thursday afternoon. Tyler received his pilot officer's commission with his wings. The remainder of the pilots were from Great Britain with one American included in the class.

Attending officers at the parade were Wg. Cmdr. E. A. Weaver, Sqdn. Ldr. D. Thomson, M.C., D.C.M., and Sqdn. Ldr. R. G. McCullough. Flt. Lt D. Gowdy was introducing officer and the graduating class was commanded by F.O. N. S. Street. Sqdn. Ldr. J. B. Sparling was in command of the parade with F.O. C. E. Heath as adjutant and W.O. P. R. Wright as wing warrant officer.


1st May/44 There was no day or night flying. The Victory Loan applications amounted to 497 and $62,800. GB620501 Cpl. Wilinson, C.C., R205084 LAC Howes, M.R. and GB1610061 LAC Newton, W.R., students of Course 104 ceased training because of unsatisfactory progress in flying. S/L W.E. Lovell of No. 7 U.A.T.C. paid a visit to the station.
2nd May/44  There was no flying day or night. The Victory Loan applications were 558 and the total amount $68,500. GB1865696 LAC Smith, I.H., student of Course 102 ceased training because of unsatisfactory progress in flying. S/L Cadham from No. 2 T.C. inspected the hospital.

3rd May/44  There was flying all day and night. Total applications to date for the Victory Loan were 693 and the amount $79,400.00. At 0840 hours there was an accident to Crane 7736 when it struck a telephone line and carried away 140 yards of wire. This happened 18 miles west of the main aerodrome and the pilot P/O H.W. Howe, and student LAC Shearer, M. were both uninjured. The damage to the plane was as follows - damage to leading edge metal sheeting of the port propeller and small cuts in the wood.

4th May/44  There was flying one half day and all night. The Victory Loan applications amounted to 747 and the total amount of $81,400.00. A C.O.'s parade and inspection was held at 0800 hours. GB620552 LAC Ridge, D., GB1685928 LAC Rafter, J.W. and GB1625145 LAC Ward, C.M.W., of Course 104 ceased training because of unsatisfactory progress in flying. A station dance was held in the Recreation Hall at 2100 hours. The Hobby Club held a meeting in the W.D. Canteen at 1900 hours.

5th May/44  There was flying one half the day due to smoke and haze but there was flying all night. The Victory Loan applications totalled 821 amounting to $89,550. Wings parade for Course 96 was held in the station drill hall at 1600 hours. Tea was served to graduates and their friends following the parade. The following was the disposition of the course.

Course No. 96 commenced training 13 December, 1943, with 60 students.

Transferred from previous courses 6
Transferred from No. 35 S.F T.S., North Battleford 4
Adjusted intake 10.

Course No. 96 graduated 12 March, 1944, with 59 students.
20 graduates posted to No. 1 G.R.S., Summerside, P.E.I.
8 graduates posted to No. 1 F.I.S., Trenton, Ontario.
5 graduates posted to No. 2 F.I.S., Pearce, Alberta.
3 graduates posted to No. 32 O.T.U., Patricia Bay, B.C.
2 Graduates posted to No. 5 O.T.U., Boundary Bay, B.C.
3 graduates posted to No. 2 A.G.T.S., Calgary, Alta.
11 graduates posted to No. 3 A.G.T.S., Three Rivers, P.Q.
7 graduates posted to No. 31 Personnel Depot, Moncton, N.B.

5th May (Contd)  Total number of wastage, transfers and ceased training cases.
1 student transferred to Course No., 100 (Disciplinary reasons)
5 students transferred to Course No. 100 (illness)
2 students ceased training and posted to No. 3 B.& G. School, MacDonald, Man.
2 students ceased training and posted to No. 5 B. & G. School, Dafoe, Sask.

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student ceased training and posted to No. 18 S.F.T.S., Gimli, Man.

6th May/44 There was a Victory Loan Parade held in Saskatoon with the Navy, Army and Air Force taking part. Both airmen and W.D.'s from this station took part and the parade was under the Command of G/C Wilson. Total applications to date were 821, amounting of $89,950. There was flying all day but no night flying. S/L L.W. Wright and S/L W.G.Bacon from A.F.H.Q. visited the station regarding demobilization. S/L Laing from No. 2 T.C, inspected the Equipment Section. A farewell party was held in the officers’ Mess for G/C and Mrs. Wilson.

7th May There was flying one half the day and all night. The weather was partly cloudy to overcast. The total Victory Loan sales were 833 applications amounting to $92,050. The WD's took part in a Victory Loan Concert held in the Capitol Theatre in Saskatoon on Sunday evening.

8th May There was flying all day and all night. Applications amounted to 866 for the Victory Loan, a total of $94,500.00. Course No. 106 commenced training with
8 students reported from No. 25 E.F.T.S., Assiniboia, Sask.
22 students reported from No. 23 E.F.T.S., Davidson, Sask.
36 students reported from No. 6 E.F.T.S., Prince Albert, Sask.
66 GB1523587 LAC Sutton, G.H. student of Course 102 ceased training because of unsatisfactory progress in flying. R128335 LAC Walkder, R. Student of Course 100 ceased training because of unsatisfactory progress in flying. The music appreciation hour was held in the station library at 1900 hours. W/C W. Murray of No. 2 Training Commanding inspected the Equipment section. G/C Scott, W/D Godson, S/L Stovell and S/L Pitcairn inspected Training Wing.

9th May There was flying all day and half the night. It was washed out due to a bad cross wind. Victory Loan applications amounted to 866 and $94,500.00. GB18077389 LAC Sedman, J.A., student of Course 104 ceased training because of unsatisfactory progress in flying. GB1523831 LAC Hartley, E.W. student of Course 100 ceased training because of unsatisfactory progress in flying. The Swing Time entertainment Unit entertained the station in the Recreation Hall at 2000 hours. The station orchestra was in attendance. A first aid lecture was given in G.I.S. at 1900 hours.

10th May There was flying all day and night. The Victory Loan applications amounted to 875 and $95,200.00. A ceased training board was held at 0900 hours in the C.I.'s office. GB1608280 LAC Nicholl, B.R. of Course 104 appeared before it.

11th May The weather was overcast as partly cloudy with intermittent rain, but there was flying all day and night. Victory Loan applications were 931 with a total of $99,900. A Commanding Officer's parade was held at 0800 hours. G/C Atkinson of No. 2 T.C. inspected the station. The Victory Variety Concert held in aid of the Victory Loan at 2000 hours composed of station talent was very successful. A first aid lecture was given in G.I.S, at 1000 hours.
12th May/44  A/C Ashton inspected the station for the A.O.C., a parade being held at 1400 hours. Victory Loan applications to date were 947, amounting to $101,950. There, was dual flying only in the morning, due to bad weather. Flying was washed out for part of the afternoon because of the AOC's parade. There were thunder storms and lightning at night.

13th May  There was flying all day but no night flying. Total applications for the Victory Loan to date were 972, amounting to $103,650. No. 4 S.F.T.S., and Dundurn Army Camp opened the baseball season at Cairns Field at 1830 hours.

14th May  There was no flying all day on account of low ceiling and poor visibility due to smoke. The victory Loan applications were 974 and the amount $103,750.

15th May  There was flying half day. It was washed out at 1200 hours because of the Handing Over parade and ceremony held during the afternoon. The handing over parade commenced at 1330 hours, G/C A.H. Wilson handing over to G/C C.H. Greenway. The ceremony was witnessed by numerous friends and interested people, and took place on the tarmac in front of the Control Tower. GB1608280 LAC Nicholls, B.R., student of Course 104 ceased training due to unsatisfactory progress in flying. A girl's fastball game was played at Cairns Field at 1930 hours. No. 4 Flyers meeting the Lions. A station muster and pay parade was held at 1700 hours. Victory Loan applications at the completion of the drive amounted to 975 with a total of $104,850.

16th May  There was dual flying only in the morning and flying was washed out at 1505 hours on account of smoke and thunder clouds. There was flying one half the night. CFS Visiting Flight reported to this Unit. S/L Parker from No. 2 TC and S/L Cross visited the Station.

17th May  There was dual flying until 1230 on account of smoke and thunder storms. Solo washed in at 1230 hours. The Padres study and discussion group was held in the Station library at 1830 hours.

18th May  There was flying all day, GB17068094 LAC Sharplin, P., GB1607526 LAC Shepherd, E.S., GB1494199 LAC Righton, J.A. and GB1673683 LAC Wilkinson, W. students of Course 104 ceased training because of unsatisfactory progress in flying. A fastball game was played at Cairns Field at 2100 hours, No. 4 meeting the Navy. A baseball game was played at 2100 hours between the Navy and No. 4. A meeting of the hobby club was held in the W.D. canteen at 1900 hours. A church parade was held at 1000 hours for R.C. personnel in the W.D. Canteen. The Picture "Prelude to War" was shown in the Recreation hall at 1800 hours.

19th May  There was flying all day and night.

20th May  There was flying all day. At 1115 hours, there was an accident to Crane 1 8019 on main aerodrome. Student pilot LAC Sullivan, D.H. (uninjured) blew a tire on takeoff and when he landed aircraft he swung off runway onto soft spot on the field. Tail wheel oleo leg and fork damaged. There was no night flying.
21st May  Church Parade, all officers and other ranks on duty watch attended Church Parade at 1045 hours. Flying half a day,

22nd May  The music appreciation hour was held in the station library at 1900 hours. Fastball game No. 4 Flyers (W.D.)

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22nd May/44  vs Spartans cancelled due to rain. Flying all day. GB1673683 LAC Watkinson, W. of Course 104 ceased training due to unsatisfactory flying progress. R197299 LAC Newell. J.R. of Course 104 ceased training due to medical reasons. At 1700 hours, aircraft 7879 with P/O H.W. Howe and GB1351879 LAC Shearer, M. as student, aircraft overshot and ran through boundary fence. Category D.3.

23rd May  An organization meeting of representatives from all sections to form discussion groups was held at 1630 hours in G.I.S. First Aid lectures on miscellaneous injuries was held at 1900 hours in G.I.S. Washed in dual at 0830 hours. Washed out at 0930 hours on account of low ceiling. Dual at 1230 hours. Night flying all night. At 1325 hours, Crane 8664 and Crane 7720 with GB1584392 LAC Thompson, L.F. and GB 1588108 LAC Stanton, G.A. as pilots, aircraft 7720 in taxying around to the left swung and hit aircraft 8664 when the starboard brake failed. Categories - 8864 D.2, 7720 D7.

24th May  Commanding Officer's Parade and Ensign Hoisting Ceremony was held at 0750 hours. Padre’s study and discussion group met at 1830 hours in the library. Flying all day and all night,

25th May  Training Wing Dance was held in the Recreation Hall. Reselection Board met at 0800 hours in the C.I.'s. office. The following appeared before it: GB1566559 LAC Mackie, D. GB973426 Cpl. Bolmeley, A. GB1307776 LAC Hoyle. D. GB1605285 LAC Victor, P.E. GB1307776 LAC Hoyle and GB1605285 LAC Victor, P.E. ceased training due to unsatisfactory flying progress. Flying all day and night.

26th May  R196595 LAC Prime, R.J. of Course 104 ceased training - medical reasons. At 1115 hours Aircraft 8000 forced landed twenty one miles north west of Saskatoon. J26238 F/O R. Page as pilot and GB1805299 LAC Hedgecock, R.J., as student, dual instruction in S.E. procedure. Aircraft forced landed due to engine failure. Category D.1  Flying all day and night.

27th May  An informal dance was held Saturday night in the Officers' Mess to welcome the new Commanding Officer and Mrs. Greenway. At 1545 hours on Main Aerodrome, Crane 1A FJ221 with GB1686333 LAC Thompson, C.B, as pilot ground looped landing in cross wind, category D.4  Flying all day.

28th May  Church Parade, all officers and other rank personnel on duty watch attended at 1045 hours. Flying all day and night.
29th May  Flying all day and night. GB973426 .Cpl. Clomeley, A., student of Course 106 ceased training (Unsatisfactory flying progress). A meeting was held in-the Recreation Hall to form a Station Tennis Club. The following were appointed as members to organize the club. Sgt. Moran, President; Cpl. Royer, Vice-President; F/O Picher, Secretary; LAW Lane, Treasurer.

30th May  The Station Funds Committee held a meeting in the S.A.O's office at 1430 hours. Flying all day and night. GB1566539 LAC Machie, D., student of Course 102 ceased training, unsatisfactory flying progress,

31st May  Commanding Officer's parade at 0750 hours cancelled due to rain. The class for study and discussion led by F/L Gowdy (Padre) met at 1830 hours in the library. Flying one half day. Smoke ceiling at 1500 feet. Visibility 1/2 mile. No night flying due to low ceiling and poor visibility in rain. Total hours for month of May 8587:15 hours. Photographs of Victory Loan Thermometer are attached as Appendix "B" Photographs of AOC's Inspection are attached as Appendix "G" Photographs of Officers' Wives Auxiliary are attached at Appendix "D" Write up on Sports, gleaned from Saskatoon Star Phoenix are attached as Appendix "E" Issues of Reconnaissance, Station paper for Month of May, are attached as Appendix "F" Photographs of Officers' Mess Personnel attached as Appendix "G" Newspaper report of Victory Loan Campaign attached as Appendix "H"

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1 June/44  No flying except for low circuits in day. No night flying. Smoke from 1100 to 1200 hours. Drizzle from 2100 to 2300 hours. Otherwise overcast. The last fatal flying accident on this Unit occurred on May 29, 1943, so that over a year has now gone by without a flying fatality. Dances are held each week and Maintenance Wing sponsored the dance held Thursday night. This dance proved to be a great success. Baseball game No. 4 SFTS vs Navy cancelled due to rain. No. of hours flying carried out June 1st, 1944, Day 111:05, Night nil - Total 111:05.

2 June/44  Flying restricted because of poor visibility and, low ceiling. Local flying with radio equipped aircraft only during day. No night flying. No. of hours flying carried out June 2nd, 1944, Day 26:25. Night nil - Total 26:25.

3 June/44  No day or night flying. Rain and poor visibility. Overseas postings for sixteen personnel came in. No. of hours flying carried out June 3/44 - nil.

4 June/44  No flying all day or night, owing to strong winds. All officers and O.R. personnel on Duty Watch Pool No. 4 attended Church Parade at 1045 hours. No. of hours flying carried out June 4th, 1944 - nil.

5 June/44  Flying all day and night. No. of hours flying carried out June 5th, 1944, Day 411:25, night 46:40. Total 458:05.

6 June/44  Flying all day and night, A/C K.M. Guthrie made a short visit to No. 4 SFTS for the purpose of becoming acquainted with the Section Heads. An informal meeting was held in No. 2 Squadron Office and A/C K.M. Guthrie brought up a number of important matters concerning the different sections. No. 4 SFTS took part in the "Invasion Parade" in Saskatoon on Tuesday evening. F/L N. J. Tabuteau was the officer in charge of the personnel from No. 4 SFTS. The Parade was attended by the Station Volunteer Band. No. of hours flying carried out June 6th, 1944, Day 433:10, Night 46:45 - Total 480:55.

7 June/44  Flying all day and night. Notification of the following awards (B.E.M.) was received - F/S. Berry, W., and notification through the medium of a newspaper clipping respecting Sgt. Armstrong, J.G. No. of hours flying carried out June 7th, 1944, Day 421:15, Night 51:35 - Total 472:50.
8 June/44  Flying all day and night. Commanding Officer's parade and Ensign Hoisting Ceremony was held at 0750 hours. A short prayer was said by the Protestant Padre, H/F/L Gowdy and the R.C. Padre, H/F/L Thomson, commemorating the invasion of Europe by the Allied forces. No. of hours flying carried out June 8th, 1944, Day 378:25, Night 39:50 - Total 418:15.

9 June/44  Flying all day and night. At 0240 hours Crane 7906, P/O J. F. Hobson, C2919, forced landed 2 miles north of Leofnard, Sask. LAC. Whitaker, D (GB15B4367) and P/O Hobson both slightly injured. "A" category crash. Technical failure. The cam drive pinion or shaft on port engine broke causing failure of the engine. Aircraft unable to maintain height on one engine. No. of hours flying carried out June 9th, 1944, Day 429:40, Night 45:05 - Total 474:45.

10 June/44  Flying all day. No night flying. An informal dance for the officers was held in the ante-room of the Officers' Mess. Guests from No. 7 I.T.S. and the Navy were entertained. No. of hours flying carried out June 10th, 1944, Day 250:25, Night Nil - Total 250:25.

11 June/44  Flying one half day and all night. Flying time, Day 179:05, Night 34:10 - Total 213:15. All officers and O.R. personnel on Duty Watch Pool No. 7 attended Church Parade.

12 June/44  Flying all day and one half night. Low ceiling and rain. No. of hours flying carried out June 12th, 1944, Day 342:45, Night 16:15 - Total 359:00.

13 June/44  P/O E.C. Hurley and P/O H.B. Hobb were appointed returning officers for the Provincial election, polling for which was held in the Recreation Hall on June 13th, 14th and 15th. Bad weather flying from 0930 to 1400 hours. Low ceiling and rain at night. Flying commenced at 2215 hours and washed out at 2230 hours. No. of hours flying carried out June 13th, 1944, Day 134:00, Night Nil - Total 134:00.

14 June/44  Commanding Officer's Parade and Inspection was held on the parade square at 0750 hours. The entire station was inspected by the Commanding Officer during the day. Flying commenced, dual only, at 0915 hours. Solo washed in at 1410 hours. Low ceiling. Flying washed in at 2215 hours and washed out at 0315 hours due to low ceiling. No. of hours flying carried out June 14th, 1944, Day 253:15, Night 38:40 - Total 291:55.


16 June/44  G/C A.J.S. Taunton left by air for Prince Albert at 0830 hours. Flying washed in dual only at 0800 hours. Washed out at 1145 hours. Rain showers. Dual only commenced at
1315 hours, washed out at 1700 hours. No night flying. No. of hours flying carried out June 16th, 1944, Day 227:15, Night Nil - Total 227:15.

17 June/44  Dual commenced at 0800 hours for Junior course and other courses except senior, who were solo. Flying ceased at 1700 hours. No night flying. - No. of hours flying carried out June 17th, 1944, Day 301:00, Night Nil - Total 301:00.

18 June/44  All officers and O.R. personnel on Duty Watch Pool No. 2, attended Church Parade at 1045 hours. Flying one half day. No night flying. No. of hours flying carried out June 18th, 1944, Day 194:10, Night Nil - Total 194:10.


20 June/44  Flying all day. No night flying. No. of hours flying carried out June 20th, 1944, Day 354:45, Night Nil - Total 354:45.

21 June/44  Cadet Squadron reported in today. F/L A.E. Andrean, Cadet Officer in Charge of fifty five cadets. At 1015 hours dual washed in for all flights. Low ceiling. Solo washed in at 1530 hours. Night flying commenced at 2215 hours and washed out at 0315 hours. No. of hours flying carried out June 21st, 1944 Day 299:00, Night 50:20 - Total 349:30¾

22 June/44  Sports Parade, all personnel participating in sports fell in on the parade square at 1330 hours and selections for the various sports were made. GB1098291 LAC Cowan, A.M. student of Course 106 ceased training (unsatisfactory flying progress). Flying one half day. Night flying commenced at 2215 hours and washed out at 0315 hours. No. of hours flying carried out June 22nd, 1944, Day 297:00, Night 51:35 - Total 348:35.

23 June/44  No. 4 S.F.T.S., won Aggregate Honours at the Inter-Active Service Swimming Meet held at the Municipal Pool. At 1230 hours approximately 1½ miles north of Dalmeny, Sask., accident to aircraft 8069, pilot

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24 June/44  Flying all day. No night flying. No. of hours flying carried out June 24th, 1944, Day 271:00, Night Nil - Total 271:00
25 June/44  All officers and O.R. personnel on Duty Watch Pool No. 5 attended Church Parade at 1045 hours. Flying one half day and all night. No. of hours flying carried out June 25th, 1944, Day 163:35, Night 40:55 -Total 204:30.

26 June/44  R647377 LAC MacLean, R.D., student of Course 104 ceased training (disciplinary reasons). Flying all day and night. No. of hours flying carried out June 26th, 1944, Day 388:15, Night 24:10 - Total 412:25.

27 June/44  GB1813570 LAC Johnson, R.J., student of course 100, ceased training (unsatisfactory flying progress). Flying all day and night. No. of hours flying carried out June 27th, 1944, Day 365:50, Night 47:15 - Total 413:05.

28 June/44  Commanding Officer's parade and ensign hoisting ceremony was held at 0750 hours. Flying all day, no night flying. No. of hours flying carried out June 28th, 1944, Day 204:30, Night Nil - Total 204:30.

29 June/44  A/C A.J. Ashton, W/C J.C. Binnie, W/C W.M. Murray and W/C R.S. Cross arrived. Instructions given as to command of No. 7 I.T.S. being assumed by the Commanding Officer of No. 4 SFTS., and procedure to be followed in final stages of disbanding of No. 7 ITS. Discussion Groups met at 1330 hours. All personnel except those essentially employed took part in organized sports. Flying one half day and all night. No. of hours flying carried out June 29th, 1944, Day 237:00, Night 12:25 - Total 249:25.

30 June/44  Flying all day, no night flying. No. of hours flying carried out June 30th, 1944, Day 317:50. Night Nil - Total 317:50. Sports Write-ups from Saskatoon Star-Phoenix - Appendices "E" to "R" inclusive.
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30 June/44  (Contd)  Total Flying time for month of June - 8527:00 hours.

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(C.H. Greenway) G/C
C.O. 4 S.F.T.S.

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July 1st/44  Weather cloudy to overcast with intermittent lightning in distance. Visibility 10 miles or better. Flying all day. No night flying. Day flying time 291:15 hours

July 2nd     All Officers and other rank personnel on duty watch pool No. 8 attended Church Parade at 1045 hours. Weather partly cloudy to overcast, with light continuous rain, and light and heavy rain showers. Visibility 10 miles or better reduced to 2 miles in showers. Flying washed out on account of strong wind. No night flying. Day flying time 5:15 hours.

July 3rd    Equipment personnel held a banquet at the Elite Cafe. Invited guests were G/C C.H. Greenway and Mrs. Greenway, S/L R.G. McCullough and Mrs. McCullough. After the banquet all those interested took part in bowling. F/L J.M.Lydiard, Cadet Officer in charge of thirty five cadets arrived at No. 4 S.F.T.S. July 3rd for ten days training. R213533 LAC Jansen, B.J. Student of course 104, ceased training, (unsatisfactory flying progress) GB1686217 LAC Dent, R., student. Course 106, ceased training (Unsatisfactory flying progress) Weather partly cloudy to cloudy. Visibility 10 miles or better. Flying all day and night. Day flying time 320:40 hours. Night flying time 55:35 hours.

July 4th    Fastball game played at No. 4 S.F.T.S. Sports Field at 1900 hours July 4th. Dundurn vs #4 Flyers. After the game lunch was served to the ball teams in the W.D. Canteen. A meeting of the Unit Welfare Committee was held in the Padre's office at 1530 hours, Tuesday, July 4th, and the election of officers took place. Course 100 started writing .final examinations in Ground School subjects Tuesday July 4th.. Weather mostly clear in morning, becoming partly
cloudy, then overcast in the evening with high cirro stratus. Visibility reduced to 10 miles by haze and light smoke in early morning, otherwise 15 miles. At 0950 hours on the 4th July Crane 8014, with Sgt. J.A. Rittinger as pilot and Crane 7907 with Sgt. C.W. Ford as pilot involved in accident, 7907 struck 8014 while turning onto same runway. Damage to 8014 - stabilizer spar damaged, port elevator (write off). Approximate cost of repair $125.00. Damage to 7907 elevator damaged (repairable), stabilizer slightly damaged (repairable). Approximate damage $50.00. Category 8014 - "D", 7907 - "D.2". Flying all day and night. Day flying time 278:45 hours. Night flying time 61:15 hours.

July 6th Officers’ Mess meeting was held at 1240 hours. Third quarter election of officers for the Mess Committee. Two of the #4 Flyers Fastball team (WD’s) played on the All-Star team elected by the fans in the annual benefit game against the Pats. No. 4 Flyers baseball team played two exhibition games at Unity, Sask.

July 5th (Contd) Weather high over-cast, light rain and fog from 0330 to 1000 hours. Visibility reduced to 3-8 miles in rain and fog, otherwise 10-15 miles. Flying until 1400 hours when washed out on account of poor visibility, rain and low ceiling. Solo commenced at 1500 hours - night flying washed out on account of fog. Day flying time 134:00 hours. Night flying time 11:15 hours.

July 6th All officers at No. 4 S.F.T.S., except those excused by the P.M.C. attended the Mess Dinner at 1830 hours. Invited guests present were Lt.Com. C.A.E. White, Col. J. Quinn, Lt. O. McClocklin, F/L A.E. Andreen (ACC) F/L R.J. Reynolds (ACC) and F/O G.H. G1over (ACC). Headquarters Squadron sponsored dance for the airmen and airwomen held in the Recreational Hall, Thursday, July 6th. The Station orchestra was in attendance and lunch was served at 2300 hours. All personnel, officers and other ranks not on duty took part in the organized sports afternoon. The Sports Parade fell in on the parade square at 1430 hours. GB1805827 LAC Huggett, A.G., and GB575217 Cpl. Fincer, R., students of course 106 ceased training. Unsatisfactory flying progress. Solo commenced at 0915 hours, washed, out at 1200 hours for station sports parade. No night flying. Day flying time 124:35. hours.

July 7th A meeting of the Inter-Active Sports Committee, with F/O E. Wiseman of No. 4 S.F.T.8., presiding, was held at the Bessborough Hotel at 1600 hours, Friday, July 7th. Course 100 finished writing final examinations in Ground School subjects with a class average of 85.4%. Weather - light rain and fog ending by 1500 hours. Visibility reduced to 2 miles in light rain and fog, otherwise 10-15 miles. No flying all day on account of low ceiling and high winds. Night flying commenced at 22:05 hours and washed at 0400 hours. Day flying time 42:15 hours (testing aircraft). Night flying time 58:50 hours.

July 8th Weather - visibility 15 miles. Flying until 1600 hours when washed out on account of heavy rain. Crane 7674. struck off strength to Estevan. Crane 269 struck off strength to Estevan. Day flying time 109:10
July 9th  Course 100 proceeded to R1 Vanscoy, for advanced training. Crane 7692 and 8790 taken on strength from Command Storage. Weather - Ground fog at sunrise. Partly cloudy to cloudy most of day with rain showers in all directions. Visibility 15 miles, lowered in Ground fog to 6 to 7 miles. Lowered in evening to 10 miles by smoke over city. Flying one half day. Day flying time 88:05 hours.

July 10th  Exhibition fastball game played at No. 4 S.F.T.S. Flyers vs Caswelis. Exhibition soccer game played at No. 4 SFTS, RAF vs 12 VTS. Works and Buildings commenced erection of Commando Course. Course No. 100 wrote Supplementary exams in G.I.S.  Crane FJ253 struck off strength to Estevan, Sask. Crane FJ223 taken on strength from Command Storage. Weather - partly cloudy to cloudy. Visibility 1 to 6 miles in ground fog, otherwise. 10 to 15 miles. Flying all day and night. Day flying time 352:40 hours. Night flying time 53:40 hours.

July 11, 1944  W/C  R.A. Kendrick, liaison officer from AFHQ visited Allied Forces on this unit. Painting was completed in the hall of the addition to G.I.S. Chlorinator was installed in Water Pump House on orders from No. 2 T.C.H.Q. due to reported leakage in station water main. Crane 8836 struck off strength to Estevan. Weather partly cloudy to cloudy to overcast by 0430 hours, then clearing again, cloudy to partly cloudy by evening. Visibility 10 to 15 miles, lowered by smoke from the city to a few miles in the southerly direction. Flying all day and night. Day flying time 342:55 hours. Night flying time 27:50 hours.

July 12th  Cadet Squadron No. 221 from Watrous consisting of 1 officer and 18 cadets and No. 38 from Prince Albert consisting of 1 officer and 17 cadets completed training. The pressure Sewage pipe line which is being laid from the station to the city sewers is in progress and is being constructed across the slought at present. The installation of two additional water tanks has been completed. GB1568959  LAC Scott, G. student of course 100 transferred to course 102 due to illness. Weather clear to cloudy. Visibility 15 miles. Flying all day and night. Day flying time 435:15 hours. Night flying time 84:10 hours.

July 13th  Headquarters squadron sponsored dance for the airman and airwomen held in the Recreation Hall. The Convention of the Municipal Secretaries Association invited an airman and airwoman to attend dinner and a dance at the Bessborough Thursday evening. No. 4 SFTS swimmers attended the Area Swimming Meet which was held at No. 5 B. & G. School, Dafoe, winning in several events. 1287 books taken over from No. 7 ITS were incorporated in the library at 4 SFTS. The installing of adequate culverts placed in locations to allow 25 foot radius on road intersections, and gravelling in preparation for asphalt surfacing of roads is in progress. Weather partly cloudy to cloudy. Visibility 15 miles. Flying one half day, sports in afternoon. Flying all night. Day flying time 250:55 hours. Night flying time 56:00 hours.

July 14th  Weather, clear to overcast with light rain showers during the afternoon. Visibility 15 miles. Flying all day and night. Day flying time 241:35 hours. Night flying time 54:34 hours.

July 15th  No. 4 SFTS Flyers baseball team won honors in Area finals at Prince Albert.

July 16th All officers and other rank personnel on duty watch pool No. 6, and all Air Cadets attended church Parade at 1045 hours. No. 4 Flyers fastball (Men's Team) lost to No. 20 Navy, Score 5 to 4.

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July 16th (Contd) No. 4 Flyers fastball (WD team) played the Spartans, winning 2 to 1. Weather clear to partly cloudy. Visibility 15 miles or better. Flying one half day and all night. Day flying time 217:40 hours. Night flying time 55:35 hours.

July 17th A/V/M U.K. McKeen. Air Liaison Officer, accompanied by G/C Sellers visited the station. A/V/M McKeen gave a talk to all RAF aircrew trainees regarding slowing up of training and proposed system of employment of those waiting to join courses. Command Trade Test Board arrived this station to commence trade testing. Cadet Squadrons of seventy cadets, thirty one from No. 30 Estevan Squadron, twenty four from No. 35 Weyburn Squadron, fifteen from No. 17 Yorkton Squadron, with F/L J.M. Lydiard, Officer Commanding arrived to start training, W/C R.A. Kendrick from AFHQ visited Allied Personnel. For week beginning 17 July, the discussion groups chose subject "Canada and the USSR" for their topic of discussion. Weather partly cloudy to 1230, becoming overcast till 1530, thence cloudy to partly cloudy. Visibility 15 miles or better. Flying all day and night. Day flying time 315:55 hours. Night flying time 44:45 hours.

July 18th A/V/M G.R. Howsam visited the station. Officers' of Training Wing Staff and Instructors held a smoker in the Recreation Hall. Weather clear to partly cloudy till 1030 hours, becoming cloudy till 2330 hours with a light rain shower at 2230 hours. Visibility 15 miles or better. Flying all day. No night flying. Day flying time 345:45 hours.

July 19th All officers and other rank personnel not detailed for duty attended Commanding Officers Parade and Inspection at 0750 hours. A group of Air Cadets started a week of ground school training at G.I.S. All Flight Trainees Officers and Committee Representatives attended aircrew council meeting held in the Intelligence Library. Cranes 8691, 8140 and FJ228 taken on strength from stored reserve. Weather partly cloudy becoming clear at 0230 hours. Visibility 15 miles or better. Flying all day and night. Day flying time 389:45 hours. Night flying time 55:35 hours.

July 20th The No. 4 all Stars WD fastball team played at Dundurn and were defeated 19 to 4. After the game the WD's were served lunch and entertained by the CWAC. An exhibition men's fastball game was played at No. 4, CO-Op's vs Flyers, flyers winning 10 to 5. All personnel not detailed for duty attended track and field meet Thursday afternoon. Winners to be contestants in area Finals, 2nd August and Annual Sport day the 9th of August. Weather mostly clear. Visibility 15 miles reduced to 10 to 12 miles in light smoke after 2200 hours. Flying one half day
and all night. Day flying time 273:55 hours. Night flying time 56:55 hours.

July 21 Trade testing completed, 243 personnel being tested. The Knights of Columbus fastball team defeated No. 4 Flyers (Men's team) 4 to 2, played at No. 4 Sports field. Weather clear to partly cloudy becoming cloudy at 1730 hours. Thunderstorm approached from the northwest at 2300 hours. Visibility 8 to 12 miles in light smoke until 0730 hours thence 15 miles or better. Flying all day and night. Day flying time 396:30 hours/ Night flying time 38:55 hours.

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July 22/44 Weather mostly clear. Visibility 15 miles reduced to 10 to 12 miles in light smoke after 2200 hours. No night flying. Day flying time 163:30 hours

July 23 All officers and other rank personnel on duty watch pool No. 1 and Air Cadets in training attended Church Parade at 1045 hours. A/C A.J. Ashton paid a short visit to No. 4 SFTS Sunday. No. 4 Flyers Men's fastball team played Dundurn, Flyers winning 7 to 0. Weather clear to cloudy. Visibility 10-15 miles or better. Flying all day. No night flying. Day flying time 241:10 hours.

July 24 The subject chosen for the Discussion Groups for the week starting July 24 "The New North (What About Canada's Northland)"). Maintenance Wing was visited by Mr. Hoffman, Hoover propeller representative. Weather partly cloudy to cloudy to overcast. Lightning all directions most of the evening with local thunderstorms. Visibility 15 miles lowered by thunder showers to 12 miles. Flying all day. No night flying. Day flying time 377:50 hours.

July 25 At approximately 11:25 hours F/S Fryer in Anson Mk. II EP809 had slight accident, port undercarriage retracting at end of landing run. Accident caused by technical failure undercarriage mechanism. Extent of damage - blades on port propeller (Hoover) write off. Port air intake damaged. Port aileron ribs damaged - repairable. Port undercarriage jack damaged - repairable. Superficial damage to plywood port wing tip. Accident category D5. Weather cloudy to overcast to partly cloudy by 0930 hours, then becoming cloudy to overcast during the afternoon and evening. Visibility 15 miles lowered to 10 miles in showers. Flying all day and night. Day flying time 450:00 hours. Night flying time 34:05 hours.

July 26 All officers and other rank personnel not detailed for duty attended the Commanding Officer's Parade and Inspection at 0750 hours. Cadets from No. 30 Estevan, No. 35 Weyburn and No. 17 Yorkton ceased to be attached to No. 4 SFTS. A bowling alley committee was formed to organize and direct the installation, and operation of the bowling alleys. No. 4 Flyers hardball team played an exhibition game against Wiseton at the Saskatoon Exhibition. Flyers - winning 6 to 4. Maintenance Wing was visited by Mr. Lillick, Jacobs engine representative. Weather clear to partly cloudy to overcast by 0500 hours with ceilings lowered to 500 ft. by heavy low cloud. Ceilings from 1000 to 2000 feet most of the afternoon. Cleared off by evening to scattered clouds. Visibility 15 miles lowered by heavy fog during the early hours of the morning to ¾ to 1 mile. Flying all day and night. Day flying time 281:10 hours. Night flying time

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July 27/44 The Commanding Officer gave permission for a delegation from the Saskatoon Farm Boys Camp to visit No. 4 SFTS on Thursday. A number of officers were detailed to serve as escorts. Course
100 were reexamined in signals by the Command Examiner Mr. Morley. Maintenance Wing sponsored a dance held in the Drill Hall, which was most successful. The Drill Hall was decorated with bunting and flags and a floor show entertained airmen, airwomen and guests during the supper hour. NZ435958 LAC Fortescue S.J.G. student of Course 102 ceased training 27 July, unsatisfactory flying progress. GB1609582 LAC Bird, E.R. Course 100, transferred to course 102 on account of illness. Weather clear to partly cloudy to overcast of high cloud by 1330 hours then clearing somewhat in the early evening. Visibility 15 miles lowered by showers to 12 miles. Flying all day and night. Day flying time 406:15 hours. Night flying time 32:00.


July 29  No. 4 Flyers Hardball team lost to Dundurn 4 to 3 at an exhibition game played at the Saskatoon Exhibition. Weather partly cloudy to mostly overcast. Light rain showers during afternoon. Visibility 15 miles. Flying one half day. Day flying time 224:55 hours.

July 30  All officers and other rank personnel on duty watch pool No. 4 attended Church parade at 1045 hours. Weather mostly overcast with thunder and thunder showers early part of morning. Visibility 15 miles or better, reduced to 6 to 10 miles during showers. Flying one half day and all night. Day flying time 280:15 hours. Night flying time 39:30 hours.

July 31  GB1078398 LAC Thomas, J.G. student of course 102 ceased training, unsatisfactory flying progress. Weather, overcast to cloudy till 0730 hours, then becoming overcast till 1330 hours, becoming cloudy to partly cloudy. Light rain shower from 1205 to 1220 hours. Visibility 4 to 8 miles in light fog from 0530 hours to 0730 hours, otherwise 10 miles or better. Flying all day, no night flying. Day flying time 332:35 hours. Total flying time for the month of July 9377:15 hours.

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August 1st, 1944  G/C D.H. McCaul, CAEO., from #2. Training Command Calgary was on inspection of this Unit, Tuesday, August 1944 1st. W/C L.A. Costello, #2 Training Command Padre (RC) visited this Unit, Tuesday August 1st. A Pyrotechnic Display was held August 1st., at 2130 hours in area 150 yards west of the Control Tower, for all students and Instructors. An I.A.S.S.O., baseball game, No. 4 Flyers vs Dundurn was played at Cairns Field, Tuesday August 1st. No. 4 Flyers winning 7-3. Course 102 started writing their final ground school exams. Weather - Overcast to cloudy, light rain, showers from 1205 MD to 1220 MD. Visibility - 4 to 8 miles in light fog from 0530 to 0730 MD, otherwise 10 miles or better. Flying half day – discontinued until 1330 hours on account of low ceiling. No night flying. Day flying time 207:10 hours.

August 2nd  Commanding Officer's Parade and Inspection was held at 0750 hours on the parade square. Weather — partly cloudy till 1230 MD then becoming cloudy till 2330 MD. Visibility - 15 miles or better except for 12 mls., in light haze at 0530 MD. Flying all day and night. Day flying time 326:10. Night Flying Time 24:10.

August 3rd  First Aid lectures of twelve lectures commenced Thursday August 3rd. Trainees, Instructors and some ground crew personnel met in the recreation Hall at 1100 hours to hear Dr. A.J. Brace lecture on "China and the Campaign in Burma". No. 12 V.T.S. vs W.D. fastball game, No. 4 Flyers was played on the 4 S.F.T.S., Diamond. No. 4 Flyers winning 8 - 4. Weather - partly cloudy till 1730 MD then becoming cloudy to partly cloudy till 2330 MD. Visibility - 15

August 4th   Final Ground examination were completed Friday August 4th. At 14:20 hours at R1 Vanscoy, C2919 F/O J.F. Hobson and student LAC Summerfield C.F., in Crane 7762 made a heavy landing, braking off tailwheel. Damage to aircraft, tail strut and tail oleo damaged, Stinger damaged. Category E.1 0400 MD to 0445 MD Visibility 10 miles or better. Flying all day and night. Day Flying Time 440:55 hours. Night Flying Time 24:00 hours. Partly cloudy to cloudy. Light rain shower from 0400 MD to 0445 MD.

August 5th   The No. 2 Training Command Saskatchewan Area Track Meet was held at Griffiths Stadium, University of Saskatchewan at 1330 hours August 5th. Contestants from Davidson, Yorkton, Dafoe, Prince Albert and Saskatoon competed in the different events. No. 4 SFTS Athletes won the Track Meet Honors with 74 points to their credit. LAC Mathieson A., of #4 SFTS won the honors in the senior mens diving at the Provincial Swimming meet held at the Saskatchewan Municipal Pool, Saturday August 5th.


August 6th   All Officers, and OR personnel on Duty Watch Pool No. 7 attended Church parade at 1045 hours August 6th. Weather - rainshower and thunderstorm after 1400 MD. Otherwise partly cloudy to overcast. Visibility 15 miles. Flying all day. Day Flying Time 123:25 hours.

August 7th   A meeting for Aircrew Council was held in the Intelligence, Library at 1615 hours Monday August 7th. F/L C.C. Graham, F/O M. Helper and F/O F.V. Kay audit group from A.F.H.Q. arrived at this Unit for the sixth monthly audit check on Monday August 7th. Weather - rainshower from 0820 MD to 0825 M, 1530M to 1545M and from 1605 M to 1610M. Thunderstorms during the afternoon. Otherwise clear to overcast. Visibility 12 to 15 miles. Flying ceased at 1515 hours on account of storm warning. Night Flying. Day Flying Time 430:15. Night Flying Time 24:20 hours.

August 8th   No. 4 Flyers (WD) played Dundurn CWA.C at No. 4 S.F.T.S., score 8-1 for the Flyers. GB1588541 LAC Heafield, R., student of course 104 transferred to Course No. 106 on account of illness. Weather - clear to cloudy. Visibility 12 to 15 miles. Flying all day and night. Day Flying Time 458:05. Night Flying Time 24:20 hours.

August 9th   Commanding Officer's Parade and Inspection was held at 0750 hours on the parade square. The 4th Anniversary Track and Field Meet was held at No. 4 S.F.T.S., Wednesday August 9th. LAW Eddington and LAC Marshall of No. 4 S.F.T.S. were the athletic Champions for the day. Civilian visitors who registered to come onto the station numbered 1390. In the
evening a baseball game was played No. 4 Flyers vs No. 23 S.F.T.S. resulting in a tie game. A soccer game was played No. 4 vs No. 12 VTS, No. 4 scoring a 5-0 victory. A successful station dance was held in the Drill Hall which completed the Sports Day. A/C W.E. Cochram, and party from A.F.H.Q. visited No. 4 S.F.T.S., August 9th. Lieut K. Campbell and Lieut. M. Meehan gave an interesting lecture in the Recreation Hall at 1100 hours on their experiences in the British Army. These Officers are training as Pilots at the present time. S/L J.A. Hall from A.F.H.Q. of the audit group arrived at this Unit August 9th. Vi/C E.A. Weaver, Cheif Instructor posted to No. 11 S.F.T.S., Yorkton, Saks. Flying ceased at 1030 hours. No night flying. Day Flying time 104:35 hours. Weather - cloudy to partly cloudy to clear by 1130M. Cloudy to overcast later in the afternoon with thunderstorm by 1830M. Visibility 15 miles, lowered to 10 miles in the heaviest of shower.

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August 10th, 44  S/L. S.T. Bigelow, F/L G.S. Halter, F/O A.H.J. Zaitlen, F/L C.D.B. Ireton, F/O F.E. Mullin attended a District Court Martial at #4 SFTS., on 10th August. #4 SFTS Station swimming team, hardball, and tennis team left for Winnipeg to compete in the Command finals. No. 4 SFTS WD Fastball team and Men's fastball team entered the area finals at Davidson, the WD team defeating the Davidson and Dafoe Teams. No 4 Flyers mens team lost to No. 20 PAED. GB1625770 LAC Hampson, K., student of course No. 104 ceased training, unsatisfactory flying progress. This Student remustered Air Bomber and posted to No. 5 B&G, effective 14th August 1944. Weather cloudy to overcast with rainshowers. Visibility 15 miles lowered in showers to 8 to 10 miles. Flying all day. Day flying time 404:50 hours.

August 11th  Course 100 completed advanced training at R1 Vanscoy, and returned to No. 4 SFTS, Friday August 11th. Weather partly cloudy to clear till 0830M then becoming cloudy to overcast remainder of the date. Visibility 15 miles. Flying all day. Day Flying time 361:15.

August 12th  Normal routine carried this date. Weather overcast with light rain in the early A.M. with overcast to cloudy to partly cloudy by evening. Visibility 15 miles. Flying all day. Day Flying Time 300:25 hours.

August 13th  All Officers and OR Personnel on Duty Watch Pool #2 and all I.T.S. "C" or "A" personnel not on 48 hours passes, attended Church Parade at 1045 hours 13th August 1944. Weather - overcast becoming partly cloudy in morning. Becoming cloudy in afternoon with light showers until 1855 hours and then slowly clearing. Visibility 15 miles. Flying half day. No night flying. Day Flying time 162:15 hours.

August 14th  Course No. 102, "G" and "H" Flights proceeded to R1 Vanscoy, Monday 14 August for advanced training. At 1600 hours, 3 miles south of Asquith, Sask., Anson MK11 11283 with F/S C.M. Fryer as pilot and LAC M. Shearer as student made a forced landing due to failure of cam idler gear on starboard engine. Weather clear to partly cloudy in morning. Cloudy in afternoon with occasional rainshowers. Visibility 15 miles, or better. Flying all day. No night flying. Day Flying time 302:40 hours.
August 15th  S/L J.A. Hall from AFHQ of the Audit group left for Dafoe, 15th August. No. 4 Flyers (WD. Team) won fastball game against #12 VTS (CWAC) score 8 - 1. Weather cloudy to overcast with light rain showers. Visibility 15 miles, reduced to 12 miles in rain showers. Flying all day. No night flying. Day Flying Time 345:45 hours.

August 16th/44  All personnel not detailed for duty attended Commanding Officers Parade at 0750 hours Wednesday August 16. G/C J.S. Scott and party visited #4 S.F.T.S., Wednesday August 16th. Cranes 7847, J273 taken on strength from stored Reserve. Cranes 8039, 7665 struck off strength to No. 204 EHU. Estevan, Sask. Weather - clear to partly cloudy in morning with patches of fog along river. Partly cloudy to cloudy in afternoon clearing in evening. Visibility 15 miles. Flying all day. S.B.A. flying 2 Ansons from 2?00 to 2330 hours. Day flying time 403:25 hours. Night Flying time 2:45 hours.


August 18th  A number of Airmen and Airwomen from #4 SFTS proceeded to Winnipeg August 18th to participate in the Command Track and Field Finals. Weather partly cloudy to clear becoming partly cloudy and blowing dust in the afternoon, and showers and thunderstorms in evening. Visibility 15 miles or better except for 2 miles in light blowing dust. Flying All Day. No Night flying. Day Flying time 381:40 hours.

August 19th  Normal routine. Weather - clear to partly cloudy becoming cloudy to overcast in afternoon, with few light rain showers. Visibility 15 miles or better. Flying all day. No night flying. Day Flying time 306:55 hrs.

August 20th  All Officers and OR on duty Watch Pool #5 and all ITS "A" not on 48's attended Church Parade at 1045 hrs. Weather - partly cloudy to clear becoming partly cloudy to cloudy. Visibility 15 miles or better. Flying one-half day. No night flying. Day Flying time 168:25 hours.

August 21st  F/L W.A.M., Catton reported in as Senior Administrative Officer, Monday August 21st. At 1130 hours in precautionary landing area accident to aircraft Crane 8156, J25266 F/O J.C. Campbell uninjured. Student GB1805421 LAC Sutton, R.W. uninjured. While practising elevator descent, aircraft struck ground. Pilot allowed airspeed to become too low to maintain control, Damage to aircraft and cost: Propellers - write off, $170.00, port engine cowlings partly repairable, $25.00, stringers broken on underside of fuselage, center section, $10.00, Port engine mount one member dented, repairable, $20.00. Total Cost $250:00  Weather cloudy to clear. Visibility 15 miles. Flying all day. No night flying. Day Flying Time 334:05 hrs.

August 23rd/44 At 1630 hours in the Chapel of the Station Library, LAW Labey, D., and LAC Foster, J., were married, F/L R.C. Henstock preforming the marriage ceremony. On leaving the Chapel WD's formed a Guard of Honour. A reception was held in the W.D. Canteen which had been decorated for the occasion. On Wednesday August 22, notification of award to S/L A.L. Anderson 1939-43 Star was received. Weather clear to partly cloudy. Visibility 15 miles. Flying all day. No night flying. Day flying time 320:30 hours.

August 24th WD Fastball team left for Winnipeg to take part in Command Final Play-offs. W/C L.A. Costello (RC Padre) from No. 2 T.C., visited #4 SFTS Thursday August 23rd. Weather clear during the morning, becoming partly cloudy in the afternoon, and overcast in the evening, with a severe thunderstorm. Visibility 12 to 15 miles. Flying one-half day on account of sports, Afternoon. No night flying. Day Flying time 262:45 hours.

August 25th F/L W.A.M. Catton Senior Administrative Officer posted to No. 204 EHU, Estevan. F/O R.C. Church from No. 2 Training Command visited Canteens at No. 4 SFTS, Friday August 25th. Combined Commanding Officers Parade and Wings Parade for course 100 and was held at 1530 hours on the parade square. Commanding Officer G/C C.H. Greenway welcomed approximately 250 to 300 guests, after which he gave a most inspiring address to the graduating class. (see Appendix “L” at IMAGE 233) G/C C.H. Greenway presented Wings to the Graduates. After the Parade tea was served in the WD's Canteen and the Officers Mess. Harvard 2621, from #34 SFTS brought in - crash landing at Tessier, Sask. Weather - cloudy and overcast all day. Visibility 15 miles lowered in thundershowers. Flying low level circuits for "A" and "D" flights commenced at 0900 hours. Flying ceased at 1200 hours for Commanding Officers and Wings Parade. No night Flying. Day flying time 54:45 hours.


August 27th All Officers and OR Personnel on Duty Watch No. 8 and all ITS "C" or "A" personnel not on 48 hour pass attended Church Parade at 1045 hours Sunday August 27th. Five Officers and one hundred airmen from #4 SFTS attended Memorial Parade in Saskatoon at 1430 hours. Weather - high overcast to partly cloudy to clear by 1030 MD, then partly cloudy remainder of day. Visibility 15 miles. Flying commenced at 1300 hours. No night flying. Day flying time 145:25 hours.
APPENDIX "L"

Course No. 100 commenced training 14 February, 1944, with 60 students
Transferred from previous course 5
Transferred from No. 35 S.F.T.S., North Battleford 7
Adjusted Intake 72

Course No. 100 graduated 25 August, 1944, with 56 students.

19 graduates posted to No. 1 G.R.S., Summerside, P.E.I.
1 graduate posted to No. 1 B.&G. School, Jarvis, Ontario.
1 graduate posted to No. 8 B.& G.-School, Lethbridge, Alta.
2 graduates posted to No. 1 C.N.S., Rivers, Man.
1 graduate posted to No. 1 A.G.T.S., Maitland, N.S.
3 graduates posted to No. 2 A.G.T.S., Calgary, Alta.
20 graduates posted to No. 3 A.G.T.S., Three Rivers, P.Q.
9 graduates posted to No. 31 Personnel Depot, Moncton, N.B.

Total number of wastage - transfers and ceased training cases.

4 students transferred to Course No. 102 (Illness)
2 students transferred to Course No. 104 (Illness)
1 student ceased training and posted to No. 16 S.F.T.S., Hagersville, Ont.
5 students ceased training and posted to No. 18 S.F.T.S., Gimli, Man.
1 student ceased training and posted to No. 31 Personnel Depot, Moncton, N.B.
2 students ceased training and posted to No. 5 B.&.G. School, Dafoe, Sask.
1 student ceased training and posted to No. 1 C.N.S., Rivers, Man.
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Adjusted Intake (72) - Wastage (16) = Number of Graduates (56)

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August 28th S/L A.L. Anderson assumes Temporary Command #4 S.F.T.S. during the absence of G/C C.H. Greenway, while on leave. Weather - partly cloudy to high overcast which persisted throughout the date giving light intermitant showers Visibility 15 miles lowered by haze during the morning. Flying all day. No night flying. Day flying time 222:10 hours.

August 29th Notification of large draft - Overseas postings. Notifications of promotions effective 1st August., Chief Engineering Officer F/L J.B. Graham to A/S/L Senior Accountant Officer F/L J.S. Owen to A/S/L. F/O H.C. Rogers to A/F/L. P/O F.C. Finn to A/F/O and P/O E.I. Anderson to A/F/O. Course 104 started writing Final Ground School Examinations 29th August. Recces from Dundurn took #4 Flyers to camp winning hard ball game played at Cairns Field 12-5. Weather - overcast with light rain showers in the afternoon. Clearing gradually, becoming
partly cloudy. Visibility 15 miles reduced to 6 miles in rain showers. Flying all day. No night flying. Day flying time 314:40 hours.

August 30th All personnel not detailed for duty attended Commanding Officers Parade and Inspection at 0750 hours held on the parade square. Audit Board composed of S/L J.S. Owen, F/L W.M. Warner and P/O H.R.B. Hebb of #4 SFTS were appointed to audit non;public funds at No. 20 PAED for quarter ending 30th September 1944. Weather partly cloudy to cloudy in early morning, becoming overcast at 5 - 1000 ft. Lifting and breaking in early afternoon. becoming clear in evening. Visibility 15 miles. Flying commenced at 1100 hours due to low ceiling. No night flying. Day flying time 235:50 hours.

August 31st Course 104 completed writing Final Ground School examinations. F/L R.J.W. Pollock C.G.I, posted on T.D. to #3 OTU Pat. Bay for period familiarization training. Weather clear with light ground fog and smoke 0630 hrs to 0830 hrs. Visibility 15 miles, reduced to. 5-10 miles in light ground fog and smoke 0630 - 0830 hours. Flying one-half day (Sports Day) Flying one-half day (SBA) Night flying commenced at 2100 hours and ceased at 0100 hours. Day flying time 182:50 hours. Night flying time 12:20 hours.


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(A.L. Anderson) Squadron Leader,
Commanding Officer
No. 4 S.F.T.S., Saskatoon, Saskatchewan.

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August 31st (Cont'd) Appendices "A" to "I" attached covering sports activities during month of August.
Appendices "J" and "K" attached covering marriage of LAW Labey, and LAC Foster of this Unit.
Appendix "L" disposition of Course 100
Appendix 'M " "Reconnaissance" Station Paper for the month of August attached.
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Civilians
Meteorologists
Barrack Warden
Civilians

170 1066 179

Trainees:  R.C.A.F.  59
          R.A.F.  3  169
          R.N.Z.A.F.  -  4

Flying Times:  880:20 hrs.

(A.L. Anderson)  S.L.
A/ C.O. No. 4 S.F.T.S.

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1st Sept./44  F/L J.A. Todd and F/L C.H. Hearn, personnel counselling officers from No. 2 T.C. visited 4 SFTS. Two Crane aircraft 8669 and 8051 taken on strength from 11 SFTS, Yorkton. Weather clear, becoming partly cloudy in early morning. Cloudy to overcast with high cloud throughout afternoon and evening, with a few heavy cumulus in west during evening. Visibility 15 miles, reduced to 12 miles by light smoke at 0730-0830. Flying all day. Night flying commenced at 2100 hours and ceased at 0020 hours. Day flying time 327:30 hours. Night flying time 9:15 hours.

2nd Sept.  No. 4 SFTS athletes won honors in the Inter Active Service Northern Area track and field meet, held at Griffiths Stadium Saturday. The airmen totalled 88 points to their credit and the airwomen 45. Weather partly cloudy, becoming clear to partly cloudy. Visibility 15 miles or better. Flying all day. No night flying. Day flying time 107:55 hours.

3rd Sept.  All officers and other rank personnel on Duty Watch Pool #5 and all I.T.S. "C" or "A" personnel not on 48 hour pass attended Church Parade at 1045 hours. F/L E.L. Rose from No. 3 B. & G. arrived for familiarization personnel counsellor duties. Weather becoming partly cloudy to clear. Visibility 15 miles or better. Flying one half day. No night flying. Day flying time 222:00 hours.

4th Sept.  On commencement of Course 115, Commanding Officer gave an introductory talk, this course consisted of 60 Allied personnel. No. 4 SFTS Soccer team entered Area Finals at Davidson, winning 7-1. Weather clear till 0230, then becoming partly cloudy to cloudy to overcast at 0730. Overcast till 1430, then becoming cloudy to partly cloudy to clear. Light rain at 0630 and from 0935 to 1100. Visibility 15 miles or better, reduced to 12 miles in light rain. Flying all day. No night flying. Day flying time 230:05 hours.
6th Sept. Results of final ground school examinations forwarded to No. 2 T.C. No. 4 Flyers hardball team played Dundurn Recces at 4 SFTS, flyers winning 1-0. Weather light to heavy fog from 0750 to 0830, partly cloudy to cloudy becoming overcast at 0750, clear at 1430. Visibility 15 miles or better, reduced to ¼ of a mile in fog. Flying dual only commenced at 0930 hours. Full solo commenced at 1030 hours. No night flying. Day flying time 385:50 hours.

6th Sept. All personnel not detailed for duty attended Commanding Officer's Parade and Inspection, held at 0750 hours on the parade square. F/O J.E. Christie, Special Services Welfare Officer from No. 2 T.C.

6th Sept. (Contd.) visited 4 SFTS. Maintenance Wing sponsored party in Recreation Hall for personnel on overseas draft. Weather clear to cloudy during early morning, clearing again by 0930 and remaining thus throughout the afternoon, thence to partly cloudy during the evening. Visibility 12 to 15 miles. Flying all day. No night flying. Day flying time 323:55 hours.

7th Sept. W/C T.E. Kirk, P.M.O. from No. 2 T.C. accompanied by W/C J.V.V. Nichols from AFHQ visited 4 SFTS. Final hardball game in the Inter Active Services League, No. 4 Flyers vs Dundurn Recces was played at No. 4, Flyers winning 12-3. Overseas draft cleared from Station. Weather clear to partly cloudy to cloudy and overcast remainder of day with thunderstorm activity during the evening. Visibility 15 miles. Flying one half day (Sports Parade) No night flying. Day flying time 269:50 hours.

8th Sept. S/L K.S. Pitcairn, Command Navigation Officer visited 4 SFTS. F/O O.M. McCreary arrived 4 SFTS for familiarization Personnel Counsellor duties. No. 4 soccer team entered Command Final Play Offs at Winnipeg losing to Carberry 4-1. Weather partly cloudy to clear. High overcast during afternoon and evening, lowering to 1800 feet by late evening. Visibility 15 miles, lowered by heavy rain 6 to 8 miles. Flying bad weather circuits from 0945 to 1030 hours. Local solo commenced at 1030 hours. No night flying. Day flying time 233:30 hours.

9th Sept. Exhibition fastball game played at No. 4 SFTS - Flyers vs North Battleford, North Battleford winning 12-1. Weather overcast most of day clearing at times. Clear by 2030. Heavy smoke around district. Visibility 15 miles, lowered to 8 miles in smoke. Flying full solo commenced at 0820 hours. Dual commenced at 0930 hours due to low cloud. Solo commenced at 1000 hours. No night flying. Day flying time 310:35 hours.

10th Sept. All Officers and Other Rank personnel on Duty Watch Pool No. 6 attended Church Parade at 1045 hours. Exhibition fastball game, North Battleford against No. 4 Flyers was played at 4 SFTS, the game resulting in a tie. Weather heavy fog from 0530 to 0900. Light smoke all day. Otherwise clear. Visibility down to one-eighth of a mile in fog. Generally 8 to 12 miles in smoke. Flying one half day - day flying time 145:40 hours.

11th Sept. Sq./O B.D. Kemp, W.D. Command Staff Officer from 2 T.C. visited 4 SFTS. G/C A.R. Sinclair, S/L A.R. Bevan and F/L G. Richardson from No. 2 T.C. inspected Accounts


14th Sept Commencement of bowling league for winter months. Weather clear to overcast, becoming lower overcast during day. Occasional cloudiness. Lightning in early evening with overcast during day. Occasional cloudiness. Overcast breaking and clearing somewhat during evening. Visibility 15 miles, reduced to 10-12 miles in light smoke. Flying one half day (Sports afternoon) Day flying time 234:00 hours.

15th Sept. Commanding Officer's parade and inspection was held at 0750 hours on the parade square followed by a remembrance service to commemorate the Battle of Britain. Flt./O E.M. Raynor, No. 2 T.C. Messing Officer, inspected messes at 4 SFTS. F/L J.W. Baldock, Command Works & Buildings Officer visited 4 SFTS. At 1635 hours. 13 miles NW of main aerodrome, accident caused by forced landing to Crane 1A 8790. Student pilot R213012 LAC Howard, G.F., uninjured. Accident occurred while on solo practice when engines failed during forced landing practice - pupil having failed to change to full tanks. Aircraft beyond economical repair, write off. Category "A*. Weather, partly cloudy, becoming cloudy after 1530 hours. Visibility 15 miles, reduced to 12 miles in light haze in early morning. Flying all day. Day flying time 310:05 hours.

16th Sept. Normal routine carried out this date. Weather partly cloudy becoming clear in early morning, becoming cloudy to partly cloudy by noon. Overcast conditions through afternoon and early evening. Clearing somewhat in later evening. Visibility 15 miles, reduced to 12 miles in light haze 0730 to 0930. Flying all day. Day flying time 244:10 hours.

17th Sept. Special Services to commemorate the Battle of Britain were held at 1100 hours, the Protestant service in the Recreation Hall, and the R.C. Service in the Chapel. All personnel not on 48 hour passes and authorized leave attended. Weather light drizzle from 0405 to 0445, partly cloudy to cloudy, becoming overcast at 0330. Light rain from 0850 to 1010 and from 1245 to
1840 hours. Visibility 15 miles or better reduced to 10 - 12 miles in light rain and drizzle. Flying one half day. No night flying. Day flying time 13:15 hours.

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18th Sept./44  Sir Patrick Ashley Cooper, Governor of the Hudson’s Bay Co. was a guest at 4 SFTS, and was shown around the station by the Commanding Officer. Weather cloudy becoming overcast at 0130 to 2230. Light rain shower at 03S0, 0530 and 1130. Visibility 15 miles or better. Flying commenced at 0800 hours, solo except for junior course. Flying ceased at 1100 hours due to low ceiling and rain. Flying commenced at 1300 hours and ceased at 1700 hours. No night flying. Day flying time 222:35 hours.


20th Sept.  All personnel not detailed for duty attended Commanding Officer's Parade held at 0750 hours on the parade square. W/C T.E. Kirk, P.M.O., from No. 2TC visited 4 SFTS. Weather, light rain from 0120 to 0225. Overcast till 0930. Cloudy to partly cloudy to clear at 2230. Visibility 15 miles or better. Flying all day. No night flying. Day flying time 376:30 hours.

21st Sept.  A detail from 2 C.& M. Unit arrived at No. 4 SFTS to commence the hard surfacing of roads on this station. A/V/M K.M. Guthrie, MC, and A/VM. G.R. Howsam, MC, AOC No. 4 T.C and party arrived by air as honored guests. Fl./O F.M. Douglas, Public Relations Officer from No. 2 TC arrived on temporary duty. Allied Squadron journied to Dundurn for football game, winning 3 to 1. Weather, clear to cloudy. Visibility 10 to 15 miles. Flying one half day on account of Wing’s Parade rehearsal, and drill. No night flying. Day flying time 193:20 hours.

22nd Sept.  Wings Parade for course 102 was held on the Parade Square at 1500 hours. The Commanding Officer, G/C Greenway introduced the honored guests and called on A/V/M K.M. Guthrie, MC, to address the graduating class. A/V/M G.R. Howsam, MC, gave an inspiring speech (see Appendix “A1” at IMAGES 272, 273) and presented wings to the graduating class, his son being one of the graduates. On the march past A/V/M K.M. Guthrie took the salute, attended by A/VM G.R. Howsam and G/C C.H. Greenway. Tea was served in the Officers’ Mess for the Officers and their friends, and the airmen, airwomen and friends were entertained in the W.D. Canteen. Weather, mostly overcast. Visibility 15 miles or better. Flying all day. No night flying. Day flying time 192:05.

Course No. 102 commenced training 13 Mar/44 with 65 students. Transferred from previous course 4 students. Adjusted Intake 69 students.
22nd Sept. (Contd.) Course No. 102 graduated 22 Sept/44 with 56 students.

7 graduates posted to No. 1 G.R.S., Summerside, P.E.I.
4 graduates posted to No. 6 O.T.U., Comox, B.C.
2 graduates posted to No. 1 C.N.S., Rivers, Man.
2 graduates posted to No. 5 O.T.U., Boundary Bay, B.C.
5 graduates posted to No. 2 A.G.T.S., Calgary, Alta.
7 graduates posted to No. 3 A.G.T.S., Three Rivers, P.Q.
4 graduates posted to No. 1 "Y" Depot, Lachine, P.Q.
26 graduates posted to No. 31 Personnel Depot, Moncton, N.B.
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Total number of wastage, transfers and ceased training cases

1 student transferred to Course No. 104 (illness)
2 students transferred to Course No. 106 (illness)
3 students ceased training and posted to No. 5 B. & G. School, Dafoe, Sask.
2 students ceased training and posted to No. 18 S.F.T.S., Gimli, Man.
2 students ceased training and posted to No. 31 Personnel Depot, Moncton, N.B.
1 student ceased training and posted to R.C.A.F. Station, Mountain View, Ont.
1 student ceased training and posted to No. 9 B. & G. School, Mont Joli, P.Q.
1 student ceased training and posted to No. 1 C.N.S., Rivers, Man.
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Adjusted Intake (69) - Wastage (13) - Number of Graduates (56)

23rd Sept. Mobile party from No. 8 Repair Depot arrived at No. 4 SFTS to place all stored reserve aircraft in long term storage. Weather - occasional rain drop at 0130. Mainly overcast to partly cloudy. Visibility 10 to 15 miles. Flying all day. No night flying. Day flying time 166:40 hours.

24th Sept. All Officers and Other Rank Personnel on Duty Watch Pool No. 4 and all ITS "C" or "A" personnel not on 48 hour pass attended Church Parade at 1050 hours. Stored Reserve Aircraft Mobile Party departed for

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24 Sept./44 6 EFTS, Prince Albert. Crane 8790 struck off strength to 8 R.D. Weather, cloudy to overcast, light rainshower at 2310. Flying one half day. No night flying. Day flying time 171:55 hours.


27 Sept. All personnel not detailed for duty attended Commanding Officer's Parade and inspection held at 0750 hours on the parade square. Following the parade the third quarterly kit inspection was carried out. W/C G.O. Godson, F/L H.B. Peto and F/O H.G. Wedge from No. 2 TC visited 4 SFTS in connection with Training Armament. Weather, mostly clear becoming partly cloudy during afternoon. Visibility 15 miles. Flying all day. No night flying. Day flying time 187:15 hours.

28 Sept. Final ground school examinations for Course 106 completed this date. After Bowling, Headquarters had a dinner party at the Marigold Cafe, where an enjoyable evening was spent. Weather, clear becoming partly, cloudy to overcast. Visibility 15 miles reduced to 10 miles in light haze early part of morning. Flying one half day. (Sports Parade in afternoon). No night flying. Day flying time 212:30 hours.

29 Sept. Normal routine carried out this date. Weather, high overcast lowering to overcast. Light drizzle 0715 to 1000. Low ceilings with snow beginning 1325 until 1745. Low cloud slowly breaking and clearing to partly cloudy, leaving a cloudy condition of high alto cumulus. Visibility ¼ to 6 miles in snow and drizzle, otherwise 15 miles. No flying, except instrument, low ceiling, snow and drizzle. Flying (Instrument) 10:20 hours.

30 Sept. At 1400 hours, 3 miles south east Bratton, Sask., accident to Crane 1 7723. Pilot R214365 LAC Collins, A.H. (uninjured) while on solo low level cross country pilot was low flying. Having misjudged altitude above a lake the aircraft hit the surface damaging aircraft. Forced landing in a nearby field resulted. Damage to cowlings, engine nacelles, mainplanes, fuselage, pitot head. Propellers reduced to produce. Approximate damage to #250.00. Summary of Evidence ordered. At 1450 hours 8 miles south of Malmgren, 4 miles east of Rosetown, accident to Crane 1A FJ256. Pilot GB1607911, LAC James, C.D. (uninjured), while on solo low level cross country dived to escape a flock of birds and aircraft came in contact with ground. Starboard propeller broken, port propeller damaged. Starboard NACA cowling dented and starboard nacelle cowling crushed. 2 diagonal bracing tubes bent on lower starboard nacelle. Starboard engine to be removed because of over revving. Oil connection nipple broken off No. 4 cylinder. Starboard tire blown out. Fuselage nose cowling dented.
Approximate damage J220.00. Summary of evidence ordered. Weather overcast with occasional light snow until 0915 hours. Overcast lifting and breaking in early afternoon becoming clear in the evening. Light smoke to south and southwest in evening. Visibility 15 miles, reduced to 10 miles in light snow, and to 12 miles in light smoke. Flying all day. No night flying. Day flying time 360:15 hours.

Total flying time for the month 7247:15 hours.

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Flying Hours 7247:15

(C.H. Greenway) G/C
C.O. 4 S.F.T.S.

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App. A1
Air Vice-Marshal Guthrie, Group Captain Greenway, members of the graduating class, distinguished guests, officers, airmen and airwomen of No. 4 Service Flying Training School.

Today the pilots of Course No. 102 have completed their training and it is my high privilege in the name of the Air Force to award the proud insignia of Wings to them. These young men have just completed a most strenuous course of training, or rather to be more exact, a series of many strenuous courses. No doubt many of them will remember long and difficult hours from the Manning Depot through the Initial, the Elementary and now the Service Flying Training school. Difficult hours during which they listened patiently showing no boredom whatever to Chief Instructors, Chief Ground Instructors, Instructors in Armament, Instructors in Navigation, Instructors in Wireless and many others holding forth seemingly on every subject under the sun from "leadership the magic key to success" to "eat Goodies Grape Nuts and you'll dream about Rita Hayworth every night".

In all seriousness we have the utmost respect for our splendid hard working instructors. They have toiled long and hard under most trying conditions and have done a magnificent job. However, I expect that all course by the time they graduate have had a bellyful of lectures and speeches in general, so I thought I had better tell you a story. Now, I have heard by the grapevine that you had a pretty successful wings party the other night. The story or ditty I would like to tell you has to do with parties in general. It goes something like this:

"Never have a party on Wednesday night. Save your good parties for Sunday, Then the time that you spend in again feeling right, Will be His Majesty's time on Monday."

So you see, gentlemen, I am very glad that you have come safely through the many strenuous phases of Air Force training, including your wings party. There is no doubt in my mind that in winning your Wings you have gone a long way towards proving that you have what it takes.

Today if you will permit me, I would like to say a word or two on "What it takes to be an airman". It is time that you have won your wings, but your advancement from now on will depend in no small degree on the possession and the development of a few particular qualities.

I wonder if you have asked yourselves the question "what does it take to make a successful airman". What are the indefinable qualities which go into his makeup. In short, why were you yourselves selected to be pilots. Surly His Majesty's government is not paying you as pilots when you might have been paid at a lower rate of pay on some other job.

In my opinion, gentlemen, the chief qualities of an Air Force pilot are:
sterling character which includes great loyalties to your Service and to your country; the intelligence and the will to see a job through whatever the cost; and finally the unfailing good humour, and shall we say good manners which invariably go with the understanding viewpoint of a well balanced man.

Most of you will agree with me as to the value of a sterling character, and I doubt that many of you will disagree as regards the necessity of high intelligence and a strong will. But I have listed a third essential quality, namely unfailing good humour and the good manners which invariably go with the understanding viewpoint of a well balanced man.

I suggest that you beware of the "Hotspurs", the "Hotheads" and the "Balls of Fire", for these people will burn out a bearing or a valve seat in short order. Common-sense, horse-sense, patience, these are great attributes and will stand you in good stead whenever the going is tough.

Do you remember what Lincoln said when his sanctimonious critics complained that his favourite general, General Grant, drank hard liquor. Lincoln good humouredly asked the particular brand of liquor that Grant drank — he explained that he wanted to send a few barrels of the same brand to his other generals. "You see" he said, "Grant fights". Some of his other generals apparently didn't like fighting so well. Lincoln undoubtedly was one of the most moderate men of understanding viewpoint of all time. No one would call him a weakling or a failure, and few have ever had comparable problems to contend with. I commend the study of Lincoln's life to you. He is one of the greatest men — perhaps the greatest — of modern times and he had a very keen sense of humour.

I would like to suggest to you that the understanding viewpoint of well balanced men is the cement which keeps a good baseball or hockey team together and makes it click, and that all successful Air Force work depends on good team work.

In the first World War men like Barker, Ball and Bishop possessed these qualities in no small degrees and they have held for a long time the magic of heroism and of high endeavour to all of us. To you of your generation the names of Bader, Malan, Mr. Churchill's dam buster, Gibson, and Johnny Johnson, reflect the same daring spirit and proud example. There are many among you who will match these outstanding leaders. There are many among you who will blaze new trails of greater endeavour in freedom's cause, and thereby enrich the living, growing traditions of the Royal Canadian Air Force.

Once again we, in the Air Force, have met with our friends to award the proud insignia of Wings to a graduating class under the British Commonwealth Air Training Plan, to say farewell, and to wish them with all our hearts, God-speed and good luck.
1 Oct/44 All Officers and O.R. personnel on Duty Watch Pool No. 7 and all ITS "C" or e"A" personnel not on 48 hour pass attended Church Parade at 1045 hours. Tabulating final G.I.S. examination results for Course 106. Weather - high overcast becoming clear in early morning. Cloudy to partly cloudy occasionally overcast with high alto-cumulus and cirrus, becoming partly cloudy in evening. Visibility 15 miles, reduced to 10 miles in occasional light smoke from city. Flying one half day. No night flying. Day flying time, 222:15 Hours.


3 Oct/44 The first meeting for the seventh Victory Loan was held at 1330 hours in the Senior Administrative Officer's office. This committee, headed by S/L R.P. Airey went thoroughly into ways and means of raising the quota of $114,000 set for the seventh Victory Loan. This quota exceeds the previous quota by $34,000, although there has been a considerable decrease in strength on this Unit. Course No. 106 commenced one week's leave. Weather overcast to clear. Visibility 10 to 15 miles. Flying all day. No night flying. Day flying time 277:30 hours.

4 Oct/44 All personnel not detailed for duty attended Commanding Officer's parade and ensign hoisting ceremony at 0750 hours on the parade square. S/L E. Higgins, No. 2 Training Command Ground School Training Instructor, inspected G.I.S. this date, S/O E. Chase, Special Services W,D. Officer from A.F.H.Q. visited No. 4 S.F.T.S. F/O E.P. Leach and F/L J.Y. Hannant, repatriated officers visited this station and gave interesting lectures at the Gen Club. Harvard aircraft 100 and 2759 taken on strength from stored reserve. Crane aircraft Nos. 7686, 7687, 7802, FJ274 and 8814 struck off strength to No. 202 E.H.U., Estevan. Weather clear to overcast. Visibility 10 to 15 miles. Flying all day. No night flying. Day flying time 261:55 hours.

5-Oct/44 G/C S. Scott, from No. 2 Training Command, Commandant Maurice MacMahon from A.F.H.Q. of the Free French Forces accompanied by W/C E.A. Weaver, arrived at No. 4 S.F.T.S. to speak to the Allied Squadron. W/C R.M. Frayne, Command Protestant Chaplain visited this Unit. W/C H.R. Griffiths, P.M., from A.F.H.Q.

5 Oct/44 (Contd.) arrived this unit. Airmen's dance was held in the Recreation Hall with "Freddie. and. his Rhythm Rascals" providing the music for the evening. The dance was well attended and lunch was served at 2300 hours. Weather partly cloudy to overcast. Occasional light rain and drizzle. Visibility 10 miles or better reduced to 2-12 miles in precipitation. Flying bad weather circuits commenced at 0930 hours and ceased at 1100 hours for lecture and Sports
afternoon. No night flying, Day flying time 21:40 hours.

6 Oct/44  Second meeting of the Victory Loan Committee was held at 1330 hours in the Senior Administrative Officer's Office. F/L E.D. Lindsay, F/O J.A. Robertson and F/O G. Bird, repatriated officers from No. 2 T.C., visited No. 4 S.F.T.S. and gave lectures on tour of operations overseas. Aircraft Cranes 7678, 8151, 8684, 7667, 7825 struck off strength to No. 202 E.H.U., Estevan. Weather cloudy to clear becoming cloudy during the afternoon. Visibility 15 miles. Flying all day. No night flying. Day flying time 250:45 hours.

7 Oct/44  A/V/M K.M. Guthrie, CBE, A.O.C., No. 2 Training Command, accompanied by the Belgian Ambassador, Baron, Silverscruys, S/L Le Comte du Nonceau, DFC, arrived No. 4 S.F.T.S. Weather mostly clear. Light ground fog from 0730 to 0930. Visibility 15 miles or better reduced to 2-8 miles in light ground fog. Flying all day. No night flying. Day flying time 47:55 hours,

8 Oct/44  All officers and O.R. personnel on Duty Watch Pool No. 2 and all ITS "C" or "A" personnel attended Church Parade at 1045 hours, falling in on the parade square. Weather clear to partly cloudy, clearing again by 2030. Visibility 15 miles. Flying one half day. No night flying. Day flying time 113:55 hours.

9 Oct/44  Normal routine was carried out this date. GB1607586 LAC Porter, H.H. student of Course 106 ceased training; unsatisfactory flying progress. Weather mostly clear. Visibility 15 miles lowered to 12 miles by smoke from city. Flying all day. No night flying. Day flying time 340:05 hours.

10 Oct/44  A/C A.J. Ashton, Belgian Ambassador Baron Silverscruys and S/L Le Comte du Nonceau, DFC, visited No. 4 SFTS. 35098 Cpl. Bonnet, R., and 35784 F/S Goillot; R., students of Course No. 115, ceased training, due to unsatisfactory flying progress. Weather clear to partly cloudy to overcast all day. Visibility 15 miles lowered during evening in smoke. Flying all day. No night flying. Day flying time 344:55 hours.

11 Oct/44  Commanding Officers' Parade and Inspection was attended by all personnel not detailed for duty at 0750 hours on the Parade Square. Fourth Quarterly Officers’ Mess Meeting and election of officers was held in the Ante-room at 1240 hours. Nutritional film and Victory Loan Film was shown in the Recreation Hall at 1600 and 1630 hours. Third Victory Loan Committee meeting was held in the Senior Administrative Officer's Office at 1400 hours. W/C A.C. Singleton from A.F.H.Q. and W/C T.E. Kirk, No. 2 T.C., Principal Medical Officer, visited No. 4 S.F.T.S. A/C A.J. Ashton, Baron Silverscruys and S/L Le Comte du Nonceau, DFC, left No. 4 S.F.T.S. by air, Weather overcast becoming clear during afternoon. Visibility 15 miles. Flying all day. No night flying time. Day flying time 315:15 hours.

12 Oct/44  F/L W.R. Murray, Educational Officer from No. 2 T.C. visited No. 4 S.F.T.S. Aircraft Cranes 8170. 8170. 7999 taken on strength from stored reserve. Oxford aircraft from
Penhold awaiting engine change. Weather clear, smoke layers over city. Visibility 15 milos. Flying one half day (Sports Parade). No night flying. Day flying time 205:05 hours.

13 Oct/44 Mr. Elliott of the National War Finance Committee, Saskatoon, visited No. 4 S.F.T.S., and addressed the Victory Loan Committee with regards to the Seventh Victory Loan. F/L J.W. Baldock, No. 2T.C. Construction and Engineering officer arrived at No. 4 S.F.T.S. on temporary duty. Weather clear to partly cloudy becoming clear by 2000. Visibility 15 miles, reduced early part of morning to 5 miles by light smoke and fog. Flying all day. No night flying. Day flying time 303:00 hours.


15 Oct/44 All officers and O.R. personnel on Duty watch Pool No. 5 and all I.T.S. "C" or "A" personnel not on 48 hour pass, attended Church Parade at 1045 hours. No. 4 S.F.T.S., Free French Soccer team played No. 12 V.T.S. at Mayfair Park at 1430 hours, No. 4 Free French winning 1-0. F/L J.W. Baldock, No. 2 T.C. Construction and Engineering Officer arrived at No. 4 S.F.T.S. on Temporary Duty. Weather night ground fog and smoke in early morning, mostly clear. Visibility 10 miles or better, reduced to 6 miles in light ground fog and smoke. Flying one half day. No night flying. Day flying time 127:15 hours.

16 Oct/44 Command Trade Test Board consisting of the following officers, F/L A.E. Hopkins, President of the Board, F/O T. Gilbert, F/O D.A. Garrvie and F/S Roberts, D.W. members of the board arrived No. 4 S.F.T.S. to commence trade testing, S/L H.W. Lupton, from No. 2 T.C. arrived at No. 4 S.F.T.S. in connection with Training, Flying. 31541 Cpl. Gerard, A.M.J., student of Course 115, ceased training due to unsatisfactory flying progress. Aircraft Crane 1's 7798, 7829, 7707 and 7824 taken on strength to stored reserve. Aircraft Harvards 2953, 2951, 875, 3017, 2808 struck off strength to No. 204 E.H.U. Weather mostly clear, light smoke and fog around sunrise, light smoke and dust in evening. Visibility 15 miles, reduced to 1-5 miles in smoke and fog, reduced to 8 miles in smoke and dust. Flying all day and night.

16 Oct/44 (Contd) Day flying time 215:10 hours.; Night flying time 53:25 hours.

17 Oct/44 F/L C.H. Hearn and F/O V.S. Stevens, Personnel Counselling Officers from No. 2T.C. arrived No. 4 S.F.T.S. S/L D.R. Darry and F/O T.B. Davley, Visiting Flight, arrived No. 4 S.f.T.5. Miss G. Giles, Travelling Instructor for S.R.U.A. visited No. 4 S.F.T.S. and spoke to the W.D's on nursing as a post war job. Mobile party from 10 R.D., Calgary, arrived No. 4 S.F.T.S. to install engine on Oxford aircraft from Penhold. Aircraft Crane 1’s 7744, 7791 and 7788 taken on strength to stored reserve. Aircraft Harvards, 747,749,751 struck off. strength to No. 204
E.H.U. Weather visibility limited by smoke from 1000 until 1400 otherwise clear to cloudy. Visibility 2 to 6 miles in smoke from 1000 to 1400, otherwise 10 to 15 miles. Solo flying commenced at 0800 hours. Dual flying commenced at 0945 hours. Flying ceased at 1015 hours due to smoke ceiling. Day flying time 226:10 hours, Night flying time 57:00 hours.

18 Oct/44 S/O J.G. Ellis, Personnel Counselling Officer from No.. 2 T.C. and Miss B.J. Bujea with the Canadian Legion from Regina, visited No. 4 S.F.T.S. Harvard aircraft 2515 struck off strength to No. 204 E.H.U. Weather clear to cloudy. Visibility 10 to 15 miles. Flying all day and night. Day flying time 179:48 hours. Night flying time 46:45 hours.

19 Oct/44 F/L H.R. Eastwood, R.T.O. from No, 2 T.C. arrived No. 4 S.F.T.S. Weather clear to overcast. Visibility 8 to 15 miles. Flying all day and all night. Day flying time 274:20 hours. Night flying time 69:25 hours.

20 Oct/44 Visiting flight from Trenton, W/C E.T. Webster, S/L D.B. Riddell, S/L J.L. Flinders, F/L J.I. McKay, F/L D.D. Feaver, F/O J.H.C. Clark, F/O R.D. Ferguson arrived No. 4 S.F.T.S., F/O D.L. Campbell, legal defending officer arrived No. 4 S.F.T.S. to attend D.C.M. Oct. 23rd. Ground school exams commenced for flying instructors. At 1850 hours 20th October, 1944 Crane Aircraft 7999 with pilot F/O G.W. Coyle and two pupil pilots, 35679 Cpl. Soulas, R. and 35637 Cpl. Nagel, N. caught fire while running up on tarmac. Fire caused because fuel pump to the carburettor on the port engine became disconnected, allowing fuel to spray on to engine exhaust. Damage amounted to port mainplane burnt, spars charred, flap and aileron burnt, many ribs completely burned. Upholstery at rear of cabin burnt. Fabric on fuselage of cabin burnt off and wood stringers burnt. Empennage, fin, rudder, stabilizer elevators all burnt - produce, Category A. Investigating officer appointed. Weather clear, till 0730, cloudy becoming partly cloudy to clear at 1430. Light ground fog at sunrise. Light smoke. Visibility 15 miles or better reduced to 8-12 miles in light smoke and ground fog. Flying all day and night. Day flying time 189:35 hours. Night flying time 80:55 hours. G/C J.S. Scott and W/C Weaver from No. 2 Training Command and visited the unit to discuss training problems with the Commanding Officer and C.I. Wings Parade for Course 104 was held on parade square at 1500 hours. G/C J.S. Scott was invited by the C.O. to address the graduating class and present wings. A large number of visitors were present.

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20 Oct/44 (Contd) Course No. 104 commenced training 10 April, 1944, with 60 students Transferred from previous courses 4
Adjusted Intake 64

Course No. 104 graduated 20 October, 1944 with 46 students.
16 RCAF graduates granted one month leave
to be advised of posting.
7 graduates posted to No. 1 G.R.S., Summerside, P.E.I,
3 graduates posted to No. 5 O.T.U., Boundary Bay, B.C.
20 graduates posted to No. 31 Personnel Depot, Moncton, N.B.

Total number of wastage - transfer and ceased training cases.
1 student transferred to Course No. 106 (illness)
4 students ceased training and posted to No. 5 B. & G. School, Dafoe, Sask.
4 students ceased training and posted to No. 3 B. & G. School, MacDonald, Man.
3 students ceased training and posted to No. 31 Personnel Depot, Moncton, N.B.
2 students ceased training and posted to No. 18 S.F.T.S., Gimli, Nan.
1 student ceased training and posted to No. 1 T.C. Admin. Unit, Toronto, Ont.
2 students, ceased training and posted to No. 2 Manning Depot, Swift Current, Sask.
1 student ceased training and posted to No. 1 C.N.S. Rivers, Man.
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Adjusted Intake (64) - Wastage (18) Number of Graduates (46)

21 Oct/44  F/L J.M. Beauregard, Public Relations Officer from A.F.H.Q. visited No. 4 S.F.T.S. Flying Instructors continue writing ground school exams. Weather clear to cloudy till 1930 becoming partly cloudy till 2330. Visibility 15 miles or better, reduced to 10-12 miles in high smoke. Flying all day. No night flying. Day flying time 59:40 hours.

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22 Oct/44  All Officers and O.R. personnel on Duty Watch Pool No. 8 and all ITS "C" or "A" not on 48 hours pass attended Church Parade at 1045 hours. A/V/M T.A. Lawrence and party from N.W.A.C. arrived No. 4 S.F.T.S. F/L F.A. Brewster arrived No. 4 S.F.T.S. to attend District Court Martial to be held Oct. 23rd. Weather mostly clear till 0730. Partly cloudy becoming overcast at 1530. Light rain showers at 1950 and 2100. Very light ground fog early in morning. Visibility 15 miles or better reduced to 8-12 miles in light fog and smoke early in morning and light rain in the evening. Flying one half day. No night flying. Day flying time 64:30 hours.

23 Oct/44  Dean L.E Kirk, from the University of Saskatchewan, Dean of Agriculture, lectured to Officers, Airmen and Airwomen at No. 4 S.F.T.S. on Significant Developments of Agriculture in Western Canada. District Court Martial was held in the Recreation Hall at No. 4 S.F.T.S. S/L S.T. Bigelow, from No. 2 T.C. presided. Opening date of Victory Loan Campaign with sale's totalling 474 and amount of sales $60,900. 31547 Cap. Llech, P. student of Course No. 115 transferred to Course No. 120 due to illness. R214365 LAC Collins, A.H., and G.B.1607911, LAC James, C.D. students of Course No. 106 transferred to Course No. 115 for disciplinary reasons. Course No. 120, consisting of 75 airmen commenced training. Weather mostly overcast. Visibility 10 miles lowered by smoke and fog to 1 to 4 miles. Flying ceased until 1345 hours due to low ceiling. Flying all night. Day flying time 40:30 hours. Night flying time 56:45 hours.

24 Oct/44  Normal routine carried out this date. Victory Loan sales 568, amount $71,000. Weather overcast to partly cloudy to clear and becoming partly cloudy again during the late
afternoon and evening, clearing by 2030. Visibility 12 miles or better. Flying commenced at 0800 hours and ceased at 1040 hours due to low ceiling. Flying all night. Day flying time 130:10 hours. Night flying time 53:05 hours.

25 Oct/44  Trade testing at No. 4 S.F.T.S. completed. Victory Loan sales 598 amount $75,400. Weather clear most of night with high broken to overcast clouds from early morning till 1530 hours, thence clearing from partly cloudy to clear. Visibility 15 miles. 10 miles during afternoon with light smoke. Flying all day and all night. Day flying time 307:10 hours. Night flying time 93:50 hours.

26 Oct/44  Commanding Officer's Parade and Inspection was held at 0900 hours on the parade square. All personnel not specifically detailed for duty attending. From the parade square, personnel marched to the Drill Hall for the arrival of Miss. Gail Patrick who came to No. 4 S.F.T.S. to speak to personnel in connection with the Seventh Victory Loan. Victory Loan Sales to date were 676, amount of sales $84,900. Weather partly cloudy to overcast. Visibility 10 to 15 miles. Flying all day and all night. Day flying time 198:00 hours. Night flying time 119:56 hours.

27 Oct/44  Wings Parade for Course No. 106 was held at 1500 hours on the parade square. The Commanding Officer, G/C C.H. Greenway welcomed the visitors and addressed the graduating class, followed with the presentation of wings. After the parade the graduating class and their friends were served lunch in the W.D.

27 OCT/44 (Contd)  Canteen. Tea was also served in the Officers' Mess to the officers and their friends. Victory Loan sales to date 705 applications which amounted to $88,200. Weather light fog along river early in morning. Overcast above 10,000 feet, becoming partly cloudy by 0930. Visibility 15 miles or better reduced to 10-12 miles in light smoke and light fog. Flying all day and all night. Day flying time 376:55 hours. Night flying time 96:35 hours. Course No. 106 commenced training 8 May, 1944, with 66 students. Transferred from previous courses 4 Adjusted intake 70 Course No. 106 graduated 27 October, 1944 with 63 students. 19 graduates granted one month leave and awaiting posting. 34 graduates posted to No. 31 Personnel Depot, Moncton, N.B. 53 Total number of wastage - transfers and ceased training cases. 3 students transferred to Course No. 115 (Disciplinary reasons) 5 students ceased training and posted to No. 3 B.& G. School, MacDonald, Man. 1 student ceased training and posted to No. 3 Wireless School, Winnipeg, Man. 2 students ceased training and posted to No. 2 Wireless School, Calgary, Alta. 5 students ceased training and posted to No. 31 Personnel Depot, Moncton, N.B.
1 student ceased training and posted to No. 1 C.N.S., Rivers, Man.

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Adjusted Intake (70) - Wastage (17) = Number of Graduates (53)

28 Oct/44 Masquerade dance held in the Ante room of the Officers Mess for the Officers and their friends. Hard times dance was held for the Sergeants and their friends in the lounge of the Sergeants' Mess. Tables were attractively decorated with Hallowe'en decorations and a cold turkey supper was served at

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28 Oct/44 (Contd) 2300 hours. Victory Loan to date 755 sales, totalling $85,200. Weather clear. Visibility 15 miles reduced to 10 miles in light smoke and haze. Flying all day. No night flying. Day flying time 196:30 hours.

29 Oct/44 All Officers and O.R, personnel on Duty Watch Pool No. 3 and all I.T.S. "C" or "A" personnel not on 48's attended Church Parade at 1045 hours, Victory Loan sales to date 767, totalling $97,200. Weather clear becoming partly cloudy. Occasionally cloudy in afternoon. Visibility 15 miles or better, reduced to 8-12 miles in light fog and smoke. Flying commenced at 1300 hours and ceased at 1700 hours. No night flying. Day flying time 80:05 hours.

30 Oct/44 Professor Simpson from the University of Saskatchewan, visited No. 4 S.F.T.S., and lectured to the personnel on the subject "Who are Western Canadians?" No. 4 S.F.T.S. hockey team had their first hockey practice in the Saskatoon Arena. Station Hallowe'en Dance was held in the Drill Hall with Jack Davies Orchestra in attendance. The Drill Hall was colorfully decorated. Victory Loan sales to date 767, totalling $97,200. Weather heavy fog lifting at 1230. Visibility 0-3 miles, in heavy fog increasing to 10-12 miles about 1230-1850. Flying ceased at 1330 hours due to fog. No night flying. Day flying time 116:40 hours.

31 Oct/44 S/L E.H. Higgins, Commanding Training Ground School Instructor visited No, 4 S.F.T.S. Weather overcast. Heavy fog, during the night reducing the visibility to zero. Light rain from 1350 to 1355 and from 1910 to 2115. Visibility 7-10 miles reduced to 0-5 miles in fog. Dual commenced at 1430 hours. Ground fog and slight rain. Total day flying 84:25 hours. No night flying.
Total flying time for month ending 31 Oct/44 - 6597:15 hours.

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Newspaper report award DFC to F/O G.A. Greene, ex graduate 4 S.F.T.S., Appendix "S"

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Personnel Strength | Officers | Airmen and Other Ranks | Civilians
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Staff: RCAF and RAF | 148 | 662 |

Service Personnel Other than RCAF

| R.C.A.S.C. | 7 |
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| Trainees: | RCAF | 20 | 82 |
| RAF | 19 | 51 |
| Allied | 20 | 124 |
| | 59 | 237 |

Anderson W/C

for (C.H. Greenway) G/C
C.O. 4 S.F.T.S.

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Nov. 1st 1944 Victory loan to date 833 amounting to $106900.00. Continuous fog with freezing drizzle and snow. Visibility 1 to 4 miles in fog and freezing drizzle, occasionally 5 - 8 miles. No day or night flying due to icing conditions.

Nov. 2nd 1944 Commanding Officer's parade was held at 1400 hours on the parade square; all personnel not detailed for duty attended. After the march past the parade formed up in the Drill Hall and F/O Dickson was called on to outline the organization and set-up of the discussion groups. G/C A.E. Sinclair, S/L A.R. Bevan and F/L G. Richardson from No. 2 Training
Command visited No. 4 S.F. T. S. this date. Total number of sales for Victory Loan to date are 844 amounting to $109,750.00. Crane aircraft 7999 struck off strength to No. 8 Repair Depot. Weather - overcast with occasional snow flurry. Visibility - 15 miles or better. Dual flying commenced at 0900 hours and ceased at 1130 hours due to icing conditions. Flying all night. Day flying time 191:15 hours. Night flying time 114:15 hours.

Nov. 3rd 1944  F/L J.S. McKenty from N.W.A.C. and F/L A.H. Tweedle from A.F.H.Q. D.M.S. (Air) arrived No. 4 S.F.T.S. on temporary duty. Course 121 commenced training this date. See App. "A". Victory Loan sales to date 860, amounting to $110,950.00. Weather - cloudy to overcast with light fog around 0830 hours. Visibility 15 miles, reduced to 8 miles in light fog around sunrise. Flying all day and all night. Day flying time 212:30 hours. Night flying time 93:00 hours. (See App. “A” at IMAGE 355).

Nov. 4th 1944  Normal routine carried out this date. Victory Loan sales to date 867, amounting to $111,850.00. Weather overcast with occasional snow. Visibility 10 miles or over, lowered to 3.5 miles in snow. Flying washed out until 1430 hours due to low ceiling poor visibility and high wind. Flying ceased at 1700 hours. Day flying time 17:00 hours. No night flying.

Nov. 5th 1944  Church parade held for all Officers and O.R. personnel on duty watch Nos. 3, 4 and 5. Light snow, otherwise low overcast. Visibility 12 to 15 miles. Flying one half day. Flying washed in at 1815 hours, washed out at 2030 hours. Day time flying 83:05 hours. Night time flying 19:40 hours. Victory loan sales to date 877 sales, amounting to $112,700.00.

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Nov.6/44  Weather - overcast at 1100 ft. to 700 ft. from midnight to 0630M. Thick fog during the rest of the day. Visibility - 0 to 3 miles in fog, 12 miles up til 0630M. No flying due to heavy fog. Victory Loan sales to date 885 amounting to $114,050.00 - obtaining the Station Quota. Professor C. F. Bentley lectured to all personnel in the Recreation Hall. The subject being the Soil Resources of Western Canada. Course 122 commenced training this date. See App. “B” at IMAGE 355).

Nov. 7/44  Weather - heavy fog lifting to an overcast at 2500 feet. Visibility lowered in fog to zero. Low level circuits from 0930 hours to 1200 hours. Solo flying from 1345. Washed out for Drill Parade. No night flying due to poor weather conditions. Day time flying 71:10 hours. A/C J.A. Ashton, and W/C R.S. Cross from No. 2 T.C. visited No. 4 S.F.T.S. F/L W. McCallum, Command Fire Prevention Officer from No. 2 T.C. made an inspection of the Station. Victory Loan sales to date 895 amounting to $114,850.00.

Nov.8/44  Weather - ceiling zero - heavy fog. Visibility - 7 to 10 miles lowered in heavy fog to 1/8 miles. No flying day or night due to fog except for bad weather circuits and weather checks. Day time flying 60:05 hours. Victory Loan sales to date 906 amounting to $117,600.00. Normal routine carried out. Inter-Active Service Sports Organization held a meeting aboard the H.M.C.S. Unicorn. Mr. M. Smee, Y.M.C.A. attended. P/O Paul. No. 4 S.F.T.S., was elected Secretary-Treasurer.
Nov. 9/44  Weather - foggy during the early part of morning, becoming overcast with high cloud at 0730M. Variable during remainder of day, becoming overcast with low cloud. Flying washed in at 0830 hours. Washed out at 1200 hours due to Commanding Officer's Parade. No night flying due to weather conditions. Day Flying time 112:20 hours. Night flying time 46:50 hours.

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Nov. 9/44 (cont'd)  Commending Officer's parade and Inspection held at 1400 hours on the parade square. All personnel not detailed for duty attended. After the march past the parade formed up in the Drill Hall where F/O Dickson, J.N., instructed the personnel as to time and location for the individual Discussion Groups. Mrs. Weeks, wife of Brigadier Weeks, then spoke to the personnel on the subject of Overseas Mail. Following the parade all personnel not detailed for duty attended Discussion Groups. Double-Headed Basketball Game with No. 4 S.F.T. S. flyers vs Varsity Orphans-score 31-28 for the Flyers. W.D.'s of No. 4 S.F.T.S. vs. Ramblers - score 48 - 9 for the Ramblers. Victory Loan sales to date 907 amounting to $118,600.00.

Nov. 10/44  Weather - high broken to overcast at four thousand feet, lowering to seven hundred feet or less after 1730 M.D. Visibility - 15 miles lowering to 7 - 10 miles in low cloud. Full solo commenced at 0800 hours. Washed out at 1000 hours due to poor weather. Dual flying commenced at 1030 hours, washed out at 1130 hours. Dual washed in at 1330 hours, solo washed in at 1445 hours and dual washed in at 1450 hours. Flying ceased at 1730 hours. No night flying. Day time flying 298:25 hours. Victory Loan sales to date 920 amounting to $121,100.00.

Mov. 11/44  Weather - high broken to overcast at four thousand feet, lowering to seven hundred feet or less after 1730 M.D. Visibility - 15 miles lowering to 7 - 10 miles in low cloud. Solo washed in at 0800 hours. Dual washed in at 1130 hours. No night flying. Day time flying 169:45 hours. Remembrance Day Parade in Saskatoon, participated in by Navy, Amy, and Air Force. Band and one flight of airmen from this Unit. Victory Loan sales as at the last day of the drive - 945 amounting to $124,950.00.

Nov. 12/44  Weather - light intermittent snow from 0030 till 0330M. Overcast during the night becoming partly cloudy till 1930 M. Clear thereafter. Visibility - 15 miles or better reduced to 10 - 12 miles in light snow. Flying all day - no night flying. Day flying 271:25 hours. R.C.A.F. personnel of Roman Catholic faith attended a special memorial service held at St, Joseph's Church at 1915 hours. Church parade for all Officers and O.R. on Duty Watch. Special Remembrance Service held in Station Chapel.

Nov.13/44  Weather - clear till 0740 hours. Heavy fog lifting about 1230 hours. Low overcast with light fog for remainder of day. Visibility 15 miles better, reduced to 3 -1/8 miles in fog. No flying.

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Nov. 13/44 (Cont’d) Professor J.W. MacEwan lectured on "The Rise of the Cattle Kingdom". All station personnel attended. A meeting of the Inter-Active Service Sports Organization was held to discuss the Hockey schedule. No. 4 S.F.T. S. Basketball team played Varsity Huskies at Nutana winning by a score of 41 to 31. It was the Flyers second straight victory and puts them well on top in the City Men's Basketball League.

Nov. 14/44 Weather - fog reducing visibility to near zero. Low overcast. Visibility - 1/8 to 2 miles in fog. No flying. "Variety Show" staged by No. 4 S.F.T.S. personnel was held in the Recreation Hall, followed by a dance and refreshments. S/O B.M. English, Equipment Officer No. 2 T.C. visited the Station.

Nov. 15/44 Weather - visibility and ceiling zero until 0930 in heavy fog. Overcast from 200 ft. to 800 ft. throughout the afternoon and early evening lifting to scattered low cloud to clear by 1930M. Visibility -1/4 to 1/8 of a mile in heavy fog until 0930M, lifting from 1 mile to 6 miles in light fog. 8 to 10 remainder of day. Day flying washed in dual at 1445 hours. Solo at 1530 hours. No night flying. Flying day total 105:35. Exhibition Basketball game between the Officers and the Free French personnel of No. 4 S.F.T.S. The Free French winning by a score of 69 to 26.


Nov. 17/44 Weather - clear to overcast with high cloud. Light smoke from city and light fog during morning. Visibility - 8 to 10 miles in fog. Otherwise 10 to 15 miles. Flying all day. 415:35. No night flying. F/L O.G. Bums and F/L C.G. Stalker, No. 2 T.C. Visiting Flight reported on the Unit. Normal routine carried out this date.

Nov. 18/44 Weather - clear with light fog and smoke over city. Visibility 10 miles or better reduced to 1 - 3 miles in light fog and smoke. Flying all day. F/L Bell, A.L. - A.F.H.Q. reported on this Unit with reference to R.C,A.F. Benevolent fund. Normal routine carried out this date.

Nov. 19/44 Weather - generally clear with light ground fog in morning, fogging in again at night. Visibility - 10 miles or better reduced by fog during morning and night to near zero. Flying all day - no night flying. Day time flying - 340 hours. Church Parade for all Officers and O.R. personnel on Duty Watch Roll No. 4, all I.T.S. "C" or "A".

Nov. 20/44 Weather - generally foggy throughout the day. Visibility - 2 miles to zero in fog.
No flying on account of low ceiling. No night flying. Crane aircraft 7798, 7824, 7829, 8180 taken on Unit strength from Stored Reserve. F/O Hull, D.M. - P.T. & D. Officer from 23 E.F.T.S., reported on Station. Drill tests were held for all Officers and N.C.O.'s of No. 4 S.F.T.S. The Women's Division Basketball team came up against strong opposition when they played the Royals at the Nutana gym, and were defeated by a score of 44 to 7.

Nov. 21/44   Weather - heavy fog and low ceiling until 0325 M.D. High overcast lowering to 4-5000 ft. Lowering to 4-9 hundred ft., with light snow, becoming partly cloudy then clear. Visibility - 5/8 to 5 miles in fog, 3.8 miles in snow, otherwise 10 miles or better. Flying all day - 387:00 hours. No night flying. The Victory Loan Committee and Canvassers held a party in the Recreation Hall to wind up the Seventh Victory Loan Campaign. G/C Greenway personally thanked the Committee and canvassers for their co-operation, in putting the Station over the top. Two teams picked from the Victory Loan Committee officially opened the new Bowling alleys in the Drill Hall. G/C Greenway threw the first ball declaring the Alleys officially open. F/L McNeely, J.E., No. 2 T.C. Equipment Officer visited the Station.

Nov. 22/44   Weather - overcast becoming partly cloudy to clear. Visibility - 15 miles or better. Flying all day. 178:29 hours. Night flying 3:10 hours. The Inter-Active Service Basketball teams travelled to Dundum. The Men's team defeating the Army by a score of 25 to 23. The W.D. basketball team won their first game in the series defeating Dundurn C.W.A.C. by a score of 14 to 10. No. 4 S.F.T. S. Flyers came through with a close win, defeating the Dafoe team at Dafoe by a score of 30 to 27.

Nov. 23/44   Weather - partly cloudy, becoming cloudy to overcast. Light freezing rain from 1745M to 1905M. Visibility - 15 miles or better reduced to 8 - 12 miles in haze and light freezing rain. Flying all day - 516:20 hours. S/L W.C.M. Barrell, Commanding Officer, No. 5 Release Centre, Winnipeg visited the Station. Lt. Col. Church, C.D.C. visited this Unit. F/O R.C. Church, No. 2 T.C. Canteen Officer made a visit to this Station. A Double-header basketball game played in the Drill Hall at No. 4 S.F.T. S. The No. 4 Flyers played the Toilers maintaining the lead in the league with a score of 21 to 16. The W.D. team went down to defeat when the Co-Eds from Saskatoon University took them with a score of 27 to 9.

Nov. 24/44   Weather - Overcast with light drizzle during afternoon. Visibility - 10 miles or better. Flying until 1540 hours - 285:15 hours. No night flying. GB1814872 LAC Hermand, M.L.A. Course 120 ceased training

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Nov. 24/44 (Cont'd)   unsatisfactory flying progress, R250972 LAC Grigg, H.G. Course 122 unsuited aircrew. Normal routine carried out this date.

Nov. 25/44   Weather - mainly overcast. Visibility - 10 miles or better lowered, in snow to 6 - 8 miles. Flying all day 314:30 hours. No night flying. Informal dance held in the Officers' Mess. Station Orchestra in attendance.
Nov. 26/44    Weather - mainly overcast. Visibility - 5 to 12 miles in light snow. All Officers and Other Ranks personnel on Duty Watch Pool No. 7 attended Church Parade at 1045 hours. Group Captain Greenway, C.H., proceeded on temporary duty to No. 2 Training Command to attend the Air Officer Commanding's Conference. F/O R.C. Church, Command Canteen Officer visited the Station. Flying - dual washed in at 1045 hours. Washed out at 1200 hours. No night flying. Total day - 151:20 hours.

Nov. 27/44    Weather - mainly overcast. Light fog beginning at 100M. Visibility - 10 miles or better. Dr. J.B. Harrington, Professor from the University of Saskatchewan lectured to all personnel not otherwise detailed for duty, in the Recreation Hall. He chose for his subject "The Price of Wheat and It's Development in the West". In the first game of the Inter-Active Service Hockey League No. 4 S.F.T.S. Flyers came out on top over No. 13 S.F.T. S., North Battleford with a score of 14 to 1. No. 4 S.F.T.S has a strong team and expect little competition in the league. A Double-Header basketball game played at Nutana Gym. No. 4 Flyers coasted along to another easy victory over the Varsity Orphans. The final count 56 - 26 for the Flyers. The W.D.'s from No. 4 S.F.T.S. lost their game against the Elkettes by a score of 43 - 17. Flying all day. No night flying. Total day - 397:15 hours.

Nov. 28/44    A Programme of Symphonic Music, which celebrated the opening of the Arts & Crafts Centre in the East Wing of Barrack Block 14 was well attended by Station personnel. No. 4 Flyers Basketball Team defeated No. 5 B. & G. S., Dafoe in a closely matched game. The final score being 34 – 26. Weather - light snow until 0500M. Variable cloud conditions thereafter. Visibility - 1/2 to 8 miles in snow, 10 to 15 miles otherwise. Flying all day - no night flying. Total day - 426:25. B75033 LAC Borhet, R.R. - student Course 120 ceased training, unsatisfactory progress. B75025 LAC Godest, L.F. - student Course 120 ceased training, unsatisfactory progress. B75027 LAC Ambroge, L.M. - student Course 120 ceased training, unsatisfactory progress.

Nov. 29/44    Weather - mainly clear. Cloudy to overcast 1030M to 1330M. Visibility - 1/2 mile in smoke & fog increasing to 2 to 3 miles by 1330M, Otherwise 8 to 15 miles. Flying all day - no night flying. Total day 195:05. Normal routine carried out this date.

Nov. 30/44    Weather - clear to partly cloudy. Visibility - 10 miles or better. Flying all day. Total day 447:20. Night flying washed in at 1900 hours washed out at 0400 hours. Total night flying 69:15 hours.

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Nov. 30/44 (cont'd)    A monster Station Dance held in the Drill Hall was well attended by Station personnel and friends. The former 7 I.T.S. Band, now stationed at Dafoe provided the music. Total flying time for month ending 30th Nov/44 - 6,729:55 hours.

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(C.H. Greenway) G/C
APPENDIX "A"

Course No. 121 commenced training 3 November, 1944, with 65 students:

- 16 students reported from No. 15 E.F.T.S., Regina, Sask.
- 7 students reported from No. 26 E.F.T.S., Neepawa, Manitoba.
- 9 students reported from No. 5 E.F.T.S., High River, Alta.
- 2 students reported from No. 24 E.F.T.S., Abbotsford, B.C.
- 8 students reported from No. 23 E.F.T.S., Davidson, Sask.
- 1 student reported from No. 25 E.F.T.S., Assiniboia, Sask.
- 4 students reported from No. 19 E.F.T.S., Virden, Man.
- 1 student reported from No. 6 E.F.T.S., Prince Albert, Sask.
- 16 students reported from No. 31 S.F.T.S., deWinton, Alta.
- 1 student reported from No. 32 S.F.T.S., Bowden, Alta.

APPENDIX "B"

Course 122 commenced training 6 November, 1944, with 69 students:

- 10 students reported from No. 24 S.F.T.S., Abbotsford, B.C.
- 14 students reported from No. 23 E.F.T.S., Davidson, Sask.
- 1 student reported from No. 25 E.F.T.S., Assiniboia, Sask.
- 2 students reported from No. 19 E.F.T.S., Virden, Man.
- 5 students reported from No. 15 E.F.T.S., Regina, Sask.
- 13 students reported from No. 6 E.F.T.S., Prince Albert, Sask.
- 24 students reported from No. 32 S.F.T.S., Bowden, Alta.

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1st Dec/44 Weather mainly overcast with high cloud. Visibility 10 miles or better. Flying all day. Total day flying 294:10 hours. Night flying washed in at 1900 hours - washed out at 0400 hours. Total night flying time 77:55 hours. F/O W.J. Brown, A.E., taken on strength, filling position of O.C. Servicing Squadron. F/O E.N. Kingsland reported to this Unit to fill position of
Technical Adjutant.

2 Dec/44  Weather mainly overcast with high cloud. Visibility 10 miles or better. Flying all day - no night flying. Total day time flying 305:35 hours. S/L F. E.W. Statham, O.C. No. 2 Squadron posted to No. 1 C.N.S. Rivers.

3 Dec/44  All Officers and O.R. personnel on duty watch pool No. 2 attended church parade at 1045 hours. Weather overcast with high cloud in the early morning hours. Fog and low cloud from 0630 to 1030 hours. Clear to scattered after 1030 with patches of fog in the evening. Visibility 10 miles or better reduced to 3 - 6 in fog. Flying all day and night. Day flying time 325:05 hours. Night flying time 81:10 hours.

4 Dec/44  Handicraft program opened in Barrack Block 14. Mr. B. Holliston instructed in designing of leather tooling and lino block. No. 4 S.F.T. S., Hockey team played No. 12 V.T.S. in the Saskatoon Arena, No. 4 Flyers winning 15 to 1. S/O A.L. Campbell, Messing Officer at 4 S.F.T.S. posted to No. 1 C.N.S., Rivers. F/L J.H. Cumming of No. 4 S.F.T.S. left on temporary duty for No. 13 S.F.T.S., North Battleford to investigate accident. No. 4 W.D. Flyers basketball team played Orphanettes at Nutana and were defeated 27 to 21. Weather clear to cloudy with high cloud. Visibility 10 to 15 miles. Flying all day and night. Day flying time 352:05 hours. Night flying time 71:40 hours.


6 Dec/44  A musicale was held in the Arts and Craft Centre. Professor Tuck of the Law College, University of Saskatchewan, presented a program of classical music and commentary on the composers. Capt. H. Foxall, R.C.A.S.C., visited No. 4 S.F.T.S., today. No. 4 Flyers played Navy at the Navy Barracks in the Inter-Active Service basketball league, Navy winning 31 to 26. Weather overcast in morning clearing to cloudless in the evening. Light rain from 0425 to 0515 hours. Visibility 12 to 15 miles. Flying

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6 Dec/44 (Contd.)  all day and night. Day flying time 367:50 hours. Night flying time 23:40 hours.

7 Dec/44  A Boxing tournament was held in the Drill Hall. There were eleven bouts, selected from personnel of the Navy, Army and Airforce. There were over 900 spectators present who enjoyed a well balanced boxing and wrestling match. Weather clear to overcast. Visibility 15 miles or better. Flying all day and night. Day flying time 391:35 hours. Night flying time 7:00 hours.

8 Dec/44  A double header basketball game was played in the Drill Hell. No. 4 W.D.'s won
over the Orphanettes by a score of 17 to 12 in the first game. Varsity Huskies won over No. 4 Flyers with a score of 25 to 14 in the second game. Weather broken to overcast with light snow beginning at 0900 to 1015 hours. Visibility 10 miles or better, reduced to 6 miles in light snow. Flying all day and night. Day flying time 394:15 hours. Night flying time 75:20 hours.

9 Dec/44 S/L S.A. Bushell from No. 2 A.C., posted to 4 S.F.T.S., as Squadron Commander. Harvard aircraft AJ941 taken on strength of this unit. No. 4 S.F.T.-S. hockey team defeated No. 13 S.F.T.S., North Battleford hockey team at North Battleford by a score of 4 to 3. Weather generally clear with fog, snow and low low cloud between 0900 and 1230. Visibility 10 miles or better reduced by fog and low cloud to ¼ to 4 miles. Flying all day, no night flying. Day flying time 163:20 hours.

10 Dec/44 All Officers and O.R. personnel on Duty Watch Pool No. 5 attended Church Parade at 1045 hours. Weather clear to partly cloudy, becoming cloudy in afternoon, gradually clearing in evening to clear. Light fog and smoke from 0530 to 1100 hours. Visibility 15 miles, reduced to 3-7 miles in light fog and smoke. Flying all day and night. Day flying time 372:50 hours. Night flying time 72:30 hours.

11 Dec/44 The United States Army Air Fbrce Medal was posthumously awarded to F/L.E. Burk Elliott of Sutherland, Sask. for work done with the U.S.A.A.F. in the Mediterranean theatre of war. Group Captain C.H. Greenway, Commanding Officer of this Unit, present the medal during a short ceremony today to F/L Elliott's mother. F/L H. Wittrys of No. 2 A.C. visited this Unit's Link Section today. LAC Brown, volunteered to instruct in plastic work on the Handicraft program. No. 4 W.D.'s played the Elkettes in the basketball league at Nutana. Score was 42 to 16 for Elkettes. Weather, morning clear to overcast most of the afternoon, clearing after sunset again. Visibility 10 miles or better. Flying all day and all night. Day flying time 431:25 hours. Night flying time 96:40 hours.

12 Dec/44 Weather clear to cloudy, becoming clear again after 1830 hours. Visibility 15 miles or better. Flying all day and all night. Day flying time 435:45 hours. Night flying time 83:25 hours. GB1607821 LAC Whiter, R.A., Student, Course 121 ceased training (unsatisfactory flying progress). GB1795526 LAC Shields, E.V., Student, Course 121 ceased training (unsatisfactory flying progress). GB1655441 LAC Samuel, E.G., Student, Course 121 ceased training (unsatisfactory flying progress). GB1584952 LAC Pitts, H., Student, Course 121 ceased training (unsatisfactory flying progress). R251837 LAC McKay, W.H.

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12 Dec/44 (Contd.) student, Course 121 ceased training (unsatisfactory flying progress)

13 Dec/44 Group Captain's Davidson and Taunton, Staff Officers in Construction and Engineering, from 2 A.C.H.Q., visited this unit. Mr. Harrison Randall of the Canadian Legion Auxiliary Services, who is riding a bicycle across Canada, gave an impromptu piano recital in the Officers' Lounge after the monthly mess meeting. An Inter Active Service Basketball game was played here. Our Allied team won over 12 VTS., with a score of 41 to 24. No. 4 S.F.T.S.
hockey team lost to Davidson, score 6 to 3. Weather clear to partly cloudy. Visibility 10 to 15 miles. Flying all day and night. Day flying time 382:55 hours. Night flying times 95:55 hours.

14 Dec/44  Mr. M.C. McGinnis, Engineer in charge of survey party arrived today. Mr. Harrison Randall, Canadian Legion Auxiliary Services played the piano in the Drill Hall for the airmen and airwomen. No. 4 W.D.'s played the Ramblers here in the basketball league, losing by a score of 50 to 18. No. 4 Flyers played the Toilers in the second half of the double header. The Flyers won by a score of 36 to 27. This win puts them back on top of the Men's City Basketball League. Weather - clear to partly cloudy. Visibility 10 miles or better. Flying all day and night. Day flying time 313:15 hours. Night flying time 97:25.

15 Dec/44  F/O L.B. Graham posted to No. 23 E.F.T.S., Davidson Sask., to commence flying training course. WO2. C. Horsfall, P.T. & D.I., posted to Davidson. Weather clear to partly cloudy. Visibility 10 miles or better. Flying all day and night. Day flying time 434:00 hours. Night flying time 87:40 hours.

16 Dec/44  The No. 4 Flyers hockey team won over 13 S.F.T. S., North Battleford at North Battleford with a score of 18 to 6. Weather overcast. Visibility 10 miles or better, reduced to 4 miles in light snow. Flying washed out at 1030 hours due to weather. No night flying. Day flying time 116:15 hours.


18 Dec/44  No. 4 Flyers played No. 13 S.F.T.S., North Battleford in the hockey league, winning 7 to 3. After the game a dance was held in the Drill Hall sponsored by the Arts and Crafts Club. There were over 500 persons present and the music was supplied by the station orchestra. Weather low overcast early in the morning, lifting to alto stratus. Clear and partly cloudy with high Cirrus the rest of the day. Visibility 15 miles. Flying all day and night. Day flying time 427:45 hours. Night flying time 73:35.

19 Dec/44  The candy bags for the children's Xmas tree were filled to night and the trees decorated. Help was voluntary with all ranks represented. Weather overcast with light intermittent snow after 1400 becoming occasional snow flurries after 1900 hours. Visibility 10 miles or better, reduced to 3/4 to 4 in snow. Flying all day. No night flying. Day flying time 284:00 hours.

20 Dec/44  The Kiddie's Xmas Tree was held this afternoon in the Drill Hall. The attendance was very good with four hundred and thirty three presents being distributed. F/L Eggertson was Santa Claus and played the part exceptionally well. F/L Moir was in charge of decorations and
arrangements and a very successful Xmas party was held with the youngsters and parents enjoying themselves. Free transportation to and from the station was supplied by the Saskatoon Municipal Railway Co. Weather mostly clear. Visibility 12 to 15 miles except from 1730 to 1930, during light fog reduced to 3 miles. Flying all day and night. Day flying time 399:00 hours. Night flying time 75:45 hours.

21 Dec/44  Air Vice Marshall Guthrie, G/C Sellars, F/L MacDonald and Flt. O. Christie arrived at 1800 hours and were entertained at dinner in the Officer's Mess by the Commanding Officer. No. 4 SFTS entertained badminton players from the University of Saskatchewan. Twenty four participants entered the tournament and with the exception of the singles, No. 4 suffered a very decisive defeat. The Arts and Crafts instruction classes are cancelled for the holiday period, to commence again during January. Attendance at these classes has been very good. S/L W.C.K. Barrell, Command Discharge Officer visited this unit. Weather intermittent light snow. Visibility decreased to 6 to 10 miles in light snow and to 1½ miles in light blowing snow at 1500 hours, otherwise 10 to 15 miles. Flying all day and night. Night flying 44:00 hours, day flying 253:50 hours.

22 Dec/44  The Air Officer Commanding extended season's greeting to airmen and airwomen assembled in the Drill Hall at 0830 hours. Personnel proceeded on Xmas leave today. Invitations for 50 Xmas dinners were received from Saskatoon people. Of these only 5 were accepted which should indicate personnel were being well looked after over Xmas day. Weather light snow from midnight until 0200 hours, from 1005 to 1445 hours, and from 1700 until 1900 hours. Clear after 1900 hours. Visibility mainly 3 to 10 miles in light snow, but reduced to 1 mile, in snow at 1130, otherwise 10 to 15 miles. No night flying. Flying all day. Day flying time 200:30 hours.

23 Dec/44  Normal routine this date. Weather, light blowing snow during the afternoon clear to overcast. Visibility 5 miles in blowing snow, otherwise 10 to 15 miles. Flying all day, no night flying. Day flying time 164:30 hours.

24 Dec/44  All Officers and other rank personnel on duty watch Pool No. 3, attended Church Parade at 1045 hours. Weather overcast at 6000 until 0200 hours. Otherwise clear. Visibility 15 miles. No flying day or night.

25 Dec/44  Officers' of No. 4 SFTS entertained the Senior NCO's in the Officers Mess from 1100 to 1200 hours. To the tune of the bagpipes officers and NCO's then marched to the Airmen's Mess to serve dinner. An excellent turkey dinner was provided for the personnel with fruit and nuts attractively laid out on the tables. Weather clear to overcast. Visibility 15 miles. No flying Xmas day or night.

26 Dec/44  Weather mainly cloudy to overcast. Visibility 10 to 15 miles. Flying washed in 1000 hours. No night flying. Total day flying 126:15 hours. Normal routine carried out this date.
27 Dec/44    Weather clear to overcast. Light ice crystals. Visibility 10 to 15 miles. Flying all day, no night flying. Day flying time 20S:15 hours. Organized schedule activity deferred until after the holiday Season.

28 Dec/44    Personnel returning from Xmas leave this date. Weather overcast to blowing snow and fog. Visibility 10 miles reduced to 2 - 4 miles in blowing snow and fog. No flying due to low clouds and poor visibility, GB1281025 LAC Bousfield, J., student Course 122 ceased training. GB1569856 LAC Bisset A.J., student Course 122 ceased training. GB1808148 LAC Smith J.L. student Course 122 ceased training.

29 Dec/44    Weather overcast stratocumulus with snow, clearing in evening, becoming overcast with high altocumulus and alto stratus. Visibility 10 - 15 miles, reduced to 3 - 8 miles in snow. No flying due to snow.

30 Dec/44    Personnel left on New Year's leave this date. Weather high overcast with snow commencing at 1200 hours. Visibility 15 miles, reduced to 1½ to 6 miles in snow. Flying washed in 0830 hours, washed out 1415 hours on account of snow. Total day flying time 125:40 hours.

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31 Dec/44    All Officers and Other Ranks on Duty Watch Pool No. 6 attended Church Parade at 1045 hours. Weather high scattered to overcast with snow and blowing snow from 0605 hours to 1115 hours. Becoming high scattered during afternoon with low stratus forming after 1800 hours. Visibility 15 miles, reduced to 3-8 miles in snow and blowing snow. No. flying day or night. Dinner was served in both the Officers' and Senior N.C.O.’s Mess at 2200 hours following which the orchestras began playing and the New Year was welcomed in the good old fashioned way.

Total flying hours for month of December, 9378:00 hours. No flying accidents for second consecutive month.

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31 Dec/44  Sporting Events (newspaper clippings) for month of December, 1944
Newspaper clipping respecting RCAF Benevolent Fund Station newspaper 'Reconnaissance' for month of December, 1944.

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1 Jan/45  Opening the New Year the Senior N.C.O's entertained the Officers in the Sergeant's Mess from 1100 to 1200 hours. In the Airmen's Mess both airmen and airwomen sat down to a gala New Year dinner. The menu consisted of turkey and all the trimmings. In the Station Hospital the Senior Medical Officer and Nursing Sisters served dinner to the hospital staff and their honoured guest, the Commanding Officer. Guests from other units were received in the Officers' Mess during New Year's Day and Officers from this station visited other service units in Saskatoon and vicinity. Weather, scattered to broken to high clouds with 3 to 4/10 of stratus at 3000'. Visibility 10 miles or better. No day or night flying.

2 Jan/45  Very quiet after New Year's festivities. Normal routine carried out. Weather variable sky conditions with occasional light blowing snow. Visibility 10 miles or better reduced to 8
Flying all day, no night flying. Total day flying 154:15.

3 Jan/45  Normal routine carried out this date. Station personnel attending the movies at the station theatre, making use of the bowling alleys and other sporting facilities available in the Drill Hall. Weather generally cloudy with occasional light snow. Visibility 10 miles or better, reduced to 6 miles in light snow. Flying all day. Total day flying 170:00.

4th Jan/44  Personnel returning from New Year's leave, taking up their duties once again. Four Crane aircraft brought on strength from Stored Reserve - 7707, 7791, 7788, 7744 Weather clear
to partly cloudy, becoming clear again after 1800 hours. Visibility 10-15 miles reduced early in period to 4 miles in ice crystal fog. Day and night flying - Day flying time 337:10 hours. Night flying time 56:25 hours.

5 Jan/45   Squadron Leader R. Laidlaw awarded Long Service and Good Conduct Medal. Weather partly cloudy to overcast in the morning, with light snow throughout therest of the day. Visibility 3 to 10 miles in snow, otherwise over 10. Flying all day. Day flying time 251:45 hours.

6 Jan/45   Normal routine carried out this date. Weather continuous light snow until mid afternoon. Visibility ½ to 4 miles in snow, otherwise 10 or better. Flying half day on account of snow and poor visibility. Day time flying 75:45 hours.

5 Jan/45   Squadron Leader R. Laidlaw awarded Long Service and Good Conduct Medal.

6 Jan/45   Normal routine carried out this date. Weather continuous light snow until mid afternoon. Visibility ½ to 4 miles in snow, otherwise 10 or better. Flying half day on account of snow and poor visibility. Day time flying 75:45 hours.

7 Jan/45   All officers and other ranks on Duty Watch Pool No. 1 attended Church Parade held in the Station Chapel at 1045 hours. R251987 LAC Robillard, L.L., student of Course 122, ceased training, unsatisfactory progress in flying. Flying washed in 1300 hours. Day flying 137:00 hours. Night flying 16:15 hours. Crane 7903 with student pilot 35536 LAC Chouteau, H.C., of Course 115, struck ferry cable near Baljennie, Sask., 1635 hours and crashed to ice. Aircraft beyond economical repair. Cause of accident under investigation. His accident breaks station record - no accidents for three months. Weather, light snow and blowing snow until 0630, overcast till about 1830, clear thereafter. Visibility ½ to 5 miles in snow, otherwise over 10 miles.

8 Jan/45   Sq/O E.M. Rayner, Equipment Messing Officer, No. 2 A.C.H.Q., inspected all messes on station! Flying all day and night. Day flying time 338:15 hours. Night flying time 80:40 hours. Weather, snow from 0705 to 0810 and from 0900 to 1010 hours. Smoke and fog reducing visibility at 1030 hours. Visibility 2 to 8 miles in light snow, otherwise 10 to 15 miles. Flying washed in at 1015 hours and washed out 1315 hours due to icing. No night flying. Day flying time 107:40 hours. F/L D. Campbell, Regional Legal Officer, appointed by 2 A.C.H.Q. to take summary of evidence in to crash Crane 7903.

9 Jan/45   Mixed badminton tournament opened in the Drill Hall with a number of enthusiastic participants. The first of the Informal Dances to be held each Tuesday night in the W.D. Canteen proved to be a great success. S/L R.P. Airey, Squadron Commander and F/L W.R. Gould (A.C.) discharged this date pending retirement. Weather - light snow from 0435 to 0445 hours, from 0605 to 1000 hours and from 1335 to 1700 hours. Visibility 2 to 8 miles in light snow, otherwise 10 to 15 miles. Flying washed in at 1015 hours and washed out 1315 hours due to icing. No night flying. Day flying time 107:40 hours. F/L D. Campbell. Regional Legal Officer, appointed by 2 A.C.H.Q. to take summary of evidence in to crash Crane 7903.

10 Jan/45   No. 4 Flyers palyed to another victory in the men's basketball league, taking the Toilers for a ride 50 to 4l. F/L A.R. Lockhart, Special Services P.T. and D. Instructor reported to No. 4 for Duty. Weather, overcast with fog and freezing drizzle and snow early part of period, becoming high overcast later in day. Visibility 5-10 miles reduced to ½ mile in fog. No flying in morning due to low ceiling. Washed in at 1315 hours. Day flying time 219:15 hours. Night
flying time 37:55 hours.

11 Jan/45  A chess tournament for staunch supporters of this noble game was held in the Arts and Crafts building. F/O W. Cohen, F/L D. Thomas from No. 7 Photo Rockcliffe, visited this unit. F/L D.L. Campbell, Legal Officer, reported on station for duty (Summary of Evidence). Weather, high overcast, heavy fog forming early part of period, becoming overcast at 8-20 hundred feet. Visibility 10 miles or better reduced to 1/8 miles in heavy fog. No night flying, flying all day. Day flying time 427:15 hours.

12 Jan/45  S/L A. Caben, Medical Officer takes over duties at No. 4 while SMO S/L Smith reports to Winnipeg on Temporary Duty. Miss K. Blackmore, YMCA organizer reported to Unit as supervisor of handicraft classes. Weather, overcast with light snow and fog. Visibility 1-3 miles reduced to ½ mile in snow and fog. No night flying or day flying due to poor visibility and low ceiling.

13 Jan/45  W/C B.H. Howelle, M.B.E., RAF Chaplain, visited this Unit. Weather clear to overcast. Visibility 10 miles or better. No night flying. Flying all day. Day flying time 412:15 hours.

14 Jan/45  All officers and other ranks on Duty Watch attended Church Parade at 1045 hours. W/C B.H. Howelle, MBE., RAF Chaplain, officiated at the morning service held in the Station Chapel. Weather - light fog from 0700 to 0900 hours. Visibility 3 to 5 miles in fog. Flying one half day. Day time flying 253:25 hours. Flying all night. Night flying time 96:55 hours.

15 Jan/45  In the Exhibition Hockey game played in the Areana No. 4 Flyers added another victory to their already long string, chalking up an 8 to 4 decision over No. 23 EFTS, Davidson. Weather, generally clear-with fog during early morning, becoming overcast with blowing snow about 2000 hours. Visibility 10 miles or better, reduced to ½ mile in fog. Flying all day and half night. Day flying time 356:20 hours. Night flying time 17:40 hours.

16 Jan/45  The airmen's and airwomen's basketball teams played at No. 13 SFTS., North Battleford, the No. 4 Flyers losing their game by a score of 36 to 34. The No. 4 WD Team played a steady game to win 21 to 12 over the North Battleford team. C34, A.V.M. K.K. Guthrie, AOC, No.2 AC and party including C966, G/C H.H. Atkinson and C4188  S/L F.F. Gravelle inspected this Unit. The W.D. Bowling League commenced in the Drill Hall with four teams participating. Weather overcast with light blowing snow between 0915 and 1050 hours. Visibility 10 miles or better, reduced to 3 miles in light snow. Flying all day and night. Day flying time 322:05 hours. Night flying time 95:00 hours.

17 Jan/45  The No. 4 Flyers Basketball team played to a win over the Navy team in the Navy gym. S/L G.M. Hamilton, C3833. Organization Branch No. 2 AC and Fl/O F.M. Douglas, P.R.O., visited the station in connection with Central Band Concert. Weather overcast, visibility
10 to 15 miles. Flying all day, no night flying. Day flying time 332:15 hours.

18 Jan/45  A Double header basketball game played in the Drill Hall. The No. 4 Flyers defeated the Huskies by a score of 67 to 37. The W.D. team lost to the Elkettes, a strong City team by a score of 35 to 11. Following the basketball games a station dance was held in the Recreation Hall, the station orchestra supplying the music. Refreshments were served and approximately three hundred personnel attended, making it one of the most successful dances of the season. Discussion groups were held from 1600 to 1700 hours.

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18 Jan/45 (Contd)  and all personnel not specifically detailed to duty attended. The No. 4 Flyers hockey team played an exhibition game against No. 23 EFTS. at Davidson, winning by a score of 11 to 9. Weather overcast with snow now and blowing snow most of the day. Visibility 4 - 5 miles in light fog. ½ to 5 miles in blowing snow. No day flying, flying half the night. Day flying time (weather checks) 8:55 hours. Night flying time 11:30 hours.

19 Jan/45  Normal routine carried out this date. Weather, snow and blowing until 1400 hours. High broken to partly cloudy with low stratus at 2000 feet, moving in about 1930 hours. Visibility ¾ to 5 miles in snow and blowing snow until 1400 hours, 8-10 miles with light smoke and fog. Flying all day and night. Day flying time 276:15 hours. Night flying time 85:55 hours.

20 Jan/45  A fire occurred at 2035 hours in the south end of the Supply Depot building on this Station. Estimated damage $3000.00. A court of Inquiry has been appointed. Cause, obscure. Weather, low overcast becoming high overcast after 1500 hours. Visibility 10 miles or better. Flying all day. No night flying. Day flying time 304:30 hours.

21 Jan/45  All officers and other ranks on Duty Watch Pool No. 7 attended church parade held in the station chapel at 1045 hours. Weather - light fog to southeast at 0700 to 1100 hours, otherwise clear to cloudy. Visibility 8-15 miles. Flying all day and night. Day flying time 235 hours. Night flying time 104:35.

22 Jan/45  The No. 4 SFTS., Flyers won their way to the Saskatoon area Hockey finals by defeating No. 23 EFTS., Davidson, 7 to 3. No.4 Flyers Basketball team marked up another win at Nutana Gym, taking the Varsity Orphans by a score of 49 to 22. In the women's division game, the No. 4 team scored a close 15 - 14 victory over the Orphanettes. The Area Semi-Finals Badminton Elimination Tournament was held in the Drill Hall for ladies and men's and mixed doubles. G/C C.H. Greenway, Commanding Officer, departed on temporary duty to Claresholm as president of a General Court Martial. Sq/O E.J.C. Henderson, Personnel Counsellor, AFHQ., spoke to all airwomen on the subject of Post War positions and rehabilitation. S/L W.N. Venables, Aero Engineer, 2 AC., visited the Maintenance Section of this Unit. Capt. H. McRae, RCAS.C., No. 12 Dist. Coy., Regina, reported on Unit. Weather, partly cloudy to cloudy. Visibility 10 miles or better. Flying all day and night. Day flying time 270:35 hours. Night flying time 83:05 hours.
23 Jan/45  No. 4 Flyers Basketball team played an exhibition game against No. 13 SFTS., North Battleford, defeating them by a score of 43 to 33. S/L G.H. Warren, Education Officer from 2 AC, visited this Unit. Weather scattered to broken clouds. Visibility 10 miles or better. Flying all day and night. Day flying time 256:10 hours. Night flying time 78:20

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24 Jan/45  The Area Semi Finals for Badminton and Bowling were held on this Unit. North Battleford and Saskatoon were the only competitors. No. 13 SFTS won the men's doubles in badminton, No. 4 won the men's doubles and mixed doubles. In the bowling, No. 4 SFTS won both the men's and women's games. W/C R.A. Kendrlck, RAF Liaison Officer, reported on temporary duty from A.F.H.Q. S/L Hamilton took up duties as SAO replacing F/L E.P. Eggerton who is on leave pending retirement. Weather, clear, partly cloudy in the evening. Visibility 10 miles or better. Flying all day and night. Day flying time 279:00 hours. Night flying time 65:50 hours.

25 Jan/45  Rita Houston's Victorettes from Saskatoon staged a concert in the Recreation Hall, approximately 350 service personnel attended. Following the concert a party was held for the entertainers in the W.D. Canteen, about 100 people attended and enjoyed the dancing and refreshments. S/L R. Gregson, S/L S.S. Farrell and F/L G. Richardson, Command Accountant Staff reported on temporary duty from 2 ACHQ. Weather partly cloudy to overcast during the morning, with light snow beginning at 1810 hours. Visibility ½ to 5 miles in snow, 5 - 6 miles in ground fog early in morning, otherwise 10 miles or better. Flying all day no night flying. Day flying time 212:10 hours.

26 Jan/45  C6900 W/C J.A. Mahoney, P.M.O., No. 2 ACHQ inspected Station Hospital. F/L G.M. Douglas, Special Services, AFHQ, visited the station arranging for the visit of the Central Band of the RCAF. Weather, high scattered to overcast becoming low overcast with snow. Partial breaking in late afternoon with low cloud moving in. Occasional snow in evening. Visibility 10 miles or better, reduced to 1-7 miles in snow and light fog. Flying washed in - dual only. Flying washed out 1200 hours. Field unserviceable. No night flying. Day flying time 151:05 hours.

27 Jan/45  Informal dance held in the Officers' Mess, the station orchestra supplying the music. Weather, mostly overcast with occasional light fog and snow. Visibility 5 - 10 miles in snow and fog otherwise 10 miles or better. No night flying. Solo washed in 1300 hours, washed out 1700 hours. Day flying time 121:10 hours.

28 Jan/45  A special church service was held in the Recreation Hall. The lesson was read by the Commanding Officer, and F/L Henstock conducted his last service on this station prior to his posting overseas. A band concert featuring the Central Band of the R.C.A.F. was held in Saskatoon. The Commanding Officer, No.4 S.F.T.S., introduced the Band to the civilian guests and F/L G. Moir acted as Master of Ceremonies. Weather, mostly
28 Jan/45 (Contd.) overcast with light snow and fog until 0900 hours, becoming partly cloudy to clear by 1230 hours. Visibility 1-3 miles in snow and fog otherwise 10 miles or better. Flying washed in 1330 hours. Flying washed out 1700 hours. No night flying. Day flying time 99:05 hours.

29 Jan/45 The R.C.A.F. Central Band played to a large crowd of service personnel and their friends in the Drill Hall on this unit. Following the band concert, the dance orchestra a part of the Central Band supplied music for a very successful dance. Weather mainly clear. Traces of aircraft fog on the field from 0900 hours to 1100 hours and during the evening. Visibility 8 to 15 miles. Flying all day and night. Day flying time 133:15 hours. Night flying time 95:40 hours.

30 Jan/45 Miss A. Blackmore, Assistant YMCA Supervisor spoke to all airwomen in the W.D. canteen, displaying a number of articles that can be made here in the Arts & Crafts building. J3718, S/L Ward, B.C., C1750, S/L Fraser, P.W., J23248 F/O Clark, W.B., J22945 F/L MacIver, No. 2 ACHQ staff officers reported on temporary duty to this unit to inspect (??????). Weather clear with patches of fog and smoke. Visibility 10 miles or better - reduced to 1 - 6 miles in fog. Flying washed out due to fog. 1430 hours flying washed in dual. 1700 hours flying washed out. No night flying. Day flying time 12:15 hours.

31 Jan/45 In an exhibition hockey game at North Battleford, No. 4 Flyers defeated No. 13 SFTS by a score of 13 to 5. J11326 F/L Kelshall, J.B., Legal officer reported on temporary duty as Prosecuting Officer on the District Court Martial to be convened on this Unit Feb. 1st. F/L Kelshall gave an interesting lecture on current events to all aircrew in the Recreation Hall. C13880 F/L Zaitlin, A.H.J, reported on temporary duty as defending officer on the District Court Martial. C2333 S/L Verrier, E.J., Works & Buildings Officer from No. 2 ACHQ visited the station and inspected the Works & Buildings Section. C51412 S/L P.H. Knowles, G.L., visited the unit. Weather, extensive fog until 1800 hours. Clear thereafter. Flying washed out due to fog. Dual flying commenced at 1400 hours. Day flying 4:00 hours. Night flying 49:30 hours.

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1 Feb/45 The District Court-Martial of B35536 Caporal Henri Claude Chouteau, No. 4 S.F.T.S., was convened at 1000 hours. C14253 S/L G.S. Halter, 2 AC - President; J11326 F/L J.B.G. Kelsbell, 2 AC - Prosecutor; C13880 F/L A.H.J. Zaitlin, 12 SFTS - Defending Officer; C51412 S/L P.H. Knowles, AFC., 10 SFTS - Member; CAN15057 F/L R.G. Stone. 12 SFTS - Waiting Member; No. 4 SFTS Flyers Hockey Team journeyed to North Battleford where they defeated No. 13 SFTS by a score of 13 to 5. A double-header basketball game was held at the University. The honours of the evening were divided — No. 4 WD team lost to the Huskettes 32 to 13 and No. 4 Flyers defeated the Orphans by a score of 80 to 41. C13495 F/L J.B. Currier, C.2572 F/O H.C. Hatfield, F/O F.V. Kay, Accountant Officers from AFHQ reported on temporary duty. Weather - generally clear with light fog. Visibility - 10 miles or better, reduced to 3-5 miles in light fog. B35536 Caporal Chouteau, H.C., student of Course 115, transferred to Course 120 pending decision of Court Martial. Flying all day and night. Night flying 8:40 hours, Day flying hours 248:00 hours.

2 Feb/45 Two area basketball games were played in the drill hall by visiting teams from 13 SFTS North Battleford and 23 EFTS Yorkton. The North Battleford teams were successful in winning both games. Weather - high broken to overcast in early morning with ice crystal fog until 0430 hours. Light snow began 0655 hours, ceiling lowering gradually during the evening. Visibility 5-7 miles in ice crystal fog. 4-10 miles in light snow. Flying all day and night. Night
flying time 47:05 hours. Day flying time 294:00 hours.

3 Feb/45  No. 4 SFTS met the two winning teams from North Battleford, coming out on top in both games, No. 4 Flyers winning 39 to 34, and the WD team winning 28 to 13. Weather - overcast with snow until 1145 hours. Occasional light fog until 1230 hours. Visibility - 1½ to 6 miles in light snow and fog, otherwise 10 miles or better. Flying washed in 0845 hours, washed in for solo 1300 hours. Washed out 1700 hours. No night flying. Day hours - 200:35 hours.

4 Feb/45  All officers and airmen on Duty Watch Pool #6 attended Church Parade. Rev. Herbert Boles conducted the service. The Rev. Boles was from Christ- Church, Saskatoon. Weather overcast with light snow and fog. Visibility 10 miles or better reduced to 3 miles in light snow and fog. Flying all day and night. Day flying time 165:56 hours. Night flying time 93:00 hours.

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5 Feb/45  Exhibition hockey game between #4 Flyers and Winnipeg Bombers played in the Arena with the Bombers coming out on top with a score of 5 to 8. C4518 S/L S.S. Farrell reported for duty replacing C2353 S/L J.S. Owen as Senior Accountant Officer. J15101 S/L W.A. Prest reported for double banking in Administration duties. C9996 S/L F.E. Horton, P.T. & D. officer from 2 AC and J14068 F/L W.H. Hall, reported to the unit to organize for the Command Finals in Badminton and Bowling. Weather overcast with light ground snow reducing visibility 1½ to 5 miles. GB1607617 LAC Timbroy, W.T.Y., student of Course 121 ceased training effective 5 February, reporting 31 P.D., Moncton, 9 February, 1945. No day or night flying on account of strong cross wind and drifting snow.

6 Feb/45  Variety Show "Ham’n Legs" sponsored in the Recreation Hall through the efforts of station personnel and under the direction of F/S Singer. The musical interludes for the program were provided by members of the station band and the Saskatoon Symphony Orchestra. Performance well attended and the audiences reaction was exceptionally good. Weather - snow from midnight to 0500 hours, from 1415 hours to 1945 hours. Blowing snow from midnight to 0600 hours. Flying all day and night. Day flying time 220:35 hours. Night flying time 94:20 hours.

7 Feb/45  V30054 Fl/O R. Keir, Education Officer from AFHQ reported to this unit for temporary duty and held a handicraft display in the W.D. Canteen. Fifteen airwomen were instructed in this work during afternoon and evening. C2379, W/C J.A. Hall and C5921 F/L D.V. Hardyman, Accountant Officers, reported on temporary duty from AFHQ. Weather - Clear to overcast. Visibility 10 miles or better. Flying all day and night. Day flying time 358:20 hours. Night flying time 95:10 hours.

8 Feb/45  The Variety Show, "Ham'n Legs" was reproduced in the Recreation Hall to a very good attendance. The Area finals in basketball were played in the Drill Hall. No. 4 SFTS, W.D.'s winning their game against Regina Release Centre by a score of 25 to 10. No. 4 Flyers taking Regina Release Centre by a score of 35 to 41.- Both teams thus earning the honor of playing in
the Command Finals. Crane Aircraft 7998 S.O.S. to Apdal at #407 E.H.U. Weather high overcast with lower scattered cloud. Flying all day. Day flying time 402:10 hours. Flying one half the night - night flying time 50:35 hours.

9 Feb/45  Command finals in badminton and bowling held in the drill hall at this Unit. No. 4 W.D. bowling team lost area finals to Regina Release Centre. In the No. 2 AC finals in badminton the Men's doubles were won by 10 RD Calgary. Mixed doubles won by 4 SFTS Saskatoon: W.D. doubles won by 3 SFTS Calgary. Cranes 8022, 8108, 8720, S.O.S. to Apdal storage at #407 E.H.U Weather clear most of the day, with overcast skies and some light snow from 0830 to 1030 hours. Dual flying washed in at 1400 hours. Flying washed out at 1700 hours. Day flying time 169:10 hours. Night flying time 102:10 hours.

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11 Feb/45   86998 W/C Howells, B.H., MBE., RAF Chaplain conducted the Church Service in the Station Chapel. J14832 F/L Carvell, T.W. and J43842, F/O Langford, L.G., reported on temporary duty from 13 SFTS, North Battleford re investigation of taxiing accident. Weather - clear to partly cloudy to cloudy with ground fog early in period. Visibility 10 miles or better reduced to 2 miles. Flying washed in at 1300 hours. Washed out at 1700 hours. Day flying time 129:30 hours. No night flying.

12 Feb/45   The W.D. Basketball team played the Royals in the City League at the Nutana Gym. Weather light snow and fog began 1410 hours, ended 1840 hours. Light snow from 2120 hours during the remainder of the evening. Visibility ½ to ¾ miles in snow and fog, 2 to 5 miles in snow. Flying all day, no night flying. Day flying time 138:30 hours.

13 Feb/45   A Valentine Dance was held in the Recreation Hall with the station orchestra supplying the music. The hall was gaily decorated and a good representation attended. Solo flying hours washed in at 1400 hours. Washed out at 1700 hours. Daytime flying hours 131:00 hours. Night flying washed out at 0200 hours. Flying time 72:30 hours. Weather - light snow until 0555 hours. Heavy fog. Visibility 3 to 5 miles in snow- 0 to ¾ miles in fog. Summary of evidence on accident to Crane 7762 by Harvard from 13 SFTS.North Battleford taken by J13604 F/L A.H. Middleton from 13 SFTS.

14 Feb/45   No. 4 Flyers and W.D. Basketball teams left Saskatoon for Winnipeg to play in the Command Finals. C12524 F/L Wylie, H.L. Medical Officer from 2 AC reported on temporary duty. Weather mostly overcast with light blowing snow. Flying washed out at 1145 hours on
account of blizzard. Day time flying 127:50 hours. No night flying. Mobile party from 13 SFTS reported on temporary duty to repair Harvard involved in accident.

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15th Feb/45  An informal party was held at the home of F/L G. Moir, Chairman of the Entertainment Committee for all personnel who participated in the Station Show "Ham'n Legs". The Station basketball teams playing in 2 AC finals lost both games. The W.D.'s lost to 10 RD Calgary and the Flyers lost by a slim margin to Paulson. Weather overcast with blowing snow. No flying due to snow and poor visibility. C34, AVM K.M. Guthrie, Air Officer Commanding, 2 AC., Lieut Commander J. Le Norman, French Naval Attache, Ottawa, Captain D. deFossey, Assistant French Military and Air Attache, French Embassy, Ottawa, Captain Jean Ducq, Military and Air Attache, Belgian Embassy, Ottawa, Captain A.P. VanStalk, Head Military Bureau, Consulate General of the Netherlands, Montreal, Lieut. Col. Jan. Ambrus, Military and Air Attaches, Czechoslovak Legation, Ottawa, reported on the unit to participate in the first all Allied course to graduate under the B.C.A.T.P.

16 Feb/45  Wings parade for Course No. 115 was held in the Drill Hall at 1500 hours. See Appendices at IMAGES 497 & 498. Following Wing's Parade, tea was served for graduates and their friends in the Officers' & Sergeants' Messes and W.D. Canteen.

Course No. 115 commenced training 4th September, 1944 with 60 students.
Transferred from previous courses 3
Adjusted intake 63

Course No. 115 graduated 16 February, 1945, with 53 students.

1 RCAF graduate reporting to No. 4 Release Centre, Toronto.
52 RAF and Allied graduates posted to No. 1 "Y" Depot, Moncton.
53.

Total number of wastage - transfer and ceased training cases.
8 Allied student ceased training - posted to No. 31 P.D. Moncton, N.B.
1 Allied student transferred to Course No. 120 (illness).
1 Allied student transferred to Course No. 120 (disciplinary reasons).

Adjusted intake (63) - Wastage (10). Number of graduates (53).

Weather light blowing snow until 0200 hours. Clear. Day flying time 149:00 hours. Night flying time 73:25 hours.

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17 Feb/45  A very successful Valentine Dance was held in the gaily decorated Officers’ Mess. C39060 F/L Simpson, A.B., Protestant Padre, reported on this Unit for duty. Weather, clear, light smoke and fog from 0630 to 1230 hours. Day flying time 177:50 hours. No night flying.

18 Feb/45  Church parade was held in the Station Chapel at 1045 hours, F/L Simpson, A.B. Conducted the service. Weather clear to high overcast. Light smoke and fog from 0750 to 0930 hours. Visibility 10 to 15 miles reduced to ½ to 2 miles in smoke and fog. Flying half day. Night flying all night. Day time flying 163:15 hours. Night time flying 58:40 hours.

19 Feb/45  No. 4 Flyers Basketball team playing in the City Basketball Association League was defeated by the Huskies. The score 36 to 26. C10333 F/L J.C. McQuarrie Engineer Officer reported from 3 B.& G. School, MacDonald. C6572 S/L Hearn, C.H., Personnel Counsellor reported on temporary duty. Weather partly cloudy becoming cloudy mid afternoon. Visibility 10 miles or better. Flying all day and night. Day flying time 276:05 hours. Night flying time 63:05 hours.


21 Feb/45  C5009 F/L R.J. Pollock promoted to rank of Acting Squadron Leader. C37315 F/O J.M. Dickson and J13618 F/O C.E. Heath promoted to rank of Acting Flight Lieutenant. J86657 F/O W.J. Simpson, now stationed on this unit was awarded the Distinguished Flying cross. C8302 F/L Virtue, W.A., Personnel Counsellor reported for duty. No. 4 Flyers Hockey Team won a sudden death area playoff game when they played No. 13 SFTS North Battleford. This entitles the teams to enter the Command Finals. Weather clear to scattered, becoming overcast in the afternoon. Flying all day. No night flying. Day flying time 360:30 hours.

22 Feb/45  No. 4 SFTS Flyers were winners of the City Basketball Association games played at No. 4 Drill Hall. The Flyers out scored the Toilers 46 to 28. The W.D. team lost in this series when they played the Royals an were defeated 39 to 15. The Station "Gen" club held a Quiz contest in the Recreation Hall. Two competitors from each unit in the command were entered in the contest and Claresholm won the honours.

22 Feb/45 (Cont'd)  Weather overcast early in the morning, partly cloudy the rest of the day. Flying all day. Standard Beam Approach night flying. Day flying time 329:00 hours. Night flying time 24:30 hours.

23 Feb/45  No. 4 Flyers won the first game in the Command Hockey Finals at Brandon when they defeated 1 CNS, Rivers by a score of 3 to 2. Harvard aircraft 2759 and FH100 sent to No. 10 RD Calgary for radio range modification. Weather cloudy to overcast. Day flying, SBA night flying. Day flying time 3 64:35 hours. Night flying time 115:55 hours.
24 Feb/45 The second game in No. 2 AC hockey finals was played at Brandon with No. 4 Flyers defeating No. 7 Equipment Depot, 12 to 3 to win the Command Championship. C2689 W/C J.E. Cahill, AFHQ., Chaplain and C1931 W/C L.A. Costello, No. 2 AC Chaplain visited this unit. Lt. Col. A. Romanov, Military Attache of the Soviet Embassy in Canada, Mayor Angus Macpherson and Lt. Cole Thomson, University of Saskatchewan, visited this unit and were entertained in the Officers’ Mess by the Commanding Officer. Weather light snow and blowing snow. Otherwise overcast to clear. Visibility 15 miles reduced 5 to 8 miles. Flying all day, no night flying. Day flying time 139:45 hours.

25 Feb/45 Church parade was held in Station Chapel at 1045 hours. Weather clear becoming high broken during day with partly cloudy conditions during evening. Visibility 15 miles reduced to ½ to 2 miles in ice crystals and light fog. Harvard FE796 and AJ941 returned from 10 RD, Calgary with installation of radio range modification. Day and night flying. Day flying time 137:00 hours. Night flying time 24:30 hours.

26 Feb/45 V30068 Sq/o L.J. Laidlaw, No. 2 AC Staff Officer visited this unit and spoke to the airwomen on the present policy for discharge. WD basketball team played an exhibition game against the Huskettes of the City League. Weather cloudy to overcast. Occasionally broken to scattered condition at 3000 feet. Day and night flying. Day flying time 255:05 hours. Night flying time 30:30 hours.

27 Feb/45 Mrs. Orge’s troop, the "Majorettes" staged a show in the Recreation Hall for station personnel, following which the troop was entertained at a dance held in the W.D. Canteen. No. 4 Flyers Basketball team played an exhibition game against the Toilers. Weather partly cloudy to overcast with light snow at 2120 hours. Day and night flying. Day flying time 280:35 hours. Night flying time 16:16 hours.

28 Feb/45 An informal dance was held in the Recreation Hall with station orchestra supplying the music. C4109 W/C Sparling, J.B., No. 2 AC visited this Unit. C2104 W/C K.W. Walton and C7138 S/L G.S. Lyons, Armament Officers from No. 2 A.C., inspected the Armament Section. Weather snow until 0630 hours. Otherwise cloudy to overcast. Day and night flying 190:20 hours day flying time. Night flying time 24:30 hours.

Total flying time for month of February - 7113.00 hours.

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Barrack Warden 1
Civilians 166

179 697 167

Rainees: RCAF 67
RAF 56
Allied 13 54

13 177

for C.H. Greenway) G.C
C.O. 4 S.F.T.S.

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ALLIED NATIONS WINGS PARADE

No. 4 Service Flying Training School, RCAF

16 February, 1945 1500 hrs.

Commanding Officer, No.4 S.F.T.S, - Group Captain C.H. Greenway

Officer in Charge of Parade: Wing Commander A.L. Anderson (Chief Instructor, No. 4 S.F.T.S.)

ORDER OF PRESENTATION:

1. Presentation of British Empire Medals and King's Commendation. Presentation by Air Vice Marshal K.M, Guthrie, CBE. Air Officer Commanding, No. 2 Air Command, RCAF.
Flight Sergeant George Gordon Armstrong - British Empire Medal.
"For His excellent example of industry and devotion to duty".

F/S armatrong, whose wife and daughter, Patricia Lee, live at 722 Eleventh Street, Saskatoon, is in the Accounts Section at No. 4 SFTS. Prior to enlistment in March, 1941, he was with the Bank of Montreal, Saskatoon. Since enlistment he has been stationed with the RCAF at Air Force Headquarters Ottawa, and since April, 1944, at No. 4 SFTS. His brother, Flight Lieutenant G.E. Armstrong, is in the Flying Control section of the RCAF at the west coast.

Flight Sergeant Walter Berry - British Empire Medal.
"For efficiency and devotion to duty as a carpenter over a long period of years."

F/S Berry's wife resides at 219 Sixth Street, Saskatoon, and prior to enlistment in September, 1941, he did carpentering for the RCAF in a civilian capacity, having done construction work in Saskatoon before the war. He has spent his entire service career at No. 4 S.F.T.S, Two of his sons are in the Canadian Army - Sergeant George J. Berry, in the Artillery drafting room, Ottawa; and Private Walter Edward Berry, whose safe arrival overseas was confirmed only two days ago.

Flight Lieutenant Joseph Kubak, Czechoslovak Air Force, Attached RAF - The King's Commendation for Valuable Service in the Air.

F/L Kubak, who was born in Czechoslovakia, was with the Foreign Legion in Africa at the war's outbreak and immediately transferred to the French Colonial Air Force there. Went to France in 1939 and at that country's fall made his way to England, where he was attached to the RAF, flying Hurricanes and Spitfires until 1943 when he came to Canada for duty in connection with the training of Czechoslovak personnel under the Air Training Plan.

2. Presentation of Wings to Allied Nations Pilots

(a) Presentation of Wings to French Naval pilots - wings presented by Lieut. Commander J. Le Normand, French Naval Attache, Ottawa.

(b) Presentation of Wings to French Army Pilots - wings presented by Captain D. de Fossey, Assistant French Military and Air Attache, French Embassy, Ottawa.

(c) Presentation of Wings to Belgian pilots - wings presented by

Captain Jean Ducq, Military and Air Attache, Belgian Embassy, Ottawa.
(d) Presentation of Wings to Netherlands Pilots - wings presented by Captain A.P. Van Stolk, Head Military Bureau, Consulate General of the Netherlands, Montreal.

(e) Presentation of Wings to Czechoslovak Pilots - wings presented by Lieut. Col. Jan Ambrus, Military and Air Attache, Czechoslovak Legation, Ottawa.

(f) Presentation of Wings to RAF and RCAF Pilots - wings presented by Air Vice Marshal K.M. Guthrie. CBE, Air Officer Command, No. 2 Air Command, Winnipeg.

Only Canadian pilot in class is Sergeant Arthur Collins, whose mother, Mrs. Roy B. Collins, resides at 37 Keystone Avenue, Toronto. His brother, Corporal Robt. Collins is with the RCAF at Borden.

3. **Presentation of Czechoslovak Flying Wings.**

Presented on behalf of the Czechoslovak Minister of National Defence by Lieut. Col. Ambrus to:

Air Vice Marshal K.M. Guthrie, CBE

Group Captain C.H. Greenway.

**IMAGE 504**

1 Mar/45 The Motor Transport Section held a small informal party in the Recreation Hall. Weather overcast most of the day - snow with blowing and drifting snow. Visibility 0-5 miles in snow, otherwise over 10. Flying half day, No night flying. Day time flying 50:10 hours.

2 Mar/45 Weather overcast all morning with some light snow. Stocke and light fog over city reducing visibility to 2-4 miles in snow, 8 - 10 in smoke and fog. Flying all day. No night flying. Day time flying 245:20 hours,


4 Mar/45 All officer and other rank personnel on Duty Watch Pool No. 2 attended Church Parade at 1045 hours. Church Service was held in the Station Chapel at 1100 hours. Weather clear to scattered high cloud. Visibility 15 miles or better. Flying half day. No night flying. Day time flying 145:45 hours.

5 Mar/45 Final examinations for Course 122 completed and submitted to 2 A.C. C9053 F/L McRae, G.D. reported on Temporary Duty from 31 A.I.D., Prince Albert, Sask, Weather clear to partly cloudy. Visibility 10 miles or better. Flying all day. No night flying. Day time flying 340:15 hours. Harvard aircraft FK 100 returned from 10 R.D. Calgary, after installation of radio equipment for radio range flying.
6 Mar/45  The W.D. Bowling League took over the bowling alleys for their weekly games. An informal dance was held in the W.D. canteen. C1757 F/L J.H.H. Muir, Navigation Officer from 2 A.C. visited this unit. Weather clear to overcast with light snow during afternoon. Visibility 10 miles or better reduced to 2 miles in light snow. Flying all day and night. Daytime flying 302:10 hours. Night flying 15:20 hours.

7 Mar/45  A Station Dance was held in the Recreation Hall. Weather clear to high overcast. Visibility 10 miles or better. Flying all day and night flying. Daytime flying 407:40 hours. Night flying 33:20 hours.


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8 Mar/45 Contd.  Visiting flight from C.F.S., Trenton, visited this Unit. Weather overcast becoming partly cloudy in the last few hours of the day. Flying all day and night. Daytime flying 134:30 hours. Night flying 27:30 hours.


10 Mar/45  Weather partly cloudy to overcast. Visibility 10 miles or better, reduced to 8 to 10 miles in snow. Flying all day. Daytime flying 301:45 hours. Normal routine carried out this date.

11 Mar/45 J3263 S/L Miller, R.D., attended G.C.M. at No. 1 C.N.S., Rivers. Church Service was held in Station Chapel at 1100 hours. Harvard aircraft 2759 returned from No. 10 R.D. Calgary. Weather clear to broken cloud conditions. Visibility 10 miles or better. Flying all day. No night flying. Daytime flying 164:45 hours.

12 Mar/45 C3833 S/L G.M. Hamilton proceeded on temporary duty to 6 E.F.T.S., Prince Albert on Board of Officers assembled for the purpose of taking over buildings from Northern Saskatchewan Flying Training School. Weather clear to overcast. Visibility 10 miles or better. Flying all day. Daytime flying 252:50 hours.

13 Mar/45  An informal dance was held in the W.D. Canteen. G.I.S. held a closing out section
party in G.I.S. building. Weather overcast with light rain, becoming cloudy to clear in afternoon and evening. Visibility 10 miles or better. Flying all day. Day flying time 114:30 hours.

14 Mar/45 The Station Variety Show, "Ham’n Legs” travelled to Dundurn Camp, where the show was staged for Army Personnel. The Station orchestra supplied the music. Following the show, the performers were entertained in the Y.M.C.A. Hostess House. Weather partly cloudy to overcast. Visibility 6 Miles in fog. ¼ to 2 miles in snow. 8-15 miles otherwise. Flying all day. Day flying time 8 4:05 hours.

15 Mar/45 The Maintenance Section held a dance in the gaily decorated Drill Hall. Course No. 120 held a banquet and Dance at the Elite Cafe in Saskatoon. C2020 F/L R.D. Phillips attended a G.C.M. at No. 13 S.F.T.S., North Battleford, Sask., as Defending Officer. C544, G/C W.A. Murry, from No. 1 C.N. S., Rivers visited this Unit. The Sally Anne Canteen in Maintenance Section closed for the duration. Weather light fog from 0740 hours until 1000 hours. Mainly overcast with low ceilings. Visibility 4 miles in light fog, 10 to 15 miles otherwise. Flying hours during day 33:00 hours. No night flying.

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16 Mar/45 The Last Allied Wings Parade, Course No. 120, was held at No. 4 S.F.T.S., today. The course consisted of thirty eight graduates from the Free French Air Force, eighteen graduates from the Free French Fleet Air Arm, four Belgian Air Force, five Czechoslovakian Air Force, three Netherlands Air Force. G/C C.H. Greenway, Commanding Officer, welcomed visitors and congratulated the graduating class. He introduced Brigadier General G.A.H. Trudeau, Commanding Officer Military District 12, who spoke to the audience in French and presented wings to the graduates. Brigadier General G.A.H. Trudeau took the salute on the march past. After the graduating ceremony, tea was served to officers and their friends in the Officers Mess and to the airmen and their friends in the W.D, Canteen.

Course No. 120 commenced training 23 Oct with 74 students
Transferred from Previous Courses 2 students
Adjusted Intake 76 students.

Course No. 120 graduated 16 Mar/45 - with 68 students.
68 students granted special leave and posted to No. 1 "Y" Depot. Moncton, N.B.
Total Number of Wastage - Transfers and Ceased Training Cases.
1 student transferred to Course No. 121 (Disciplinary Seasons)
7 students ceased training and posted to No. 31 Personnel Depot, Moncton, N.B.
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Adjusted Intake (76) - Wastage (8). Number of graduates (68)

Weather light fog, snow and drizzle, otherwise overcast. Visibility - 4 miles in fog, 3 to 7 miles in snow, 6 miles in drizzle and otherwise 10 to 15 miles. Flying all day. Course flying completed this date. Day flying time 43:15 hours.
17 Mar/45 St. Patrick's closing dance for the officers was held in the Officers' Mess. The ante-room was colourfully decorated and the station band was in attendance. W/C R.M. Frayne, Command Protestant Chaplain, visited this unit today. Hurricane 5393 arrived to be taken on strength of this unit. Weather overcast. Visibility 8 to 15 miles. No flying this date.

18 Mar/45 All Officers and O.R. personnel on Duty Watch Pool No. 3 attended Church Parade at 1045 hours. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was observed at the conclusion of the service. Weather overcast at 3000 feet until 0330, then becoming high scattered to partly cloudy. Visibility 10 miles or better. No flying day or night this date.

19 Mar/45 St. Patrick's Station Dance was held in the Drill Hall and well attended by station personnel and their friends. The Drill Hall was decorated for the occasion and Ken Peaker's orchestra from Saskatoon supplied the music for the evening. Weather clear to overcast, becoming high overcast later in afternoon. Visibility 10 miles or better, reduced to ¾ mile in light fog. No flying day or night.

20 Mar/45 A/V/M T.A. Lawrence, A.O.C., N.W.A.C. attended by G/C D.L. Harding, AFC., and G/C C.G. Durham, M.M. visited No. 4 S.F.T.S. this date. For W.D.'s closing party, all W.D.'s were invited to the Capitol Theatre, showing "An American Romance" and returned to the W.D. canteen for refreshments. Weather clear to overcast. Light smoke at 0645 to 0700 hours. Visibility 6 to 8 miles in smoke, otherwise 15 miles. No flying day or night.

21 Mar/45 Flight banquet for Course No. 122 was held at the Bessborough Hotel. The Commanding Officer, G/C C.H. Greenway and a number of officers from No. 4 S.F.T.S. were in attendance. This was followed by a dance at the Cavern ball room. G/C J.H. Binnie, S.O.P. from 2 A.C. visited 4 S.F.T.S. and interviewed Officers in connection with postings and retirements. S/L H.A. Bailes, 2 A.C., visited 4 S.F.T.S., in connection with R.A.F. personnel. Fl/O F.M. Douglas P.R.O., S/L W.C.M. Barrell, C.R.O. and F/L H. Whittup, "Link" -from 2 A.C. visited 4 S.F.T.S. Weather partly cloudy to overcast, becoming clear in evening, visibility 15 miles, reduced to 8-10 miles in light smoke. Day flying time 85:05 hours. No night flying.

22 Mar/45 Airmen's smoker was held in the Recreation Hall at 2000 hours. Course No. 121 held their flight banquet at the Bessborough. W/C A.E. Anderson, G.L. representing the Commanding Officer and other officers from 4 S.F.T.S., attended the dinner. Following the dinner, a dance was held at the Cavern. Fl/O M.L. Pike Senior W.D. officer posted to 1 C. N.S., Rivers. Weather partly cloudy to cloudy above 10,000. Cloudy with lower clouds after 1930. No flying day or night.


24 Mar/45 N.C.O.'s held closing dance in the Sergeants' Mess, Saturday 24 March, 1945. The Commanding Officer and a number of senior officers were invited to attend the party. S/L R. Laidlaw was
promoted to Acting Wing Commander. Weather generally overcast during early morning hours, becoming high scattered at 1330 overcast again 2230 hours. Visibility 10 miles or better. Day flying 16:55 hours. No night flying.

25 Mar/45 All officers and O.R. personnel on Duty Watch pool No. 1 attended Church parade at 1045 hours. Weather generally scattered to broken high cloud conditions. Visibility 10 miles or better. No flying training.

26 Mar/45 G/C W.M. Murray, S.O.C.E. from 2 A.C. visited No. 4 S.F.T. S. this date. Weather overcast. Visibility 10 miles or better. No flying training.

27 Mar/45 Wg/O W. Taylor, senior W.D. Officer from A.F.H.Q. and Sq/O J. Laidlaw, 2 A.C. Command Staff Officer, W.D., visited this unit. A special parade and inspection for all W.Ds was held in the Drill Hall at 1100 hours. Weather overcast with snow and blowing snow from 0410 to 0840 hours. Blow lifting and breaking of overcast in late evening. Visibility 15 miles reduced to ¾ to 2 miles in snow and light blowing snow. No flying training.

28 Mar/44 Honorary wings of the free French Air Force were presented by Commandant McMahon to the Commanding Officer G/C C.H. Greenway, and the Chief Instructor, W/C A.L. Anderson. Weather overcast becoming partly cloudy. Visibility 15 miles. No flying training.

29 Mar/45 Final Wings Ceremony under the B.C.A.T.P. for Courses No. 121 and 122 was held in No. 3 Hangar where 120 airmen received their wings. G/C C.H. Greenway, Commanding Officer addressed the graduating classes, and welcomed visitors, of whom there were approximately 4,000. His Worship, Mayor MacPherson addressed the parade, expressing his appreciation on behalf of the citizens of Saskatoon for the very cordial relationship between the city and this unit since its inception. Colonel Flemming, Commanding Officer, Dundurn Military Camp, was then introduced and he related he had been a member of the R.F.C., in the First Great War, and that he was honoured to be included in the presentation of wings, to the final classes at this station. G/C C.H. Greenway then introduced W/C C.S. Dowie. D.F.C. and Bar, a former graduate of No. 4 S.F.T.S. who addressed the assembly. G/C G.A. Davidson, representing the A.O.C. 2 A.C., attended the ceremony. G/C C.H. Greenway, W/C C.S. Dowie, D.F.C. and Bar and Colonel Fleming presented wings to the graduates. During the march past, W/C Dowie, D.F.C. and Bar took the salute. Following the graduating ceremony, tea was served in the Airmen's Mess to all service personnel and their friends. (See Appendix “B” at IMAGE 518).

Course No. 121 commenced training on 3 Nov/44 with 65 students. 
Transferred from Previous Course 1 student
Adjusted Intake 66

Course No. 121 graduated 29 March, 1945, with 60 students.

17 graduates granted one month leave and posted to No. 4 R.C. Toronto, Ont.
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5 graduates granted special leave and posted to No. 5 O.T.U. Boundary Bay, B.C.
2 graduates granted special leave and posted to No. 6 O.T.U. Comox, B.C.
7 graduates granted special leave and posted to No. 7 O.T.U. Debert, N.S.
8 graduates not granted leave and posted to No. 1 "Y" Depot, Moncton, N.B.

Total Number of Wastage - Transfers and Ceased Training Cases.
5 students ceased training and posted to No. 31 Personnel Depot, Moncton, N.B.
1 student ceased training and posted to No. 4 R.C. Toronto, Ont.

Adjusted Intake (66) - Wastage (6) = Number of Graduates (60)

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29 Mar/45  Course No. 122 commenced training on 6 Nov/44 with 70 students
Transferred from Previous Course
Adjusted Intake

Course No. 122 graduated 20 March, 1945, with 64 students

10 graduates granted one month leave and posted to No. 4 R.C, Toronto, Ont.
5 graduates granted one month leave and posted to No. 5 R.C. Winnipeg, Man,
4 graduates granted one month leave and posted to No. 6 R.C. Regina, Sask.
1 graduate granted one month leave and posted to No. 7 R.C. Calgary, Alta.
1 graduate granted one month leave and posted to No. 3 R.C. Rockcliffe, Ont.
9 graduates granted one month leave and posted to No. 8 R.C. Vancouver, B.C.
5 graduates granted special leave and posted to No. 5 O.T.U, Boundary Bay, B.C.
5 graduates granted special leave and posted to No. 6 O.T.U. Comox, B.C.
3 graduates granted special leave and posted to No. 7 O.T.U. Debert, N.S.
21 graduates not granted leave and posted to No, 1 "Y" Depot, Moncton, N.B.

Total number of Wastage - Transfers and Ceased Training Cases.

4 students ceased training and posted to No. 31 Personnel, Depot, Moncton, N.B.
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Adjusted Intake (70) – Wastage (6) = Number of Graduates (64)

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(C.H. Greenway) G/C
C.O. 4 S.F.T.S.

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Wings Ceremony

A big crowd, estimated at 4,000, witnessed the final wings parade at No. 4 S.F.T.S., R.C.A.F., Thursday afternoon. The colorful ceremony was held in No. 3 hangar, when 120 airmen, approaching smartly in threes, received their wings, congratulations and good wishes from Grp. Capt. C. H. Greenway, officer commanding; Col. J. D. A. Flemming, commanding officer, Dundurn Military Camp. and Wg. Cmdr. C. S. Dowie, D.F.C. and Bar.

LAST TWO CLASSES

The recipients were graduates of the last two classes to complete their training at this station, under the British Commonwealth Air Plan. The majority were from various parts of Canada, and there were also representatives of the United Kingdom, the United States and the British West Indies. The two honor students, L.A.C. W.M. Miller of Sarnia, Ont. heading class 121 and L.A.C. N. J. Knight of Chicago, ILL., topping class 122, were presented with identification bracelets by Group Captain Greenway.

Among were four from Saskatoon: W. J. McNulty, 685 Avenue H. south; Thomas J. Foskett, 714 Avenue F, north John D. Campbell, 208 Avenue E. north, ; and Wallace W. Scott, 911 Avenue G. north, and the
following from Saskatchewan: G. D. Laing, Dilke; M. J. Lexier, Regina; G. C. Schadt, Mawer; John R. Dipple, Stranraer; Ellwin M. Thornton, Manor.

The commanding officer welcomed the public and expressed his thanks to the mayor and the citizens of Saskatoon for the splendid co-operation they had given to the station from the very beginning. No. 4 had always been a popular station, he said, and for this, much credit was due to the fine hospitality and friendliness of Saskatoon.

Briefly outlining the history of the R.C.A.F. which was organized 21 years ago, he stated that at the outbreak of the war in September, 1939, there was a personnel of about 4,000, with very inadequate facilities and equipment, but development proceeded with amazing speed.

Arrangements were completed with Canada for the operation of the British Commonwealth Air Training Plan and the first station was opened at Borden, Ont., in September, 1940.

Eight months later Canadian airmen were in Britain. By September, 1941, there were two and a half times that number, and December, 1941, saw that figure doubled. The peak strength of the force was given as approximately 225,000. This experience, the speaker declared, and the airdromes throughout Canada would be valuable assets to peacetime aviation.

Colonel Flemming, who was a member of the R.A.F. in the First Great War, said he was happy to be included in the presentation of wings to this final class of this station. He referred to the splendid training they had received and motioned that in his day men were sent into action with only 24 air hours experience, whereas now they were given up to 200 hours. He wished the graduates success and good luck.

GRADUATED IN FIRST CLASS

Wing Commander Dowie, a distinguished graduate of the first class from No. 4, said he had seen thousands from the British Commonwealth Air Training Plan proceed overseas, he had witnessed the long weary hours of instruction classes at home, and they had given a good account in action of the training they had had.

He stated that the important work of the aircraftmen and the Women's Division must not be forgotten, for without them the other could not have been accomplished. He reminded the graduates that the war was not finished. After Europe there were the Japs to destroy.

"Many of you will play a part. Your training days are not over. They will continue right up to the last day of the war. Thanks and good luck."

Mayor Macpherson said this occasion not only marked the end of the training at No. 4, but coincided with the completion of the British Commonwealth Air Training Plan. This station had left its imprint very definitely on this city and district. Everything that had been done in the organization and the planning and the training for nearly five years had been justified by the success of those that had gone from here.

He stated that while there was rejoicing that the termination of the war in Europe was so imminent that the authorities considered it wise to discontinue the air training plan, Saskatoon deeply regretted the severing of its fine relationship with the officers and all the personnel of this school.

"We are very sorry to part, but we wish you the greatest success wherever you go and whatever you do."

INSPECT BUILDINGS

The presentation ceremony closed with a "march past," accompanied by the R.C.A.F. band, with Wing Commander Dowie taking the salute. Opportunity was then given for the visitors to inspect
the buildings on the station and refreshments were served in the men's mess.

Previous to the wings parade, the crowd was entertained with an exhibition of aerobatics by nine twin-engine Cessnas and three single-engine Harvards flying in formation. The air was decidedly "bumpy" and it took a lot of fine handling for these planes to come soaring in and away again at little better than roof-top height.

A lone Harvard also did some nice stunting with rolls and loops, but the big thrill to the spectators was the performance of a Hurricane flying at terrific speed and displaying a complete bag of tricks. It was startling when the pilot came down the runway, 500 feet from the ground, at 425 miles an hour, but at all times with the machine under perfect control.

1 Apr/45 As of 1 April, 1945, No. 4 S.F.T.S. was re-formed as a unit of the Shadow Organization (Reserve). On re-formation, this unit is placed on a scale of care and maintenance both as to buildings, aerodrome and equipment sufficient to enable it to come into full operation on three months notice by AFHQ. All officers and other rank personnel on duty watch pool No. 4 attended Church Parade at 1045 hours. Weather - intermittent light snow. Visibility - 2 to 5 miles in heavier snow flurries, generally 8-12 miles.

2 Apr/45 Twenty first anniversary of the R.C.A.F. was observed by Commanding Officer's Parade and Ensign Hoisting held at 0900 hours on the parade square. The Commanding Officer, G/C C.H, Greenway, gave a brief outline of the history and traditions of the R.C.A.F. calling on all personnel to continue to uphold the high standards of the Force. Prayer was offered by F/L H. Courtemanche, R.C. Padre. S/L G.M. Hamilton was chosen to act as President of the Eighth Victory Loan Campaign. The Occupational and Rehabilitation Committee met in the Senior Administrative Officer's Office, the C.O. presiding, at 1330 hours to organize Pre-Demobilization Training so as to keep all personnel, not fully occupied, successfully employed and prepare them for post-war life. Questionnaires were circulated to all personnel. Weather - partly cloudy becoming overcast at noon, some light fog and snow showers in the later part of the morning. Visibility - 3 to 7 miles in fog and snow - showers, otherwise over 10 miles.

3 Apr/45 All Unit Committees were reorganized and D.R.O'd this date. -Weather clear becoming overcast at 2 to 3 thousand feet, clearing at 2000 hours. Visibility 10 miles or better.

4 Apr/45 W/C A.L. Anderson, Chief Instructor, posted to No. 5 R.C, Winnipeg for transfer to the Reserve. S/L S.S. Farrell, Senior-Accountant Officer, posted to No. 1 C.N.S. Rivers, this date, replaced by F/L J. Hamill. Second meeting of the Occupational and Rehabilitation Committee, to complete and finalize plans. Programme drawn up to commence Monday, 9 April. Instructors for all classes and materials, etc, obtained. Scheme will take time to operate.
effectively, but shows promise. S/L R.D. Miller and F/L R.D. Phillips, attended General Court-Martial at No. 13 S.F.T.S., North Battleford. Station Dance was held in the Recreational Hall, with the station band in attendance. Weather, clear to high overcast with 0-9 tenths stratocumulus at 3 - 5 thousand feet. Visibility 10 miles or better.

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5 Apr/45 S/L R.D. Miller posted to No. 6 O.T.U., Comox, B.C., reporting 27 April, 1945. W/C L.A. Costello, Command Chaplain R.C., visited this unit this date and made arrangements for part time chaplain (RC) service on the posting of F/L Courtemanche (RC) Chaplain. Weather clear to overcast with one light snow flurry late in the evening. Visibility 10 miles or better except 7 miles in snow.

6 Apr/45 Mess Staff, personnel held farewell dinner and dance in the Elite Ballroom, Saskatoon. The Commanding Officer, G/C C.H. Greenway, Mrs. Greenway and a number of officers were invited to attend the banquet and dance. G/C C.H. Greenway spoke at the dinner and complimented the staff on the high standard of messing which has been maintained on this station. W/C R.W. Frayne, Command Chaplain (P) visited No. 4 S.F.T.S. this date. Arranged for Rev. D.B. Macdonald, Saskatoon, to serve as part-time Chaplain (P) owing to departure F/L Simpson, Chaplain (P). Weather overcast, snow-continuous after 1030 hours. Visibility 10 miles or better, except 1/8 to 4 miles in snow.

7 Apr/45 Normal routine carried out this date. Weather overcast with light to moderate continuous snow until 2000 hours. Moderate to heavy fog coming in suddenly at 2145 hours. Visibility ½ to 5 miles in snow, ¼ to ½ mile in fog. Over 10 miles for a few hours in the evening. Farewell party held in Officers' Mess for F/L Baptie, D.A.P.M., and a number of other officers posted from this station.

8 Apr/45 All officers and other rank personnel on Duty Watch Pool No. 2 attended Church Parade at 1045 hours. Weather generally overcast with snow and fog. Visibility ¼ to 1 mile in snow and fog.

9 Apr/45 The eighth Victory Loan campaign commenced at this Unit, quota set at $49,000.00. Sales this date 88 applications, totalled $13,450.00. Rev. D.B. MacDonald of Grace Church, Saskatoon, interviewed the Commanding Officer in connection with his appointment at a part time Chaplain, commencing 10 Apr/45. The Reverend Macdonald served as an R.C.A.F. Chaplain overseas, and was retired a short time ago on account of ill health. Weather overcast with snow during early morning hours, snow ending at 0800 hours. Generally overcast the remainder of the day with patches of low cloud after 2000 hours. Visibility 10 miles or better reduced to 2- 5 miles in snow. F/L Henderson, graduate of 4 S.F.T.S., was awarded D.F.C. Pre-demobilization training classes schedule, D.R.O’d this date.

10 Apr/45 F/L E.W. Pattison, No. 6 R.C., visited this unit in connection with 8th Victory Loan. 16mm film "Raids on London" is being shown to all personnel in connection with the eighth Victory Loan Drive. Victory Loan sales for this date, 139 applications, totalling $11,700,
cumulative total, 227 sales, totalling $25,150.00. Weekly squadron parades, embracing drill instruction are again being held on the parade ground at 0740 hours each Tuesday, Thursday and Friday morning. Commanding Officer's parade and inspection Wednesday mornings. Weather clear to overcast, with light fog 0730 to 0830 hours. Visibility 15 miles reduced to 5 - 7 miles in light fog. Pre-demobilization training classes in 21 different trades commenced this date. All personnel required to arrange their programme with schedule of classes

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10 Apr/45 (contd) and satisfy their section commander they are fully employed during normal working hours. Each instructor to check attendance by nominal roll.

11 Apr/45 Commanding Officer's parade and ensign hoisting ceremony and inspection was held on the parade ground at 0800 hours. The Commanding Officer addressed personnel on parade, and asked for every co-operation in the Victory Loan Drive, in order to attain our quota. He also explained intention and schedule of trade classes organized and called on everybody to take creative interest and participation so as to ensure success. Victory Loan sales, 98 applications totalling $7700.00 cumulative total, 325 applications, totalling $32,850.00. Weather partly cloudy to overcast, with a light to heavy snow, light fog at midday, and later in evening. Visibility ¼ to 5 miles in snow and fog, otherwise 8 - 15 miles.

12 Apr/45 Normal routine this date. Victory Loan sales, 83 applications, totalling $4750.00, cumulative total 408 applications, totalling $39,800.00, Weather overcast, light snow until 0050 hours. Occasional snow flakes, about 2230 hours. Visibility ¾ miles in light snow, otherwise 10 miles. Predemobilization training now in full swing. Active interest being shown by all personnel with good attendance at classes.

13 Apr/45 Victory Loan sales, 34 applications. totalling $2250.00. Cumulative total 440 applications, totalling $43,550.00. Weather overcast with light snow 0540 hours. Intermittent light and heavy snow showers throughout afternoon, becoming partly cloudy to clear in evening. Light smoke from city in late evening. Visibility 5-10 miles, reduced to 5 -7 miles in snow in snow showers.


15 Apr/45 All officers and other rank personnel on Duty Watch No. 5. Attended Church Parade which was held at 0915 hours, Weather intermittent light rain from 0010 hours until 0725 hours. Cloudy thereafter. Visibility 6 - 12 miles in rain, otherwise 12 - 15 miles.

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16 Apr/45  Victory Loan sales to date total $44,900.00.4 Total number of applications is 476. The handicraft shop is a favorite spot on the station for a large number of airmen and airwomen. Personnel are making slippers, stuffed animals, etc., out of sheepskin and other materials, and watch straps, gloves, wallets, purses, book covers, picture frames and brief cases out of various kinds of leather. A staff of three service personnel, are on duty each day from Monday to Friday and three evenings a week, and they are giving a great deal of assistance in this project. Weather - snow showers during the evening, otherwise cloudy to overcast. Visibility 15 miles.

17 Apr/45  C2020 F/L R.D. Phillips attended a D.C.M. at No. 12 S.F.T.S., Brandon as defending officer. Weather - overcast with snow and drifting snow, gradually improving during the day, becoming partly cloudy to clear in late evening. Visibility 15 miles reduced to ¼ to 8 miles in snow and drifting snow.

18 Apr/45  No. 4 S.F.T.S., reached their quota on the Victory Loan Sales and a bell was rung at 1200 hours on the Victory Loan scale by G/C Greenway. The scale is situated in front of the Administration Building and depicts "Popeye" with an upraised mallet ready to strike the gong. A message was received from the A.O.C., No. 2 A.C, AVM K.M. Guthrie, CBE, congratulating this unit on being the first in this command to reach its Eighth Victory Loan quota which was set at $49,000.00. S/O V.J. Sooggins (V30652) Admin., posted to RCAF Station, Edmonton, Alta., and S/O J.M. Wickson (V30218) Admin., reported in from 10 R.D., Calgary, Alta. C2020, F/L R.D. Phillips, attended D.C.M. at No. 8 R.D., Winnipeg, as Defending Officer. C178 G/C C.H. Greenway, posted to No. 2 A.C. as S.A.S.O., effective 18 Apr/45. At the C.O's parade held this morning, G/C Greenway bade farewell to the station personnel and thanked them for the co-operation they had given him. A dance scheduled for the evening was cancelled due to Court mourning for President F.D. Roosevelt. Weather clear to partly cloudy becoming overcast late in afternoon. Visibility 10 miles or better.

19 Apr/45  J11475 S/L G.A. Webster assumed command of No. 4 S.F.T.S. on posting of G/C C.H. Greenway to No. 2 A.C. A Board of Officer assembled at No. 4 S.F.T.S. for the purpose of inspecting, listing and recommending for destruction all documents submitted to them in accordance with KR(Air) 965. Can. J15778 F/L D.R. Wiseman, DFC., posted to No. 124 Ferry Squadron, St. Huber, P.Q., for Staff Flying Duties. Total Victory Loan sales to date $50,850.00. The total number of subscribers is 525, which is 70% of station personnel. Weather high overcast becoming low broken to overcast at 3 - 5 thousand feet. Light snow shower from 1812 to 1835 hours. Visibility 10 miles or better.

20 Apr/45  P/O J. Maleo (C87153) and P/O L.J. Yeo (Can J87273) were on temporary duty at AFHQ where they attended 10 days of lectures on intelligence work. P/O Malec reported back to this unit today and P/O Yeo proceeded direct to WAC from AFHQ. The indoor rifle range was re-opened today and will be open every afternoon from 1400 to 1600 hours A free show was presented in the Station Recreation Hall. Weather overcast 3 - 4000 with lower overcast about 1500 around noon. Clearing and becoming partly cloudy in the afternoon and clear at night. Visibility over 10 miles.

21 Apr/45  W/C A.L. Anderson (C 1309) (AE) was commended this date by order of His Majesty the King. F/L G.J. Moir and F/O F.R. Madore departed on temporary duty to RCAF Station Rockcliffe, Ont., to attend the Personnel Counsellor's Course. Mr. A.V. Pettigrew reported in from No. 19 S.F.T.S., Vulcan, Alta., to assume duties at this unit as "Y" supervisor. Can J3263 S/L R.D. Miller, Pilot (G), posted to No. 6 R.C., Regina, eff. 20 May, reporting 21
May, granted 30 days special leave. Weather overcast - visibility 10 miles or better.

22 Apr/45 Personnel on Duty Watch attended Church Parade at 0915 hours. A free movie was shown in the Recreation Hall in the evening. Weather - snow pellets falling from 0001 hours until 0035 hours. Freezing drizzle from 0125 to 0230 hours, then becoming rain and continuing until 0415 hours. Snow from 0415 until 0610 hours, from 0800 to 1500 hours and from 1715 to 1830 hours. Visibility lowered to 1 mile in rain and snow from 0430 to 0600 hours and 1 mile to • ½ mile in snow at 1130 to 1300 hours. Otherwise 3 to 8 miles in snow and 12 to 15 miles when there was no precipitation.

23 Apr/45 An announcement was broadcast over the radio this morning that No. 4 S.F.T.S. had topped the Victory Loan Quota. Our subscriptions now total $52,150.00. C2631 G/C A.R. Sinclair (Accts) and C3391 S/L W. Shiteford (Accts) visited this unit from No. 2 Air Command. Photography classes commenced this date in G.I.S. and will be held for 2 hours every afternoon from Monday to Friday. Weather generally overcast with light snow between 1125 and 1145 hours. Visibility 10 miles or better.

24 Apr/45 C5454 F/L W.R. Murray (Educ) visited this unit from No. 13 S.F.T.S. for the purpose of obtaining information as to the operation of our pre-demobilization training program. Weather overcast with light snow and fog beginning at 0700 hours and ending at 1055 hours. Visibility 10 miles or better reduced to 6 miles in snow and fog.

25 Apr/45 A station parade was held at 1300 hours at which presentation of the U.S. Air Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters was made by the Commanding Officer, S/L G.A. Webster, to Mrs. M.F Nelson, on behalf of her son, Sgt. Ole K. Nelson, who was killed while serving with the 8th U.S. Army Overseas. Representing the Mayor of Saskatoon, Alderman Bowman was present at the ceremony. Sgt. Nelson trained as a W.A.G. in the R.C.A.F. and subsequently transferred to the U.S. Forces. Following the presentation a March Past with the station band took place. F/L R.D. Phillips attended a DCM at 8 R.D., Winnipeg as

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25 Apr/45 (Contd) Defending Officer. Weather overcast with snow beginning at 0715 hours and ending at 2115 hours. Visibility 10 miles or better reduced to ¾ to 1½ miles in snow.

26 Apr/45 A station bridge party was held in the W.D. Canteen in the evening. Prizes were presented to the winners and coffee and sandwiches were served. A free show "Marine Raiders" was shown in the Recreation Hall. On the occasion of N/S Wilson's birthday a gayly decorated birthday cake with candles was served at supper in the Officers' Mess. The victory loan sales to day total $60,150.00. Weather high scattered to overcast. Visibility 15 miles.

27 Apr/45 The station awoke to a wintry scene this morning as three inches of snow had fallen during the night, and the ensign hoisting parade was therefore held in the drill hall instead of on the parade square. Typing and shorthand classes have been organized and classes will be held daily. C3057 S/L McAra, J., and J17749, F/L MacDonald, D.M., from No. 2 A.C. visited this
unit today, as did CAN.C2533 S/L E.J. Verrier and J82942 W/C Ellis, T.H., also of No. 2 A.C. Weather overcast with heavy snow and blowing snow from 0200 to 0845 hours. Visibility reduced from 0 to 2 miles in light snow, otherwise 10 miles or better.

28 Apr/45  The pre-demobilization program in effect at this unit is progressing very favorably. Classes are held in languages, mathematics, bookkeeping, cabinet making, drafting, sheet metal, auto electrical, auto repair, radio repair, electricity, photography, painting and drawing, sewing and handicrafts. A keen interest is shown by personnel attending these classes and the results of their efforts is very gratifying. Victory Loan sales to date total $61,000.00, with total subscriptions numbering 605. Weather clear to overcast. Visibility 15 miles.

29 Apr/45  Personnel on duty watch attended church parade at 0915 hours. A free movie was shown in the Recreation Hall in the evening. These free movies are supplied by the Y.M.C.A. - War Services. C6445, F/L McGill, W.J. (AE) reported to this unit on posting from No. 2 A.C. to assumed duties as Chief Engineering Officer. Weather clear to cloudy. Visibility 10 miles.

30 Apr/45  A practice fire alarm took place this afternoon at 1430 hours at an isolated spot on the station (the gasoline compound) Fire picquet were all accounted for at the scene of the alarm and the hose was laid and ready to play in 90 seconds - a creditable performance, showing everyone on their toes. C5201 W/C R. Laidlaw (AE) departed from the station on posting to No. 1 C.N.S. Rivers. A station badminton tournament was held in the Drill Hall, which commenced at 1830 hours. Prizes were awarded to the winners and refreshments were served to the contestants at the conclusion of the tournament. A free Bingo session was conducted in the W.D. Lounge with small prizes of cigarettes and chocolate bars being presented to the winners. Weather light rainshower from 0435 to 0442 hours. Lightning at 2130 hours. Otherwise partly cloudy to overcast. Visibility 6 miles in rain, otherwise 12 - 15 miles.

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1 May/45  F/L W. Gordon, Chaplain (Hebrew) from No. 2 A.C., visited this unit and interviewed the Hebrew personnel of No. 4 S.F.T.S. Weather light blowing dust from 0900 to 1430 hours. Visibility 2 to 6 miles in blowing dust otherwise 10 to 15 miles.

2 May/45  It was a beautiful spring like day for the Commanding Officer's parade which was held this morning. Following the inspection and march past a half hour's drill was carried out. A Victory Loan Dance was held in the Drill Hall in the evening with the station orchestra supplying the music. A $50.00 Bond was given away as the door prize. The number of Victory Loan applications to date total 613 with the purchases amounting to $62,100.00. Typing classes commenced today and will be held daily from Monday to Friday each week. C2869 F/O A.E. Ross (P&SS) reported in today on posting from No. 7 B.G.S. to assume duties as D.A.P.M. F/L W.A. Wheten (Arm) visited the station from No. 2 A.C. Weather clear to partly cloudy. Visibility 10 miles or better.

3 May/45  A Unit Trade Test Board assembled at 1400 hours today for the purpose of trade testing five General Duties Airwomen for remustering to the trade of Chef's Assistant. The A.O.C. No. 2 A.C., AVM K.M. Guthrie, CBE and party consisting of G/C Binnie, G/C Greenway, S/L Spafford and F/L Rawlings visited this unit today and in particular inspected the pre-demobilization program. During the A.O.C.'s visit a scramble for the Hurricane was called and the machine was airborne in six minutes from the time the scramble orders were given. Classes in shorthand commenced today and will be held every Tuesday and Thursday from 1330 to 1430 hours. A free show was shown in the Recreation Hall this evening. Weather clear to high overcast. Visibility 10 miles or better.

4 May/45  12 Ansons from Rivers on a cross-country flight landed here. Twenty personnel, (Officers and Other ranks) had lunch before departing. The Victory Loan stage show from No. 2 A.C., Winnipeg presented a performance in the Recreation Hall at 2000 hours. Dancing followed the stage presentation with music by the orchestra travelling with the stage show. Personnel interested in the work of Meteorological Observer reported to the Met. Office in the Control Tower today. Hours for classes are being arranged by the Met. staff for those interested with a view to post war occupations. Weather - clear to overcast with occasional light rain after 2100 hours. Visibility 10 miles or better.

5 May/45  Normal routine carried out. Weather clear becoming partly cloudy about 0830 hours.
6 May/45 Personnel on duty watch No. 4 attended Church Parade at 0915 hours. Reverend D.B. MacDonald officiated at the Protestant Services and Father L.J. Munnelly at the R.C. Services which are held at 1100 hours every Sunday. A free movie was shown in the Recreation Hall in the evening. Weather overcast most of the day with rain and snow until 0630 hours. Rain shower about 1830 hours. Visibility ½ to 6 miles in precipitation, otherwise over 10.

7 May/45 The long hoped for announcement that Germany had surrendered gladdened the hearts of everyone. A station parade was held at 1330 hours and after a few words of thanksgiving by the C.O., prayers were said by Reverend MacDonald and Father Munnelly. Personnel were then dismissed to duty or given the remainder of the day off as circumstances permitted. A Station Bridge Party was held in the evening in the W.D. Lounge. 22 Officer WAGs and 23 Senior NCO WAGs reported in on useful employment from No. 1 Wireless School, Montreal. Weather cloudy to overcast. Visibility 10 miles or better, reduced slightly due to blowing dust.

8 May/45 V.E. Day - all station personnel except those on Duty Watch and those required for essential services, were given a holiday. Canteens were all closed and everything was very quiet on the station. A free movie was shown in the Recreation Hall in the evening. C2379 W/C J.A. Hall (Accts) and C5397 F/L J.G. McClung (Accts) from A.F.H.Q. reported on T.D. to conduct a Service Audit. Weather generally overcast becoming broken during late afternoon. Visibility 10 miles or better.

9 May/45 Commanding Officer's Parade was held on the parade square at 0800 hours. As part of the pre-demobilization program at this unit a Business Administration Course commenced today with Mr. A.M. Woolner, Manager of Dun & Bradstreet of Canada, Ltd., in Saskatoon, giving the first lecture, the subject being "Financial Requirements of Starting a Business". There is a large enrolment in this class and a keen interest is being shown, particularly by those who are considering going into business for themselves when Released from the Service. The famed "F" for Freddie was touring the Dominion of Canada for the Victory Loan Campaign and landed here about 1625 hours. It caused a great deal of excitement. Approximately 250 Air Force Cadets who were on the station at the time were thrilled with the opportunity of seeing this famous aircraft. In the evening an informal dance was held in the W.D. Lounge with recordings for music. Weather clear to overcast during afternoon with light smoke. Visibility 10 miles or better. Light smoke in all quadrants due to local fires.

10 May/45 A special service for the R.C. personnel was held in the station chapel at 0900 hours to commemorate the Ascension. A free movie was shown in the Recreation Hall in the evening. Weather high overcast with lowering skies to 1500 feet with light rain from 1520 to 2000 hours. Visibility 10 miles or better reduced to 2-3 miles in light rain.
11 May/45  W/C Maloney, J.A. (Med) P.M.O. and Lt.Col. H.E. Crosby (Dental) both from No. 2 A.C. and PM J.E. Porteous (Med) from A.F.H.Q. visited this Unit today. The second lecture in the Business Administration Course was given today with Mr. C.G. Schmitt, lecturing on "Forms of Business Organization, Sole Proprietorship and Partnership". A concert of swing music was presented in the W.D. Lounge in the evening with an attendance of 25. Weather clear to overcast. Visibility 15 miles.

12 May/45  At the official close of the Victory Loan Campaign today this unit showed the total number of subscribers at 622 with sales amounting to $64,650.00. The rolling of the tennis courts and the laying of the tapes was completed today, and tennis enthusiasts commenced playing with great vigor. Weather, clear, occasionally partly cloudy. Visibility 15 miles.

13 May/45  In keeping with the National Day of Prayer as proclaimed by His Majesty the King, a church parade was held this morning at Grace Church in Saskatoon with Rev. D.B. MacDonald officiating. Approximately 25 officers and 160 other ranks attended this parade. A free movie was shown in the Recreation Hall in the evening. Weather clear to overcast. Visibility 15 miles.

14 May/45  S/L G.M. Hamilton (Admin) posted from this unit to No.12 S.F.T.S., Brandon, eff. 14 reporting 15 May, to assume duties as S.A.S.O. F/L R.D. Phillips was appointed Station Intelligence Security Officer. The Station Baseball League commenced this evening with the Commanding Officer throwing the first ball. The Sergeants No. 1 Team beat the Airmen's team by just one run. There are seven teams in the league and there is every prospect of a lively season of competition. A station bridge tournament was held in the W.D. lounge. Prizes were presented to the winners and refreshments were served at the conclusion of the tournament. Mr. C.G. Schmitt, Barrister, spoke to the Business Administration class today on "Corporations and Co-Operatives." Weather clear to partly cloudy. Visibility 12 to 15 miles.

15 May/45  C24843 F/L J.R. Fraser (AE) posted to this unit from No. 13 S.F.T.S. North Battleford eff. 15 May, reporting 17 May to assume duties as Engineering Officer. S/L Fraser, UNRRA Recruiting Officer, visited the unit unofficially today. A baseball game was played in the evening between the M.T. Section and Officers No. 2 Team, approximately 30 other ranks participated in the free Bingo which was held in the W.D. Lounge at 1900 hours. A free show was presented in the Recreation Hall. The W.D. p.t. class was held outside this morning and weather permitting these classes will henceforth be held on the sports field instead of the Drill Hall. Weather mainly clear. Visibility 12 to 15 miles.

16 May/45  F/L R.D. Phillips was defending officer this date at a D.C.M. at Calgary, Alta. Great coats went out of wear yesterday and it was rather chilly this morning on the C.O.s parade. An informal dance was held in the W.D. Lounge in the evening with recordings for music. The Staff Officers took the WAG Sergeants tonight at Baseball defeating them 12- 4. Mr. A.J.E. Sumner lectured to the Business Administration Class today on "Factors in Locating Business Establishments". Weather clear becoming
cloudy to overcast. Visibility 12 to 15 miles.

17 May/45  A Volunteer Blood Donor parade was held this morning and 60 station personnel were transported to the Blood Donor Clinic in Saskatoon. S/L G.H. Warren (Educ) from No. 2 A.C. visited this Unit in connection with the Rehabilitation Program. A Music Appreciation hour was presented in the W.D. Lounge this evening and about 25 personnel attended this presentation of good music. The Victory Loan Sales were finalized this date with no change from the previous reporting given May 12th of 622 subscribers and total sales of $64,650.00. Free movie was shown in the Recreation Hall at 2030 hours. Weather overcast with light smoke and light blowing dust. Light rain commenced 2320 hours. Visibility 8-12 miles in light smoke and blowing dust. Occasionally 15 miles.

18 May/45  E.J. Gilbert (Architect) lectured to the Business Administration Course today on "Housing Facilities for a Business." A concert of Swing Classics was held in the "Y" Lounge in the evening. Weather overcast with light rain until 0605 hours. Visibility 12-15 miles reduced 8-10 miles in light rain.

19 May/45  The tennis courts are getting alot of use these days and the P.T. staff are maintaining the courts in excellent condition. Weather overcast. Visibility 12-15 miles.

20 May/45  Personnel on No. 6 Duty Watch attended Church Parade at 0915 hours. Free show was presented in the Recreation Hall at 2030 hours. Weather overcast with light rain showers early in period. Visibility 10 miles or better.

21 May/45  Mr. A.C. Atkins, Merchandise Manager of the Hudson's Bay Co., Saskatoon, lectured to the Business Administration Course today on "Equipment Problems, Arrangement and Layout". A double header baseball program was held in the evening - WAG Sergeants vs Staff Sergeants, WAG Officers vs Staff Officers. There was keen competition between the teams and an enthusiastic crowd of spectators cheered the players on. Scores were: Staff Sergeants defeated WAG Sergeants 7-5, WAG Officers defeated Staff Officers 14-7. Weather clear to partly cloudy at 4000 feet with sky obscured by ground fog early in period. Visibility 10 miles or better reduced to zero in ground fog early in period.

22 May/45  Another baseball league game took place this evening with the W.D. team playing against the Airmen's team (When the W.D's. play the pitchers and catchers change teams) The W.D's were defeated 14-2, but the game provided a lot of amusement for both the players and the spectators. A free bingo session was held in the "Y" Lounge at 1900 hours and a free movie was shown in the Recreation Hall at 2030 hours. Weather clear to partly cloudy to cloudy at 4-5000 feet. Visibility 10 miles or better.

23 May/45  The Commanding Officer's Parade was held this morning on the Station Parade Square. Mr. G.A. Dobson, of the Technical Collegiate of Saskatoon, spoke to the Business Administration Course on "Records Needed in Business." F/L S.T. Williams (Security and Intelligence) and S/L W. Whiteford (Accts) and F/L G. Richardson (Accts) visited this unit from No. 2 A.C. An informal dance was held in the "Y" Lounge for other ranks with recordings for music. Weather partly cloudy. Visibility 10 miles or better.

24 May/45  The Staff Sergeants defeated the Staff Officers at baseball this evening by 13-8. The C.O. umpired the game. A free show was presented in the Recreation Hall at 2030 hours.
Weather cloudy to partly cloudy with high cloud. Visibility 10 miles or better-reduced to 8 miles during the afternoon by smoke.

25 May/45  G/C A.R. Sinclair (Accts) S.O.A.F. and W/C G.M.A. Monteith (Accts) visited this unit today. Mr. G.D. Nelson, Merchandise Manager, T. Eaton Co. Ltd. of Saskatoon, spoke to the Administration Class on "Purchasing Problems and Business Stock Control". F/L J.R. Fraser (AE) departed on posting to No. 1 Air Command. Weather overcast with low cloud during the early morning hours becoming partly cloudy with high wind. Visibility 10 miles or better reduced towards evening by smoke.

26 May/45  An Art Display consisting of 43 original oil sketches and paintings by the Ontario Society of Artists is on display for three days in the Station Library through the courtesy of the Y.M.C.A. Travelling Art Exhibition. An informal dance was held in the Officers' Mess. Weather partly cloudy to cloudy becoming overcast at 0530 hours and remaining overcast until about 1930 hours, then clearing slowly. Light rain from 0910 hours to 1120 hours. Visibility 10 miles or better except 6 to 10 miles in rain.

27 May/45  F/L J.M. Dickson (Educ) departed for No. 2 A.C. on temporary duty in connection with pre-demobilization program. A cycling party was organized by the "Y" Supervisor for the afternoon and those who participated spent an enjoyable afternoon cycling and picnicking outside the City. A free show was shown in the Recreation Hall in the evening. Weather partly cloudy to overcast with light ground fog at sunrise, and light blowing dust in the late evening. Visibility 10 miles or better except 6-8 in ground fog at sunrise.

28 May/45  F/O A.J. Bowering (Educ) reported from No. 23 E.F.T.S. on attached duty at this unit as Education Officer. Mr. A.E.S. Warrington, Manager of the Hudson's Bay Co. lectured to the Business Administration Class on "marketing and merchandising problems". A station bridge party was held in the "Y" Lounge in the evening. Prizes were presented to the winners and refreshments were served. P/O D.T. Mitchell appointed Deputy Returning Officer for Ontario Provincial Election and Federal General Election for War Service Voters at this Unit. Weather overcast becoming clear after 1030 hours. Light rain from 0115 to 0322 hours. Visibility over ten except 6-8 in light rain.

29 May/45  The Officers defeated the Airmen at baseball this evening 18-10. Bingo was played in the "Y" Lounge from 1900 to 2000 hours, and at 2030 hours personnel attended a free movie in the Recreation Hall. Weather clear to partly cloudy in morning becoming overcast with some light rain with passage of front. Visibility over 10 miles except 7 in light rain.

30 May/45  C.O's parade was held this morning in the drill hall due to the inclement weather and ironically, effective today summer dress became optional on and off the station. An informal dance was held in the "Y" Lounge in the evening with recordings for music. Weather rain
showers from 0630 to 1030 hours. Rest of the day overcast. Visibility varied from 10-15 miles.

31 May/45 An Officers Barbecue party was held late in the afternoon on the river bank of the Saskatchewan River. A huge piece of meat was roasted over an open pit and proved to be as delicious as it smelled during the cooking. During the festivities it was necessary to take shelter under a tarpaulin which had been set up in case it rained. The Sergeants entertained in their mess this evening at a stag smoker. A free movie was presented in the Recreation Hall at 2030 hours. Weather rain from 1400 to 1545 hours and 1735 to 1940 hours. Rained rest of night from 2015 hours. Visibility mainly 10 -12 miles, except 6 miles in rain.

FLYING HOURS. Total number of hours flown during the month of May was 67 hours.

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June 1/45 An amendment to the Unit Establishment was received which changed the establishment of the Messing Officer from one Section Officer to one Flight Officer, effective date 17th May /45. Weather - rain until 1200 hours and from 1615 to 1640 hours. Drizzle from 1200 to 1310 hours l640 to 2120 hours and 2220 to 2215 hours. Fog from 0700 to 1310 hours
and 1430 to 1700 hours. Visibility - 2.3 miles in fog; 1½ to 7 in drizzle; 6 to 10 miles in rain. Otherwise 10 to 15 miles.

June 2/45 S/L T.A. Speer (C8498), F/L D.M. Macdonald (JI7749) and S/L Whiteford (C3391) of No. 2 A.C.H.Q. visited the station to-day to inspect Non-public Funds property. Weather - Fog from 0510 hours to 0700 hours. Otherwise overcast. Visibility - ½ to 2 Miles in fog. Otherwise 12 to 15 miles.

June 3/45 A free movie was shown in the Recreation Hall for all personnel. Officers invited their wives and guests for dinner in the Officers' Mess. Weather - Light drizzle from 0010 to 0055 hours. Overcast with low cloud the rest of the day. Light drizzle between 1918 and 1945 hours and 2033 to 2200 hours. Visibility - 10 miles or better.

June 4/45 A station dance was held in the Drill Hall with music by Ken Peaker's orchestra. Novelties and horns added to the gaiety of the evening and everyone seemed to have an enjoyable time. F/L W.A. Wha0ten (C6089) visited this Unit from # 2 A.C. Weather — Overcast to partly cloudy. Visibility - 10 miles or better.

June 5/45 S/L C.H. Hearn (C6572) visited the station to-day. F/O F.R. Madore (C29932) returned this date from attending the Personnel Counsellor's Course at Rockcliffe, Ont. and assumed duties as Personnel Counsellor at this Unit. The first game in the play-offs of the fastball League was held to-night with the Sergeants defeating the officers 19 to 8. A free movie was shown in the Recreation Hall. Weather - clear to high scattered. Visibility - 15 miles.

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June 6/45 G/C C.H. Greenway of No. 2 A.C, accompanied by F/L D.J. England of # 4 S.F.T.S. (Air Cadet Liaison Officer), inspected 700 Air Cadets at a Parade held in Saskatoon. The craft shop was opened this evening and a number of personnel completed articles. The second game in the Softball Playoffs was held to-night with G/C Greenway former C.O. of this station acting as Umpire. It was a close and exciting game with the Sgt.s managing to defeat the Officers thereby Winning the League. Practically the entire station turned out to cheer the teams to victory and the game certainly provided good entertainment. Informal dancing with recorded music for Corporals and below was held in the "Y" Lounge following the baseball game. Weather - Generally broken throughout the day. Visibility 15 miles.

June 7/45 Disbandment Orders were received this date for the disbandment of No. 4 S.F.T.S. - eff; 14 June/45. A free movie was shown in the Recreation Hall at 2030 hours. Weather - Partly cloudy to overcast with light rain shower in the evening. Visibility - over 10 miles.

June 8/45 Mr. G. Wye, Personnel Assistant of the Hudson's Bay Company of Saskatoon, lectured to the Business Administration Class to-day on "Personnel Problems, Employment and Training Management". A scramble for the Hurricane took place at 2155 hours on receipt of a call from Prince Albert advising that a balloon had been sighted. It took only 4 minutes for the aircraft to be airborne. The flight was unsuccessful in locating the balloon. Attached is Appendix
"A" newspaper clipping appearing in to-day's paper (Star Phoenix) relating to a pilot graduate of this school. Weather - Clear to partly cloudy. Some light ground fog at sunrise. Visibility - Over ten except seven in ground fog.

June 9/45 The Returning Officer for # 4 S.F.T.S. War Service Voters for the Federal Election completed the balloting for personnel of this Unit to-day. The Craft Room which was indeed a successful enterprise at this Unit closed to-day. An informal party with dancing to Recordings was held in the Officers' Mess this evening Weather - Partly cloudy to cloudy with some light smoke in the early morning. Visibility - Over ten miles, reduced over city in smoke.

June 10/45 An R.C. Church Service was held in the Station Chapel at 1100 hours with father Munnelly officiating. A free show was presented in the Recreation Hall at 1930 hours. Weather - partly cloudy to overcast. Light rain showers and thunderstorms in the early afternoon. Visibility - over ten miles.

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June 11/45 A "grudge" softball game was held this evening between the Officers and Sr. N.C.O's. The N.C.O's defeated the Officers once again, but the Officers still think they can beat the N.C.O.'s and another game is in the offing. Weather Clear to overcast with rain showers and blowing dust in the afternoon. Visibility - 15 miles, reduced to 6-7 miles in rain showers and blowing dust.

June 12/45 F/L W.A. Virtue (C8302) attended a two day Personnel Counselor’s Conference at # 7 Release Centre, Clagary, Alta. F/L R.D. Phillips (Admin) (C2020) attended a D.C.M. at # 1 R.E.M.C. Lethbridge, Alta. as prosecuting officer. Weather - overcast, occasionally cloudy with rain 0220-0410 and rain showers throughout the afternoon. Visibility - 15 miles, reduced to 6 miles in light blowing dust.


June 14/45 No. 4 S.F.T.S. disbands effective to-day. All canteens closed at 1300 hours. Advice received to-day that S/L G.A. Webster (J11476) had been awarded the Air Force Cross. F/L D.J. England (C1070) attended the graduating exercises at the Deaf and Dumb School and presented two signet rings to the honor graduates. A station banquet was held in the Airmen's Mess at 1800 hours at which turkey with all the trimmings was served. The Mess Hall was decorated with flowers and candles graced the tables. The banquet was opened by a Bagpipe rendition from the Army Personnel who provided music during the dinner. All personnel were posted from the station effective June 14/45. One hundred & thirty five remaining on the Rear Party # 4 S.F.T.S. Weather - continued light rain from previous day to 0050 hours with broken cloud conditions the rest of the day. Visibility - 10 miles or better.
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