

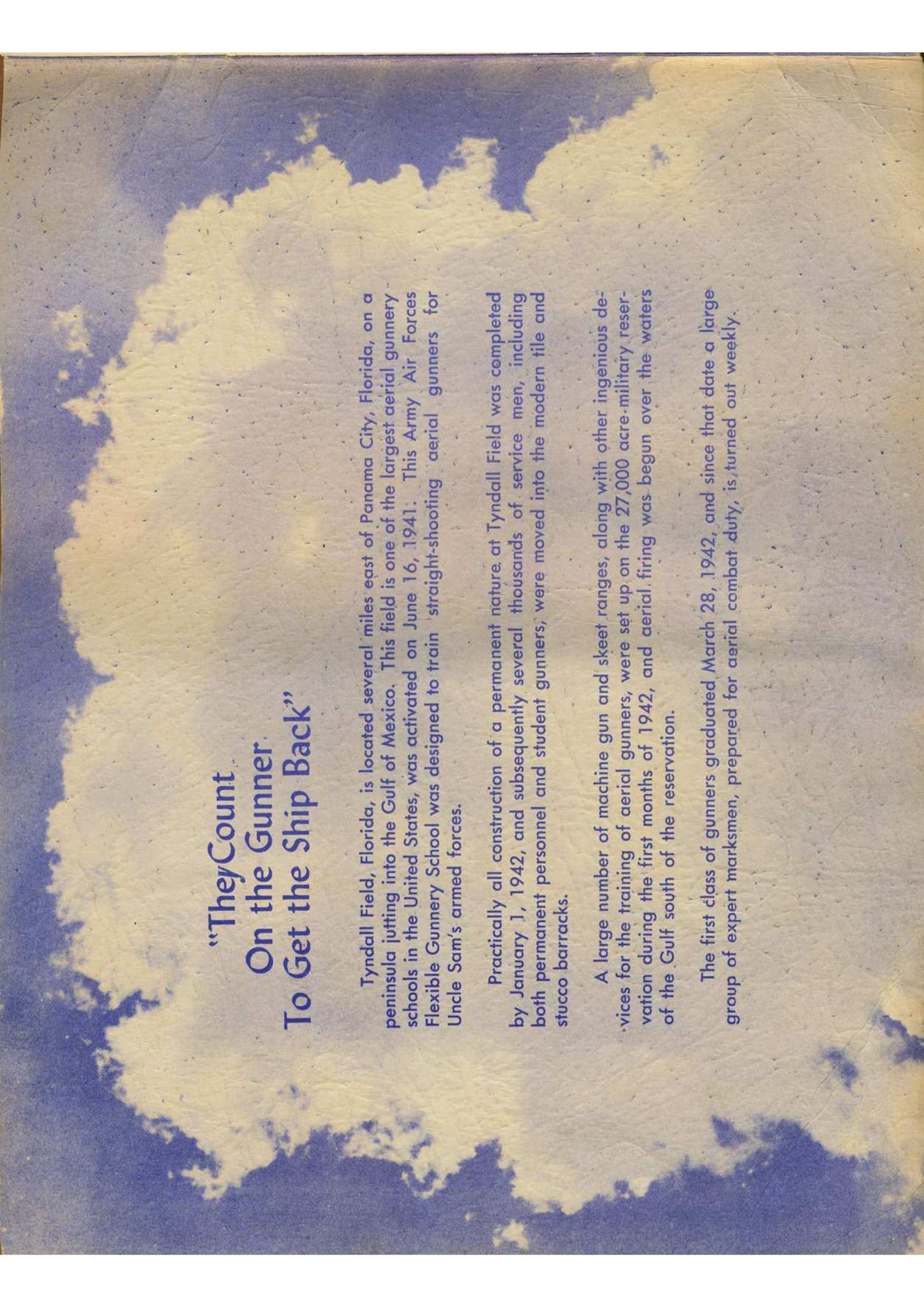
★ TYNDALL FIELD ★

Florida



ARMY AIR FORCES
FLEXIBLE GUNNERY SCHOOL





“They Count On the Gunner. To Get the Ship Back”

Tyndall Field, Florida, is located several miles east of Panama City, Florida, on a peninsula jutting into the Gulf of Mexico. This field is one of the largest aerial gunnery schools in the United States, was activated on June 16, 1941. This Army Air Forces Flexible Gunnery School was designed to train straight-shooting aerial gunners for Uncle Sam's armed forces.

Practically all construction of a permanent nature at Tyndall Field was completed by January 1, 1942, and subsequently several thousands of service men, including both permanent personnel and student gunners, were moved into the modern tile and stucco barracks.

A large number of machine gun and skeet ranges, along with other ingenious devices for the training of aerial gunners, were set up on the 27,000 acre military reservation during the first months of 1942, and aerial firing was begun over the waters of the Gulf south of the reservation.

The first class of gunners graduated March 28, 1942, and since that date a large group of expert marksmen, prepared for aerial combat duty, is turned out weekly.

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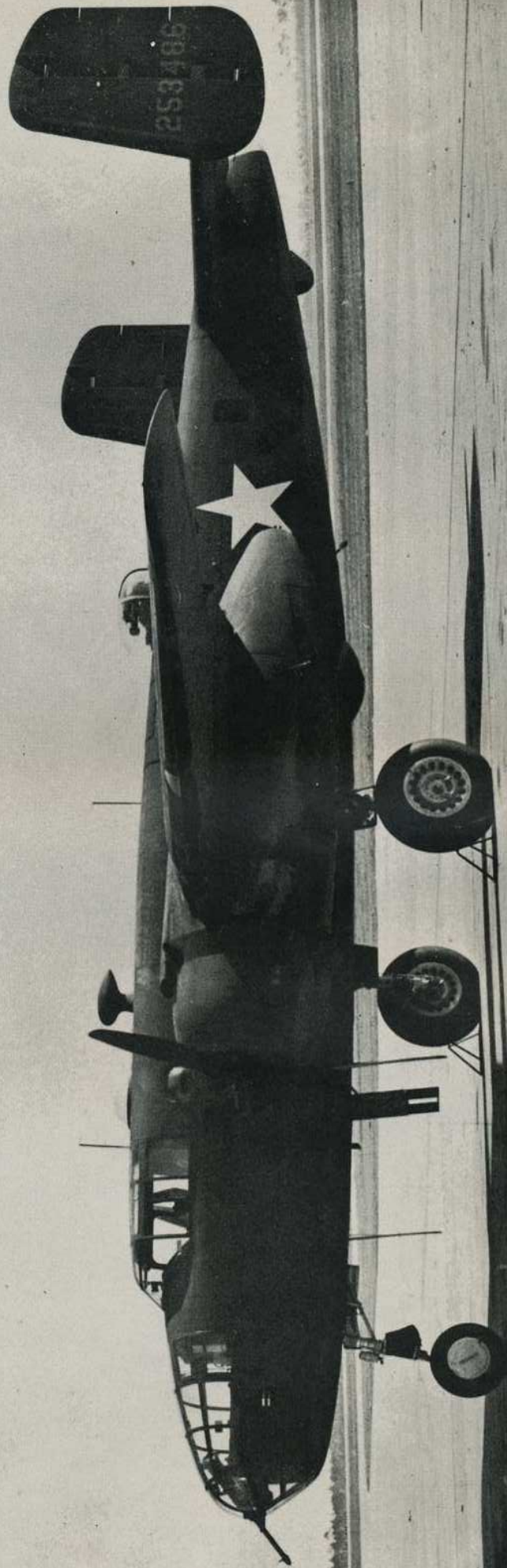


COLONEL LELAND S. STRANATHAN
Commanding Officer

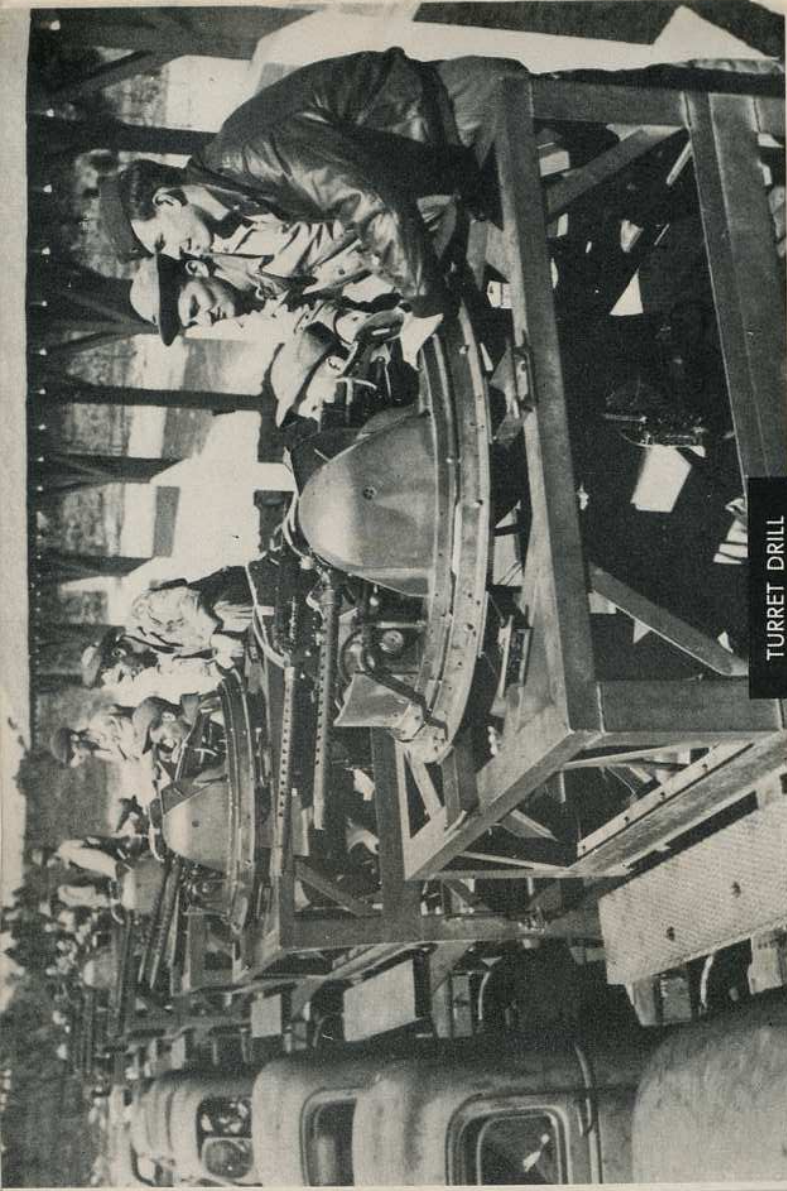
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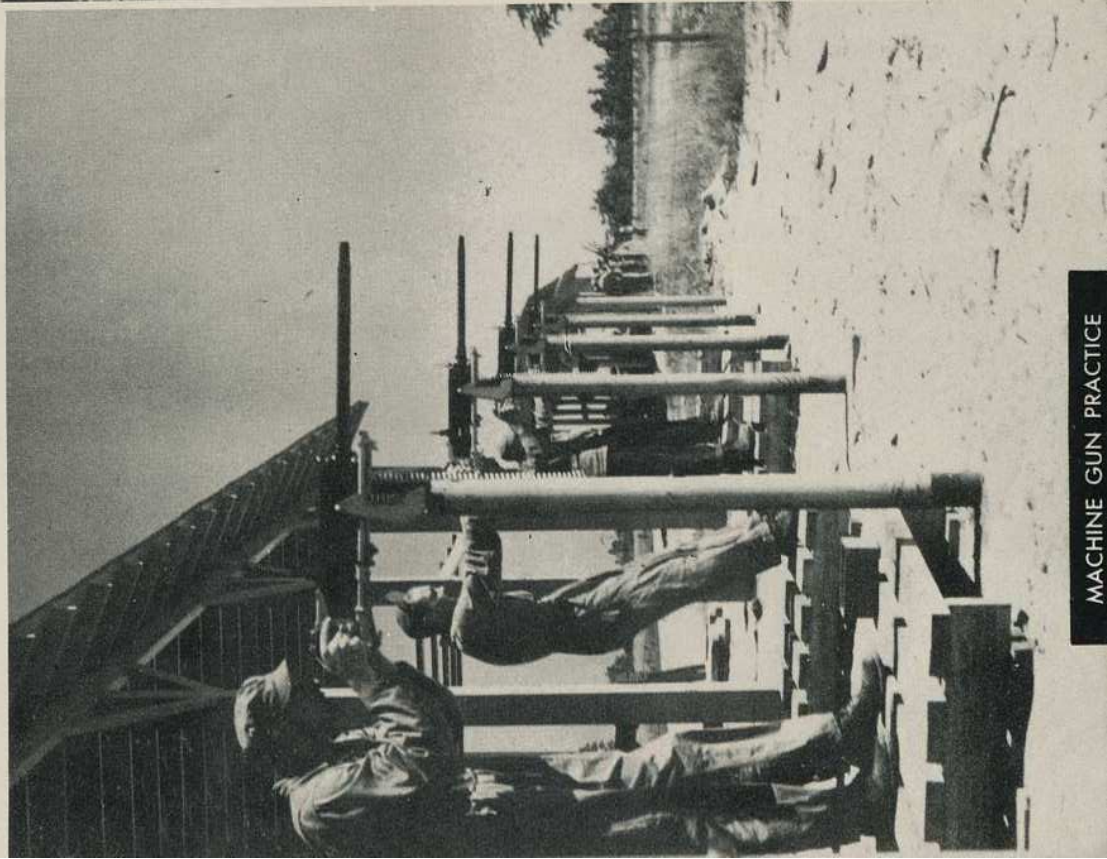
*Medium Bomber Used in Air-to-Air
Firing Practice*



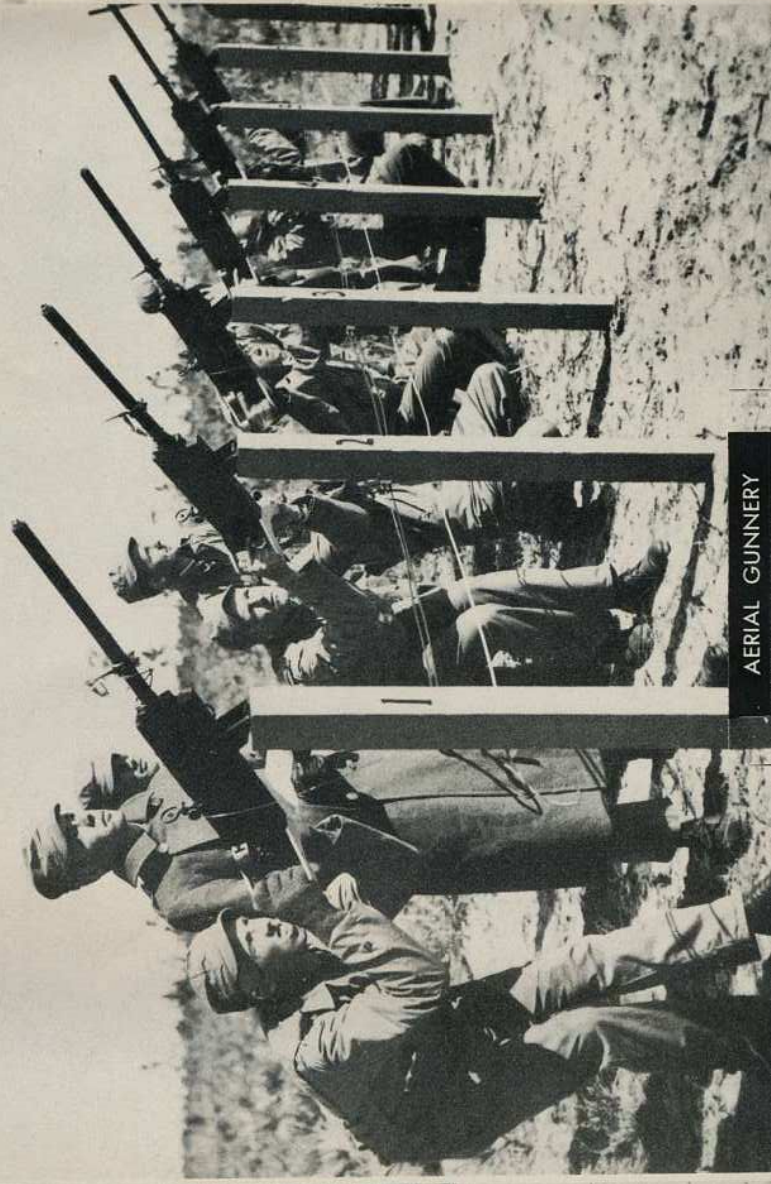
“Instruction the Keynote”
at Tyndall



TURRET DRILL



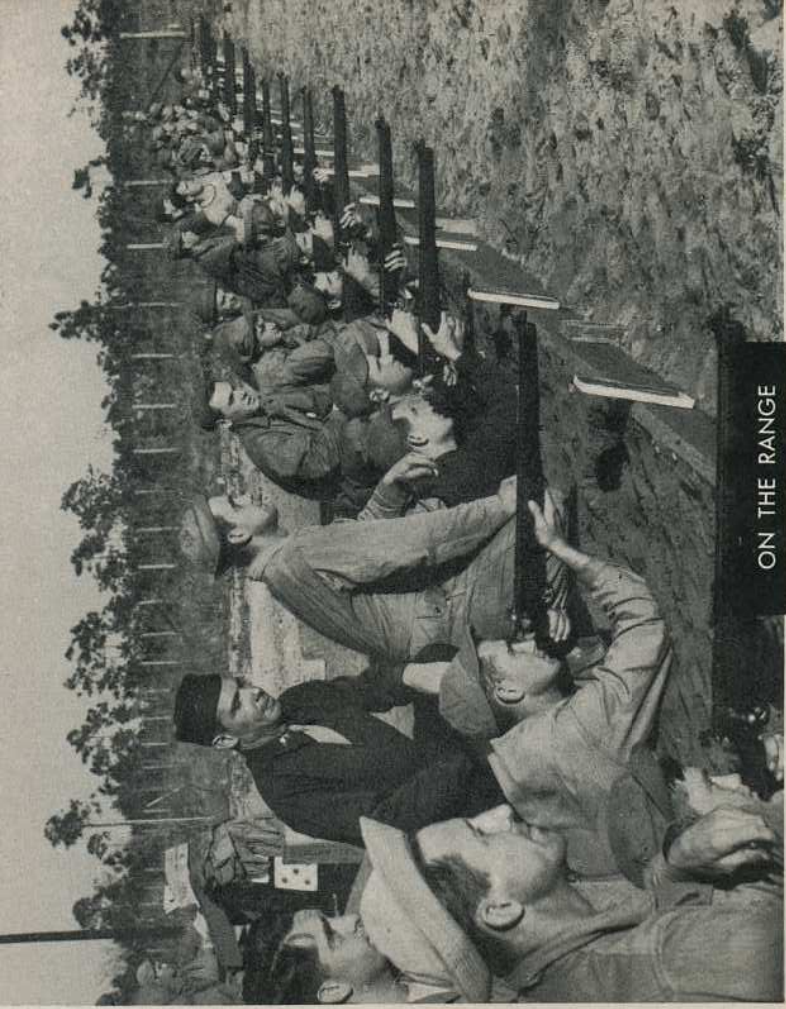
MACHINE GUN PRACTICE



AERIAL GUNNERY



TRAPSHOOTING



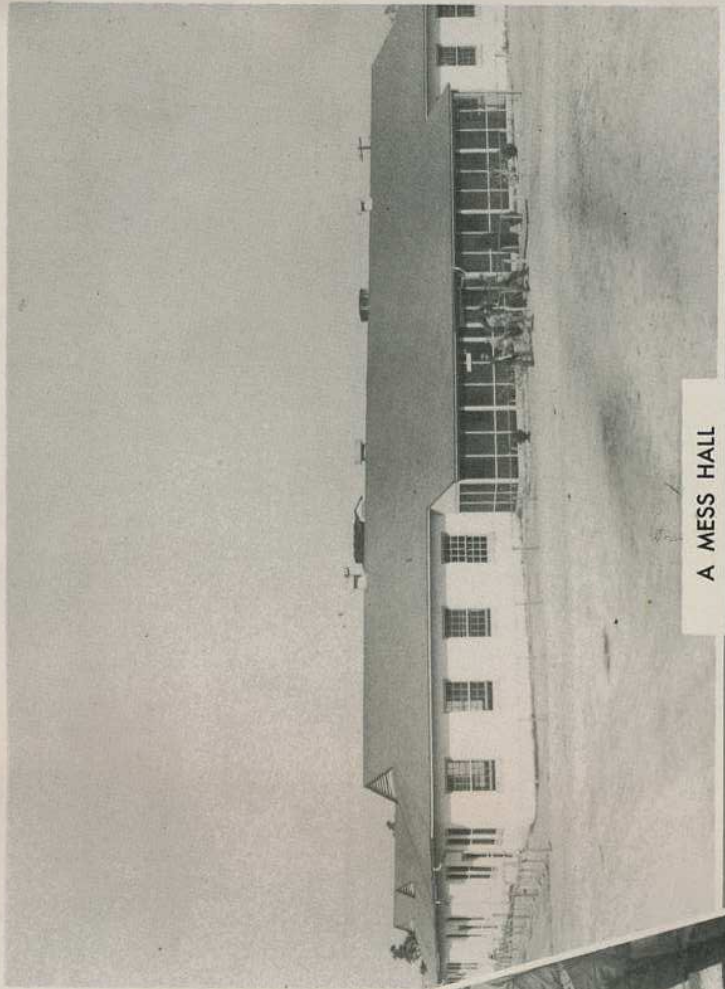
ON THE RANGE



FIRING LINE INSTRUCTION



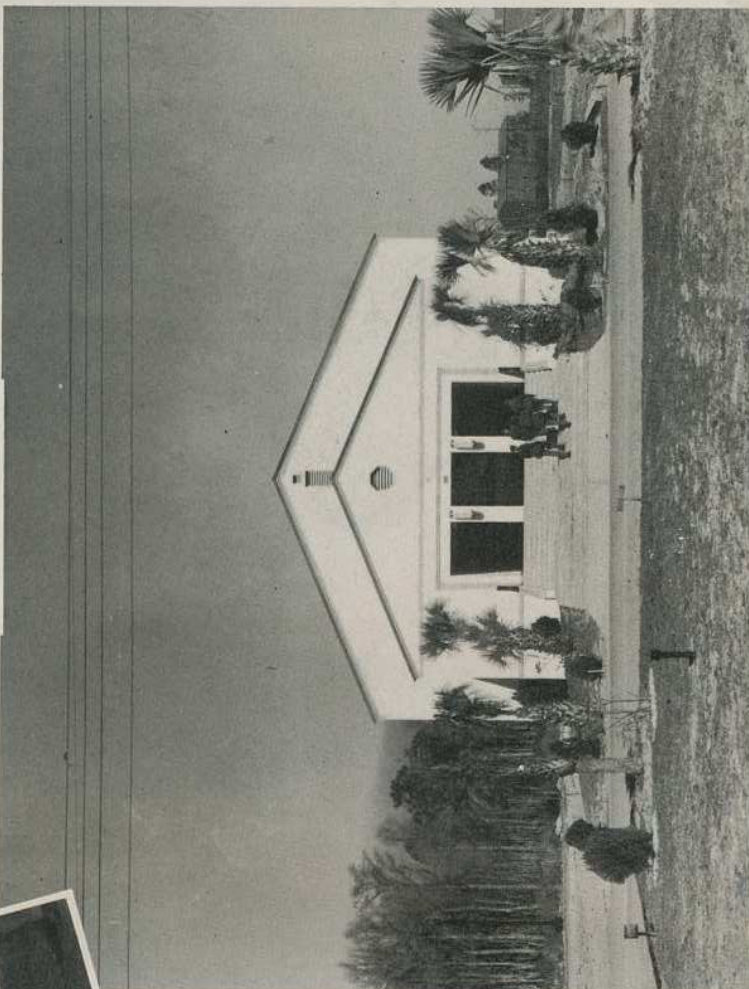
Around the Field



A MESS HALL



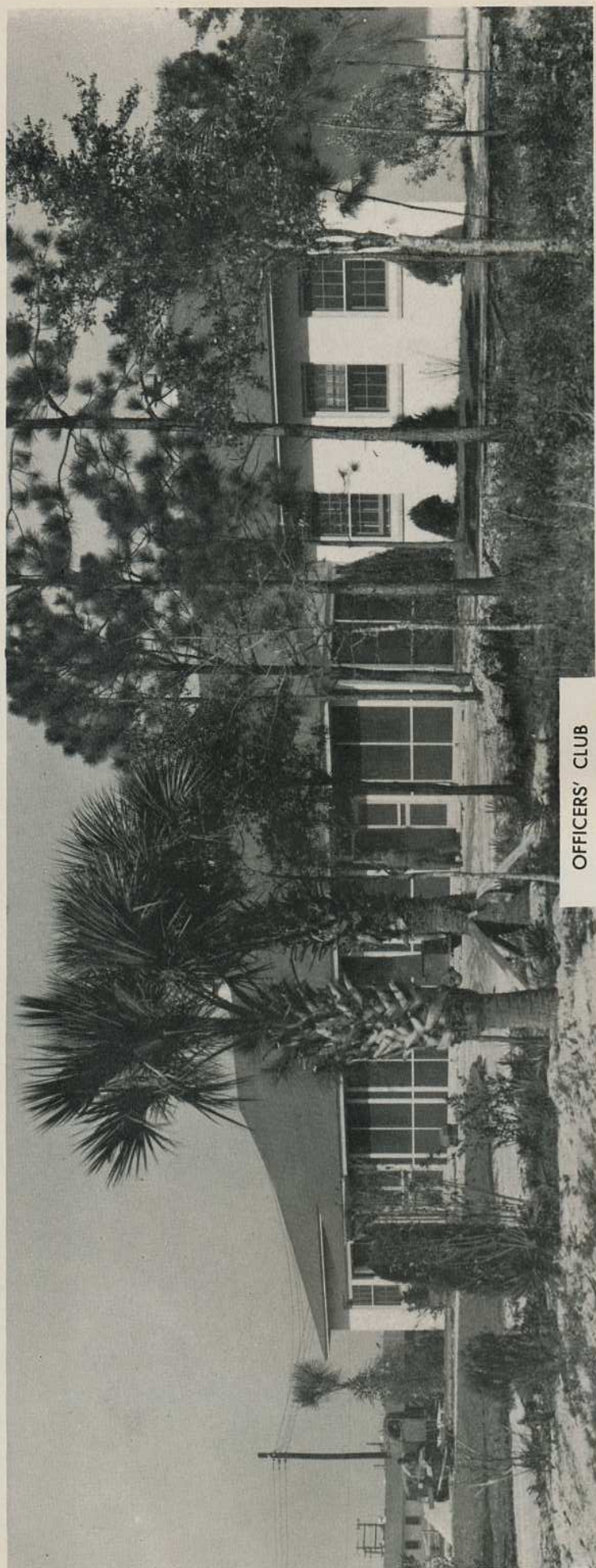
ENTRANCE TO TYNDALL FIELD



POST THEATER



POST GREENHOUSE

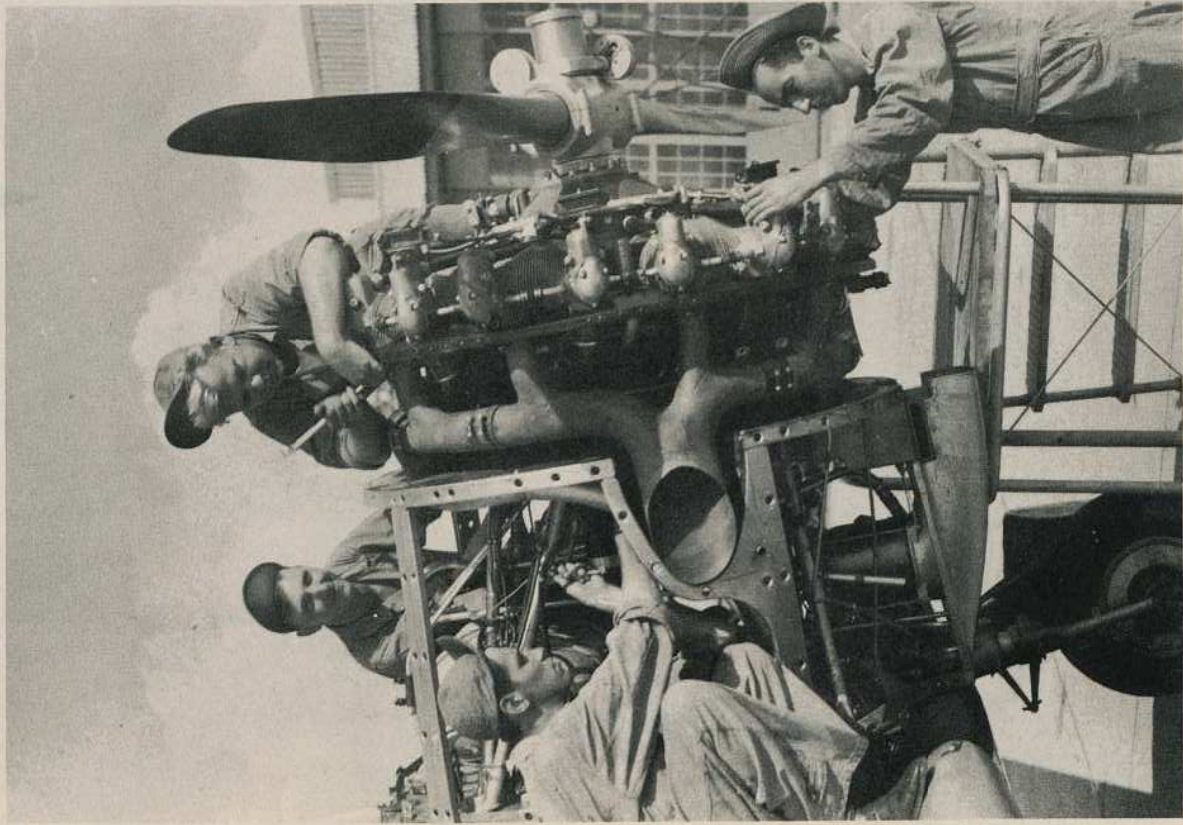


OFFICERS' CLUB



AN ORDERLY ROOM AND DAY ROOM

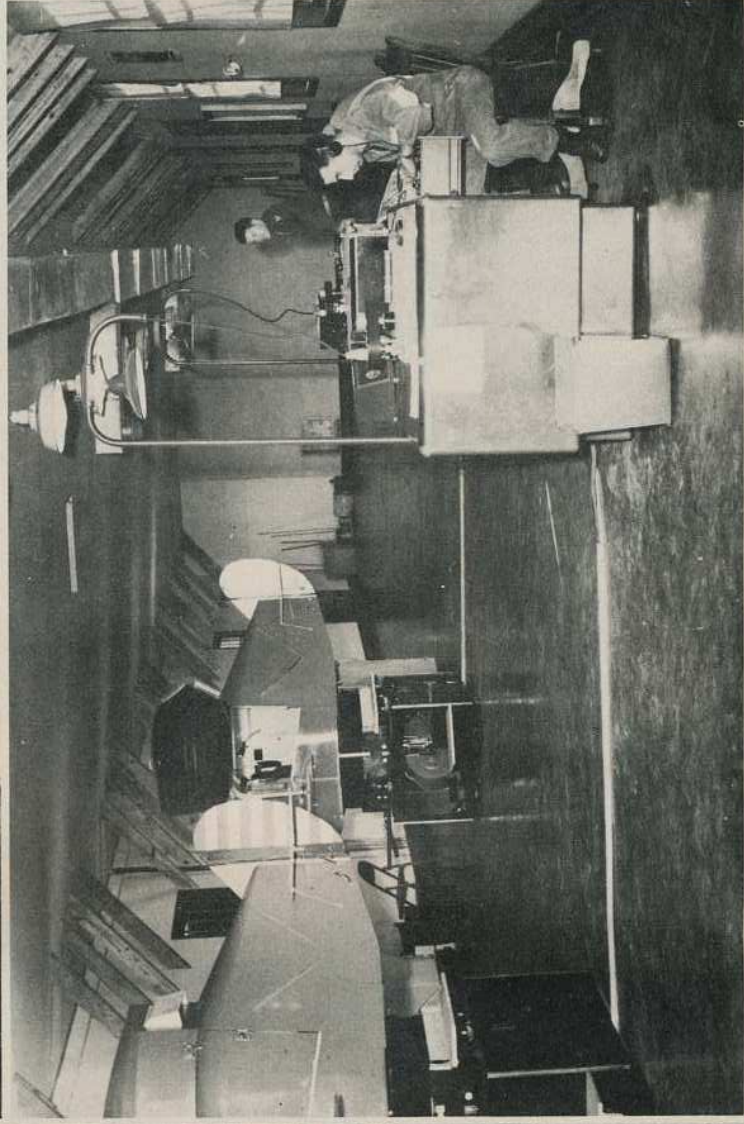
"Men at Work"



OVERHAULING ENGINE



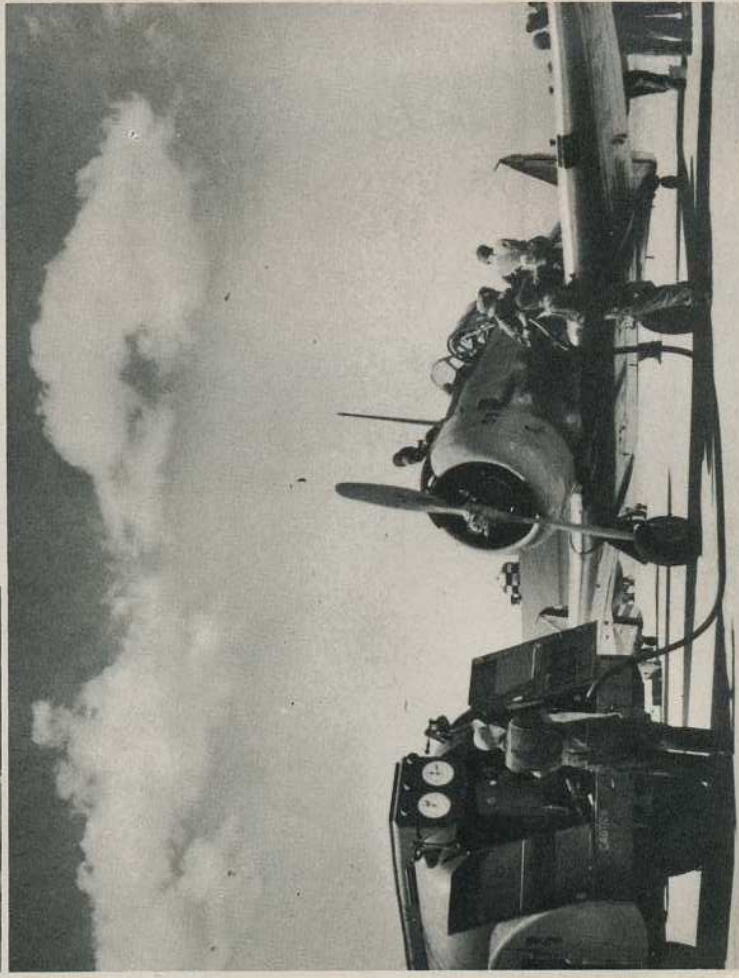
CHECKING TARGET



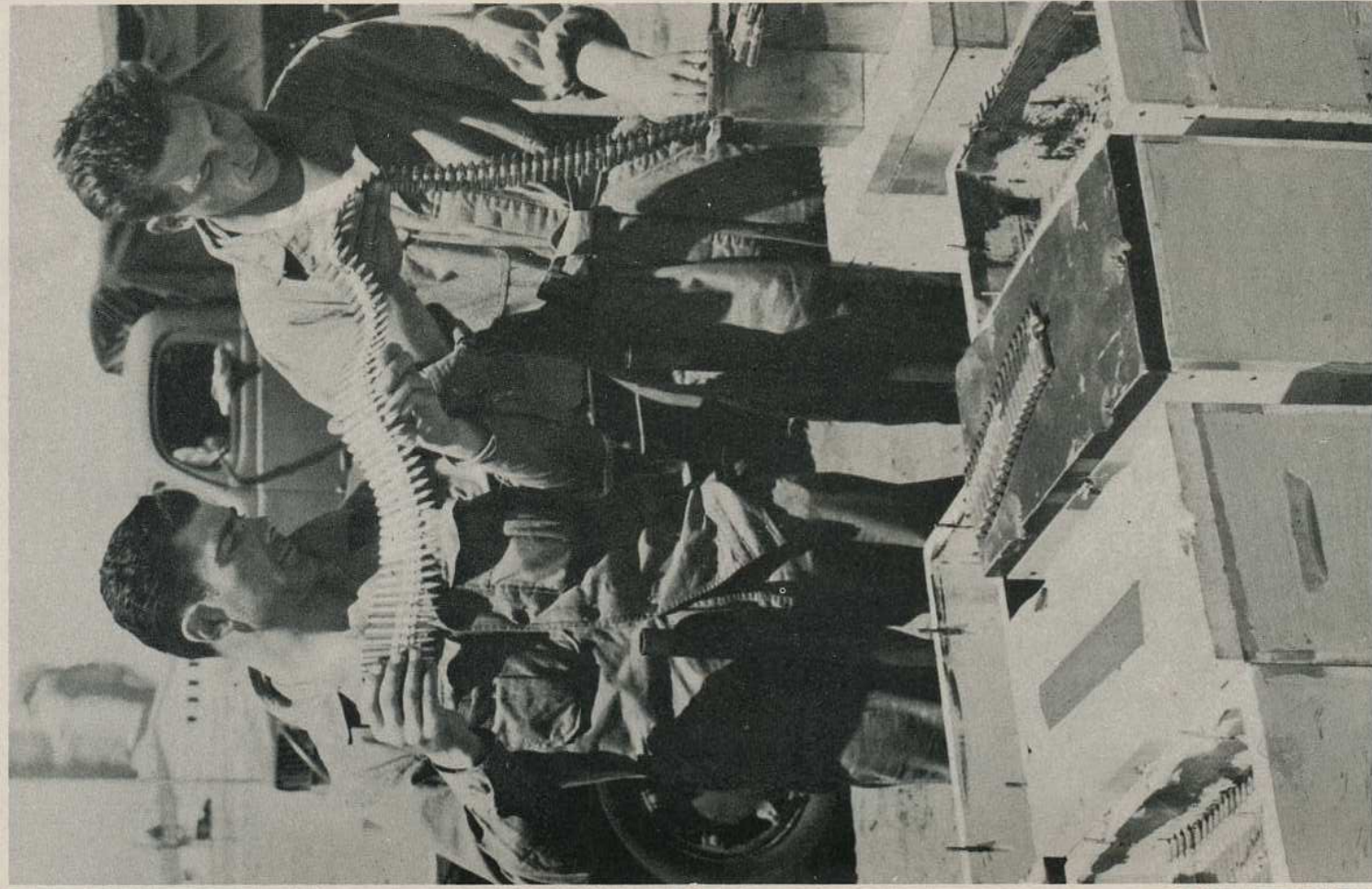
LINK TRAINERS



MECHANICS AT WORK



REFUELING ON THE LINE



GROUND CREW LOADS AMMUNITION FOR AERIAL GUNNERY MISSION

Where
All Faiths Meet

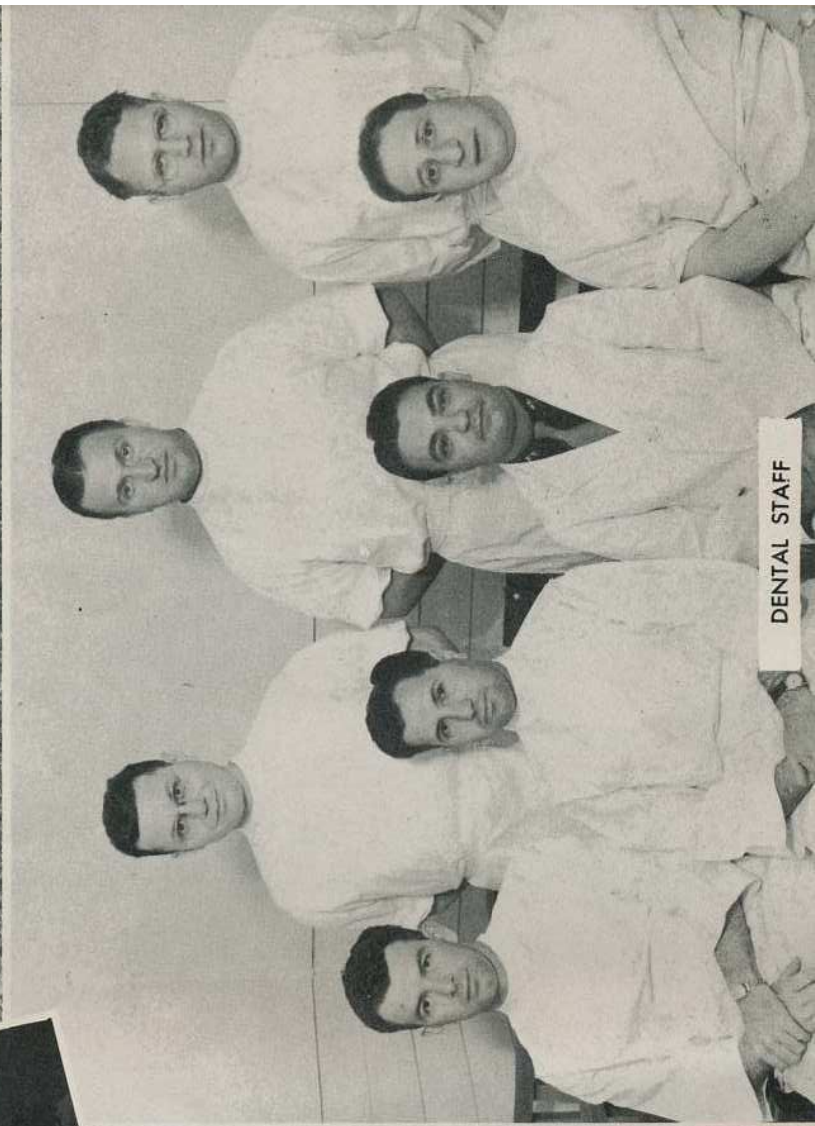




NURSES, SWEET—MUSIC!



MODERN EQUIPMENT



DENTAL STAFF

HIT THAT TARGET



INSPECTING AMMUNITION

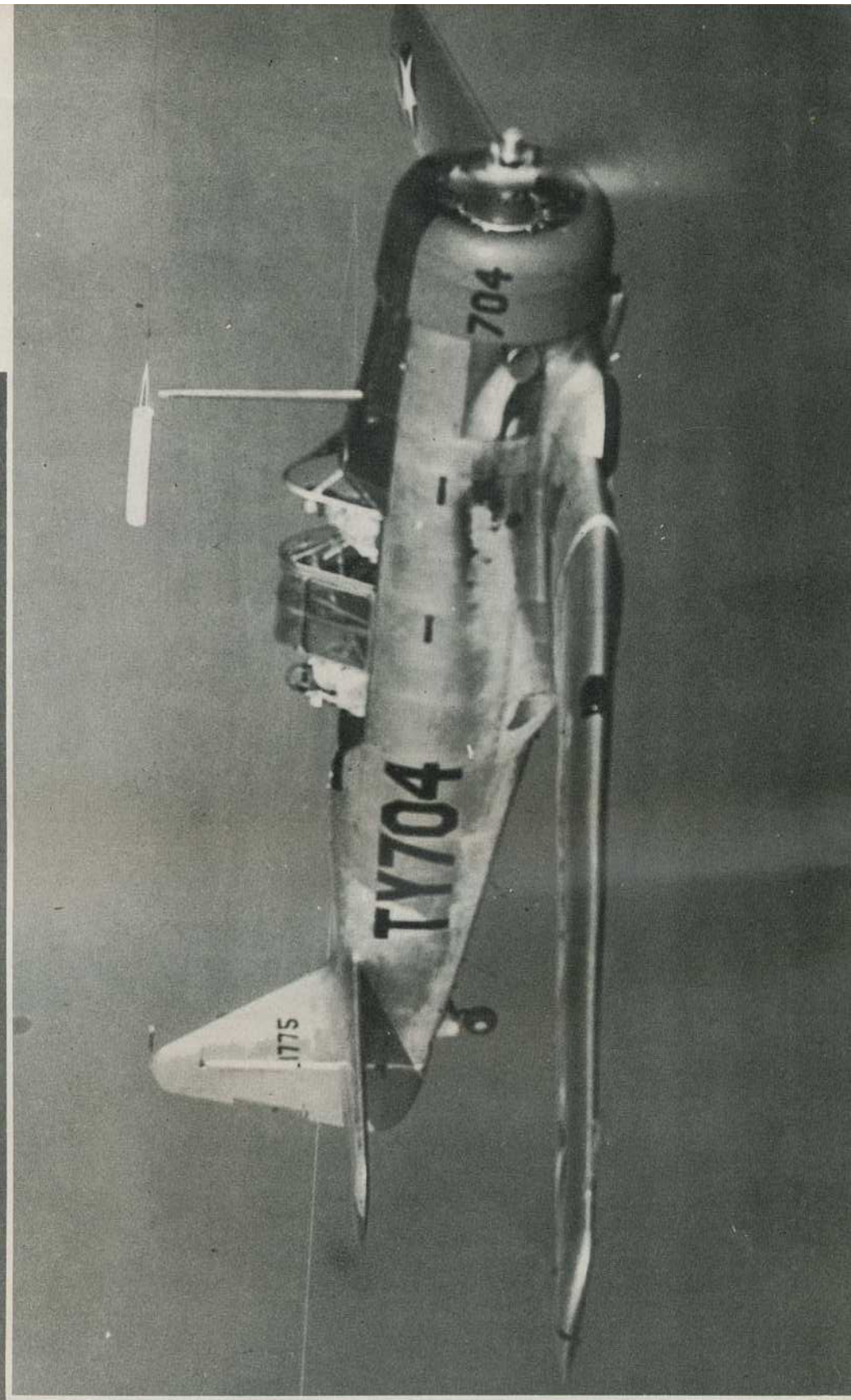


INSPECTING THE HITS ON THE TOW TARGET

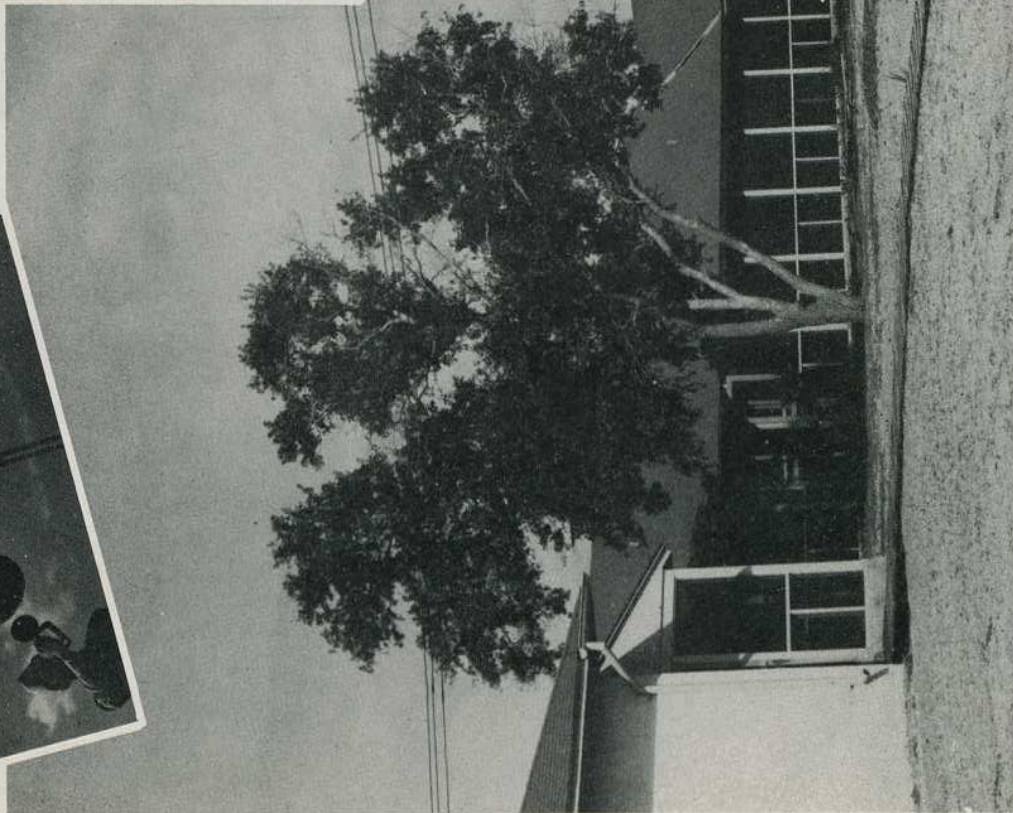


... and They Did!
 "It's The Gunner Who Blasts The Japs!"

SHIPS . . . and a
TOW TARGET



Barracks Life



ONE OF OUR BARRACKS

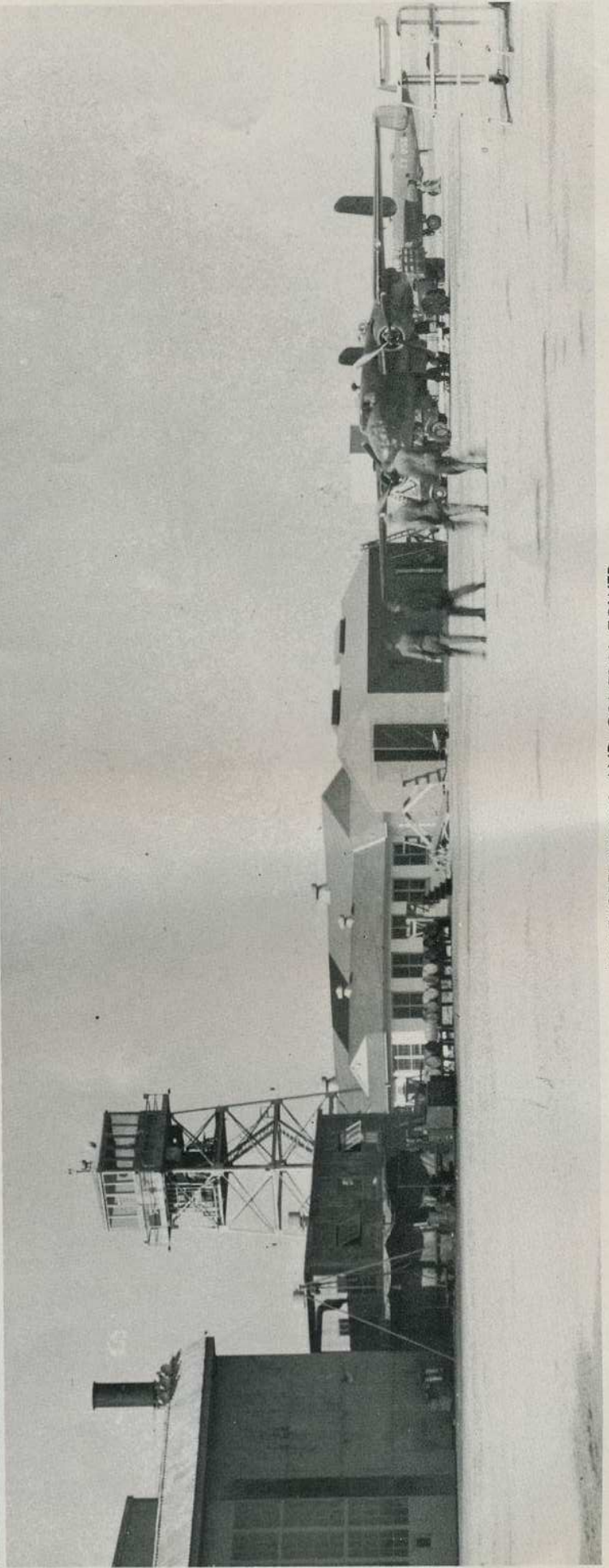


"AND IT'S SAFE!"

ON THE LINE



"DAISY MAE"

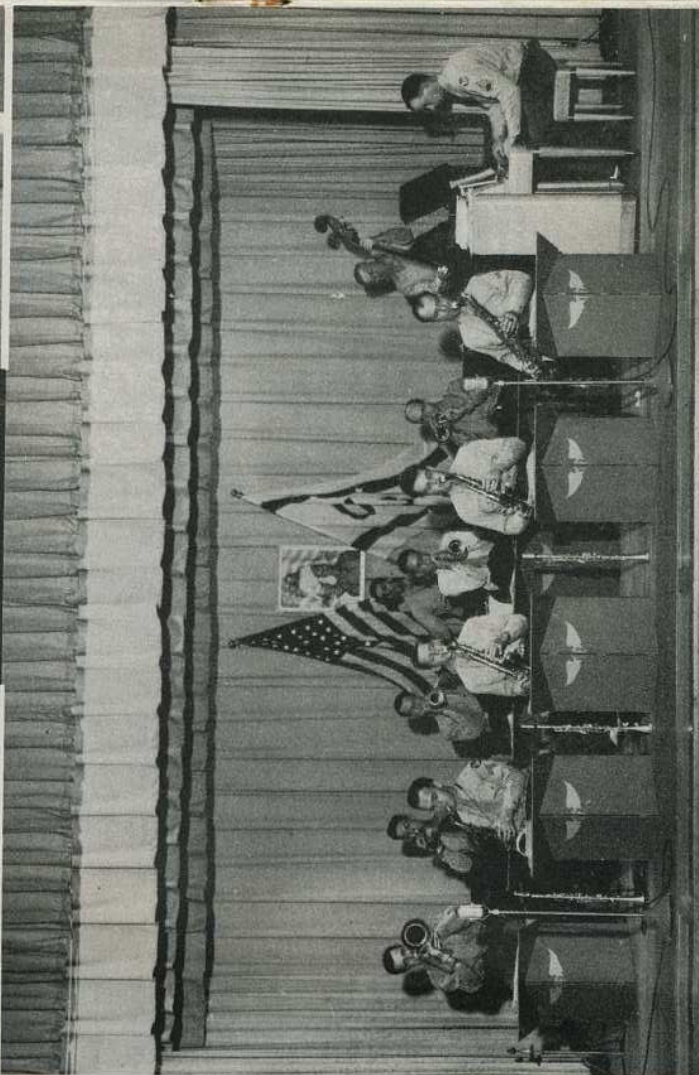


POST OPERATIONS AND CONTROL TOWER

"OFF DUTY"



LETTERS FROM HOME



ON THE AIR



ON WISHING BRIDGE



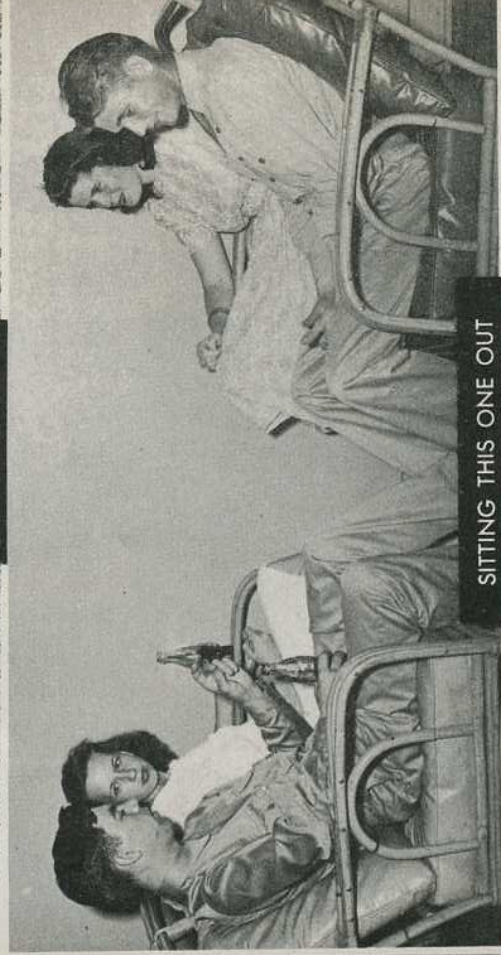
EVERYBODY DANCE



RELAXATION



"TYNDALLETES"



SITTING THIS ONE OUT

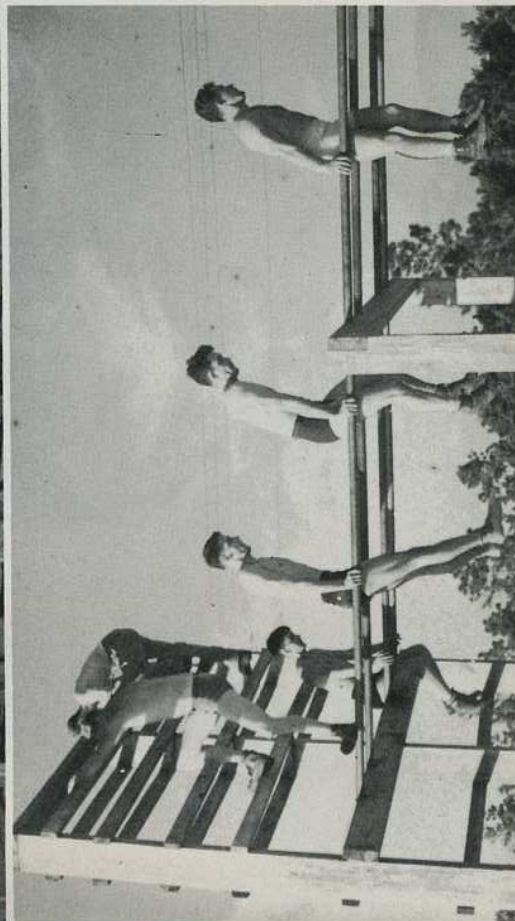
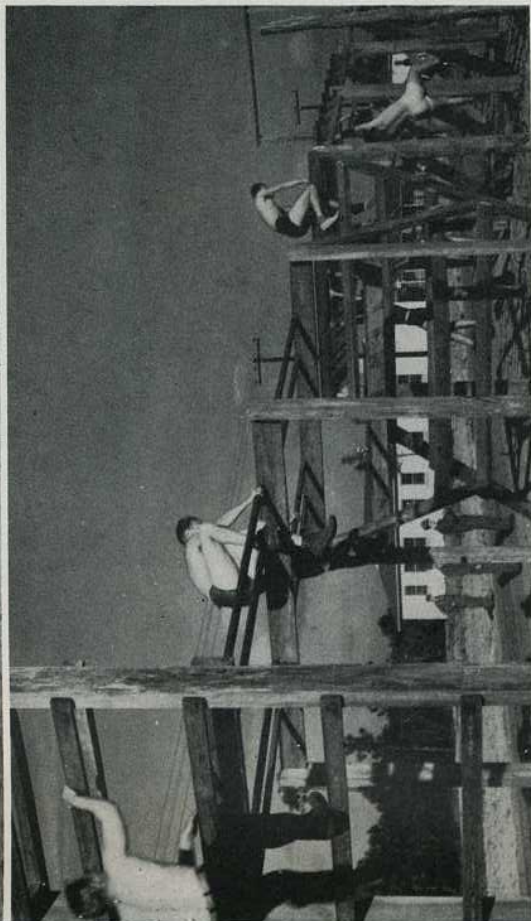
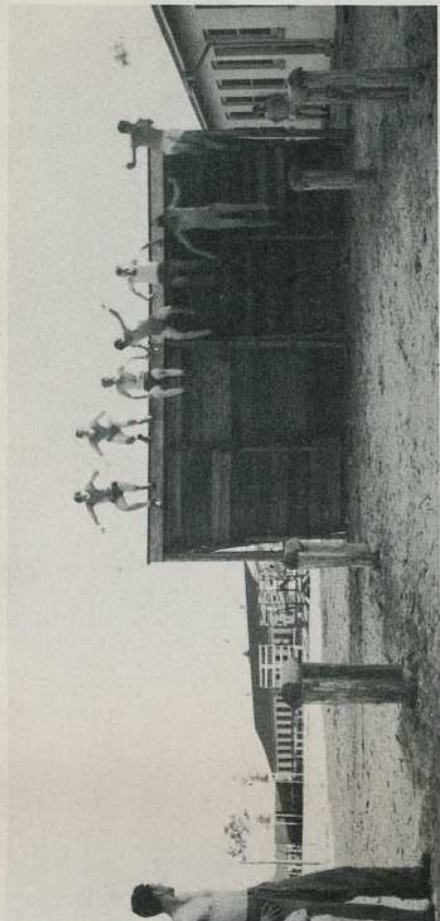
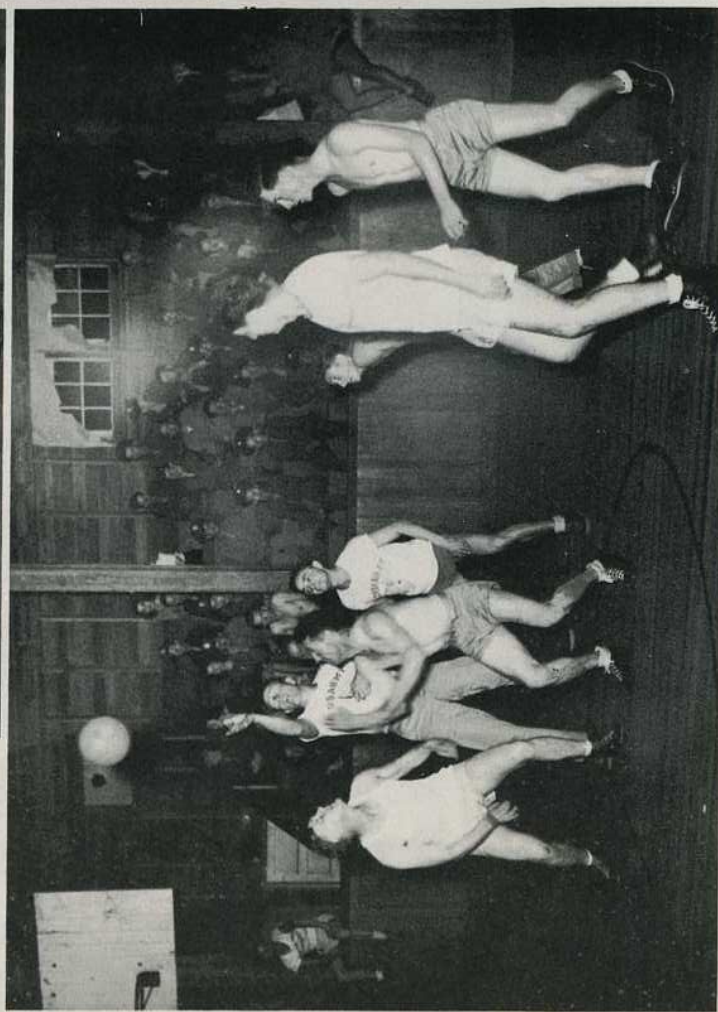


THOUGHTS OF HOME

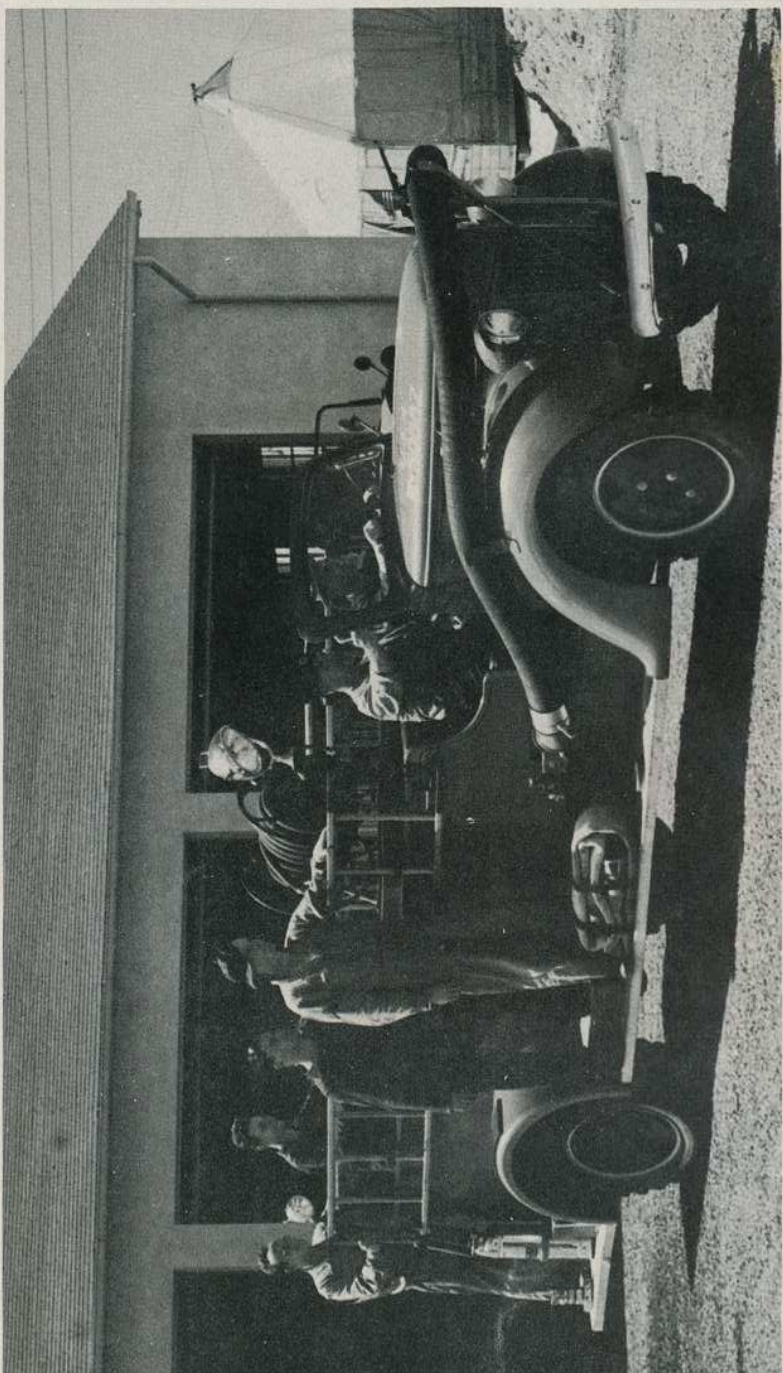


WE FURNISH THE MUSIC

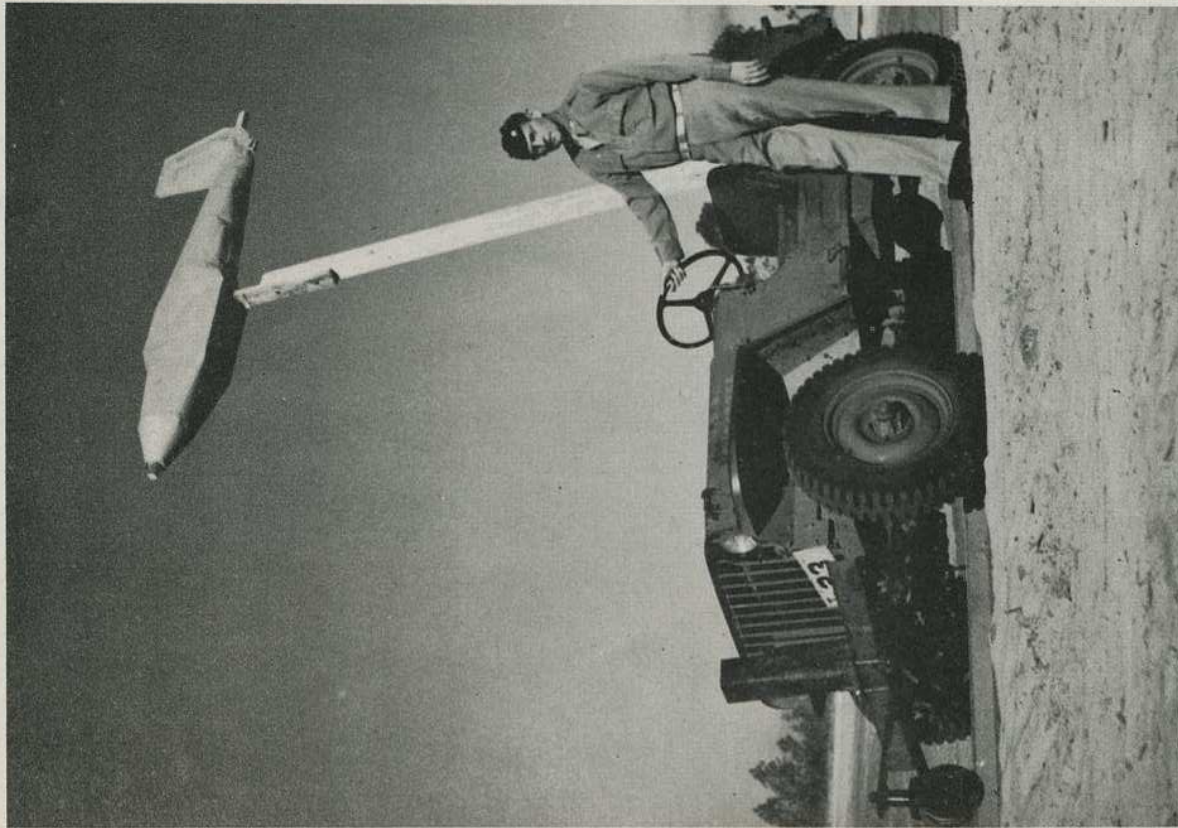
SPORTS



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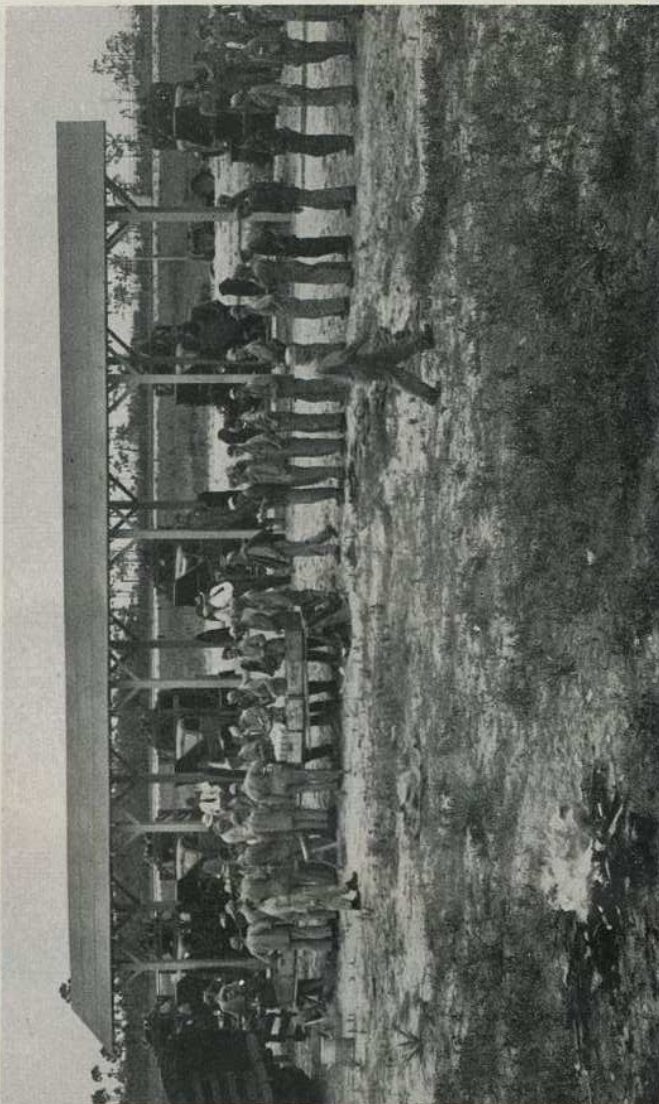
On the Range



JEEP RANGE AND TRAVELING DUMMY PLANE



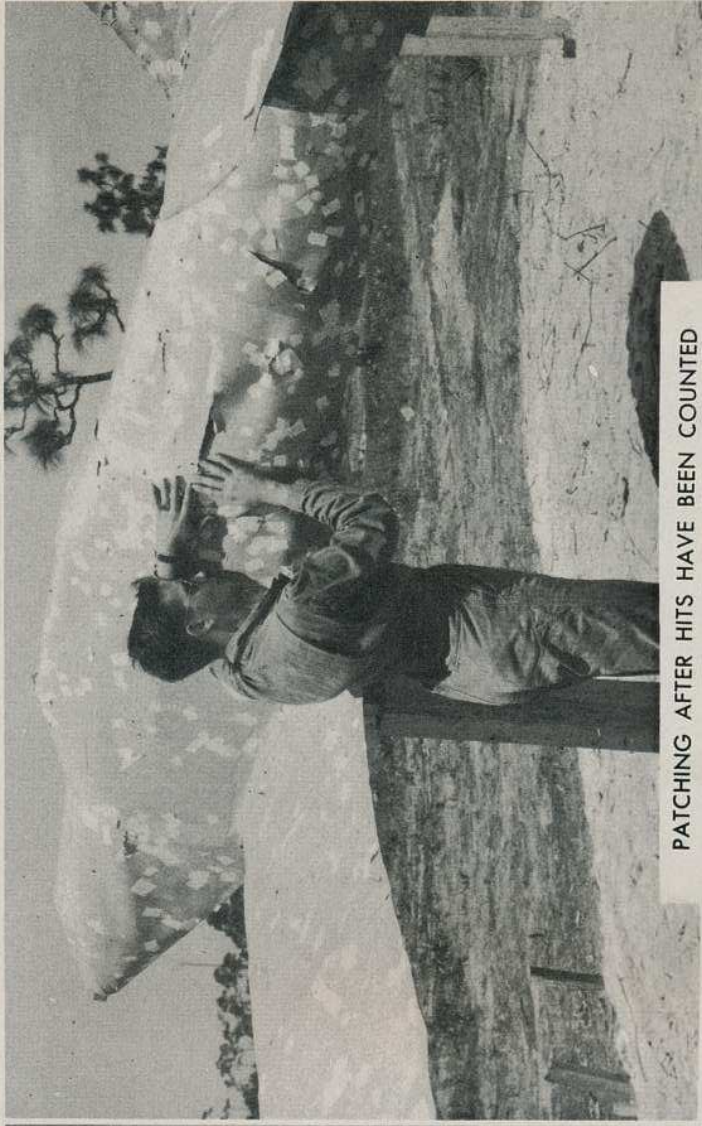
STUDENT GUNNERS AND INSTRUCTORS



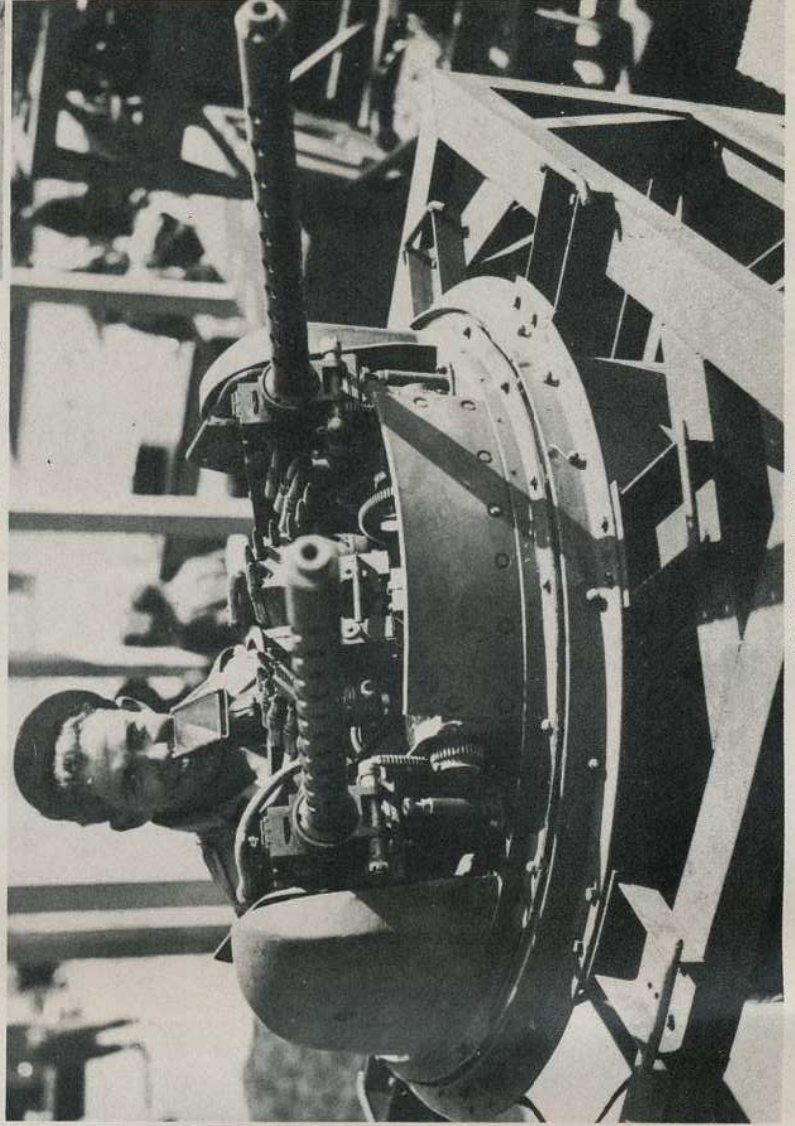
"CHOW TIME" ON RANGE



"BOY" HOW THEY HIT IT!



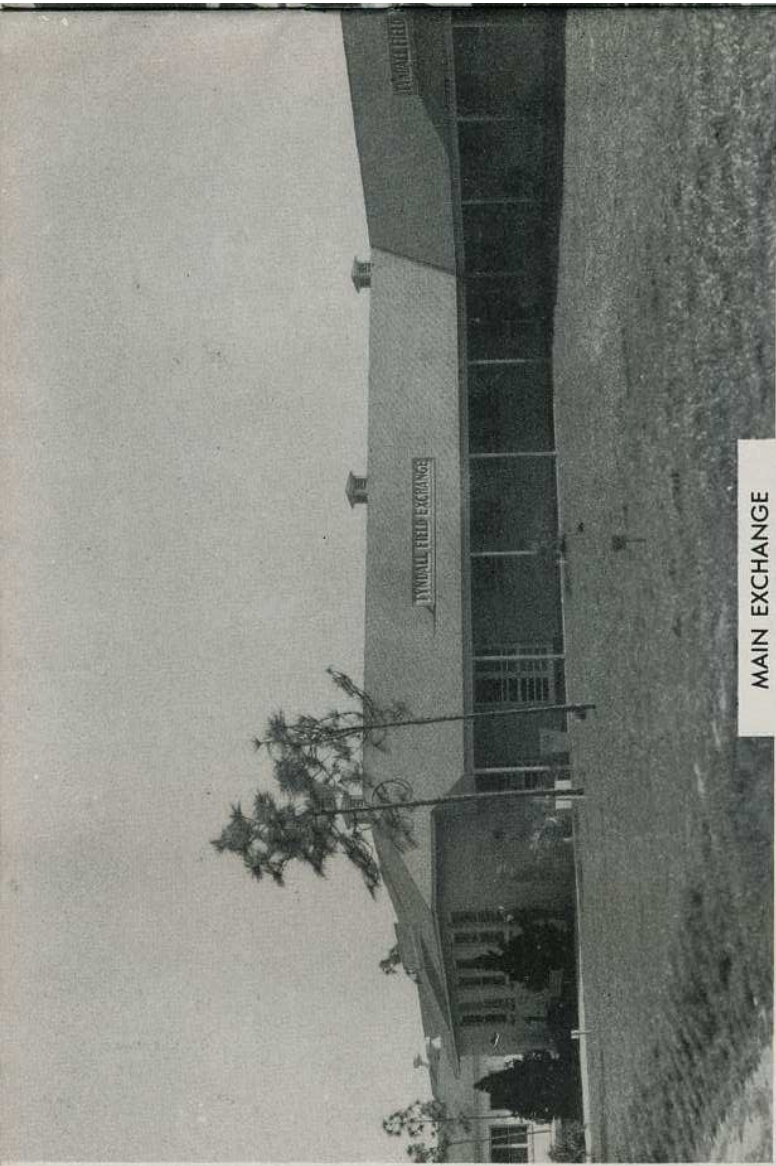
PATCHING AFTER HITS HAVE BEEN COUNTED



TURRET PRACTICE



DRAW THAT BEAD



MAIN EXCHANGE



A QUIET CORNER



READY FOR FOUNTAIN SERVICE



"BELIEVE I'LL TAKE IT!"



ALWAYS A BUSY SECTION



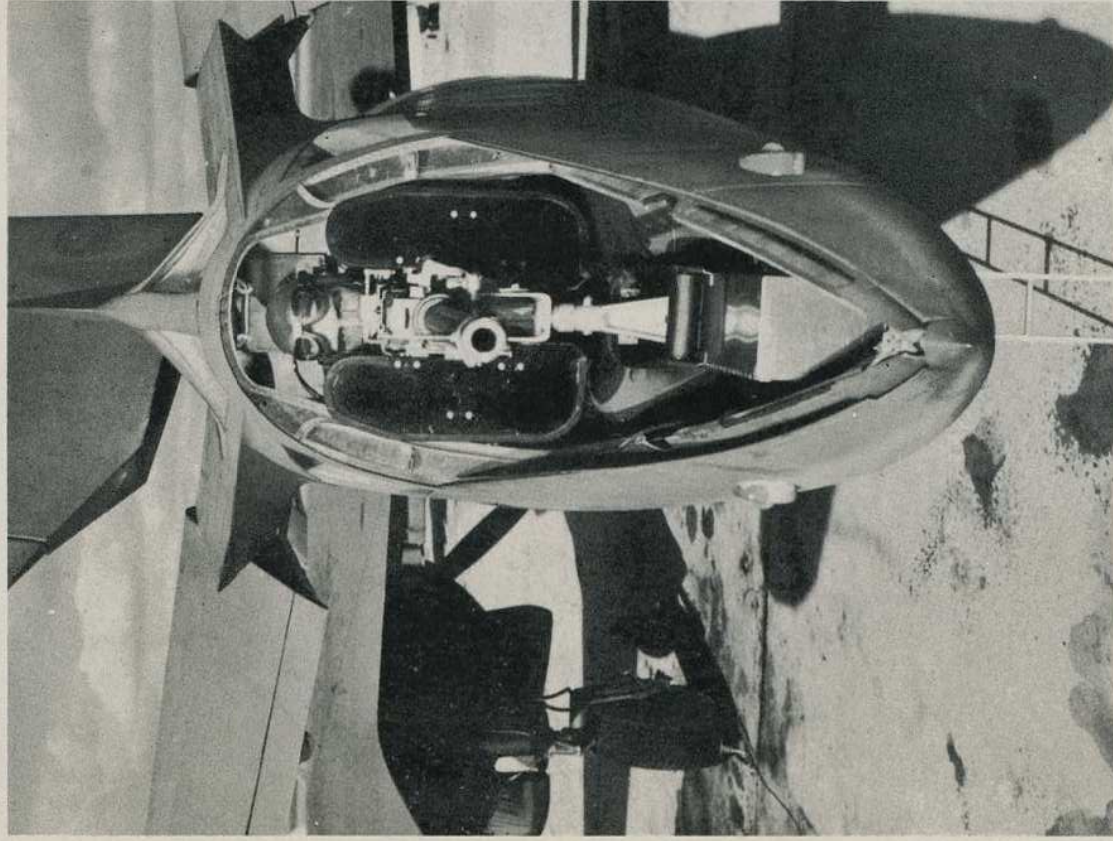
GIFTS FOR THE GIRL FRIEND



"A PERFECT FIT, CORPORAL!"

THE GUNNER . . .

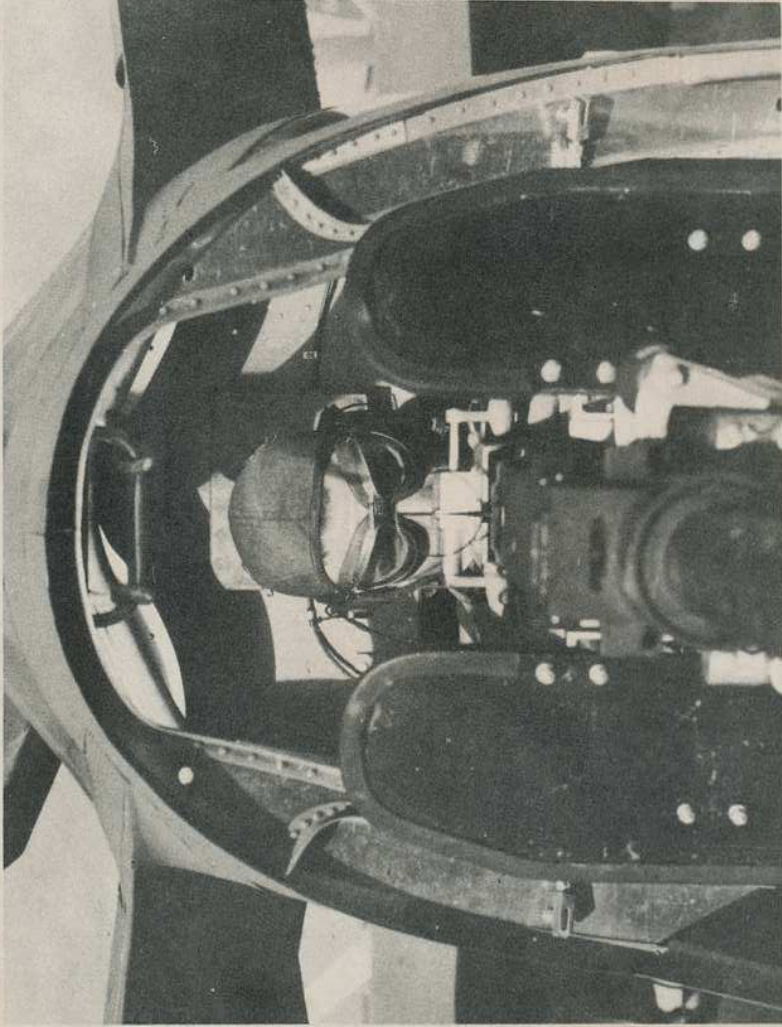
He Wears a Pair of
Silver Wings"



LAST MINUTE INSTRUCTION



BOARDING A BOMBER



DRAWING A BEAD

Here 'N There



INTERIOR OF A DAY ROOM



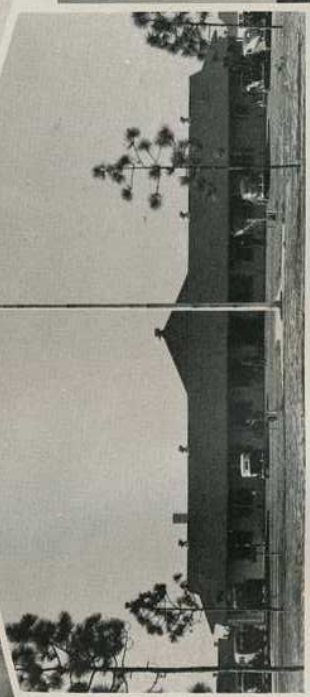
ENLISTED MEN'S DANCE



INSPECTION



G I SHORT



AT THE U. S. O.

ACTIVITIES



SKEET CHAMPIONS



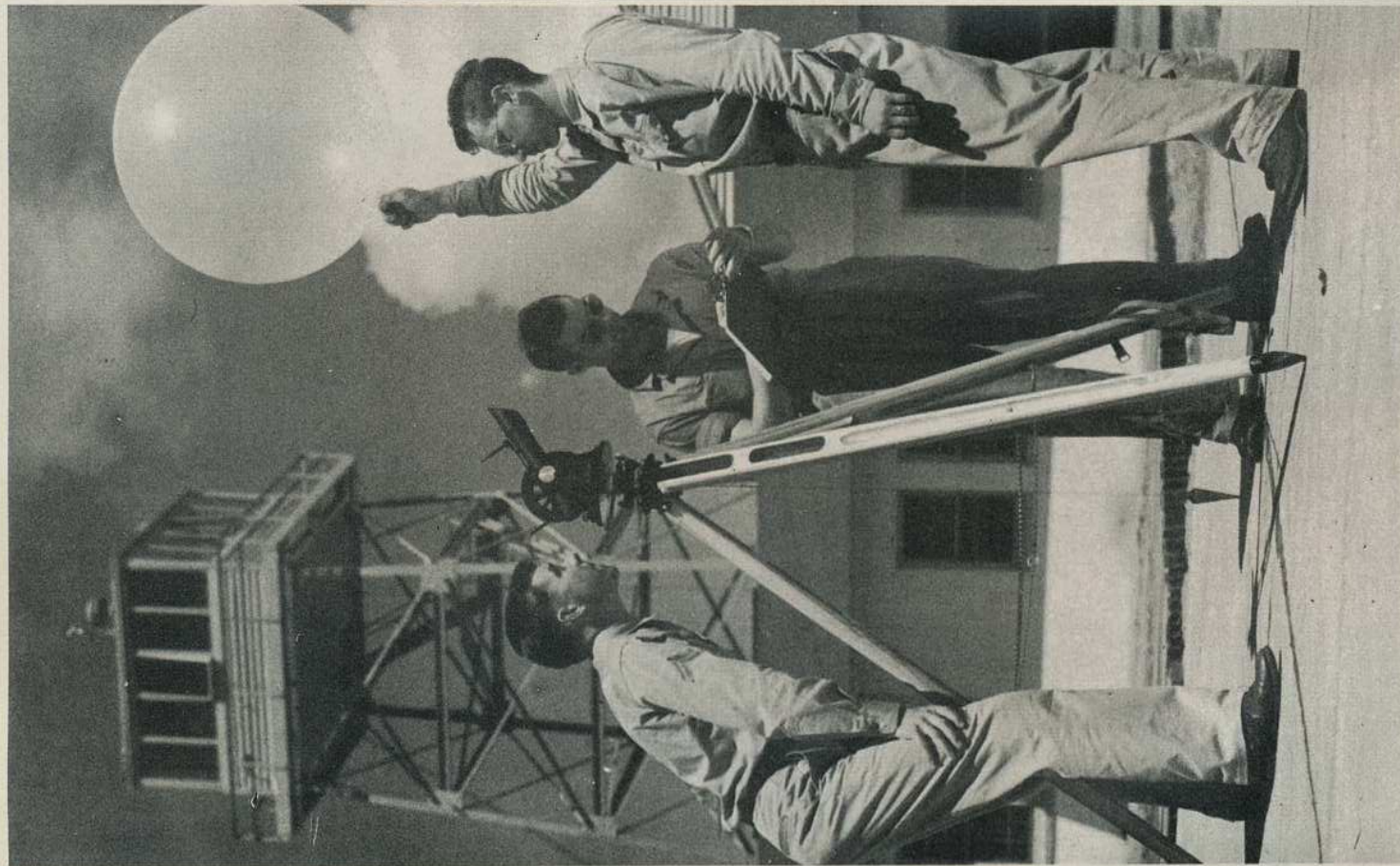
ON THE MOVING SKEET RANGE



THE DRAFTING STAFF



INSTRUCTION



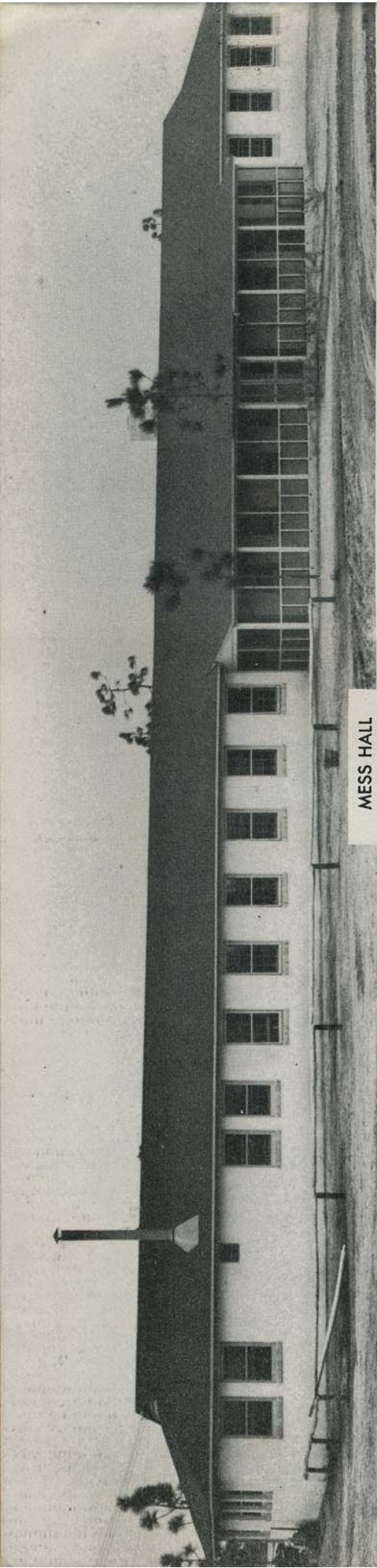
"WEATHER OR NOT"



DRILL



OLD FAITHFUL



MESS HALL



BARRACKS



CIGARS, CIGARETTES!

BALL GAME

A BUSY SECTION BRANCH EXCHANGE

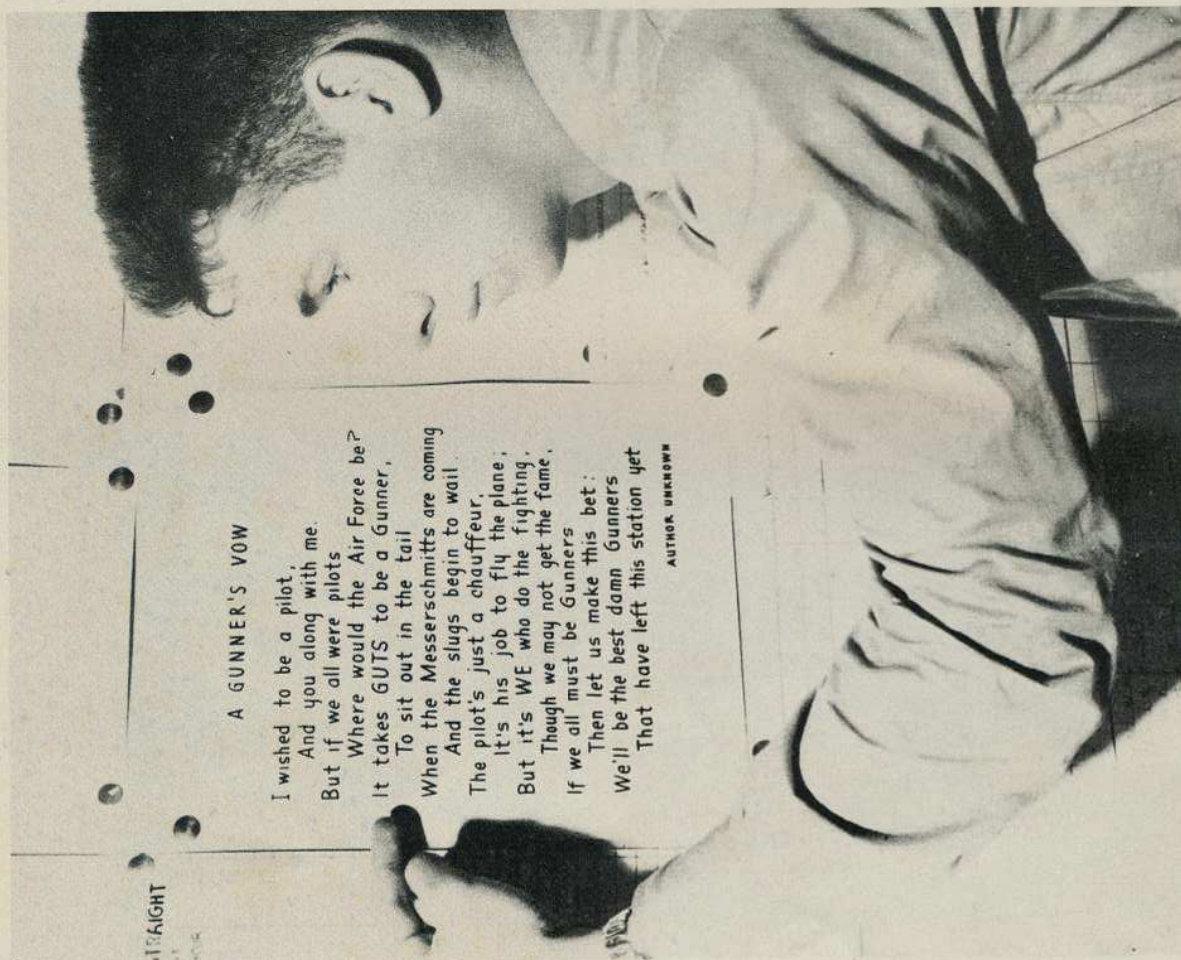
With Sundown Comes Retreat



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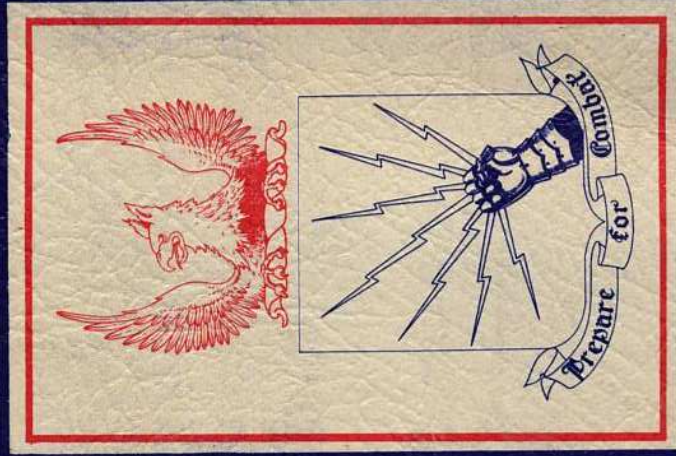
SQUADRON _____

DATE _____



Taps

Tyndall Field, Florida, has just passed before you in pictorial review. You have seen how we men in the service of our country live at our Army home. From reveille to taps we are busy in these surroundings, working, each man fulfilling his particular duty to his commandant, to the Army of the United States, to his Country. We, the men of the Air Forces, are living up to the motto of the Southeast Army Air Forces Training Center, "PREPARE FOR COMBAT".



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