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SATURDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 13, 1943

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KIRTLAND FIELD, ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO

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KIRTLAND FIELD, ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO

GRADUATION EXERCISES

<i>Invocation</i>	CHAPLAIN MILLARD R. BROWN, USA
<i>Introduction</i>	MAJOR HERBERT O. SCHULZE, AC
<i>Address</i>	A/C ROBERT A. HOOD
<i>Presentation of Diplomas</i>	COL. FRANK D. HACKETT, AC
<i>Presentation of Bombardier Wings</i>	MAJOR HERBERT O. SCHULZE, AC
<i>Oath of Office</i>	MAJOR ANTONE BOREČKY, AC
<i>Benediction</i>	CHAPLAIN MILLARD R. BROWN, USA

TRAINING SQUADRON NO. I

CAPTAIN ERNEST F. TALMAGE
Commanding Officer

CAPTAIN BENJAMIN W. MILAM, AC

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Senior Instructor

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1ST LT. LAWRENCE T. KEOHANE, AC

1ST LT. HAROLD J. FIRNHABER, AC

1ST LT. ROBERT W. FRENCH, AC

1ST LT. LONNIE H. CROOK, AC

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Flight Instructors

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Asst. Commandant

MAJOR JOHN S. MINNETT, MC

Senior Flight Surgeon

MAJOR ANTONE BOREČKY, AC

Commandant of Student Officers

and Commandant of Cadets

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Dir. of Flight Tng.

CAPT. MILLER ANDERSON, AC

Dir. of Ground Tng.

WOJG ARTHUR W. THOMAS, U.S.A.

Secretary

GRADUATING CLASS

STUDENT OFFICERS

1st Lt. Hutson, Wayman Thomas
1st Lt. Vaughter, James Victor

1st Lt. Woodhouse, Ronald
2nd Lt. Beall, Philip Dane, Jr.

AVIATION CADETS

Allen, Lewis Meadows
Allen, Ray Willis
Azar, James
Baldwin, Lawrence Jacob
Barger, Vincent Joseph
Barrett, Bryce
Barron, Ben Field
Bertram, John William
Bittman, Hyman Herman
Boegler, Gordon Lawrence
Brockway, Oswald Eugene
Brewster, Norman
Broman, Stanley Evans
Brown, Thomas Gregg
Buchanan, Allen Stout, Jr.
Burger, Robert Rudolph, Jr.
Burke, Francis Edward
Burns, William Edward
Carlage, Fred Dominic
Carney, George Edward
Carr, Peyton Thompson
Carroll, William Edward
Casey, Robert William
Chesney, Philip Charles
Chichetto, Anthony Frank
Cleveland, Mark Ray
Cleveland, Carlton A., Jr.
Collins, Clyde Ellett
Collins, John Souldard
Coulter, Don A.
Davis, Thomas William
Decker, Darrell Ranceford
Domergue, Raymond Eugene
Demontier, Herbert E.
DeWar, Bruce Edward
Dreiling, Paul Bernard
Dyess, Blair T.
Fabrizi, Anthony Joseph
Ferry, John Robert
Feuerstein, Robert Clifford
Finch, Everdell William
Finck, Jim Calnen
Fox, John Edward
Furman, Irvin Bertram
Gaddis, James
Gadek, William Vincent
Ganska, Norbert Martin
Garland, William Harry
Garrett, Charles Carroll, Jr.

Gardiner, Arnold Joseph
Gilliam, Roy Lawrence
Grunseth, Roald Jerald
Gutknecht, Robert Edward
Gutson, Edward Henry
Hartness, William Moulton
Hazen, Garret
Hebert, Andrew
Henderson, John Gavin
Hess, Robert William
Higgins, James Patrick
Hood, Robert Albert
Howard, Thomas Edward
Hughes, Richard Joseph
Jardine, John Lawley
Jennings, James Earl
Johnston, William Pilcher
Jollymore, Warren Ray
Kelly, Hugh Stanton, Jr.
Kilmain, Paul Robert
Kilstofte, Esbern Berntsen
Kuhn, Anthony
Lengyel, Robert Joseph
Lorentzen, Andrew Peter
Luke, William Elbert
MacAulay, John Joseph, Jr.
McGarry, John Daniel
McHugh, John Bernard
McMurtrey, Richard Lloyd
Marsh, Hal
Maynard, George Fleming, Jr.
Meagher, Robert William
Mensch, Lester Newton
Mitchell, Serenus
Moore, Norman Wilson
Morris, Leonard Carter
Murphy, Joseph Thomas
Nash, Edward Augustus, Jr.
Norgard, Leslie Samuel
Olson, Edward Emanuel, Jr.
Pannell, John Simeon
Pantages, Nick George
Papp, Francis Gilbert
Parks, Charles Cedric
Pendell, Earl William
Peterson, Elmo Orlan
Peterson, Stanley Andrew
Petroliano, James Stuart
Piland, John Hendrix

Pullman, Edward Joseph
Quinlan, John James
Raschke, Gordon Lester
Rasmus, Paul Stanley
Ray, Joseph William
Richardson, Earl Leroy
Robson, Lloyd George
Rogan, John Michael
Rogers, William Leigh
Rohrbaugh, Richard William
Rossi, Anthony Nicholas
Ruffolo, Louis Jack
Rumora, Joseph Charles
Schoner, George Robert
Schwarzer, Barney Jack
Sheffield, Sam Harrell
Simons, Capen Robert
Sloan, Malcolm Brown
Sloat, Harry Edwin
Smith, Clarence Milson
Snively, Wilton Hershey
Snyder, Russell
Sofranko, Edward Francis
Souris, Steve
Stefanik, Ervin Andrew
Stein, William Glenn
Stevens, Charles Albert, Jr.
Stirminski, Daniel Joseph, Jr.
Strand, Gunard Clarence
Sutphin, George William
Swanson, Kenneth Pershing
Therien, Lawrence A.
Thomas, William Madison
Thompson, Lloyd Franklin
Thompson, Marlin Robert
Thompson, Wesley Corbin, Jr.
Tuck, Joseph Rufus
Van Leiven, Kenneth Minter
Walker, Henry Stephen
Ward, Glenn Avro
Ward, Wesley Stacy
Wardle, Charles Arthur
Wilcox, Vernon Davis
Wiley, Robert Bruce
Wilson, William Orlando
Wilson, William Parker
Wotipka, Barney Franklin
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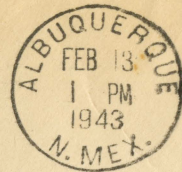
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Kirtland Field, Albuquerque, New Mexico

February 13, 1943

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Simmons:

Congratulations!

This is to let you know that your son, Capen R. Simons, upon the recommendation of the Cadet Faculty Board, has been commissioned as a Second Lieutenant with the rating of Aircraft Observer (Bombardier) by Colonel Frank D. Hackett. Commanding Officer, this Station.

This appointment was based upon your son's physical, educational and moral qualifications, his qualities of leadership and initiative during his training at this station and is in accord with the policy of the Army Air Forces to recognize men of merit.

This information has been made available to papers in your locality. It would be appreciated if you would clip any newspaper items making mention of this promotion and forward them to this office for our files.

We are proud to salute another young American who is so ably fulfilling his duties with the Air Forces.

Very truly yours,

A large, stylized handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Howard K. Finch". The signature is written over the typed name and title.

HOWARD K. FINCH,
1st Lieut., Air Corps,
Public Relations Officer.