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License Renewals For Servicemen

The National Aeronautic Association has made public the answers to questions of servicemen who return to civilian life and wish to continue with private flying.

There are three classes of pilots most interested in the question of license renewal: The prewar private pilot, whose war time status does not permit flying, either because of service in the armed forces, or for personal reasons; the prewar private pilot now on military flight status; the military pilot without a prewar private license.

The private pilot who has not been flying need not secure a new license if his present certificate was in effect January 1, 1942. If it was issued after that date, it will remain valid indefinitely. However, the pilot who has not been on flight status must secure a Civil Aeronautics Administration medical certificate, following a physical examination. Medical certificates must be renewed every twelve calendar months.

The prewar private pilot with military flight status, and a civil certificate issued after January 1, 1942, need not take the medical examination if he has been on solo flight status within the past six months.

The military pilot who did not have a private pilot's license before the war may be certificated for a private or commercial license, if he has been on solo flight status within the past six months, and is a rated military pilot. He will be given a civil rating equal to his military rating. He need not take a physical examination, nor present a CAA medical certificate. However, the military pilot must take a written examination, consisting of forty multiple choice questions, on the Civil Air Regulations.

Wing Adjutant Promoted To Major



Major Reynolds is one of the early members of Civil Air Patrol in Nebraska, enlisting his services in January of 1942. His first commission was as Second Lieutenant with Omaha Squadron 1 as Transportation Officer. He subsequently was promoted to the staff of Group 761 and then to the Nebraska Wing Staff as Transportation Officer. During the flood of 1943 he supervised the evacuation of flood victims and the salvage of property.

Major Reynolds was appointed Wing Adjutant in September 1943, and since then has devoted much time and effort toward organizing new Civil Air Patrol units and recruiting and training Cadets.

Besides his activities in the Civil Air Patrol, Major Reynolds finds time to serve as president of the North Omaha Kiwanis Club, is a member of the Chamber of Commerce Joint Airport Committee, the Board of Education, and the Veterans of Foreign Wars, of which he

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Nebraska Cadet Recruiting Quota 2700

Nebraska has been given a Cadet Recruiting quota of 2700 for the current year. It is extremely important that every squadron do its utmost to interest boys and girls between the ages of 15 and 18 inclusive in joining the CAPC.

Recently we have been transferred to the AAF Training Command with headquarters at Ft. Worth, Texas. Lt. Gen. B. K. Yount has assured us that the many facilities of this Command will be available in making the Civil Air Patrol grow stronger in the important tasks which they are performing as an Auxiliary of the Army Air Forces.

During the first week in April the Lincoln Squadron planned a drive for recruiting cadets which was featured in the Sunday issue of the Lincoln Journal and Star. Splendid results are expected from this drive.

All unit officers should do their utmost to conduct these campaigns before the school term closes and the students have scattered.

Each unit commander was recently mailed a suggested procedure for enlisting cadets. A most effective way to proceed is to enlist the cooperation of the high school principal. Arrange for a general assembly of all high school students and present the picture of the Civil Air Patrol to them en masse. Great enthusiasm can be generated.

At this meeting it is suggested that only names, addresses and ages of those interested be taken and then a definite date should be set for completing the applications and for getting them started in the cadet program.

Nebraska is lagging far behind other states. It is earnestly hoped that each squadron will tackle this problem before the school term closes.

With the change in the jurisdiction of Civil Air Patrol to the AAF Training Command we expect to work even more

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CIVIL AIR PATROL
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GENERAL ORDER NO. 20

5 April 1945.

1. Effective as of dates indicated, the following officer promotions and functional assignments have been made by official notification of National Headquarters.

REYNOLDS, Earle C., Captain, CSN 7-6-206, Adjutant, Nebraska Wing Staff, to Major, will retain assignment and duties. Commission effective as of 8 March 1945.

COOK, William W., CSN 7-6-1457, Executive Officer, Beatrice Squadron, to Captain, will retain assignment and duties. Commission effective as of 8 February 1945.

LANG, Carl B., Captain, CSN 7-6-204, Operations Duty, Omaha Squadron 1, to Captain, Inactive Reserve. Reserve commission effective as of 8 March 1945.

HARMAN, Charles H., Second Lieutenant, CSN 7-6-1472, Commanding Officer, Beatrice Squadron, to First Lieutenant, will retain assignment and duties. Commission effective as of 8 February 1945.

BROWN, William G., Second Lieutenant, CSN 7-6-476, Commanding Officer, Lincoln Squadron, to First Lieutenant, will retain assignment and duties. Commission effective as of 15 February 1945.

BERGSTROM, Herbert O., Second Lieutenant, CSN 7-6-93, Commanding Officer, North Platte Squadron, to First Lieutenant, will retain assignment and duties. Commission effective as of 15 February 1945.

WEISS, August C., CSN 7-6-224, Assistant Training Officer, Beatrice Squad-

Captain Lang In Inactive Reserve



Captain Carl Lang was Operations Officer of Civil Air Patrol Courier Base in Omaha, until that activity was terminated in March 1944.

He is associated with Central Aviation Corporation, Municipal Airport, Omaha.

ron, to Second Lieutenant, will retain assignment and duties. Commission effective as of 8 February 1945.

LEWIS, John S., CSN 7-6-1471, Training Officer, Beatrice Squadron, to Second Lieutenant, will retain assignment and duties. Commission effective as of 8 February 1945.

JENKINS, Jay O., Staff Sergeant, CSN 7-6-865, Supply Officer, North Platte Squadron, to Second Lieutenant, will retain assignment and duties. Commission effective as of 1 March 1945.

GRIMM, Guy A., Staff Sergeant, CSN 7-6-1178, Training Officer, North Platte Squadron, to Second Lieutenant, will retain assignment and duties. Commission effective as of 22 February 1945.

WOELFLE, Henry E., Warrant Officer, CSN 7-6-1149, Engineering Officer, Lincoln Squadron, to Second Lieutenant, will retain assignment and duties. Commission effective as of 8 March 1945.

HUNT, Emory C., Staff Sergeant, CSN 7-6-783, Staff Officer, Blair Squadron, to Second Lieutenant, will retain assignment and duties. Commission effective as of 8 March 1945.

REEH, Bennard M., CSN 7-6-287, Executive Officer, Blair Squadron, to Second Lieutenant, will retain assignment

and duties. Commission effective as of 8 March 1945.

KELLOGG, Henry A., CSN 7-6-1284, Commanding Officer, Imperial Squadron, to Second Lieutenant, will retain assignment and duties. Commission effective as of 8 March 1945.

VANDERKOLK, Russell, Master Sergeant, CSN 7-6-387, Operations and Training Officer, to Second Lieutenant, will retain assignment and duties. Commission effective as of 8 March 1945.

2. Effective as of dates indicated the following appointments in grade of Warrant Officer have been made by the Nebraska Wing Commander.

ERTMOED, Arthur H., First Sergeant, CSN 7-6-827, Assistant Training Officer, to Warrant Officer, Senior Grade, will retain assignment and duties. Appointment effective 3 April 1945.

ROTELLA, James V., CSN 7-6-50, Squadron Pilot, Omaha Squadron 1, to Warrant Officer, Junior Grade. Appointment effective as of 27 February 1945.

DREW, Gilbert L., CSN 7-6-357, Squadron Pilot, Omaha Squadron 1, to Warrant Officer, Junior Grade. Appointment effective as of 27 February 1945.

SPARTZ, Mary E., CSN 77-6-1103, Class Instructor, Omaha Squadron 3, to Warrant Officer, Junior Grade. Appointment effective as of 12 March 1945.

WOHLFORD, Howard E., CSN 7-6-1098, Class Instructor, Omaha Squadron 3, to Warrant Officer, Junior Grade. Appointment effective as of 12 March 1945.

INGRAHAM, Ivor C., CSN 7-6-1270, Class Instructor, Omaha Squadron 3, to Warrant Officer, Junior Grade. Appointment effective as of 12 March 1945.

WISLICEN, William H., CSN 7-6-1390, Class Instructor, Omaha Squadron 3, to Warrant Officer, Junior Grade. Appointment effective as of 12 March 1945.

ANDERSON, Gail K., CSN 7-6-1595, Class Instructor, Omaha Squadron 3, to Warrant Officer, Junior Grade. Appointment effective as of 12 March 1945.

CARR, Frederic D., CSN 7-6-58, Squadron Pilot, North Platte Squadron, to Warrant Officer, Junior Grade. Appointment effective as of 17 March 1945.

HARRY B. SIDLES,
Lt. Col., CAP
Comdr., Nebr. Wing.

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CIVIL AIR PATROL COMPLETES TOW TARGET OPERATIONS

One of the least known missions of the war will be concluded on the first of March with the closing of Civil Air Patrol's tow target operations, it was announced by Colonel Earle L. Johnson, National Commander. All other activities of the 48-State CAP organization will continue as usual.

The tow target work was one of the jobs that CAP, as an auxiliary of the Army Air Forces, set up at a time of critical need to relieve Army planes and airmen for combat duty. Now the AAF is prepared to take over.

The towing of sleeve targets over the fire of anti-aircraft guns, the flying of "tracking" missions for aiming practice, and maneuvering at night over the blinding glare of searchlights are missions which call for a high degree of skill, often against serious hazards.

"In this work," according to Brig. Gen. W. W. Welsh, Assistant Chief of Air Staff, Training, "CAP's volunteers have made a notable contribution to the training of anti-aircraft gun and searchlight crews. This training is essential not only for the defense of our coastal areas but for the sending out of skilled crews to protect airfields and other military installations in the zones of combat.

"All reports from the Army units for which the work has been done are highly commendatory. Performance has met the standards of the AAF itself. It is a job well done."

In the CAP tow target and tracking work, over 19,000 missions totalling more than 44,000 air-hours were flown. There were 7 members killed, 5 seriously injured, and 19 CAP planes lost in this work.

Two tow target and tracking bases, and a number of sub-bases are now operated by CAP. The work is under the direction of Colonel Harry H. Blee, National Operations Officer of CAP.

WING COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER HAS NEW JOB

The Board of Directors of Radio Station KFAB recently announced the appointment of Captain Harry Burke, formerly of WOW, as the new general manager of KFAB with executive offices in Omaha. Captain Burke has been in radio for seventeen years, and is an aviation enthusiast, being one of the original members of Civil Air Patrol, and serving on the Nebraska Wing Staff as Communications Officer.

PRIVATE LICENSES

David City

Lt. Lloyd Ragan
Lt. D. D. Davis
Pvt. H. Gross
M/Sgt. Russell Vandekolk (Commercial)

North Platte

Lt. L. F. Valentine
Lt. Marguerite Durbin
Lt. H. O. Bergstrom
Lt. J. W. Pinneker
Lt. W. M. Story
Sgt. Guy A. Grimm
W/O Fred Carr (Commercial)
Sgt. Jack Ward

Grand Island

Lt. Les Chambers
Pvt. Gene Gustafson
Pvt. Mike Gustafson
Sgt. Elton Elge (Commercial)

Oakland

Harold Ludwig, Flight Leader

Beatrice

Lt. J. Sam Lewis

TO THE COLORS

Sgt. Joe Fisk, Omaha No. 1
Sgt. Jack Ward, North Platte

FREMONT SQUADRON

Fremont Squadron has launched their drive to recruit cadets and senior members with a meeting to which members of the Chamber of Commerce and other service clubs and the general public were invited. Captain Baldwin, commander of Group 766, announced plans for the meeting in a radio address the day before.

Lt. Col. Harry B. Sidles, Wing Commander, and Captain Stanley B. Marsh, Wing Intelligence Officer, were present at the meeting. The film "Memphis Belle" was shown to a very interested and enthusiastic audience.

As a result of the meeting, a new flight for cadets is being organized at Uehling, Nebraska, by James Clough, a member of the Fremont Squadron. The Flight will be attached to the Fremont Squadron.

Fremont Squadron holds classes Thursday nights in the City Auditorium, and conducts practice flight and observer missions on Sunday afternoons at the airport.

WING ADJUTANT PROMOTED TO MAJOR

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is a past commander; is a Director of the Family Welfare Association, is on the Executive Committee of the Boy Scouts of America, Covered Wagon Council, and also operates his own business, the Reynolds Coal Company.

CADET RECRUITING

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closely with the Air Forces, and great things are planned. Where else can the young people go today and get this training at no cost that will become increasingly important in our lives?

If you need help, holler, and Wing Headquarters will help in every way possible. Let's go!

CADETS HOLD PARENT'S NIGHT

Assembled at Technical High Gymnasium, Cadets of Omaha Squadron 1 stood inspection before 1st Lt. Joe Hart, AAF, and passed in review before the inspection officer and squadron and Wing officers.

This was a special occasion in that about one hundred parents of the cadets were present to see them perform. Following the inspection and review the cadets drilled for the approval of their audience, coming to a "Company Front" before the grandstand.

At this point Major Earle C. Reynolds of the Wing Staff called the Cadets to "Parade Rest" and asked the audience to stand with bowed heads in a short period of silence in deference to the memory of our Commander in Chief, President Franklin D. Roosevelt.

Captain Crawford Follmer, Wing Training Officer, then spoke to the parents while the Cadets went to their several classes. Captain Follmer outlined the early history and work of Civil Air Patrol and told why the Army Air Forces were anxious that CAP train the youth of America, giving them the fundamentals of flying and acquainting them with all the phases of aviation. He spoke of the physical value of CAP training and the advantage to them if called to serve their country. He asked their cooperation in enlisting others in the CAP Cadets.

The parents were then divided into groups and taken to the different classes where regular CAP class work was going on, and also had demonstrated to them the mechanical training aids used in the program.

Sgt. Fisk Of Omaha 1 Volunteers For Army Service



Genial T/Sgt. Joe G. Fisk is now a member of Uncle Sam's armed forces. Joe, one of the best known members in the Nebraska Wing voluntarily enlisted in February. "Sarge" Fisk enlisted in Omaha Squadron 1 in July 1943 and it was soon apparent that here was one of those rare individuals who give their utmost to any job assigned them. Although a member of the Photo Section of the Omaha Squadron, Joe's first love was in the medical work in which he held a Red Cross Instructor's rating and taught a number of CAP and CAPC Red Cross First Aid classes. Tech. Sgt. Fisk became well-known throughout the Nebraska Wing as he was usually present at all Wing functions. He attended the 1943 and 1944 Mobilizations, and was in charge of the First Aid unit at the 1944 Ashland meeting. He was also in charge of First Aid tent at the CAP-WAC Air Show in Omaha last May. Just before enlisting in the Army, Joe was appointed head of a medical unit to be organized in Squadron 1.

In addition to the above work, Sgt. Fisk piled up numerous service hours as an Adjutant's Aide, in Guard detail at the Airport, the Boy Scout Aerial Show, and various other squadron projects.

Joe follows his brother, Bob, into the service. Bob Fisk was Photographic Officer for the Omaha Squadron when he left to become an Aviation Cadet.

PHYSICAL EXAMINATION OF CAP CADETS

Beginning immediately all Cadets will undergo a physical examination by a qualified Doctor of Medicine. Cadets may be rejected at the discretion of the Group or Wing Medical Officer in cases in which a physical condition exists which would be dangerous to the health or the life of the Cadet in the performance of his duties or might endanger the health or lives of other cadets. Girl Cadets will be examined as well as the boys.

Squadrons and Flights will organize a Medical Section to be composed of six members, one of whom will be placed in charge of such section. The Unit Commander will be responsible that the Medical Section includes, subject to availability, doctors of dental surgery, registered nurses, medical students, registered pharmacists and well-trained, advanced first aid personnel and that it is properly trained and competent to accomplish Part I of the form which must be made out for each cadet. Part II will be filled out by an M. D. All records will be treated with utmost confidence and strict privacy of information.

BLAIR SQUADRON

Improvements on the Blair Municipal Airport has been started with the drilling of a well which will furnish water supply. This is one of the several improvements for which money was granted by the Nebraska State Aeronautics Commission last month.

Blair Squadron is very interested in their new Training Program, and gives it credit for many new members and more regular attendance by old members.

OMAHA SQUADRON No. 3

An A & E Mechanics course especially for members of Squadron 3 started March 6, 1945. The course is divided into 6 semesters, three semesters a year.

Members who complete all six semesters will receive an A & E Mechanic's License, subject to approval of CAA. Classes are limited to 15 members each. Those participating will attend classes 3 hours a day, 4 days a week. The course is being given at Omaha University, and is under the supervision of the University. After the war, the course will be continued for veterans.

Class 2 will start shortly. Arrangements can be made for night classes for those interested.

LINCOLN SQUADRON

April 1 to 7 was Civil Air Patrol Week in Lincoln, and was so proclaimed by Mayor Marti. CAP Headquarters was open all week for recruiting members and cadets alike. General assemblies were held in all high schools. A prominent window in a large department store was turned over to the local Squadron, who produced a display demonstrating CAP activities which attracted much attention.

Classes for the Lincoln Squadron are held on Wednesday nights.

Lincoln Squadron has applied for their license to operate a CAP-WERS Transmitter and Receiver. This is the first such installation to be completed in the Nebraska Wing.

HELP THOSE WHO WEAR THE PURPLE HEART!

Wounded in action . . . now back in the States for medical care. Many such Nebraska boys are now recovering at Fitzsimons General Hospital, Denver. Women are needed to train as hospital aides in the Women's Army Corps. C.A.P. members can help by telling eligible women about this program. The need is urgent. Nebraska "Purple Heart" platoons are being formed now. Full details at any Army Recruiting station.

