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PERSONNEL ORDERS)
No. 13)

HEADQUARTERS
ARMY AIR FORCES WESTERN FLYING TRAINING COMMAND
1104 West 8th Street, Santa Ana, California
12 March 1944

EXTRACT

23. Pursuant to authority contained in Paragraph 8 a (1) (a) AAF Regulation 50-7, 26 July 1943, the following-named Second Lieutenants, Army of the United States (Air Corps), graduates of Class WFTC 44-C, AAF Pilot School, Pecos Army Air Field, Pecos, Texas, are rated Pilot under the provisions of Army Regulation 95-60, 20 August 1942, and Paragraph 3 c (1), AAF Regulation 50-7, 26 July 1943.

John Douglas Adams
William Edward Allen
Alan Max Anderson
Douglas Harley Anderson
Robert Edward Andrus
George William Bailey, Jr.
Merill Eldon Barnes
Jack Barnett
Delmar Travis Bartlett
Robert Oliver Bassman
Burl Byron Beam
Leroy Herbert Bell
Charles Day Bennett
Joseph Leo Bettinger
Ralph Purcell Blanton, Jr.
Arthur Charles Blomgren, Jr.
George Owens Boomer, Jr.
James Tiltan Borsch
Allen Wayne Bowers
Bobby Lee Bradley
Reginald Norman Braine
William Alexander Bright, Jr.
Robert William Brooks
Clarence Sheppard Brown
William Wallace Bruce
Fred Edward Bruenger
James Dick Buchanan
Marvin Joseph Buersmeyer
Robert Maynard Burns
Orvil Marius Bushman
William Sanford Butcher
Merwin Dale Byers
Frank Anthony Cacioppo
Orion Paul Davidson Canat
Douglas Nelson Carlock
Kenneth August Carlson
Robert Patrick Casey
Charles Vernon Cavanaugh
Orlyn David Chunut
Anthony Cincotta
Donald Russell Clapper
Robert Audley Clark
Robert Allen Claussen
Maurice King Clough
Orman Merlin Coffin
Sidney Cooper
Ralph Ernest Cram
Robert Miles Crandall
Walter M Crawford
Alan Fredrick Crites
Aubry Eugene Cromwell
Woodrow Wilson Crone
Richard Albert Cruickshank
Winfield Timothy Curtis
Lowell Cutshaw, Jr.
Eugene Edward Dangle
Wayne Willard Daniels
Russell Kenton Darr, Jr.

Edward John Davidson
Chester Arthur Davis, Jr.
Martin Bollin Davis
Frederick Paul Davison
Charles Rees Dean
Robert Towne Decius
William Maurice Demaree
Merle Gene Dibble
Marvin Valentine Dierking
Harold Marlen Dimick
Carl Peter Djernes
John Junior Dodrill
William Locke Easton
Wesley Laverne Edwards
Maxon Ward Eggleston
William Dean Elder
Boris Elkin
Melvin Lee Roy Engle
George Becker Erickson
Clifford Lawrence Ettien, Jr.
Keith Elno Evans
Kelvin Earl Evans
William Bruce Evans
James Eugene Fair
Daryl E Farnham
Jack Kallman Faxon
Robert Charles Fields
John Thomas Fillmore
George Royal Fish
Hugh Fisher
Wilber Glenn Fisher
Woody Wilson Fisher
Albert Thomas Flynn, Jr.
Arthur Merritt Flynn
Albert Ford
Merle Leslie Forsyth
Floyd Alonzo Fosnot
Dean Alvin Fox
George Aaron Fox
Thorpe Lester Friar
William Luke Fry
Walter Keith Fuelberth
John Elmer Fuhrman, Jr.
James Henry Fulgham
Karl Milton Funk
Joseph Erwin Gardner
Harry Lester Gates
Ralph Norbert Geb
Thomas LeRoy Gebo
James Edward Geiger
Ray Vyron Gibson
Robert Raymond Giese
Marlyn Wayne Gillespie
Bernard Gold
John Leo Graves
Ralph Eugene Green
David Albert Grenier
Elmer Earl Grotewold

George Henry Hafford
Chester L Haigh, Jr.
Walter Harold Hamilton
Ralph Edgar Hangsleben
Timothy Lawrence Hanley
Milton Levi Hansen
Warren Bruce Hansen
Robert Van Hanson
Leonard Henry Harloff
Herbert Clark Harter, Jr.
Andy Frederick Hauck
William Samuel Hawley
Thomas Anderson Hayes
Donald Fenn Hazen
Nauman B Healy
Marvin Henry Heckendorf
Ralph Cecil Hedges
Gail Wayne Hemmingsen
Harold Jennings Hickcox
Emil Munroe Hjerstedt
Robert Calvin Hoffman
Wayne Cary Holle
Gerald Frederick Holt
Ernest Heldt Holtorf
Daniel Fuller Hood
Maurice Jackson Hoover, Jr.
Dale Rodney Hostetler
David Earl Howard
Donald Webster Howick
Earl Kenneth Hoyne
Richard William Hughes
Stuart Alan Hughes
Charles Arthur Hunt
Taylor Hall Jackson
Wayne Chariton Jacobs
Lee Morris Jeppersen
Eldon Leroy Johnson
James Calvin Johnson
James Forrest Johnson
Lewis Milton Johnson
Fredrick Wendell Jones
John LeRoy Jones
Fred Jordan, Jr.
Thomas Jefferson Jordan, Jr.
Ray McDonald Jourdan
Eldon Leroy Kaeding
Lewis Sylvester Kellogg
Wayne Chester Klopp
Darwin Doyle Knudson
Harold Gene Koepfel
Charles Frederick Korby
Max LeJuan Kramer
George Walter LaRose, Jr.
James Bradley Law
Carson Moore Lee
Arthur Paul Leitz
George Gustave Lenz
Morris Jake Levine

Floyd Albert Lord
Robert Horace Lounsberry
William Vincent Mackewicz
Clement Louis Maher
William Paul Mally
George Richard Manley
Charles Frederick Manning
Michael Max Marker
Gordon Stanley Marshall
Thomas Olen Marshall
Francis Leo Marten
Ira Everett Mason
Harold Carl Mattson
Andrew Jackson McCoy
William Nelson McCoy, Jr.
Edwin James McGinty
Albert Leon McLachlin, Jr.
Roger Hayes McMullan
Robert Ray Meier
Harvey Emil Meitner
Paul Eugene Meyer
Perry Meyer
Francis McDowell Miller
John Rodney Miller
Thomas McKay Miller
Girard Francis Minca
Ralph Leland Minker, Jr.
David Howard Minsker
Lloyd Joseph Mokler
Robert James Monahan
Joe Dolph Montgomery
Ray Lester Moore
Edward Watt Morris
Roscoe Jack Morris
Warren Gene Morris
Arthur Egil Mortenson
Daniel Dwight Mote
Robert Melvin Muckey
James Paul Mueller
Roland Dean Mundhenke
Leslie Leroy Neadeau
Maurice Vincent Nelson
Glen Taft Newman
Darwin Roy Nichols
David Carlton Nichols
Rolla Shannon Nickelson
Olan Madison Nincehelse
Ross Lewis Noltmier
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| Nick Gust Pappas | Wallace Richard Roberts | Glenn Harry St. Aubyn | Paul Clifton Ward |
| James Junior Parker | William Andrew Roberts, Jr. | Charles Beckett Steele | Rolland Winston Ward |
| William Thomas Patten, Jr. | Jack Leroy Rock | David Lawrence Stehfest | John William Waring |
| Robert deBrutz Patterson | Frank Henderson Rogers, Jr. | John Anthony Steiger | George John Washechek |
| William George Paukovich | Robert Walter Rogers | Werner Paul Steinbach | John Scott Watson |
| Charles Harold Pedrotta | Kenneth Vernen Rohrs | Robert Halsey Stewart | Harvey Nelson Webb, Jr. |
| Paul Edward Perry | William Emery Row, Jr. | Joseph Byrne Stilwell | Marvin Anthony Weilnau |
| Richard Holden Perry | Joe Richard Rowen | Harold Raymond Stock | Carey Keene West, Jr. |
| Ellsworth Mason Pershing | John Gilbert Ruegger | Murray George Stowe | Edmund E Weynand |
| Donald Ambrose Peters | Leonard Raymond Rush | Edward Andrew Strauss | Ovie Clifton White |
| Donald Elwood Peterson | Robert Earl Rush | William Joseph Sullivan | Wilbur Norman Whitehead |
| Willard Burge Peterson | Henry James Salvo | William Lester Susanka, Jr. | Robert Carl Will |
| William Piekhaar | Henry Douglas Schmid | Duane Grant Henry Sweeny | Carl Kenneth Williams |
| William Franklin Pike | Billy Eugene Schmidt | Ray Cabbie Taylor | Keith Roland Willoughby |
| Kenneth Lee Powell | Samuel Ginnis Schwab | Austin Dean Terrel | Duane Albert Wilson |
| Joseph Wilbur Prange | John Thomas Senica | Victor Georg Thiel | Ernest Meyer Wilson |
| William Ardell Probasco | Benjamin Henry Sharp | Charles David Thompson, Jr. | John Abraham Wilson |
| Thomas Joseph Przybylowicz | Dabney Wylton Sharp | Dale Thornton | Paul Alfred Wilson |
| Dale Jay Pulsipher | Robert Eugene Shelley | Charles Alfred Thorpe | Robert Harold Wilson |
| Carl Fredric Raab, Jr. | William Courtland Shelton, Jr. | Robert Edward Todd | William Alexander Wilson |
| Donald Ragsdale | David William Simmons | William Frank Touton | Edward Francis Winthers |
| John Stewart Rea | Robert William Simmons | Howard Floyd Traeder | Henry Martin Wisland, Jr. |
| E Keith Records | Donald Harold Sites | Ralph Norman Trepte | Wayne Alvin Wolf |
| James Hugh Reed | Theodore John Skrypniec | Sheldon James Trotter | Mark Daniel Wood |
| Jean Dixon Reed | Clyde William Sleigh | John Forbes Truchot, Jr. | William Melchoir Wood |
| Stewart Dean Reed | John Norris Smith | Ted Tyler | Thomas Earl Woods |
| Theodore Arthur Reeves | Lewis Andrew Smith | Frederick Henry Vandervoet | William Henry Woods |
| Alvin Arthur Reiman | Lloyd Thomas Smith | Samuel Ernest Vandiver, Jr. | John Leonard Woody, Jr. |
| John Gordon Replinger | Othello Dale Smith | Wallace Guy Van Eaton | Richard Gael York |
| Samuel Guilford Reynolds | Raymond Gilbert Smith | Charles Albert Van Pelt | Elliott Burrill Young |
| George Herbert Richards, Jr. | Stanley Weyman Smith | Ervin Edwin Vassar | Virgil Pearl Young, Jr. |
| Lionel McKay Richards | Robert Loper Smock | Wesley Rhodes Vawter, Jr. | William Edward Younk |
| Victor Allen Rideout | William Arnold Solesbee | Melvyn Donald Vinyard | Charles Arthur Zenor |
| Richard Stanley Ridge | Maurice Rulon Sorenson | Gordon Le Roy Waage | Morton Leonard Zimmer |
| Gerald Arthur Ringler | Morris Nelson Spencer | Jay Frank Walker | Donald Archie Zumwalt |
| John Edward Riordan, Jr. | Edwin Henry Spuhler | John Walter Wallace | Herbert Walter Zurilgen |
| Ralph Melvin Roatcap | | | |

By command of Major General COUSINS:

OFFICIAL:

T. R. HORNADAY,
 Colonel, AGD,
 Adjutant General



L. A. WALTON,
 Brigadier General, GSC,
 Chief of Staff