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Line Crew Chief, Warren Keller, was graduated from Edison High Friday Night. Congratulations, Warren!

Word coming back from the boys who left last week to ferry planes to England, leads us to believe that the route in not as sweet as it smelled. The last word we heard is that the boys have been told that they were not qualified for ferry service, and as an alternative were offered positions with Royal Canadian Flying Corps. Whether or not they will accept, no one knows definitely, except Charlie Pulford who "thumbs downed" the proposition and has returned to Miami with a remark that it's colder than Hell up there.

(Joy Beavardock Flies Again!) Kay Bramlett left Friday morning with Captain Povey for Arcadia. Kay will be his secretary at the Arcadia Base.

Elaine Duvory makes her first solo flight this week out at Municipal and, at the Seaplane Base Jay could successfully pass his weather rating test. Miss Lee Ya "Rolo, Rolof Wanga" fame, is working on a water rating and J. D. Stanier Coleman, Executive Officer in the Canada Dry Company is starting this week on a Private Course.

Passing CPT flight tests this week were John Warren, Warren Reid, Gerry Cook and Russ Lunn. Charlie Stoddard got his commercial ticket and George Dally passed his instrument rating test. George will begin instructing with Embry-Riddle next Tuesday and will be assigned to primary refresher work.

In the way of promotions, we find Bob Johnston is now Chief Flight Instructor, with Lt. Van H. Burgin moving up to Operations Manager. Bob will be in charge of all Embry-Riddle pilot instructors, coordinating training procedures, etc., and giving many of the flight tests. Congratulations to the boys.

Incidentally, we found Van reading Emily Post's "Wedding Etiquette", cutting out paper dolls and waving a white flag. He confesses this a hard job, this hanging wedding and asks for help and suggestions. However, we know that the wedding is going to be something extra fine, and are all looking forward to 3 P.M. Monday, Feb. 3. We'll see you there!

The CPT selection board, composed of Wiggan, Johnston, Burgin, with Cousins and Barnhardt as alternates, reports a mighty fine group of applicants for the Spring program. From 46 applicants, 30 will be selected for secondary training. More than 50 have applied for primary training to date and there is little doubt that enough more will come in to make considerably over the quota of 50 trains to be selected.

Just can't figure out how we failed to mention the Embry-Riddle formation flight pulled off last week when 3 of our Cub trainers did formation work over the City of Miami for the city-publicity department news reed photographers. That a nice job the boys did, and we'll be looking forward to seeing them in the movies one of these days. Inasmuch as the city closed the field for this Flight to take off and land, all the boys were really pleased about being able to snap the checkered flag without a call to the City Office.

Student Walter Everson came through the other day with a grade of 91% on his CAA primary refresher written examination. This is about one of the highest grades on record and we're mighty proud of the lad. Incidentally, since our daily 10A. M. to 11 A. M. ground
school for refresher students was started at Municipal on December 10th, there has been no failure on CMA written exams. To the contrary, the average grade has been around 86%, and if you have ever taken one of those CMA exams, you'll join us in raising our hats to those boys.

Birthday greetings to Roy Kunkel who celebrated his 20th last Thursday at an impromptu party at the Nasmorthy and Stanley residence. Among the guests were Wilbur Sheffield, C. W. Tinsley and Irwin Cartor. It is rumored that there was a pretty elegant birthday cake, but we do not subscribe to the story that the boys baked it themselves!

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Flash! LOCAL BOY MAKES GOOD. Remember our telling you that Joe Goode bought a blue Cub Coupe from us a few weeks ago? Well, he equipped the ship with portable noon equipment and is doing a rushing night business in advertising. His first contract was for the Redco and Thrill Circus. A. S. Spalding is his pilot. Congrats, Mr. Goode.

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Still talking about the draft, Joe Kieser came through with the report that George May has the whole problem solved — he had the side windows up on his plane to keep out of the draft! Goode! Joe, please!

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Hope Biggers came in from Washington, D. C. the other day with the news that he had passed his examinations successfully and was now a full fledged CMA Aircraft Inspector. After spending a short vacation here, he will go to Fort Worth, Texas, his assigned territory. He reports Nelson Miller and Don Boordalas are doing excellent work in Washington. They will be finished with the exams right soon, but have not been assigned to any territory.

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Buddy Shelton soloed a seaplane last Saturday after 8 hrs., 50 minutes dual, thus making him the youngest pilot in the city of Miami, and probably in the whole state. Buddy is just 16 years old. His instructor is Bob Johnston.

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IT CAN'T HAPPEN HERE, but we saw it with our own eyes — Mike Cowart lying on his back on the ramp at Municipal with his feet and hands up in the air in an effort to explain inverted maneuvers to Clyde Ellis.

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Ad Thompson added more letters on his ticket last Wednesday when he got his 1 Land rating.

"Hey, Carpenter — "Who the hell put this knapsack in with the parachutes?!”