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Remembering Will Rogers' grand picture "Too Busy to Work", we have been so busy flying that we haven't had time to introduce many of our new students. So with one sweep of the pen—here are our new students, and welcome, all of you! Naturally, ladies first, and it's a pleasure to introduce charming little Helen McBride, Kissimmee, Florida, who is taking an instructor's refresher course. Others taking primary refresher courses include Don Hay, Hal Hall, Sylvan Gaver, Elwood Reim, Charlie Stoddard, Ray Marders, Arthur Whitecomb, Cliff Telliver, Lagrand Lord, Middleton, N. Y., and Wilford Wright, Kissimmee. New secondary refresher (advanced instructor's rating) students are Jean Franklin, Carl Weber, Warren "Slim" North of Monticello, Indiana, Capt. George Rutherford, Jr., Hollywood, Bob Lope, Arecina, Charles Rexrods, Arecina, George Oakley and Carroll Sundifer. On the Commercial Refresher list we have Howell Burwick, Jr., Regina Shepherd, Hollywood, Mike Cobert, Charlie Roberts, Dick Beaulee, Sam Stola, Elmer Reed, Russ Abrams, Liberty, W. Va., Palmer Miller, Wayne, Thomas L. Hein, Halseh, Thomas Teets, Dick Clifton and John Pevin. Kenneth G. Blim, Council Groves, Kansas and George Haworth have started their Apprentice Instructor Courses. Students enrolled for miscellaneous instruction during the last two weeks include Lawrence Hughes, Orlando, taking refresher work on the Waco, Ed Allison, Centralia, Ill, Bill Hasted, Ft. Lauderdale and John Gifford, of Miami.

F. S. We understand Fred Hassel has gone in for vitamins!

** George Boyd, New York City, who was taking private refresher course, was called to Canada on Government business. He plans to return within a short time and continue his flight training.

Capt. Tom Halpin, Dean of the Technical School, is playing what he calls the "Alkaline Circuit", taking talks before the Greater Miami Civic Clubs. He claims that he hasn't had to buy his own lunch for over two weeks, and will talk from five minutes to five hours before any group of three or more persons who will sit still and buy his lunch. But all feeling aside, Halpin is doing a swell job of spreading the Embry-Riddle gospel, and we are right proud of all the space he's been getting in the newspapers. Incidentally, Lt. Burget at Municipal Base and Webster Wiggin at the Seaplane Base are also available for short talks before any group who will listen. (F. S. They prefer Dinner Meetings).

Most interesting Visitor of the Week was the Cuban Navy's Howard, which has flown a good-will tour through 23 different North and South American countries since Oct. 12, 1940. A flag representing each country flown through is painted on the side of the ship, as is a big map showing their course. Piloted by Lt. Juan R. Moneymare, an old friend of Capt. Perrey's, the ship carried as navigator Lt. Oscar River Ortiz and Serg. F. Medina as Flight mechanic.

Bill Seward passed his advanced instructor's rating and left immediately for Macon, Ga., where he will fly with Wes Raymond. Also passing secondary flight tests were Harold Alford who got an instructor's rating and John Gifford, Atlanta, who came here to finish his CPTT work. John is at the Opa Locka base.

At the Technical School, enrollment in the last two weeks has been more than doubled that of the previous two months. It looks like momentum is building up at the Tech School, one student who likes the work tells another, and so on. At present, they are running classes seven days a week and five evenings. Among new students to enroll, working on various courses leading to the coveted aircraft and engine license are brothers Earl and Alton Wacht, brothers Arnold and Kenneth Monica, father and son C. E. and Dale Mann and W. C. "Bill" Perry of Coral Glades. Norman Parsons, a druggist at heart, is taking a sheet metal course and W. E. Dodge, who has been a building contractor in Miami for 15 years, is beginning on his A & E because he says there is "more future in aviation than in anything else." Then too, we are serving notice on a
couple of Miami's leading hotels to get new doormen next year. Gordon Oasick of the MacFadden Deauville and Fred Acker of the Biltmore are all wound up in welding and sheet metal courses.

Visiting C. W. Tinsley last week was Walter J. Shelton, pilot instructor at Robins Field, Jackson, Mississippi. Walter reported that A. H. "Jack" Burr had successfully completed his work at Robins Field and was enroute to the Army Basic training camp at Maxwell Field, Montgomery, Ala. And speak of the Devil, Jack came in the next day on a vacation of his own. Welcome in, boy! And plenty of success at Maxwell.

Just as Bob Dimay was about to start his advanced instructor training, he was called in to the Army Air Corps and will be stationed at Mitchell Field, New York.

We see Jimmy Cousins marking up the new CPTP progress board which seems to indicate an early influx of new students. At Municipal, we are already carrying 77 regular flight students, and when we get this new batch of 70 CPTPers, oh boy! Buzzards keep out of our way! And speaking of Buzzards, did you all hear about George May? Not the George is a buzzard but we understand that he is getting pretty chummy with them over in the Auxiliary field. Interesting and amusing sidelight of the new CPTP crop is that each and every one of them swore up and down to Bob Johnson that they had never been involved in a traffic accident. Which statements got them past the selection board, all right, but it set a pretty high precedent for them when they get into the airplanes.

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CONGRATULATIONS:— The biggest diamond to greet our eyes for many a year was unveiled the other day by Peggy O'Donnell, that pretty girl in the main office. The lucky boy in the case is Mel Patton.

Kay Bramlett, our to date inactive Arcadia correspondent, came in for a visit last weekend. George Wheeler and Ed China brought her down in their car and she flew back with Capt. Povey. * * *

Taylor D. Johnson, Niagara Falls, who learned to fly with Embry-Riddle last year, is back at the Seaplane Base, thanks to the efforts of Al Shultz. Also beginning new courses there are Miss Schlegler who is working on a private ticket and Bernie Cohlan, primary solo student from Detroit. An orchid to Larry Justin, Mgr. of the Picadilly Club, for sending us so many new students. (Sotto voice to Howard Wade: What do you mean, "Webster Wiggin, Jr. " Do you refer to that good looking great dane mascot of the old Professor's?)