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WINGS OVER BORDEN

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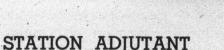
FORMER ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Squadron Leader M. F. Badgley-On June 5th, 1896, in the city of Montreal, the Station's former Administrative Officer, Squadron Leader M. F. Badgley first saw the light of day. He received his early education in Montreal and graduated from High School in 1914 just at the outbreak of the First World War. S/Ldr Badgley served in France with the 66th Battery and the 1st Battalion Canadian Tank Corps. It is of interest to note that he had two brothers serving with him in the last war, and all three are on active service again. In between the two wars he has divided his time equally between financial houses and sports of all kinds. He enlisted in R.C.A.F. October 25th, 1939, receiving his appointment as flying officer, June 5th, 1940. After his Administration Course at Trenton he came directly to Camp Borden. A keen sport enthusiast, he has organized Camp Borden hardball team and managed it successfully for two years. A lover of music he has organized three bands at No. 1 S.F.T.S. S/Ldr Badgley's posting to the coast has robbed Camp Borden of one of its most enthusiastic officers.

O.C. WOMEN'S DIVISION

A/S/O H. G. Sparrow-Born and educated in Winnipeg, Manitoba. Interested in all sports, playing on the Kelvin baseball and basketball teams and a member of the City basketball team, which held the championship. Played badminton for Westminster Church in City leagues. Interested in school choral groups and later a member of Westminster Church Choir, also belonged to Metropolitan Choir and Winnipeg Light Opera Company. At time of joining up, Principal of Chapman School.

Enlisted as recruit in first Officers' Training Course in Toronto October 21, 1941. Completed course on November 27, 1941. Proceeded to Moncton, then to Aylmer, and on April 13th posted to Camp Borden.

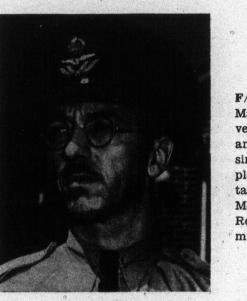


F/Lt C. G. E. Leafloor-Born June 19, 1908, Ottawa, Ontario, Attended Public and High Schools, Ottawa, graduating 1925. Employed by Fraser-Brace Engineering Company on construction of power houses and dams as Cost Accountant and Timekeeper from February, 1926, to December, 1927. Enlisted in R.C.A.F. April 10, 1928, at R.C.A.F. Headquarters, Ottawa. Served there for 7 years then attached to R.M.C., Kingston, for 3 months. Transferred to No. 112 (AC) Squadron, Winnipeg, in January, 1935. Returned to R.C.A.F. Headquarters, Ottawa, October, 1937. Transferred to No. 1 Training Command, Toronto, August, 1939, also attached to No. 1 "M" Depot and spent approximately 4 months R.C.A.F. Recruiting Centre while in Toronto. Held rank of WO1 when commissioned as Flying Officer on May 15, 1941. Reported to No. 1 S.F.T.S., Camp Borden, on May 26th, 1941. Employed as A.A.O. and in present capacity as Adjutant.



NEW ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

F/Lt C. S. Lees-Married. Born 1899 in Hamilton, Ontario. Attended Hamilton Public Schools and Collegiate Institute. Farmed for two years. Attended Osgoode Hall graduating as Barrister at law in 1923. Practised law in Hamilton until commissioned in R.C.A.F. Nov. 9, 1940. Attended Course 9, School of Administration, Trenton, and was first posted to No. 1 "M" Depot and employed as Adjutant and Instructor to Officer Commanding of Officers Direct Entry Course until June, 1941, when appointed Assistant Adjutant. Promoted F/L June 12, 1941. Posted to 14 S.F.T.S., Aylmer, September 15, 1941, as Adjutant. Posted 1 S.F.T.S., Camp Borden, July 1, 1942.



ASSISTANT ADJUTANT

F/O O. B. Coumans-The new adjutant, born at Binbrook, 39 years ago, received his early education at Cobalt, Ont., attending Cobalt Public School and also the High School. Before completing his matriculation his family moved to Toronto. Here he finished his high school and entered McMaster University. He graduated from McMaster with a Bachelor of Arts degree. Mr. Coumans was married in 1931 and has no children. He taught school for thirteen years in different parts of the province and was teaching at the time of his enlistment just shortly after the outbreak of war. On first appointment he held the post of educational officer at K.T.S., Trenton, and later took the Administrative Course there. He was adjutant at No. 3 E.F.T.S., London, Ont., prior to coming to Camp Borden.

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ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

F/O W. E. Lang-Born Bruce County, Ontario. Raised and educated in Manitoba from the age of 3 to 21 years. Graduated High School 1919. University (Arts) 1925. In U.S.A. for 3 years, 1926-1929. Moved to Toronto and ever since employed on Credits and Accounts in Executive capacities since 1929. Previous to joining Service in 1941 for a considerable time employed by audit department of Hydro Electric Power Commission of Ontario. Member of H.E.P.C. Club. Past President Toronto Aquarium Society. Member of Budgerigar and Foreign Bird Society of Canada (Chartered). Reported to Trenton direct from civil life. On completion of 4 week administration course was posted to Borden.