

Fighting Toronto Trio Add to Air Laurels

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Three Toronto Spitfire pilots told yesterday how they had destroyed seven enemy fighters when the RCAF trio, out on a routine weather reconnaissance flight, ran into a formation of 40 German planes 27 miles east of Caen, according to an overseas despatch. FO. W. J. Banks knocked down three of the enemy. PO. D. R. Jamieson and Flt. Lt. O. M. Linton each got two.

Mentioned in News Reports

PO. Jamieson and FO. Banks were two Toronto fighter pilots mentioned in news reports on July 8 as each bringing down an enemy plane as part of that total score of five German machines out of 15 which were engaged by RCAF squadrons over France the preceding day.

FO. Banks, 24, had two planes to his credit prior to yesterday's report. His mother, Mrs. Edna Banks, 88 Hanna Rd., received a letter from him yesterday saying that he was motorcycling around Caen, but no mention, of course, was made of his other activities.



FO. Banks

Comes From Saskatchewan

Born in Hazenmore, Sask., he came to Toronto nine years ago and completed his schooling at Bloor Collegiate Institute before joining the staff of General Steel Ware Ltd. He enlisted early in 1941 and later served as an instructor at Camp Borden for two years before going overseas. This week, his parents received a cable from their younger son, Sgt. Elgin Banks, announcing his safe arrival in Britain, the boy's mother said last night.

PO. Jamieson, 25, son of Mr. and Mrs. David Jamieson, 148 Gilbert Ave., previously had two enemy planes to his credit and one damaged. Earlier this month, he destroyed an FW-190 over France at 600 yards. Jamieson enlisted in 1941 and received his wings at Borden. He had previously served in Africa before returning to Britain to participate in the Normandy invasion. He is a graduate of Western Technical School and was with the General Electric Co., Ltd., before enlisting.

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