

## FORMER C.O. BORDEN RCAF IS MISSING

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His many friends in Barrie were stunned this week to receive the news that Wing Commander F. C. "Cav" Carling-Kelly was missing after air operations overseas. He had recently assumed command of the famous "Thunderbird" RCAF fighter squadron.

As Group Captain Carling-Kelly, he was commanding officer of No. 1 Service Flying Training School, Camp Borden, from May, 1943, until May, 1944, one of the most popular CO's in the long history of Canada's first flying centre. In October, 1943, he took the salute by the Post Office for Barrie's big Fifth Victory Loan parade and was a familiar figure in this town. He got his wings at Camp Borden in 1935 and returned eight years later to command the station.

His wife, formerly Grenee Smith, and baby son reside in Toronto.



Mrs. Carling-Kelly received the official telegram announcing that he was missing, and 10 minutes later received a letter from him. In order to go overseas a second time in this war, Group Captain Carling-Kelly had to take down one ring to the rank of Wing Commander.

A Permanent Force officer, Wing Cmdr. Carling-Kelly is a graduate of the Royal Military College and entered the RCAF in June, 1935.

When the pioneer City of Toronto Squadron arrived in England, WC Carling-Kelly was among them, as a flight commander. He was later returned to Canada and after a course at CFS, Trenton, he was promoted to Chief Flying Instructor of that advanced flying school for instructors.

Throughout his 10 years' service with RCAF the CO of the Thunderbird Squadron has flown 68 types of aircraft, aggregating more than 2,600 flying hours. In addition to the flying instructor's course Wing Cmdr. Carling-Kelly has taken the navigator's and the army co-op courses.

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