

APPENDIX "C"

No. 4 I.T.S., Edmonton
2nd Mar./44

Aids Red Cross



Wing Cmdr. Ewart G. Macpherson, commanding officer at No. 4 I.T.S. of the R.C.A.F., who announced Thursday that personnel at the training centre and affiliated branches have contributed nearly \$2,000 to the current drive of the Canadian Red Cross.

**I.T.S. Airmen
Donate \$1,942.34
To Red Cross**

Airmen training at No. 4 I.T.S. are not going to let unfortunate comrades in arms in German and Japanese prison camps down.

The youngsters now learning the why and how of aerial combat at the initial training school contributed \$1,942.34 from their pay received Tuesday afternoon to the Canadian Red Cross drive now in progress.

Wing Commander E. G. Macpherson, commanding officer, made an appeal to the officers and men on the station.

His one and only appeal for support was based on the dependence of Canadian prisoners of war on the parcels from the Red Cross.

"We just can't let those fellows down," he declared.

The officer quoted a recently repatriated Canadian airman, Flt. Lt. Don Morrison, D.F.C., D.F.M., who, writing in a recent magazine article, said:

"I guess some people don't think much about those parcels that go to prisoners of war every week, but they are practically a matter of life and death with us."

Objective for the station is \$2,000.

Contributions to date include those made from trainees at the War Emergency Training Plan School and P.A.E.D. schools, of which No. 4 I.T.S. is parent unit.

Personnel from two squadrons averaged more than \$2 each and other squadrons were not far behind.

In the pay of an AC2, a two dollar touch makes quite a hole.

Now it seems certain that No. 4 I.T.S. will be over the top with plenty to spare.

"M" Depot Men Give \$646 for Red Cross



Pictured above with two attractive young Red Cross misses are five airmen who contributed to the Edmonton Red Cross current drive, during pay day parade at No. 3 "M" depot, R.C.A.F. Tuesday. The girls are, left to right, Doris Cheshire and Barbara Bigland. Depot airmen gave a total of \$646 to help swell funds for the Edmonton Red Cross campaign . . . to provide prisoner-of-war parcels to men now in German prison camps . . . to pay for sending blood plasma to their buddies now wounded on European battlefields . . . to save suffering in this war.

**Airmen Present
\$1,942 for Fund**

Total of \$1,942 was contributed to the Red Cross campaign here by airmen and officers following the Tuesday "pay day" at No. 4 I.T.S., R.C.A.F. Wing Cmdr. Ewart G. Macpherson, officer commanding the depot, stated Thursday. Objective of the men is \$2,000, and they believe they will reach it.

The hundreds of airmen in German prison camps who depend on the weekly Red Cross parcels from Canada are "your buddies and mine," Wing Cmdr. Macpherson told the airmen.

He quoted from an article by Flight Lt. Don Morrison, D.F.C., D.F.M., a repatriated prisoner of war: "I guess some people don't think much about those parcels that go to every prisoner every week . . . but they are practically a matter of life and death to us."