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PERSONAL HISTORY SHEET

Aircrew Personnel, R.C.A.F.

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Training Class No. 78

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INSTRUCTIONS

1. This is not a test or examination. It is a form planned to enable you to record important points about your special experience to date for the information of officers who will have charge of your initial training.
2. The record is divided under six heads, each with several items, numbered in succession. Choose your own speed for answering these within the one hour allowed.
3. Deal with each item as you come to it. If an item does not apply in your case, mark it N.A. (not applicable), and go on to the next.
4. Remember, there is no best kind of answer; every man's history is different. Give the facts asked for, but avoid elaborating or dressing them up. The most useful record is one that is accurate, concise and comprehensive.
5. Your written record will be supplemented by a personal interview at your Initial Training School.
6. Before you begin writing, the instructor will first explain briefly the form. Later he will occasionally say how much time there is so that you may use it to cover all items.
7. At the close, additional announcements about turning in your record will be made. You may note such announcements at that time in the space below.

A. JOBS

1. List below the jobs you have held since leaving school and give the information asked about each.

Commence with your last job and work back to earlier ones.

Omit jobs held during school vacations or after school hours.

In case you stopped school for 6 months or longer to do full time work include that job, and draw a line across the page in your list to show when it was you returned to school. Above such line state the grade or course you entered on returning to school.

⊗ During period 33-35 was ^{also} mechanic for Louis Bissell - on WACO CABIN part time AND FLEET TWO PLACE

1. Firm 2. Place 3. Job	Month and year you started and left job	Reason for leaving.	Monthly earnings on starting & leaving.	Advancement, improvements, or other facts about your success.	How you felt about job.
TRUCK OWNER GERALDSON	ST FEB 42 CT OCT 42	ENLISTED	400.00 less deductions		OK.
MARKET MINE & CHARLTON MINER	MAY 1937 FEB 42	FO 30 IN TRUCKING (WAS MINE)	varied 250 - 150	WAS ALLOWED TO HAVE MY OWN TRUCK (WAS MINE)	OK. satisfactory and satisfactory
HARDALL MINE GERALDSON	JAN 37 MAY 37	FRIEND AT MAGNET	150.00		DIDN'T LIKE IT TOO
MCFAULD MINE GERALDSON	JUNE 36 JAN 37	SHUTDOWN	170	ROSE TO SHIFTS	OK. every way
WINTERFISHING	NOV 35 - APR 36	-	300	ROSE TO MINE (WAS MINE)	good
PROSPECTED by myself	33-35	⊗ too much game	NIL	got through knowledge of geology	great education but would spend 6 mos on prospecting
garage work near on father	30-33	ALL WORK NO PAY	varied 50-60	LAY FIK ANTIKUS ON FOUR WHEELS	OK.

2. List below any paid jobs you did while attending school or during school vacations. Answer under the heading below, starting with your last job while in school and working back.

VACATION JOB

(a) What the job was	(b) How long you worked at it. MONTH	(c) What use you made of the earnings.
LOGGER CAMP IN MURKIN WOOD MUNTSVILLE	1 MONTH	WOULDN'T PAY BUT WOULD REPAIR THINGS IN MY HOUSE
FIREMAN IN ORIOLE IN MURKIN LAKES	3 MONTHS	BOUGHT FIRST LONG PANTS SUIT
DELIVERY BOY HARRY Rising TOWN	4 years	THINGS I NEEDED.

3. If any of your jobs mentioned so far have required unusually long hours, heavy work, circumstances of excessive heat or cold, or other difficult physical conditions, please describe these conditions.

Specialized in shaft work in mines - this requires not only a cool all round miner but is very hard physically - not many can stand it.

A. JOBS (Cont'd)

4. Since quitting school have you taken any special studies (night school, correspondence courses, music, etc.)?
- (a) What studies? (b) For what special purpose? (c) Progress in the study.
short hand + typing - to get a job at Ford - 1/2 finished
5. (a) Prior to the outbreak of the war, what kind of work were you looking forward to doing in future years? *House builder*
- (b) Mention steps you have taken to reach that goal. *Studied designs costs of material + labour. Noted a few new ideas in getting costs down*

B. AVIATION INTEREST

6. (a) How many months or years have you been seriously interested in aviation?
- (b) Before the war was aviation to you a career _____ a hobby or neither _____
7. Prior to entering the Air Force, have you done such things as the following which reflects your interest in aviation? Answer between lines.
- making model airplanes (state number of models made, competitions tried or won. *FOKKER UNIVERSAL Lockheed etc. about 12*)
- reading articles on aviation in newspapers and general magazines, for example: ~~Aviation~~ *Aeroplane AVIATION*
- taking course on ground instruction (give name of course, subjects covered, and time spent or number of lessons taken).
- making flights as a passenger (state number of hours dual and solo)
PLANE was my means of travel around Long Island till war years ago
- anything else? *FISH hauled by plane (about 1000 lbs daily)*
8. Prior to the outbreak of war, had you applied for entry to the U.S.A.F., or R.A.F.? If so, give the year, month and place of your application.
9. Since the outbreak of war, when did you apply or renege your application for entry to the Air Force? *When I enlisted*
10. Was the recruiting centre in the locality in which you were living? If not, how far did you have to go to make application? *Mobile unit*
11. What steps, if any, did you take to follow up your application? e.g. inquiring about it, special reading or studies on aviation, etc.
12. Check or state below whether at the time of your enlistment you understood that you were signing up for particular type of Air Crew duty, such as observer, gunner, etc.
- No Yes, for duty as _____
13. What reason led you to join the Air Force? Indicate which reason seemed most important to you.
I thought I had been a spectator of this war as long as my self respect would permit.

Lilly Holme - Nations Bank
 Dubuq Avenue Toronto Ont.
 Williamson Rd " "
 4. Balsam Beach " "

C. EDUCATION

14. Where did you attend (a) Public school _____
 (town or country and province, or state.)
 (b) High School Malvern Coll - Toronto ^{Vienna} Ont.
15. What course of study did you follow in High School? Matriculation
 (Technical or commercial, or matriculation, etc.)
16. Encircle one item below, showing the highest level you attempted at school:
 Pub. Grade 6, High Grade 8, 10, 11 (X) Univ. 1st year Degree Bachelor.
 Schl. " 7, Sch. H.S. Graduation. 2nd " Master
 " " 8, 3rd " Ph. D.
 4th " Professional.
17. At what age did you reach the level shown above? (16.5)
18. If the level you encircled was not successfully completed, give the reason Changing schools
19. Did you write Jr. Matric? Yes X No _____ Where Vienna what year(s) _____
 also Sr. Matric? Yes X No _____ Where Vienna What year(s) 1928
20. Were you at any time out of school long enough to lose a school year?
 At what grade? 9 For what reason? Sickness
21. In your last year high school how did you stand in your work as a whole compared with your fellow? State your place and the size of your class, e.g. 5th out of 40, 20th out of 30, etc. 5th out of 15
22. Give details of any awards you received for academic work or other achievements in study Jesse Kitchin
23. In high school or college, have you failed certain final exams? Yes
 In what subjects? Math and in which year? 1
24. What school subjects did you enjoy most? History English Maths
25. What school subjects did you do least well or enjoy least? Latin
26. How did you compare with your fellow students in mathematics? e.g. 10th place out of 40 students, 20th out of 25, etc. 15 out of 20
27. Have you had much experience in arithmetical work since leaving school? Give details No

D. RECREATION

28. List below the sports in which you have taken part. Mention all sports in which you have participated, whether or not you were a member of a team or entered competitions. Include non-competitive activities as hunting, target shooting, fighting, sailing, horseback riding, motor cycle riding, if you have done such. List your favorite sport first, considering the amount of time you have spent on them over a period.

Name of sport	Teams in which you have played. Give name and type (e.g. school) class, form, city, commercial, informal.)	Position played.	Outstanding accomplishments.	Competitions entered and awards obtained in non-team sports.
<u>Rugby</u> <u>Swimming</u> <u>Boxing</u>	<u>Malvern Coll</u>			
<u>Shooting (rulls)</u>	<u>140 lb fairs</u>			

D. RECREATION (Cont'd)

Name of sport	Teams in which you have played. Give name and type (e.g. school, class, form, city, commercial, informal.)	Position played.	Outstanding accomplishments.	Competitions entered and awards obtained in non-team sports.
Swimming	Bronxville Y.M.C.A.			

29. In what other ways than out-door sports do you spend your leisure time? e.g. Movies, cards, dancing, listening to music, the radio, etc. Give details.
Movies ~~and~~ radio

30. About how many minutes per day do you usually spend on newspapers or light reading? 1 1/2 hours

31. What other kinds of reading do you follow? Give titles _____

32. Have you a hobby? Indicate the time and effort devoted to it. _____

E FAMILY

33. Are both your parents living? Yes if not, state which is dead _____ and the year of death _____

34. (a) What is or was your father's occupation? Contractor - garageman
(b) Father's Military Service Secret Service

35. What is your father's leisure time interest? Business

36. Racial extraction on your father's side: Scottish

37. Are you married or single? M Year of marriage 1938 Divorced? _____

38. If you have children give their ages Boy 2 1/2

39. What are your brothers' occupations, oldest first:

1	P.C.A.F.	3	5
2	P.C.A.F.	4	6

40. What are your sisters' occupations?

1	Housewife	3	5
2	Secretary	4	6

41. Where do you come in the family (of those living)? e.g. second oldest of five, etc. Oldest

42. (a) With what church are you connected? Pres

(b) To what clubs or societies do you belong? _____

F. SPECIAL QUALIFICATIONS

43. List any position of leadership you have held, such as captain of a team, president or secretary of an association, or representative of a group.

Mineship (Boss. (about 40 men)
Shaft captain (18 men)
Ran fish camp (5 men)
Captain high school debating team

44. If you have had previous service in the navy, army, air force or non-permanent militia, give (a) Unit, (b) dates of service, (c) rank held (d) duties, (e) service courses undertaken.

(a) (b) (c) (d) (e)

45. Do you recall being in an emergency situation where you had to think and act quickly in order to avoid danger? If so, describe the situation, state how state how you were able to act. *Tire blowout at 75 mi. p.h. held car on road. I didn't lose my head.*

46. Have you travelled to speak of? Where and for what purpose?

not much

47. Why do you think that you are well qualified for work as a member of an Air Crew? *Because I have been around in planes a lot and worked on them and liked it.*

48. Is there some particular type of Air Crew duty (bomber, pilot, wireless operator and gunner, fighter pilot, observer) which you believe you can perform best? State your reasons. *Pilot. Because I can make the best of a bad situation and can see the rest don't do any thing foolish. Experienced with men.*

49. Look over this list of words or phrases. Underline the ten or so which you think would describe you fairly accurately or which other persons who know you would probably select in describing you.

<u>Active</u>	<u>enjoy hard work</u>	methodical
assertive	feel but do not show emotions	nervous
calm	<u>facility in reasoning</u>	persistent
<u>calm under pressure</u>	<u>and problem solving</u>	<u>quiet</u>
<u>cautious</u>	<u>good natured</u>	quick and skillful
<u>cheerful</u>	<u>good team maker</u>	in movement
decisive	impatient	restless
dependable	impulsive	resourceful
drive myself	individualist	retiring
hard	lazy	self-confident
easily annoyed	like to lend aid	self-conscious
easy going	supervise others	take things seriously.
energetic	<u>like responsibility</u>	

50. Are there important facts you have not already given which you think may throw light on your special qualifications? Give details.