

Pages in "Five Bombers and Other Birds" of most interest re flying
(Confined to flying & related events)

- 14-15 Solos ^{in N3N's} over Boston Harbor and first news of Pearl Harbor, FALL '41
- 20-31 Stunting in yellow perils, a new activity, now at Jacksonville, Fla.
- 36-38 First night flying & formation flying in little low wing monoplane
- 45-46 Intermediate squadron, in SNJ's, soloing in same a thrill
- 47-48 Then more advanced formation flying in ^{Kingfisher land planes} OS2U's, up to 9 plane formations
- 49 Instrument flying, incl. flying beams (P-52) (bottom of P. 55)
- 53-54 Operational training, first in ^{small} N3N seaplane, then in Kingfisher seaplane, 5
- 57 Navigation flights P. 57, gunnery P. 59, dive bombing P. 60, catapults P. 61
- 78 Night catapult slide 66 - ensigns + naval aviators designated Aug. 21, 42
- 81-83 Change to carrier type planes in Miami area 87-88 near disaster
- 89 Rebuilding dive bombing in old biplane "Hell divers", Helen clouds P. 90-91
^{at Daytona}
- 92-106 Students once more for operational training in SBP "Dauntless" dive
bombers, the ^{phase} ~~base~~ of Midway, including first carrier landings & take-offs
- 111 Instructing students - instrument flying, dive bombing, night flying, etc.
- 117-119 Ferry flights 127 Orders to West Coast, joining Squadron ^{MAY 1} VB-17
at Alameda, Cal. flying SB2C Hell Divers 130 Dive bombing in same
- 136-137 First landings & take-offs at sea 137 off to Hawaii 138 flying there
- 142-143 Air show with ^{old} Saratoga. 143 Guam & flights in Hellcat fighters
- 145 Boarded Hornet in Ulithi atoll, in Caroline Islands; the flagship of Task
Group ^{58.1} in Task Force 58 the main striking force of the U.S. Navy.
- 148-150 First all U.S. Navy attack on Japan proper, 2/16-17/45, on Honshu, with
views of Mt. Fuji, 150 ¹⁵¹ ~~151~~ attacks on Iwo Jima & Miyako Jima.
- 152 Return to Ulithi. Kamikaze attack on Randolph.
- 153 Strikes on Kyushu, Okinawa, etc. Patrol frigate destroyed 156-157. 159 Transport
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- 161-163 U.S. attacks destroyed 164 Close call from Kamikaze 167-169 Kyushu again
- 169-170 Okinawa again & other islands. 170 Typhoon & later strikes: Philippines then no