

The Carol (Nicholson) Lewis Collection

The Museum of Flight
Seattle, Washington

**[Postcard to Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Nicholson from Carol
Nicholson, postmarked July 25, 1944]**

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[Front of postcard with black-and-white image of a North American AT-6C (T-6C) Texan.]
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[Back of postcard with pre-printed and handwritten text; handwritten portions indicated with italics.]

[Upper left corner:]

Over the Clouds and Far Away

PS. wrote this about a month ago wee bit behind time.

He's practicing his aerial lesson for todays—this Aviation Cadet high above the clouds at Randolph Field, the "West Point of the Air." At the Army Air Corps' basic flying schools scattered throughout the South and West new classes of fledgling fliers have just reported for their basic training and are receiving their first introductions to these 450-horsepower planes. During the next ten weeks, they'll spend 70 hours each in these aerial classrooms.

C.A. Nicholson

44-W-7 Avenger

Sweetwater, Texas

Darlings — thought you'd better see what I'm struggling with now. Instructor in front me under the hood in the back fighting the guages [sic]. We had our first checks today – Nancy, Beejay and I – all did a lousey [sic] job but passed O.K. Have an Army check day after tomorrow and then start working on the range. I'm confident that this is the hardest and most interesting thing I've ever studied. We'll see how everything comes out.

[Logo in lower left corner with silhouette of a plane and propellers:]

KEEP 'EM FLYING

IN COMBAT TEAMS

BOMBARDIER NAVIGATOR PILOT GUNNER

[To the right of the logo:]

The ENEMY is listening—Don't SAY it.

The ENEMY can READ—Don't WRITE it.

I'll write tomorrow the next day in detail. Bye – miss you – Carola

[Violet-colored 3¢ postage stamp in the upper right corner of the postcard postmarked in Sweetwater, Texas, July 15, 1944.]

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Post Card

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