

*PILOT'S FLIGHT OPERATING  
INSTRUCTIONS*

FOR

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P-51A-10**

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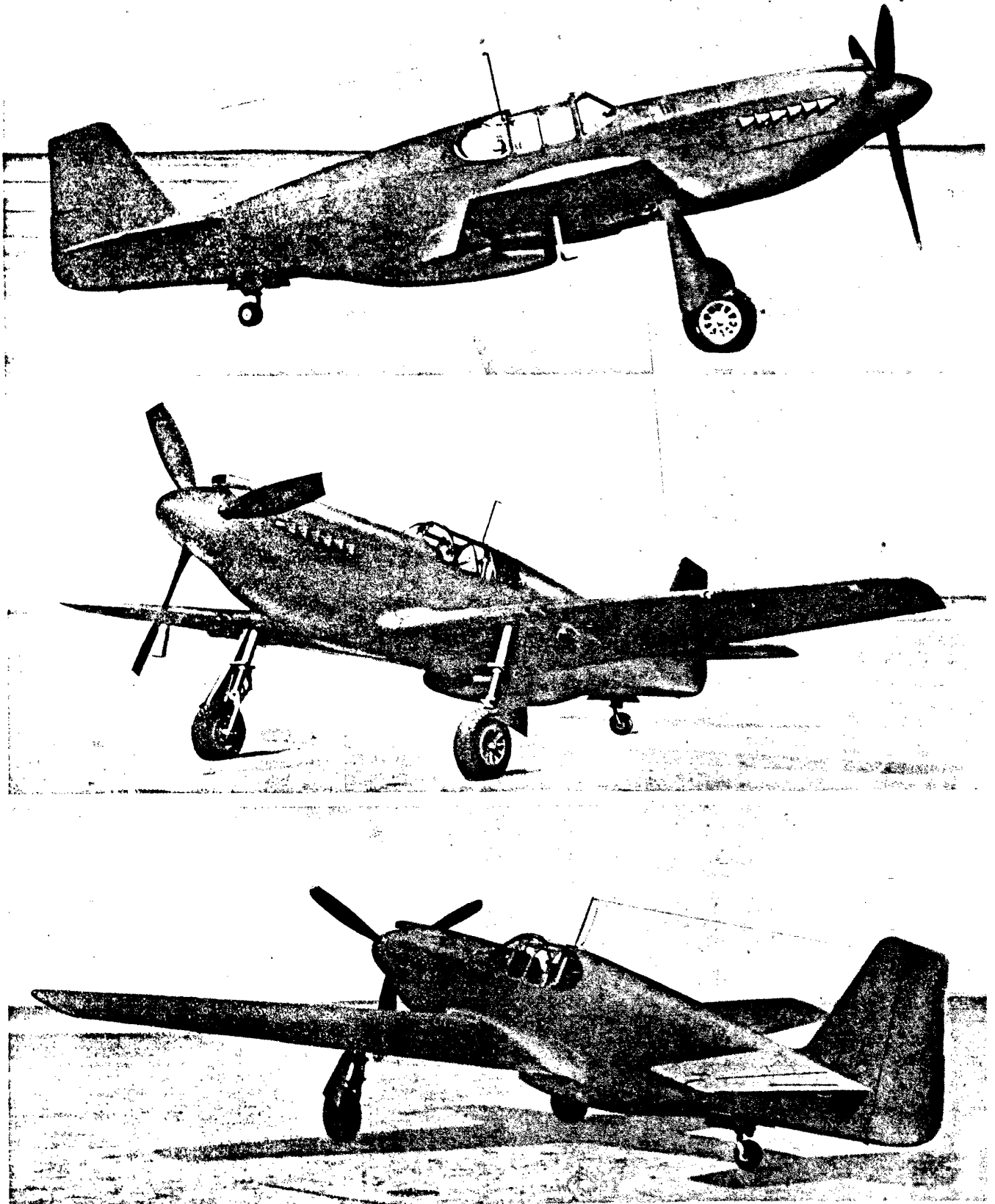


Figure 1—Three Views of Airplane

## SECTION 1

### DESCRIPTION

#### 1. GENERAL.

The Model P-51A Series Airplane is a single-place, low wing fighter airplane. A 12-cylinder, liquid cooled engine drives an electric constant-speed, three blade propeller, which operates at half engine crankshaft speed. The airplane has a wing span of 37 feet 5/16 inches and an over-all length of 32 feet 2-5/16 inches. The over-all height, with the tail down, is 12 feet 8 inches.

#### 2. FUSELAGE.

The fuselage is a semimonocoque, aluminum-alloy structure divided into three sections: engine mount, main fuselage, and aft section. An overturn structure is located aft of the pilot's seat. Armor plate is provided behind the pilot's seat and as part of the fire wall.

a. COCKPIT ENCLOSURE.—Armor plate glass is integral with the forward panel of the windshield. The cockpit is covered with a flush-type transparent hood. The left side of the hood hinges out and down, and the top section hinges up and out. Both sides have sliding windows. An emergency exit lever on the right-hand forward side of the cockpit instantly releases the entire hood for emergency egress.

b. CLEAR VISION PANEL.—To assure the pilot of better vision while flying in rain, sleet, or snow, a clear vision panel is incorporated in the left panel of the windshield. A negative pressure area at this point allows the panel to be opened without the elements entering the cockpit.

#### 3. WING.

The wing is a semimonocoque, full-cantilever structure and consists of two sections bolted together. The sections employ the low-drag laminar-type airfoil. The ailerons are metal covered. The right aileron is equipped with a booster tab, and the left aileron is equipped with a combination booster and trim tab, the latter controllable from the cockpit. Hydraulically operated sealed-type wing flaps extend from the ailerons to the fuselage.

#### 4. EMPENNAGE.

The empennage consists of a horizontal stabilizer, vertical stabilizer, elevators, and rudder. The elevators and rudder are cloth covered and are equipped with trim tabs controllable from the cockpit.

#### 5. LANDING GEAR.

The landing gear consists of two main oleo struts and a steerable tail wheel. All three units are fully retractable hydraulically. The wheels of the main oleo struts are fitted with hydraulic brakes. The tail wheel may be locked by pulling the control stick back of neutral. In the locked position, the tail wheel is steerable 6 degrees to the right or the left. The tail wheel may be unlocked for full swiveling action by pushing the control stick forward of neutral.

#### 6. HYDRAULIC SYSTEM.

The hydraulic system is utilized for the operation of the landing gear, tail gear, radiator air scoop, and wing flaps. A hydraulic accumulator is provided in the system so that pressure may be obtained instantaneously for the operation of the various systems.

#### 7. POWER PLANT.

The power plant is an Allison V 1710-81 engine equipped with an injection type carburetor and an automatic manifold pressure regulator. The P-51A-2, P-51A-5, and P-51A-10 airplanes are equipped with a controllable carburetor air filter for use under dusty conditions. The filter is located in the carburetor air intake duct and may be controlled by the pilot so as to select either unfiltered rammed air or filtered unrammed air as required.

#### 8. FUEL SYSTEM.

A fuel tank with a capacity of 90 gallons is located in each wing. There is no reserve fuel tank in this series airplane. Additional auxiliary tanks may be attached to the bomb racks under each wing. (Refer to section 4.) A manually controlled electrical booster pump is provided in addition to the engine-driven fuel pump.

#### 9. OIL SYSTEM.

The oil tank, located on the forward side of the fire wall, is designed to allow the airplane to assume any attitude when the tank is full, and feed adequately in a vertical climb or dive when the tank is only one-fourth full. The oil radiator is located in the top center of the coolant radiator, and is equipped with automatic shutters. An automatic valve provides surge protection when the oil is cold.

## 10. COOLING SYSTEM.

The coolant tank is located on the inside top of the engine nose ring and protected with armor plate between the tank and the propeller spinner. The coolant radiator is located at the bottom of the fuselage, aft of the cockpit. The rear radiator air scoop is hydraulically operated and may be adjusted by the control handle located at the aft end of the control pedestal to the left of the pilot's seat. The front radiator air scoop is not adjustable.

## 11. GUNNERY EQUIPMENT.

This airplane carries two .50-caliber machine guns mounted in each wing panel. The maximum ammunition allotment is 280 rounds for the rear ammunition compartment and 350 rounds for the front compartment. Provision is made for a gun camera in the forward section of the left wing inboard of the gun bay. An optical gun sight and auxiliary ring and bead sight are provided.

## 12. BOMBING EQUIPMENT.

A readily removable, streamline bomb rack is installed on each outer wing panel. Each rack will accommodate one 100-, 250-, 300-, or 500-pound bomb.

## 13. OXYGEN SYSTEM.

A low-pressure demand type oxygen system is provided, with the regulator located on the right-hand side of the instrument panel. The oxygen cylinders may be recharged without removing them from the airplane.

## 14. RADIO.

Various combinations of the following radio sets, the SCR-274, SCR-522, SCR-535, SCR-515 and SCR-695 may be installed in the radio compartment immediately behind the overturn structure. Normally the SCR-522 and SCR-695 will be installed.

## 15. LIGHTS.

Conventional position lights are provided on the upper and lower surfaces of the wing tips and at the trailing edge of the rudder. One sealed-beam type landing light is located in the leading edge of the left wing. The instrument panel is illuminated by fluorescent lights. The cockpit is illuminated by two type A-7 cockpit lights. The controls for all lighting are mounted on their respective switch panels in the cockpit. Provisions are made for the installation of an AN-3089 interaircraft signal light which may be stowed to the left of the pilot's seat.

## 16. ANTI-ICING SYSTEM.

Anti-icing systems are provided for the propeller, windshield, and the carburetor. When installed for ferry-

ing purposes, the propeller anti-icing system is comprised of a 2.9 U. S. (2.3 Imperial) gallon capacity tank installed in the rear left-hand ammunition box feeding through an electric pump to the propeller fluid feed shoes. A 1-gallon capacity tank is installed behind the pilot's seat for propeller anti-icing during combat missions. An electric switch on the left side of the cockpit operates both systems.

### WARNING

Use only noninflammable fluid in the combat anti-icing tank.

A spray jet provides fluid for the windshield from the coolant system and is controlled by a valve located on the upper right side of the instrument panel. On the P-51A-1 airplanes, the pilot may shut off the rammed air to the carburetor and allow warm air from the engine compartment to flow into the carburetor which will prevent carburetor icing under some conditions. The control for this operation is on the left side on the instrument panel. On the P-51A-2, P-51A-5 and P-51A-10 airplanes, an additional control is provided. This allows the pilot to draw air heated by exhaust gases into the carburetor for ice prevention or elimination.

## 17. HEATING AND VENTILATING.

A hot air valve is located to the right of the control stick; a cold air valve is to the left of the control stick. The windshield defroster system may be controlled by a knob on the hot air valve. A wooden bulkhead is located aft of the cockpit to keep drafts at a minimum.

## 18. MISCELLANEOUS EQUIPMENT.

a. PYROTECHNICS.—A signal pistol is located on the left side of the cockpit within reach of the pilot. The signal cartridges for the pistol are stowed to the left and aft of the pilot's seat.

b. PILOT'S SEAT.—The pilot's seat is made of plywood and will accommodate a seat-type parachute. The back cushion is kapok filled and may therefore be used as a life preserver. The seat is equipped with a type B-11 safety belt and a standard Air Corps type shoulder harness attached to a spring-loaded mechanism. The control lever for the shoulder harness is on the forward left side of the seat, and the vertical adjustment lever for the seat is located on the forward right side.

c. PILOT'S RELIEF TUBE.—The relief tube horn is stowed on a bracket at the left under side of the pilot's seat. The tubing extends along the lower inboard side of the fuselage, emerging through an aluminum scoop outlet beneath the rudder.

*d.* **FIRST-AID KIT.**—A medical first-aid kit is attached to a bracket on the left fuselage side panel in the radio compartment.

*e.* **INCENDIARY BOMBS.**—Provision is made for two incendiary bombs, one located on each side of the seat, for destruction of the airplane if forced down in hostile territory.

*f.* **DUST EXCLUDERS.**—Canvas dust excluders are provided for the main landing gear shock struts and are

secured to the struts by zipper fasteners. Another canvas dust excluder is permanently installed inside of the tail wheel well. Dust excluder boots are provided for all hydraulic cylinders.

*g.* **ENGINE CRANK.**—An engine crank and an extension shaft are stowed on brackets at the back of the right-hand main landing gear well.

*b.* **MOORING KIT.**—A mooring kit is attached to the left side of the fuselage in the rear compartment.



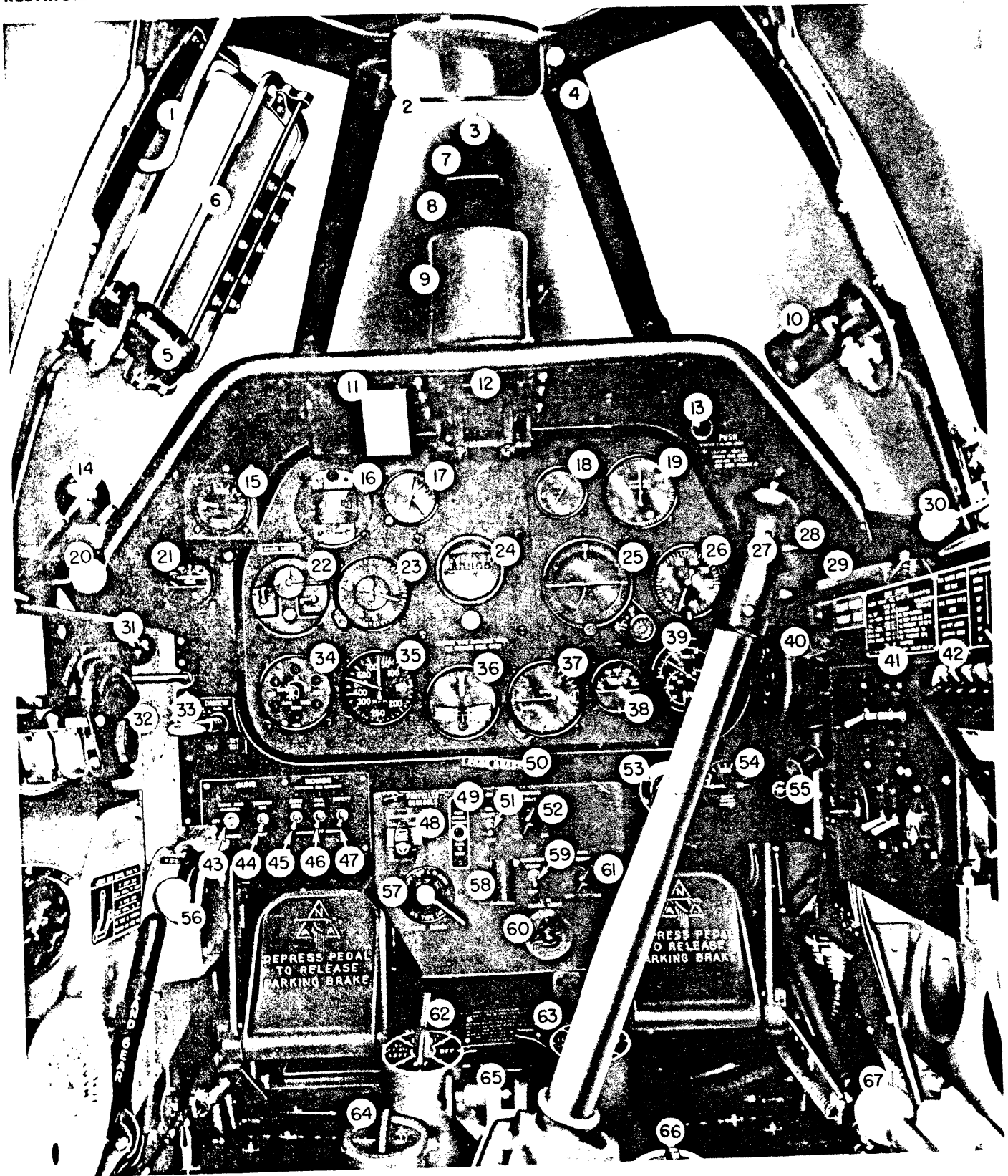



Figure 2—Cockpit—Front View



### Cockpit—Front View

(Figure 2)

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|--|---|
| 1. Enclosure Lock Handle               | 34. Landing Gear Indicator                    |
| 2. Mirror                              | 35. Air-Speed Indicator                       |
| 3. Armor Plate Glass                   | 36. Bank-and-Turn Indicator                   |
| 4. Ring Sight Socket                   | 37. Rate-of-Climb Indicator                   |
| 5. Cockpit Fluorescent Light           | 38. Coolant Temperature Indicator             |
| 6. Clear Vision Panel                  | 39. Oil Temperature and Fuel and Oil Gage     |
| 7. Sun Screen                          | 40. Oxygen Regulator                          |
| 8. Gun Sight Reflector                 | 41. Engine Limitations Plate                  |
| 9. Crash Pad                           | 42. Airplane Restrictions Plate               |
| 10. Cockpit Fluorescent Light          | 43. Gun and Camera Safety Switch              |
| 11. Instrument Calibration Cards       | 44. Gun Heater Switch                         |
| 12. Gun Sight                          | 45. Bomb Nose Arming Switch                   |
| 13. Windshield De-Icer Control         | 46. Bomb Tail Arming Switch                   |
| 14. Throttle                           | 47. Bomb Safety Switch                        |
| 15. Hydraulic Pressure Gage            | 48. Propeller Selector Switch                 |
| 16. Compass                            | 49. Propeller Circuit Breaker Switch          |
| 17. Clock                              | 50. Parking Brake Control Handle              |
| 18. Suction Gage                       | 51. Oil Dilution Switch                       |
| 19. Manifold Pressure Gage             | 52. Compass Light Switch and Rheostat Control |
| 20. Mixture Control                    | 54. Oxygen Pressure Gage                      |
| 21. Carburetor Temperature Gage        | 55. Oxygen System Warning Lamp                |
| 22. Remote Contactor                   | 56. Bomb Control Handle                       |
| 23. Altimeter                          | 57. Ignition Switch                           |
| 24. Directional Gyro                   | 58. Starter Switch                            |
| 25. Flight Indicator                   | 59. Booster Pump Switch                       |
| 26. Tachometer                         | 60. L. H. Fluorescent Light Control           |
| 27. Control Stick Grip                 | 61. Gun Sight Switch and Rheostat Control     |
| 28. Oxygen Flow Blinker                | 62. Main Fuel System Selector Valve           |
| 29. Enclosure Emergency Release Handle | 63. Auxiliary Fuel System Selector Valve      |
| 30. Sliding Window Lock Handle         | 64. Cockpit Cold Air Valve                    |
| 31. Propeller Constant Speed Control   | 65. Surface Control Lock                      |
| 32. Quadrant Friction Control          | 66. Cockpit Hot Air Valve                     |
| 33. Carburetor Air Control             | 67. Hydraulic Hand-Pump                       |

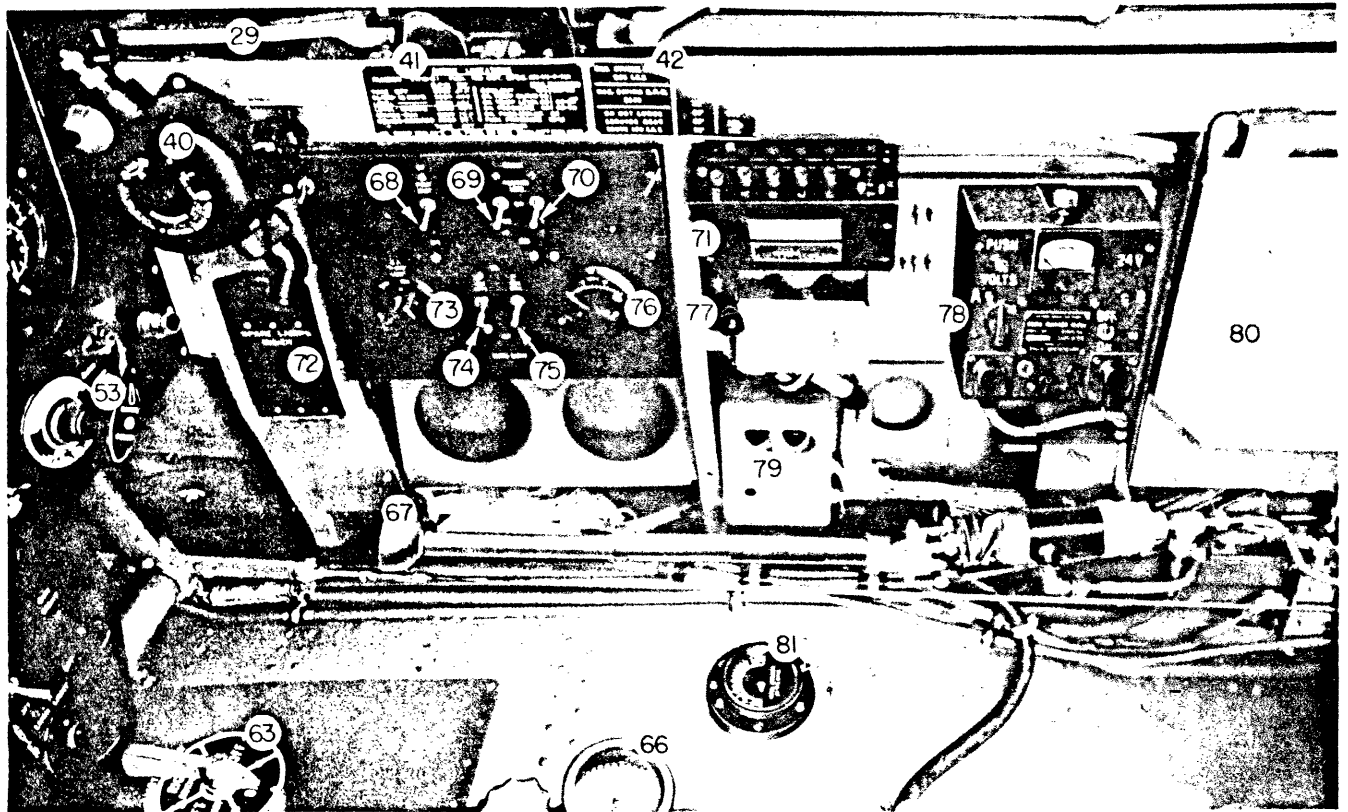


Figure 3—Cockpit—Right Side

- 29. Enclosure Emergency Release Handle
- 40. Oxygen Regulator
- 41. Engine Limitations Plate
- 42. Airplane Restrictions Plate
- 53. Engine Primer
- 63. Auxiliary Fuel System Selector Valve
- 66. Cockpit Hot Air Valve
- 67. Hydraulic Hand-Pump
- 68. Pitot Heater Switch
- 69. Wing Position Light Switch
- 70. Tail Position Light Switch
- 71. Scr-522 Radio Control Box
- 72. Spare Lamps Compartment
- 73. R. H. Fluorescent Light Control
- 74. Landing Light Switch
- 75. Generator Disconnect Switch
- 76. Ammeter
- 77. Cockpit Light
- 78. Scr-535 Radio Control Box
- 79. Detonator Switch
- 80. Map Case
- 81. Right Fuel Tank Gage

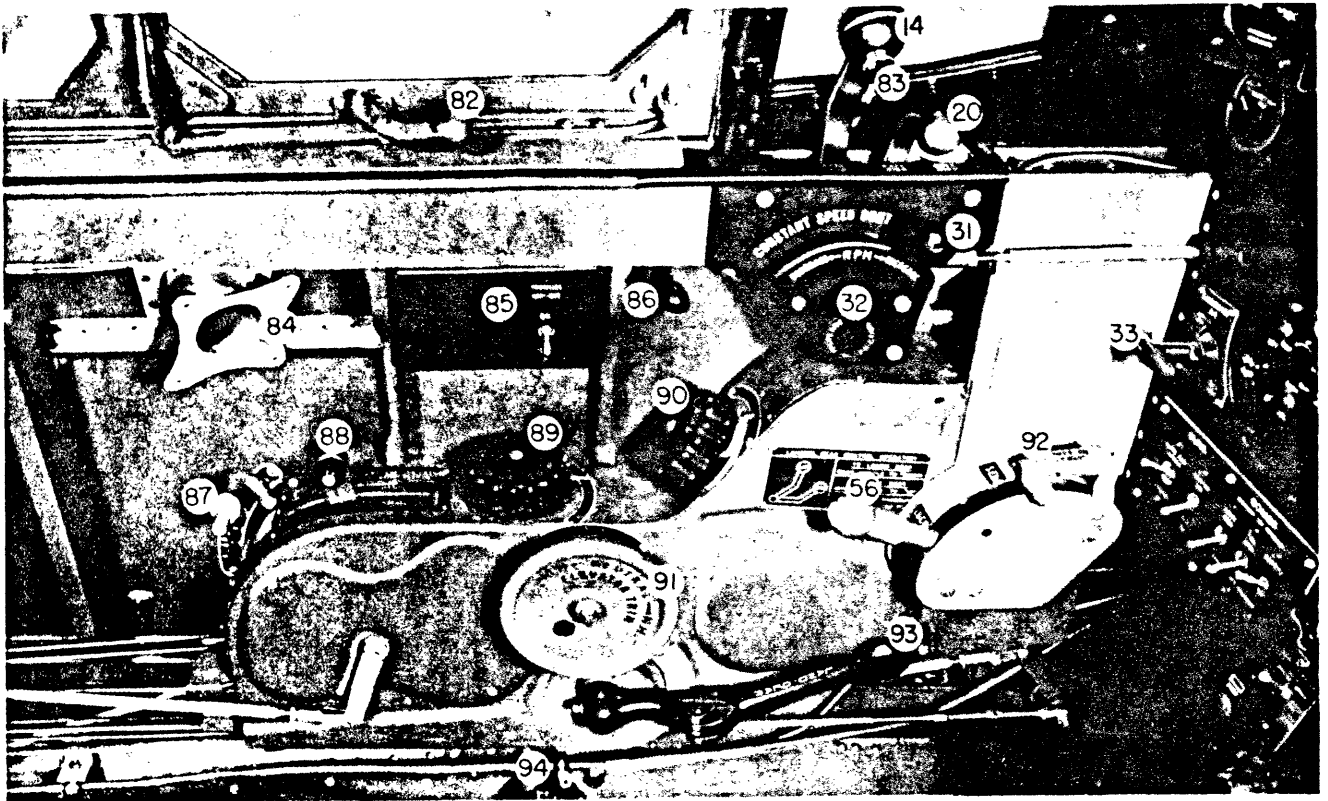


Figure 4—Cockpit—Left Side

- 14. Throttle
- 20. Mixture Control
- 31. Propeller Constant Speed Control
- 32. Quadrant Friction Control
- 33. Carburetor Air Control
- 56. Bomb Control Handle
- 82. Sliding Window Lock Handle
- 83. Microphone Press-to-Talk Switch
- 84. Signal Pistol Holder
- 85. Propeller-Anti-Icing Switch
- 86. Cockpit Light
- 87. Flap Control Handle
- 88. Radiator Air Scoop Control Handle
- 89. Rudder Trim Tab Control
- 90. Aileron Trim Tab Control
- 91. Elevator Trim Tab Control
- 92. Bomb Control Antisalvo Guard
- 93. Landing Gear Control
- 94. Left Fuel Tank Gage

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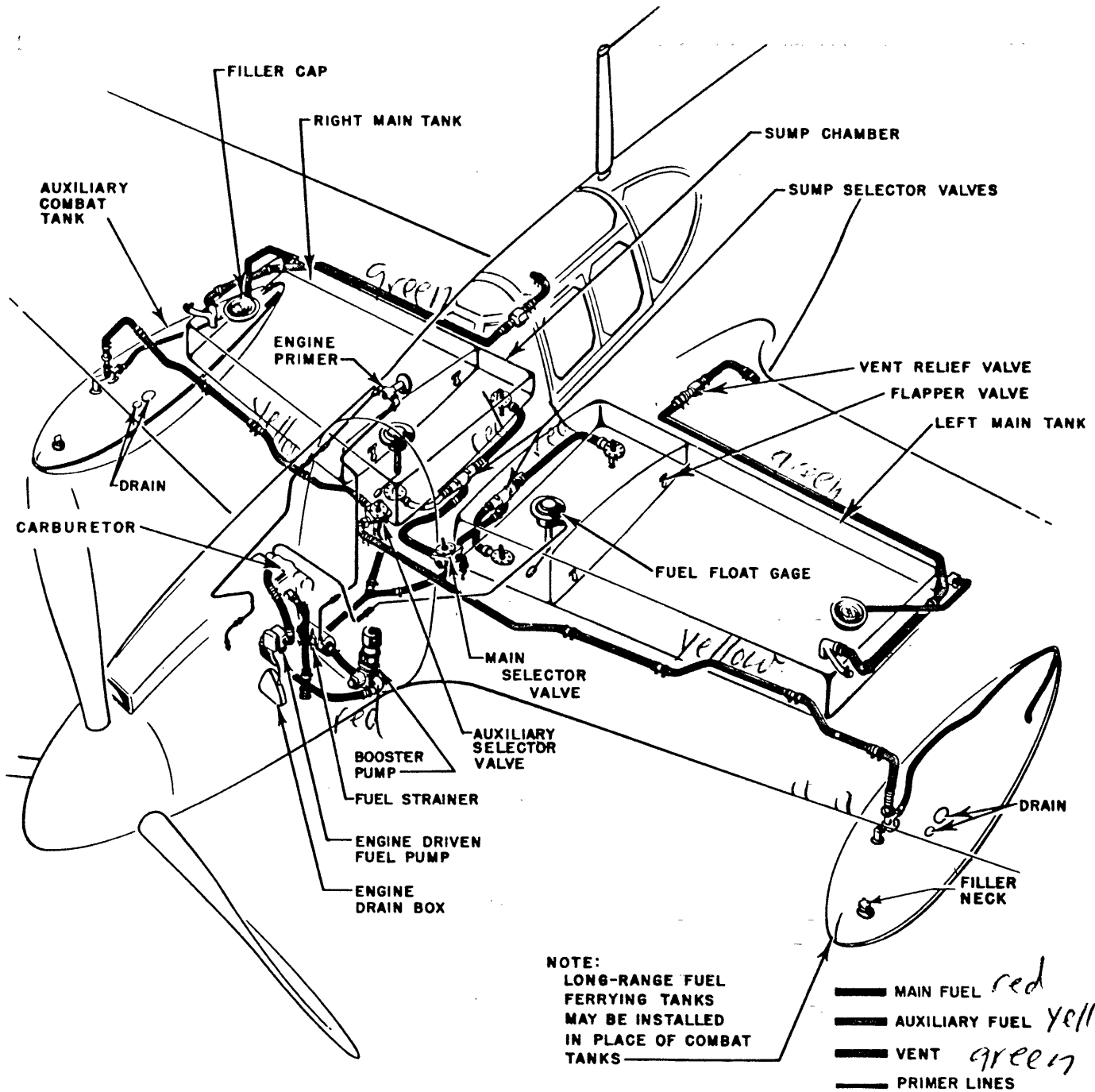
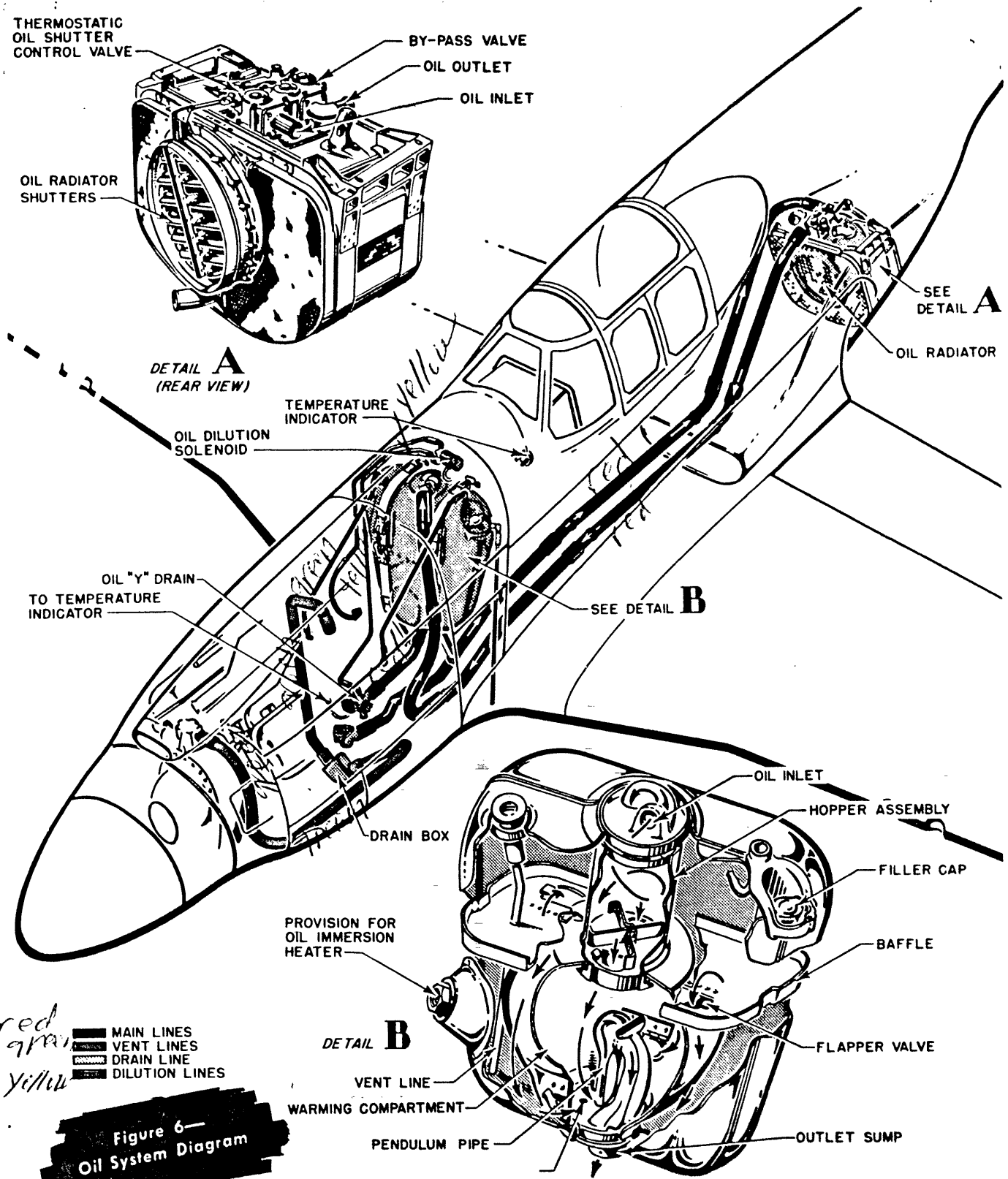


Figure 5—  
Fuel System Diagram



**Figure 6—  
Oil System Diagram**

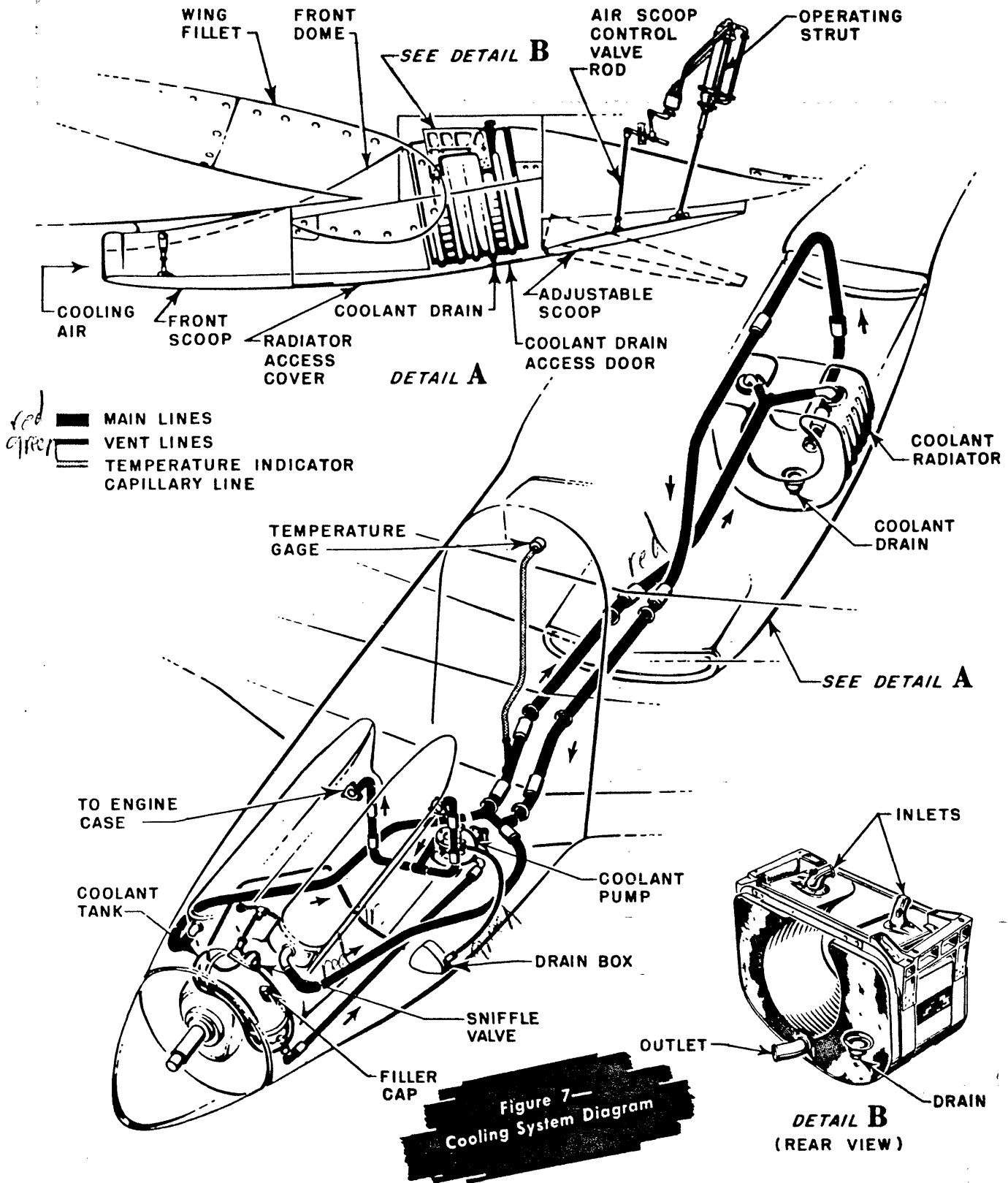


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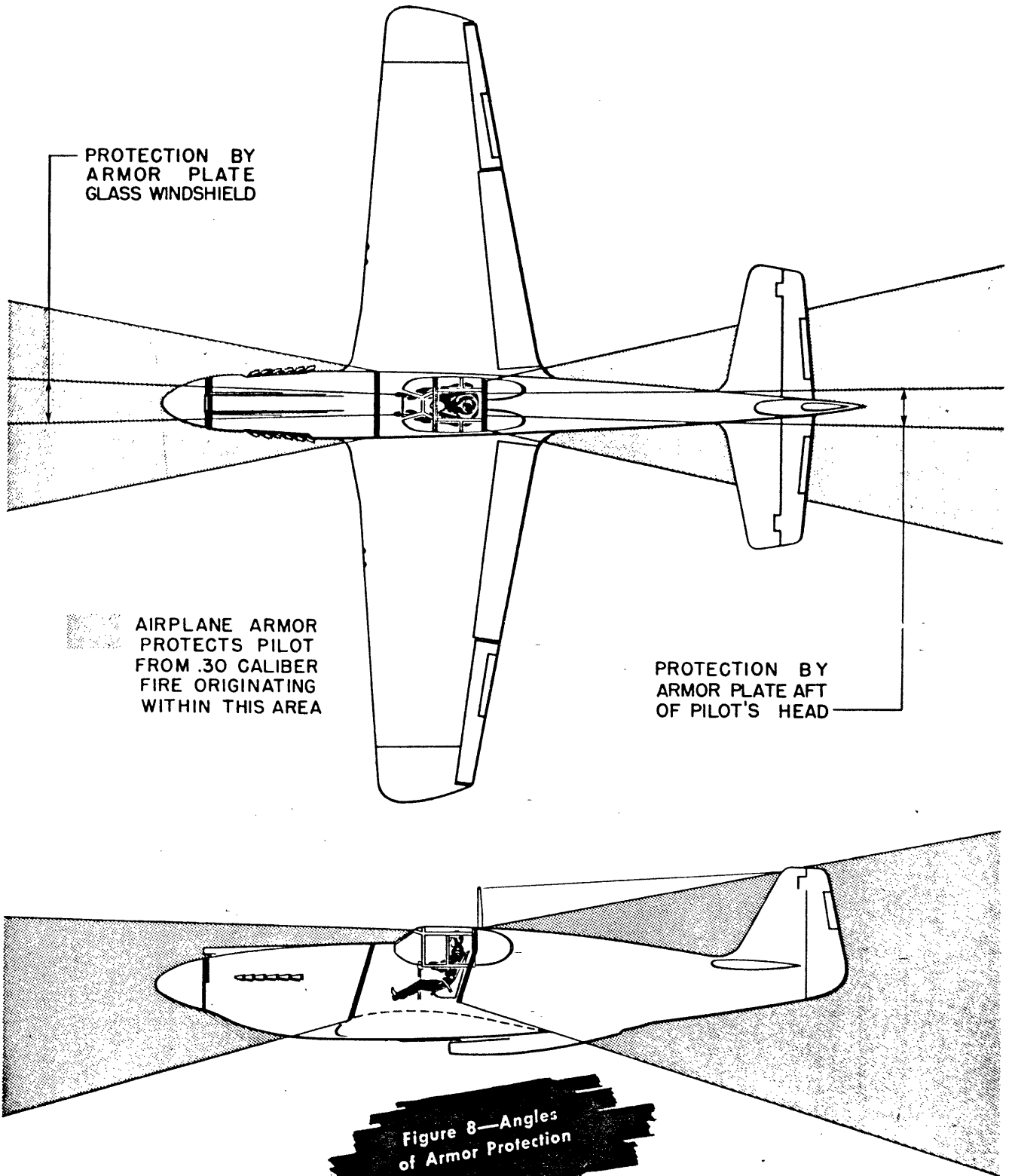









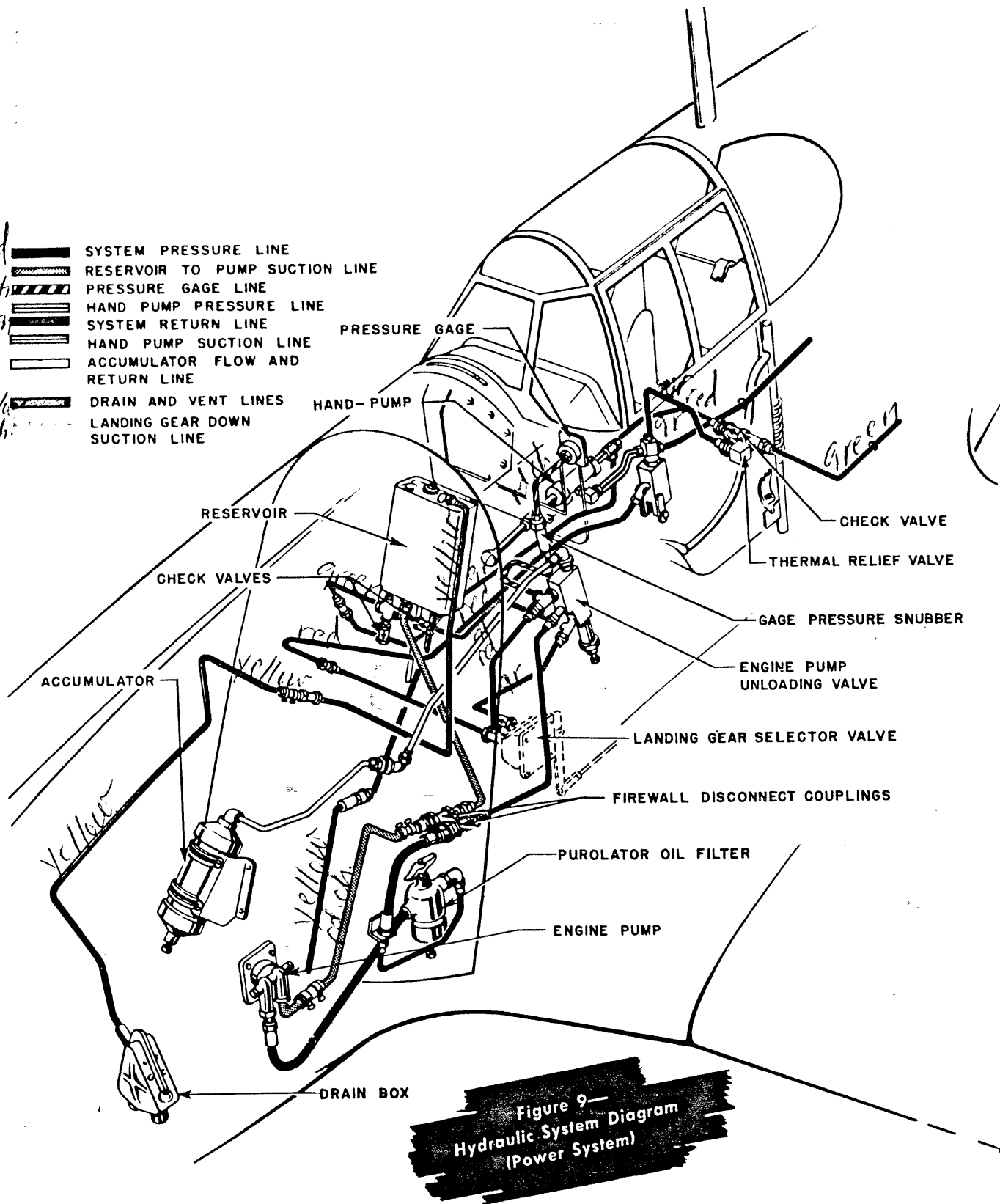


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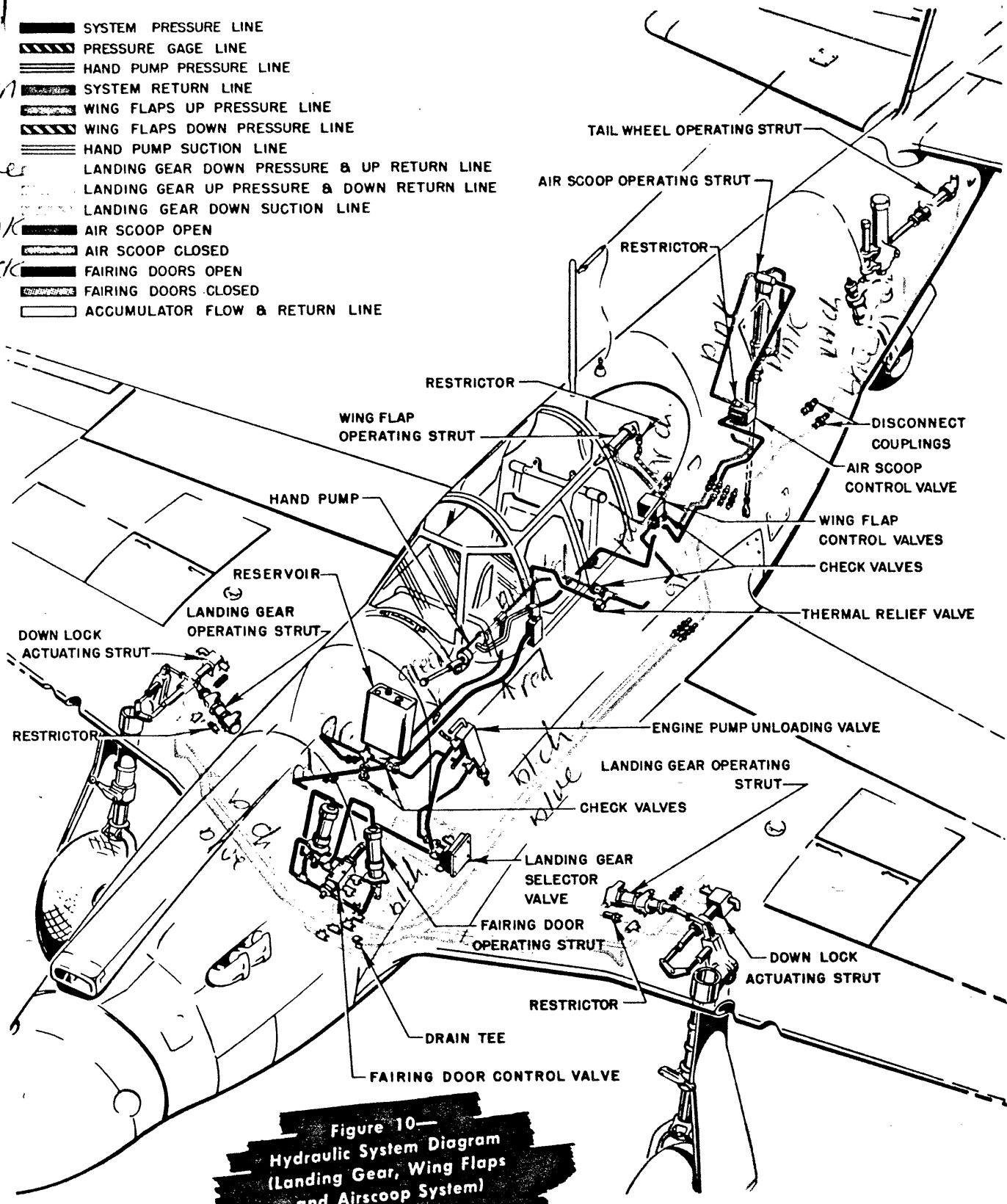
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- rd ch*  RESERVOIR TO PUMP SUCTION LINE
- grn*  PRESSURE GAGE LINE
-  HAND PUMP PRESSURE LINE
-  SYSTEM RETURN LINE
-  HAND PUMP SUCTION LINE
-  ACCUMULATOR FLOW AND RETURN LINE
- yellow*  DRAIN AND VENT LINES
- bl ch*  LANDING GEAR DOWN SUCTION LINE



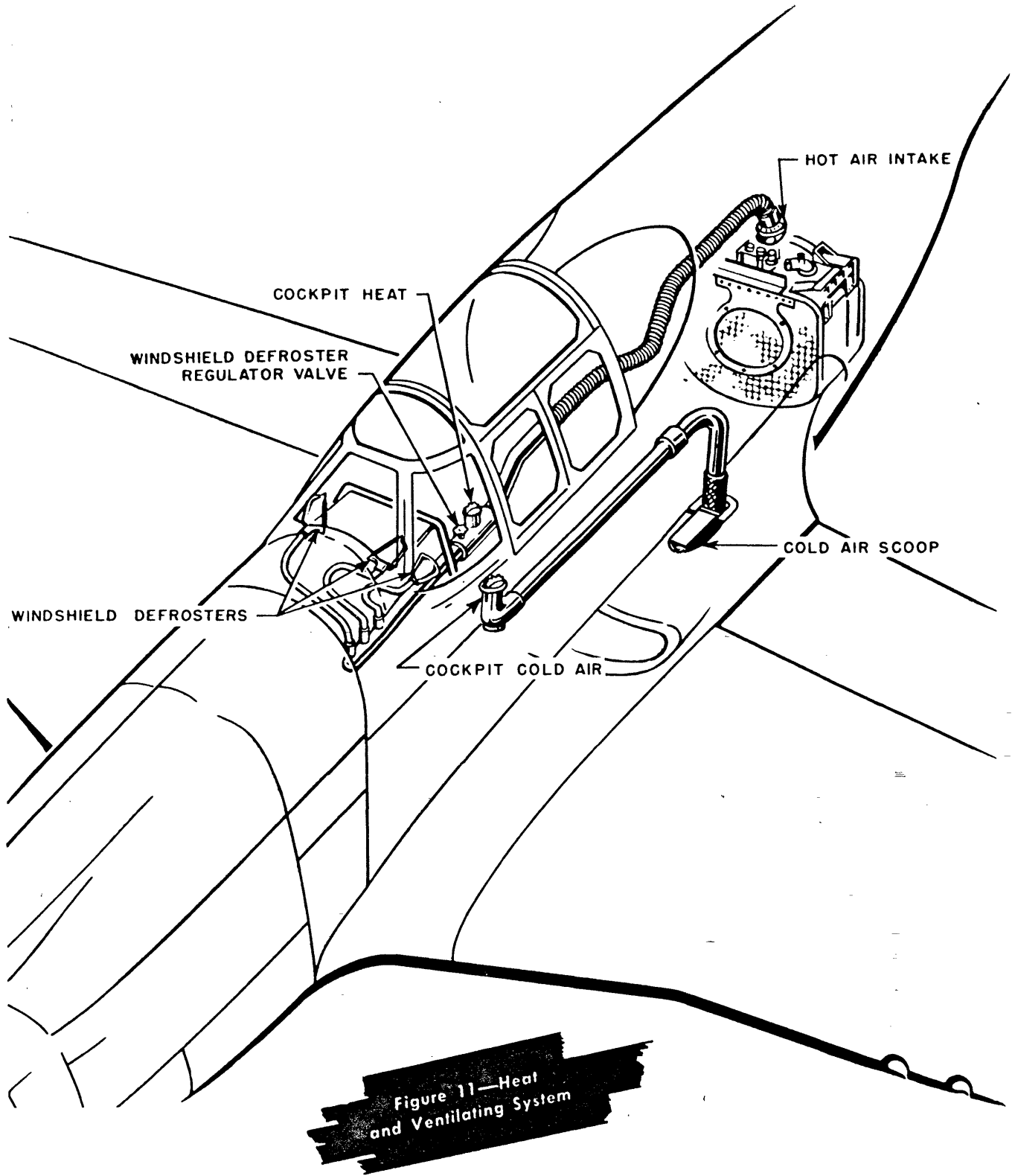
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Hydraulic System Diagram  
(Power System)**

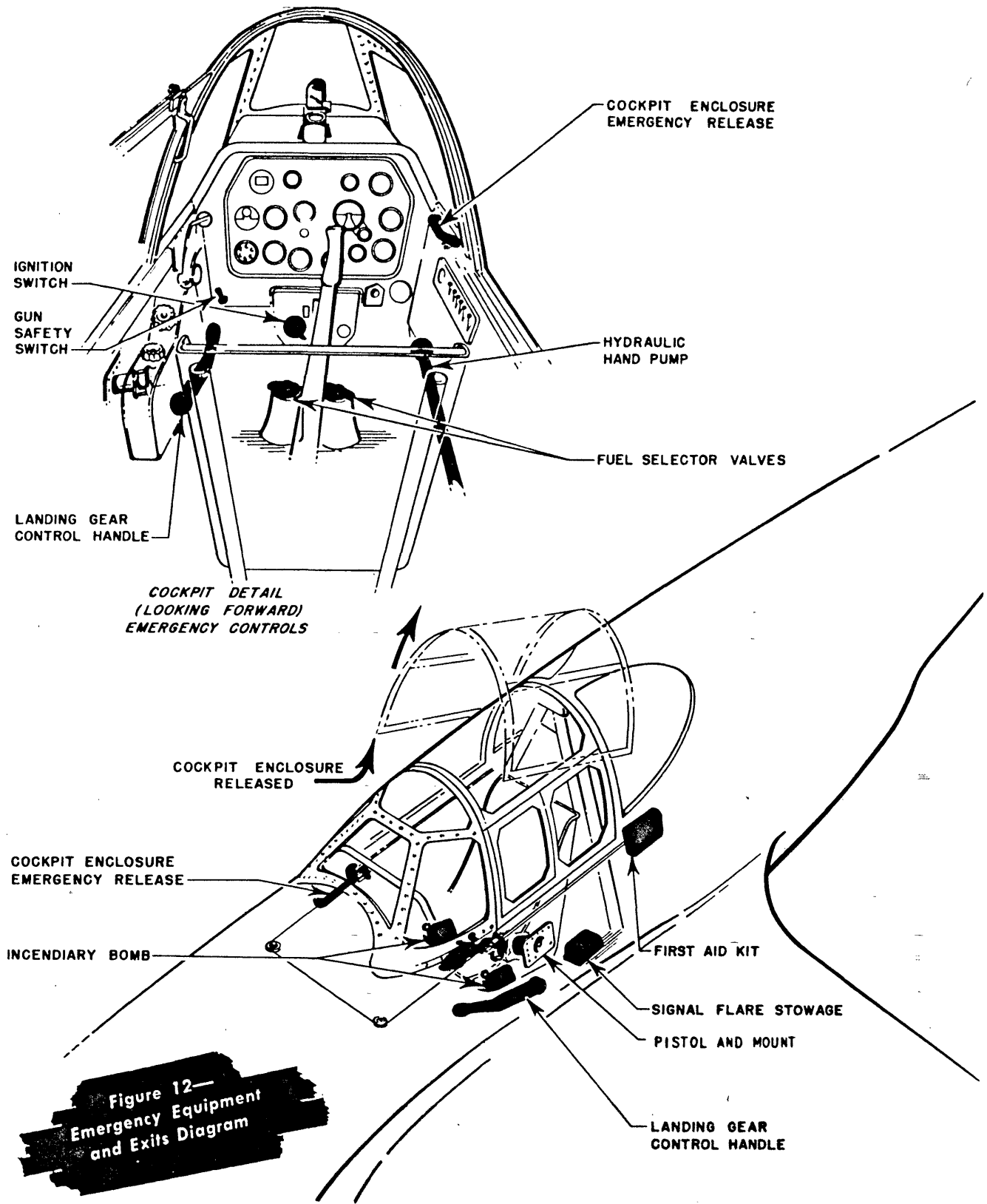


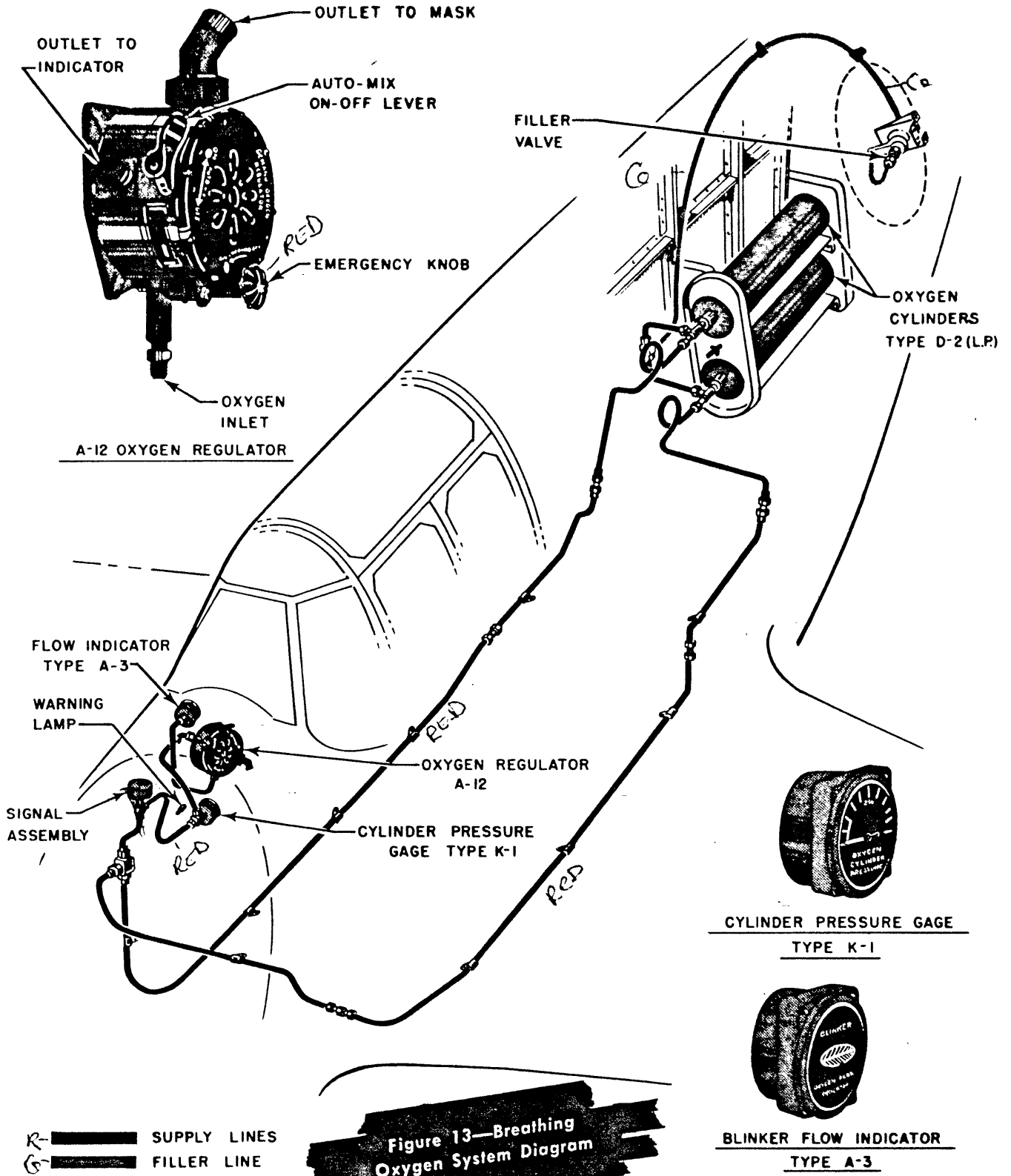
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- HAND PUMP PRESSURE LINE
- green* SYSTEM RETURN LINE
- WING FLAPS UP PRESSURE LINE
- WING FLAPS DOWN PRESSURE LINE
- HAND PUMP SUCTION LINE
- blue* LANDING GEAR DOWN PRESSURE & UP RETURN LINE
- LANDING GEAR UP PRESSURE & DOWN RETURN LINE
- LANDING GEAR DOWN SUCTION LINE
- pink* AIR SCOOP OPEN
- AIR SCOOP CLOSED
- black* FAIRING DOORS OPEN
- FAIRING DOORS CLOSED
- ACCUMULATOR FLOW & RETURN LINE



**Figure 10—  
Hydraulic System Diagram  
(Landing Gear, Wing Flaps  
and Airscoop System)**







**Figure 13—Breathing Oxygen System Diagram**

## SECTION 2

### PILOT'S OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

#### NOTE

For the location of controls mentioned below, refer to figures 2, 3 and 4 at the end of section 1. An airplane operation check list and engine limitations plate are provided in the pilot's cockpit.

#### 1. BEFORE ENTERING COCKPIT.

Make the following inspections:

*a.* Ascertain that the total weight of fuel, oil, ammunition and special equipment carried are suited to the mission to be performed. This is most important in the case of combat missions as the rate of climb of the airplane may vary a full 500 feet per minute dependent on the load carried.

*b.* Make sure that the airplane has been serviced and is ready for flight, especially in regard to proper quantities of fuel and oil. See that there is nothing loose in the cockpit, such as the safety harness, microphone cords, etc., which might foul the controls or otherwise affect the operation of the airplane.

#### 2. ON ENTERING COCKPIT.

##### *a.* SPECIAL CHECK FOR NIGHT FLYING.

(1) Test operate cockpit swivel lights. (See No. 77, figure 3 and No. 86 figure 4.) These lights are switched on by means of a knurled knob on top of the fixture base.

(2) Test operate landing lights. (See No. 74, figure 3.)

(3) Test operate gun sight illumination. (See No. 61, figure 2.) The "ON-OFF" switch and rheostat are controlled by the same knob.

(4) Test operate position lights. (See No. 69 and No. 70, figure 3.)

(5) Test operate fluorescent instrument lights. The rheostat knobs for these lights are located as shown by No. 60, figure 2 and No. 73, figure 3.

(6) Test operate compass light. (See No. 52, figure 2.) The "ON-OFF" switch and rheostat are controlled by the same knob.

##### *b.* CHECK FOR ALL FLIGHTS.

(1) Parking Brakes on. (See No. 50, figure 2.)

(2) Flight controls unlocked. Test for free operation.

(3) Flaps "UP." (See No. 87, figure 4.)

(4) Landing gear control handle "DOWN." (See No. 93, figure 4.)

(5) Oxygen supply. Check pressure gage for sufficient supply. (See No. 54, figure 2.)

(6) Ignition switch at "BAT." (See No. 57, figure 2.)

(7) Generator disconnect switch "ON." (See No. 75, figure 3.)

(8) Optical gun sight. Test operate. (See No. 61, figure 2.)

(9) Propeller. Push circuit breaker. (See No. 49, figure 2.)

(10) Fuel tanks. Check contents. (See No. 81, figure 3, and No. 94, figure 4.)

(11) Fuel selector valve. Turn to "LEFT" or "RIGHT." (See No. 62, figure 2.)

(12) Radiator scoop closed. (See No. 88, figure 4.)

(13) Altimeter set to proper reading. (See No. 23, figure 2.)

(14) Enclosure fastening. The "WARNING" pins in the right sliding window track must be down flush to indicate proper fastening of the enclosure.

(15) Bomb safety switch "OFF." (See No. 47, figure 2.)

(16) Bomb release handle. If bombs, fuel tanks, depth charges, or chemical tanks are installed on the racks make sure that the bomb release handle is in the "LOCK" position and the antisalvo guard is in place. (See No. 56 and No. 92, figure 4.)

##### *c.* MAKE THE FOLLOWING PREPARATIONS.

(1) Adjust the rudder pedals for proper leg length so as to obtain full brake control while taxiing. Adjustment may be made with the foot by pressing the lever located on the inner side of each rudder pedal.

(2) Adjust the seat level to obtain full travel of the rudder pedals in the extreme positions. The adjustment lever for raising or lowering the seat is located on the lower right side of the seat.

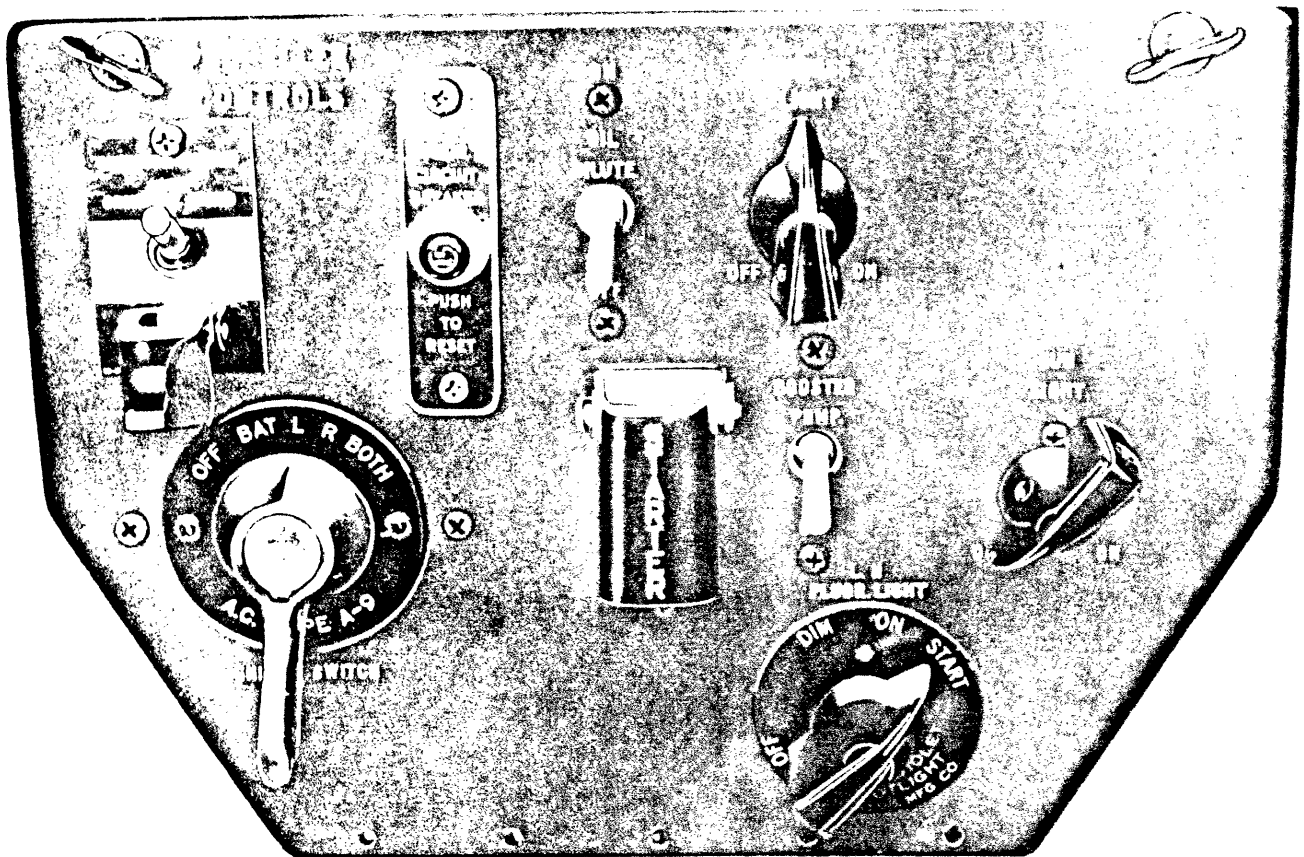


Figure 14—Pilot's Front Switch Panel

(3) Pull out on the handle of the emergency hydraulic hand pump and rotate clockwise to lock it in its fully extended position. It is located to the right of the pilot's seat as shown by No. 67, figure 3. Operate the pump to see whether hydraulic pressure can be obtained as indicated by the gage. (See No. 15, figure 2.)

(4) Check the radio system to see that it is working properly. Instructions for operating the radio system will be found in section 4.

(5) Close the cockpit sliding windows. The sliding windows should be kept closed at all times on the ground with the engine running, and also when taking off, or when a landing is being made. This is necessary to prevent exhaust gases from entering the cockpit. The sliding windows may be opened in flight as desired.

### 3. STARTING ENGINE.

Proceed as follows:

- a. Turn the ignition switch to the "OFF" position.
- b. Pull the propeller through several turns if the

engine has been idle for more than 2 hours.

c. Place the carburetor air control at the position marked "COLD" so as to limit the danger in case of backfire.

d. Close the radiator air scoop. The control handle is located at the aft end of the control pedestal.

e. Set the propeller control located beside the throttle to the "INCREASE RPM" (low pitch) position.

f. Set the propeller selector switch in the "AUTO CONSTANT SPEED" position and push the propeller circuit breaker button to ascertain that the electrical circuit to the propeller governor is complete. Raise the safety guard over the selector switch. Both propeller controls are located on the pilot's switch panel.

g. Set the mixture control at the "IDLE CUT-OFF" position.

b. Set the throttle approximately  $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch open.

i. Turn the main system fuel selector valve to LEFT; auxiliary system "OFF." The reason for using the left

tank for starting and take-off is that the carburetor vent empties into the left tank only. If both tanks are full, then feeding the engine from the right tank could cause either loss of fuel from the left tank vent line or, if the check valve prevents that, a dangerous pressure build-up in the left tank.

*j.* Set the fuel booster pump switch, located on the pilot's switch panel, to the "ON" position. The fuel pressure gage should indicate 10 pounds per square inch shortly after the booster pump is turned on.

*k.* Prime the engine three to four strokes when cold, one stroke when warm. The priming system is independent of the carburetor, and caution must be exercised not to overprime the engine in view of the extreme effectiveness of the priming system. No priming action nor fuel discharge can be obtained by pumping the throttle. After priming, ascertain that the primer is locked in the "OFF" position.

*l.* See that all personnel are clear of the propeller; then turn the ignition switch to the "BOTH" position.

*m.* Uncover the starter switch by pulling the hinge cover upward. Press the starter switch to the "ENERGIZE" position; and when the flywheel has reached maximum speed, press the switch upward to the "CRANK" position to engage the starter with the engine. Provision for connecting an external electrical supply is made by means of a plug connector located in the fillet on the right side of the fuselage, aft of the pilot's cockpit. Provisions are also made for hand-starting the engine by means of a starter crank and extension stowed in the right wheel well. The starter crank may be removed by loosening the wing nut on the clamp around the arm of the crank. The extension shaft is removed by twisting up and pulling outward. To start the engine by means of the crank, insert the crank and extension through the hole in the lower aft engine cowl into the funnel-shaped starter attachment.

*n.* As the engine starts, move the mixture control to the "AUTO-RICH" position. If the engine does not start after one or two turns, move the mixture control out of and then back to the "IDLE CUT-OFF" position.

*o.* If a heavy viscous oil is indicated by oil pressure that is too high, or by oil pressure that fluctuates or falls back when the engine rpm is increased, the dilution valve should be held on (as much as 2 minutes may be required) to dilute the oil and correct this condition. Overdilution will result in low oil pressure and should be avoided.

#### 4. ENGINE WARM-UP. ✓

Warm up the engine at 1000 to 1200 rpm until the oil

temperature shows a definite increase and the oil pressure remains steady when the throttle is opened. If the oil pressure does not reach 60 pounds per square inch within 30 seconds, stop the engine and investigate. The desired coolant and oil temperatures may be obtained by operating the radiator air scoop. The control for the scoop is located on the control pedestal at the left side of the seat. The scoop is hydraulically operated by merely moving the radiator air control handle to the desired position.

#### 5. TESTING. ✓

Make the following checks:

*a.* Check the instruments for the following engine limitations:

	<i>Desired</i>	<i>Maximum</i>
Oil Pressure	60-70 lb/sq in.	85 lb/sq in.
Oil Temp	60°-80°C (146°-176°F)	95°C (203°F)
Coolant Temp	105°-115°C (221°-239°F)	125°C (257°F)
Fuel Pressure	12-16 lb/sq in.	16 lb/sq in.

*b.* Check the magnetos at 2200 rpm and 30-inch Hg manifold pressure. To obtain this power setting, open the throttle to approximately 29-inch Hg manifold pressure and decrease rpm by manual operation of the propeller selector switch, then return the switch to "FIXED PITCH." A maximum loss of 80 rpm on either magneto is allowable. This check should be made in as short a time as possible.

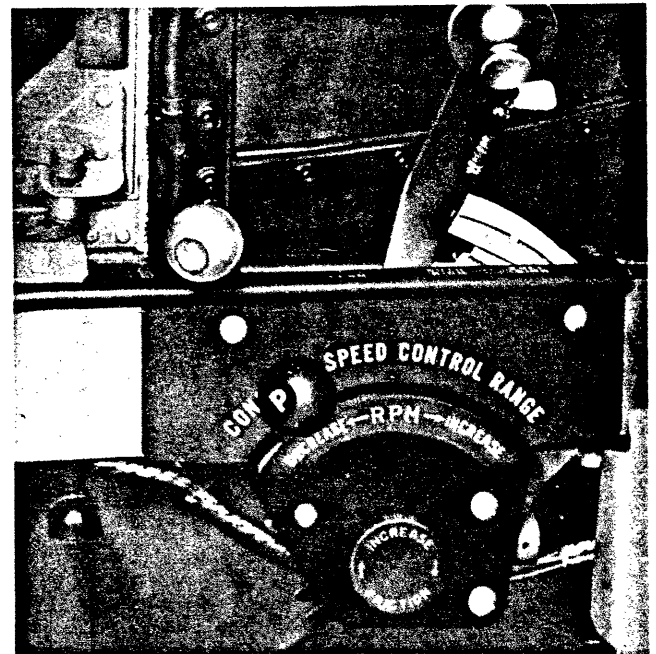


Figure 15—Control Quadrant

c. Press the propeller selector switch back to the "AUTO CONSTANT SPEED" position and move the propeller governor control to see that there is a change in rpm. Then move the control forward to the full "INCREASE RPM" position.

d. With the propeller in full "INCREASE RPM," check the automatic manifold pressure regulator. Open the throttle to 2400 rpm and note the manifold pressure. Change the engine speed from 2400 rpm to 2000 rpm by moving the propeller control toward "DECREASE RPM." The manifold pressure should remain constant within 1-inch Hg.

e. While the engine is warming, test the operation of the flaps with the engine-driven hydraulic pump. Check the hydraulic pressure gage for a pressure indication of 1000 pounds.

f. FLIGHT INDICATOR.—Ascertain that the artificial horizon is caged and that the engine-driven suction pump is producing between 3.75- and 4.25-inch Hg vacuum pressure. Line up the adjustable airplane silhouette with the center of the caged horizon.

g. RADIO.—Recheck the signal-to-noise ratio of the radio receiver with the engine running, in accordance with instructions contained in section 4.

b. MISCELLANEOUS.—Having observed that the oil pressure does not exceed 85 pounds, decrease the engine revolutions gradually to 2000 rpm, and confirm the following:

(1) That the ammeter registers no more than 100 amperes.

(2) That the suction pump registers no more than 4.25 inches Hg.

(3) That the fuel pressure gage registers no more than 16 pounds, no less than 12 pounds.

(4) That each position of both fuel selector valves functions properly.

i. Be sure that the cockpit hood is closed and locked.

j. Check the operation of all surface controls.

k. Set the rudder trim 5 degrees to the right. Set the elevator trim 3 degrees back.

## 6. TAXIING. ✓

Proceed with the following:

a. Adjust the radiator air scoop to obtain the desired oil and coolant temperatures.

b. For ordinary taxiing, the following generalities should be observed:

(1) Taxi with the stick slightly aft of neutral. This will lock the tail wheel. In the locked position, the tail wheel may be turned 6 degrees to the right or left by use of the rudder pedals. FOR SHARP TURNS, PUSH THE STICK FORWARD OF THE NEUTRAL POSITION. This will unlock the tail wheel and allow full swiveling action.

(2) Use the brakes as little as possible and always taxi cautiously.

(3) Steer a zigzag course in order to survey the area otherwise obstructed by the engine.

(4) On reaching the take-off position, stop the airplane crosswind so that approaching airplanes may be plainly seen.

## 7. TAKE-OFF. ✓

When the field is clear, quickly check the following:

a. See that the fuel booster pump is "ON."

b. See that the mixture control is in the "AUTO-RICH" position.

c. See that the propeller control is fully forward in the "INCREASE RPM" (low pitch) position, and the propeller selector switch is in the "AUTO CONSTANT SPEED" position. Depress the propeller circuit breaker button.

d. Ascertain that the main system fuel selector valve is in the "LEFT" position (if the left tank contains sufficient gas) and the auxiliary system fuel selector valve is "OFF." (The reason for use of LEFT tank for start and take-off is explained in paragraph 3. b. of this section.)

e. See that the generator disconnect switch is turned to "ON."

f. Open the radiator air scoop as required.

g. Check for:

Minimum Oil Temperatures	20°C (68°F)
Maximum Oil Pressure	85 pound/square inch
Minimum Coolant Temperature	85°C (185°F)

b. If high obstacles are to be cleared and only a short run is available, set flaps at 20 degrees down. Take-off position or 20 degrees down position is marked beside the flap control handle and is selected and locked by moving the flap control handle to the desired position.

i. Open the throttle to 52 inches Hg manifold pressure and take off at 3000 rpm (5 minutes maximum).

j. Do not attempt to lift the tail too soon as it increases the torque action.



**8. ENGINE FAILURE DURING TAKE-OFF.**

If the engine fails immediately after the take-off, act quickly as follows:

- a. Maintain speed by depressing the nose at once so that the air speed does not drop below 110 mph.
- b. Release the cockpit enclosure by pulling the emergency release located on top of the longeron just to the right of the instrument panel.
- c. Make sure that the landing gear has started to come up. There is no time to take further action; and even if it is only unlocked and on the way up, the gear will collapse on landing. Do not try to lower it. There is less likelihood of personal injury if the airplane is landed with the landing gear up.
- d. Lower the flaps fully if possible.
- e. Land straight ahead, only changing direction sufficiently to miss obstructions.
- f. If there is time, switch off the engine to reduce the risk of fire. In any case, do it after landing, and turn the fuel selector valve to "OFF."
- g. After landing, get out of the airplane as quickly as possible and remain outside.

**9. CLEARING THE FIELD.**

Follow this procedure:

- a. As soon as the airplane is sufficiently clear of the ground, retract the landing gear by pulling the landing gear control handle inboard and up. The handle is located on the control pedestal to the left and just forward of the seat. Observe the landing gear position from the electrical indicator located on the left side of the instrument panel.
- b. If the flaps have been partly lowered for the take-off, raise them provided that the air speed is at least 110 mph and all obstacles sufficiently cleared. Raising the flaps is accomplished by pulling the flap control to the fully up position. No sinking is noticeable when the flaps are raised.
- c. Check the coolant and oil temperature together with the oil pressure.
- d. Turn the fuel selector valve to the desired tank.

**WARNING**

Ascertain that the selector valve for the fuel system not being used is in the "OFF" position. The engine will not run if either selector valve is set on an empty tank.

**10. CLIMBING.**

As the rate of climb can vary widely depending on weight, external loading, and altitude, refer to the "Climb Control Charts" in section 3 for the rate of climb applicable to the particular mission to be employed.

**11. CRUISING.** ✓

Consult the cruising charts in section 3 and make the following checks:

- a. Check for the following desired instrument readings:

Coolant Temperature.....105°-115°C (221°-239°F)

Oil Temperature..... 60°-80°C (176°F)

Oil Pressure..... 60-70 lb/sq in.  
(Min 55 lb/sq in.)

Fuel Pressure..... 17 ± 1 lb/sq in.

- b. If auxiliary fuel tanks are installed, use the fuel from them first and shift from the left tank to the right tank as desired to prevent excessive wing heaviness. When the main fuel system is in operation, use the fuel from the left and right fuel tanks alternately. Ascertain that one selector valve control is off when the other is in use.

The fuel booster pump should be turned off for most conditions of cruising flight. This saves wear and tear on the pump and keeps it in good condition for emergency use. General rules for the use of the booster pump are as follows:

During starting—to get initial fuel pressure.

During take-off—for high fuel flow and safety.

During climb—for high fuel flow and prevention of bubbles with hot fuel.

During war emergency power operation—for high fuel flow.

During cruising conditions—usually not needed. Turn it off unless sudden combat is anticipated.

During high altitude operation—to maintain pressure (particularly if fuel was hot at take-off).

During use of combat droppable or ferrying tanks—if needed to maintain pressure.

During landing approach—for safety.

Emergency—in case the engine-driven fuel pump fails.

**12. GENERAL FLYING CHARACTERISTICS.****a. ENGINE.**

(1) OPERATING CONDITIONS.—Normal engine operating conditions are adequately covered in the charts of section 3.

**(2) USE OF WAR EMERGENCY RATINGS.**

- (a) The basis for establishing War Emergency

Ratings given in Section 3 is to make available to a pilot in combat the absolute maximum manifold pressure at which the engine may be operated, with reasonable safety limits, for a 5-minute period under emergency conditions.

(b) These War Emergency Ratings are considerably in excess of the ratings given in the engine specification under which the engines were delivered and the use of War Emergency Ratings will probably decrease the normal service life and time obtained between overhaul. War Emergency Rating operation should, therefore, be held for use only where emergency conditions exist. War Emergency Ratings are not guaranteed power ratings but rather maximum manifold pressure ratings available for emergency operation only as established by the correct setting of the automatic manifold pressure regulator, and ability of the propeller and propeller governor to control to 3000 rpm.

(3) War Emergency Ratings are to be used only when strict compliance to each of the following conditions are met:

(a) In combat or precombat areas as designated by the Army Air Forces and then only when emergency conditions exist.

(b) Only when Specifications No. AN-VV-F-781 Amendment No. 5 fuel is used.

(c) The mixture control must be set in "AUTO-RICH." "FULL RICH" must *never* be used except in case of an *emergency*.

(d) The following spark plugs must be used: Champion C35S or C34S, or AC L885.

(e) Only when an automatic manifold pressure regulator is installed on the engine and the control setting suitably modified. (The modification is covered in T. O. No. 03-10HA-5.)

(f) The engine throttle quadrant must incorporate a "break-through seal" device. A break-through of the seal as mentioned above will call attention of the crew chief to the fact that the engine has been operated at War Emergency Ratings and he will make such special inspections and checks as will be later specified. Close coordination between the pilot, crew chief, and engineering officer will be required to keep an accurate record of the amount of time any engine has operated at War Emergency Rating conditions. When 5 hours' time has accumulated the engine should be pulled for tear-down inspection and reconditioning.

#### NOTE

The amount of time an engine will stand up under the use of War Emergency Ratings will vary considerably dependent upon the area in

which the airplane is located, that is, operation in areas having sandy runways will be less than from operation off concrete runways. Variations will also be noticeable between extremely cold, moderate, and hot climates. The engineering officer will have to take these factors into consideration in establishing the total time at War Emergency Rating operating condition when engines should be removed. Close correlation with the experience of engineering officers in other areas will be valuable.

Engines must be carefully maintained and checked out for satisfactory operations under current operating instructions prior to their being considered satisfactory for the use of War Emergency Ratings in case of emergencies.

(g) All operations for War Emergency Ratings must be with the propeller control set in "AUTO CONSTANT SPEED" position to maintain 3000 rpm.

(b) During the use of War Emergency Ratings, use Specification No. AN-VV-O-446 lubricating oil, the following oil inlet temperatures must not be exceeded: 95°C (203°F) with grade 1120, 85°C (185°F) with grade 1100.

#### CAUTION

If oil dilution has been used, it is desirable that the engine be given 10 to 15 minutes operation at from 80 percent normal to military power prior to the use of War Emergency Ratings.

(i) During the use of War Emergency Ratings the coolant system should be filled with ethylene glycol to AN-E-2 Specification and the coolant outlet temperature should not be permitted to exceed 125°C (257°F).

#### b. AIRPLANE.

(1) STABILITY.—The airplane is stable at all normal loadings but the directional trim changes at low speeds as speed and horsepower output is varied. The rudder tab is effective and should be used as necessary.

(2) Wing flaps must not be fully lowered when the airplane is being flown in excess of 165 mph IAS.

(3) Landing gear must not be lowered when the airplane is being flown in excess of 170 mph IAS.

(4) The effect of flap and landing gear operation on the trim of the airplane in flight is as follows:

(a) Landing gear retracted — airplane becomes tail heavy.

(b) Landing gear extended — airplane becomes nose heavy.

(c) Flaps lowered—airplane becomes nose heavy.

(d) Flaps raised—airplane becomes tail heavy.

(e) Flaps raised at 110 mph—no apparent sink.

(5) The following flap setting air-speed restrictions must be observed:

(a) With wing flap setting at 10 degrees do not exceed 400 mph IAS.

(b) With wing flap setting at 20 degrees do not exceed 275 mph IAS.

(c) With wing flap setting at 30 degrees do not exceed 225 mph IAS.

(d) With wing flap setting at 40 degrees do not exceed 180 mph IAS.

(e) With wing flap setting at 50 degrees do not exceed 165 mph IAS.

(6) The tab controls are sensitive and must be used with care.

(7) Care must be taken while sideslipping that the air speed does not fall below 110 mph; however, a sustained sideslip cannot be performed in this airplane. Recovery from a sideslip should be effected above 200 feet.

### 13. STALLS.

Though the stall most commonly occurs at low speed, it should be remembered that it may occur at any speed if the control stick is brought back far enough to put the airplane at stalling incidence. The following is a brief description of the stalling characteristics of this airplane:

a. With flaps and landing gear up, the stalling incidence is reached at about 85 mph indicated, when a wing will drop. If the wing drops and backward movement on the stick continues, the airplane will fall into a steep spiral.

b. With the flaps and landing gear down, the stalling incidence is reached at about 90 mph indicated. As speed is reduced, a wing will drop rather slowly; and unless recovery is effected immediately, the airplane will fall into a steep spiral. An indicated speed of 165 mph should not be exceeded with the flaps fully down.

c. The stall in this airplane is comparatively mild in that it does not whip at the stall but rolls rather slowly and has very little tendency to drop into a spin. If the stick and rudder are released at the stall, the nose drops sharply and it recovers from the stall almost instantly. In a straight power-off stall, some warning is given about three to four mph above the stall by slight elevator buffet.

A high-speed stall is preceded by sharp buffeting at the elevators and wing root, but recovers immediately when pressure on the stick is released.

d. Recovery from any stall in this airplane is entirely normal, that is, by the release of back pressure on the stick and the application of rudder opposite from the dropping wing.

### 14. SPINS.

a. DIFFERENCES.—There is a marked difference between a sustained left and right spin in this airplane. The differences are as follows:

(1) The left spin oscillates from 80 degrees below the horizon back to the horizon during the first turn, dampens out 50 percent during the second turn, and then becomes stable, smooth, and quiet with the nose approximately 30 degrees to 40 degrees below the horizon.

(2) The right spin starts exactly the same as the left spin, but the oscillations continue without increasing or decreasing in magnitude.

b. RECOVERY.—Recovery is the same in both a left and right spin. Upon application of opposite rudder, the nose drops slightly and the spin speeds up rapidly for one and one-quarter turns, after which the spin stops. Rudder force is light at first, becomes very heavy for a period of about 1 second at the first half turn after starting recovery, then drops to zero as the spin stops. Recovery is effected in the normal manner, that is, by applying full opposite rudder followed by movement of the stick to neutral.

### NOTE

Slight rudder buffet occurs during the spin. If recovery from the dive is attempted too soon after stopping the spin, a rather heavy elevator and rudder buffet will occur.

### 15. ACROBATICS.

The acrobatic qualities of this airplane are exceptional, and the lateral control is excellent at all speeds. All normal acrobatics are permitted; however, inverted flying must be limited to 10 seconds because of loss of oil pressure and failure of the scavenger pump to operate in inverted position.

### 16. DIVING.

The maximum permissible diving speed is 505 mph IAS, during which the engine must not exceed 3120 rpm. During a dive in which high power is used, it is not necessary to pull back the propeller control; however, if diving at reduced throttle, the propeller should be set

at 2300 rpm to prevent exceeding 3120 rpm. The use of elevator tabs is not required for dive recovery because of the low elevator control forces.

### WARNING

This airplane gains speed very quickly in a dive. Before diving be sure there is ample altitude available for a safe recovery.

### 17. GLIDING.

Gliding may be carried out at any safe speed down to the recommended margin of about 25 percent above stalling speed. With the landing gear and flaps up, the glide is fairly flat with the nose very high. Forward visibility in this condition is poor. Lowering either the flaps or landing gear, or both, greatly steepens the gliding angle for a given speed and the rate of descent is much increased. The following speeds are subject to  $\pm 5$ -mph, depending on loading:

- a. Best gliding speed—landing gear and flaps UP—approximately 140 mph IAS.
- b. Best gliding speed—landing gear and flaps DOWN—approximately 125 to 135 mph IAS. (Not necessary for final straight approach. See paragraph 23 of this section, "LANDING.")

c. Engine assisted glide—landing gear and flaps DOWN—100 to 110 mph IAS.

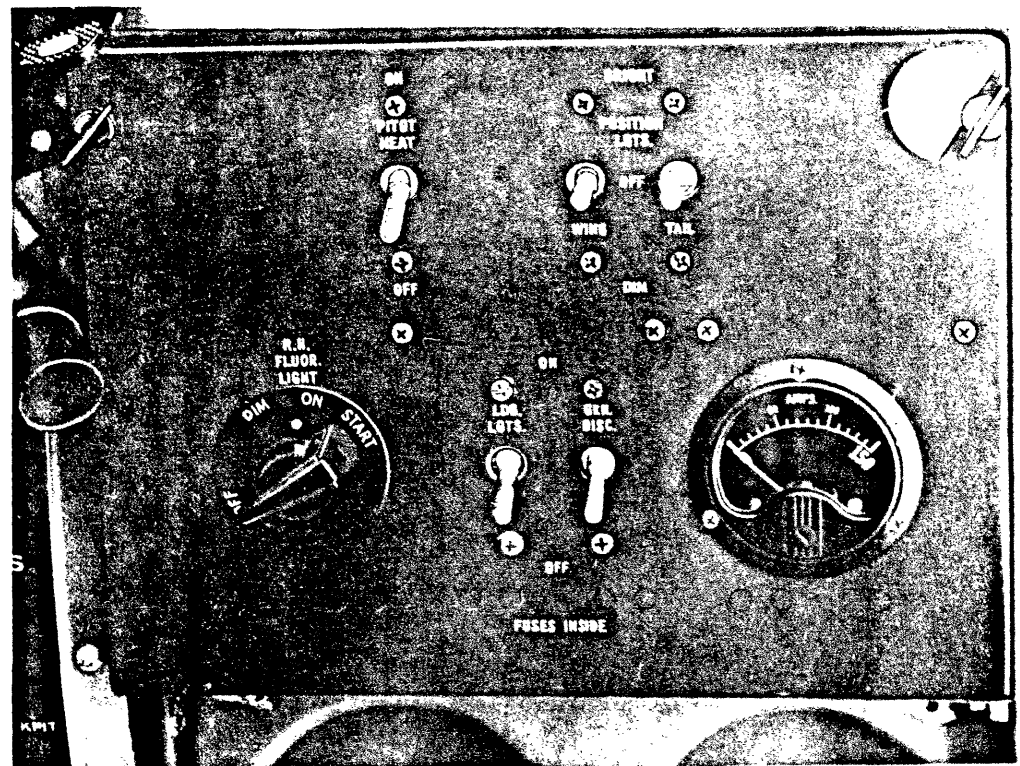
### 18. ENGINE FAILURE DURING FLIGHT.

In the case of total engine failure, release the cockpit enclosure by pulling the emergency release on the top of the longeron just to the right of the instrument panel. Land with the gear in the retracted position. The flaps may be lowered as desired; but it should be kept in mind that, after loss of hydraulic pressure, the flaps must be lowered by use of the hydraulic hand pump, and actuating the flaps by this method is rather slow.

### 19. RAIN OR POOR VISIBILITY.

When flying in conditions of bad visibility, open the clear vision panel in the left side of the windshield. As a negative pressure area exists at this point, the elements will not enter the cockpit. If moisture or frost forms on the inside of the windshield, turn on the defroster system by turning the knob marked "DEFROSTER" which is located on the hot-air valve to the right of the control stick. If ice forms on the outside of the windshield, use the de-icer system by holding in the knob marked "WINDSHIELD DE-ICER SPRAY" on the upper right of the instrument panel. Since the de-icer system uses glycol from the the engine coolant system, it should be

Figure 16—  
Right Switch Panel



used sparingly. In rain or icing conditions, the alternate source for furnishing air to the carburetor should be used by pulling out and locking the control marked "CARBURETOR AIR" on the left of the instrument panel. If icing conditions become severe and ice has formed in the carburetor, the carburetor heat control located on the left side of the instrument panel of P-51A-2 and P-51A-5 and P-51A-10 airplanes should be used. Flying speed may be reduced during poor visibility by retarding power and rpm and by partly lowering the flaps.

## 20. NIGHT FLYING.

For flying this airplane at night, the sequences outlined for daylight operation should be even more strictly observed. Make the following preparations:

- a. Switch on the two cockpit lights located on each side of the cockpit by turning the knob at the base of the light.
- b. Turn on the ultraviolet fluorescent spotlights above and to each side of the instrument panel by means of the rheostat knobs located one on the pilot's forward switch panel, and one on the right-hand switch panel. The fluorescent lights are mounted on toggle joints to permit flexibility of movement. The front section of the lamp housing is rotatable, permitting varying intensity of visible light and also an even beam of ultraviolet.
- c. Switch on the position lights. The switches are on the right-hand switch panel. There are two intensities available, "BRIGHT" and "DIM."
- d. Switch on the compass light by rotating the rheostat located on the pilot's switch panel. Adjustment of the intensity of the light should be made to give sufficient illumination for night operation.
- e. Switch for the landing light, is on the right-hand switch panel.
- f. A switch and rheostat for the gun sight is located on the pilot's switch panel.

Get used to the position of the various lights by feel, especially the switch for the landing lights.

### NOTE

In case of a bulb burning out, spares may be obtained from the small compartment on the right forward side of the cockpit. Spare fuses are mounted in the right-hand switch panel and are of various capacities. Each is held by a fuse clip and marked as to capacity.

## 21. EMERGENCY EXIT.

The cockpit enclosure may be released as a unit for emergency exit. The emergency exit control handle is located on the right forward side of the cockpit. To release the hood, pull the handle back all the way. This

releases the enclosure hinge cams which force the enclosure up and into the slip stream. If the force of the air does not pull the enclosure from the airplane, apply a straight upward push to the roof of the hood. In the event of a crash landing and the attitude of the airplane is such that it is resting on the nose-over structure, pull back on the emergency release handle and push outward on the left panel.

## 22. APPROACH.

When the airplane nears the field:

- a. Turn the fuel selector valve to the desired tank.
- b. Turn on the fuel booster pump.
- c. Set the propeller selector at 2600-rpm with the propeller switch at "AUTO CONSTANT SPEED."
- d. Set the mixture control to "AUTO-RICH."
- e. Adjust the radiator air scoop as desired.
- f. Adjust the power and trim to maintain 150-mph in level flight.
- g. Switch off the gun heater if used.
- b. Lower the landing gear by pulling the landing gear handle inboard and pushing it down. Upon full extension of the landing gear, spring-loaded steel pins will drop behind the extended members and lock them securely in the extended position. The position of the landing gear should be checked by the electrical indicator located on the left lower side of the instrument panel. On the P-51A-2, P-51A-5, and P-51A-10, an additional warning light is on the left side of the instrument panel. This light will indicate an unsafe position of the landing gear when the throttle is retarded for a landing.

### NOTE

Always complete the extension cycle of the landing gear before placing the landing gear selector valve in the "UP" position to prevent interference between the fairing door and the landing gear.

- i. If desired, the flaps may be lowered 15 degrees to give a steeper approach angle. When the airplane has been brought into the wind for landing, the flaps should be lowered fully at an altitude of at least 400 feet, provided the indicated air speed is above 100 mph. To lower the flaps, push the flap control handle to the desired position as marked.

## 23. LANDING.

Having turned into the field and lowered the flaps, maintain a correct gliding speed of between 105 to 110 mph. Adjust the elevator trim tab to assist in landing. Having stopped after landing, raise the flaps and turn off the fuel booster pump.

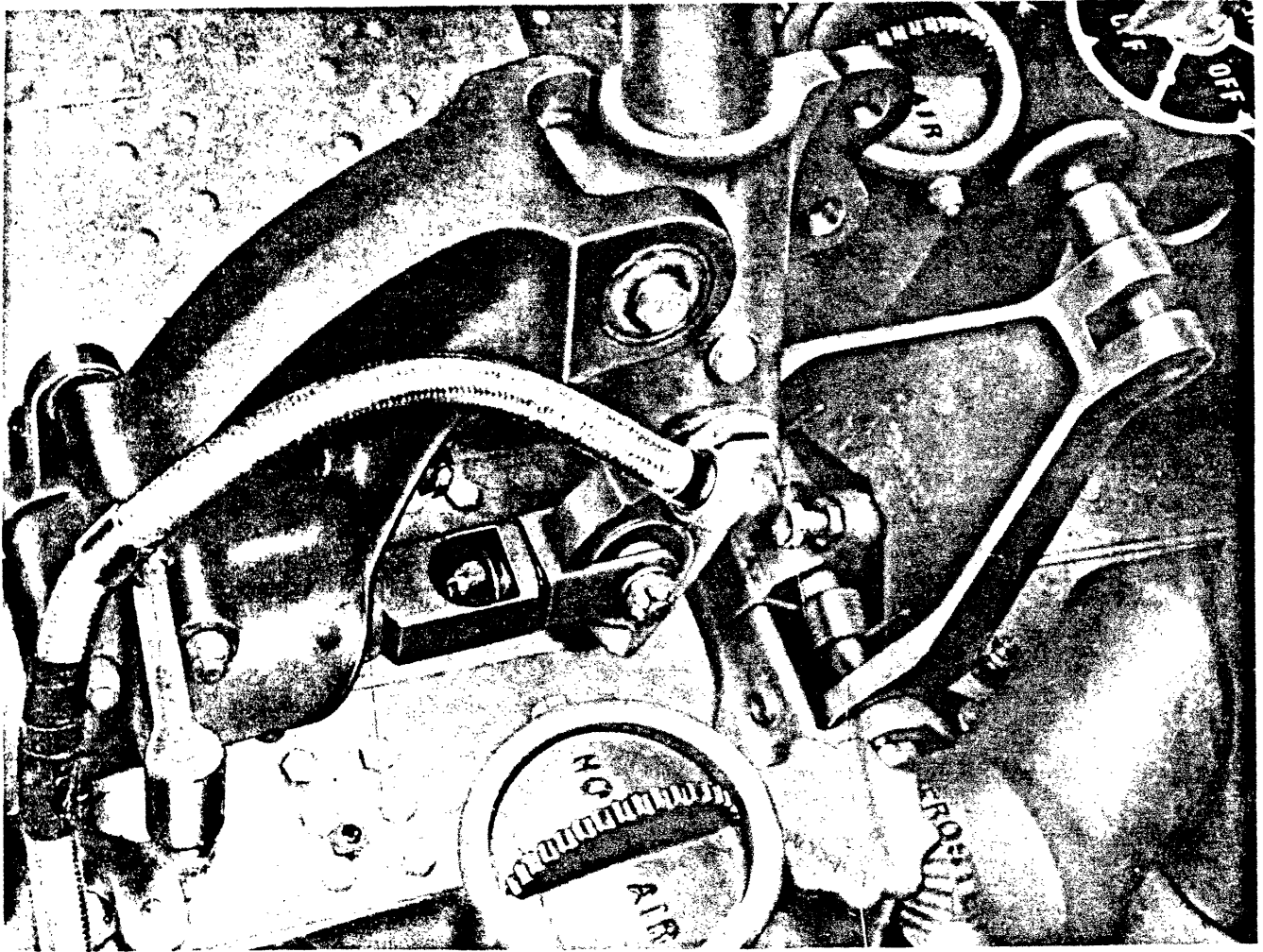


Figure 17—Control Lock

*a.* MISLANDING.—In the case of an unsuccessful attempt to land, open the throttle; then push the propeller control forward to "INCREASE RPM." Raise the landing gear immediately; then, when the air speed has reached 110 mph, raise the flaps.

*b.* CROSS-WIND LANDING.—As this airplane has a landing gear of wide tread and a locked tail wheel, cross-wind landings may be negotiated safely. Keep one wing down, into the wind, to counteract drift.

*c.* EMERGENCY OPERATION OF LANDING GEAR.—In the event of a complete hydraulic failure when the landing gear is in the retracted position, proceed as follows:

(1) Place the landing gear control handle in the down position. The tail wheel will drop and lock of its own weight. The main landing gear will partially drop of its own weight.

(2) Yaw the airplane to the left by use of the rudder. The air load against the left gear fairing will down and lock the gear. Repeat the process to the right to down and lock the right gear.

(3) After the landing gear has dropped downward, check the position of the landing gear and the down-lockpins by observing the electrical position indicator on the left side of the instrument panel.

(4) The landing gear doors will remain down but will not be noticeable except when landing in a cross-wind.

#### 24. STOPPING THE ENGINE.

When the airplane has stopped rolling, proceed with the following:

*a.* If a cold weather start is anticipated, press the oil

dilution switch to "ON" and dilute the oil system for 4 minutes at 800 rpm. If the engine temperature is excessive, the fuel will evaporate out of the oil and leave high viscosity oil in the engine. When this condition is encountered, shut off the engine and allow it to cool for 15 minutes or until it is still just warm enough to start again easily. Then restart and dilute again. This may have to be repeated once or twice in order to insure retention of sufficient diluting fuel in the oil system for an easy start in extremely cold climates.

- b.* Set the mixture control in the "IDLE CUT-OFF" position at 1200 rpm and move the throttle fully open.
- c.* Turn the ignition switch to the "OFF" position after the engine ceases firing.
- d.* Turn both fuel selector valves to "OFF."
- e.* Leave the mixture control lever at "IDLE CUT OFF" as a precaution against accidental starting.

## 25. BEFORE LEAVING COCKPIT.

Before leaving the cockpit, make a general survey of the compartment and proceed as follows:

- a.* Apply the parking brake.

### WARNING

IF BRAKES ARE HOT AS A RESULT OF FREQUENT OPERATIONS, WAIT UNTIL COOL BEFORE APPLYING PARKING BRAKE; OTHERWISE BRAKE DISCS WILL ADHERE TO EACH OTHER.

- b.* Lock the control surfaces. The lock is located just forward of the control stick.
- c.* Turn off the generator disconnect switch, all radio switches, and all light switches.

## 26. MANEUVERS PROHIBITED.

All normal maneuvers are permitted with this airplane except when external fuel tanks or bombs are installed. With the 150-gallon ferrying tanks installed, all maneuvers are prohibited and the stalling speed of the airplane is increased 10 mph.

## SECTION 3

### FLIGHT OPERATION DATA

#### 1. DETERMINING GROSS WEIGHT.

Refer to the "WEIGHT AND BALANCE CHART" in this section and check the listed basic and alternate tabulated items against those loaded in the airplane. If the airplane is loaded in accordance with the "Basic Load Items" whose weights are entered in the "Pounds" column, and the "Alternate Items" whose weights are entered under four loading conditions in the "Alternate Loading (Pounds)" column, the gross weight will be found listed at the bottom of the chart. If any items tabulated in the "Pounds" column are omitted in the loading of the airplane, deduct the weight of the missing items from the "Gross Weight," and the resulting figure will be the correct gross weight as the airplane is actually loaded.

#### 2. FLIGHT PLANNING.

##### a. GENERAL.

(1) A series of charts on the following pages is provided to aid in selecting the proper power and altitude to be used for obtaining optimum range of the airplane. A chart is provided for each loading of the airplane and the probable range of gross weight. Separate charts are provided for statute or nautical miles.

(2) If the flight plan calls for a continuous flight where the desired cruising power and air speed are reasonably constant after take-off and climb and the external load items are the same throughout the flight, the fuel required and flight time may be computed as a "single section flight." If this is not the case, the flight should be broken up into sections, and each leg of the flight planned separately since dropping of external bombs or tanks causes considerable changes in range and air speed for given power. (Within the limits of the airplane, the fuel required and flying time for a given mission depend largely upon the speed desired. With all other factors remaining equal in an airplane, speed is obtained at a sacrifice of range, and range is obtained at a sacrifice of speed.)

##### b. USE OF CHARTS.

(1) Although instructions for their use are shown on the "FLIGHT OPERATION INSTRUCTION CHARTS," the following expanded information on proper use of the charts may be helpful.

(2) Select the "FLIGHT OPERATION INSTRUCTION CHART" for the model airplane, gross weight and external loading to be used at take-off. The amount of

gasoline available for flight planning purposes depends upon the reserve required and the amount required for starting and warm-up. The fuel required for warm-up is set forth on the chart. Reserve should be based on the type of mission, terrain over which the flight is to be made, and weather conditions. The fuel required for climb and time to climb to various altitudes is shown on the "TAKE-OFF, CLIMB AND LANDING CHART." Fuel remaining after subtracting reserve, warm-up, and climb fuel from total amount available is the amount to be used for flight planning.

(3) Select a figure in the fuel column in the upper section of the chart equal to, or the next entry less than, the amount of fuel available for flight planning. Move horizontally to the right or left and select a figure equal to, or the next entry greater than, the distance (with no wind) to be flown. Operating values contained in the lower section of the column number in which this figure appears, represent the higher cruising speeds possible at the range desired. It will be noted that the ranges listed in column I under "Maximum Continuous Power" are correct only at the altitude shown by the note on the chart for this column. The ranges shown in column II and other columns to the right of column II can be obtained at any of the altitudes listed in the "Density Altitude" column. All of the power settings listed in a column will give approximately the same number of miles per gallon if each is used at the altitude shown on the same horizontal line with it. Note that the time required for the flight may be shortened by selection of the higher altitudes. In long range cruising it is important that altitude air speed and rpm be held constant. The manifold pressure should be changed as required to hold the above values reasonably constant. A flight duration may be calculated by dividing the true air speed of the flight altitude into the air miles to be flown.

(4) The flight plan may be readily changed at any time enroute, and the chart will show the balance of range available at various cruising powers by following the INSTRUCTIONS FOR USING CHART printed on each chart.

#### IMPORTANT

The above instructions and following charts do not take into account the effect of wind. Adjustments to range values and flight duration to allow for wind may be made by any method familiar to the pilot such as by the use of a flight calculator or a navigator's triangle of velocities.



## c. SAMPLE PROBLEM.

(1) To ferry a P-51A Airplane 1700 nautical (1960 statute) miles over water, cruising at 8,000 ft. altitude, the flight should be planned as follows:

(a) Reference to the charts indicates that two 150-gallon ferrying tanks are required.

(b) Allowing 15 gallons for warm-up, take-off, and climb as noted, 465 gallons (including two 150-gallon ferrying tanks) are left for flight.

(c) The range shown in column IV is 2080 nautical (2400 statute) miles which gives 380 nautical (440 statute) miles reserve.

(d) Vertically below in the table and opposite 9000 ft. (since 8000 ft. is not listed) read 2200 RPM, 220 knots IAS (240 knots TAS) with 32 inches Hg MP and 54 GPH fuel flow. AUTO LEAN mixture must be used since the figures are in light type. Range to be covered, divided by TAS, equals hours of flight (1700 divided by 240 equals 7.12 hours). Hours multiplied by fuel flow equals gallons consumed (7.12 times 54 equals 384 gallons). Gallons at start minus gallons at finish equals gallons reserve (465 minus 384 equals 81 gallons reserve).

(2) As an alternate plan, reference to column V

for maximum range at extreme right of chart shows that the flight may be made with a sacrifice of 40 to 45 knots speed if 680 nautical (780 statute) miles reserve are desired. The conditions for this plan are 1650 RPM and 180 knots IAS (200 knots TAS), with 30 in. Hg MP and 39 US GPH fuel flow. Under this plan, it will be noticed that the time required for the flight is 8.5 hours, or an increase of 1.38 hours over problem (1). It will also be noticed that the fuel consumed will be 331 gallons, or a decrease of 53 gallons. This will give a reserve of 134 gallons as against 81 gallons in problem (1).

(3) If, at any time during a flight, weather conditions require a change in altitude, the pilot need only proceed to the altitude at which flight is necessary, and read the engine operating conditions and fuel consumed opposite the altitude. It is only necessary that the pilot remain in the same column at which the flight was begun. Thus, by changing from one altitude to another during a flight, the fuel reserve should remain the same; the total flight time will be approximately the same depending on the time the change of altitude was made, noting only a slight increase or decrease of hours.

## NOTE

Removing bomb racks increases maximum speed approximately 15 miles per hour.

<b>WEIGHT &amp; BALANCE CHART</b>		CG LIMITS (IN INCHES) AFT OF REFERENCE DATUM LINE				
SPEC. AN-H-8 DEC. 18, 1942 FORM ASC-513	<b>AIRPLANE MODELS</b>	<b>CONDITION</b>	<b>F'W'D</b>	<b>AFT</b>		
	P-51A-1-NA, P-51A-2-NA	<b>TAKE-OFF</b>		102.2		
	P-51A-5-NA, P-51A-10-NA	<b>LANDING</b>	95.8			
<b>BASIC WEIGHT ITEMS</b>				<b>POUNDS</b>		
WEIGHT EMPTY (INCLUDING TRAPPED FUEL AND OIL)				6510		
<b>EQUIPMENT:</b>						
NAVIGATION	LB.	PHOTOGRAPHIC	LB.	OXYGEN	LB.	
PYROTECHNICS (FLARES, ETC.) 9 LB.				10		
<b>ARMAMENT:</b>						
FIXED GUN INSTALLATION(S): ( 4 ) .50 CAL. 276 LB.; ( ) CAL. LB.; GUN SIGHT 4 LB.				280		
FLEXIBLE GUN INSTALLATION(S): ( ) CAL. LB.; ( ) CAL. LB.						
CANNON INSTALLATION(S): ( ) MM. LB.; ( ) MM. LB.						
RADIO: MODEL(S) SCR-22-A OR SCR-274-N WITH SCR-695-A OR SCR-515-A INCLUDED IN WEIGHT EMPTY						
<b>TOTAL BASIC WEIGHT (CG 97.8 INCHES AFT OF REFERENCE DATUM LINE)</b>				<b>6800</b>		
<b>ITEMS OF USEFUL LOAD</b>		<b>ALTERNATE LOADINGS (POUNDS)</b>				
		NORMAL FUEL	FULL FUEL	COMBAT FUEL	MAXIMUM BOMBS	FERRYING
PILOT (200 LB. INCLUDING PARACHUTE)		200	200	200	200	200
CREW (200 LB. EACH INCLUDING PARACHUTE)						
PASSENGERS (200 LB. EACH INCLUDING PARACHUTES)						
BAGGAGE ( ) LB. MAXIMUM						
<b>FUEL (6 LB./U.S. GAL. OR 7.2 LB./IMP. GAL.): U.S. GAL. (IMP. GAL.)</b>						
WING TANKS, NORMAL 105 ( 90 )		630				
WING TANKS, FULL 180 ( 150 )			1080	1080	1080	1080
DROPPABLE COMBAT TANKS 150 ( 125 )				900		
DROPPABLE FERRYING TANKS 300 ( 250 )						1800
OIL (7.5 LB./U.S. GAL. OR 9 LB./IMP. GAL.): ( )						90
OIL, NORMAL 7.5 ( 6 )		60				
OIL, FULL 12 10			90	90	90	
EXTRA TANK(S) INSTALLATION DROPPABLE TANKS				100		220
BOMB INSTALLATION(S): ( ) INTERNAL AT ( ) LB. EACH					1000	
MAXIMUM ( 2 ) EXTERNAL AT 500 LB. EACH				20	20	20
BOMB RACKS						
TORPEDO INSTALLATION						
<b>AMMUNITION</b>						
FULL (1260) RD. OF .50 CAL.; ( ) RD. OF ( ) CAL.			380	380	380	
( ) RD. OF ( ) MM.; ( ) RD. OF ( ) MM.						
NORMAL (800) RD. OF .50 CAL.		240				
EQUIPMENT CARRIED IN FERRYING						80
<b>GROSS WEIGHT</b>		8000	8600	9600	9600	10,300
DISTANCE (IN INCHES) THAT CG IS AFT OF REFERENCE DATUM LINE		100.9	102.2	101.8	101.6	101.3

SPEC. AN-H-8 DEC. 18, 1942 FORM ASC-513		<b>WEIGHT &amp; BALANCE CHART</b>				
		AIRPLANE MODELS	CG LIMITS (IN INCHES) AFT OF REFERENCE DATUM LINE	CONDITION	FW'D	AFT
		P-51A-3-NA	TAKE-OFF	.....	102.2	
		(P-51A MODIFIED FOR 2 K-24 CAMERAS)	LANDING	95.8	.....	
BASIC WEIGHT ITEMS					POUNDS	
WEIGHT EMPTY (INCLUDING TRAPPED FUEL AND OIL & RADIO)					6500	
EQUIPMENT:						
NAVIGATION	LB.	PHOTOGRAPHIC	LB.	OXYGEN	LB.	
2 K-24 CAMERAS & INTERVALOMETER					60	
PYROTECHNICS (FLARES, ETC.) 9 LB.					10	
ARMAMENT:						
FIXED GUN INSTALLATION(S): ( 4 ) .50 CAL. 276 LB.; ( ) CAL. LB.; GUN SIGHT 4 LB.					280	
FLEXIBLE GUN INSTALLATION(S): ( ) CAL. LB.; ( ) CAL. LB.						
CANNON INSTALLATION(S): ( ) MM. LB.; ( ) MM. LB.						
RADIO: MODEL(S) SCR-522 & SCR-695 INCLUDED IN WEIGHT EMPTY						
MOUNTS & PROVISIONS FOR 2 K-24 CAMERAS					30	
<b>TOTAL BASIC WEIGHT</b> (CG 98.2 INCHES AFT OF REFERENCE DATUM LINE)					<b>6900</b>	
ITEMS OF USEFUL LOAD			ALTERNATE LOADINGS (POUNDS)			
			NORMAL FUEL	*FULL FUEL	*COMBAT FUEL	FERRYING
PILOT (200 LB. INCLUDING PARACHUTE)			200	200	200	200
CREW (200 LB. EACH INCLUDING PARACHUTE)						
PASSENGERS (200 LB. EACH INCLUDING PARACHUTES)						
BAGGAGE ( LB. MAXIMUM)						
FUEL (6 LB. U.S. GAL. OR 7.2 LB/IMP. GAL.): U.S. GAL. (IMP. GAL.)						
WING TANKS, NORMAL			105	( 90 )	630	
WING TANKS, FULL			180	( 150 )	1080	1080
DROPPABLE COMBAT TANKS			150	( 125 )	900	
DROPPABLE FERRYING TANKS			300	( 250 )		1800
OIL (7.5 LB./U.S. GAL. OR 9 LB/IMP. GAL.):			8	( 6.7 )	60	60
EXTRA			4	( 3.3 )	30	30
EXTRA TANK(S) INSTALLATION						
COMBAT-120; FERRYING-240					120	240
BOMB INSTALLATION(S): ( ) INTERNAL AT LB. EACH						
( ) EXTERNAL AT LB. EACH						
TORPEDO INSTALLATION						
AMMUNITION						
(1260) RD. OF .50 CAL. (FULL)				380	380	
( 800 ) RD. OF .50 CAL. (NORMAL)			240			
MISC. EQUIPMENT CARRIED IN FERRYING						80
<b>GROSS WEIGHT</b>			<b>8100</b>	<b>8700</b>	<b>9700</b>	<b>10,400</b>
DISTANCE (IN INCHES) THAT CG IS AFT OF REFERENCE DATUM LINE			101.6	102.8	102.4	102.1

NOTE: Raising landing gear from down to up position moves CG approx. 0.3" aft.

\*Attention is called to the fact that these loadings result in a horizontal CG which exceeds the recommended aft CG limit

AIRPLANE MODELS		SPECIFIC ENGINE										ENGINE MODELS		
P-51A-1, P-51A-2		P-51A-5, P-51A-10										ALLISON V-1710-81		
DEC 18 1942		FORM ASC-512												
SPEC AN-H-8														
CONDITION	FUEL PRESSURE (LB./SQ. IN.)	OIL PRESSURE (LB./SQ. IN.)	OIL TEMP.		COOLANT TEMP.		MAX. PERMISSIBLE DIVING RPM.	ALLOWABLE OIL CONSUMPTION		MIXTURE CONTROL POSITION	FUEL FLOW (GAL./HR./ENG.)	MAXIMUM CYL. TEMP.		MAXIMUM DURATION (MINUTES)
			°C	°F	°C	°F		CONDITION	U.S.			°C	°F	
DESIRED	12-16	60-70	60-80	140-188	105-115	221-240	3120	NORMAL RATED (MAX. CONT.)	13.3	U.S. QT/HR	AUTO RICH	157		5
MAXIMUM	16	85	95	202	125	257		MAX. CRUISE	19.0	U.S. QT/HR	AUTO RICH	175		5
MINIMUM	12	55			85	185		MIN. SPECIFIC	5-7	U.S. QT/HR	AUTO RICH	135		15
IDLING	9	15						OIL GRADE: (S)	1120	(W)	AUTO RICH	115		CONT.
SUPERCHARGER TYPE: ENGINE-DRIVEN, SINGLE SPEED, SINGLE STAGE														
FUEL GRADE: AN-VV-F-781 AMEND. 5														
OCTANE 100														
OPERATING CONDITION	RPM	MANIFOLD PRESSURE (BOOST)	HORSE-POWER	CRITICAL ALTITUDE		BLOWER	USE LOW BLOWER BELOW:	MIXTURE CONTROL POSITION	FUEL FLOW (GAL./HR./ENG.)	MAXIMUM CYL. TEMP.		MAXIMUM DURATION (MINUTES)		
				WITH RAM	NO RAM					°C	°F			
TAKE-OFF	3000	52	1330	14,000	SEA LEVEL			AUTO RICH	157			5		
WAR EMERGENCY	3000	57	1470	11,800	SEA LEVEL			AUTO RICH	175			5		
MILITARY	3000	44.2	1125	18,000	14,600			AUTO RICH	135			15		
NORMAL RATED (MAX. CONT.)	2600	38.3	1000	17,500	13,800			AUTO RICH	115			CONT.		
MAXIMUM CRUISE	2280	F.T.	750	19,000	13,800			AUTO LEAN	59			CONT.		
MINIMUM SPECIFIC CONSUMPTION	1650	28	370	SEA LEVEL				AUTO LEAN	29					
	1650	28	420	5000				AUTO LEAN	31					
	1650	28	470	10,000				AUTO LEAN	34					
	1650	F.T.	530	15,000				AUTO LEAN	38					
	1900	F.T.	510	20,000				AUTO LEAN	39					

REMARKS: MINIMUM SPECIFIC CONSUMPTION DATA ARE AVERAGE CONDITIONS FOR MAXIMUM RANGE.

AIRPLANE MODELS		ENGINE MODELS							
P-51A-1, P-51A-2		ALLISON V-1710-B1							
P-51A-5, P-51A-10									
FORM ASC-510 DEC 18 1943									
GROSS WEIGHT (IN LBS.)	HEAD WIND	HARD SURFACE RUNWAY				SOFT SURFACE RUNWAY			
		AT 3,000 FT.		AT 6,000 FT.		AT 3,000 FT.		AT 6,000 FT.	
	MPH	GROUND RUN	TO CLEAR 50' OBJ.	GROUND RUN	TO CLEAR 50' OBJ.	GROUND RUN	TO CLEAR 50' OBJ.	GROUND RUN	TO CLEAR 50' OBJ.
8500	0	1150	1800	1350	2000	1600	2300	1400	2050
	17	800	1300	900	1450	1050	1500	850	1100
	34	500	900	550	1050	600	1000	650	900
9500	0	280	550	300	600	300	650	300	650
	17	1500	2200	1750	2450	2050	2800	1850	2550
	34	1050	1650	1200	1800	1400	2000	1100	1500
10,500	0	700	1150	750	1250	850	1350	600	900
	17	400	750	450	800	450	850	450	800
	34	1900	2650	2200	3000	2550	3400	2000	2700
	0	1350	2000	1550	2200	1750	2500	1450	2100
	17	900	1400	1000	1550	1100	1700	950	1400
	34	550	950	600	1000	650	1100	500	800

SOD-TURF RUNWAY		ENGINE LIMITS FOR TAKE-OFF	
AT 3,000 FT.		3000 RPM & 52 IN. HG	
GROUND RUN	TO CLEAR 50' OBJ.	GROUND RUN	TO CLEAR 50' OBJ.
1400	2050	1900	2550
950	1500	1300	1900
600	1100	850	1400
300	650	500	900
2700	3600	2400	3200
1900	2600	1750	2300
1200	1800	1150	1600
700	1100	700	1100

CLIMB DATA		ENGINE LIMITS FOR TAKE-OFF							
COMBAT MISSIONS USE		3000 RPM & 52 IN. HG							
GROSS WEIGHT IN LBS.	TYPE OF CLIMB	10,000 FT. ALT.		15,000 FT. ALT.		20,000 FT. ALT.		25,000 FT. ALT.	
		BEST I.A.S. MPH	FUEL FROM S.L. U.S.	BEST I.A.S. MPH	FUEL FROM S.L. U.S.	BEST I.A.S. MPH	FUEL FROM S.L. U.S.	BEST I.A.S. MPH	FUEL FROM S.L. U.S.
8500	COMBAT	170	1900	165	1860	160	1730	155	1640
	FERRY	170	1470	165	1260	160	730	155	840
9500	COMBAT	170	1250	165	1180	160	680	155	170
	FERRY	170	890	165	680	160	180	155	170
10,500	COMBAT	170	940	165	840	160	360	155	450
	FERRY	170	600	165	400	160	24	155	24

LANDING DISTANCE (IN FEET)		ENGINE LIMITS FOR TAKE-OFF							
COMBAT MISSIONS USE		3000 RPM & 52 IN. HG							
GROSS WEIGHT IN LBS.	BEST I.A.S.	10,000 FT. ALT.		15,000 FT. ALT.		20,000 FT. ALT.		25,000 FT. ALT.	
		AT SEA LEVEL	AT 3,000 FT.	AT SEA LEVEL	AT 3,000 FT.	AT SEA LEVEL	AT 3,000 FT.	AT SEA LEVEL	AT 3,000 FT.
8000	100	2250	1450	2450	1700	1600	2450	1500	1900

WET OR SLIPPERY		ENGINE LIMITS FOR TAKE-OFF							
COMBAT MISSIONS USE		3000 RPM & 52 IN. HG							
GROSS WEIGHT IN LBS.	BEST I.A.S.	10,000 FT. ALT.		15,000 FT. ALT.		20,000 FT. ALT.		25,000 FT. ALT.	
		AT SEA LEVEL	AT 3,000 FT.	AT SEA LEVEL	AT 3,000 FT.	AT SEA LEVEL	AT 3,000 FT.	AT SEA LEVEL	AT 3,000 FT.
8000	100	2250	1450	2450	1700	1600	2450	1500	1900

REMARKS	
NOTE: INCREASED ELAPSED CLIMBING TIME 5% FOR EACH 10°C ABOVE 0°C (5% FOR EACH 20°F ABOVE 32°F) FUEL INCLUDES WARM-UP AND TAKE-OFF ALLOWANCE	
NOTE: FOR GROUND TEMPERATURES ABOVE 35°C (95°F) INCREASE APPROACH I.A.S. 10% AND ALLOW 20% INCREASE IN GROUND ROLL.	
NOTE: ALL DISTANCES ARE AVERAGE	
NOTE: FUEL FIGURES HAVE NOT BEEN FLIGHT CHECKED	

MODEL (S)		FLIGHT OPERATION INSTRUCTION CHART				EXTERNAL LOAD ITEMS	
P-51A-1, P-51A-2		SHEET 1 OF 4 SHEETS				WING RACKS	
P-51A-5, P-51A-10		GR. WT. 8500 TO 7800 POUNDS					
CONDITION	R.P.M.	M.P. (IN. HG.)	BLOWER POSITION	MIXTURE POSITION	DURATION IN MIN.	U.S. G.P.H.	
TAKE-OFF	3000	52	—	4100	5	157	
MILITARY POWER	3000	42.2	—	4070	15	135	
ENGINE IS	V-1710-B1						
INSTRUCTIONS FOR USING CHART: Select figure in fuel column equal to or less than total amount of fuel in airplane. Move horizontally to the right or left and select a figure equal to or greater than the air miles to be flown. Vertically below and opposite desired cruising altitude read optimum cruising conditions. NOTES: (A) Avoid continuous cruising in Column I in the upper left corner of chart.							
<b>ALTERNATE CRUISING CONDITIONS (NO WIND)</b>							
I (MAX. CONT. POWER)		II		III		IV	
RANGE IN AIR MILES		RANGE IN AIR MILES		RANGE IN AIR MILES		RANGE IN AIR MILES	
STATUTE		STATUTE		STATUTE		STATUTE	
FUEL U.S. GALS.		FUEL U.S. GALS.		FUEL U.S. GALS.		FUEL U.S. GALS.	
ALT. S. L.		ALT. S. L.		ALT. S. L.		ALT. S. L.	
530	590	700	770	1040	1240	1540	1690
470	490	610	770	930	1040	1240	1690
410	420	530	540	600	600	600	600
340	350	450	460	500	500	500	500
290	290	370	440	560	560	560	560
220	230	290	360	430	430	430	430
160	160	200	250	310	310	310	310
90	100	120	150	190	190	190	190
80	70	40	60	60	60	60	70
<b>OPERATING DATA</b>							
R.P.M.	I.A.S. MIX-TURE (IN. HG.)	M.P. (IN. HG.)	U.S. G.P.H.	R.P.M.	I.A.S. MIX-TURE (IN. HG.)	M.P. (IN. HG.)	U.S. G.P.H.
2600	290	275	288	330	2200	245	250
2600	305	290	305	325	2050	255	305
2600	310	290	310	315	2050	255	310
2600	310	290	320	305	1950	255	320
2600	310	295	310	300	1900	255	310
2600	315	295	295	290	1800	255	315
2600	315	295	285	285	1700	255	315
<b>OPERATING DATA</b>							
R.P.M.	I.A.S. MIX-TURE (IN. HG.)	M.P. (IN. HG.)	U.S. G.P.H.	R.P.M.	I.A.S. MIX-TURE (IN. HG.)	M.P. (IN. HG.)	U.S. G.P.H.
2600	290	275	288	330	2200	245	250
2600	305	290	305	325	2050	255	305
2600	310	290	310	315	2050	255	310
2600	310	290	320	305	1950	255	320
2600	310	295	310	300	1900	255	310
2600	315	295	295	290	1800	255	315
2600	315	295	285	285	1700	255	315

INDICATED ALTITUDE CORRECTED FOR FREE AIR TEMPERATURE FOR WARM UP.  
 ALLOW 10 U.S. GALS. TAKE-OFF AND CLIMB TO 5000 FEET ALTITUDE.  
 RETURN FUEL FLOWS TO TANK. USE FUEL FROM TANKS IN THE FOLLOWING ORDER.  
 REFER TO "SPECIFIC ENGINE FLIGHT CHART" FOR ADDITIONAL ENGINE OPERATION DATA.

Note: AUTO LEAF FOR RPM LESS THAN 2300.

I.A.S. Indicated Air Speed  
 M.P. Manifold Pressure (in. Hg.)  
 U.S.G.P.H. U.S. Gallons Per Hour  
 F.T. Full Throttle  
 S.L. Sea Level  
 A.P. Auto Prop  
 A.L. Auto Lean

MODEL (S) P-51A-1, P-51A-2 P-51A-5, P-51A-10		FLIGHT OPERATION INSTRUCTION CHART SHEET 2 OF 4 SHEETS GR. WT. 9500 TO 8000 POUNDS		EXTERNAL LOAD ITEMS 2 - 75-GALLON COMBAT TANKS							
CONDITION	R.P.M.	M.P. (IN. HG.)	MIXTURE POSITION	DURATION IN MIN.	U.S. G.P.H.						
TAKE-OFF	3000	52	ALTO	5	157						
MILITARY POWER	3000	44.2	AUTO	15	135						
ENGINE ID	V-1710-81										
INSTRUCTIONS FOR USING CHART: Select figure in fuel column equal to or less than total amount of fuel in airplanes. Move horizontally to the right and select a figure equal to or greater than the air miles to be flown. Vertically below and opposite desired cruising altitude read optimum cruising conditions. NOTES: (A) Avoid continuous cruising in Column I in the upper left corner of chart.											
ALTERNATE CRUISING CONDITIONS (NO WIND)											
I (MAX. CONT. POWER)		II		III		IV		V (MAX. RANGE)			
RANGE IN AIR MILES		RANGE IN AIR MILES		RANGE IN AIR MILES		RANGE IN AIR MILES		RANGE IN AIR MILES			
STATUTE		STATUTE		STATUTE		STATUTE		STATUTE			
ALT. S.L.		ALT. 12,000		10 GALLONS NOT AVAILABLE IN FLIGHT		1600		1925			
960	310	1150	310	1370	320	1400	1450	1450	1925		
750	320	1010	320	1250	280	1400	1450	1450	1925		
650	240	860	240	1150	240	1270	1270	1270	1270		
540	200	720	200	1070	200	1100	1100	1100	1100		
430	160	570	160	970	160	1000	1000	1000	1000		
320	120	430	120	870	120	900	900	900	900		
210	80	290	80	740	80	770	770	770	770		
110	40	140	40	670	40	700	700	700	700		
FUEL U.S. GALS.	330	320	280	240	200	160	120	80	40		
NO RESERVE FUEL ALLOWANCE											
OPERATING DATA						OPERATING DATA					
R.P.M.	I.A.S. MIX. TURE	M.P. IN HG.	U.S. T.A.S. G.P.H.	U.S. ALT. IN FEET	DENSITY	R.P.M.	I.A.S. MIX. TURE	M.P. IN HG.	U.S. T.A.S. G.P.H.	U.S. ALT. IN FEET	DENSITY
2600	245	A.R. 38.3	103	320	30000	2400	235	A.R. 34	73	250	2000
2600	260	A.R. 38.3	109	315	25000	2350	245	A.R. 34	83	295	15000
2600	260	A.R. 38.3	108	300	20000	2350	245	A.R. 32	79	285	12000
2600	265	A.R. 38.3	106	290	15000	2350	245	A.R. 33	77	270	9000
2600	265	A.R. 38.3	103	280	10000	2300	245	A.R. 34	73	250	6000
2600	265	A.R. 38.3	100	265	3000	2300	250	A.R. 34	70	250	3000
2600	270	A.R. 38.3	96	250	S.L.	2300	255	A.R. 35	69	245	S.L.

INDICATED ALTITUDE CORRECTED FOR FREE AIR TEMPERATURE. FOR WARM UP. ALLOW 10 U.S. GALS. TAKE-OFF AND CLIMB TO 5000 FEET ALTITUDE. RETURN FUEL FLOWS TO TANK. USE FUEL FROM TANKS IN THE FOLLOWING ORDER: 1. MAIN TANKS 2. WING TANKS 3. RESERVE TANKS. REFERENCE TO "SPECIFIC ENGINE FLIGHT CHART" FOR ADDITIONAL ENGINE OPERATION DATA. Note: AUTO LEAN FOR RPM LESS THAN 2300.

I.A.S. Indicated Air Speed  
 M.P. Manifold Pressure (in Hg)  
 U.S.G.P.H. U.S. Gallons Per Hour  
 F.T. Full Throttle  
 S.L. Sea Level  
 A.P. Auto Rich  
 A.L. Auto Lean

MODEL (S)			FLIGHT OPERATION INSTRUCTION CHART				EXTERNAL LOAD ITEMS																								
P-51A-1, P-51A-2 P-51A-5, P-51A-10			SHEET 3 OF 4 SHEETS				2 - 150-GALLON FERRY TANKS																								
FORM 45C-5			GR. WT. 10,400 TO 8000 POUNDS																												
CONDITION		R.P.M.	M.P. (IN. HG.)	LOWER POSITION	MIXTURE POSITION	DURATION (MIN.)	U.S. G.P.H.	INSTRUCTIONS FOR USING CHART: Select figure in fuel column equal to or less than total amount of fuel in airplane. Move horizontally to the right or left and select a figure equal to or greater than the air miles to be flown. Vertically below and opposite desired cruising altitude read optimum cruising conditions. NOTES: (A) Avoid continuous cruising in Column I.																							
TAKE-OFF	3000	52	—	AUTO	5	157	except in emergency. (B) Columns III, IIII, IV & V toward the right progressively give increase in range at sacrifice in speed. (C) Manifold Pressure (M.P.), Gallons Per Hour (G.P.H.), are approximate maximum values for reference. (D) For quick reference, take-off and military power data are listed in the upper left corner of chart.																								
MILITARY POWER	3000	44.2	—	AUTO	15	135																									
ENGINE ID	V-1710-81																														
ALTERNATE CRUISING CONDITIONS (NO RESERVE FUEL ALLOWANCE)																															
I (MAX. CONT. POWER)			II			III			IV			V (MAX. RANGE)																			
RANGE IN AIR MILES			RANGE IN AIR MILES			RANGE IN AIR MILES			RANGE IN AIR MILES			RANGE IN AIR MILES																			
STATE			STATE			STATE			STATE			STATE																			
ALT. S.L.	1310	1330	1250	1050	900	720	540	420	290	250	200	150	100	50																	
ALT.	1790	1190	1050	1050	750	600	450	300	200	150	100	50	100	50																	
ALT.	1790	1190	1050	1050	750	600	450	300	200	150	100	50	100	50																	
FUEL U.S. GALS.	465	400	350	300	250	200	150	100	50	300	250	200	150	100																	
15 GALLONS NOT AVAILABLE IN FLIGHT																															
OPERATING DATA											OPERATING DATA																				
R.P.M.	I.A.S. M.P.H.	MIX. TURE (IN. HG.)	M.P. (IN. HG.)	U.S. G. P. MPH	R.P.M.	I.A.S. M.P.H.	MIX. TURE (IN. HG.)	M.P. (IN. HG.)	U.S. G. P. MPH	R.P.M.	I.A.S. M.P.H.	MIX. TURE (IN. HG.)	M.P. (IN. HG.)	U.S. G. P. MPH																	
2600	270	A.R.	38.4	F.T.	103	340	265	A.R.	35	F.T.	97	335	2400	250	A.R.	30	F.T.	240	2280	240	A.L.	20	F.T.	310	2050	210	A.L.	20	F.T.	310	
2600	285	A.R.	38.4	109	335	2400	275	A.R.	35	91	325	2300	255	A.R.	30	72	300	2280	250	A.L.	30	2280	250	A.L.	30	2280	250	A.L.	30	2280	250
2600	290	A.R.	38.4	108	325	2350	275	A.R.	34	86	310	2300	255	A.R.	30	70	290	2280	255	A.L.	31	2280	255	A.L.	31	2280	255	A.L.	31	2280	255
2600	290	A.R.	38.4	106	310	2350	275	A.R.	34	83	295	2300	260	A.R.	31	69	280	2280	265	A.L.	32	2280	265	A.L.	32	2280	265	A.L.	32	2280	265
2600	290	A.R.	38.4	103	295	2350	275	A.R.	35	77	280	2280	265	A.L.	34	65	270	2100	255	A.L.	33	2100	255	A.L.	33	2100	255	A.L.	33	2100	255
2600	290	A.R.	38.4	100	285	2300	275	A.R.	35	75	270	2280	270	A.L.	35	55	265	2050	255	A.L.	34	2050	255	A.L.	34	2050	255	A.L.	34	2050	255
2600	290	A.R.	38.4	96	275	2350	275	A.R.	35	71	250	2280	270	A.L.	36	55	255	1050	255	A.L.	35	1050	255	A.L.	35	1050	255	A.L.	35	1050	255
DENSITY ALT. (IN FEET)	30000	25000	20000	15000	12000	9000	6000	3000	S.L.	30000	25000	20000	15000	12000	9000	6000	3000	S.L.	30000	25000	20000	15000	12000	9000	6000	3000	S.L.				

I.A.S. Indicated Air Speed  
M.P. Manifold Pressure (In. Hg.)  
F.T.: Full Throttle  
S.L.: Sea Level  
A.R.: Auto Rich  
A.L.: Auto Lean

Note: AUTO LEAN FOR RPM RANGE 2300-2600.

INDICATED ALTITUDE CORRECTED FOR FREE AIR TEMPERATURE.  
FOR WARM UP.  
ALLOW 15 U.S. GALS.  
TAKE-OFF AND CLIMB TO 5000 FEET ALTITUDE.  
RETURN FUEL FLOWS TO TANK.  
USE FUEL FROM TANKS IN THE FOLLOWING ORDER:  
1. MAIN FUEL TANK  
2. RESERVE FUEL TANK  
3. AUXILIARY FUEL TANK



**MODEL (S)**  
 P-51A-1, P-51A-2  
 P-51A-5, P-51A-10

**FLIGHT OPERATION INSTRUCTION CHART**  
 SHEET 4 OF 4 SHEETS

**EXTERNAL LOAD ITEMS**  
 2 WING BOMBS

GR. WT. 9500 POUNDS TO 8000 POUNDS

**CONDITION** B.P.M. BLOWER INC. NO. POSITION M.P. ALTITUDE POSITION IN MIN. U.S. G.P.M.

TAKE-OFF	3000	52	—	AUTO	157
MILITARY POWER	3000	48.2	—	AUTO	135

ENGINE IS V-1710-81

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR USING CHART:** Select figure in fuel column equal to or less than total amount of fuel in airplane. Move horizontally to the right or left and select a figure equal to or greater than the air miles to be flown. Vertically below and opposite desired cruising altitude read optimum cruising conditions. NOTES: (A) Avoid continuous cruising in Column I except in emergency. (B) Columns II, III, IV & V toward the right progressively give increase in range at sacrifice in speed. (C) Manifold Pressure (M.P.). Gallons Per Hour (G.P.H.), are approximate maximum values for reference. (D) For quick reference, take-off and military power data are listed in the upper left corner of chart.

**ALTERNATE CRUISING CONDITIONS** (NO RESERVE FUEL ALLOWANCE)

I (MAX. CONT. POWER)	II (NO WIND)		III		IV		V (MAX. RANGE)	
	RANGE IN AIR MILES STATUTE	FUEL U.S. GALS.	RANGE IN AIR MILES STATUTE	FUEL U.S. GALS.	RANGE IN AIR MILES STATUTE	FUEL U.S. GALS.	RANGE IN AIR MILES STATUTE	FUEL U.S. GALS.
ALT. S.L.	ALT. 12,000	180	10 GALLONS NOT AVAILABLE IN FLIGHT					
450	500	170	650	170	700	170	750	170
420	440	150	570	150	650	150	700	150
370	300	130	490	130	570	130	600	130
310	220	110	420	110	510	110	550	110
240	260	90	340	90	420	90	450	90
190	200	70	270	70	350	70	380	70
140	140	50	190	50	270	50	300	50
60	80	30	110	30	140	30	160	30
70	30	10	40	10	40	10	50	10

R.P.M.	OPERATING DATA			DENSITY ALT. IN FEET	OPERATING DATA			R.P.M.	OPERATING DATA			R.P.M.	OPERATING DATA											
	I.A.S. M.P.H.	MIX. TURE IN HG	F.T.		I.A.S. M.P.H.	MIX. TURE IN HG	F.T.		I.A.S. M.P.H.	MIX. TURE IN HG	F.T.		I.A.S. M.P.H.	MIX. TURE IN HG	F.T.									
2600	255	A.R.	38.3	103	335	20000	2400	245	A.R.	33	82	315	2300	230	A.R.	29	68	300	2200	220	A.L.	30	290	20000
2600	270	A.R.	38.3	109	325	15000	2350	255	A.R.	33	81	305	2300	240	A.R.	29	69	290	2150	230	A.L.	30	285	15000
2600	275	A.R.	38.3	108	320	12000	2300	255	A.R.	32	77	295	2300	245	A.R.	29	69	285	2150	235	A.L.	31	290	12000
2600	280	A.R.	38.3	106	310	9000	2300	255	A.R.	32	74	280	2200	245	A.L.	32	54	275	2050	235	A.L.	32	270	9000
2600	280	A.R.	38.3	103	295	6000	2300	255	A.R.	33	71	270	2200	250	A.L.	34	56	265	1900	235	A.L.	33	260	6000
2600	280	A.R.	38.3	100	280	3000	2300	260	A.R.	34	69	250	2200	255	A.L.	34	57	255	1800	235	A.L.	33	255	3000
2600	285	A.R.	38.3	96	275	S.L.	2300	260	A.R.	35	68	250	2250	260	A.L.	36	55	250	1750	235	A.L.	34	255	S.L.

**LEGEND**

1 INDICATED ALTITUDE CORRECTED FOR FREE AIR TEMPERATURE.  
 2 ALLOW 10 U.S. GALS. FOR WARM UP.  
 3 TAKE-OFF AND CLIMB TO 5000 FEET ALTITUDE  
 RETURN FUEL FLOWS TO TANK.  
 USE FUEL FROM TANKS IN THE FOLLOWING ORDER:  
 REFER TO "SPECIFIC ENGINE FLIGHT CHART" FOR ADDITIONAL ENGINE OPERATION DATA.

Note: 1070 LEAN FOR RPM 2300-2700.

I.A.S. Indicated Air Speed  
 M.P. Manifold Pressure (in Hg)  
 U.S.G.P.H. U.S. Gallons Per Hour  
 F.T. Full Thrust  
 S.L. Sea Level  
 A.R. Auto Rich  
 A.L. Auto Lean



MODEL (S) P-51A-1, P-51A-2 P-51A-5, P-51A-10		FOR NAVY USE ONLY FLIGHT OPERATION INSTRUCTION CHART SHEET 2 OF 4 SHEETS			EXTERNAL LOAD ITEMS 2 - 75-GALLON COMBAT TANKS		
FORM NO. 1042-3 DEC. 18, 1942		GR. WT. 9500 TO 8000 POUNDS					
CONDITION	S.P.M.	M.P.	BLOWER POSITION	MIXTURE POSITION	DURATION IN MIN.	U.S. G.P.M.	
TAKE-OFF	3000	42		A-10	15	138	
MILITARY POWER	3000	38.2		A-10	15	138	
ENGINE (S)	V-1710-81						
INSTRUCTIONS FOR USING CHART: Select figure in fuel column equal to or less than total amount of fuel in airplane. Move horizontally to the right or left and select a figure equal to or greater than the air miles to be flown. Vertically below and opposite desired cruising altitude read optimum cruising conditions. NOTES: (A) Avoid continuous cruising in Column 1 in the upper left corner of chart.							
ALTERNATE CRUISING CONDITIONS (NO WIND)				INO RESERVE FUEL ALLOWANCE)			
I (MAX. CONT. POWER)	FUEL U.S. GALS.			RANGE IN AIR MILES NAUTICAL			Y (MAX. RANGE) RANGE IN AIR MILES NAUTICAL
ALT. S.L.	ALT. 12,000	10 GALLONS NOT AVAILABLE IN FLIGHT					
750	760	330	1900	1000	1900	1900	1700
650	690	280	1570	1040	1570	1570	1400
570	600	240	1100	1100	1100	1100	1100
470	500	200	750	1100	750	750	600
370	400	160	500	1500	500	500	400
290	300	120	470	1500	470	470	400
190	190	80	250	1500	250	250	160
90	90	40	120	1500	120	120	80
OPERATING DATA		OPERATING DATA		OPERATING DATA		OPERATING DATA	
R.P.M.	I.A.S. MIX. TURE IN Hg	M.P. TIRE IN Hg	F.T. U.S. G.P.M.	R.P.M.	I.A.S. MIX. TURE IN Hg	M.P. TIRE IN Hg	F.T. U.S. G.P.M.
2500	215	A.R. 38.3	103	275	205	A.R. 34	83
2600	225	A.R. 38.3	108	260	210	A.R. 32	79
2800	235	A.R. 38.3	106	250	215	A.R. 33	77
2600	230	A.R. 38.3	103	240	215	A.R. 34	73
2800	235	A.R. 38.3	100	235	220	A.R. 35	70
2600	235	A.R. 38.3	96	225	230	A.R. 35	69
① INDICATED ALTITUDE CORRECTED FOR FREE AIR TEMPERATURE. FOR WARM UP							
② ALLOW 10 U.S. GALS. TAKE-OFF AND CLIMB TO 5000 FEET ALTITUDE							
③ RETURN FUEL FLOWS TO TANK. USE FUEL FROM TANKS IN THE FOLLOWING ORDER.							
④ REFER TO "SPECIFIC ENGINE FLIGHT CHART" FOR ADDITIONAL ENGINE OPERATION DATA.							

I.A.S. Indicated Air Speed  
 M.P. Max. Fuel Pressure (In Hg)  
 U.S.G.P.M. U.S. Gallons Per Hour  
 F.T. Feet Per Minute  
 S.L. Sea Level  
 A.R. Air Ratio  
 A.L.L. Auto Lean

Note: ACFT USE FOR RPM LESS THAN 2000.

MODEL (S)		FOR NAVY USE ONLY		EXTERNAL LOAD ITEMS	
P-51A-1, P-51A-2		FLIGHT OPERATION INSTRUCTION CHART		2 - 150-GALLON FERRY TANKS	
P-51A-9, P-51A-10		SHEET 3 OF 4 SHEETS		POUNDS	
FORM ASC-111		GR. WT. 10,400 TO 8000			
CONDITION	M.P. (IN. HO) POSITION	MIXTURE POSITION	DURATION IN MIN.	U.S. GALS.	U.S. GALS.
TAKE-OFF	3000	52	5	157	
MILITARY POWER	3000	52.2	15	135	
ENGINE ID	V-1710-81				
INSTRUCTIONS FOR USING CHART: Select figure in fuel column equal to or less than total amount of fuel in airplane. Move horizontally to the right or left and select a figure equal to or greater than the air miles to be flown. Vertically below and opposite desired cruising altitude read optimum cruising conditions. NOTES: (A) Avoid continuous cruising in Column I in the upper left corner of chart.					
<b>ALTERNATE CRUISING CONDITIONS</b>					
(NO RESERVE FUEL ALLOWANCE)					
I (MAX. CONT. POWER)		II		III	
RANGE IN AIR MILES NAUTICAL		RANGE IN AIR MILES NAUTICAL		RANGE IN AIR MILES NAUTICAL	
ALT. S.L.		ALT. S.L.		ALT. S.L.	
190	1200	1450	1750	2000	2300
260	1040	1200	1500	1750	2000
350	910	1090	1350	1550	1760
440	780	940	1150	1300	1530
530	650	780	960	1120	1270
620	520	620	770	900	1020
710	390	470	590	670	760
800	260	310	390	450	510
890	130	150	190	220	250
FUEL U.S. GALS.		FUEL U.S. GALS.		FUEL U.S. GALS.	
480		465		400	
350		300		250	
250		200		150	
150		100		50	
30000		25000		20000	
15000		12000		9000	
6000		3000		S.L.	
OPERATING DATA		OPERATING DATA		OPERATING DATA	
R.P.M.	I.A.S. KNOTS	MIX. TURE IN Hg	M.P. IN Hg	T.A.S. KNOTS	U.S. G.P.H.
2600	235	A.R.	F.T.	295	103
2600	250	A.R.	38.4	109	290
2600	250	A.R.	38.4	108	280
2600	250	A.R.	38.4	106	270
2600	250	A.R.	38.4	103	255
2600	250	A.R.	38.4	100	245
2600	250	A.R.	38.4	96	235
OPERATING DATA		OPERATING DATA		OPERATING DATA	
R.P.M.	I.A.S. KNOTS	MIX. TURE IN Hg	M.P. IN Hg	T.A.S. KNOTS	U.S. G.P.H.
2050	190	A.L.	F.T.	246	235
1900	180	A.L.	F.T.	245	220
1750	160	A.L.	F.T.	241	210
1650	150	A.L.	F.T.	240	200
1650	150	A.L.	F.T.	240	190
1650	150	A.L.	F.T.	240	180
1650	150	A.L.	F.T.	240	170

I.A.S. Indicated Air Speed  
 M.P. Manifold Pressure (in Hg)  
 U.S.G.P.H. U.S. Gallons Per Hour  
 F.T. Feet  
 T.A.S. True Air Speed  
 U.S. G.P.H. U.S. Gallons Per Hour  
 A.L. Auto Lean  
 A.P. Auto Rich  
 Note: RPM LEAF FOR RPM LESS 2300.

**MODEL (S)**  
 P-51A-1, P-51A-2  
 P-51A-5, P-51A-10

**FOR NAVY USE ONLY**  
**FLIGHT OPERATION INSTRUCTION CHART**  
 SHEET 4 OF 4 SHEETS

**EXTERNAL LOAD ITEMS**  
 2 WING BOMBS

FORM ASC-511  
 DEC. 18, 1942

GR. WT. 9500 TO 8000 POUNDS

**CONDITION** R.P.M. M.P. BLOWER MIXTURE POSITION IN MIN. U.S. G.P.M.  
 TAKE-OFF 3000 57 2100 5 15  
 MILITARY POWER 3000 41.2 2100 15 13.5  
 ENGINE IDLE V-1710-81

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR USING CHART:** Select figure in fuel column equal to or less than total amount of fuel in airplane. Move horizontally to the right or left and select a figure equal to or greater than the air miles to be flown. Vertically below and opposite desired cruising altitude read optimum cruising conditions. **NOTES:** (A) Avoid continuous cruising in Column I in the upper left corner of chart. except in emergency. (B) Column III, IV & V toward the right progressively give increase in range of sacrifice in speed. (C) Manifold Pressure (M.P.). Gallons Per Hour (G.P.H.) are approximate maximum values for reference. (D) For quick reference, take-off and military power data are listed in the upper left corner of chart.

ALTERNATE CRUISING CONDITIONS (NO WIND)										NO RESERVE FUEL ALLOWANCE																			
I (MAX. CONT. POWER)					II					III					IV					V (MAX. RANGE)									
RANGE IN AIR MILES NAUTICAL					RANGE IN AIR MILES NAUTICAL					RANGE IN AIR MILES NAUTICAL					RANGE IN AIR MILES NAUTICAL					RANGE IN AIR MILES NAUTICAL									
FUEL U.S. GALS.					FUEL U.S. GALS.					FUEL U.S. GALS.					FUEL U.S. GALS.					FUEL U.S. GALS.									
ALT. S. L.					ALT. S. L.					ALT. S. L.					ALT. S. L.					ALT. S. L.									
420	430	440	450	460	500	510	520	530	540	500	510	520	530	540	500	510	520	530	540	500	510	520	530	540	500	510	520	530	540
370	380	390	400	410	430	440	450	460	470	430	440	450	460	470	430	440	450	460	470	430	440	450	460	470	430	440	450	460	470
320	330	340	350	360	300	310	320	330	340	300	310	320	330	340	300	310	320	330	340	300	310	320	330	340	300	310	320	330	340
270	280	290	300	310	230	240	250	260	270	230	240	250	260	270	230	240	250	260	270	230	240	250	260	270	230	240	250	260	270
170	180	190	200	210	160	170	180	190	200	160	170	180	190	200	160	170	180	190	200	160	170	180	190	200	160	170	180	190	200
70	80	90	100	110	100	110	120	130	140	100	110	120	130	140	100	110	120	130	140	100	110	120	130	140	100	110	120	130	140
20	30	40	50	60	30	40	50	60	70	30	40	50	60	70	30	40	50	60	70	30	40	50	60	70	30	40	50	60	70

**OPERATING DATA**

R.P.M.	I.A.S. KNOTS	MIX-TURE	M.P. IN HG	F.T.	U.S. G.P.M.	T.A.S. KNOTS	R.P.M.	I.A.S. KNOTS	MIX-TURE	M.P. IN HG	F.T.	U.S. G.P.M.	T.A.S. KNOTS	R.P.M.	I.A.S. KNOTS	MIX-TURE	M.P. IN HG	F.T.	U.S. G.P.M.	T.A.S. KNOTS							
2600	220	A.R.	38.3	103	290	290	2400	210	A.R.	33	81	275	275	2300	200	A.R.	34	71	235	230	190	160	170	180	190	200	210
2600	235	A.R.	38.3	109	285	285	2350	220	A.R.	33	81	285	285	2300	205	A.R.	34	71	235	230	190	160	170	180	190	200	210
2600	240	A.R.	38.3	108	275	275	2300	220	A.R.	32	77	255	255	2300	210	A.R.	32	74	245	2280	210	205	195	185	175	165	155
2600	240	A.R.	38.3	106	265	265	2300	220	A.R.	32	74	245	245	2280	210	A.L.	32	69	235	2280	210	205	195	185	175	165	155
2600	245	A.R.	38.3	103	255	255	2300	220	A.R.	33	71	235	235	2280	210	A.L.	33	69	235	2280	210	205	195	185	175	165	155
2600	245	A.R.	38.3	100	245	245	2300	225	A.R.	34	69	225	225	2280	220	A.L.	35	66	220	2280	220	205	195	185	175	165	155
2600	245	A.R.	38.3	96	235	235	2300	230	A.R.	35	68	220	220	2250	225	A.L.	36	65	215	2250	225	205	195	185	175	165	155

① INDICATED ALTITUDE CORRECTED FOR FREE AIR TEMPERATURE.  
 ② ALLOW 10 U.S. GALS. FOR WARM UP.  
 TAKE-OFF AND CLIMB TO 5000 FEET ALTITUDE.  
 RETURN FUEL FLOWS TO TANK.  
 USE FUEL FROM TANKS IN THE FOLLOWING ORDER:  
 REFER TO "SPECIFIC ENGINE FLIGHT CHART" FOR ADDITIONAL ENGINE OPERATION DATA.

**LEGEND**  
 I.A.S.: Indicated Air Speed  
 M.P.: Manifold Pressure (in Hg)  
 U.S.G.P.M.: U.S. Gallons Per Hour  
 F.T.: Feet Thrust  
 S.L.: Sea Level  
 A.R.: Auto Rich  
 A.L.: Auto Lean

Note: AUTO LEAN FOR RPM LESS THAN 2300.

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station. The set is turned off by pushing the button marked "OFF."

(4) REMOTE CONTACTOR.—The contactor is located in the left-hand side of the instrument panel. The contactor, consisting of a switch operated by a clock, serves to switch the transmitter from any of the four voice-modulated bands to the D band, tone modulated for 14 seconds of every minute. The pointer on the face of the contactor indicates when the switching action will take place. This will warn the pilot that speech will NOT be transmitted until the special transmission period is over, at which time the contactor will automatically switch the transmitter back to the band that was being used before and voice transmission may be resumed. In case an urgent message is to be transmitted without interruption, the switch marked "CONTACTOR" on the face of the contactor may be switched to the "OFF" position. The clock switch should never be touched in flight since it is normally set on the ground by the service crew.

c. COMMAND SET SCR-274-N.

(1) DESCRIPTION.—The transmitters of radio set SCR-274-N broadcast throughout the frequency range of 4 to 5.2 megacycles and 7 to 9.1 megacycles; the range of the three receivers is from 3.0 to 9.1 megacycles and 190 to 550 kilocycles. No spare coils are required for either transmitters or receivers.

(2) RECEPTION.—Before starting the engine, proceed as follows: Turn the receiver switch to the "MCW" (modulated continuous wave) position to test reception before the airplane engine is started. See that the frequency range on the dials can be swept through for the chosen position of the tuning unit pointer without encountering the stops on the unit. Plug the headphones into the jack under the receiver control switches. When the tubes are warm, a slight hum should be heard in the headphones to indicate that the receiver is operating. Turn the volume control to the full "INCREASE" position. When the engine is not operating, atmospheric and electrical disturbances are usually heard only at the maximum position of the volume control. Tune in signals by rotating the tuning cranks of the control unit. As the receiver is tuned, adjust the volume control for suitable signal intensity. After the engine has been started, repeat the procedure already outlined and note the noise level and electrical disturbances. If, with the volume control set at maximum in any position of the tuning dial the electrical noise in the headphones is increased, imperfect shielding of the ignition or generator system or difficulty with the voltage regulator of the charging generator is indicated. Under these conditions, only those radio

signals can be satisfactorily received which are of greater intensity than the local disturbances.

(3) TRANSMISSION.—With the receiver switch turned to "MCW" and the transmitter switch turned to "VOICE," plug a microphone into the jack provided under the transmitter switch, and proceed as follows:

(a) Press the switch on the microphone. A click should be heard in the headphones.

(b) Talk into the microphone. Voice sidetone should be heard in the headphones.

(c) Push the transmitter switch to "TONE" and press the microphone switch or the key. A steady tone should be heard in the headphones.

(d) Push the transmitter switch to "CW" and press the microphone switch or the key. A steady tone should be heard in the headphones.

d. RADIO SET SCR-535 (IFF).

(1) The Control box for this equipment is located on the right side of the cockpit adjacent to the pilot's seat. Operation of this equipment is automatic, and the pilot has only to place the "ON-OFF" switch, located on the face of the control unit, in its "ON" position to place the equipment in operation.

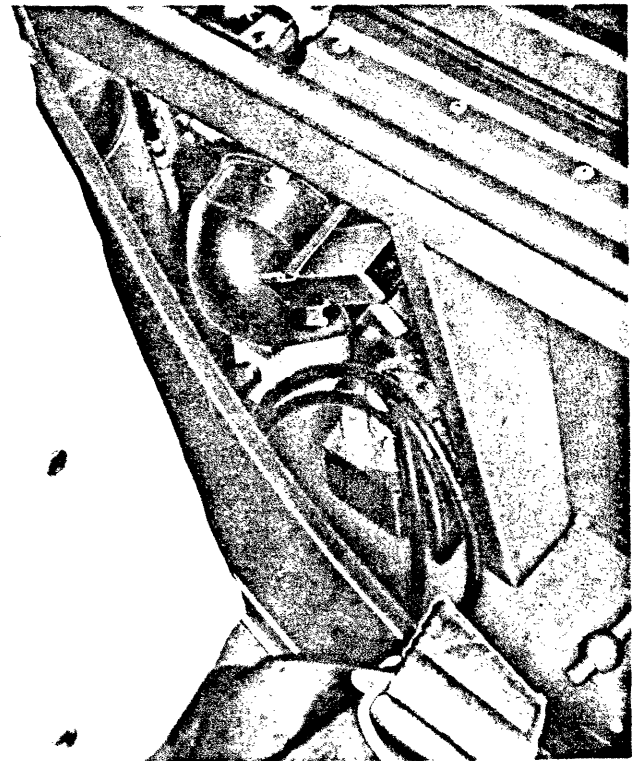


Figure 19—Interaircraft Signal Lamp

(2) A dual push-button switch marked "DANGER" is located on the right side of the cockpit aft of the receiver control box. The purpose of this switch is to destroy the IFF equipment should it be necessary to abandon the airplane over unfriendly territory. When both push buttons are pressed, a detonator is set off in the receiver which will destroy the receiver internally. No damage to the airplane will result at the time of destruction of the IFF set.

#### NOTE

Regeneration adjustment of the IFF set must be made on the ground prior to flight to ensure correct operation of the equipment.

*e.* INTERAIRCRAFT SIGNAL LAMP.—Provisions have been made for the stowage of a type AN-3089 quick signalling lamp for signalling from one airplane to another without using the radio equipment. A sight on top of the lamp permits more accurate control of the direction of the signal beam. Four snap-on filters are provided to control the color of the light beam. The filters are usually stowed in the map case.

## 2. GUNNERY EQUIPMENT.

*a.* GUNS.—The airplane is equipped with four fixed .50-caliber machine guns, two in the leading edge of each wing. The maximum ammunition allotment is 280 rounds for the rear ammunition compartments and 350 rounds for the front compartments. The guns are adjusted horizontally and vertically so that the fire converges with the line of sight at 300 yards. The guns are manually charged prior to flight. All guns fire simultaneously. To fire the guns, lift the gun and camera safety switch, located on the armament control panel, to "GUNS AND CAMERA" and depress the trigger switch on the control stick grip. The gun heaters, one in each gun compartment, operate when the heater switch, located on the armament control panel, is lifted to "ON." The switch should never be on during take-off or landing, and should be turned to "OFF" when firing the guns.

*b.* GUN SIGHTS.—An optical gun sight and auxiliary ring-and-bead sight are provided. The sights are adjusted so that the line of sight is parallel to the center line of the airplane and to the flight path of the airplane at 87 percent of maximum indicated air speed in level flight. To operate the optical gun sight lamp and to regulate the light intensity of the reticle image on the gun sight reflector, turn the gun sight rheostat, located on the right side of the pilot's switch panel, to "ON." The initial movement of the rheostat turns on the lamp and further rotation of the rheostat toward "ON" increases the light

intensity. The sunscreen forward of the reflector may be swung in front of the reflector to reduce sun glare. In the event of malfunctioning of the optical gun sight, the auxiliary gun sight may be used. The bead sight may be installed on the fire wall forward of the cockpit. It is necessary to remove the ring sight from the stowage clips under the right side of the instrument panel glare shield, and install it in the mounting socket located on the windshield frame to the right of the rearview mirror. This is done by pulling out the spring-loaded plunger of the socket, inserting the stem of the ring sight into the socket, then releasing the plunger so that it engages with the stem and holds the sight in position.

*c.* GUN CAMERA.—Provisions for a type N-1 or AN-N4 gun camera are located in the leading edge of the left wing inboard of the gun bay. The camera is adjusted to converge with the line of sight of the gun sight at 300 yards. To operate the camera simultaneously with the guns, lift the gun and camera safety switch on the lower left side of the instrument panel to the "GUNS AND CAMERA" position, and depress the trigger switch on the control stick grip. To operate the camera without firing the guns, place the gun and camera safety switch in the "CAMERA" position and depress the trigger switch. When through photographing, place the gun and camera safety switch in the "OFF" position.

#### NOTE

Should the temperature drop, the heaters in the camera body will function automatically. Therefore, it is always necessary to have the safety switch in the "OFF" position when the camera is not in use.

## 3. BOMBING EQUIPMENT.

Each wing is equipped with an external bomb rack designed to carry one 100-pound, one 250-pound, one 300-pound, or one 500-pound bomb. The bombs are released simultaneously, either manually or electrically, in the safe or armed condition. The bomb control handle, located on the forward left side of the cockpit, is provided with three positions: aft "LOCK" (locked), center "SEL" (selective), and forward "SALVO." To disengage the bomb control handle from either the locked or selective position, it is necessary to push down on the button on the top of the control handle. An antisalvo guard is provided to prevent accidental release of the bombs.

*a.* INOPERATIVE POSITION OF CONTROLS.—When not in use, the controls shall be positioned as follows:

(1) Bomb control handle in "LOCK" with anti-salvo guard down.

- (2) Bomb safety switch "OFF."
- (3) Nose and tail arming switches "OFF."
- (4) Bomb support hooks closed when bombs are not to be carried.

**b. RELEASE OF BOMBS.**

The NORMAL release of bombs shall be accomplished as follows:

- (a) Move the bomb control handle to "SELECTIVE."
  - (b) Position the nose and tail arming switches as desired.
  - (c) Turn the bomb safety switch "ON."
  - (d) Press bomb release switch.
  - (e) Move controls to inoperative position.
- (2) The ALTERNATE release of bombs should be

used when the NORMAL release has failed to drop bombs. This release shall be accomplished as follows:

(a) Position nose and tail arming switches as desired.

(b) Hinge the antisalvo guard upward and move the bomb control handle to the extreme forward or "SALVO" position.

1. For the EMERGENCY release of bombs, or if it is desired to release bombs in a safe condition, as in the case of a landing, the electrical control must be "OFF"; then hinge the antisalvo guard upward and move the bomb control handle to the extreme forward or "SALVO" position.

2. The optical gun sight may be used as an auxiliary bomb sight. The bombs may be released when the airplane is in any attitude of flight from a 30-degree climb to a vertical dive.

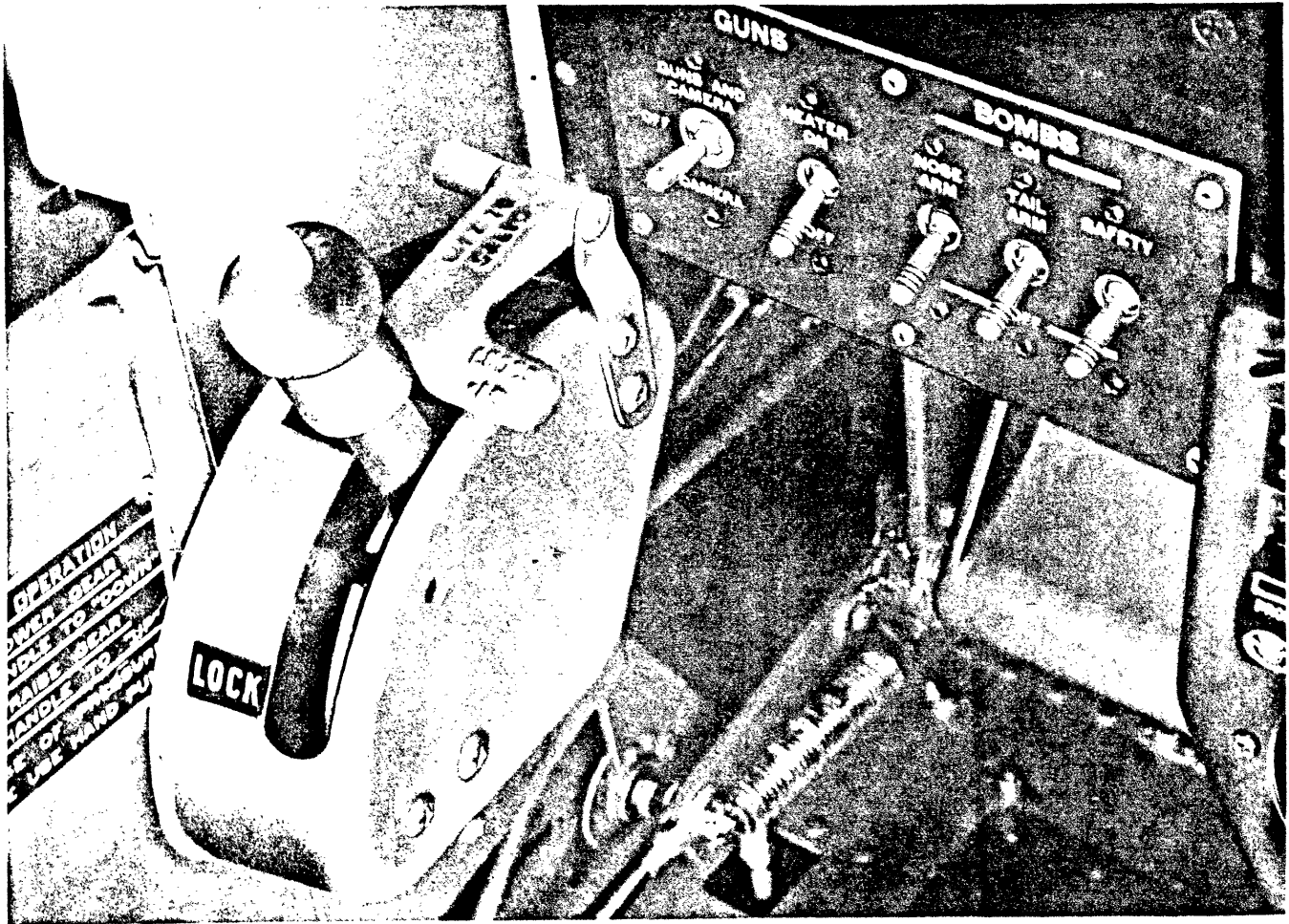


Figure 20—Bomb Controls



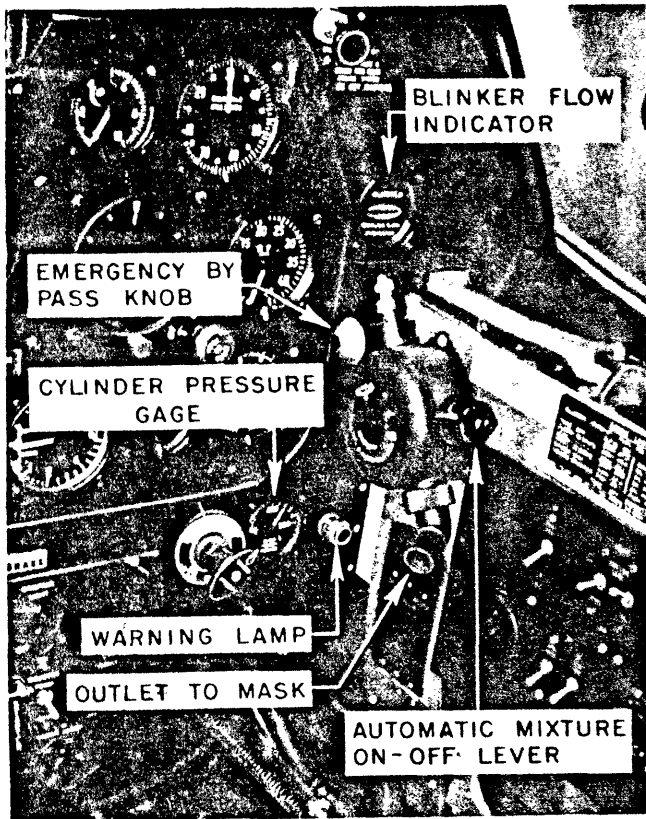


Figure 21—Oxygen Equipment

**CAUTION**

To prevent either bomb from falling into the propeller, do not release the bombs when side-slipping more than 5 degrees in a vertical dive. DO NOT land with large bombs installed. The landing gear was not designed to handle the extra weight. Obviously, careful landings on concrete runways with heavy overloads may be made successfully. But the penalties of faulty judgment or technique should be carefully considered.

**4. OXYGEN EQUIPMENT.**

a. DESCRIPTION.—The oxygen system consists of two type D-2 low-pressure oxygen cylinders mounted in the fuselage aft of the radio compartment, a type A-12 demand regulator, a cylinder pressure gage, low-pressure warning signal, and a flow indicator. Masks types A-9, A-9A, or A-10 may be used.

**DANGER**

If oxygen comes in contact with oil or any material containing oil, spontaneous combustion and explosion are certain to occur. Every precaution must be observed to keep oil, grease, and all

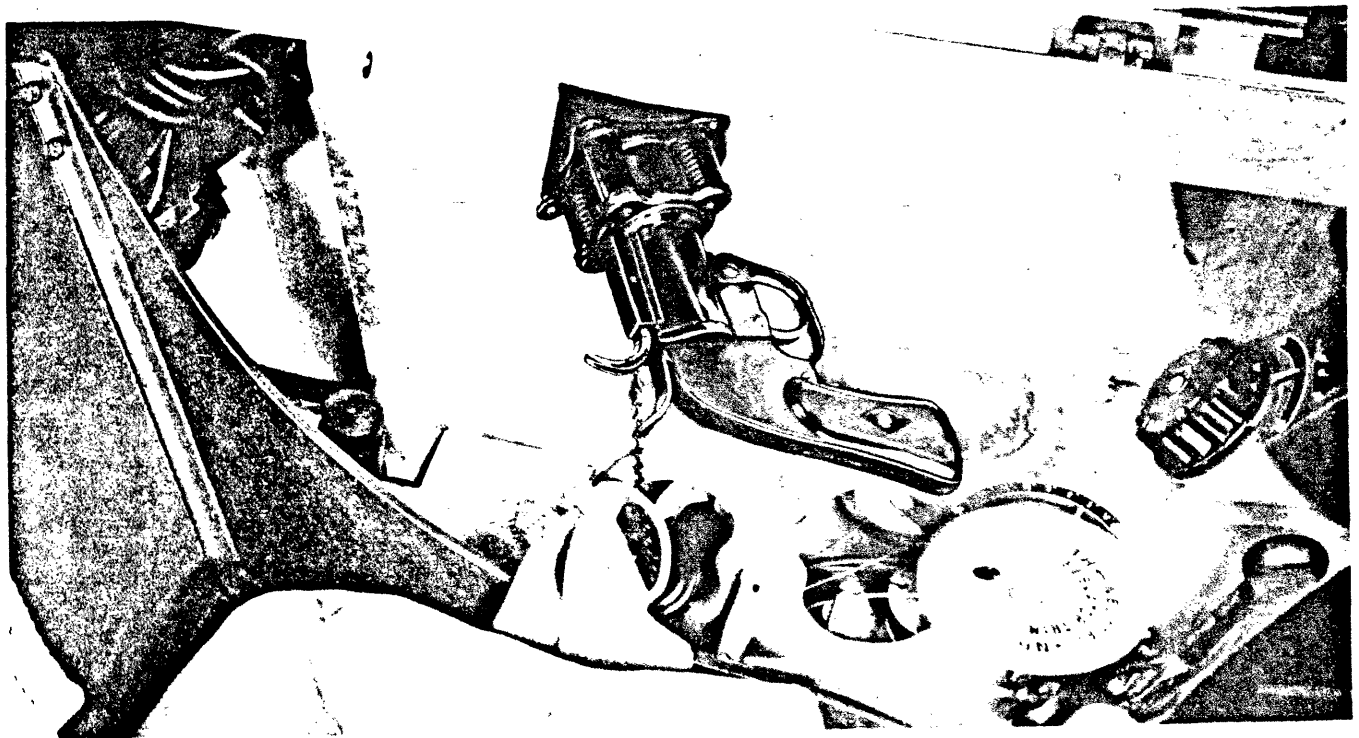


Figure 22—Pyrotechnic Pistol Mounted For Firing

readily combustible materials well away from all oxygen apparatus.

b. USE.—The A-12 demand-type regulator, mounted in the forward right-hand corner of the pilot's cockpit, normally requires no adjustment; the mixing of air and oxygen and the compensation for change in altitude is fully automatic. Should the pilot desire pure oxygen, the automatic mixture lever at the side of the case should be turned to the "OFF" position and no air will enter the regulator mixing chamber. The red emergency knob on the front of the regulator is turned on only in the event of failure of the regulator mechanism. With the emergency knob "ON," oxygen is then supplied at a normal fixed rate of flow. With the automatic mixture lever set in the "ON" position, the mask may be worn and connected at any altitude. Only air will flow until oxygen becomes necessary.

c. INDICATORS.—A blinker indicator on the instrument panel operates while the mask is being used which indicates proper functioning of the system. When the pressure of the cylinders drops to the danger point (100 pounds per square inch), a signal lamp on the instrument panel is illuminated. The normal full pressure of the system is 365 pounds per square inch. Make certain that the cylinder pressure gage on the instrument panel shows sufficient oxygen supply for the mission before take-off.

#### PRECAUTION

The construction of the type A-9, A-9A, and A-10 oxygen masks is of such nature that they will not stand abuse; consequently, it is imperative that masks be properly stored or hung up in the airplane when not in use. Care should be exercised to prevent the mask being exposed to sunlight, as this causes rapid deterioration of the rubber in the masks.

#### 5. PYROTECHNICS.

The airplane is equipped with an M-8 pyrotechnic flare pistol which is stowed in a bracket on the floor at the left side of the pilot's seat. For firing the pistol a mount is provided on the side of the fuselage to the left of the

pilot's seat. Six flares are stowed in a canvas container just behind the left side of the pilot's seat. To insert a flare in the pistol, pull on the lower handle above the barrel and break it in the same manner as an ordinary revolver. The pistol may be loaded while it is in the firing mount. When the upper handle on the barrel is pulled, the pistol is released from the firing mount.

#### 6. AUXILIARY FUEL TANKS.

Provisions are made for carrying either an auxiliary 75-gallon capacity combat fuel tank, or a 150-gallon capacity ferrying fuel tank attached to each wing bomb rack. The combat tanks are to be used for special extended long-range scouting or combat missions, and the ferrying tanks are to be used for ferrying purposes. Both type tanks are droppable simultaneously by placing the bomb control handle, located at the left side of the cockpit, in the "SALVO" position. An alternate means of releasing the tanks is by setting the bomb control in the "SELECTIVE" position, placing the safety switch in the "ON" position, and pressing the bomb release button at the top of the pilot's control stick. When auxiliary tanks are installed, fuel from these tanks shall be used when cruising flight is established.

#### WARNING

It requires approximately 10 seconds for the fuel from the second auxiliary tank to reach the engine after the fuel from the tank first used has been depleted.

A separate selector valve control for the auxiliary tanks is located on a pedestal to the right and forward of the control stick. Fuel gages are not provided for the auxiliary tanks.

#### IMPORTANT

In case a forced landing is necessary, the tanks should be dropped prior to landing, if time permits. This is still true in the event of a forced landing on water. The tanks may not be used for flotation purposes.

## APPENDIX 1

## U. S. A. - BRITISH GLOSSARY

<i>American Terminology</i>	<i>British Terminology</i>
1. AIRFOIL .....	AEROFOIL
2. AIRPLANE .....	AEROPLANE
3. ARMOR .....	ARMOUR
4. BATTERY .....	ACCUMULATOR
5. CALIBER .....	CALIBRE
6. CARBURETOR .....	CARBURETTOR
7. CENTER .....	CENTRE
8. COCKPIT ENCLOSURE (CANOPY).....	COCKPIT HOOD
9. CONTROL STICK .....	CONTROL COLUMN
10. EMPENNAGE .....	TAIL UNIT
11. FIRE WALL .....	FIREPROOF BULKHEAD
12. HORIZONTAL STABILIZER.....	TAIL PLANE
13. LANDING GEAR.....	UNDERCARRIAGE
14. LEFT .....	PORT
15. LEFT WING .....	PORT MAIN PLANE
16. LINES .....	PIPES
17. MANEUVER .....	MANOEUVRE
18. MANIFOLD PRESSURE .....	BOOST
19. SHOCK STRUT.....	OLEO LEG
20. NOSE-OVER STRUCTURE.....	OVERTURNING PYLON
21. PROPELLER .....	AIRSCREW
22. RADIO .....	WIRELESS
23. RIGHT .....	STARBOARD
24. RIGHT WING .....	STARBOARD MAIN PLANE
25. SURFACE CONTROL LOCK.....	LOCKING GEAR
26. SURFACE CONTROLS .....	FLYING CONTROLS
27. TRIM TABS.....	TRIMMING FLAPS OR TABS
28. VERTICAL STABILIZER.....	FIN
29. WING .....	MAIN PLANE
30. WING TIPS.....	PLANE TIPS