



Shown with Cessna's Army-Navy "E" award flag are from left to right: Flight Lieutenant W.J. McGrandle, Royal Canadian Air Force, Dwane L. Wallace, President of Cessna Aircraft Company, Colonel Ray G. Harris, head of the Midwest Procurement District, Lieutenant Colonel Arthur H. Denison, Lieutenant Standish Hall and Captain G.T. Chadwell. Cessna received four more "E" awards before war's end. (Cessna)



Cessna Sensations

The Cessna Aircraft Company production line in Wichita, Kansas was known as “A headache for Hitler.” These Cessna Bobcats were used to train bomber pilots for the big B-24 and B-17 bombers used in Europe and the Far East. The planes rolled off the assembly line 24 hours a day and delivered multi-engine experience to thousands of pilots. (Cessna)



Cessna's Front Line Dispatcher, the Loadmaster as it was called by its designers, was photographed while undergoing factory flight tests at Wichita, Kansas. Designed to operate from small fields, it would enable the dispatching of men into actual battle areas. The Army signed a Letter of Intent to purchase 500 C-106s. The Army cancelled the order and the prototype before the war ended when the Army decided to use planes from Douglas and Curtiss. (Cessna)

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FOUR TIMES AROUND THE WORLD IN A CESSNA

Approximately 100,000 miles or four times around the world without incident of any kind is the outstanding record achieved by the Cessna Employees Flying Club since it was organized a year ago.

The use of modern, safe planes combined with proper training, observance of regulations and safe flying practices are responsible for this very good record. Statistics show that nearly all accidents are unnecessarily caused by pilot error and could have been avoided if the pilot had complied with safe flying techniques and regulations.

The C.E.F.C. offers its members more than just "around the airport Sunday flying". A large number of members have contracts for flying covering many states in the Union. Members having relatives or friends within a radius of 100-500 miles of Wichita often plan a Saturday night at their home and return to Wichita Sunday morning so other members may use the planes on Sunday.

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The Club also offers its members instruction in night flying and instrument training so that the planes may be used more hours of the day.

Operating under a limited non-profit corporation charter, the Club provides very economical flying for its members. A round trip to Kansas City, for instance, can be made for as little as \$10.00, and recently two of the members went to Los Angeles on a week-end at a cost of approximately \$66.00 each.

The Club owns two 1947 Cessna 120's and operates off the Wichita Municipal Airport. It was organized for the benefit of Cessna employees and to promote and encourage personal flying. From its original membership of nine, it has grown to its present size of thirty-eight members. The membership is made up of flyers varying from students with no time upon entry into the Club to pilots with commercial and instrument ratings.

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