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LIAISON PILOT'S

LIFE DURING COMBAT

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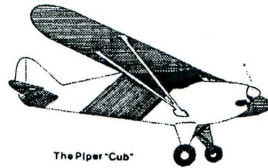
PERSONAL EXPERIENCE OF A LIAISON PILOT

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Awarded Air Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters for Meritorious Service in Action

From Field Artillery to Military Police How and Why



There are those who may wonder why a Military Police Officer would be the author of a story about a WWII Field Artillery Liaison Pilot ---- here's how and why:

The war in Europe was over and most everyone was heading home to the U.S. via one of the re-deployment depots. My Piper Cub and I ended up at Camp St. Louis near Reims, France. The Provost Marshal – MP Command Headquarters – was at Reims and some smart staff officer there came up with the idea of using me, my plane, and an observer to fly over wooded areas looking for stolen or abandoned US government vehicles and to observe and report on vehicle traffic problems and refugee movements. All were major problems of the time.

I was assigned to the Provost Marshal – MP Command – at Reims and my MP career began. I liked the Corps and enjoyed the work so when I returned to the U.S. in 1947 to attend MP school, I made a formal request for change of branch of service from Field Artillery to the MP Corps. This request was granted.

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