

Ralph Elston Feeds Gas to Bomber

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Mrs. Paul Dodd, residing five miles south of Newton, is in receipt of a photograph (above) of her nephew Ralph Elston, who is serving as private First Class in the United States Air Service at McClellan Field, California. He is shown refueling a ship on the line before it is taken into the hanger for a 25-hour check. Ralph enlisted in the air corps as a mechanic in July, 1941 and received his preliminary training at Chanute Field, near Rantoul, Ill. He writes his aunt that he likes life in the air corps and enjoys reading the Mentor-Democrat each week.