

# BOMBARDIER

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Recently commissioned a full-fledged bombardier at Childress Army Air Field, Lieut. William L. Mineo, 25 is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert T. Mineo of 216 West Curtis St., Newton.

An oil field "roughneck" in civilian life, Lieut. Mineo served for seven months in the Coast Artillery as an enlisted man before starting his training to become a "Hell from Heaven Man."

At this big bombardier school on the Childress Army Air Field, on the Texas Panhandle, Lieut. Mineo learned the art of dropping "eggs" with America's most deadly precision weapon, the Norden bombsight. Flying on day and night practice missions over 5,400 square miles of target ranges, he became intimately acquainted with the sight, an expert in day and night, low and high altitude bombing.

It is around key men like Lieut. Mineo that the Army Air Forces has built its precision bombing teams, the teams are now cracking the last bastions of Axis fortresses all over the world.