

Richards, John W.

**F. O. John W. Richards
Assigned to Mellaha,
Air Base in Africa**

Flight Officer John W. Richards, son of Mr. and Mrs. William N. Richards, 533 Third Avenue, is a pilot assigned to the beautiful new Mellaha Air Base, in the North African Division of the Air Transport Command. JUN 7 1945

As a member of this headquarters, Richards is vital in the vast job undertaken to shift the forces from Europe to the United States, flying around - the - clock, all-year, all-weather route to Europe, Russia and the Middle and Far East.

Overseas several months, he has visited the colorful African city of Casablanca and is now stationed within a short drive of Tripoli, key African port.

In preparing for his current assignment he received training at Reno, Nevada, Michigan and Tennessee. Prior to entering the Armed Forces, he graduated from Columbia High School and was employed by the Army Exchange Service at Camp Croft, S. C. His wife, Dorothy, lives in this city.

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