



Forerunners of the Curtiss "Hawks", PW-8's of the 28th and 95th Pursuit Sqdns. on winter maneuvers at Selfridge Field, about 1927. Photo - Wright Field No. 25330.

CURTISS "HAWKS" IN THE ARMY

PART 2

by ROBERT L. CAVANAGH

P-1E

27-238	9-27	43rd Sch	25	Kelly	9-29, 2-30	Surveyed 4-32 as P-1E
27-239	7-27	43rd Sch	28	Kelly	11-29, 12-31	Wrecked 12-31 as P-1E
27-240	8-27	43rd Sch	26	Kelly	5-29, 10-29	Surveyed 4-32 as P-1E
27-242	8-27	43rd Sch	27	Kelly	4-31	
		43rd Sch	24	Kelly	8-31	
		43rd Sch	42	Kelly	3-32	Surveyed 8-32 as P-1E

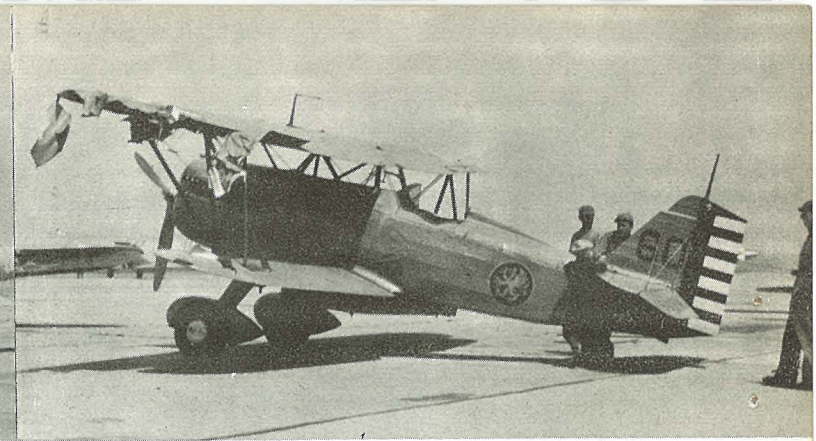
Note: AT-5 delivery date shown. Service usage as P-1E's on dates indicated.

P-5

27-327	1-28	Mat. Div.	P-502	Wright	1-29	Wrecked 1-29 as XP-5
27-238	2-28					Wrecked 2-28 as P-5
27-327	4-28			Mitchel	5-28	Wrecked 5-28 as P-5
27-33-	3-28	94th Pur	30	Selfridge	4-30	Class 25 4-32 as P-5
27-331	6-28	94th Pur	31	Selfridge	6-30	Class 25 4-32 as P-5

P-1F

28-42	6-28	43rd Sch	31	Kelly	8-33	Surveyed 10-33 as ZP-1F
28-43	6-26	43rd Sch	36	Kelly	9-30	Surveyed 6-39 as ZP-1F
28-44	7-28	43rd Sch	27	Kelly	12-34	Surveyed 2-35 as ZP-1F
28-46	7-28	A.C. Det.	33	Bolling	8-30	
		43rd Sch	47	Kelly	3-33	
		43rd Sch	25	Kelly	4-35	Surveyed 7-36 as ZP-1F
28-47	7-28	A.C. Det.	32	Bolling	12-29	
		43rd Sch	37	Kelly	7-33	Surveyed 8-33 as ZP-1F
28-48	8-28	43rd Pur	26	Kelly	12-35	Surveyed 7-36 as ZP-1F
28-49	7-28					Surveyed 12-35 as ZP-1F
28-50	7-28	43rd Sch	30	Kelly	10-30, 10-32	Surveyed 7-36 as ZP-1F
28-51	8-28	43rd Sch	34	Kelly	5-31	Wrecked 5-31 as P-1F
28-53	8-28	43rd Sch	37	Kelly	8-32	Wrecked 10-32 as P-1F
28-55	8-28	43rd Sch	42	Kelly	9-32, 1-33	Surveyed 4-33 as P-1F



Upper left - P-6E's of the 17th Pursuit Sqdn. Nos. AC 32-272 and 32-268. Photo - R.L. Cavanagh.

Upper right - P-6E, AC 32-253, with 2nd Wing, GHQ Air Force markings. Photo - Cavanagh.

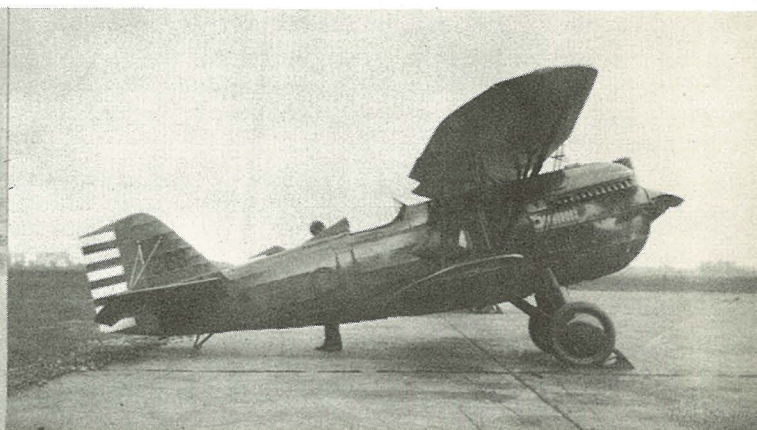
Left - P-6E, AC 32-254, of 17th Pursuit Sqdn. Photo - Carson Seeley.

Below left - P-6E, AC 32-268 marked as 3rd Base Hq. and Air Base Sqdn, GHQ Air Force. Photo - Seeley.

Below right - P-6E, AC 32-274, of 33rd Pursuit Sqdn. Photo - Seeley.

Bottom left - XP-6D. Photo - Wright Field.

Bottom right - P-6A, AC 29-268, of 17th Pusuit Sqdn. Photo - Seeley.



28-56	8028	A.C. Det.	39	Bolling	3-30, 12-30	
		43rd Sch	59	Kelly	8-32, 9-32	Surveyed 11-32 as P-1F
28-57	8-28	43rd Sch	40	Kelly	8-30	Surveyed 11-34 as ZP-1F
28-58	8-28	43rd Sch	29	Kelly	8-30	Surveyed 9-33 as P-1F
28-59	8-28	43rd Sch	32	Kelly	8-31 - 12-31	
		43rd Sch	41	Kelly	3-33, 9-33	Surveyed 11-33 as ZP-1F
28-60	8-28	43rd Sch	31	Kelly	7-30	Wrecked 7-30 as P-1F
28-61	8-28	A.C.T.S.		Langley	7-30	Wrecked 7-30 as P-1F
28-62	9-28	43rd Sch	44	Kelly	7-32	
		43rd Sch	39	Kelly	11-33	Surveyed 11-33 as ZP-1F
28-63	8-28	43rd Sch	43	Kelly	5-33	Surveyed 5-34 as ZP-1F
28-64	8-28	43rd Sch	33	Kelly	9-31, 11-31	Surveyed 12-33 as ZP-1F
28-66	8-28	A.C.T.S.	8	Langley	10-30	
		43rd Sch	51	Kelly	3-32	Wrecked 3-32 as P-1F
28-70	9-28	43rd Sch		Kelly	11-33	Surveyed 5-34 as ZP-1F
28-71	9-28	A.C.T.S.	9	Langley	6-30	Wrecked 6-30 as P-1F
28-72	10-28	A.C.T.S.	10	Langley	6-30	
		43rd Sch	38	Kelly	2-33	Wrecked 2-33 as P-1F

Note: AT-5A delivery date shown. Service usage as P-1F and ZP-1F on dates indicated.

P-3A

28-189	10-28					Surveyed 5-34 as ZP-1F
28-190	10-28	57th Ser		Selfridge	6-31	Wrecked 6-31 as P-3A
28-191	10-28	94th Pur	1	Selfridge	11-28	
		94th Pur	91	Selfridge	6-29, 9-29	
		57th Ser	91	Selfridge	7-30, 8-30	Class 25 8-32 as P-3A
28-192	10-28	94th Pur	2	Selfridge	12-28	Wrecked 12-28 as P-3A
28-193	10-28	94th Pur	3	Selfridge	12-28	Wrecked 12-28 as P-3A

P-1C

29-227	1-29	Mat. Div.	P-537	Wright	2-29 to 9-29	Wrecked 9-29 as P-1C
29-228	1-29	17th Pur	201	Selfridge	11-29, 1-30	Surveyed 7-34 as P-1C
29-229	2-29	17th Pur	29	Selfridge	12-29, 7-30	
		43rd Sch	56	Kelly	7-33	Wrecked 7-33 as P-1C
29-230	2-29	43rd Sch	46	Kelly	9-32, 5-34	Wrecked 5-34 as P-1C
29-231	2-29	43rd Sch	19	Kelly	3-32	Surveyed 4-34 as P-1C
29-232	2-29	43rd Sch	55	Kelly	9-33	Wrecked 9-33 as P-1C
29-233	2-29					Wrecked 2-29 as P-1C
29-234	2-29					Surveyed 7-34 as P-1C
29-235	2-29	17th Pur	35	Selfridge	6-29	
		27th Pur		Selfridge	7-30	
		43rd Sch	44	Kelly	3-33	
		43rd Sch	36	Kelly	4-34, 5-34	Wrecked 5-34 as P-1C
29-236	2-29	17th Pur	36	Selfridge	1-30	
		27th Pur	36	Selfridge	5-30	Wrecked 5-30 as P-1C
29-237	2-29	27th Pur	4	Selfridge	10-29	
		43rd Sch	58	Kelly	6-32, 10-32	Wrecked 10-32 as P-1C
29-238	2-29	17th Pur	38	Selfridge	3-29, 9-29	
		ACTS Det.	49	Chanute	4-33	Wrecked 4-33 as P-1C
29-239	2-29	17th Pur	39	Selfridge	2-30, 8-30	
		43rd Sch	27	Kelly	7-32, 7-33	Surveyed 7-36 as ZP-1C
29-240	2-29	17th Pur	40	Selfridge	3-29, 7-29	
		27th Pur	40	Selfridge	4-30	
		43rd Sch	29	Kelly	6-32	
		43rd Sch	37	Kelly	11-32, 5-33	Wrecked 7-33 as P-1C
29-241	2-29	17th Pur	41	Selfridge	6-29	Wrecked 6-29 as P-1C
29-242	2-29	17th Pur	42	Selfridge	1-30	Wrecked 1-30 as P-1C
29-243	3-29	17th Pur	43	Selfridge	5-29, 1-30	
		27th Pur	43	Selfridge	8-31	
		ACTS Det.	48	Chanute	9-32	Wrecked 9-32 as P-1C
29-244	3-29	27th Pur		Selfridge	4-30	
		94th Pur	44	Selfridge	3-31	
		43rd Sch	40	Kelly	11-32	Surveyed 5-34 as P-1C
29-245	3-29	94th Pur	45	Selfridge	4-30	
		43rd Sch	18	Kelly	2-32	Wrecked 2-32 as P-1C
29-246	3-29	94th Pur	46	Selfridge	7-29	Wrecked 7-29 as P-1C
29-247	3-29	ACTS Det.	48	Chanute	3-31, 7-31	
		43rd Sch	45	Kelly	4-32	Wrecked 4-32 as P-1C
29-248	3-29	57th Ser	48	Selfridge	8-30	
		47th Sch	604	Randolph	12-32	
		43rd Sch	54	Kelly	1-33	
		43rd Sch	58	Kelly	4-33	
		43rd Sch	42	Kelly	9-33	Wrecked 9-33 as P-1C
29-249	3-29	94th Pur	49	Selfridge	6-29	
		43rd Sch	37	Kelly	4-34	Wrecked 4-34 as P-1C

29-250		94th Pur	50	Selfridge	9-29	Surveyed 8-32 as P-1C
29-251	3-29					
29-252	3-29	27th Pur	5	Selfridge	11-29	
		43rd Sch	28	Kelly	10-32	Wrecked 10-32 as P-1C
29-253	3-29	43rd Sch	34	Kelly	10-32, 11-32	
		43rd Sch	38	Kelly	7-33	Wrecked 7-33 as P-1C
29-254	3-29	94th Pur	54	Selfridge	3-29	
		43rd Sch	59	Kelly	12-32, 4-33	Surveyed 3-34 as P-1C
29-255	3-29	43rd Sch	55	Kelly	10-32	
		43rd Sch	42	Kelly	5-33	Wrecked 5-33 as P-1C
29-256	3-29	43rd Sch	45	Kelly	5-33	Wrecked 5-33 as P-1C
29-257	3-29	94th Pur	57	Selfridge	1-30	Surveyed 5-34 as P-1C
29-258	4-29	94th Pur	58	Selfridge	11-29	
		27th Pur	58	Selfridge	10-30	
		47th Sch	694	Randolph	1-33	
		43rd Sch	38	Kelly	5-34	Wrecked 5-34 as P-1C
29-259	4-29					Class 25 12-31 as XP-6B

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29-260	10-29	Fly Br.	XP-580	Wright	11-29	As P-6
		FAD		Patterson	8-36	Wrecked 8-36 as P-6A
29-261	11-29	27th Pur		Selfridge	11-29	Wrecked 11-29 as P-6
29-262	12-29	17th Pur	262	Selfridge	2-33	Wrecked 2-33 as P-6A
29-263	12-29	17th Pur	263	Selfridge	12-33	Wrecked 12-33 as P-6A
29-264	12-29	36th Pur	264	Selfridge	10-31	As P-6A
		17th Pur	264	Selfridge	8-32	As P-6A
		ASSC		Selfridge	8-35	Class 25 10-35 as P-6A
29-265	12-29	36th Pur	265	Selfridge	2-32	Wrecked 2-32 as P-6A
29-266	12-29	37th Pur	77	Langley	8-34	Wrecked 8-34 as P-6D
29-267	12-29	36th Pur	267	Selfridge	12-31	Wrecked 12-31 as P-6A
29-268	12-29	17th Pur	268	Selfridge	11-32	Wrecked 11-32 as P-6A
29-269	3-30	36th Pur	269	Selfridge	11-30	As P-6
		37th Pur	79	Langley	2-34	As P-6D
		56th Ser	69	Selfridge	2-36	Surveyed 12-37 as P-6D
29-270	3-30	37th Att	73	Langley	6-35	Wrecked 6-35 as P-6D
29-271	11-30	36th Pur	71	Selfridge	9-31	As P-6
		56th Ser	1	Selfridge	5-36	Wrecked 5-36 as P-6D
29-272	11-30	1st Sch	12	Chanute	12-36	Wrecked 12-36 as P-6D
29-273	11-30	37th Att	74	Langley		As P-6D
		1st Sch	11	Chanute	2-37	Wrecked 3-37 as P-6D
29-363	11-30	37th Pur	70	Langley	10-33	Wrecked 10-33 as P-6D
29-364	11-30					Surveyed 4-38 as P-6D
29-365	11-30	37th Pur	73	Langley	1-34	Wrecked 1-34 as P-6D
29-366	12-30	36th Pur	66	Selfridge	9-31	As P-6
		37th Att	72	Langley	7-35	Wrecked 7-35 as P-6D
29-367	11-30	37th Pur	71	Langley	4-34	As P-6D
						Surveyed 11-37 as P-6D
29-368	11-30	37th Att	70	Langley	1-35	As P-6D
						Surveyed 11-37 as P-6D

Note: P-6 delivery date shown.

P - 6E

32-233	12-31					FLY SCH CAL I 7-39 as XP-6H
32-234	1-32	17th Pur	34	Selfridge	5-33	AERO SCH OKL 6-39 as P-6E
32-235	1-32					NYA ALGERS V 6-39 as P-6E
32-236	1-32	17th Pur	36	Selfridge	2-34	Wrecked 2-34 as P-6E
32-237	1-32	33rd Pur	22	Langley	12-33	Wrecked 12-33 as P-6E
32-238	1-32	17th Pur	38	Selfridge		
		33rd Pur	28	Langley	9-34	Wrecked 9-34 as P-6E
32-239	1-32					FLY SCH CAL I 7-39 as P-6E
32-240	1-32	17th Pur	40	Selfridge	9-34	Missing 11-34 as P-6E
32-241	1-32	94th Pur	41	Selfridge	6-32	Wrecked 6-32 as P-6E
32-242	2-32	17th Pur	42	Selfridge	1-34	
		33rd Pur	24	Langley	10-35	Wrecked 10-35 as P-6E
32-243	1-32	94th Pur	43	Selfridge	6-32	Wrecked 6-32 as P-6E
32-244	1-32	17th Pur	44	Selfridge	7-33	Wrecked 7-33 as P-6E
32-245	1-32	94th Pur	45	Selfridge	3-32	
		33rd Pur	20	Langley	4-35	Wrecked 4-35 as P-6E
32-246	1-32	17th Pur	46	Selfridge	8-32, 3-34	Wrecked 7-37 as P-6E
32-247	1-32	33rd Pur	18	Langley	5-35	NYA ALABAMA 7-39 as P-6E
32-248	1-32	17th Pur	48	Selfridge	10-35	AVI SCH TEX 7-39 as P-6E
32-249	2-32	94th Pur	49	Selfridge	4-32	Wrecked 4-32 as P-6E
32-250	2-32	17th Pur	50	Selfridge	5-32	Wrecked 5-32 as P-6E
32-251	2-32	8th Grp	5	Langley	11-35	Wrecked 11-35 as P-6E
32-252	2-32	17th Pur	52	Selfridge	1-34	
		36th Pur	50	Langley	7-36	Wrecked 8-37 as P-6E

A.C. NO	DATE DEL.	SQUADRON	NO.	STATION	DATE	REMARKS
32-253	2-32	94th Pur	53	Selfridge	4-32	
		2nd Wg.	60	Bolling	4-37	CU TECH INST 7-39 as P-6E
32-254	2-32	17th Pur	54	Selfridge		ASF ABERDEEN 6-39 as P-6E
32-255	2-32	94th Pur	55	Selfridge	2-32	Wrecked 2-32 as P-6E
32-256	2-32	17th Pur	56	Selfridge	10-34	ALA INS AERO 7-39 as P-6E
32-257	2-32	94th Pur	57	Selfridge	3-32	Surveyed 5-32 as P-6E
32-258	2-32	17th Pur	58	Selfridge	5-33	Wrecked 5-33 as P-6E
32-259	2-32	94th Pur	59	Selfridge	4-32	Wrecked 4-32 as P-6E
32-260	2-32	17th Pur	60	Selfridge	8-32	Wrecked 8-32 as P-6E
32-261	2-32					NYA TAMPA FL 9-39 as P-6E
32-262	2-32	17th Pur	62	Selfridge		FLY SCH NEBR 7-39 as P-6E
32-263	2-32	94th Pur	63	Selfridge	4-32	NYA VIRGINIA 6-39 as P-6E
32-264	2-32					AERO SCH CHI 7-39 as P-6E
32-265	2-32					NYA GEORGIA 8-39 as P-6E
32-266	2-32	17th Pur	66	Selfridge		PARKS COLLEGE 7-39 as P-6E
32-267	2-32	94th Pur	67	Selfridge	5-32	
		17th Pur	67	Selfridge	9-32	Wrecked 9-32 as P-6E
32-268	2-32	17th Pur	68	Selfridge	8-32	NYA TENN 6-39 as P-6E
32-269	2-32	33rd Pur	26	Langley	12-33	Wrecked 12-33 as P-6E
32-270	2-32	17th Pur	70	Selfridge	4-34	Wrecked 4-34 as P-6E
32-271	2-32	33rd Pur	23	Langley	11-33	
		33rd Pur	25	Langley	9-34	
		33rd Pur	21	Langley	5-35	Wrecked 5-35 as P-6E
32-272	2-32	94th Pur	72	Selfridge	1-35	NYA NAV STA 5-39 as P-6E
32-273	3-32	37th Pur		Langley	12-33	Wrecked 12-33 as P-6E
32-274	3-32	17th Pur	74	Selfridge		
		33rd Pur	28	Langley	5-35	NYA VIRGINIA 6-39 as P-6E
32-275	3-32	94th Pur	75	Selfridge	4-32	Wrecked 4-32 as P-6E
32-276	3-32	94th Pur	76	Selfridge	12-34	Wrecked 12-34 as P-6E
32-277	3-32					Wrecked 11-38 as P-6E

Note: the above data do not include the YP-20 A.C. 29-374 which was modified to a P-6E configuration and surveyed 10-37 as an XP-6F.

A.C. No. 32-261 is presently being restored at Purdue University for eventual display at the Air Force Museum, W-PAFB, Ohio. As far as is known this is the only P-6E still in existence.

F-6E DRAWING - Page 272

To supplement the information contained in this listing of Curtiss "Hawks" Bergen Hardesty offered to make an illustration of the markings used. He got together with Bob Cavanagh, and following is a description of the markings and insignia shown.

The right illustration illustrates P-6E, A.C. No. 32-237, of the 33rd Pursuit Sqdn., 8th Pursuit Group, which was based at Langley Field, Va. It had chrome yellow wings, fin, stabilizer and elevators. The fuselage was olive drab with a red band, bordered by white pin stripes. The elliptically shaped insignia, bordered with a red pin stripe, presented a white taloned eagle's claw on a light blue background. The foot was yellow and the feathered upper shank was mottled brown. The Number, 22, was repeated on the upper left wing and on the fuselage nose.

The left elevation and plan views show P-6E, A.C. No. 32-266, of the 17th Pursuit Sqdn., 1st Pursuit

Group, Selfridge Field, Mich. Colors: chrome yellow wings, fin, stabilizer and elevators; olive drab fuselage with nose cowl and landing gear decorated in black and white. The red stripe on the upper wing denoted an element leader. The wide insignia band of black was bordered fore and aft with a white ribbon stripe and black pin stripe. The headrest fairing, just forward of the insignia, carried a white diamond, outlined in black. The diving snow owl was white. This appeared in a slightly different attitude in later insignia designs. The black airplane number on the fin was repeated on the nose.

The outer two-thirds of the rear sides of the propeller blades were matte olive drab. Black and white nose decorations were later replaced by simplified design which eliminated smudging over the white by the exhaust and oil leaks. The olive drab fuselage was also changed, to light blue, Shade 23, Spec. No. 98-24113, of 23 May 1934.

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From the Kalamazoo, Mich., GAZETTE, June 21, 1961

Submitted by Gary Fisk

A photo of a Bell P-39Q "Aircobra" (N-92848), with checkerboard rudder, racing number 11 painted on the side of the fuselage, and the words "Kaiser Frazer" painted above and below the exhaust stacks. The caption on the photo reads:

"BOUND FOR CALIFORNIA - Starting to disassemble this P-39Q Aircobra are Jerry Miro and Al Redick of Claremont, Calif., who are preparing to take the plane to the Air Museum at Claremont. The plane, abandoned 10 years ago at Sky Harbor Airport in Cleveland, won the Thompson Trophy at the Cleveland Air Races in 1946."

WINTER - 1961

OLD RICKENBACKER CAR PLANT RAZED

Detroit (AP) - The old Rickenbacker factory, where America's World War I flying ace, Capt. Edward V. Rickenbacker, built the "great American car," was being torn down today.

A Rickenbacker 1924 model C - the car that was too good to sell, too far ahead of its time - made one last trip yesterday through the archway that once was the end of the assembly line for the Rickenbacker Motor Car Company.

By Friday, the factory will be gone, and in its place a landscaped lawn and circle drive will be constructed in front of the Shatterproof Glass Corp., which bought the property."

