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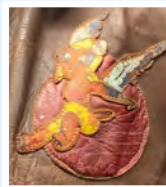


De Havilland
Tiger Moth

What was the Service ceiling of the Tiger Moth?

PERSON OF INTEREST:

[B]



WASP
PATCH



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PERSON OF INTEREST:

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She served in England as one of the more than 33,000 WACs (Women Army Corps).

Staff Sergeant
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Ribbon rack
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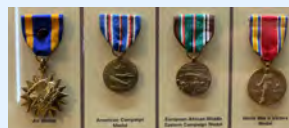
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Flight Nurse
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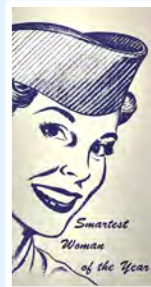


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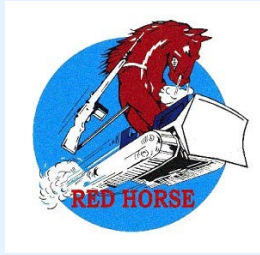
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First woman to fly a fighter aircraft in combat.



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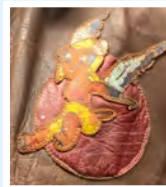
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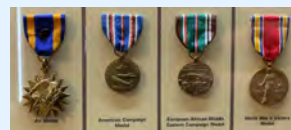
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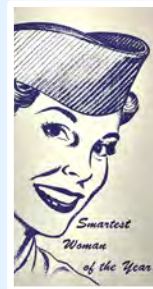
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