

St. Robert L. Rohlfing

WHOSE LIFE WAS SAVED ON

April 18,1945 in the Pacific Area

BY A Gibson Girl

BY VIRTUE OF THIS ADVENTURE, NOW DULY CONFIRMED, THESE

PRESENTS DO HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGE HIM AS A MEMBER OF THE



FOR THE ORDER



GIVEN AT NORTH HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA THIS 14 DAY OF NOV. 1945



## Bendix Aviation Corporation

11600 SHERMAN WAY, NORTH HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA

September 21, 1945

1st Lt. Robert L. Rohlfing Serial No. 0-753246 2nd Emergency Rescue Sqd. 13th Air Force APO 719, c/o Postmaster San Francisco, California

Dear Sir:

The War Department has given us your name as the Commanding Officer of an Aircraft which was forced to crash land at sea on or about April 17, 1945 and that your rescue was subsequently effected as a result of your emergency transmitter, the Gibson Girl.

The Pacific Division of Bendix Aviation Corporation is interested in verifying whether or not your rescue was effected through the use of the Gibson Girl in view of the fact that we are the manufacturer of this emergency transmitter and we have sponsored an honorary fraternity known as "The Order of the Gibson Girl", membership to which is open to all persons rescued at sea as a result of the use of the Gibby Girl.

As mentioned this is an honorary fraternity entitling the qualified persons to a certificate of membership and a gold lapel pin.

The War Department, however, did not give us the names of the other crew members saved with you and since they would also be eligible to membership, we would appreciate receiving their names, addresses and ranks from you if possible.

We would, therefore, appreciate very much if you would give us the circumstances surrounding your forced landing, the incidents leading up to your rescue, the approximate location of the incident and the date.

In the event it is established that you and your crew members were rescued as a result of the use of the Gibby Girl, you are entitled to membership and we would be happy to welcome you as members of the Organization.

We look forward to receiving your reply.

Very truly yours,

PACIFIC DIVISION Bendix Axiation Corp.

M. T. Fries Sales Promotion Supv.

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