

SUMMARIES OF EVENTS

13TH SQUADRON

13TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (L)
YOKOTA ARMY AIR BASE
3RD BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L)
APO 328

APB/wfs

28 February 1947

SUBJECT: Monthly Summary of Events, Headquarters Section

TO : Historical Officer
Yokota Army Air Base
3rd Bombardment Group (L)
APO 328

1. In compliance with Regulation Number 45-1, Headquarters, V Bomber Command, dated 17 Nov 1945, the following summary of events of the headquarters section for the month of February 1947 is submitted.

2. At the close of the month, the personnel in the headquarters section were:

Major Arnold P. Burris	Commanding Officer
Captain Clifford T. Williamson	Adjutant
1st Sgt Robert R. Carpenter	First Sergeant
Pfc. Joseph P. Ward	Morning Report, Mail Clerk
Pfc. William F. Shawler	Clerk Typist

3. As of the 1 February 1947, the morning report strength was 25 officers and 97 Enlisted Men. During the month, the Squadron lost 1 officer, Capt M. A. January, Operations Officer and 20 E. M. We gained 1 Officer, Capt. C. L. Martindale but no E. M., making our strength 25 Officers and 77 Enlisted Men.

4. All but five of our inductees have been sent back to the Zone of Interior for discharge; those remaining expect to be called to the Replacement Depot within a very short time. An all volunteer Squadron is in prospect.

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5. Now that conditions have settled, the Squadron. too, is steadying down to an organized routine. Gripes are fewer, morale is on the rise. And, as conditions improve, so will the morale.


ARNOLD P. BURRIS
Major, Air Corps
Commanding

13TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (L)
3RD BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L)

AFPO 328
26 February 1947

SUBJECT: Monthly Summary of Events, 13th Squadron Operations Section.

TO : Historical Officer, 3rd Bombardment Group (L), AFPO 328

1. In compliance with 314th Composite Wing Regulation 45-1, dated 2 December 1946, and 45-1A, dated 13 January 1943, the following summary of events for the operations section is submitted for the month of February 1947.

2. The Operations section consists of one (1) Operations Officer, one (1) Assistant Operations Officer, and two (2) clerks. The personnel assigned are as follows:

Capt. Richard G. Mendrop O-660781	Operations Officer
1st Lt. David L. McNarney O-660774	Assistant Operations Officer
Pfc. Robert L. Thompson 46074380	Operations Clerk
Pfc. Raymond P. Keller 31512308	Operations Clerk

Capt. Maurice A. January, former Operations Officer, returned to the United States on 3 February 1947, after a very successful thirty (30) month overseas tour.

3. As of the 25th of the month, the Squadron has accomplished 390 pilot hours in the A-26 and 60 hours in the B-25. We had anticipated more time but due to loss of engineering personnel returning to the States and inexperienced personnel coming in, our maintenance section was handicapped. Our night flying this month was kept to a minimum due to weather and shortage of instrument parts for our ships. The Squadron participated in several group simulated combat missions and also coordinated some Air Ground attacks with the 1st Cavalry Division. We are still concentrating on instrument and formation work and the pilots are improving their proficiency in both. All Squadron departments are working together and no difficulties are being encountered due to lack of cooperation.

4. The Squadron is accomplishing the yearly requirements without too much difficulty; of course there are a few exceptions in the case of attached personnel and those few who have just received instrument cards. However, we have four additional months in which to meet the requirements.

Heating facilities in the Link Department caused it to cease operations and several pilots were unable to get their time.

The transportation problem remained a handicap in continuing the skeet range program.

Lt McNarney, our rocket instructor, conducted classes on rocket firing and all pilots attended. The Bombardier-Navigators continued ground school on various subjects pertaining to their training program.

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5. There have been several changes in personnel this month which are listed as follows:

A. New Personnel

(1) Officers Assigned.

- a. Capt. Clarence L. Martindale was assigned as Squadron Communications Officer.

(2) Officers attached for flying.

- a. Major T.J. Price
- b. Capt. B.J. Bushue
- c. Capt. E. Gillespie
- d. 1st Lt. H.S. Hall
- e. 1st Lt. R.A. Williams

(3) Enlisted Men Assigned - Gunners

- a. Sgt T.A. Cushman
- b. Sgt W.F. Klienzert
- c. Sgt C.T. Hilton
- d. Cpl G. Bennett
- e. Cpl A. Hansen

(4) Enlisted Men returned to the United States.

- a. Cpl D.R. Turock
- b. Cpl A. Ballash

Richard G. Mendrop
RICHARD G. MENDROP
Capt., Air Corps
Operations Officer

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3RD BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L) AAF
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26 February 1947

SUBJECT: Monthly Summary of Events, 13th Squadron
Engineering Section

TO: Historical Officer, 3rd
Bombardment Group (L)
APO 328

1. In compliance with 314th Composite Wing Regulation 45-1, dated 2 December 1946, and 45-1A, dated 13 January 1947, the following summary of events for the Engineering Section is submitted for the month of February 1947.

2. During the month of February, 1947, all aircraft of the 13th Bombardment Squadron (L) operated from Yokota Army Air Base, as part of the Occupational Air Force in Japan. Security and training missions were flown each day that weather permitted.

3. During the past month the key personnel of the 13th Squadron has remained the same except for the addition of a Communications Officer:

Engineering Officer	Capt D E Godbey
Ass't Engineering Officer	1st Lt R J Cyborski
Equipment (Ground) Officer	1st Lt F L Wrich
Line Maintenance Supervisor	2nd Lt R C Axt
Tech Supply Officer	1st Lt H L Crim
Armament Officer	1st Lt E E Carr
Communications Officer	Capt C L Martindale

4. The present strength of this section is thirty (30) enlisted personnel

Eleven (11) enlisted men have been lost due to reassignment and redeployment. In this same period this section has received five (5) replacements; four (4) being of the first three grades. These men are aiding this section to a great extent by passing their knowledge of maintenance and line procedures on to the less experienced personnel.

5. The 13th Bombardment Squadron (L) has in its possession the following numbers and types of aircraft:

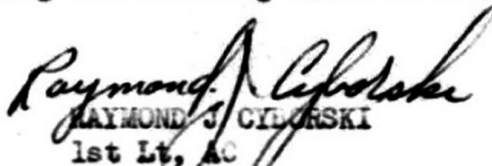
Eleven (11)	Type A-26B Aircraft
Three (3)	Type A-26C Aircraft
Two (2)	Type B-25J Aircraft

The two (2) B-25J aircraft are maintained by this squadron to facilitate the training of pilots unfamiliar with tricycle gear aircraft, and also for tow target purposes.

6. During the month of February, 1947, this section was inspected by the 314th Composite Wing Air Inspector, and also by the 3rd Bombardment Group (L) Air Inspector.

7. Many of our aircraft were temporarily grounded this month because of the poor supply of parts and accessories. Everything possible is being done to remedy this situation before it seriously hampers the efficiency of this department.

8. During the month between 25 February to 28 February extensive maneuvers were held in conjunction with the 1st Cavalry Division, 8th Army. This squadron flew simulated skip bombing and strafing missions during the maneuvers.


RAYMOND J. CYLORSKI
1st Lt, AC
Ass't Engineering Officer

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3RD BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L) AAF
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28 February 1947

SUBJECT: Monthly Summary of Events, 13th Squadron
Supply Section

TO : Historical Officer
3rd Bombardment Group (L)
APO 328

1. In compliance with 314th Composite Wing Regulation 45-1, dated 2 December 1946, and 45-1A, dated 13 January 1947, the following summary of events for the Supply section is submitted for the month of February, 1947.

2. Personnel of this section during February were as follows:

1st Lt. Warren H. Olson	Supply Officer
2nd Lt. Robert J. Temple	Asst. Supply Officer
P.F.C. Gerald L. Jones	Supply Clerk
P.F.C. Robert C. Schneider	Supply Clerk

3. All T.O.&E. property carried in the unit property book has been turned in to the Base Accountable Officer and drawn out on Memorandum Receipt.

4. A showdown inspection of clothing and equipment was taken 15 February 1947 and requisitions for all shortages were turned in to Base Supply 17 February 1947. A large amount of clothing and equipment has been received during the month and issued to the EM.


5. 2nd Lt. Robert J. Temple assumed the responsibility of Asst. Supply Officer on 4 February 1947.

6. P.F.C. Gerald L. Jones, Supply Clerk, was relieved from duty and sent to the 4th Repl. Depot for redeployment to Zone of Interior.

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7. The following is a list of personnel in this section:

1st Lt. Warren H. Olson	Supply Officer
2nd Lt. Robert J. Temple	Asst. Supply Officer
P.F.C. Robert C. Schneider	Supply Clerk


WARREN H. OLSON
1st Lt. Air Corps
Supply Officer

13TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (L)
3RD BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L)
YOKOTA ARMY AIR BASE
APO 328

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27 February 1947

SUBJECT: Monthly Summary of Events, Armament Section

TO : Historical Officer
Yokota Army Air Base
3rd Bombardment Group (L)
APO 328

1. In compliance with 314th Composite Wing Regulation 45-1, dated 2 December 1946, and 45-1A, dated 13 January 1947, the following summary of events for the Armament Section is submitted for the month of February 1947.

2. Key personnel in the Armament Section are as follows:

1st Lt. E. E. Carr - Armament Officer
1st Lt. M. C. Brooks - Asst. Armament Officer
S/Sgt. R. D. McCreedy - Section Chief
S/Sgt. M. Ellis - Chief Gunner and Flight
Chief, "A" Flight
S/Sgt. J. R. Reed - Flight Chief, "B" Flight
Sgt. C. T. Hilton - Flight Chief, "C" Flight

3. During the month of February, Lt. M. C. Brooks was assigned to the section as Assistant Armament Officer. Also this month, the section lost three men who were returned to the Zone of Interior. They were Cpl. A. Ballash, Cpl. D. R. Turock, and Cpl. J. Lambaren, all Phase I, combat ready gunners.

4. The main project of the section has been the preparation of aircraft for the firing of rockets and installation of chemical tanks for smoke missions. The Wing Inspectors were here during the month and the section was in good shape except for a few minor items.

5. One of the principal problems of the Armament Section during the month of February has been a shortage of personnel. At the beginning of the month, the section

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was four below authorized strength and during the month, three valuable men went to the Zone of Interior. Of the men remaining, two are going to school half a day, leaving eight men to work full time on sixteen aircraft. This invariably makes it difficult to obtain the desired results.

Eugene E. Carr
EUGENE E. CARR
1st Lt., Air Corps
Armament Officer

PERSONAL EQUIPMENT
13TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (L)
3RD BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L)
APO 328

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26 February 1947

SUBJECT: Monthly Summary of Events, Personal Equipment Section

TO : Historical Officer,
Yokota Army Air Base
3rd Bombardment Group (L)
APO 328

1. In compliance with Regulation number 45-1, Headquarters, V Bomber Command, APO 704, dated 17 December 1945, the following summary of events of the personal equipment section for the month of February, 1947 is submitted.

2. Personal Equipment personnel for the month of February was as follows:

2nd Lt. John J. Doherty	Personal Equipment Officer
Pfc. Raynard H. Buckner	Clerk

3. Discrepancies in the section during the 314th Wing Inspector's inspection have been rectified.

4. All Parachutes, life rafts, and fire extinguishers in the planes are inspected and up to date. All but five 5-man rafts have been turned in to Air Corps Supply. The remaining five are being readied for any long overwater flights the Squadron might take.

5. A demonstration and lecture on fire extinguishers was given to the Engineering Section on the 25th February. Films on care and fitting of parachutes was shown to the pilots. These same films will be shown to the gunners.

John J. Doherty
JOHN J. DOHERTY
2nd Lt., Air Corps
Personal Equipment Officer

13TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (L)
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25 February 1947

SUBJECT: Monthly Summary of Events, 13th Squadron
Communications Section.

TO : Historical Officer, 3rd
Bombardment Group (L)
APO 328

1. In compliance with 314th Composite Wing Regulation 45-1, dated 2 December 1946, and 45-1A, dated 13 January 1947, the following summary of events for the communications section is submitted for the month of February 1947.

2. During the month, former Communications man, Cpl Del Pellegrino, was transferred to the Fourth Replacement Depot for discharge. Three enlisted men were attached to the Squadron Communications Section on TDY from the Service Group. Captain Martindale was made Squadron Communications Officer.

3. Early in the month, an inventory was taken of the Communications equipment and twenty eight flashlights were discovered missing. After an investigation, the locker containing the flashlights was found to have been broken into. A Report of Survey was submitted along with the Investigation Report.

4. Captain Martindale is the 13th Squadron Communications Officer. 1st Lt. Smith is Assistant Communications Officer.

5. The current strength is as follows:

- a. (One) Captain
- b. (One) 1st Lieutenant

Clarence L. Martindale
CLARENCE L MARTINDALE
Capt., Air Corps
Communications Officer