

**SUMMARIES OF EVENTS**

**13TH SQUADRON**

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

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31 March 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 45, the following summary of events of the headquarters section for the month of March 1947 is submitted.

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

Major Arnold P. Burris	Commanding Officer
1st Lt Harry H Muller Jr	Adjutant
1st Sgt Robert R. Carpenter	First Sergeant
Cpl. William F. Shawler	Clerk Typist
Pfc. Joseph P. Ward	Morning Report, Mail Clerk

3. As of the 1 March 1947, the morning report strength was 25 Officers and 75 Enlisted Men. During the month, the Squadron lost 2 officers, Capt Williamson, Adjutant, and Lt. McRoy. Our net gain of Enlisted Men was 16, giving us 91 E.M.

4. Capt. Williamson, Squadron Adjutant, was transferred out of the Squadron during the month. His presence is missed in the Section, not only for the amount of work that he accomplished, but for his personality. Our new Adjutant, Lt Harry H Muller Jr., had been working in the Section for some months, gaining experience so that he could fill the gap, if the occasion arose. Lt Douglas McRoy was transferred to 8062 Air Strike Control Detachment, APO 181, however he had been on Tdy with them for some time, so the

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loss, aside from the fact that he was a needed pilot, was not too great.

5. Most of the Enlisted Men who came in to the Squadron were assigned to the Engineering Section, where they were sorely needed. Among these replacements were a few very capable 1st Graders. and how we needed them!

6. A landscaping program has been inaugurated for the immediate barracks area. With the coming of Spring, and the accompanying warm weather, a few flowers and trees well placed around and in the Squadron area will give a much improved, almost "Stateside" appearance.

7. The Squadron Morale is improving noticeably; Officers and Enlisted Men are taking more pride in their work, making our squadron operate more efficiently than it has in a long time.

  
ARNOLD P. BURRIS  
Major, Air Corps  
Commanding



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- (1) Officer returned from D.S. in Zone of Interior.
  - a. Smith, Ted W. 1st Lt.
- (2) Officers attached for flying.
  - a. Phillips, C.D. 1st Lt.
  - b. Rigley, James, D. 1st Lt.
  - c. Loeffler, R.M. 2nd Lt.
- (3) Officers transferred from squadron
  - a. Williamson, C.T. Capt.
  - b. McRoy, D.D. 2nd Lt.

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

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

28 March 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 March.

2. During the month of March 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 an Ass't Armament Officer:

Engineering Officer	Capt D E Godbey
Ass't Engineering Officer	1st Lt R J Cyborski
Ground Equipment 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
Ass't Armament Officer	1st Lt M C Brooks
Communications Officer	Capt C L Martindale

4. The present enlisted strength of this section is fifty-one (51). Seven (7) enlisted men have been lost due to reassignment and redeployment.

in this same period this section has received twenty-eight (28) replacements; three (3) of these replacements were N.C.O.s of the first three grades. These men are very valuable in that their past experience in line operation, aircraft inspection and technical inspection is being passed along to the men of lesser experience. Eighteen (18) of the replacements are men recently graduated from the local A-26 Mechanics School and thus far these men are proving quite capable.

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 for tow-target purposes.

6. At the present time this squadron is operating on a reduced scale due to the fact that our operations; for the past few months have been with an insufficient number of personnel. The squadron is behind on aircraft inspections and have three (3) engines in the process of being changed--with two (2) more engine changes coming up almost immediately. However the addition of new personnel has this section on the upswing and four (4) to six (6) weeks will bring us back to an even keel.

  
DONALD E. GODBEY  
Capt, AC  
Engineering Officer

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

31 March 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 March, 1947.

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

1st Lt. Warren H. Olson	Supply Officer
2nd Lt. Robert J. Temple	Asst. Supply Officer
Cpl. Robert C. Schneider	Supply Sergeant

3. All excess T.O. & E. field equipment and excess bedding was turned in to Base Supply 24 March 1947.

4. A showdown inspection of clothing and equipment was taken 22 March 1947 and requisitions for all shortages were turned in to Base Supply 24 March 1947. New men arriving in this squadron are very poorly equipped, therefore our requisitions were larger than we expected.

5. A Proposed Equipment Modification List was submitted 25 March 1947.

6. Pfc. Robert C. Schneider was promoted to the rank of Corporal 1 March 1947.

*Warren H. Olson*  
WARREN H. OLSON  
1ST LT. AC  
SUPPLY OFFICER



ARMAMENT SECTION  
13TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (L)  
YOKOTA ARMY AIR BASE  
3RD BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L)  
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31 March 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 Regulation Number 45-1, 314th Composite Wing, dated 2 December 1946, and 45-1A, dated 13 Jan 47, the following summary of events for the Armament Section is submitted for the month of March 1947.

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

1st Lt. E. E. Carr	Armament Officer
1st Lt. L. C. Eooks	Asst. Armament Officer
S/Sgt. E. D. McCreedy	Section Chief
S/Sgt. E. Ellis	Chief Gunner and Flight Chief "A" Flight
S/Sgt. J. R. Reed	Flight Chief "B" Flight

3. During February Pfc. H. Spry was assigned to the Armament Section for duty. At present, the section has a total of 12 men assigned. Seven of these men are on flying status as gunners and the other five will be on flying status as soon as they complete their A-26 Gunnery and Armament classes.

4. The shortage of personnel has been the main problem of this section, but despite this fact, the work in the shop and on the line has been accomplished without too much trouble. Only two men are attending school and this gives us at least nine men on the line at all times, for the maintenance of sixteen aircraft.

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

13TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON  
3RD BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L)  
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28 MARCH 1947

SUBJECT: MONTHLY SUMMARY OF EVENTS, PERSONAL  
EQUIPMENT SECTION

TO : HISTORICAL OFFICER, 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 MARCH, 1947 IS SUBMITTED.

2. PERSONAL EQUIPMENT PERSONNEL FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH WAS AS FOLLOWS:

1ST LT. TED W. SMITH, PERSONAL EQUIP. OFFICER  
2ND LT. JOHN J. DOHERTY, ASS'T. PERSONAL EQUIP. OFF.  
PFC RAYNARD H. BUCKNER, CLERK

3. ALL PARACHUTES AND FIRE EXTINGUISHERS ARE INSPECTED AND UP TO DATE. THIS SECTION IS SHORT OF ONE-MAN LIFE RAFTS AND THE SUPPLY OF THEM AT AIR CORPS SUPPLY IS EXHAUSTED. AS A RESULT, SOME OF THE SQUADRON SHIPS WILL NOT BE FULLY EQUIPPED WITH THESE ONE-MAN RAFTS. THE FIRE DEPARTMENT HAS INFORMED THIS SECTION THAT THERE ARE NOT ANY FACILITIES FOR REFILLING OUR CO-2 CYLINDERS THAT INFLATE THE RAFTS. THIS WILL ALSO AFFECT THE SUPPLY IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

*Ted W. Smith*

TED W. SMITH  
1ST LT., AIR CORPS  
PERSONAL EQUIPMENT OFFICER

13TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (L)  
3RD BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L) AAF  
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28 March 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 March 1947.

2. During the month of March, there were no changes in the Service Group enlisted personnel, who were attached to the communications section in February. There are no squadron enlisted men assigned to the section. Lt. Smith, the Assistant Communications Officer returned from the States the latter part of the month.

3. Required inspections and necessary maintenance has been performed.

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  
Capt., Air Corps  
Communications Officer